Pastor Ken's Korner

April 2020

Dear Saints,

What an amazing time that we are living. Boy I REALLY miss seeing everyone in church! I hope that you are watching us on Facebook live at 11:00 a.m. every Sunday and that you are checking our website regularly (ahbcportlavaca.com). for updates. There are also past sermons on our site. Click Sermons; click Sunday Morning Messages; then click Videos and you will see about 2 years worth of messages.

Everyone is going to various extreme measures (and rightfully so) to stay safe from the Covid-19 virus. I am praying for every one of you for your safety, for your needs, for your spiritual wellbeing, and that God is making His presence known to you every day. Be sure to call the church office if you need anything.

This virus can be deadly so the warnings are justified. This reminds me of some of the warnings we have from Paul and other Biblical writers.

In Rom. 6:23 we are told that "the wages of sin is **death**" and Rom 3:23 says that EVERYONE has been infected with the virus of **sin**, "all have sinned".

What if everyone took to heart this warning like they have for the C-19 virus? The penalty for sin is even WORSE because its consequence is ETERNAL death in hell!!! Because most people live in the here and now, there is little or no urgency to do something about their eternal future. We need to be vigilant about WARNING people of the danger that they are in for NOT believing that Jesus died for their sin and has paid the price for our sins. They will no longer be condemned to hell but will have the promised hope of Heaven if they put their faith in Jesus and believe. People are looking for relief from the danger of the virus. Everyone needs to put their hope and faith in God who has made provision for us to have peace!

If we had the same kind of urgency about getting the word about Jesus out as we do for the present virus, the world could also be changed in a month or two.

What if you had a surefire CURE for the Covid-19 virus? Wouldn't you put the word out and share it with EVERYONE you knew, especially with those that were sick from the virus? Of course you would! We need to get the word out about what Jesus has done for them!

On the other hand, just as a virus is very contagious, so is the LOVE of God that He showed us in Jesus. It is spread not just by telling and warning others of their sin condition but by DOING good for everyone that you encounter. Jesus told us to love God with everything that we have, our mind, our heart, and our strength, and to love our Neighbor as ourself. In other words, everything that you are doing for yourself to make life better for yourself, you should be doing for others also.

Spread the virus of the Gospel in your world. It is Good News!!! God has placed each one of us in exactly the right spot; He placed us around exactly the right people, at exactly the right time. God is STILL on His Throne!!! There is Victory in Jesus!!! Stay safe! Love Lots! Laugh Often!

May the Lord Bless and Keep You. With all of our love in the love of Christ. Pastor Ken

Ministry Opportunities

Don't just go to church. Be the church.

Because of the coronavirus we are no longer able to go into the nursing homes and assisted living facilities.

But we can still serve! The address of each of the facilities is listed below. If you know someone in any of these facilities please drop them a line of encouragement.

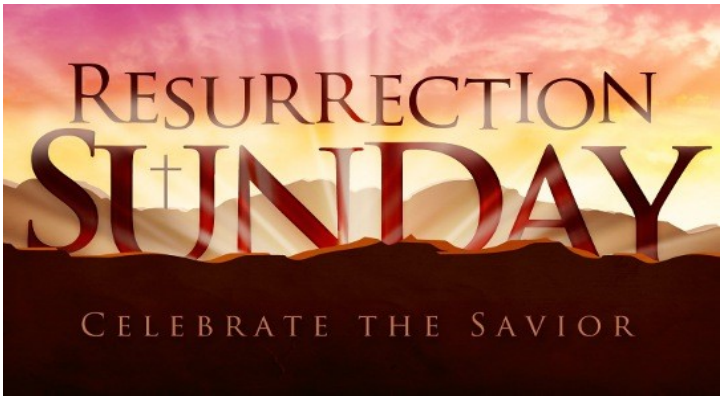
If you are on Facebook go to each of these companies page and see the post and pictures they have. I especially like Trinity Shores as it has the residents with short letters to their family. Make sure and share their post and/or make comments so others may be encouraged to sent them letters of encouragement.

Trinity Shores Senior Living
201 Trinity Shores Dr.
Port Lavaca, TX 77979
361-552-2333

Bethany Senior Living
118 Trinity Shores Dr.
Port Lavaca, Texas 77979
361-551-0500

Port Lavaca Nursing & Rehab
524 Village Road
Port Lavaca, Texas 77979
361-552-3741

We have members in each facility. Please call the church office if you would like this information and I can mail you the list.



VBS

June 7 - 11 5:45 p.m. to 8:15 p.m.

Be in prayer and see where God could use you and join the AHBC VBS team with God as our team captain!

Please let THE CHURCH OFFICE know where you would like to serve.

All dates are subject to change depending on the updates concerning the coronavirus.

Just a reminder that testing for the COVID-19 is being done more readily, so we will see the Texas numbers spike, so please understanding this. Many of these folks already had it, it's just that now it will be recorded, but the reports will seem much worse to us. We encourage you to be diligent about taking care of yourself, and also checking on each other.

Mission Friends and CIA Classes have been postponed until the kids return to school.

Thanks, Candy and Liz

We are Family

The church isn't a building– It is people who are a part of a family- Our family is Alamo Heights. So we can be the church even though we are not meeting in the building.

Please join us each Sunday mornings for worship at 11 am on Facebook. The Ladies Community Bible Study and the Youth are using Zoom to continue the bible studies. The Ladies Unity Sunday School class will begin using Zoom shortly.

Church family how can we help meet your needs, or pray specifically for you and your family, or help others who are not members of our church family? If anyone needs Pastor Ken or Haynes do not hesitate to contact them. They are here for anyone in need and they are praying for our church family daily. We want to make sure and minister to our church family and community. See their contact information below.

Thank you to everyone who has been faithful in your giving during this challenging time. We are in the process of having "on line giving" set up for those who would like to give in this manner. At this time the church office is open and you can stop by and drop off your offering or you can mail your offering to the church.

Please keep praying, reading your bible, and focus on how God wants to use you.

Import Contact information that you might need:

Due to the Coronavirus we have to communicate differently than we are use to. We would like to make sure that everyone has the following information.

Church Office:
110 Trinity Shores, Port Lavaca, Texas 77979 and our phone # is 361-552-2532

Pastor Ken: 325-446-5288

Haynes: 903-722-4936

Website: www.ahbcportlavaca.com (Please check our website often if you do not have facebook)

Email: ahbc2018@gmail.com

Facebook: Alamo Heights Baptist Church

Please look at our Facebook page, website, and text messages for any additional announcements. We want to keep you updated to let you know what we are doing in response to COVID-19. If you would like to be on the text messages please call the church office with your cell number so we can add you.

Due to the Coronavirus we will not have an April calendar. We are having church on Sunday morning at 11:00 a.m. on Facebook. If you miss the live stream then go to our website on Monday morning and you can watch it from there.

To go to Facebook type in

Alamo Heights Baptist Church Facebook in your browser

Website: www.ahbcportlavaca.com

Daily Bible Reading Guide

Apr 1 Judg 6- 7

Apr 2 Judg 8 - 9

Apr 3 Judg 10-12

Apr 4 Judg 13-15

Apr 5 Judg 16-18

Apr 6 Judg 19-21

Apr 7 Ruth 1- 4

Apr 8 1 Sam 1-3

Apr 9 1 Sam 4- 8

Apr 10 1 Sam 9-12

Apr 11 1 Sam 13-14

Apr 12 1 Sam 15-17

Apr 13 1 Sam 18-20, Ps 11, Ps 59

Apr 14 1 Sam 21- 24

Apr 15 Ps 7, Ps 27, Ps 31, Ps 34, Ps 52

Apr 16 Ps 56, Ps 120, Ps 140- 142

Apr 17 1 Sam 25-27

Apr 18 Ps 17, Ps 35, Ps 54, Ps 63

Apr 19 1 Sam 28-31, Ps 18

Apr 20 Ps 121, Ps 123-125, Ps 128-130

Apr 21 2 Sam 1-4

Apr 22 Ps 6, Ps 8-10, Ps 14, Ps 16, Ps 19,Ps 21

Apr 23 1 Chr 1-2

Apr 24 Ps 43-45, Ps 49, Ps 84-85, Ps 87

Apr 25 1 Chr 3-5

Apr 26 Ps 73, Ps 77-78

Apr 27 1 Chr 6

Apr 28 Ps 81, Ps 88, Ps 92-93

Apr 29 1 Chr 7-10

Apr 30 Ps 102-104

On Going Prayer Request

Please keep Praying during this difficult time!

Pray for your family, Pray for each other, Pray for your church family and Pray for our country!

Pastor Ken Bolton and Sunday Worship

The Deacon Body

Opportunities for members to witness to the lost and the lost to respond and be saved

Members committed to SERVE in the church that will use their God given gifts and talents and members to grow in the Lord

Wednesday night CIA, Mission Friends, Youth Praise/Worship and Youth and their Parents

The Sunday School Teachers and classes

Trinity Shores and their staff and residents

Marriage and Family Relationships

Members committed-stewardship/church finance

Driver to pick up kids for church and parents of the kids we pick up

We should never make prayer an option. It is the heartbeat of a vibrant church. A prayerless church is a powerless church.

Moc Eh Doh Moo

Daniel Chang
Steven Osborn

Lucas Castillo

Deacon's of the Week

April 05 Ruben Zarate

April 12 David Gaskamp

April 19 Tomas Guerra

April 26 Doug Hamelwright

May 03 Buck Jackson

Please remember Kenneth & Mary Moehnke in your prayers in the loss of their daughter Deborah.

April Birthdays

04/07	Sara Wah
04/11	Gordon Pfeiffer
04/13	Naw Htoo
04/18	Bud Jackson Daniel Nay
04/22	April Aung
04/23	Zachary Wooldridge
04/24	Katlyn Young
04/26	Dina Eberle
04/27	Velma Miller
04/28	Kyle Reinhard Cody Sanders

Dear Church Family,

What a year it has been so far! COVID-19 has turned our lives upside down. There are two verses I have been hanging on to during this trial. The first one is Proverbs 3:5-6. It reads, *"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your OWN understanding; in all your ways submit to Him, and he will make your paths straight."*

With everything that has happened, what has it taught you so far? I truly believe God is trying to get our attention. I'll tell you what it has taught me. I've learned that I can't fix this and that I have to rely on God now more than ever. Do I fear? Honestly, sometimes I do, but I am quickly reminded that God will take care of us. When I lean on my own understanding, that's when fear and anxiety set in. That's why we need to submit to God's plan. I realized when I focus on serving others and meeting the needs around me, I don't allow fear and anxiety to take over. Remember, FEAR IS A LIAR! Fear paralyzes us to the point we can't focus on God. We were created to serve, to feed the hungry, to care for our community. The community needs the church now more than ever.

The second verse is one that has been painted and been sitting on an easel as you walk in our church. II Chronicles 7:14 reads, *"If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land."* Like I said earlier, God is trying to get our attention, and if it takes COVID-19 to get our attention, so be it. Whatever it takes…have you ever said that to God? "God do whatever it takes to get their attention!" My prayer is that through this virus people will come to Jesus. My prayer is for REVIVAL! True revival happens, first, in our hearts.

I cannot wait to worship with all of you again inside our church. I'm calling for a celebration! We need to celebrate God! He will bring us out of this! We need to celebrate church! We need each other! The biggest lesson all this has taught me is that I need each of you in my life. God put us together for a purpose. When we meet, God meets with us. I cannot wait! So, on the first weekend when all the restrictions are lifted, I want to be in church with all of you. I want to give thanks to God! I love and miss all of you!

In Christ

Haynes

Pastor Ken Bolton Senior Pastor

Pastor Haynes Searcy Youth Pastor

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www.ahbcportlavaca.com
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Alamo Heights Baptist Church

AHBC Vision Statement

"Through loving God and others, Alamo Heights Baptist Church is a united family committed to urgently spreading and teaching the Word of God as we eagerly await Christ's eminent return."

Come and join us. We are expecting you!
Bible Study 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 10:55 a.m.
Wednesday Evening Service 6:30pm

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