

HOGE HERALD

Hoge Memorial Presbyterian Church

2020

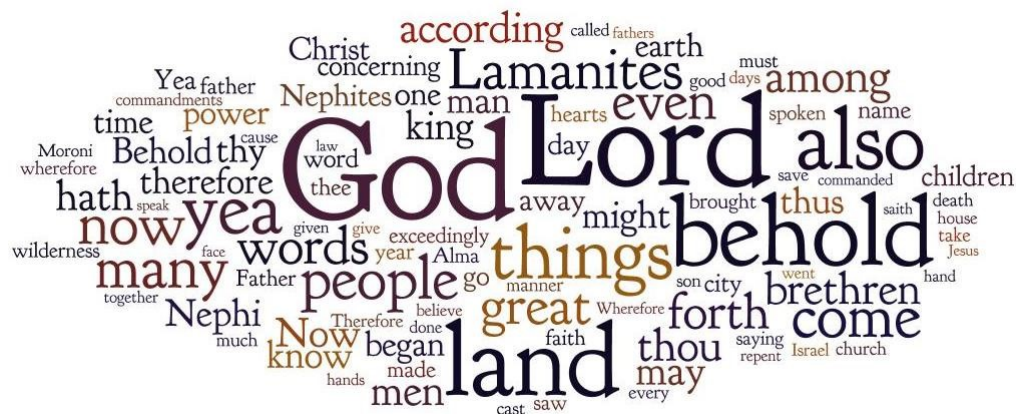
September

PASTOR TOM'S "LITTLE CORNER OF HOGE"

September 2020

Early Fall greetings from Pastor Tom! It's hard to believe that Fall is upon us – As I write this letter to you, it's 95 degrees and very dry and hot! I'm not sure about you, but I'm ready for the cooler weather – It's always a mixed blessing to have a change of season, but change is.....constant. If you're not accepting change in your life, life might just pass you by – So, I encourage you to embrace change – Accept change as a necessity of life, and challenge yourself to grow with change! Ask yourself each day, "How can I draw closer to God?" In Mark, 3: 13-15, Jesus first called the disciples to himself, and then, sent them out to preach, heal, and minister to those in need – In Jesus' presence, they could receive the anointing and the boldness to serve others – I've found that since I've grown closer in my relationship with God, I'm better able to share God's word with others. Without going to God first, we won't have as much to give to others – Being in God's presence equips us to go out and serve God by caring for God's people – Let us care for you at Hoge by your willingness to be vulnerable, and letting us know how we can serve you in the name of Christ, and remember, that even though our bodies are breaking down on the outside, the person that we have become is being renewed every day! Aging and illness may have changed our physical appearance, yet because of God's abiding love and guidance, we still have value and beauty – Our earthly vessels may not be as young as we once were, but we can take comfort in knowing that we are evolving creations from God – Our treasures are in clay pots, so that awesome power belongs to God and doesn't come from us (2 Cor. 4:7) – No matter our physical changes, our actions speak of God's power and renewing presence in our lives. As I finish writing this letter, I'm excited to announce that we now have the capability to video tape our in-person worship services on Sunday morning and make them available to view through our website and u-tube. We should be able to post our weekly services on Sunday afternoon, so you can view our worship services in case you can't be with us live. Let me know if you or someone you love needs pastoral care services, as I'm happy to give them a call – Stay safe and well my brothers and sisters in Christ! May God continue to bless you and keep you until we meet again!

Pastor Tom



Special Announcements

KEEP IN DAILY PRAYER

- Dorothy Pemberton and family in the passing of her husband, Warren
- Dan Lopez and family in the passing of his father earlier this summer
- Janet Fetherolf's son, David, recovering from a stroke
- Lois Sensenbrenner is at home recuperating after a stroke last month.
- Dorothy Pemberton family, member working in the health field
- Juanita Deweese, Sallie Wilson, Barbara Mapes
- Police Officers and other front line responders
- Hoge Church: continued 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 bulletin and monthly newsletters either by phone or email.

Families Served at HM3 returned to an adjusted way of serving, boxed type meals outside the church on July 18. We continue to serve the meals along with a printed message and lyrics to a hymn.

Food Pantry July Totals: 66 Families, 236 People served, Adults (60+) 32, Adults (59-18) 130, Children 74

HM3 Is Back-A modified version of HM3 has started in our parking lot! Due to safety concerns and cautions of the Covid-19 virus, we are sharing spiritual messages, music, connections and meals in the parking lot on Saturday nights. We extend a special thanks to **Covenant Presbyterian Church, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Cypress Wesleyan Church, Life Community Church, Trinity United Methodist Church as well as our own congregation (Pastor Tom, Diana, Susan, Roger, Jeanne, Marion, Tiffany, Joy, Gail)** who are working to get this ministry back in service. We look forward to the return of our other partners committing to the revival and success of this program. This is truly a community ministry which several churches work together to make it a success. Thank you to Roger Gorman for donating new lifetime lightweight tables for use during our ministries. These tables will be of great use for both HM3 and the Food Pantry. Come join us! We need help with additional "Hoge" persons. If you are able to help on Saturday nights with set up, tear down and clean up. Most of the time additional help is needed is from 4:00 – 6:30. If interested, please contact any member of the Outreach committee.

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: Toothpaste. Personal hygiene Wipes, Chap Stick / Lip Balm, Deodorant. Please see Bev and Jack Neil or Kathy and Barry Schifferstein for additional information. Thank you for your support of this ministry.

The businessman dragged himself home and barely made it to his chair before he dropped, exhausted. His sympathetic wife was right there with a tall cool drink and a comforting word. "My, you look tired," she said. "You must have had a hard day today. What happened to make you so exhausted?" "It was terrible," her husband said, "The computer broke down and all of us had to do our own thinking."

Waiting for the Pandemic to End- Isaiah 51:9-11 - **"Your Sonrise"**- *We're watching for Your Sonrise Waiting for You to Dress Yourself to Fight the evil one With an arm like Thor. Shake off any sloth As You rise like St George to slay dragons. Aren't You the same One Who blasted back the sea To help Your people escape The Land of slavery? Let us cross over as well, Entering Your glorious city, Our Home, singing our Hearts out, Crowned with the Joy flowing forever. Tears and sorrow leave our realm And our hearts are Buoyed with Your joy Your merriment!* Offered for our newsletter by Rev. Marion Redding Stenner

Grandparents, more than anyone else, are the keepers of the family stories. They are a living bridge between the past and the future of a family. Their intimate connection with the two generations that preceded them and the two that follow gives them a remarkable knowledge and view of the landscape of five generations. (found in a Google search on the word "grandparent"....September 13, "Grandparent Day")



Happy Birthday- September

Kylee Alter, 6; Judy Moody, 15; Veronica Martin, 17; Kevin Colborn, 25; Rev. Marion Stenner, 25; Charles Stenner, 26; Judy Isel 28





Lay readers: January-Debbie Peters, February-Patti Gorman, March-Debbie Peters, April-Mike Minch, May-Carolyn Colborn, June-Bill Aiken, July-Diana Purcell, August-Gail Garman, **September-Carol Ross**, October-Mike Minch, November-Debbie Peters, 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, Gary Link, 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, Gary Link

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.) Gary Link, 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 - July 20th, 2020 - Moderator: – Tom Billman; **Clerks' Report** – Diana Purcell, Communion served to (17) people on July 5th, **Moderators/Pastoral Care Report:** Tom has been calling Shut-ins every two weeks and having great conversations with them. Met with Eva Horning and Nick Thompson regarding their wedding being held in October and wants to use Wold Hall for the reception. Tom will be going to Williamsburg, VA in August with Jim Mehler. He will be going to N. Carolina in October. Prayer Vigil continue Wednesday mornings on Facebook live at 10:00 a.m.; **Treasurer's Report** – Patti Gorman- Presented 2-month report. Year date Revenue-Operating is up from 2019. CD matured in May and has been rolled over. Another one will Mature in September. Other Income Year to date is up from 2019. Operating expenses are down. Building expense is down. Outreach is up due to funds being transferred to Deacons fund. Operating expenses are up. Utilities are down. Non-Operating Income is up from this time last year. Non-Operating Expenses is up from this time last year. (See page 5); **Committee Reports: Worship/ Outreach/Christian Ed:** Gail Garman – Minister to preach in August: Tom Billman 8-2, 8-16, Peggy Holcomb- 8-9, 8-30 Rev. Wayne Morrison 8-23. Items has been purchased for Video Streaming and will be installed after Joey graduates in August. We are in the process of doing a revision to our current directory; **HM3:** It was decided that we would start HM3 on July 18th outside with a carry-out meal. There will be access to the kitchen for assembly of the carry out meals if necessary. There will be a printed message along with some hymns handed out in the meals. August 1 & 15 are covered. August 22 is pending, and Carla Grey has not called back regarding August 29th meal; **Out of the Box Community Theatre:** Production has been halted for the remainder of the year. We voted to reduce their rent for that period; **Approval of Report:** Report was approved by motion made, 2nd, and moved. **Finance, Facilities, and Stewardship** – Janet Fetherolf – The Doors are in and are waiting for Mailbox to arrive. They estimate the middle of August for installation. Groups have started meeting inside and outside of the building. Census Bureau has contacted Janet regarding dates for training. Mike Purcell has agreed to Co-Chair with Janet. Motion was made, 2nd and moved to accept. **Nominating:** - Natalie Alter- Nothing to report; **Personnel:** - Carolyn Colborn – Phil has requested August 9th off. Ann Adair has agreed to fill in for him. Rev Ed approached us about a retirement gift for Tony. It was agreed we would do a Love gift-monetary and send him a Card. Need to have donations in by August 10th; Deacons: June (Drive up) Food Pantry: Served 40 Families (see page 2); **Presbytery of Scioto Valley/Urban Ministry:** Next WUM meeting will be July 27th at 5:30 and meeting at Presbytery; **Old Business:** Nothing to report; **New Business:** Eva Horning and Nick Thompson has requested to have their Wedding on October 24th, 2020 at 3:30 pm and wants to hold Reception in Wold Hall. Discussed fee of \$25.00 per hour for use of Kitchen and Hall. Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm with the Lord's Prayer. Next Session Meeting: August 10th, 2020 at 7:00 pm.

Updates and Reminders

Editor's Note:

I saw an article in the Columbus Dispatch on August 21 that held some interest so I decided to share my thoughts with you here. I noticed early on that ecommerce was picking up due to the virus although I think it was in an upward direction before that. Much Christmas shopping on line has become popular. It's just one of the myriad of things that for centuries has come with progress and growth and modernization. People who run businesses will ultimately have to adjust to a new way of operating, much like people had to start learning a computer keyboard instead of a typewriter. The article is about how the switch to "online commerce isn't beneficial to everyone equally". The mom and pop stores are suffering. For one thing is they make sales through the computer most don't have the IT people or computer operation savvy to help with that portion of the business as larger retailers do. In many cases digital transactions involve more work than in-store sales. Items have to be described and some photographed for display on the internet. Items sold have to be packaged and taken to a delivery service. It was mentioned in the article that businesses that have the easiest to use systems are the ones that get used the most. Web sites need maintenance and updates to programs as well as stock and prices on a regular basis. When small businesses had to close as the pandemic grew they offered stock online for "order on line or by phone for curbside pick up". That caused a scramble to get things set up for that direction of sales. When customers can come in the store they can "browse" and talk to the sales staff which has been a help in making selections. Many owners think that digital sales won't completely replace in store shopping. To me it's like going to a movie theater or waiting until the movie comes out on Netflix and the like. The theater experience is unique in itself. Another analogy, reading hard copy book or reading the same book on the ipad electronically. My problem with the electronic era is the loss of the social aspect of any enterprise. The internet offers a wide world of contacts and groups interested in the same things you are but there differences in thought to share with one another. I often wonder what the results of the "new" inventions will have on society in the future. I imagine people wondered that at the birth of cars and airplanes and television and computers and spaceships. The internet is the modern Encyclopædia Britannica. It's easier to use than the one from all those years ago. In the on line version you can use a search command rather than search through and index and page by page.



8/27/2017

8/2/2020



4/22/2020



7/24/2019

Financial Update

Financial Update – July 31, 2020- The following is a summary of Hoge's 2020 financial activity through July. Detailed financial reports are available by request to the church office.

Designated Offerings / Donations / Other Income during 2020:

Building Enhancement & Improvements Funds: \$25,030.83 (includes interest earned from designated savings account)

Deacons Funds: \$3,141.66 (includes support from Worthington PC)

Ed & Lois Sensenbrenner Pastoral Care & Leadership Fund: \$171.15 (includes interest earned from designated savings account)

HM3 / Personal Care Pantry Support: \$3,506.17 (includes support from Covenant PC & Westminster PC)

One Great Hour of Sharing: \$1,426.49

Parking Lot/Building Maintenance Fund: \$153.02 (includes interest earned from designated savings account)

Recycling: \$24.00

Sound System Repairs/Replacement: \$2,500.00

Financial notes:

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

- ☐ We are still waiting for our west-side entry doors to arrive and be installed (they have been ordered)
- ☐ New handheld microphones, lavaliers, and receivers have been received have been purchased and are now being utilized during our worship services. Funds were donated to cover the cost of this purchase. Equipment needed to record and live-stream worship services has also been purchased. We will be pursuing a grant from Presbytery to help pay for some of this cost. We are hoping to be trained on how to use the equipment and begin post services onto our website, Facebook and U-Tube
- ☐ The Finance & Facilities committee is reviewing our most urgent needs for efficient use of funds donated for building enhancements and improvements. If you have specific thoughts for maintenance needs of the church, please inform Janet Fetherolf or any member of the F&F committee





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. Life is starting to return to the building of Hoge. Group meetings are occurring in the building.

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 April 30, 2020:

Unrestricted cash	\$ 157,502.76	Operating Expenses:	
Restricted cash	56,563.57	Admin & Other Expenses	\$ 5,273.40
Payroll Liabilities	(95.57)	Building Maintenance	2,326.15
Net liquid assets	\$ <u>213,970.76</u>	Committee Expenses	3,242.75
Operating Income:		Office Expenses	2,504.38
Contributions	\$ 61,037.04	Non-Pastoral Salaries	15,187.75
Interest	4,123.55	Pastoral Expenses	11,861.87
Other income (building use)	3,230.00	Utilities and Phone	<u>8,607.41</u>
Other income (other support)	3,060.78	Total Operating Expenses	\$ 49,003.71
Other income (flower dedications)	<u>255.00</u>	Difference -Operating Activity	\$ 22,702.66
Total Operating Income	\$ 71,706.37		

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
<p>The radiant amber light of late afternoon spilling through clouds illuminates autumn branches strung with glittering jewel tones. Crispin Sartwell, in his book <i>Six Names of Beauty</i> describes <i>wabi-sabi</i>, a concept from Japanese culture to describe “the beauty of the withered, weathered, tarnished, scarred, intimate, coarse, earthly, evanescent, tentative, ephemeral.” Autumn calls us to remember our own fragility and cherish this beauty. .</p>		1
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Household items you can re-purpose-Alka-Seltzer-Clean build-up in your toilet by dropping a couple tablets in for 20 minutes; Ketchup-Clean silver jewelry by soaking it in a bowl of ketchup for a few minutes; Salt-Pour a half cup of salt for every quart of water down the drain to clean it; Aspirin-Eliminate perspiration stains by placing 2 crushed aspirins in 100mL of warm water and soaking your clothes in the mixture for 2 hours; Newspaper-Eradicate lingering smells by placing newspaper in the bins of your fridge; Cooking Spray-Spray a little cooking spray on a squeaky door hinge to quiet the creaking; Floss-Cut softer foods like cheese or cake with unflavored, non-waxed floss; Coffee Filters-Clean windows and glass with coffee filters if you're out of paper towels; Baby Powder-Remove oil stains on leather by (cont. on page 7)

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 7:30pm NA Meeting	3 7:00pm Outreach/ Worship/ Christian Ed	4 6:00pm AA Meeting	5 5:00pm HM ³ -Robin –outside of church 6:00pm AA
9 7:30pm NA Meeting	10	11 6:00pm AA Meeting	12 5:00pm HM ³ -Westminster- outside of church 6:00pm AA
16 7:30pm NA Meeting	17 <i>Happy Birthday Veronica Martin</i>	18 6:00pm AA Meeting	19 5:00pm HM ³ -Covenant- outside of church 6:00pm AA
23 12:00pm Food Pantry 7:30pm NA Meeting	24	25 6:00pm AA Meeting 9:00am Newsletter Prep <i>Happy Birthday Kevin Colborn Happy Birthday Rev. Marion Stenner</i>	26 5:00pm HM ³ -Peters-outside of church 6:00pm AA <i>Happy Birthday Charles Stenner</i>
30 12:00pm Food Pantry	Make-Ahead Mashed Potatoes -Great for busy occasions, pop into the oven. 8 large potatoes,, 1 pkg. (8 oz.) cream cheese, 1/4 c. dairy sour cream, salt & pepper to taste, Butter, Paprika. Boil potatoes in salted water until tender. Drain & mash. Add cream cheese, sour cream, salt & pepper, mixing well. Put into greased two quart baking dish. Top with pats of butter. Cover. When ready to bake, sprinkle with paprika & bake uncovered, 350-degree oven for 30-35 min., until heated through.		



(cont. from page 6) applying a coat of baby powder and allowing it to sit overnight. (Tip: test on a small area first.); Olive Oil-Use olive oil to bring the shine back to stainless steel items; Bread-Clean painted or wallpapered walls with a slice of un-crusts white bread; Dryer Sheets-Loosen caked on food by placing a dryer sheet inside a dirty pan and letting it soak in warm water overnight; Baking Soda-Use baking soda to remove sticker residue; Tea Bags-Use tea bags as an organic fertilizer for potted house plants; Toothpaste-De-fog bathroom mirrors with a coat of non-gel toothpaste. Wipe it off before you get in the shower and come out with a clear view; Clear Nail Polish as Glue- for securing loose eyeglass screws or keeping button threads from unraveling on a dress shirt.

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Hogue Memorial Church Staff

Head of Staff: Jesus Christ

Custodian, Jim Cheadle

Organist, Phil Leston

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Various Committee Heads

Various Volunteer Office Staff

Heads of Various Programs and

community service groups Food

Pantry, HM3, AA and NA

groups, Girl Scouts, Urban Minis-

tries, Members of Out of the Box

Community Theatre

Feeding the Community Physically & Spiritually

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