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Entire Sunday Worship Service Online

Sunday mornings at 9:15a at

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Community Good Friday Service Online

Friday the 10th at 7:00p at

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Happy Birthday to...

- 7 Alisa Anderson
- 9 Janelle Rawles
- 11 Breanne Alsman
- 11 Morgan Cazel
- 12 Karl Newell
- 23 Lisa Gregg
- 25 Adam Kaiser
- 30 Carl Apple

Happy Anniversary to...

- 9 Doug & Debbie Daffron
- 29 Mike & Kellie Cazel

If your name was left off, please fill out an Anniversary/Birthday info sheet found on the table in the foyer and submit it to the minister.



As I write this month's article, it's hard to think of any other topic right now than what's currently going on in our world with the spread of COVID-19 and the associated quarantining of population. It's one of the strangest things many of us have witnessed in regard to the precautionary measures being taken. While very hard for many of you on an economic, social, and emotional level, we know that one day in the (hopefully near) future, life will resume back to fairly normal. Meanwhile, we don't want to neglect the most important aspect of our lives—the spiritual impact this is having.

As you're well aware by now, the social distancing and self-isolation involved with this pandemic means that we aren't able to meet together as the church to worship together, encourage each other, serve one another, commune together, and receive nourishment from the Word of God. That's so unfortunate, because I don't know about you, but that's the

highlight of my week—to gather with my church family and worship.

Just because we can't "go to church" right now doesn't mean we can't still "be the church" as always. We have a greater opportunity than ever to love on people in need, to check up on our neighbors, to call, text, or email one another to brighten someone's day. We can utilize social media to keep up with each other. I encourage you to practice "distant socializing," not just social distancing. Don't stop connecting, even though we can't have contact in person right now.

Here are a few other things you can do in the meantime, until things return to normal and we're able to meet again as the church. As the church scattered, we can be the church each week by participating in church online, along with a few other practices. If you don't have the internet to tune into our weekly service, try to find a sermon to listen to on TV or the radio. Here are few tips to keep you in the habit of attending worship. 1) Get out of bed and get dressed. This helps put you in the mindset to worship. 2) Go through your normal Sunday routine. 3) Gather your family together around the largest screen you're able to view the service on. And try to stay engaged; no multitasking through worship. 4) Clap, sing along, and sing loud. It may seem awkward at first, but it will seem more like you're "there." 5) Lean into the message. Open your Bible, take notes, and have a time of prayer at the end. Make your home your sanctuary.

Another practice we can continue to do to *be* the church is to give. We have an online giving portal set up at sandbornfcc.org/give, which is the easiest way for you to give your tithes and offerings. Another way is to mail your check to SFCC, PO Box 73, Sandborn, IN 47578. It is such a blessing to be able to share in God's work and to give Him back a portion of what He has given us (per His command). Knowing that bills continue, ministry doesn't cease, and our missions must continue to be supported, we are grateful for the opportunity to share in the blessing of giving to the Lord through our local church, even though a plate isn't being passed. You are the most generous people I've ever met, and you understand how God loves a cheerful giver.

Also, we can continue to pray for one another while we are isolated at home. Few things brighten another believer's day more than hearing from another person who reveals they've been praying for you. (1 Thes. 5:11) I would just remind you to take a few moments and lift up your brothers and sisters whenever they come to mind. Also, lift up our state and national leaders, our healthcare professionals (some are part of our church), and others in the most vulnerable positions right now.

Why does it matter that we continue to focus on *being* the church in this time? Because though it's a confusing time in our world, we can still continue to trust in the Lord's guidance, His peace, and His providence. We can continue to love, serve, and connect people to Christ during this time of uncertainty, as we look forward to reuniting one day.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All in-person meetings, groups, and meals are canceled until further notice.

The Lightbearers Women's Conference will be postponed until a later date.

This year, our church has decided to participate in a national campaign being called **Year of the Bible**. This campaign is simply a way to encourage people to open their Bibles and find the hope that God's Word offers. We encourage everyone to get involved, whether as a family, small group, or individually. For more information, visit yearofthebible.com.

We have a new ministry called the **Gofer Neighbor Assistance Team**. If you, a loved one, a neighbor, or friend should need a Gofer to run essential errands, such as picking up groceries, toiletries, medicines, stamps, mail, or dropping off utility payments, picking up sack lunches provided by schools during the school shutdowns, or any other running we can do for anyone in and around the Sandborn area, you may contact us at (812) 694-8872 and leave a message. To be clear, our Gofers aren't able to FUND these purchases but are willing to donate their time and fuel costs to run errands or shop for our neighbors in need during and after this time of quarantine. We have a loving and trustworthy team of volunteers ready and willing to assist those who cannot or should not be among the public during this time. This is not just for the elderly but for anyone who cannot risk being out and about. Precautions and distancing will be observed when dropping off deliveries and collecting payments.



Shirley Baumert, Norma Gene Benson, Ron Emry, Floyd & Jean Kamplain, Bob & Marlene Mattingly, Brionna Myers, Karl Newell, John Rawles, Bonnie Schilt

**Names above will be left on for 4 weeks and then removed unless otherwise requested.*

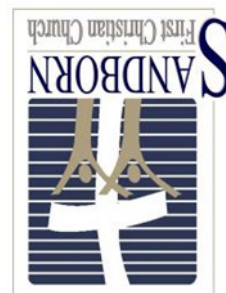
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Our Military, SFCC Youth

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April Online Service Team Schedule*	Palm Sunday 5th Record Thurs. 2nd 7:00pm	Good Friday 10th Record Thurs. 9th 6:30pm	Easter Sunday 12th Record Thurs. 9th 7:30pm	Sunday 19th Record Thurs. 16th 7:00pm	Sunday 26th Record Thurs. 23rd 7:00pm
Communion	Chad Russell	Bryan Sanders	E.B. Rawles	J.D. Lynch	Scott Williams
Media Booth	Debbie Mason	Julie Sanders	Julie Sanders	Madison Burress	Julie Sanders
Worship Team	Janice, Cody, Amanda, Janelle, Jeff	Ginger, Karen, Amanda, Janelle, Jeff	Barb, Troy, Amanda, Janelle, Jeff	Janice, Karen, Amanda, Janelle, Jeff	Barb, Cody, Amanda, Janelle, Jeff
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*Team members, remember to maintain at least 6ft. of distancing when at the Worship Center for recording.