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Dear St John Family,

We would like to continue to update you with information regarding our church during this Coronavirus pandemic.

Updated information for the week is in red.

Ministries and Clusters

We are asking all ministries and clusters to continue to conduct your meetings via conference calls, Zoom, or Facebook instead of in-person meetings.

Youth Ministry

The Youth Ministry is offering weekly zoom calls to encourage students to stay connected as they meet virtually during this pandemic. Please review the below schedule:

Youth ages 6-11 (E-Kidz): Wed., 3:00 – 3:30 p.m. Meeting ID # 300034122

Middle & High School (Teen LIFE): Fri., 7:30 – 8:30 p.m. Meeting ID # 788601216

High School Seniors/Current College Students: Mon., 8:00 – 9:00 p.m. Meeting ID # 111095679

To Join Youth Ministry Zoom Calls:

- 1) Download the “Zoom” App
- 2) Click “Join”
- 3) Enter the Meeting ID

SJBC Services and Events

Sunday Services are broadcasted on Facebook Live for our 8:00 a.m., 10:15 a.m., and Noon service. Please tune in, share, and invite others to watch as well. We are also offering dial-in services at 8:00 a.m. that allows individuals to listen over the phone.

We are streaming our weekly Power Half-Hour service each Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. on Facebook. Tune in for a mid-week spiritual journey and word.

Connect with one of our Prayer Team members on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 12 noon or Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. through conference call line:

Dial: 1 480-297-0773 Access code: 847 6906.

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Every Tue. from July 14 until October 6 at 7:00 p.m., the Grief Share Ministry will host a “Journey from Mourning to Joy” Zoom call. This support group will help griever learn how to walk the journey of grief and be supported along the way. If you lost a loved one, this group is for you. Please register at griefshare.org and select St John Baptist Church. This event is free, but the workbook is \$15.00. Grief Share is also looking for individuals to join their ministry. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Tonya Gorham at smedley86@aol.com.

Every Tue., and Thur., at Noon, we are offering Gentle Yoga on Zoom. This 30-minute class is open to all ages and is a great self-care class to release tension and energize the mind, body, and spirit. Join by clicking the yoga flyer on our SJBC website or using Zoom access code below:

<https://mwe.zoom.us/j/3855818860?pwd=b0h0SG9YMG9yWkV0TzZWaXJ3aVRpdz09>

Join the Men’s Ministry for an Armored: COVID-19, Heart Disease, Stroke, and You Zoom call on Tue., August 4 at 8:00 p.m. Dr. Athol Morgan and Dr. William Ashley, Jr. will speak about COVID-19 as it relates to heart disease and stroke in black and brown Americans. This educational event will allow you to become knowledgeable about various health issues within our community. Join the men of SJBC and invite other men who can learn from this event. If you have questions, please contact Larry Johnson at johnson579@bellsouth.net

In lieu of our annual SJBC cookout, we will have a Virtual Fellowship. All SJBC family and friends are invited to join us on Sat., August 22 at 5:00 p.m. as we enjoy our time together. We will have interactive games, listen to music and have breakout rooms. This event will allow our SJBC family to stay connected with one another during this time. Please register on [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com).

Howard County General Hospital will be offering free COVID-19 testing in our SJBC parking lot on the following days:

Tue., August 11, 2020 | 4 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Sun., September 13, 2020 | 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Advance registration is strongly encouraged. Please register [here](#). For questions please email HCGH-J2BH@jhmi.edu or call (410) 720-8788.

Giving

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Please continue to support our ministry financially by using PushPay (text 'sjbcgive' to 77977). If you are not able to give electronically, you can mail your check to the church. If you prefer to use an offering envelope, you may contact the church receptionist, Tia J., at 410- 992-6977 or by email, sjbc_churchadmin@stjohnbaptistchurch.org, and request offering envelopes to be mailed to you. Remember to put your check and/or offering envelope inside a regular envelope addressed to the church, Attention Financial Secretary.

Senior Citizens

We rolled out our Senior Care Plan in April. We are making weekly calls to connect and care for our senior members who need groceries or medicine picked up, benevolence, prayer or someone to check on them during this pandemic. If you are a senior and need some assistance please call the church at 410-992-6977.

Food Bank

The St John Baptist Church Food Pantry will be open on August 1 at Deep Run Park located at 6950 Columbia Gateway Drive Columbia, MD 21046 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. On August 15, the food pantry will be at the Harper House located at 5495 Cedar Lane Columbia, MD 21044 from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Food is available on a first come first served basis while supplies last. If you would like to volunteer please sign-up [here](#).

How to Listen or View Our Service/Sermons

1. How to listen:

Visit www.stjohnbaptistchurch.org and listen to our sermons on the website. You can find our sermons by following these steps:

- a. In the menu bar at the top of the page, press media > press sermons.
- b. You also have the opportunity to dial-in and listen over the phone on Sundays at 8:00 a.m. using: telephone # 1-480-297-0773 and passcode: 2161871.

2. How to watch:

You can watch our services on Facebook. You can visit our St John Baptist Church Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/SJBCEDiscover/>



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- a. On a computer or smart phone visit our website www.stjohnbaptistchurch.org and press the Live Stream button at the top of the page.

Sunday School Schedule

If you are interested in attending Sunday School, please contact the leaders below:

Adult Class I	Sunday's 9:15 a.m.	Conference Call 515-603-3180 Passcode- 575742#	Dea. Jesse Clay neckjohn@verizon.net Dea. Lee Harris Harrisw113@comcast.net Lorna Carmichael Lornac7@icloud.com
Adult Class II	Sunday's 9:15 a.m.	* Zoom	Henry Johnson henrylloyd@verizon.net Bernadette Christmas bchristmas@esr-inc.com
Adult Class III	Sunday's 9:10 a.m.	*Zoom	Herb Massie Hmassie1@verizon.net Rev Regina Mitchell reginamitchell@aol.com Peggy Anthony peggysemail@verizon.net Michelle RhodesBrown mrb@michellerb.net Gloria Glasper Gloria.glasper@comcast.net
Couples Class	Sunday's 9:30 a.m.	*Zoom	Frankie Merrick Henri.merrick@gmail.com Dea. Kathleen Cheek k.ridleycheek@verizon.net Milton and Talitha Darby Twatkins11@msn.com miltondarby@yahoo.com
Young Adult I	Sunday's 9:15 a.m.	*Zoom	Yvonne Bronner Yvonne.bronner@morgan.edu Tracey Gainor Traceygainor1@verizon.net
Pre K class	Sunday's 9:15 a.m.	*Zoom	Tanji Johnson Tanji.letspray@verizon.net Hope Dowe

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			hgarydowe@gmail.com Bernadette Christmas bchristmas@esr-inc.com
Joint Class Grades 1-8 (Primary, Intermediate, Middle School)	Sunday's 9:15 a.m.	Google Meets	Annette Olney aolneyhome@gmail.com
High School Grades 9-12			Dea. Lee Roy Bronner Lbronner1@verizon.net Kimmie Carmicheal Kdh892@gmail.com

Please continue to visit our SJBC website and follow us on our social media platforms:
Facebook **St John Baptist Church**
Instagram **sjbc_discover**
Twitter **sjbc_discover**

To review Rev. Turners letter from March 13, 2020, please locate below:
<https://www.stjohnbaptistchurch.org/blog/sjbc-updates-concerning-coronavirus/#/>

We will keep you informed of any updates as we receive them. Please let us know how we can better serve you as we go through this global health pandemic. Be Prayerful. Be Safe. Trust God and Stay Well.

Thank you,
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