

First Baptist Church DANVILLE

*"A Community In Christ,
Reaching Our Community For Christ"*

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We are certainly living through challenging times, but God remains sovereign, and the One in whom we place our trust. Thank you for how you have continued to connect with the church and serve our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. It has been difficult not being able to meet as a church body these last several weeks. I am grateful for the many ways we have been able to stay connected and for the deacons and pastoral team that have served so faithfully. The leadership (deacons and pastors) have been meeting weekly as we seek God's future direction for the church and our next steps during this pandemic.

We are thankful to announce we will begin meeting together as a fellowship on Sunday, June 7th! The 8:00am worship service will meet in the sanctuary, and the 10:30am worship service will meet outside on the front lawn.

For both services:

- If you have been recently sick or have a fever, we ask that you please stay home and watch via the live stream or listen by radio (WPGM)
- We ask that you stay home if you are at a high risk (age, health challenges, etc.)
- Hand sanitizing stations will be available. We ask every person to use hand sanitizer upon entering and leaving the church
- Bathrooms will be available for use, but we suggest they not be used if at all possible
- Please wash your hands thoroughly upon leaving the bathrooms
- No offering plates will be passed, but we encourage use of the offering boxes or online giving
- Communion will be handled differently so as not to pass the plate

If you attend the 8:00am worship service in the sanctuary:

- Please enter the building at the main upper entrance
- The main entrance and sanctuary doors will be propped open
- For the benefit of others, we ask everyone to please wear a mask and practice social distancing
- The pews will be marked for appropriate distancing
- At the conclusion of the service, please exit a row at a time to maintain social distancing
- At the conclusion of the service, please do not gather in the sanctuary or the foyer. It is safest to gather outside to maintain social distancing.

If you attend the 10:30am worship service outside the church:

- If restrooms are needed, doors will be marked for use through the gym
- Social distancing continues to be recommended
- Please bring chairs, blankets and sunscreen
- In case of inclement weather, the gym and sanctuary will be open to watch the service, and in that case, we ask you wear a mask and practice social distancing

The above safety precautions will be more fluid outside if the weather permits. In all locations though, the overarching point for the physical health of our community is spreading out and practicing social distancing. Although you may or may not agree with some or all of these items, we ask that you please follow them. We are called to serve one another even if it involves limiting our own personal freedoms.

Please continue to pray for the church leadership. A main concern during this time is that the body does not become divided. Please feel free to share your concerns, ideas or suggestions with your deacon or one of the pastors.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Dawes