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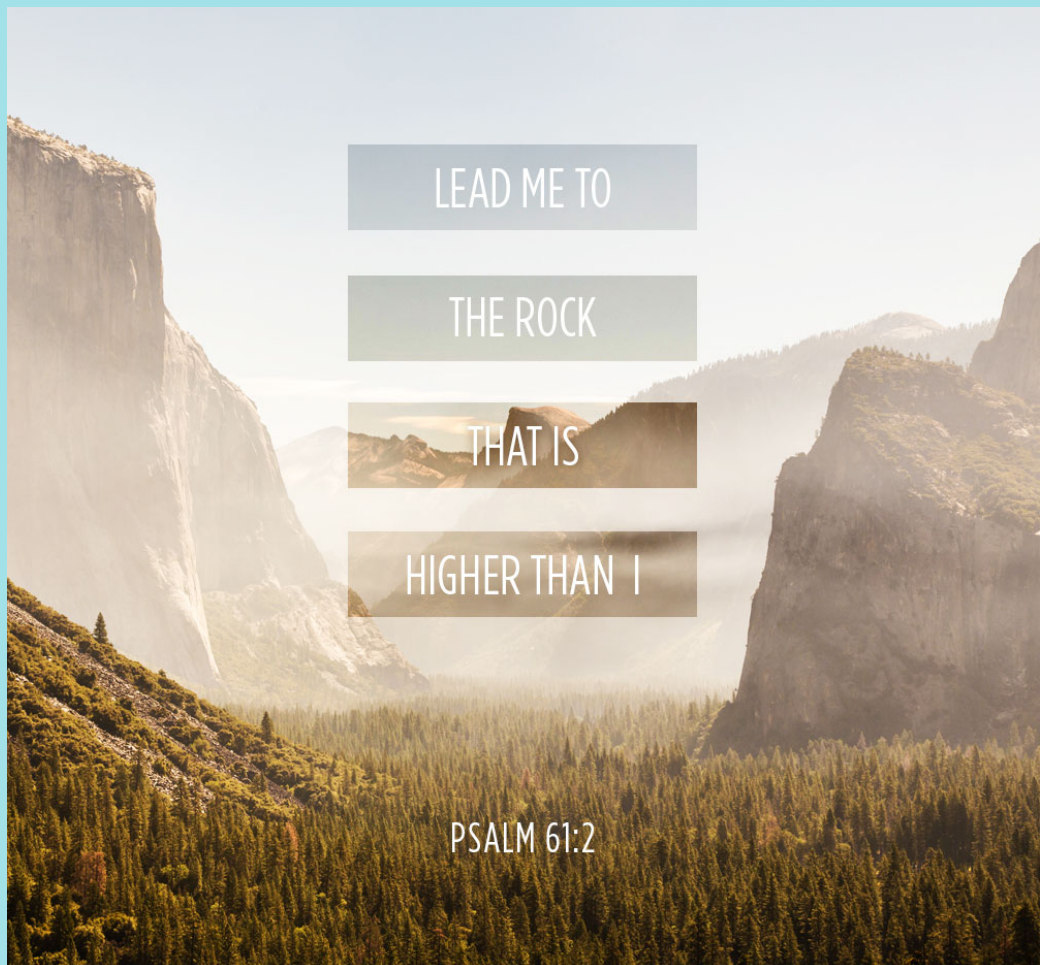


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LEAD ME TO  
 THE ROCK  
 THAT IS  
 HIGHER THAN I

PSALM 61:2



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**For Information on**  
**Our Service Times**



By Dan Jenkins

## When Do You Start to Teach Your Children?

Last week we discussed the great need there is in the church for developing leaders—elders, deacons and preachers. The truth is that we are not training enough men to preach and many congregations are suffering because of a growing lack of leadership.

Our homes no longer are places where these leaders were developed in the past. Young men are not being challenged as they once were.

We talked about Hannah and her view of the fact that Samuel was simply given to her by God, and she willingly gave him back to God. Take time to look at a New Testament example of a young man who was given back to God to serve Him.

Who would have ever thought that great church leader would come from a home where the father made no contribution to the spiritual growth of his child? Timothy's father was a pagan, one who did not even believe in the true God, yet there were other influences in his life which had a far greater impact. The few details we have about his background should be a real encouragement to mothers whose husbands today are in many ways like Timothy's father.

Timothy's faith began with his grandmother, Lois. Paul speaks of the faith Timothy had and describes it in this

way. It was a "...genuine faith...which dwelt first in your grandmother" (2 Tim. 1:5). It did not stop there. It also dwelt in Lois, her daughter, before it dwelt in Timothy. Parents, you may not realize that you are part of determining the eternal destiny of your grandchildren, even before they are born.

What did Lois and Eunice do to duplicate that genuine faith in Timothy? It began far earlier than most realize. Paul says, "That from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith" (2 Tim. 3:15). The Greek word for "childhood" in this passage is the same one used to describe baby Jesus as an infant lying in a manger.

What parent or grandparent is there who cannot take time to read the same stories Lois and Eunice used to create faith in His gifts to us? Yet we overlook so many opportunities to speak to them and they never see themselves as future leaders in the church. Moses described the process to be used. "These words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down and when you rise up" (Deut. 6:6-7).

The church needs leaders. Think about what you can do to help develop more leaders.

**Anyone can take time to read the same stories Lois & Eunice read to young Timothy**



By David Sproule

## Stone Rebellious Children?

Sometimes it is wondered how a loving God could command that a "rebellious" son be stoned to death under the Law of Moses. That just doesn't "fit" in what some people expect to be in the Bible. Let's look at it briefly.

First, the discussion is found in Deuteronomy 21:18-21. The focus is on a "stubborn and rebellious son who will not obey the voice" of his parents, and in his contempt for their authority, he "will not heed" his parents even after "they have chastened him" (21:18). This is not a matter of a child not finishing his supper or jumping on his bed like a trampoline. His refusal to "obey" (21:20) is called "evil" (21:21)—it was a capital offense. In other words, there was unrepentant and flaunting sin inside their home, and all of their efforts to quell it were fruitless.

Second, put this into the whole context of the law. The law of God condemned murder, stealing and adultery (Deut. 5:17-19). The verse right before that demanded "honor" for parental authority, in order that "your days may be long" (5:16). Now, which of these commands was more important? Which of these commands would be punishable if not obeyed? Just the ones we consider "the big ones"? Consider the larger scope of passages dealing with rebellion

against parental authority: "He who strikes his father or his mother shall surely be put to death...He who curses his father or his mother shall surely be put to death...Cursed is the one who treats his father or his mother with contempt" (Ex. 21:15, 17; Deut. 27:16). God took submission and obedience to parental authority very seriously, for if one rebelled against his own parents, where would that lead him in regard to the government and the law (yeah, even to God Himself)?

**"So you shall put away the evil from among you."**

Third, recognize the involvement of the local authorities and the community. The parents were to take the rebellious son "to the elders of his city," who were the local authorities who would weigh and judge the matter. If he was found guilty, "all the men of his city" were to "stone him to death" (Deut. 21:20-21). Think about our own system of judges and juries today, which shows the serious nature of the child's sinful (and unlawful) behavior. Note also that "all Israel shall hear and fear," providing a powerful deterrent for other sons who may be inclined to rebel against their parents.

Finally, recognize that whatever was involved in the son's actions was "evil" (21:21). Nine times in Deuteronomy, God gave instructions to deal with egregious sin in the camp of Israel and concluded by saying, "So you shall put away the evil from among you." Evil is not something that can be tolerated. It must be expunged. That is the focus of this difficult text.



By Josh Blackmer

## Stay Woke

Maybe you have heard this before. The idea of “woke” carries with it the idea of being aware of injustice, especially social injustices. This idea isn’t a new one. “For you are all sons of light and sons of day. We are not of night nor of darkness; so then let us not sleep as others do, but let us be alert and sober” (1 Thess. 5:5-6). Paul’s admonition to remain awake is not talking about a physical condition. What are some of the ways that the Bible encourages to maintain a woke condition?

“Therefore, prepare your minds for action, keep sober in spirit, fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. As obedient children, do not be conformed to the former lusts which were yours in your ignorance, but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all your behavior; because it is written, ‘You shall be holy, for I AM holy’” (1 Pet. 1:13-16). Holiness is directly tied to being awake and aware. So easily we can be lulled to sleep by the world we live in. Sometimes we call it “auto pilot” or “just coasting.” In these states, we haven’t made critical decisions, we are just letting things happen.

“Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with an attitude of thanksgiving” (Col. 4:2). Paul mentions prayer as

an aid to staying awake. How many times has the opposite happened to us? We fell asleep praying. However, devotion to prayer should help us stay awake to God and His will. Prayer with thanksgiving is one that is introspective and has taken to acknowledge what God has done for them.

“Do this, knowing the time, that it is already the hour for you to awaken from sleep; for now salvation is nearer to us than when we believed. The night is almost gone, and the day is near. Therefore let us lay aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us behave properly as in the day, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual promiscuity and sensuality, not in strife and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh in regard to its lusts” (Rom. 13:11-14). How many have gotten tired in the afternoon after a large carbohydrate lunch?

We didn’t need to eat that much, it just looked so good. It is possible for us to make provision for the flesh to the point that we have fallen asleep spiritually. Our focus is on the flesh and we are vulnerable.

“Behold, I am coming like a thief. Blessed is the one who stays awake” (Rev. 16:15). Are we going to be ready? Will Jesus say to us as He did to His disciples, “You could not keep watch with me one hour” (Matt. 26:40)? This life, compared to eternity, is much less than one hour. Stay Woke.

**“Be on the alert, stand firm in the faith...”**  
**(1 Cor. 16:13)**

## Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

### “I’m so bored during the sermon”

I don’t know a single preacher who makes such his aim, but many preachers and/or sermons have been charged with being “boring.” While I do not want to defend unprepared sermons or lazy preachers, I do wonder sometimes if listener’s expectations are properly placed. We live in an entertainment-crazed world, and sometimes churchgoers compare the preacher with the latest sitcoms, YouTube phenom or televangelist. Sometimes they expect him to take “the good news” and to “spice it up” or “crank it up” a bit. While the preacher certainly needs to do his best to bring forth the message of the good book in a proper manner for his listeners, may I make a few requests of the listeners?

Please...bring your Bible...use your Bible...follow along...take notes...mark in your Bible...find at least one useful piece of information...realize more people are listening than just you...engage the preacher with eye contact and facial reactions while he’s preaching...let something in the lesson spark a thought for your own Bible study later. Could your boredom say something more about you than the preacher? It’s God’s Word. Let’s love it. – DS



### Do not keep silent

Paul lived and preached in the immoral city of Corinth for 18 months. While there, he tried reasoning with and persuading both Jews and Greeks (Acts 18:4), but “they opposed him and blasphemed” (18:6). The gospel converted some (18:8) and was opposed by others (18:12). In the midst of this tumultuous time, the Lord spoke directly to Paul: “Do not be afraid, but go on speaking and do not be silent; for I am with you...” (18:9-10).

Do you ever feel opposed by those who reject the gospel? Do you ever feel like it would be better (and certainly easier) to just back away and keep silent? The words of Jesus to Paul are very similar to the words of Jesus to His disciples when He gave the Great Commission (Matt. 28:19-20). May we always remember that when we are go out to tell others the good news about Jesus Christ that we do not need to be afraid, we do not need to be silent, but we need to keep on speaking, for the Lord is with us! What joy! What comfort! What motivation! – DS

# Keep in Your Prayers



## Pray for These PBL Members

<b>Adrienne Banks</b>	undergoing medical tests, awaiting results
<b>Richard Haines</b>	dealing with constant pain
<b>Joe Holland</b>	under Hospice Care at Brookdale
<b>Inell Ingram</b>	now in Courtyard Gardens of Jupiter
<b>Dan Johnson</b>	recovering at home
<b>John Loftis</b>	still dealing with severe back pain and weakness
<b>Tom Martens</b>	Select Specialty Hospital
<b>Sallie Moses</b>	recovering from partial leg amputation surgery
<b>Phyiona Patterson</b>	recovering from surgery
<b>Angie Seames</b>	recovering from surgery on her Achilles tendon
<b>Linda Studer</b>	different chemo treatments, once a week for 3 weeks
<b>Kevin Weeks</b>	recovering at home, slowly improving

## Ongoing Health Issues

<b>Lillian Bankston</b>	dialysis treatments
<b>Joel Ramirez</b>	dialysis treatments
<b>Linda Studer</b>	chemo every three weeks

## Pray for Our Shut-Ins

Millie Ames	Daniel Johnson
Josie Dawson	Don & Betty Matter
Annie Faison	Deidra Miley
Dianne Frye	Leigh Puckett
Margie Hardin	Les Sawyer
Loretta Holaday	Ricky Smedley
Joe Holland	Patricia Ventress

## Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

<b>Bethany Boggs</b>	Gary & Angie Seames' daughter, gallbladder surgery
<b>Rena DeV Vaughn</b>	Adrienne Banks' sister, undergoing cancer treatments
<b>Ron Fernander</b>	Turkessa Fernander's father, Lakeside Health Center
<b>Perrethia King</b>	Bettye King's sister, under Hospice Care
<b>Carolyn Miller</b>	Marcia Clough-Moss' mother-in-law, Cleveland Clinic
<b>Delores Sims</b>	Jimmie Banks' mother, undergoing medical tests
<b>Jay Tyson</b>	Shaun Tyson's father, hospital, chronic weakness

**Remember Our Mission Works**

*Pacific Islands*  
**Robert & Mary Martin**  
**Wayne & Kristi Parker**  
**Joey & Tammy Treat**

*Africa*  
**Tamuka Arunashe**  
**Nnanna Aforji**

*Montgomery, Alabama*  
**Apologetics Press**

*Coral Springs, Florida*  
**Mauricio Yegros**

*Bahamas*  
**Tavaro & Shameika Hanna**



# Church Family Calendar of Events

All Events Are Subject to Change.

## Sunday, August 30

- ♦ **Morning Worship for Last Names: A thru H** at 9:00 a.m.
- ♦ **Bible Study for ALL members** at 10:30 a.m.
- ♦ **Morning Worship for Last Names: I thru Z** at 11:30 a.m.
- ♦ **Evening Worship for ALL members** at 6:00 p.m.
- ♦ **House-to-House/Heart-to-Heart Labeling** after evening worship in the Family Room. Everyone is encouraged to stay and help out.

## Monday, August 31

- ♦ **Monday Night Bible Study** at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Room with social distancing being practiced.

## Tuesday, September 1

- ♦ **Tuesday Morning Bible Study** at 10:30 a.m. in the Family Room with social distancing being practiced.

## Wednesday, September 2

- ♦ **Midweek Bible Study** at 7:00 p.m. Meet in the Auditorium for a short devotional and the Family Prayer. All adults will stay in the Auditorium for class. See page 7 for children's classroom locations.

## Thursday, September 3

- ♦ **Family Group 1 Online Zoom Bible Study** at 7:00 p.m. Members of Group 1 will receive an email with a link to click to join the Bible study.

## Thursday, September 10

- ♦ **Family Group 2 Online Zoom Bible Study** at 7:00 p.m. Members of Group 2 will receive an email with a link to click to join the Bible study.

## Sunday, September 13

- ♦ **Wayne Parker Mission Report** at 9:00 a.m. Jr. High, Sr. High and all adults will meet in the Auditorium.
- ♦ **Youth & Family Singing** after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing for about 35 minutes.

## Thursday, September 17

- ♦ **Family Group 3 Online Zoom Bible Study** at 7:00 p.m. Members of Group 3 will receive an email with a link to click to join the Bible study.

## Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ Young Adults

### Friday, September 4

- ♦ **Sr. High & YA Ladies' Hangout** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Josh & Cara Blackmer. Bring drinks or dessert and your Bible.

### Saturday, September 5

- ♦ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m. See Ivan Villard for details.

### Tuesday, September 8

- ♦ **Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Traci Sproule. See Cindy or Traci for details.

### Saturday, September 19

- ♦ **Jr. High & Young Adult Bowling** at 4:00 p.m. See Ivan Villard for details.

### Friday, October 2

- ♦ **Sr. High & YA Ladies' Hangout** at 7:00 p.m. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible. See Michelle Franck for more details.



## Palm Beach Lakes Youth

### Friday, September 4

- ♦ **Sr. High & YA Ladies' Hangout** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Josh & Cara Blackmer. Bring drinks or dessert and your Bible.

### Sunday, September 13

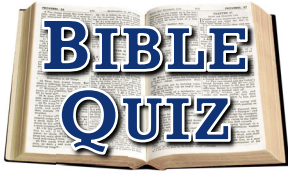
- ♦ **Youth & Family Singing** after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing for about 35 minutes.

### Saturday, September 19

- ♦ **Jr. High & Young Adult Bowling** at 4:00 p.m. See Ivan Villard for details.

### Sunday, September 27

- ♦ **Jr. High Family Devo** after evening worship. Please bring a drink, dessert or chips.
- ♦ **Sr. High Devo** after evening worship. Please bring a drink, dessert or chips. See Josh Blackmer for more details.



## “Forty” Bible Questions (sort of)

1. Who was FORTY years old when he got married (Genesis 25:20)? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What required FORTY days after the death of Jacob (Genesis 50:3)? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What did the children of Israel eat for FORTY years (Exodus 16:35)? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Where did Moses go for FORTY days and FORTY nights (Exodus 24:15-18)? \_\_\_\_\_
5. What did God give Moses after those FORTY days (Deuteronomy 9:11)? \_\_\_\_\_
6. What did Moses do for the second FORTY days on the mountain (Deuteronomy 9:18, 25)? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Where did the spies go for FORTY days (Numbers 13:25)? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Which spy was FORTY years old (Joshua 14:7)? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Against what city did FORTY thousand soldiers prepare for war (Joshua 4:13)? \_\_\_\_\_
10. Where did God send rebellious Israel for FORTY years (Numbers 14:33-34)? \_\_\_\_\_
11. What did not wear out during the FORTY years in the wilderness (Deuteronomy 29:5)? \_\_\_\_\_
12. Which of Israel’s judges had FORTY sons (Judges 12:14)? \_\_\_\_\_
13. Who threatened Israel for FORTY straight days (1 Samuel 17:16)? \_\_\_\_\_
14. How old was David when he began to reign for FORTY years (2 Samuel 5:4)? \_\_\_\_\_
15. Who traveled for FORTY days on the strength of only two meals (1 Kings 19:5-8)? \_\_\_\_\_
16. What land did God prophesy would become desolate for FORTY years (Ezekiel 29:8-13)? \_\_\_\_\_
17. What city did Jonah preach would be overthrown in FORTY days if no repentance (Jonan 3:4)? \_\_\_\_\_
18. What did Jesus do for FORTY days and FORTY nights while being tempted by the devil (Matthew 4:2)? \_\_\_\_\_
19. What did Jesus speak about for the FORTY days between His resurrection and ascension (Acts 1:3)? \_\_\_\_\_
20. What oath had FORTY men made about Paul (Acts 23:21)? \_\_\_\_\_

**"...always abounding in the work of the Lord..." (1 Cor. 15:58)**

**Members Traveling**  
this week



**Thank You**  
for worshipping with us

Sunday,  
August 23

**LOCAL VISITORS:** Carolens Dussard; Damon Farrell; Miss Reanna Johnson; Miss Lonna Pate; Mr. David Payne, II; Miss Rachel Payne; Mr. Noel Sinclair, Jr.; Ms. DeRita Summerlot; Mr. Garfield Walks; Mr. Terry West.

*It's girl!*

Congratulations to **Ashley Alfaro** upon the birth of her **baby girl, Leticia Alfaro**, born on Sunday, August 9, weighing 5lbs, 15oz. Everyone is doing well.

**Thank You Notes**

If I was to personally thank everyone who has supported me in yet another trial of life, it would take weeks, and I don't believe I could still find the right words to express back to all of you. Thank you for loving Katie, thank you for loving and supporting me, and most of all thank you for loving the Lord. The comfort and strength that has been extended to myself, Tina, and Daniel is so greatly appreciated and much needed even now. The love that you show is truly the love of Christ working within you, and it is because of that love and our Lord that we are able to stand today.

Love, Darin Summerlot

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Fear the Lord and turn away from evil. It will be healing to your body and refreshment to your bones. Your prayers and love have truly been overwhelming and we are so grateful for what you each have done for us. Romans 15:13

In Christ, Kevin Weeks

**Directory Changes**



**Dan & Loni Fuller** no longer have a home phone number. They are only using their cell phones.

**Birthdays & Anniversaries This Week**

Sunday (August 30th)

Dion & Misty Hayes (Ann.)  
Mary Brown  
Simon Tyson

Wednesday (September 2nd) cont.

Jessica Ramirez  
Nahum Villard

Monday (August 31st)

Dan & Luann McLeod (Ann.)  
Nicholas & Sabrina Pietro (Ann.)  
Trey Higbee  
Cherylann Wineinger

Thursday (September 3rd)

Rick & Sherrie Tibbetts (Ann.)

Friday (September 4th)

Gary & Doris Friedly (Ann.)  
Nate Nelson  
Marty Williams

Wednesday (September 2nd)

Ashley Alfaro  
Johnny Davis

Saturday (September 5th)

Chuck & Trish Clark (Ann.)

**Sunday Worship Services**

All Bible classes and worship services will be at the church building this week.

The 9:00 a.m. worship, 10:30 class and 6:00 p.m. worship will be webcast live from our website.

**Worship Services for Sunday, August 30**

9:00 a.m. .... Last Names: A thru H  
10:30 a.m. .... Bible Class  
11:30 a.m. .... Last Names: I thru Z  
6:00 p.m. .... Evening Worship for ALL

**Bible Class Locations**

Adults ..... Auditorium  
Grades 6-12 ..... Adult 1-2  
Age 3-Grade 5 .... "Stepping into the Bible"  
Toddlers ..... Toddler Room  
Babies ..... Cradle Roll

**Bible Class for Wednesday, September 2**

7:00 pm. .... Meet in the Auditorium

Leading Singing ..... Ivan Villard  
Invitation ..... Dan Fuller  
Family Prayer ..... Nate Nelson

*(We will have a devotional, the Family Prayer, then be dismissed to classes)*

**Our Record**

Attendance	Aug. 23	July Avg
Sun. Bible Study	NA	108
Sun. AM Worship	158	178
Sun. PM Worship	101	91
Wed. Bible Study	98	110
Contribution	\$15,847	\$16,323

2020 Weekly Budget: \$14,944

Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: \$12,640

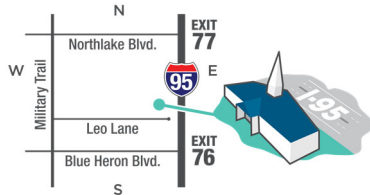
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# Palm Beach Lakes CHURCH OF CHRIST

4067 Leo Lane  
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*Speaking where the Bible speaks, Silent where the Bible is silent.*



### Service Schedule

#### Sunday:

Worship ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Bible Classes..... 10:30 a.m.  
Worship ..... 11:30 a.m.  
Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.

#### Wednesday:

Bible classes ..... 7:00 p.m.

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## Service Times for Sunday, August 30

*Please worship at your allotted time  
in the morning.*

*Please observe proper social distancing  
inside the building and sit only in  
the designated pews.*

*If you feel that you are at high risk,  
it is ok to stay home for now.*

*\*The 9:00 a.m. worship and 10:30 class  
will be webcast live from our website.*

**9:00 a.m.\***

AM Worship: **Last Names: A thru H**

**10:30 a.m.**

Bible Classes for All

**11:30 a.m.**

AM Worship: **Last Names: I thru Z**

**6:00 p.m.**

Evening Worship for All