



BASCOMB NEWS

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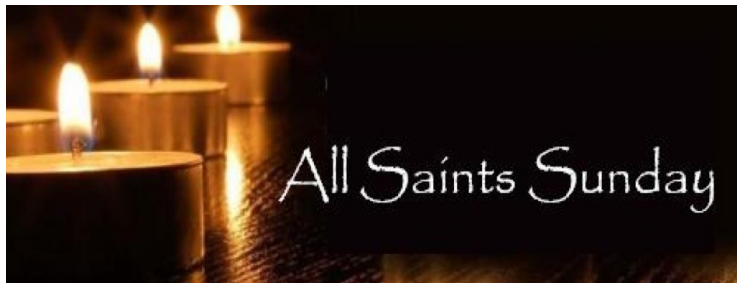


The Bishop’s Cabinet and our District Superintendent have recommended that we not hold public services unless our county is in the “green” on this website: globalepidemics.org. We are now in the “orange.” We will not hold public services this week, but you will still be able to experience our services online through [Facebook](#), our [website](#), and [YouTube](#).



SUNDAY
OCTOBER 18
12:30 P.M.

We will have a virtual Admin Council / Charge Conference on Sunday, October 18, at 12:30 p.m. Instructions on how to join the meeting will be sent to committee chairs.



We plan to have a parking lot service on November 1. Social distancing rules will apply and the service will still be available on website, Facebook and YouTube.



*Give
Unto
Caesar?*

Matthew 22:15-22

October 18 — 20th Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon Title: “Give Unto Caesar?”

Scripture: Matthew 22:15-22

I remember as a student attending First Baptist Church in my hometown – a guest preacher was invited to teach on one of the tenets of the Southern Baptist denomination – separation of church and state. Thomas Jefferson drafted the Virginia Statute for Religious Freedom and that became the basis for the First Amendment. A group of Connecticut Baptists believed their state constitution and laws gave preferential treatment to certain religious denominations while others were merely tolerated. Remember, in England, government taxes supported the official church of England – other expressions of faith were on their own (if not banned by law – check out those Puritans). However, when people say, “Don’t mix religion and politics,” they sometimes mean “Don’t bring your faith into the public square where I can see it.” The question in today’s text is... “What is Jesus really saying?”





October 7, 2020

Bascomb
2295 Bascomb Carmel Rd
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"You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and love your neighbor as yourself." – Luke 10:27 CEB

Dear Friends in Mission,

Thank you!

The dear people you just helped with your gift to UMCOR may never have the opportunity to meet you, but if they did, I am certain their response would be – *Thank you!*

Since 1940, UMCOR has served as the humanitarian agency of The United Methodist Church, providing disaster response and relief to areas impacted by natural and man-made disasters around the world. And through your financial support, you are serving within a vital network of interactive relationships as UMCOR responds to increasingly-frequent and destructive storms – sharing 100% of donated funds with those in need!

Together, may we continue to reveal the love of God for men, women, and children of all ethnic, racial, cultural, and national backgrounds and to demonstrate genuine love for our neighbors.

Grace and Peace,

Roland Fernandes, General Secretary

Supporting
UMCOR US Disaster Response and Recovery

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Bascomb UMC – Reopen Plan

General Guidelines

Always apply during pandemic

These guidelines have been developed based on the [guidance](#) provided by Bishop Sue Hauptert-Johnson and the Cabinet of the North Georgia Conference.

<https://www.ngumc.org/newsdetail/message-from-bishop-and-cabinet-on-rising-numbers-of-covid-19-cases-in-our-region-14122409>

Social Distancing rules apply.

- Maintain 6ft distance of all people.
- Masks are **required** inside the building.
- Fellowship Hall capacity will be reduced to 40 people.
- New Fellowship classroom capacity will be reduced to 10 people.

Bathroom Availability – Narthex only

Fellowship Hall entrance, Fellowship Hall Bathrooms, hall bathroom, kitchen, prayer room, library, chapel, upstairs (youth area), downstairs (see exceptions) are all closed.

No food allowed in the building.

Kitchen is not available.

All decisions will be made based on the Cherokee County color rating. This information can be found at <https://globalepidemics.org/key-metrics-for-covid-suppression/>

Filter Graph by Georgia / Cherokee County.

Reopening Stages

In-Person meetings are considered any meetings of 2 or more people that occur on the grounds of Bascomb United Methodist Church, excluding Sunday Worship Services.

Red - If the county is red, the church is effectively closed.

Church Building	Closed
In – Person Worship	None
Outside Meeting	None
In – Person Meetings	None
Staff	Remote

Orange - If the county is orange, the church is effectively closed.

Church Building	Closed
In – Person Worship	None
Outside Meeting	Allowed if social distance guidelines are followed
In – Person Meetings	None
Staff	Remote

Office activities will be managed by Tammy Smith, with an emphasis on working remotely.

Yellow

When the county moves to yellow, we will begin to allow additional groups to meet in the church. We will not begin right away. For In-Person meetings there must be two (2) consecutive weeks of yellow before we move to these lessened restrictions. In-Person worship may begin immediately upon movement to yellow.

Church Building	Limited Open
In – Person Worship	Trustee Discretion
Outside Meeting	Allowed if social distance guidelines are followed
In – Person Meetings	Limited – See note below
Staff	In Building

Available rooms for In – Person meetings: **New Fellowship, Fellowship Hall**

In – Person meetings will be available for groups that are comprised of entirely Bascomb UMC members.

Green

When the county moves to green, we will begin to allow additional groups to meet in the church. We will not begin right away. For In-Person meetings there must be two (2) consecutive weeks of green before we move to these lessened restrictions. In-Person worship may continue or begin immediately upon movement to green.

Church Building	Open – See note below
In – Person Worship	Yes
Outside Meeting	Allowed
In – Person Meetings	Allowed – See note below
Staff	In Building

Available rooms for In – Person meetings: **New Fellowship, Fellowship Hall**

In – Person Meetings will be available for groups that are comprised of entirely Bascomb UMC members or led by a Bascomb UMC member. Groups with no direct connection to Bascomb UMC will need approval from the Trustees.

*The entire Reopening Plan can be found on our website.