

# HOGE HERALD

*Hoge Memorial Presbyterian Church*

2022

## September

PASTOR TOM'S "LITTLE CORNER OF HOGE" SEPTEMBER 2022

"SIGN, SIGN, EVERYWHERE A SIGN"

Proverbs 3: 5-8:

The 5-man Electrical Band had a great song back in the 70's entitled "Signs", and the Chorus of this song went something like this, "Sign, sign, everywhere a sign, blocking out the scenery, break in my mind, do this, don't do that – Can't you read the sign?" My wife, Linda and I, love to drive around the back-roads of this great country of ours, because of the scenery and the slow-pace of travel – It gives us time to take in the beauty of God's creation in our world – So, on a beautiful, clear, sunny day this past June, Linda and I drove along a narrow, curvy road in the mountains of North Carolina. We were on a quest of finding several picturesque mountain waterfalls in the area, as the state highway we were driving on had an ominous sign posted saying, "Roadway ends – Proceed at your own risk!" Now, we were anticipating some off-road adventure on our quest, but the sign announcing the end of the road, put some apprehension and fear into our hearts and our situation. I gripped the steering wheel a little tighter, tapped the brakes to check their status, and slowed down to take the first curve as we entered a gravel-road. The next several miles were slow going, as the gravel-road was full of twists and turns and huge pot-holes! As we crept along at about 5 miles an hour, I wondered if we had bit off a little more than we could chew, especially since the gravel-road we were on was getting progressively worse the farther we traveled. Then, as we reached the summit of a large hill in the road, we heard it and saw it – a huge, beautiful waterfall – glittering in the sunlight as it was just ahead of us. We coasted downhill into a parking lot, where we could park, with an easy 5-minute walk to the summit of this spectacular mountain waterfall. And again, I thought of the sign which was posted warning everyone about the road ending and to proceed at your own risk, and I wondered how many people stopped right there and turned around to avoid possible danger? If they only would've pressed on just a few more miles, they would have seen the most spectacular waterfall in this area of the state. And then, more thoughts came to me about the other "Ominous" signs I had placed in my path which had spawned more fear in my life – "Life gets tougher after age 60!" "Why are there so many crazy things happening in our world today?" "What bad things will happen to me today?" Here I was, in one of the most beautiful places on earth, but my false, unfounded projection of doom and gloom was ruining this perfect moment – Damn sign I thought! You see, I don't need to be putting false, unfounded fear into my thoughts right now as I don't need those signs anyway! Jesus has given us the guidance we need – We too, must drop our signs and follow him! With Jesus by our side, we can go off any paved-road and find our way in spite of the gravel-road, pot holes, and hazards. With confidence in Jesus' love for us, we can find joy in our journey off the beaten-path! The most beautiful waterfall I had ever seen beckoned and waited for us that day. And, the only thing that could deter us was unfounded fear. Remember what Proverbs 3: 5-8: says to us? "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding: In all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight. Do not be wise in your own eyes; Fear the Lord and shun evil, as this will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones!" Remember the chorus of the "Signs" song? "Sign, sign, everywhere a sign – block in out the scenery, break in my mind – do this, don't do that – Can't you read the sign?" In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.....Amen!

# Special Announcements

## KEEP IN DAILY PRAYER

Please remember the following Joys and Concerns in your daily prayers.

- The family of Lois Duey in her passing
- Jack Neil experiencing health issues
- Tenzin Blearsch, grandson of Jack and Bev Neil, suffering brain bleed effects in Port Townsend, Washington hospital
- Family of Judy Edwards in her passing
- Family of Carol Ross in her passing
- Judy Isel experiencing health issues
- Family of Janet Fetherolf in her passing
- Charlotte Smith in the passing of Wilbur
- Barbara Mapes recovering at home
- Joby Whitehead experiencing health issues
- Jerry Fetherolf experiencing health issues
- Jim Cheadle experiencing health issues
- Avis Dorn's family for her passing on February 5
- Bobbie McComb's family upon her passing on January 23
- Diane Line experiencing health issues
- For the family of Juanita Deweese, in her passing
- Leslie Grothaus, Jeanne's daughter, with health issues
- Joel Peck, Natalie's friend, facing health concerns
- Jeni McGraw's son for various health challenges
- Dorothy Pemberton family, member working in the health field
- Police Officers, other front line responders and our military families
- 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

Food Pantry July Totals: 71 Households, 33 Seniors, Adults 122, Children 60 Total Number of People Served 215

## 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.

Note: If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, please let us know and we will be glad to add it.



**Pastor Dave Charlton tells us:** "After a worship service at First Baptist Church in Newcastle, Kentucky, a mother with a fidgety seven-year-old boy told me how she finally got her son to sit still and be quiet. About halfway through the sermon, she leaned over and whispered, 'If you don't be quiet, Pastor Charlton is going to lose his place and he will have to start his sermon all over again!' It worked."

**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: Bar soap, Body wipes, Stick deodorant, Razors, Sunscreen lotion/spray, Toilet paper rolls, Wash cloths, White socks. Please see Bev and Jack Neil or Kathy and Barry Schieferstein for additional information. Thank you for your support of this ministry.

# REMINDER

**Lay readers:** January-Mike Minch, February-Patti Gorman, March-Judy Manley, April-Mike Minch, May-Donna Swaneck, June-Gail Garman, July-Diana Purcell, August-Gail Garman, **September-Mike Minch**, 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 16-Natalie Alter, Donna Swaneck, Debbie Peters, Diana Purcell, Joy Rector

February 20-Susan Barrett, Jack Neil & Bev, Patti Gorman, Gail Garman,

March 20-Charlotte Smith, Wilbur Smith, Mike Minch, Diana Purcell

April 17-Dave Colborn, Carolyn Colborn, Donna Swaneck, Gail Garman, Patti Gorman

May 15-Natalie Alter, Debbie Peters, Joy Rector, Jack Neil, Bev Neil

June 19-Susan Barrett, Gail Garman, Carol Ross

July 17 - Dave Colborn, Carolyn Colborn, Mike Minch, Donna Swaneck, Gail Garman

August 21-Patti Gorman, Joy Rector, Diana Purcell, Natalie Alter, Bev Neil

**September 18- Jack Neil, Gail Garman, Susan Barrett**

October 16- Debbie Peters, Mike Minch, Diana Purcell

November 20- Natalie Alter, Joy Rector, Patti Gorman, Bev & Jack Neil, Gail Garman

December 18-Gail Garman, Mike Minch. Susan Barrett, Charlotte 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

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

Usher Team #2 (February, May, August and November): Mike Minch, Judy Manley

**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-TBA; June - Session; July - Finance and Facilities; August- Ushers; **September- Outreach/Worship/Christian Ed;** October- TBA; November- Deacons; December- Ushers

**Regular Session Meeting-July 18, 2022.** Moderator: - Tom Billman. **Clerks' Report** - Diana Purcell

Communion was served to (16) people on July 17, 2022, and HM3 on July 16, 2022, Janet Fetherolf passed away June 16, 2022, Lifelong member (Elder) (79) Burial Sunset Cemetery (Inurnment), Memorial Service was held on July 3, 2022, officiated by Pastor Tom Billman Judy Edwards passed away on July 6, 2022 (83) Member Carol Ross passed away on July 15, 2022 (84) Lifelong member (Elder) Memorial Service will be held on July 23, 2022, officiated by Pastor Tom Billman. **Moderators/Pastoral Care Report:** Visited/Called on Dan & Judy Isel on July 7. Dave & Carolyn Colborn, Charlotte Smith, Leila Parker, Barbara Mapes, Joby Whitehead, Ronnie & Diane Line, Terry Ellis, Bill McComb, Janet Mullins, Lois Duey, Jerry Fetherolf. Dr Anderson is still very supportive and will be making a Fall Donation. **Treasurers Report:** Contributions are down, Other Income is up. Savings Interest is down.

Operating expenses are up. Building maintenance is up. Outreach is up. Other Salaries are up. Pastoral Services are up. Utilities are up. Non-Operating Income are up. Non-Operating expenses are up. (See page 5). **Committee Reports:**

**Worship/ Outreach/Christian Ed:** July Ministers: Pastor Tom 3<sup>rd</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, July 10 Hymn Sing, July 24- Curtis Hinton, July 31- Rev Marion Stenner, **HM3:** We have three new volunteers. Heather was sent by Cathy Levy at Covenant. Jessica and Deedee, Are two high school students from Briggs High School who need volunteer hours.

Only Saturday not covered is December 24. **Out of the Box Community Theatre:** Next show will be in October: "Another Dumb Ghost Story" Tryouts Will be in September. **Finance, Facilities, and Stewardship** - Jack Neil/

Mike Purcell: Garrett Pilarski with Franklin Glass will be On site August 15, 2022, at 8:30 am to begin the work on the stained glass windows. Flat roof is leaking will be making phone calls to get Estimates. Water faucets need replaced. Having issues with Door alarm not getting set.. **Nominating:** - Natalie Alter- Nothing to report. **Personnel:** -

Natalie Alter/Judy Manley - Detail List is being made up of Daily Tasks Christian needs to do. Once trained he will be given 90 days to improve. **Deacons:** **June Food Pantry: Served 65 Families** (See page 2). **Deacon Report: Judy Manley**

Pricing and Sorting for Fall Sale has begun. Food Pantry is going well. Donna has taken and completed her annual training with Mid-Ohio and is good for another year. **Presbytery of Scioto Valley/Cap City Helping**

**Hands:** Nothing to Report. **Old Business:** Nothing to Report.. **New Business:** Nothing to Report. **Meeting was**

**adjourned at 8:45 pm with the Lord's Prayer. Next Session Meeting:** at 7:00 pm August 15, 2022. **Respectfully:**

Diana L Purcell, Clerk of Session

# Notes and Photos

## COATS FOR KIDS



### CCHH ANNUAL COAT DRIVE SUPPORTING COLUMBUS SCHOOLS

WHEN: SEPTEMBER 1st-OCTOBER 29th

WHAT: new or gently used clean coats  
with working zippers  
for  
elementary-high school students  
We especially need boy's jackets in youth sizes.

PLEASE HELP US TO HELP THEM!

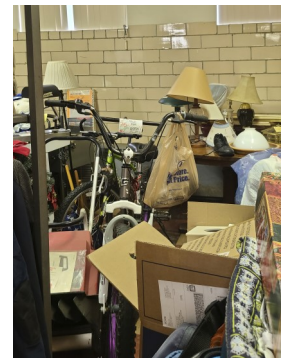
**The Fall Sale** will be here soon. The dates for this year's sale are Friday October 7th and Saturday October 8th . Both days the sale will run from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. We set up for the sale on Thursday October 6th starting at 9:00 a.m. We need as many people as possible to do this job. In the beginning we are setting up tables and moving boxes of items into the appropriate rooms. Then we are taking items out of boxes and arranging them on tables. Come for any part of this process. The more people doing any of these tasks, the faster they get done. Remember, we always need bakers to make delicious baked goods for our bake sale. You can bring them to the church on Thursday, or early Friday morning. Help us make this a wonderful event! Donna

**The 2022 -2023 choir season** begins this September. Our first practice is Wednesday September 7th at 7:30 p.m. Practices are on the first and third Wednesday of the month. We generally sing in church a couple times a month. Make this the year you add your voice to Hoge's choir!

## Mid Ohio Food Collective delivery for our Food Pantry



## Getting ready for the 2022 Fall Sale



# Financial Update

Financial Update – July 31, 2022

The following is a summary of Hoge's 2022 financial activity through July. 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 2022:

Building Enhancement & Improvements Funds: \$148.29 (includes interest earned from designated savings account)

Christmas Joy Offering: \$24.00

Deacon's Funds: \$2,816.68 (includes 2/3 of Mission support from Worthington PC & Memorials in memory of Wilbur Smith)

Ed & Lois Sensenbrenner Pastoral Care & Leadership Fund: \$2,737.30 (includes interest earned from designated savings account and

Memorial Funds in honor of Lois Sensenbrenner)

HM3 Support: \$200.00

Memorial/Honorarium Funds: \$1,630.00 (in memory of Juanita DeWeese, Avis Dorn, Janet Fetherolf, Carol Ross)

One Great Hour of Sharing: \$1,542.00

Parking Lot/Building Maintenance Fund: \$2.49 (includes interest earned from designated savings account)

Pastoral Idea Fund: \$10,004.01

Recycling: \$47.80

## Financial notes:

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

Boiler concerns are being evaluated

Stained Glass windows repairs are in the process of being repaired

Concrete repairs are being evaluated

Repairs needed on the flat roofs are being assessed

Completion of the tuck pointing, caulking and sealing project is on hold

Hoge is supporting the new Westside Christian School for grades K-12 with a donation of \$1,500.00

Second Community Church on the Hilltop is supporting Hoge's HM3 program by providing paper products and supplies for meals as well as the

Personal Care Pantry; we are blessed to receive their partnership of missions in our community

Many other projects are being evaluated so we can put them into process

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.

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 can help with 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 July 30, 2022:			
Unrestricted cash	\$ 234,274.30	Operating Expenses:	
Restricted cash	110,666.28	Admin & Other Expenses	\$ 6,010.96
Payroll Liabilities	( 127.38)	Building Maintenance	8,246.93
Net liquid assets	\$ <u>344,813.20</u>	Committee Expenses	4,399.00
Operating Income:		Office Expenses	3,124.95
Contributions	\$ 50,759.41	Non-Pastoral Salaries	18,232.89
Interest	3,377.31	Pastoral Expenses	13,980.54
Other income (building use)	4,075.00	Utilities and Phone	<u>14,591.32</u>
Other income (other support)	3,047.56	Total Operating Expenses	\$ 68,586.59
Other income (flower dedications)	<u>502.00</u>		
Total Operating Income	\$ 61,761.28	Difference - Operating Activity	\$ ( 6,825.31)





MARK YOUR  
CALENDAR!

# September

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
<b>Ooey Goopy Chocolate Peanut Butter Cakes Recipe</b> - Cake: 1 (18 1/4-ounce) package chocolate cake mix (I used Devil's Food) 1 egg, 8 tablespoons butter, melted, Filling: 1 (8-ounce) package cream cheese, softened, 1 cup creamy peanut butter, 3 eggs, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 8 tablespoons butter, melted, 1 (16-ounce) box powdered sugar, Directions: • Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. • Combine the cake mix, egg, and butter and mix well with an electric mixer. Pat the mixture into the bottom of a lightly greased 13 by 9-inch baking pan. • To make the filling: In a large bowl, beat the cream cheese and peanut butter until smooth. Add the eggs, vanilla, and butter, and beat together. Next, add the powdered sugar and mix well. • Spread peanut butter mixture over cake batter and bake for 40 to 50 minutes. Make sure not to over-bake as the center should be a little gooey. •		
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**Mr. Clean Eraser Tips: Degreasing counters and stove tops.** Magic Erasers can get rid of burnt-on grime on your counters and stove tops with just a bit of water. **Make your sneakers shine.** Micro-scrubber action removes scuffs on white tennis shoes without any use of chemicals. **Deep clean doggy drool.** Dog (and cat) lovers know how hard it is to get rid of nose smudges on the windows left behind by the wet noses of peeping. You can wipe those away in just a few seconds sans vinegar or glass cleaner. **Revive tile and grout.** If these have seen better days (ahem, soap scum and mold) they'll look almost brand-new after a scrub down. And while you're at it, give your shower curtain a good wipe, too. **Clean outside the coloring lines.** Magic Eraser can remove crayon (not to mention permanent marker and fingerprints) from cabinets, walls and other surfaces. **Smartphone and computer care.** Our fingers leave oily residue on cellphone screens & computer keyboards

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
(cont from pg. 6)• Serve with fresh whipped cream. From Briarwood Presbyterian Church, Birmingham , AL 	1 Outreach/Worship/Christian Ed	2 6:00pm AA Meeting	3 5:00pm HM <sup>3</sup> -Robin/Carla 6:00pm AA
7 7:00pm Faith Based Recovery Group Bible Study 7:00pm Choir 8:00pm NA Meeting	8	9 6:00pm AA Meeting	10 5:00pm HM <sup>3</sup> —Grace Fellowship 6:00pm AA
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28 12:00pm Food Pantry 7:00pm Faith Based Recovery Group Bible Study 8:00pm NA Meeting	29 <i>Happy Birthday Judy Isel</i>	30 6:00pm AA Meeting	<b>Labor Day</b> declared a national holiday in 1894, observed on the first Monday in September. The roots grew out of violent clashes between labor and police during the Haymarket Riot in 1886. Labor Day weekend marks the unofficial end of summer.

(**Tips cont.**) A quick wipe with the Magic Eraser can clean them both And the Magic Eraser might also get rid of those scratches on your cellphone screen, too. **Remove rust.** Small amounts — from the bottom of your shaving cream bottle or an old cast-iron pan. It is Generally it's best to avoid using Magic Erasers on surfaces with high gloss, stainless steel appliances or nonstick coating. **Reach those unreachable parts.** The Magic Eraser is best at cleaning those particularly hard-to-reach and hard-to-clean areas. **De-goo sticky residue.** Left behind from price tags, labels, glue, contact paper or any other type of goo that you otherwise have to use a chemical to remove. **Clean hair product buildup.** The sticky residue it left behind from hair sprays. Magic Eraser can knock that out all without any soap. **Make your silver sparkle.** You can use a Magic Eraser to polish your silver flatware. It even removes tarnish from ster-

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**Hogue Memorial Church Staff**

**Head of Staff: Jesus Christ**

**Sexton, Christian Hogenbirk**

**Organist, Phil Leston**

**Pastor, Thomas (Tom) A. Billman**

**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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