

HOGE HERALD

Hoge Memorial Presbyterian Church

2021

April

PASTOR TOM'S "LITTLE CORNER OF HOGE" - Read Mark 16: 1-8

Happy Easter everybody! He is risen! He is risen indeed! Did you ever consider the mechanics of a sunrise? Our Earth, spinning at 1000 miles per hour, traveling an orbit of 584 million miles around a star that's about 1 million times the size of our planet makes me dizzy – But, because we've come to expect sunrises every day, we're not always impressed by them. Often times, we sleep right through them, but that fact doesn't make them any less awesome or miraculous! Easter is as familiar to us Christians as a daily sunrise.....We know the story, or at least one variation, and we're likely to greet Easter Sunday the same way every year. But, if you're like most of us, living the last year with the COVID-19 pandemic has been a tension-filled year, and just maybe we'll be able to experience Easter this year differently. The Apostle Mark's gospel is, again, straightforward – There are no frills in his resurrection account, and there's not much joy in it, either. Easter Sunday morning for Jesus' disciples was a time of profound grief for those closest to Jesus. Just consider those first few days after you've lost someone, and our condition of non-closure between their death and funeral. We seek closure and mornings are reminders that the nightmare is real, and it's hard to imagine how we'll get through the day. Good Friday before the first Easter brings a particular kind of terror that lead the women of Jesus' inner circle to his tomb that first Easter sunrise to find the stone removed, and a strange young man with an outlandish story. Remember, that nothing about this site in the tomb is recognizable to these women – This isn't comforting, as they run away terrified, unable to even speak of what they saw! But resurrection came anyway, even if they weren't yet able to receive it – Sometimes, things can be scary and okay at the same time. Again and again, the sun rises on a new day, often without embrace or acknowledgment.....And the same is true of resurrection – Whether or not we discern what's happening, God has literally and figuratively turned the world upside down again! Just after sunrise that first Easter, the women came to the tomb to do what far too many of us cannot do in the wake of the COVID – 19's rage – To touch and anoint the body of their loved-one, to provide a proper burial, to honor the life lost with a memorial.....However, the women at the empty tomb are left with what many of us who are grieving today are experiencing – Dread and terror – Silence and fear – The women are numb. How could it be this way? Who stole the body? Are we at the wrong tomb? Jesus is going where? Galilee? How? The young robed-man's words probably feel like a mirage induced by their grief or lack of sleep, or both.....These women may be overridden with fear and trembling, but their story does not end here. There is a way forward. In this liminal space, once again, God proclaims that their fear – this new, and uncertain way – is still held within the promise of resurrection! For this, I believe, is the promise of this Christian life we live – That the story of creation happens again and again.....Breathe deeply as you reflect on the sunrise – Imagine placing yourself in this scene at the tomb with the women – What do you see? How do you feel? Quiet yourself and be still, offering a silent or spoken prayer to God.....Giving thanks to be people of the resurrection! I lost my mother to COVID on December 4th, and I still miss her warmth and love.....A mother will labor for hours and days breaking herself for you – “This is my body, broken for you.” A mother will do this as long as it takes, so that you, her beloved, can have a chance at life – So that you, her beloved, can feel the warmth of the light. And after all that pain, the sun will rise again – The doctor will put the baby on her chest, and the mother will hold her child as if letting go were physically impossible – She will breathe easy, and whisper softly, “all this time, all these deep breaths – It was love, again and again and again – It is childbirth, but also resurrection – A body broken, a breath fractured, a long night, a glorious sunrise – Breath returned – New life, and a love that won't let go.....Brothers and sisters, maybe Easter is just God whispering, “all this time, all these deep breaths.....It's about the love....again and again and again.....We've been standing in this light all this time, and now it strikes us.....the sunrise of resurrection is warm as Jesus wraps his loving arms around us – May you find warmth, peace, and love this Easter season. We hope to see you in worship soon here at Hoge – We're waiting to welcome you home! Much love to you and yours!

Pastor Tom

Special Announcements

KEEP IN DAILY PRAYER

- Chuck Way, Joby Whitehead's son-in-law, recovering from recent stroke
- Jim Hastings, Judy Isel's brother passed from COVID
- Lois Sensenbrenner-family is requesting prayers for Lois to pass into heaven peacefully
- Lois Duey health issues
- Altha Martin recovering from some health issues
- Dorothy Pemberton family, member working in the health field
- Juanita Deweese, Barbara Mapes, Avis Dorn
- Police Officers and other front line responders
- Hoge Church: support for community-based ministries.
- Our city, nation, and world leaders. Our schools, teachers and children.



Please help keep this list current. Provide the church office with prayer requests for inclusion of "Keep in Daily Prayer" sections of the weekly bulletins and monthly newsletters either by phone or email

Families Served at HM3 returned to an adjusted way of serving, boxed type meals picked up in the hallway of the church. We continue to serve the meals along with a printed message and lyrics to a hymn.

Food Pantry February Totals: 39 Families, 121 People served, Adults (60+) 22, Adults (59-18) 60, Children 39

Personal Care Pantry Needs-As part of Hoge's ministry and outreach, a Personal Pantry is part of our HM3 program. The pantry is open to the public on the second Saturday of each month. Donations of personal care items are always accepted for the pantry but the following items are currently in high need: Deodorant, Gloves, Handwarmers, Shaving cream, Sleeping Bags.



Happy Birthday – April

2Morgan Peters, 4; Susan Omen, 9; Chris Colborn, 12; Dean Roush, 13;
Fred Mapes, 14; Tony Barnett, 19; Kevin Moore, 20; Amber Jo Fetherolf, 22;
Jeanne Grothaus, 26; Jeni McGraw, 28



Three Beers-An Irishman moved into a tiny hamlet in County Kerry, walked into the local pub, and promptly ordered three beers. The bartender raised his eyebrows, but served the man three beers, which he drank quietly at a table, alone. An hour later, the man had finished the three beers and ordered three more. This happened yet again. The next evening the man again ordered and drank three beers at a time, several times. Soon the entire town was whispering about The Man Who Orders Three Beers. Finally, a week later, the bartender broached the subject on behalf of the town. "I don't mean to pry, but folks around here are wondering why you always order three beers at a time?" "Tis odd, isn't it?" the man replied. "You see, I have two brothers, and one went to America and the other to Australia. We promised each other that we would always order an extra two beers whenever we drank, as a way of keeping up the family bond." The bartender and the whole town were pleased with this answer, and soon the Man Who Orders Three Beers became a local celebrity and a source of pride to the hamlet, even to the extent that out-of-towners would come to watch him drink. Then one day, the man came in and ordered only two beers. The bartender poured them with a heavy heart. This continued for the rest of the evening. "Each time he orders only two beers," the word flew around town. Prayers were offered for the soul of one of the brothers. The next day, the bartender said to the man, "Folks around here, me first of all, want to offer condolences to you for the death of your brother. You know -- the two beers instead of three, and all..." The man pondered this for a moment, then replied, "You'll be happy to hear that my two brothers are alive and well. It's just that I, meself, have decided to give up drinking for Lent."



Lay readers: January-Mike Minch, February-Patti Gorman, March-Judy Manley, **April-Mike Minch**, May-Carolyn Colborn, June-Bill Aiken, July-Diana Purcell, August-Gail Garman, September-Carol Ross, October-Judy Manley, November-Carolyn Colborn, December-Donna Swaneck.

If you cannot be the lay reader for the month, contact Worship Committee

Communion Servers - If you are unable to serve, please try to find a replacement and notify the worship committee.

January 17-Natalie Alter, Donna Swaneck, Debbie Peters, Diana Purcell, Judy Moody, Joy Rector

February 21-Susan Barrett, Jack Neil, Patti Gorman, Gail Garman, Bev Neil

March 21-Charlotte Smith, Wilbur Smith, Mike Minch, Carol Ross, Janet Fetherolf, Diana Purcell

April 18-Dave Colborn, Carolyn Colborn, Donna Swaneck, Gail Garman, Judy Moody, Patti Gorman

May 16-Natalie Alter, Debbie Peters, Joy Rector, Jack Neil, Bev Neil

June 20-Susan Barrett, Gail Garman, Charlotte and Wilbur Smith, Janet Fetherolf, Carol Ross

July 18 - Dave Colborn, Carolyn Colborn, Mike Minch, Judy Moody, Donna Swaneck, Gail Garman

August 11-Patti Gorman, Joy Rector, Diana Purcell, Natalie Alter, Bev Neil

September 20-Gary Link, Jack Neil, Gail Garman, Susan Barrett, Charlotte Smith, Wilbur Smith

October 18-Carol Ross, Janet Fetherolf, Debbie Peters, Mike Minch, Judy Moody, Diana Purcell

November 15- Natalie Alter, Joy Rector, Patti Gorman, Bev & Jack Neil, Gail Garman

December 20-Gail Garman, Mike Minch, Susan Barrett, Charlotte Smith, Wilbur Smith, Ann Adair

December 24-Dave Colborn, Carolyn Colborn, Donna Swaneck, Diana Purcell, Debbie Peters, Bev Neil

Schedule of Ushers: If you would like to usher, please contact Gail Garman or Carolyn Colborn.

Usher Team #1 (Jan, April, July, Oct.) Jack Neil, Bev Neil

Usher Team #2 (February, May, August and November): Judy Moody, Mike Minch, Bill & Dorothy Aiken

Usher Team #3 (March, June, Sept, Dec): Mike Purcell, Diana Purcell, Jim Cheadle

Worship Committee This is the schedule for the fellowship hour on the second Sundays:

January-Finance and Facilities; February-Session; March-Outreach/Worship/Christian Ed; **April-Choir**; May-Martha Circle;

June - Session; July - Finance and Facilities; August- Ushers; September- Outreach/Worship/Christian Ed; October- Martha

Circle; November- Deacons; December- Ushers

No Potlucks on fourth Sunday in July, August, November and December

Regular Session Meeting-February 15th, 2021 Quorum was present. Moderator: - Tom Billman. **Clerks' Report** - Diana Purcell. Communion was served to (21) on February 21, 2021. Steven Douglas Miller was Baptized on February 7,

2021 (Affirmation of Faith) Congregation and Installation will be held on March 7 after worship service. **Moderators/Pastoral Care Report:** Officiated Gary Link funeral on January 19. Spent time talking with his Sons Ron,

Rick, and Kelly. Sallie Wilson cousin Carol Ann Deere still planning for burial. Made phone calls to Avis Dorn, Juanita Deweese, Lois Duey, Joby Whitehead, Susan Omen, Carolyn Colborn, Charlotte & Wilbur Smith, Barbara Mapes. Tom has been taking meals to Leila Parker. Took Mike and Regina Minch to grocery store due to no transportation. Still waiting to hear from University of Dayton regarding grant. **Treasurer's Report** - Patti Gorman-

Conrardy: No report submitted. No problems. Purchased 16 Air Purifier/Sanitizer machines and are located

throughout building **Committee Reports: Worship/ Outreach/Christian Ed:** Gail Garman - Ash Wednesday service was held in the Sanctuary at 7:00 pm Feb 17th Ministers: Pastor Tom Feb. 7 & 21, Feb. 14 Susan Warrner

Smith, Feb. 28 Rev Wayne Morrison. It was decided that church service will only be cancelled when there is a Level 3 Snow Emergency. New Sound Equipment has been received and has been set up and is working well. Looking into possibly setting up a YouTube account for Streaming . **HM3:** Gail spoke with Steve Ryan and Overbrook and they have committed to do the HM3 meals on April 10, June 12, August 14, and December 11. Still open are

March 13th, and October 9th. Rescheduled Concord Pres for HM3 meal on April 24. Debbie Peters still unable to

do alternate fourth Saturdays in June, August, October and December. Patti will provide the mead on Feb 27th.

Out of the Box Community Theatre: Has been suspended until April or May. **Finance, Facilities, and Stewardship** - Janet Fetherolf/Mike Purcell: Bushes have been removed on the Westside of the building. Roberts Electric

has repaired/replaced light fixtures in the Parlor, Kitchen and Hallway. Will be giving us another estimate on the other remaining lights that need to be repaired/replaced. Toilets for Men and Women restroom have been purchased and paid for. Janet has received a bid for some Concrete work but needs to get another quote. Tom Billman will

contact his friend Terry Ellis to come out and give us a bid. **Nominating:** - Natalie Alter- No report. **Personnel:**

Carolyn Colborn - Jim Cheadle has given his 2 weeks' notice due to health issues. Committee is Meeting on Feb

23 to discuss hiring another sexton and will begin interviewing as applicants become available. **Deacons: January**

Food Pantry: Served 40 Families (see page 2). **Presbytery of Scioto Valley/Urban Ministry:** Westside Urban Ministry will meet March 22nd at 6:30 Presbytery meeting was held on Feb 16, 201 via Zoom. **Old Business:** University

of Dayton Grant Money is still in the works. Meredith would like to come to Worship & Attend HM3. **New Business:** No Report. Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm with the Lord's Prayer. **Next Session Meeting:** March 15th, 2021

at 7:00 pm. **Respectfully:** Diana L Purcell, Clerk of Session

Updates and Reminders

Recycling Update—The price paid for a pound of aluminum cans has gone up. We now get \$.50/pound. The last time I was there I had 10 pounds of cans and was handed a \$5.00 bill. They recycle the cans, Hoge has \$5.00 for their operating budget. Donna

Rev Ed shared some “**Bulletin Bloopers**” that he thought some of us would get a kick out of:

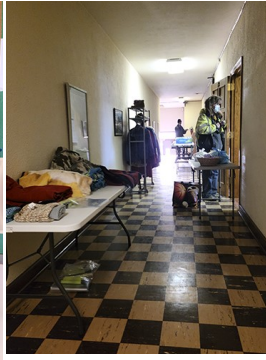
“The Fasting and Prayer conference includes meals.”

“The sermon this morning: ‘Jesus Walks on the Water’The sermon tonight: ‘Searching for Jesus’”

“Ladies, don’t forget the rummage sale. It’s a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.”



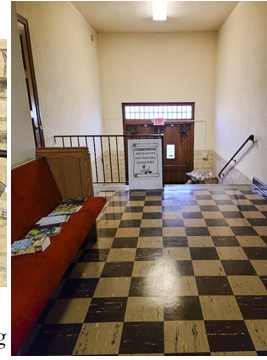
Picking up food pkts.



Stopping at Personal Care



Pastor Tom was the greeter this HMs evening



Notice: communion next week



Choosing Panera bread



Eric Downing plays soothing music with the flute as folks pass through the halls during HM3



One of our bible studies with Tom



Communion ...more people at service this week...spring, lent, and vaccines



Spring has sprung with daffodils in the Hoge Memorial flower gardens.



Some of the Volunteers with the Hoge Memorial Food Pantry

Financial Update

Financial Update – February 28, 2021 The following is a summary of Hoge's 2021 financial activity through February. Detailed financial reports are available by request to the church office. Hoge is grateful for the human and financial resources God has made available to allow personal and community-based ministries to remain alive and active during the start of another unique and challenging year. THANK YOU!!!

Designated Offerings / Donations / Other Income during 2021:

Building Enhancement & Improvements Funds: \$19.35 (includes interest earned from designated savings account)

Christmas Joy Offering: \$1.00

Ed & Lois Sensenbrenner Pastoral Care & Leadership Fund: \$9.97 (includes interest earned from designated savings account)

HM3 / Personal Care Pantry Support: \$50.00 (includes support from Covenant PC & Westminster PC)

Memorial Funds: \$870.00 (in memory of Gary Link & Warren Pemberton)

Parking Lot/Building Maintenance Fund: \$0.60 (includes interest earned from designated savings account)

Sound Equipment Upgrades: \$500.00

Toilet Repairs/Replacement: \$1,500.00

Financial notes:

We continue to address maintenance needs of the building and property:

Air sanitizers have been purchased and placed throughout the building on both levels

Commodos for the men's and women's downstairs restrooms as well as the Pastor's office have been donated and installed

New microphones and mixer board has been purchased and installed for improved sound quality during worship services

Several older light fixtures throughout the building have been replaced and others are being checked for safety


Many building maintenance projects are in the process of being set up now that Spring is here!

Hoge receives support from a variety of sources; those sources believe the work of Christ is present here and its impact to the community is true to our mission of *Feeding the Community, Physically & Spiritually*. Your consistent support is appreciated, especially during the challenging times of COVID-19.

The Finance & Facilities committee values your commitment to Hoge with time, talents and funds. Maintaining our building for worship, mission, safety, beauty and use in the community is something to be proud of. Contact members of the committee to inquire how you are able to help with any of our missions. Please continue to commit to Hoge in prayer, physical efforts, and financially.

If you are not currently participating in activities at Hoge, please prayerfully consider your willingness to do so. We have unique mission and outreach occurring here which is not happening anywhere else. You have to experience it to understand it! Patti Gorman-Conrardy, Treasurer

Balances as of February 28, 2021:			
Unrestricted cash	\$ 188,816.53	Operating Expenses:	
Restricted cash	88,694.57		
Payroll Liabilities	(243.82)	Admin & Other Expenses	\$ 2,141.67
Net liquid assets	\$ <u>277,267.28</u>	Building Maintenance	877.61
Operating Income:		Committee Expenses	864.88
Contributions	\$ 16,585.00	Office Expenses	919.83
Interest	67.67	Non-Pastoral Salaries	4,794.50
Other income (building use)	340.00	Pastoral Expenses	3,683.68
Other income (other support)	843.34	Utilities and Phone	<u>2,696.25</u>
Other income (flower dedications)	<u>0.00</u>	Total Operating Expenses	\$ 15,978.42
Total Operating Income	\$ 17,836.01	Difference - Operating Activity	\$ 1,857.59

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
TURKEY RICE CASSEROLE 1 Tbsp. vegetable oil, 1 medium onion, finely chopped, 1 clove garlic, finely chopped, 1 pound ground raw turkey, 1 tsp. dried oregano or 1 Tbsp. chopped fresh, 1 tsp. dried, basil or 1 Tbsp. chopped fresh, ½ tsp. crushed red pepper flakes, 1 celery stalk, finely chopped,, 1 16-oz. can tomatoes, 1 8oz-can tomato sauce, ½ cup water, 3 cups long grain brown rice, cold (2¼ cups rice and 2½ cups water makes 3 cups of cooked rice), 1 cup low fat cottage cheese, 2 egg whites 6 oz. part-skim mozzarella cheese, grated, ¼ cup freshly grated parmesan, Heat the oil in a heavy or non-stick pan and sauté the onion and garlic until tender but not browned. Add the, turkey and cook, stirring, until all pink has disappeared. Add oregano, basil, pepper flakes, celery, tomatoes, tomato sauce and water. Bring to a boil and simmer for 25 minutes. Combine cottage cheese, egg whites and mozzarella. Set aside. Mix turkey and tomato		
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More Household Tips: Make a DIY **treat dispenser** for you pet with a tennis ball. cut a small opening into an old tennis ball fill it with treats. **Clean pet hair** with dryer sheets. clean dryer sheet over any fur-covered fabric, upholstered furniture, clothing and even carpets. Manage **stomach aches** with baking soda. small amount of baking soda mixed with water makes for an effective antacid. 1/2 tsp baking soda, 1/2 cup water. Stop **sunburn pain** with frozen vegetables. Just be sure to wrap the bag in a cloth or towel before applying it to the skin — ice applied directly to the skin can worsen the burn. **Remove splinters** with craft glue. Apply a layer of glue to the area, wait for the glue to dry, then peel off the glue. Craft glue also works to temporarily seal cuts and wounds. Fight **itchy bug bites** with banana peels. Banana peels have antioxidants/anti-inflammatory properties. Banana peels make great relievers for poison ivy ,even be used to remove splinters!

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
mixture. Layer in a 13x9 inch baking dish: turkey and tomato mixture, rice, cheese. Repeat for 2nd layer. Sprinkle with Parmesan and bake, for 35 minutes at 350 degrees. Freezes well. Montgomery Presbyterian Church, Montgomery OH	1 7:00pm Outreach/ Worship/Christian Ed 	2 6:00pm AA Meeting <i>Happy Birthday Morgan Peters</i> 	3 5:00pm HM ³ -Robin 6:00pm AA
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21 12:00pm Food Pantry 7:30pm NA Meeting	22 <i>Happy Birthday Amber Fetherolf</i> 	23 9:00am Newsletter prep 6:00pm AA Meeting	24 5:00pm HM ³ -Schieferstein 6:00pm AA
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Stop **pepper burns** with milk. burned eyes, nose or skin, drenching the affected area in milk. Use **honey to treat cuts and scrapes**. a thin layer of honey directly to the affected area. Cover with a Band-Aid. **Coffee filter**. Use a coffee filter to dust: Tabletops, Shelves, Venetian blinds, Counters, Windowsills. **Clean out your microwave** with a DIY. 1 cup water, 1 tsp dishwashing detergent, Instructions:, Mix until dissolved. Microwave the solution for four minutes, leave inside for another four minutes. Bring out the **shine in wooden furniture** with olive oil. Dip a dry cleaning cloth into olive oil, rub it over wooden surfaces. Keep **stainless steel shining** with vinegar. Add a bit of white vinegar to a cleaning cloth, wipe down stainless steel surfaces. **Remove stains** with lemon juice. Slice up a lemon and rub a wedge into the stained wood. Combat **bathtub grime** with grapefruit. Cut up a grapefruit, sprinkle white sugar onto the fleshy part of a slice, use it as a scrub for your bathtub and shower.

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groups, Girl Scouts, Urban Minis-

tries, Members of Out of the Box

Community Theatre

Feeding the Community Physically & Spiritually

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