



DORSETT VILLAGE CHURCH

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Loving God...Loving Others

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Dorsett Village Church

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REVISED SCHEDULE

Sunday

10:45 a.m. Worship Service

Wednesday

7:00 p.m. Adult Co-Ed
Bible Study
(on-line)

STAFF

Derald L. Harris

Interim Pastor
(DeraldLH@sbcglobal.net)

Kevin Royal

Associate Pastor

Raymond Cabello

Interim Music Minister

Kristie Song

Administrative Secretary

Ashlee Brannin

Sign Interpreter

Notes from Pastor Derald

This will obviously be my last column in the Dorsett Village Church newsletter. In just a few short weeks, Dr. Brandon Boatner will “officially” become the pastor of this wonderful church. I say officially, because he is already moving into the Pastor’s study, is meeting with various individuals and ministries and served as the leader for our Leadership Council meeting on Monday evening.

I think it is safe to say that this has been the most unusual interim pastorate I have ever done. I have never pastored a church that didn’t even have a big Easter celebration! Obviously, the COVID-19 pandemic has changed so much of the way we do things at DVC. But it hasn’t changed the love and faithfulness of the people who are Dorsett Village Church. You have been amazing in adjusting to the restrictions. I want to thank the Leadership Council, Worship and Tech teams and Kristi Song for helping to guide us through this pandemic.

Probably the hardest thing for me is that I haven’t been able to see many of you for more than 8 months. I was just getting to know you and then everything stopped.

As I close out my ministry with you, the main thing I want to say is “Thank You” for the love you have shown Twila and me. This has been a special time for us, and you have been such a blessing to us. I hope you have been blessed as much as you have blessed us. We know that the future of Dorsett Village Church is strong because of the spirit of love that is present in the church.

I am confident that God has led Brandon Boatner to you and you to him. I know that God will use him in great ways at Winstanley. You have called Pastor Brandon to be your leader, so follow him.

The days to come will be challenging, because a new pastor will challenge you. He will call you to greater depths of commitment. He will work hard to move you out of your comfort zones. That is a good thing. Nothing good ever comes by being complacent and comfortable. But if you follow Pastor Brandon as he follows the leadership of the Holy Spirit, God will do great things in and through you.

Again, thank you for being such a blessing to Twila and me. We will always remember you with love.

Blessings,
Pastor Derald

The Sunday Morning Worship Service will continue both in-person and live-streamed.

The current restrictions by St. Louis County allow for 25% occupancy of our building for worship and our in-person group has been well below that. We will continue to do everything we can to make you as safe as possible.

Thank you for following masking and physical distancing guidelines.

Notes from the Pastor Search Committee

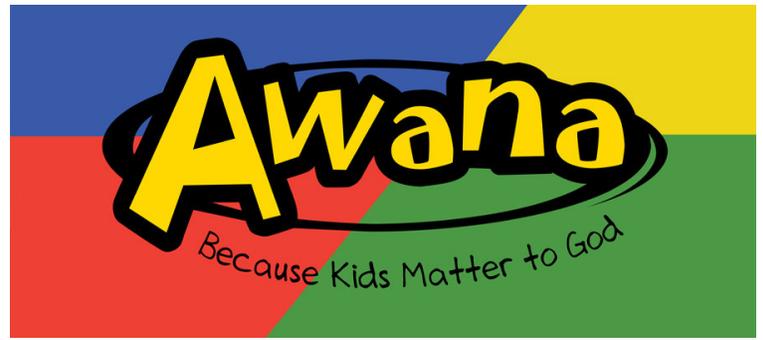
The Lord truly blessed Dorsett Village Church on Sunday, November 8. The Pastor Search Committee has fulfilled its obligation, and the congregation spoke loud and clear with a nearly unanimous vote calling Dr. Brandon Boatner as our new pastor.

Pastor Brandon will begin his pastorship at Dorsett Village Church on December 1, 2020.

The Pastor Search Committee wishes to again thank the entire congregation for their patience and diligence in praying for the committee. And what a God we serve as the Lord guided us to the pastor He had prepared to lead us forward into the next phase of worshiping God at Dorsett Village Church.

The Pastor Search Committee will now disband, but we will be planning a Commissioning Service for Brandon in the near future. Also, some form of meet and greet fellowship will be held in the future, with the COVID-19 pandemic determining when that will be possible. It is with joyous heart that I say this will be the last newsletter update from the Pastor Search Committee.

**In the Love of Christ Jesus,
Mike Rissell**



Awana Needs Volunteers!

Dorsett Village Church is proud to offer Awana for the 2020-2021 Season. However, because of Covid-19 we are doing things a little different this year.

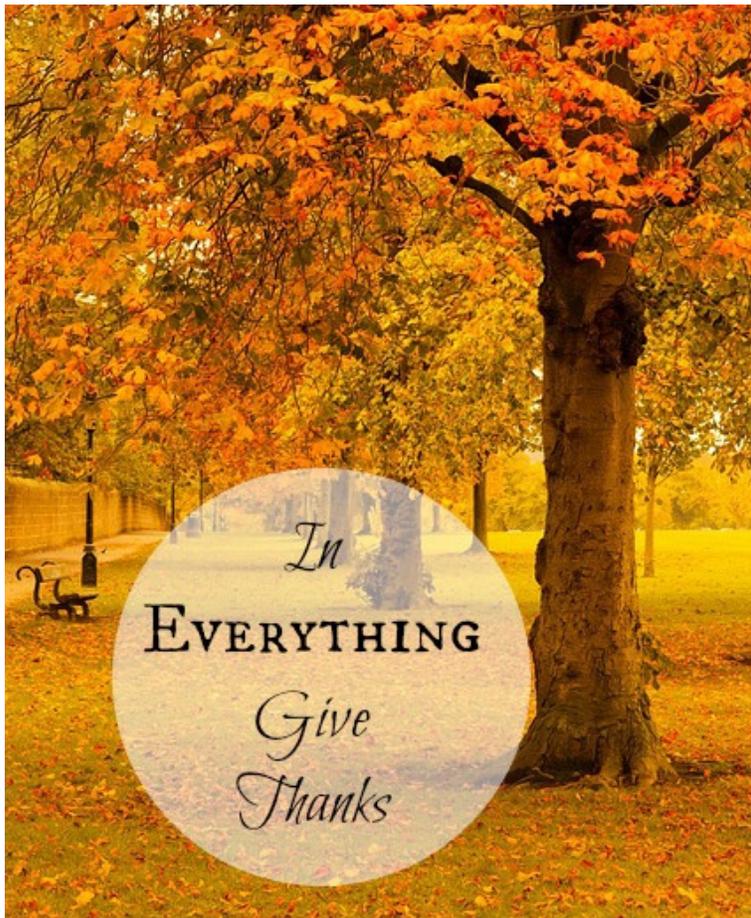
We need volunteers in Awana and will be coming back on Sunday November 22 and December 6 this year. At this point we plan to carry into the new year with our normal weekly meetings. That is subject to change as we see how the spread of COVID-19 goes and what restrictions St. Louis County will put in place.

We are using Pattonville School district protocols for safety (in classroom and if schools meet in person we will as well).

**You are now able to sign up online at
<https://dorsettvillechurch.twotimtwo.com>.**

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we at Dorsett Village Church are doing our best to keep your children and our volunteers safe. Again, if you need to reach us or have any questions (during Awana Hours) do not hesitate to call us at 314-576-7729. Or you can reach Jim Grant or Troy Burton anytime at:

**Email dvcawana@gmail.com
Troy 314-922-4765
Jim 314-486-4396
Church 314-576-7729**



Thanksgiving Donations Needed!

Loaves and Fishes is collecting items for Thanksgiving meals for families in need. The items they need most right now are cranberry sauce, crispy onion straws, cream of mushroom soup, marshmallows and stuffing mix. You can drop it at their location on 2750 McKelvey Road in Maryland Heights or we can arrange to drop it off for you if bring to the church. They are collecting items for families in need for Christmas as well. They are looking for Christmas stockings, toys, wrapping paper, tape, and stocking stuffers.