

JUNE 2020



June 7th



June 21st



June 14th



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**Meeting
June 6th**



**Oasis
Meeting
June 29th**

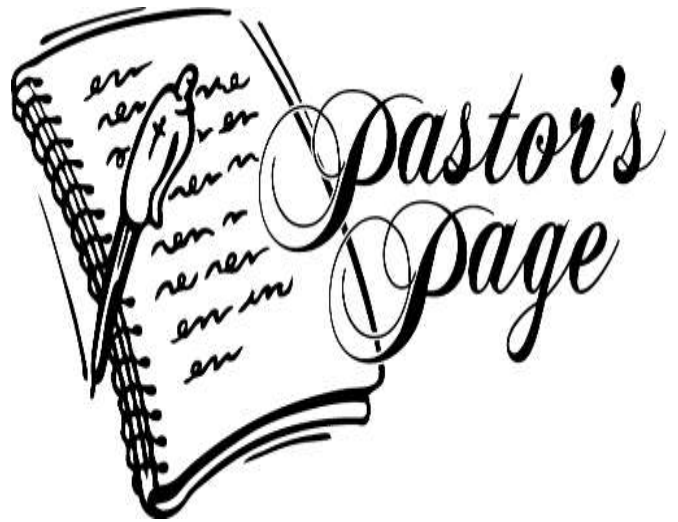
Matthew 6:28-29

28 “And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. 29 Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these.

As I sit here in my living room, I marvel at the variety of flowers that friends have shared with me these past few weeks. Some have brought a beautiful bouquet of carnations. The yellows alongside the brilliant reds that have a touch of yellow in them are so delicate. They have shown great stamina these last two weeks as have the sprays of baby's breath that is interspersed among them in the vase.

Then there are the bold hydrangeas from a neighbor's yard. First red ones were brought over. Big blooms with a wonderful fragrance and petals that looked like crepe paper. They lasted a few days in the vase and soon they were gone. Yesterday, yellow ones were delivered that have a touch of pink and red in the center. The blooms are huge in comparison to the carnations and much more brilliant looking. Yet I now know that in a few days, they too will wilt away. The carnations are still standing strong and tall. Still looking as beautiful as the day they were brought in.

The wonder of it all is that God created each of these kinds of flowers. Human botanists have bred and cross bred varieties for color and stamina and fragrance, but God created. God gave us the variety of flowers to begin with to enjoy. He didn't have to. We do not need beauty to survive but it makes our lives so much better.



This month let us be thankful for the variety of beauty that God has granted us in color, texture, fragrance, and endurance of plants all around us. Even the thistle when allowed to grow to maturity has a beautiful purple bloom. Someone once said, “Do we mourn that roses have thorns or rejoice that thorn bushes have roses?”

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Christian Education

by Barbara Pearce

Christian Education is the Moral and Spiritual Instructions from God's Word. Having knowledge of God and His works gives us all the power we need to feel His presence and promises. In the midst of this COVID 19/Coronavirus, we should Pause, Pivot (align ourselves with God/ to personally repent and renew our faith) and Praise our Heavenly Father for all the wonderful things he has given us through our lives and for the future we know he will bring each of us. Let's remember: "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope." (Jeremiah 29:11) and "He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you." (1 Peter 1:3-4)

Our World has been turned upside down. Way too many people have lost their source of supporting themselves and their families. Over 300,000 people have lost their lives. Everyone has been instructed not to leave their 4-walls, unless necessary. Most people, when going out in public are wearing mask. We are standing in lines 6 feet away from the people in front and behind us. Are we all remembering, this chaos we are living in today is part of God's plan? Cows are not worried. Horses are not worried. Monkeys, elephants and birds are not worried. "Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?" (Matthew 6: 26-27)

The more you educate yourself about God, his Son, and the Holy Spirit, the more you will be equipped to fight COVID-19 and any other plans the devil throws our way. God's word is in all our hands, we just need to make it our lives. We will not know all he has for us unless we indulge and totally surround ourselves in his word and with his people. Our church has several ways with: Sunday School, VBS, Bible

Studies, Worship, and Posting Worship on Facebook. Become involved with what we have or start a new gathering for God's people; a new way to become a stronghold for God.

Thrift Shop News

More information on the Thrift shop after a meeting on June 4th



Blood Mobile

Red Cross Bloodmobile will be in Flora at the Methodist Church on June 4 from 11:30 to 5:30. The Red Cross has implemented additional precautions to insure the safety of donors and its staff. An appointment is necessary. Donors may call 1-800-733-2767 or use the Red Cross Blood Donor App. visiting RedCrossBlood.org... They should, if possible use Rapid passes the day of the drive. (As you can imagine, blood, always in short supply, suffers when there is a serious problem such as the coronavirus pandemic.)

Session Leaders

Michelle Matos-	Clerk
Barbara Pearce –	Personnel, Christian Ed.
Melvin Matos –	Worship
Martha Clark-	Stewardship
Kent King-	Bldg and Grounds
Deloris Pitts-	Missions Outreach
Sally Schmidt-	Cong. Life



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 BloodMobile B=Sally Schmidt	5	6 VBS Meeting 10A.M.
7 Communion	8 B=Barbara Pearce	9 B=Jason McCammack B=Joan Moss	10	11 B=Patsy McCammack	12	13
14  Flag Day B=Kris McGill	15 B=Echo Arcadia Hollis	16	17	18	19	20
21 Session Meeting 	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29 Oasis Meeting 7PM B=Tammy Moss	30				