



JULY 26th, 2020

School is going to be delayed. Oops, no it isn't. Oh wait, (key word is wait) I think it is going to start later than previously scheduled. Well, the schools are going to set their own restart time now. Now hold on, it's gonna be pushed back a little, but not as far back as we first thought.

Is this politics? Is this safety? Hard to tell these days. Everything seems to be very "charged". The dividing lines are drawn between ideologies, politics and one's own perception about the reality of COVID. Everyone is prone to judge the "other sides" motives for the decisions being made.

Church is no different. Should we gather for fellowship and worship? Is it a religious thing? Why shouldn't we gather? Is it a safety thing? People are attending, parties, eating out, traveling to ball games, and being social outside of church worship times. We all have our reasons and beliefs as to why and what we do.

Regarding school and when to start our Wednesday night ministries again, We try to start our Wednesday night ministries programming in conjunction with the Riverton Schools ( mostly because we are located in Riverton). Do the Elders have no care for our church peoples well being and safety? Do the Elders pray, and with fear and trepidation try to honor God and do the right thing by our congregation? What you believe about these last two questions is paramount to the vitality and well being of our fellowship. Scriptures

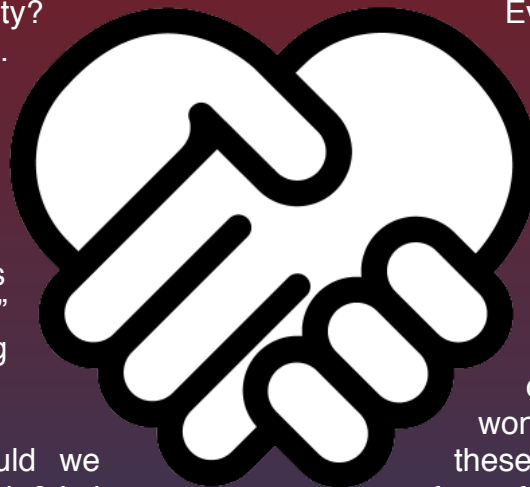
mandate to the local congregation in 1 Timothy 5:17, is that the Elders must make decisions for the church, "the Elders who direct the affairs of the church". The problem for us is, to make any decisions during this time is to have someone disagree with those decisions. Everyone is welcome and free to attend.

Everyone is welcome and free to stay at home. Just so you know, we are constantly trying to provide ministry to all, whether someone attends right now or does not attend right now.

One good thing for all of us is, we each can decide; what we do, where we will go, where we won't go and why we make each of these decisions. I won't stand in front of you for my thoughts and actions and you won't stand in front of me for your thoughts and actions. This is my request - Let's all be gracious and loving and kind to each other regarding each individuals decisions on how they chose to handle all of this strange and difficult time. Let's all try to honor God and others and then own our own choices and actions. However, let's all remember, we do need to be mindful and honest with ourselves about why we do what we do.

"If you say, 'But we knew nothing about this', does not He who weighs the heart perceive it? Does not he who guards your life know it? Will He not repay everyone according to what they have done.?" - Proverbs 24:12

Let's honor one another above ourselves. Praying for us all, Pastor Wes Davis





# GRACEKIDS

## SUNDAY SERIES

Our kids are still “diving in” to learn how to follow Jesus. We are studying the life of Peter and our key verse is “Come and follow me”, Jesus said. “I will send you out to fish for people.” Mark 1:1



## 2nd-5th CAMP:

We had 24 campers and 6 adults attend camp for 2 1/2 days last week. The kids played, laughed, danced and worshipped their way through camp. They learned about Gods Relentless Grace and Call on our life by studying Paul’s Journey in Acts.



## THE SUMMER SHINDIG

The Summer Shindig, is happening THIS WEEK, July 28th-30th. Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend! Please sign your whole family up today to enjoy three nights of fun, sun and fellowship. You don’t want to miss this. click below to register

[SUMMER SHINDIG REGISTRATION](#)

GraceCommunity KidMin Presents

# THE SUMMER SHINDIG

FOR KIDS ENTERING KINDERGARTEN-  
A COMPLETED 5TH GRADER

**JULY 28-JULY 30TH**  
3 LOCATIONS • 3 GUEST SPEAKERS  
3 NIGHTS OF FUN IN THE SUN

REGISTER TODAY ON THE CHURCH APP

# GRACE YOUTH

## WHAT A SUMMER THIS HAS BEEN!

RUSHMORE RUN (drove there and back in 2 days!) Cardboard Boat competition, Summer Swims, Game nights, CAMP @ Maranatha Bible Camp. We have had a LOT going on. MS heads to camp this Sunday and Youth Group starts back up in just 2 weeks! Hold on to your hats!

BE SURE TO BE CONNECTED ON THE CHURCH APP TO KEEP UPDATED ON STUDENT EVENTS!





**Pastor Wes Davis** 620-674-2436 [wes@gracecommunitychurch.net](mailto:wes@gracecommunitychurch.net)

**Youth Pastor Aaron Zustiak** 417-529-8702 [aaron@gracecommunitychurch.net](mailto:aaron@gracecommunitychurch.net)

**Kidmin Director MJ Smith** 765-617-5106. [mj@gracecommunitychurch.net](mailto:mj@gracecommunitychurch.net)

**Office Admin Alene Dugger** 620-848-4077 [office@gracecommunitychurch.net](mailto:office@gracecommunitychurch.net)

**Website:** [gracecommunitychurch.net](http://gracecommunitychurch.net)