



LIVING HOPE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Living Hope Presbyterian Church seeks to inspire and empower through the Gospel.

From the Pastor...

May 2020 Newsletter

"May you live in interesting times" is supposedly an old Chinese curse. Whether this is truly a Chinese curse or not, we are definitely living in interesting times. Our society's, and the world's, response to the threat of COVID-19 has created interesting times indeed. We have seen a run on toilet paper, people encouraged to wear masks in public, and social distancing which has pushed us into new uses of technology to stay connected that we probably wouldn't have chosen if we had other options.

It feels like we are living in a new world where we don't really know the rules or when things will go back to normal. And the truth is things will not go back to the way that they once were. There will be somethings that move back to what they once were, but many will not. A disruption like this means that there will be many of our beloved institutions and ways of being that the world that are permanently altered.

Even we, as the church, will find ourselves changed by this experience. I can't see that far down the road to know what will bounce back and what will have found a new normal. Maybe we find a number of congregations that will continue their digital presence both streaming their services and being in person. Maybe we will see a different response to questions about how we live together as a community of faith. But know that the church cannot, and should not, stand against some of these changes that are emerging.

Even so, there are some things that will not change. We will still respond to what God has done in our lives through Jesus Christ. As individuals and a congregation, we will work to show the difference that Jesus has made in our lives. As individuals and a congregation, we will find ways to connect with those in need. As individuals and a congregation, we will worship God for all the good that we find in the world. These will not change.

Another thing that I also guarantee you that will not change is God's faithfulness to us. Even though the mountains may crumble into the sea, God will not forsake us. God's love that brought Jesus resurrection is there for us to share in and share with the world. We can have faith and hope even when things seem bleak, because, in the words of Psalm 46, "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble." Thanks be to God for love that never lets us go, even in interesting times.

In Christ,

A. Will





Mondays at 9:30 AM

On Zoom Meeting

1) ZOOM Link: <https://zoom.us/j/2338090285> .

2) Call in on your phone: (312) 626-6799

When prompted, enter the meeting ID #

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Lesson Date and Passages:

4/27 1 Peter 2:19-25; John 10:1-10

5/4 Acts 7:54-8:1; 1 Peter 2:2-10

5/11 1 Peter 3:13-22; Acts 17:22-31

5/18 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11; Acts 1:1-11

TBA 1 Corinthians 12:4-13; Acts 2:1-21

For Sunday:

May 3

May 10

May 17

May 24

May 31 – Pentecost

The Care and Concern of the Congregation is with:

Congratulations – Jan Davis’ granddaughter Katie who gave birth to twin girls on April 11th, making Jan a great-grandmother yet again.

Condolences to the family of Betty Hill, who passed away in March,

Condolences to the family of Happy Taylor, who passed away in April.

Condolences to the family of Tom Tennyson’s brother-in-law, Patrick Willis, who died from COVID-19 on Apr. 3

JoAnn Broyles

Thelma James

Char Mattson

Pat Mitschrich

Nancy Pyeatt

John Riedmaier

Jeane Satola

Marcia Sinner’s brother James

Marcia Sinner’s mother Susan – diagnosed with terminal cancer

Karen Stephan’s mother and her sister (mom’s caregiver)

Ann Tennyson’s friend Margaret (leukemia)

Prayers for hospital workers, grocery workers, delivery people and other working outside their homes during the pandemic.



We are a connectional church...connected in faith to God – Father, Son, Holy Spirit. Jesus taught us that prayer connects us to the Divine...and to each other.

Each month we list our faith community. Every family has a date when we ask you to hold them in prayer.

May Prayer Calendar

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| 1) The Datka Family | 12) Kent and Mary Krueger | 23) Don Olson |
| 2) Tom Hill | 13) Amanda and Paul Lavoe,
Ziva, Zion, and Zach | 24) David and Jalane Otto |
| 3) Will and Traci Houts, Grace,
Lauren, and Evan | 14) Jerry Loebe | 25) Bruce and Kris Parker |
| 4) George and Valerie Huhnke | 15) Barbara Lovensheimer | 26) Mike & Jenni, John, Sam,
and Scott Parnon |
| 5) Bernie and Judy Huizenga | 16) Curtis MacDonald | 27) Bill and Pat Perkins |
| 6) Bob Hutchings | 17) Kathy Mathews | 28) Jean Petras |
| 7) Barry and Thelma James | 18) Char Mattson | 29) Bobbie Protzmann |
| 8) Goldie and Ray Jones | 19) Ginny Maurer | 30) Nancy Pyeatt |
| 9) Joan Junek | 20) Pat Mitschrich | 31) Mahala Rankin |
| 10) Minerva Kannass | 21) Nancy Molstad | |
| 11) Harriet Kirchhoff | 22) Lowell Mueller | |



Did we miss your birthday or anniversary? Please let the office know so we can update our files.

May Birthdays

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| Bob Hutchings | 7 |
| Cherie Andrus | 11 |
| Ginny Maurer | 29 |
| Bruce Parker | 29 |
| Traci Houts | 29 |
| Char Mattson | 30 |
| Goldie Jones | 30 |
| Ann Tennyson | 31 |

During the Stay-Safer-at-Home

- ♦ **Donations to Living Hope:** please consider mailing your offering into the office. Consider doing it once a month to save a stamp and not forget your weekly donation. If you live at Dickson Hollow, you may leave with the front desk and they will put in our church mailbox.

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- ♦ **Worship remotely:** Session continues to monitor social distancing policies and will work with Dickson Hollow when larger gatherings are again allowed. We will continue with worship on Zoom Meeting and Channel 966 at DH through the month of May.
- ♦ **Connecting:** Are you having issues connecting with the congregation? Call Will and he will help you.



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Deacon Members (designated last names)

(A-B) - Tom Tennyson

(G-K) - Diane DeBoer- moderator

(P-R) LaVonne Gardner

(C-F) - Karen Stephan

(L-O) - Ann Tennyson

(S-Z) - Ken DeBoer