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Our church staff has been asked to work remotely this week. You can still reach any of our staff by calling Amy during our regular office hours Monday-Thursday 8:30am to 4pm and Friday 8:30am to 12pm, by calling the church office phone at (336) 869-8410 or by calling (336) 803-2805. During this difficult time, we are still actively ministering to people in our community who are hurting and will continue to do so in new ways together.

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Sundays @8am and Wednesdays @6:30pm
www.facebook.com/abbottscreekchurch

Mark's ReMarks.

Wow, but these recent days have rearranged, and stretched, and surprised everyone of us, haven't they? Your church staff had their first every Zoom Staff Prayer and Planning time! Odd to see all our team together on my phone but in 4 separate locations! Someone always shares a devotion, we laugh together, pray together for each other, and for the many needs of the sick and sad in our church. I asked that we privately pray for someone the Lord brought to our hearts, and then reach out to them later. For me it was "soon to be" Lieutenant Colonel Daniel Call, Chief of Chaplin's Office, US Air Force, who works in the Pentagon. I had the privilege of watching a mischievous, red-headed, freckle-faced boy grow into a Humble, Faithful Soldier of Jesus Christ. We exchanged texts and encouragement in our ministry positions. Daniel said the Lord had spoken to him today, through Psalms 25. I decided to do some digging for myself.

During Daniel's darkest hour of his Life, when he had lost almost everything, the Bible says "He strengthened himself in the Lord his God." 1 Samuel 30:6. Psalms 25 details honestly the difficulty of Life's Journey itself. In fact, the word "path" appears twice in vv 4, 10; moreover, "way" is used 4 times in vv 4, 8, 9, 12. The Psalmist's answer to Life's difficulties comes in calling out to God for Wisdom & Leadership.

Can God be trusted to hear us when we pray to Him? Verse 8 of Psalms 25 states "Good & Upright is the Lord". **Yes, God absolutely can be Trusted!** But we must stop being prideful and arrogant. Verse 9 uses the word "Humble" 2 times. I believe a double portion of humility is needed by our nation today. The Hebrew word humble is described as a soft, soothing word on a hot summer day, or a stallion that has been broken, or a Healing Medicine!

Father, may we prideful people humbly repent of our sin and ask Christ Jesus to be the Balm of Gilead for Troubled Hearts! That's the Healing Medicine our world needs today!

— Pastor Mark

A Prayer for Those Who Are Worried about the Spread of the Coronavirus

Father,

Worry and fear are not of Your heart. 1 John 4 reminds us that perfect love casts out all fear, and we pray Your perfect love upon the hearts of all those who are burdened with fear of this virus. Lord, we know with no doubt that You are bigger than the threat of anything, especially illnesses. Please comfort those who are living in fear, please free them from the bondage that anxiety creates within. Remind them that You are still on the Throne and that You are still in control. Fully rain down the serenity that comes only from the Prince of Peace. Help those who are living in unease to trust You in this time so that in times to come we may rest assured that You will be faithful to be with us until the end of age. We rest at the Throne of the Almighty such fears and cast them upon You (1 Peter 5:7), for Your burden is Light and Your Yoke is easy (Matthew 11:30), we know You cover us with Your wings (Psalms 91:4). *In Jesus' name, Amen.*

Prayer Requests

PRAY FOR

- Becky Sink and family in the loss of Junior
- Lois Beeson
- Wayne Bodenheimer
- Don & Crystal Myers family
- Angela Dobbins family
- Grace Green
- Doris Loggins
- Martha White
- Junior Sink
- Ruth Vaden

COMMUNITY & FRIENDS

- The Heitman Family Wreck (Libby Essick's Family)
- Frances, sister of Wayne Simpson
- Josh Jacobs mother, Diane
- Marty Payne
- Brian Sapp
- Susan (sister of Shirley Mendenhall)
- Becky Slate in the loss of her mother
- Brenda Hayworth's sister Wanda and her father
- Warren
- Erica
- Josh Ramsey
- Mary Ann Cotton & Lewis (friends of Barbara Simpson)
- Kay Wall

- Diane (sister of Judy Keesee)
- Paul (friend of Robert Clayton)
- Jason (nephew of Robert Clayton)
- Harris Family (friends of Dave Keesee)
- Dr. Fred Mock
- Linda (Edna Cox's mother)
- Diane Spurgeon (Evva Spurgeon)
- Linda Keiner (Hugh Motsinger's sister)
- Rhonda Farlow (friend of Marilyn Love)
- Hadley, Dave & Judy Keesee's granddaughter

OUR SHUT-INS/HOMEBOUND

- Carole Hedgecock
- Roxie Beeson
- Dorothea Bodenheimer
- Gene Craven
- Matthew Dunn
- Dot Hayes
- Marty Livengood
- Pansy Moore
- Helen Penninger

Pray for Our Military

- Troy Goforth-US Air Force**
- Jessie Hayworth-US Navy**
- Chase Choate-US Air Force, Idaho**
- Kevin Hill-US Army**
- Sofia Pauguada-US Army**
- Carey Loggins-US Army, Ft. Hood**
- Austin Stilley-USMC, Camp Pendleton**
- Kasey Clinard-US Air Force, Arizona**
- Zach Serge-US Air Force, North Dakota**
- T.C. Baity-US National Guard, Virginia**
- Connor Tomblin-US Navy, Great Lakes**
- Mark Raisner-US Army**

The Spring-

I wanted to reach out my Abbotts Creek family, say "Hi!"

So to start my "virtual" visit with you, I'll give a knock on your "virtual" door...

Knock, Knock
(Who's there?)

Heaven
(Heaven who?)

Heaven seen you in ages, I miss you!

Knock, Knock
(Who's there?)

Noah
(Noah who?)

I Noah guy if you need an ark

Knock, Knock
(Who's there?)

God is AND He is always listening!

He loves when His children talk to Him
Psalm 145:18-19 says

"The Lord is close to all who call on him,
yes, to all who call on him in truth...

He hears their cries for help and rescues them"

Knock, Knock
(Who's there?)

Ben
(Ben who?)

Ben hoping we'll see each other real soon

Until then,
May God's grace flow your way

-Sandi



So everyone is trying to figure out how to do what we need to do in a time when things are different and difficult. Our student ministry at Abbotts Creek is no different. I want to let everyone know that we are still here to serve both our students and their families while life is in a unique place. We have created a larger

presence online through both our student Instagram page and a newly created Youtube channel. I am regularly posting to the student ministry Instagram page and will be posting at least weekly on the Youtube channel. There you will find devotions and Bible studies. I want to encourage you to take advantage of these opportunities to stay connected. Please let us know if we can do anything for you.

The Center for Parent and Youth Understanding *Parents Page for March 2020* is available below the student ministry bulletin board, in the vestibule, and outside the office area. Please avail yourself of this resource. Whether you are a parent or not it is helpful to know what is going on in the world of our students as a church so that we might more effectively disciple our students for the glory of God.

—Pastor Josh



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Our channel name **Creekside Students at Abbotts Creek**



"A Note" from Pat Taylor

We are postponing the Easter Cantata. Choir members, please continue to rehearse with your cd's at home.



Please remember to pray for our elderly, shut-ins, and homebound. This is a very lonely time for them given that their Pastor, family members, and friends cannot visit. If you would like to reach out with a card or phone call, please give Amy a call at the church office (336) 869-8410 or send her an email to secretary@abbottscreek.org and she will be happy to provide contact information for you. Thank you and everyone please take care of yourselves!

Church Receipts March 22nd, 2020

Miscellaneous	125.00
Christian Scholarship	50.00
General Scholarship	50.00
Children Ministry	100.00
Labor of Love	350.00
General Fund	2996.00
Total Deposit	3671.00



The Abbotts Creek Christian Education Scholarship Committee is now accepting applications for student aid for the 2020-21 school year. If you are interested in applying, please contact Pam Delappe by email pdelappe@davidson.k12.nc.us or by phone @ (336) 887-9221. Deadline for applications has been extended to April 3rd, 2020



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 Rev. Josh Jacobs.....Student Pastor
 Sandi Todd.....Children/Pre-School Director
 Amy Raisner.....Church Administrative Assistant
 Pat Taylor.....Interim Music Director
 Patsy Taylor.....Interim Organist
 David Luther.....Interim Pianist
 Brad Williams.....Deaf Ministry Interpreter



Annual Spring Car Cruise-In
Saturday, April 25th, 9am to 2pm
 For more information contact
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