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Dear Community,

I pray you are experiencing the peace, blessing, and the grace of God in your life!

As always, there is a lot going on in the life of our congregation. Thank you in advance for taking the time to read about the things taking place and prayerfully considering how you might participate and/or encourage others to participate.

At the moment, I do not have a definitive date for reopening our in-person worship services. The CDC recommends that both vaccinated and unvaccinated people avoid large indoor gatherings. A large indoor gathering is defined as bringing together "many people from multiple households in a private or public space." Our regular worship service certainly falls into this category. In my humble assessment, we have come too far and God has been too gracious for us to accept the risk of meeting in doors this close to the end of the pandemic.

As the media team prepares to tackle the significant task of simultaneously meeting the needs of in-person and online worshippers, I do not anticipate holding full-scale outdoor services this summer. That said, I do foresee attempting a few small-scale outdoor activities that will not divert our media team from focusing on our long-range needs. As these and other opportunities arise, they will be announced during our online service and posted on our website in the "News & Events" section.

In an effort to keep you informed, please note the upcoming activities:

#### **Ongoing Ministries | Various Days & Times**

Virtual events and weekly activities including Sunday Morning Worship at 10 a.m.; Wednesday Bible Study at 7 p.m.; and Thursday Intercessory Prayer at 7 p.m., can be accessed through Community's Zoom conference line. The children and middle school ministries are excluded.

At the scheduled time log on to: [zoom.us/j/4047554100](https://zoom.us/j/4047554100) and enter passcode **4100**. To listen by phone, dial (929) 205-6099, enter Meeting ID (404) 755-4100 & press #, then enter passcode 4100 & Press #.

**May 15<sup>th</sup> | Media Ministry Open House ~ 1:00 p.m.**

To have in-person and online worship services that are worthy of our Lord, we need to increase the number of people who serve in the media ministry. We seek members to serve on the video, audio, stage, and IT teams to position us to offer the excellence required in this moment of history. If you have any interest and are willing to learn, please come to the media open house to see the technology we have added and the ways you can potentially serve. If not you, I invite you to encourage other members to participate.

**May 17<sup>th</sup> | Community Kids ~ 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. (30 minutes)**

We are launching an online ministry for children ages 6-11. Each Monday, we will have fun and engaging sessions for children to learn about Jesus. Please contact the church office for log-in information. It is different from our regular Community Zoom line and it will not be posted online.

**May 18<sup>th</sup> | Middle School Ministry ~ 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. (60 minutes)**

We are also launching an online ministry for our middle school students, ages 12-14. Each Tuesday we will strive to educate our students spiritually, while also giving them the ability to connect with each other. Please contact the church office for log-in information. It is different from our regular Community Zoom line and it will not be posted online.

**June 7<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> | COVID-19 Vaccination ~ 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

We have partnered with Walgreens to serve as a local vaccination site, allowing up to 180 people to receive their first and second shots. When appointments are made available, members of Community will be informed. At that time, I encourage you to select your slot as soon as possible, as they are likely to fill up quickly once we invite our neighbors to sign up.

If you have any questions, concerns, or would like to set up an appointment with me, please call the church office at 404-755-4100.

Sincerely,



Dr. Kevin W. Earley  
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