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God is in control. Humans are not. This is a terribly frustrating reality for so many of us. We want to be able to solve problems, and we are arrogant enough to think that our solutions are the right ones. The year 2020 has served as an incredibly loud reminder that we are not in control. This pandemic was unexpected and unwanted. As individuals we cannot fix the pandemic, only do our part to stop the spread. Our leadership ministry team has been put into an impossible situation – trying to figure out whether we are overreacting or underreacting without God’s omniscience at our disposal.

Out of a sincere love for our parishioners and our community, the leadership ministry team has

decided to suspend in-person activities at 527 Allen Street throughout August. (The church is not closed, just the building!)

On September 3<sup>rd</sup>, the leadership team will

meet again and discuss future events. While I grieve this decision, my soul is at peace. I pray that you are able to find meaning in our worship services that air on the radio and on Facebook. I look forward to joining you each Sunday morning in your home.



Court, Jenny, & Elliott Lewis

As many of you know, Court Lewis has accepted a teaching position in Tennessee. We are happy for him, but very sad for us. To say that Court, Jenny and Elliott will be missed is an understatement. So, we are planning an event that will give us an opportunity to wish them well.

**Drive-Thru Farewell Blessing for the Lewis Family**  
**Sunday, August 9th, 3:00 - 5:00 PM**  
**2426 Allen Street**

Enter the driveway from Allen Street and exit left through the ally. Remain in your vehicle. Masks are recommended - they have the added benefit of catching our tears.

In their honor, we will be collecting school supplies and donating them as needed. A “Blessing Bucket” will be available for cards, notes, or monetary gifts. Go to [www.daviesskyschools.org](http://www.daviesskyschools.org) or [www.owensboro.kyschools.us](http://www.owensboro.kyschools.us) for listings of school supplies.

## SYMPATHY

Our deepest condolences to:

**Ron & Elaine Williams** and his family in the loss of his brother, Steve;

Sue Bell and her family in the loss of her husband, **Bill Bell**;

**June Coons & Patty Drury** in the loss of  
June's sister in law, Sarah King;

**Bobby & Courtney French** in the loss of his father, Bob French.

## MEMORIALS

*in memory of Wilda Luttrell*

by Tom & Judy Dixon, Ron Peyton, Jana Brizendine,  
Jean Lampkin, Stan & Jackie Napper

*in memory of Lois More*

by Tom & Judy Dixon, Sherry Cozart, Larry & Lisa Catron,  
Stan & Jackie Napper

*in memory of Ron Williams' brother*

by Bettie Kincaid

*in memory of Eva Bowen, Betty Bates & Lou Emma Adkisson*

by Stan & Jackie Napper

*in memory of Bill Bell*

by John & Vicki Hast, Norman & Pam Woodward, Chris Colson and Family

## DEACON INFORMATION

**August 2**

Harold Wilson, Curtis Hannah

**Hope and Harvest Team**

Vickie Wells, Gary Kirtley

**August 9**

Dan Atteberry, Chris Holbrook

**Hope and Harvest Team**

Elaine Williams

## WORSHIP SERVICES

Would you and your family like to participate in the worship service by praying, singing, or reading scripture?

Call, text or email Micah or David and let them know.



I don't know about you, but 2020 has not turned out anything like I expected. Here we are with August right upon us and seven months have passed us by. We live everyday thinking things just have to get better but we are still surviving in a global pandemic. It

has been a difficult time for everyone. Parents have experienced stress like never before; loss of jobs, fear of the unknown, medical situations, and difficulty on many levels. Kids have also faced changes and challenges taking them to a huge disruption in their lives. Birthdays have been celebrated in ways you could ever

imagine. Yard signs have been a common way to celebrate special events like graduations and birthdays. I personally attended too many drive by occasions like funerals, birthdays, and graduations. Not attending church on a regular basis has been something I never imagined. Wow, it has surely been different year! Now that school is getting ready to start and with a unique schedule at best. While we are in a world that is changing and is not normal, God remains the same. We cannot control many things around us, but God is our constant in all of it. All of our problems are just temporary but God is eternal. So when we are uncertain or afraid, we need to remember that Jesus is the friend that never leaves us. Jesus is the same yesterday, today and forever.

**“Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old, he will not depart from it.”**

**Proverbs 2:6**

We're still  
here for you.

Our building may be closed but the staff is still meeting, working, planning and praying.



## CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING



WEDNESDAY

AUGUST 12

6:00 pm via ZOOM

We have several items to discuss and need you to be in attendance.

Details on how to join the conversation will be sent to you by email next week

**Mark your Calendars!**