

Newsletter June 2020

As hard as it has been to imagine where we came from, we can begin to see light at the end of the COVID-19 tunnel. By the time you are reading this, Lawrence County should have moved to the 'green phase', hallelujah! On May 19, the elders of the church gathered to begin making preliminary plans, not yet knowing if or when our county would go green. Because there are preparations to be made for reopening, we determined that **our goal date to resume in-person worship is Sunday, July 5<sup>th</sup>**.

Please pray for the leadership of the church as committees begin gathering again on Tuesday, June 2 to discuss areas that pertain to each group; then the session will gather again on June 9 to finalize plans. Our leaders will be discussing everything, from how we enter and exit the building to where we sit, the order of worship, and dozens of other considerations – for everyone’s collective peace of mind and well-being. Please stay tuned for updates via the website, Facebook, and email. An informational letter will be sent to you at the end of June outlining the details of our plan for reconvening. Rest assured that if for any reason you cannot begin attending in person again, we will continue to offer live streaming of our worship, as well as evening Bible studies well into the future.

This brings us to the most important aspect of this adventure. Throughout our country, the question of how and when to reopen has become extremely divisive. It is a challenge, because doing or not doing certain things can have dire consequences. Many believe the church should open quickly, while others believe the church should stay closed longer out of an abundance of caution. And the thing is, you can make arguments for both. Regardless of how we feel on the matter, we must remain unified in Christ. This was an issue for the Corinthian church. Therefore, the apostle Paul wrote to them in 1 Corinthians, attempting to address disputes they had amongst themselves. He begins the letter by saying, *“Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose.”* (1 Corinthians 1:10).

Our congregation likely represents diverse opinions on this matter. As we continue to take steps forward into the unknown, be sure that your heart, mind, and response to others is unified in the mission of Jesus Christ. Can that be accomplished via virtual worship? Sure. By gathering again in-person? Absolutely. By some other means? Probably. God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is unchanging, but the methods in which we share the good news will, especially in a world that has changed so dramatically. You do not need to agree with someone to respect or love them. So, please be sure to keep the core mission of Jesus in your heart, and offer a lot of grace to one another. It may take all of us time to digest our new normal, but that should not diminish our ability to love one another, knowing first and foremost that Jesus loves and forgives us!

Grace and peace,  
Aaron and Michael

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**Health Note:**

"Wouldn't it be wonderful to be a reflection of Jesus to those we meet along the way? There are so many hurting people in this world that are in need of the compassion of Jesus. Through Christ, we can give them what they need. We can be there for the lonely, the broken, and the hurting. We can feed the hungry, drive the sick to their doctor appointment, and listen to the hurting as they pour out their heart. We can show them Jesus. Where do I find those in need, you ask? Ask Jesus to bring them into your life. He alone knows who needs a touch of love from one of his children. Seek His face and he will lead."

(Living in the Vineyard, Cyndy Lindblad)

"In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will direct your path." Proverbs 3:6



**SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY!!!**

The Sue DeVite Scholarship is now available. This scholarship is for any active Clen-Moore Church member who is entering a post-high school educational program.

In addition to the Sue DeVite Scholarship and using the same criteria, there will be a special scholarship given to one applicant in honor of Harry & Thelma Banks.

There can be multiple recipients of the scholarship. The criteria within the guidelines must be met by the applicant, and the application must be completed and turned in to the committee by Friday, June 19th.

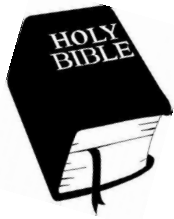
All of the details of the scholarship are within the application. Applications are available in the church office and can be picked up by appointment. They are also available to be emailed at your request. Please contact me with any questions.

~Pastor Aaron

**SCHOLARSHIP**

**MESSENGER DEADLINE FOR JULY IS JUNE 19TH**

# DAILY BIBLE READINGS



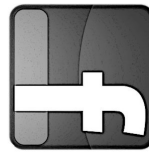
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## IN MEMORIUM

John Catterson



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## SAVE THE DATE

- Sunday Worship can be viewed live or recorded by going to:  
**www.clenmoore.org, and click on the blue box that says "Watch Sunday's worship service" or on Facebook live.**
- We will keep you informed and updated as things change, please continue to check the church website, church Facebook page and your emails accordingly.



## GRADUATION SUNDAY 2020



We will be celebrating our Graduates during our on-line worship service at the end of June. (Date to be determined by CE Committee). We want to celebrate the graduation of those in high school, college (all degrees), military, and any other graduating institution.

Please contact the church office by **Friday, June 12th** with your Graduates information: **1. Full name. 2. Any immediate family relations to Clen-Moore Church Members. 3. Place graduating from. 4. Degree. 5. Brief future plans. 6. For high school graduates please email or text Pastor Aaron a picture of your graduate.**

Please do not assume that the office knows about your Graduate...do call or email. Congratulations to all of Clen-Moore's Graduates! God bless you and may you bless the Lord Jesus Christ in your future endeavors.

**ATTENTION**  
 New email for the church office is:  
**clenmoorechurch@gmail.com**

\*\*\*Call the church office at **724.654-6657** if you would like to have a non-medical cloth mask made for you. We will set up a time so that you may pick it up.\*\*\* Let us know if you are in need of anything, there are volunteers available to help you.

## Stewardship & Finance

As we all look forward to being able to move around a little more freely now, we can also thank God for his never ending concern and care for all of us through Clen-Moore. Our Pastors and church leaders have done a great job keeping us informed and spiritually nourished, and the church finances have remained strong with many generous contributors. The year to date income through April has **exceeded** expenses by \$2,267. Praise God! Please continue to pray for and financially support Clen-Moore as we journey forward together as a church family. May God continue to bless all of us!  
 ~~Thank you, Stewardship & Finance Committee

## Bible Study Opportunity:

"Walking through Romans" with elder Stephen Cowher. Stephen is a church elder, a gifted Bible teacher, and he has the credentials to back it up. Stephen opens up to us the reality of how the books of the Bible relate to one another. He carefully guides us through what the author of each book is actually saying and what they are challenging the church to believe and do. These studies are on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM. Join us via Zoom ID: 391-295-5759 & Password: 467724 or via Facebook Live.