

Join us Sundays at 11am in the sanctuary, the parking lot, or Facebook Live.

We have face masks available for those who may need one and social distancing is practiced for your health and safety.



If you are not comfortable attending (inperson) worship, please continue to mail in your offerings to the

church, 5908 Tabernacle Road. The obligations of the church continue and your tithes and offerings are important.



## **HOPE** IN LANCASTER-

Pasta Noodles, Grits, Peanut Butter, Cereal, Canned Soup, Green Beans, Canned Pasta. Monetary donations are

needed during this time. You may donate online, mail payment directly to HOPE, or write a check to Tabernacle UMC (memo HOPE).

Thank you!

https://www.hopeinlancaster.org/donations/

HOPE in Lancaster PO Box 166 Lancaster, SC 29721 If you have any pastoral needs or concerns please contact Pastor Larry, (704) 465-7853



Due to health concerns of our group members we will not meet this month. We will continue to monitor the Covid situation and keep you all informed on future gatherings.



Meals on Wheels continue to deliver meals and supplies to members of our community who are homebound.

**Tabernacle Delivery Schedule** 

July 20-24 August 10-15



## GOD'S PRESENCE IN A PANDEMIC

Timing Patient Attention, Valuable Discoveries

For many people, the coronavirus pandemic has been a test of patience — or worse. Medically vulnerable people face an anxious time of hypervigilance. Furloughed workers wait on hold or in lines for assistance. Special events have been canceled or rescheduled.

Those not impacted directly deal with assorted frustrations and inconveniences. Many people are learning the benefit of slowing down, being present (even virtually) to others and practicing patient attention.

Interestingly, scientist Isaac Newton did some of his best work when the plague forced Cambridge University to close. At home, the inquisitive student invented calculus and developed groundbreaking theories of gravity and optics. Later Newton called 1666 his annus mirabilis ("year of wonders") and reportedly said, "If I have made any valuable discoveries, it [owes] more to patient attention than to any other talent."

What have you discovered during the Covid-19 crisis? What appreciations have you developed for aspects of life you may have previously taken for granted? What has social distancing taught you about the value of neighbors, church, community volunteering?

During the pandemic, what have you learned about persistence and God's presence? What empathy do you now feel for writers of words such as "I wait for the LORD, my whole being waits, and in his word I put my hope" (Psalm 130:5, NIV)?

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Determine the letter patterns and fill in the blanks to complete Galatians 5:1, NIV.

## **ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ**

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F E U E F T D G S	L P W K Q V J R U	E D V F C U G B T
P B Q Q C R R D S	R V S U T T	C O H B D P G C E Q F D
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(Galatians 5:1, NIV)

Answer: It is for freedom that Christ has set us free.