

Seeking God • Serving Others
BRADDOCK Baptist Church



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Every Week:

Sundays Via YouTube

April 12th – Sunrise Service 6:30am
9:45 a.m.....Sunday School
11:00 a.m.....Worship Service

Mondays Via Skype

6:30 p.m.....Young Adults
Small Group
<https://join.skype.com/FWTc2OLplqC4>

Wednesdays Via Skype

6:30 p.m.....Prayer Meeting
<https://join.skype.com/JwCncd5PPvCe>
6:30 p.m.....Youth Group

Third Fridays Via YouTube

7:00 p.m.....JustWorship

First Fridays (Cancelled)

6:00 p.m.....First Friday Dinner

Mother’s Day Out (Closed until Fall)

Monday-Friday 9:30a.m.-1:30 p.m.

LIFE AT BRADDOCK

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@BRADDOCKBaptistChruch.com



The BRIDGE

Building Responsible Individuals Demonstrating Godliness to Everyone

Pastor Corder Note

Advent living: Church are we living with expectancy? The kind of living on the edge of WHAT’S NEXT!!!

Many are just waiting for things to go back to NORMAL, what is that; that is the very thing that most were complaining of three months ago. But now with the travel down the road of Covid-19 isolation and masking, etc. some are willing to go back to Egypt, oh I mean the way things were pre-covid.

In God’s eyes things weren’t good then, and for those who have been praying, God has been preparing a new way for us to go, a way we have not traveled before. For me I am looking forward, not back, looking toward a better way to do life. Just one of the messages that has been pounded into us these past months, is to care for one another! Just because you think you’re a strong individual and you won’t be gravely affected by a little flu, you don’t need to mask up. But then comes the message, you could harm or even kill your grandparents or immune deficient friends, 100,000 and counting.

In light of this message you would have to be pretty callas to continue to live reckless and totally self-centered lives. God’s word has told us from the beginning to prefer other above yourself. Every generation has had difficult requirements put upon them man have answered the call to take up arms and fight for the freedoms of others possibly giving their life so other will come enjoy the freedom that the warrior did not survive to enjoy! And I can’t keep from addressing the senseless loss of life, and taking of life just because we do not love our neighbor as we love our self!!!

What is the world going to look like post Covid-19, I pray more kind; less self-centered, no you take the last roll of T.P. I still have a little at home and believe more is on the way before, I must have some. What would our world look like without prejudice? Were we don’t think the man walking toward us means us harm. Or is more likely to steel from us than we are, from them.

There are only two, that’s right only two kinds of people: Genesis 1:27 So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.



And there are only two dispositions with in humanity; the first disposition is that of the fallen man – for all have sinned, and second are the redeemed, traveling diligently under the guidance of the Holy Spirit down the road of learning to love one another as equally created in the image of the almighty God! Oh, my LORD, I long to see what it would look like if we lived with your love one for another!

Jesus told the women at the well that his Father (God) was looking for worshipers who would worship in Spirit and Truth. Jesus was asked what the greatest Truth or commandment was and he said to LOVE GOD with all your heart, all your soul, all you mind and strength. Then wait there’s more the 2nd is like the first, LOVE you NEIGHBOR as yourself. And we are told a young man trying to trip Jesus up, ask who is my neighbor? To which Jesus replied with the story of the GOOD SMARITAN which is a story of a close enemy being taken care when closer allies would not!

Just a note from your pastor’s heart

Pastor Timothy

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Sunday School Update

Welcome to Sunday School! Welcome to Summertime! And...Welcome to the Summer quarter of Sunday School. I hope all of you absolutely enjoyed our Spring quarter of study of the book of Romans. A great book of doctrine and guide to practical application of that doctrine to our daily lives. A BIG Thank You to Mitch Bennett and Pastor Kaleli for an Awesome job of online live streaming of our lessons. They will be continuing to stream our weekly Sunday School lessons online at least through June.

What will they be teaching? This quarter we will be studying the Book of Proverbs with two lessons at the end of the quarter on Song of Songs. Both books containing wonderful wisdom from God through King Solomon. As Dwayne McCray, team leader of our study material says, “May God grant us a glimpse of His wisdom and give us courage to act on what we discover.”

Please be safe and follow the guidelines to continue helping to stop the spread of the dangerous corona-19 virus. At the same time enjoy Sunday School and Worship. Celebrate Flag Day on June 14th and Father's Day on June 21st.

“The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace.” Numbers 6:24-26.

Sunday School Director, Gary Moore

Note from the Deacons

Dear Saints,

Well we are in the month of June already. I cannot believe it but we are just about 1/2 way done with 2020.

Time is moving so fast that sometimes it is good to stop, take inventory with God by asking Him not only to speak to us through His word but also to search our heart to see if there is anything that is not pleasing to God. To borrow a popular phrase from the culture today, “Are you all in?”

Today there are real signs of the times that the Lord is coming soon. Now when you read the prior sentence what comes to your mind, in one day, in one month, in one year, in one decade, in 40 years, or in 80 years? Whether you think it is one day or 80 years it is nothing in light of eternity. 2nd Peter 3:8 says, “But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.”

Saints, despite what is going on around us in the world, we are responsible for the choices we make daily. Don’t let the enemy rock you to sleep with anxious thoughts, cares of this life.....Think about eternity!

Share the good news, be strengthened in your inner most being, be ready for His return! Because in a blink of an eye, you and I could be standing in His presence giving an account of our choices we make. Will we be rejoicing in His presence or will we shrink back in regret?

Let Braddock as a church be those who will love His appearing.

Lord bless you,
Mitch B and the Deacon Team!
703.451.7784

June Birthdays

01 John Short

02 Harry Finley

15 Richard Hood

19 Rosemarie Dunn

23 Caroline Short


24 Jo Ann Hatfield



PS If your contact information, has not been updated...ie address, email or phone number.... please be sure to let Jonathan know. If any of your contact information has changed in the last couple of years, it will be more difficult to stay in touch if your deacon has outdated information.

Serving families:

Harry & Carol Finley	→	Letters A through G
Becky Corder & Jim Hix	→	Letters H through P
Elaine Comer & Manjaka	→	Letters Q through Z




7 WAYS TO PROTECT YOURSELF FROM THE CORONAVIRUS

HELPS TO FILTER OUT DUST, BACTERIA, SMOKE, & POLLEN

HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF FROM THE CORONAVIRUS

- 1 Wash your hands frequently with soap and water or an alcohol-based hand rub.
- 2 Stay six feet away from anyone who is coughing or sneezing.
- 3 Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- 4 Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your bent elbow when you cough or sneeze.
- 5 Stay home if you feel unwell.
- 6 Avoid shaking hands.
- 7 Keep up with the latest information about COVID-19 on [health.gov.au](https://www.health.gov.au) or [health.govt.nz](https://www.health.govt.nz)



LIVING WATERS

For more, read "How to Be Free from the Fear of Death" online at [WhatTheGospel.com/fear-of-death](https://www.WhatTheGospel.com/fear-of-death).

WHATSTHEGOSPEL.com

HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF FROM DEATH

Sadly, we can't always protect ourselves from sickness, and eventually we will all die, but we can be better prepared. Where will you go when you die? Have you lied, stolen, used God's name in vain, or lusted (which Jesus said was adultery, Mt. 5:28)? If so, God sees you as a liar, thief, blasphemer, and adulterer at heart. If you die in your sins, you will go to a terrible place called Hell. But there's good news. Though we broke God's Law, Jesus paid the fine by dying on the cross: "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life" (Jn. 3:16). Then Jesus rose from the dead and was seen by hundreds. He fulfilled all the prophecies of the promised Saviour. Today, repent and trust Jesus, and God will forgive you and grant you the gift of eternal life (Eph. 2:8,9). Then, to show your gratitude, read the Bible daily and obey it, join a Christian church, and be baptised. Visit [WhatTheGospel.com](https://www.WhatTheGospel.com)

Note from the Associate Pastor

Beloved BBC Family,

May you be richly blessed of the LORD during these times of social distancing due to Covid-19. As members of the BBC family we continue to be grateful to God for His loving kindness during this time of the pandemic. May our LORD Jesus Christ, who is the Great Shepherd of His Church keep from harm all BBC members.

As we continue living being unable to meet together physically the words of Apostle Paul in Philippians 1:27 come to mind “Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ. Then, whether I come and see you or only hear about you in my absence, I will know that you stand firm in the one Spirit, [e] striving together as one for the faith of the gospel “(NIV). Therefore, as we practice social distancing and all the other precautions which assist in preventing the spread of the virus may we continue to take advantage of the social platforms of streaming, Skype, emails, facetime, Zoom, etc., so that there be no virtual distance amongst BBC family members!

As a church we continue praying to our God regarding the worldwide pandemic. Our Jehovah God “the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin...” have mercy on us (Exodus 34:6-7). We pray God to comfort all those who have lost loved ones and pray if it pleases Him in accordance with His perfect will to heal those infected with Covid-19 and remove the pandemic from us.

Also as we see the protests which have spread nationwide/worldwide over George Floyd’s death, may we seek God’s face as we stay open minded. How should the church respond to such a situation? What would Jesus do? May the Holy Spirit guide each one of us and give us God’s wisdom and discernment to know and do what is right. As I prayed and reflected

upon the reasons which have led to the protests in our country some thoughts from my mentor in seminary the late Professor Paul Hiebert came to mind.

In addressing the need to live in love with one another as shown in 1 Corinthians 13 Professor Hiebert underscored that it all begins with our genuine love for God which leads us to “...learn to see others as us, tear down walls that divide us, build relationships of mutual understanding and respect, and become transcultural people – but without Christian love these are incomplete. Christian love is to be unconditionally committed to those we meet, including our enemies. As mediators we must be other-centered and love those we serve...To love is to focus attention on the persons around us. It is to ask them questions about themselves in order to truly learn to know them. It is to affirm their personhood and the gifts God has given them. And it is to invite them to come to know Jesus Christ, too, within their cultural contexts, just as we ourselves, by God’s grace, have done. Such Christian love is the central element in the work of missions. Without it, all of our best efforts are in vain. [1]”

In our treatment of other people, we can learn from Apostle Paul’s example who referring to his ministry among the Thessalonian Christians said, “....we were gentle among you, just as a nursing mother cherishes her own children. So, affectionately longing for you, we were well pleased to impart to you not only the gospel of God, but also our own lives, because you had become dear to us. (1 Thessalonians 2:7-8 NKJV). What an example of humility the Apostle displays in these words. We pray that all those we interact with should be touched first and foremost by our love before they are touched by our words. What Apostle Paul is saying only happens when we continually learn to see others as us;

learning to treat individual human beings as God’s image bearers who are persons of great worthy and dignity.

May God in His mercy and grace enable all of us to learn to see the Image of God [the Imago Dei] in every human face. It is only when we accept the Bible as God’s absolute revelation of His will for all people of all cultures and submit ourselves to live in love under Christ’s Lordship shall we be able to see the image of God in every human face.

Finally, I thank all those who are continuing faithfully in our two discipleship classes. Thank you Stephen and Pastor Jon for being good role models in facilitating learning in these classes.

Thank you class two for being kind enough to adjust the meeting time to be starting on Sundays at 3:00 pm in order to accommodate our class member Mercy Adhaya from Nairobi Kenya who earlier had to Skype at 1:00 am! May the LORD bless such dedication and sacrifice.

BBC family members may we all continue to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. (2 Peter 3:18).

Sincerely in Christ,

Jones Kaleli, Associate Pastor

[1] Paul G. Hiebert, The Gospel in Human Contexts: Anthropological Explorations for Contemporary Missions (Grotand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2009), 199.

Kingdom Work Youth Ministry

Happy June Braddock!

I want to say thank you for those who are praying for Brittany and baby Gabey. God has truly blessed me beyond compare with the family he has given me. I want to encourage you all, don’t take your family for granted. They are the most important on this earth, apart from your relationship with Jesus of course. But those two can intertwine. Bring Jesus into your family if you haven’t done so, don’t just let Him be Lord of your life, but also of your family’s lives. God will do miraculous things when we give him the drivers seat.

Thank you for those of you that pray for our youth group. It has been hard during this time to build relationships and grow all online. I am proud of the youth that stay connected and persevere even through this time. Please be praying that God draws our youth to Himself during this time especially. One thing that we have been learning, and I want to share with you, is the correlation between worldly affliction and God’s comfort.

Paul writes in 2 Corinthians 1:3-7, “*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, ⁴ who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God. ⁵ For as we share abundantly in Christ's sufferings, so through Christ we share abundantly in comfort to. ⁶ If we are afflicted, it is for your comfort and salvation; and if we are comforted, it is for your comfort, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we suffer. ⁷ Our hope for you is unshaken, for we know that as you share in our sufferings, you will also share in our comfort.*”

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What an incredible promise, that God will comfort us in our affliction. So, if we do not feel comforted, it's because we are not looking for God's comfort. Today, be vigilant on how God is comforting you during your affliction. God bless and comfort all of His beloved during this time.

God bless,

Jonathan Gesin, Youth Director

Health & Wellness Tidbit

Did you know...

Unprotected skin can be damaged by the sun's UV rays in as little as 15 minutes. Yet it can take as long as 12 hours for skin to show the full effect of sun exposure. Plan ahead so that when you're having fun outdoors, you won't forget to protect yourself from the sun.

Stewardship

As authorized by the BBC Board of Directors, we are planning to issue Church Bonds sometime on or after August 1, 2020, as needed to finance the balance of the Church renovation. The Bond denomination will be \$10,000.00, paying 3.25% annual simple interest on December 31 of each year until redeemed December 31, 2039. The Bonds will be general obligations of the Church and will be callable (redeemable) in whole or in part at the discretion of the BBC Board on or after December 31, 2023.

Anybody who has an interest in purchasing one or more bonds, or desires additional information, should contact our Church Treasurer (Amy El-Naggar) or our Stewardship Chairman (Harry Finley).

You can give online! Just go to our website (www.braddockbaptistchurch.org) and click "Donate" at the bottom!

How to Watch our Services

Sunday Service: We will be strictly live streaming services until further notice, please watch your email for updates from us! Thank you for being so flexible as we navigate this time. Go to our YouTube page for viewing Sunday School (9:45) and Service (11:00), just type in "Braddock Baptist Church" in the search bar.

Young Adults: Young Adults Bible Study will be held over Skype until further notice! Please click the link below to enter the meeting every Monday at 6:25pm : <https://join.skype.com/JwCncd5PPvCe>

Wednesday Prayer Meeting: Prayer meeting will be held over Skype until further notice! Please click the link below to enter the meeting every Wednesday at 6:30pm : <https://join.skype.com/JwCncd5PPvCe> It may require you to set up an account, but if you click the link above, just follow the prompting to create an account/download Skype. Once in the meeting, we encourage everyone to use their camera so we can see you and interact. We are limiting the meeting to an hour, but please feel free to come and go if needed. Please call the church if you have any questions or need help! (703-750-2962).

Youth Group: Please message Jonathan for details on our weekly Youth group, and youth Sunday School. If you know of anyone interested, please message Jonathan at jon@braddock.church!

