# The Vine

I am the vine; you are the branches...John 15:5

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**Psalm 100:4 (ESV)** Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

I am so ready for WORSHIP TO RESUME ON SUNDAY, MAY 24<sup>TH</sup> AT 10 A.M.!

Hebrews 10:25 says, Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another--and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

So as we prepare to meet together again, we want to be careful to encourage you where you are with the coronavirus situation. We want everyone to feel safe, included and ministered to. In order to do this, there are several changes as we open our doors again.

### WHAT WE ARE DOING FOR YOU:

- We are sanitizing the church to the best of our ability.
- Hand sanitizer is available.
- Greeters will not seek to shake hands.
- We will not have bulletins.
- We will not pass communion or offering trays.
- Communion is a sealed wafer/juice that will be given upon entry. The person passing them out will be gloved and masked.
- Offering will be a box in the entryway.
- We will not have a meet and greet time during the service.
- We will not have Sunday school classes.
- We will not offer a nursery.
- There will be no children's message.
- We are encouraging each other to social distance.
- We will live-stream our services.

We are praying that these measures will allow those who are ready for everything to open up be able to freely worship, while those who are still a little unsettled will feel comfortable enough to attend.

### WHAT WE ASK YOU TO DO:

- Masks are not required but certainly may be worn.
- Wash your hands often and well.
- Please sit together as families and keep your children with you during the service.
- Please sit with appropriate distance between others.
- Please respect other's sense of appropriate distancing. (We will not 'police' handshaking or distancing.)
- If you are sick or have a fever, please stay home until you are well.
- If you are at risk, please stay home until you feel comfortable getting out.
- If you are concerned about getting out yet, please stay home and engage with us through the internet.
- If you are compromised by coming in contact with someone with the virus, please wait until after the proper period to attend.

We ask for patience and grace. This is new to everyone and we are learning as we go. We are simply unsure of when many of the regular church events will be able to resume.

We seek to show patience and grace as well. We plan to have the TV in the fellowship hall stream the service for an overflow area.

Therefore, this needs to be a no judgment zone. If you are not ready to get out yet, we respect that and won't judge you for that decision. Likewise, please don't judge the person who is ready to get back out in public. Let's assume everyone is doing their best to handle this. In this way, we can encourage and love each other all the more as the Day approaches.



#### **GRADUATE NOTE**

Please notify Mike if you have a Jr High, High School, College, or Trade School Graduate. The hope is to recognize graduates as church returns to normal.

### **CAMP NEWS**

Flaming Spirit Camp will not hold camps this year.



For those sheltering at home, church service will be available to live stream on YouTube (and Facebook if it all works out) Subscribe to Valley Falls Christian Church YouTube channel.



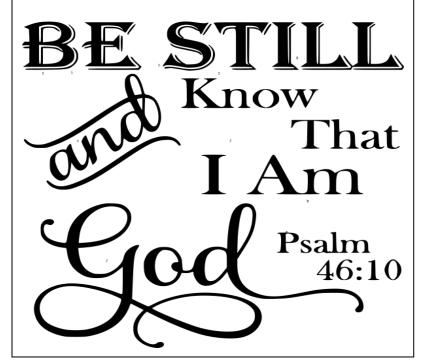
### No Men's Breakfast this month

Pocket Change for Progress: We ask that you continue to save your change for VFCC Youth programs and the School Supply Giveaway Fund however, we are making changes to how we collect the offering. Watch for news on where to make your offering in the future.

Past sermons available online
Listen at www.valleyfallscc.org. If you cannot access them this way, you may ask Pastor Mike for a cd copy.

## Activities yet to be determined

- 1. Sunday School
- 2. Nursery
- 3. VBS



May/June	Greeters	Scripture reader	Communion Devotion	
May 24	Mitchell	Mitchell	Stan	
31	Farr	Farr	Stan	
June 7	Flack	Flack	Wayne F	
14	Gatzemeyer	Gatzemeyer	Wayne F	
21	Welborn	Welborn	Wayne F	
28	Spencer	Spencer	Wayne F	

There will be no communion servers for the remainder of May or through the month of June.

**Prayer Requests:** Our nation, our President and Leaders, Kevin & Nancy at the loss of his mother.

**OUR SOLDIERS:** Curtis Mitchell, Aaron Cook, Jacob Mitchell, Matthew Branam, Noe Garza, Gary Flack, Dayton Flack.

**Church Offerings:** Thank you for supporting our church during the Shelter at Home orders. Moving forward, how offerings and donations are taken will be changing. Look for an offering box located in the church as a no contact option for making your tithes and offerings.

Giving on line will continue to be available as a giving option as well. Give to VFCC online through our partnership with Gyve at: https://gyve.io/give/valleyfallscc



### May Birthdays and Anniversaries

- 2 Sarah Toy
- 4 ERIN SHEAD
- 5 Gina Kirby
- 8 Lauren Thomas
- 10 Dan Strang
- 19 Glee Hosler
- 22 Myles Reich Aaron Cook
- 24 Gary Smith
- 27 Wayne & Christy Arnold (1978)
- 28 Malia Boyce (Names in CAPS in Mission Field)

#### **June Birthdays and Anniversaries**

- 2 TABITA MCAFEE
- 5 Donna Slavens
- 6 Carol Welborn
  Brian & Lori Barrett (1992)
- 17 Janet Strang
- 23 MATTHEW SHEAD
- 25 Curtis Mitchell
- 27 CHARLES & JODI WATKINS (1992)
- 29 Stan & Donetta Farr (1974)
- 30 Kelly Heinen

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### Worship services resume Sunday, May 24th at 10 a.m.

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**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED** 

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Find us on Facebook!

Mike Kirby, Pastor

You are welcome to join us! **Sunday Service times:** 

Bible Study (all ages) – 9:00 AM Worship – 10:00 AM Youth Group (grades 7-12) – 5:00 PM

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