



Cross Talk

Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world by loving, engaging, and serving our neighbors

FROM YOUR SPRC

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Church Family,

We are all praying for a speedy recovery for Rev Katie. I spoke with her this week and she is doing much better and her spirits were good. She is anxious to get back with us but we want to make sure that she takes the time she needs to recover. With that said, we will be having an interim pastor leading worship and taking care of any pastoral needs our congregation needs until Rev Katie returns. Rev David Gilbert will be leading us in worship starting Oct 4th. Below is a short bio that he gave me to share with you all.

Suzanne Lindahl—SPRC

Rev. David Gilbert grew up in Green and is a 1971 graduate of Green High School. He graduated from the University of Akron and Boston University School of Theology. He was ordained an Elder in the United Methodist Church in 1980. David served churches in Woburn, MA, near Marietta, in Canton, Green (Green Valley), Mansfield, and Youngstown, Ohio. He has been married to Sharon since 1973 and they have three adult children and two grandchildren. David retired from ministry in 2014, and he and Sharon relocated to Green (building a home on the family farm!) in 2016. They have the joy of living next door to their daughter and grandchildren. Their daughter is expecting their third grandchild in mid-October. David will be providing pastoral care, but to protect the new grandson, he will be carefully observing social distancing.

Dave Gilbert

Let us welcome Rev. David

“A new command I give you: **Love one another**. As I have **loved** you, so you must **love one another**. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you **love one another**.”

John 13:34-35



- 1 Boris Nastoff
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- 10 Jim Keenan
- 13 Cara Smesko
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- 14 Jim O'Brien
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- 19 Patti Barrett
- 21 Doug Oplinger
- 22 Colton Langenfeld
- 23 Agnes Gant
Kevin Swank
- 26 Chuck Cowgar
- 30 Clyde Pennington
Rob Barrett



- 13 Brent & Abby Kuwatch
- 26 Clyde & Nancy Pennington
- 30 John & Denise Clay

UPDATE ON RELAUNCH—GOING INSIDE

The Committee met Monday, September 28th and discussed moving forward after last week's service that was held in the Fellowship Hall. They concluded the following:

Beginning, October 4th (World Communion Sunday) we are going inside providing two services with the contemporary service at 10am in the Fellowship Hall and 11am Traditional Service in the Sanctuary. The committee will meet again on October 12th to decide if the attendance supports 2 services or if we need to possibly combine them.

The ReLaunch Committee has been working hard to keep everyone safe and would like you to read and follow these guidelines when attending service:

Please wear a mask. (if you don't have one or if you forgot yours, they will be available) If you are not feeling well we ask that you stay home and get well. Please don't congregate inside the church, we ask that you converse outside at your car. Don't bring food or drink into the church since we will be wearing masks. Sit with your household. Remember to continue to socially distance. The 10am Contemporary Service we ask that you enter ONLY through double doors outside Pastor Katie's office. The 11am Traditional Service enter ONLY through the double doors closest to the Sanctuary. Thank you for your help keeping everyone safe.

Please be aware that we do not have Sunday School classes fully up and running, nor will we be offering child care at this time.

For those not able or do not wish to attend inside, we hope to have online service after noon on Sundays available to watch. The tech crew is working on what will work best. Please check the website or Facebook page for up to date information as we continue to move forward.

IN APPRECIATION

GUMC Family,

Thank you so much for the generous graduation gift. I will use it for college. Thank you for your constant love and support throughout the years. Thank you for all the life lessons you all have taught me which I will put to use during my college endeavors.

Love,

Kaden Smesko



Let the office know if you feel someone needs kudos, so we can share our appreciation.

FUNDING THE MISSION AND MINISTRY OF GUMC

OPERATING BUDGET	Giving General	Actual Expenses	Budgeted Expenses
August 2020	\$ 23,668.75	\$ 20,653.94	\$ 21,921.08
Year to Date	\$164,164.39	\$179,572.39	\$ 200,468.64
BUILDING NOTE	Loan Giving	Monthly Pay-	Loan Balance
August 2020	\$ 1,776.00	\$ 2624.10	\$114,885.52
BRIGHT HOPE FOR TOMORROW	Total Given	Pledged	Balance Available
As of 8/31/2020	\$ 247,162.62	\$ 233,143.96	\$ 41,135.85

LETTER FROM LOVING HANDS PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR

After 6 months, Loving Hands Preschool is finally back open! We were excited to welcome 112 families into our program so far this year! Although our numbers are a little lower than last year, our classes are still FULL of fun! We welcome back Miss Kat, Miss Alicia, Miss Stacey, Miss Terri, Miss Shannon B, Miss Libby, Miss Carolyn, Miss Jessica, and Miss Mary Ellen! And we are excited to welcome Miss Tina to our staff this year!

We are collecting Acme receipts again this year, between August 1-December 31, 2020. Loving Hands will earn 5% of the Community Cashback amount on each receipt. There is a collection basket outside of the preschool office, or are welcome to put it in the Sunday collection or mail them into the church.

Decorate your trunks and come visit us for our Halloween Party/Trunk or Treat on Monday, October 26 and /or Tuesday, October 27 at 11:30am. Since our celebrations will have to look different this year, and we won't be able to invite everyone in for a party, we are going to try something new! If you would like to pass out a treat please note that we are a nut-free school. You can email Miss Shannon at smiller1950@sbcglobal.net if you have questions.

During the quarantine, I celebrated my 10 year work anniversary at Loving Hands Preschool! It has been an amazing 10 years. I am fortunate to have met each of you at the church, had so many great preschool families enter our program, and have been blessed with an amazing staff! I can't wait to see what the future holds!

-Shannon Miller, Preschool Director

Hello everyone from the Caring Team

Hope you are all doing well and coping with the pandemic as well as possible.

Since the pandemic began we have not been able to visit anyone, whether in the hospital, nursing home or in their own home. Everyone has been very understanding of the situation. We have made phone calls to check on people and sent them monthly "thinking of you" cards.

Our Team consists of Carol Baab, Liz Brenneman, Becky Dando, Betty Gross, Janice Hackathorn, Jill Lehman, Roger Martin, Marilyn Mackasek and Sue Wendling.

We are in need of a few more people who would be willing to visit someone once a month, or to make a few phone calls to see how people are doing. Volunteers are Needed.

Please call Liz at 330.212.2209 if you are interested.

Blessings from your Caring Team! (submitted by Liz Brenneman)

Christmas is Coming to Green Good Neighbors

Letters have gone out to the parents of children that have been to our unit this year with their deadline to submit a request is Wednesday, October 28th. We are asking anyone in the congregation that would like to buy some Christmas cheer for a child to call me at 330.896.3425 and I will give you a name and some gift suggestions for the child. All wrapped gifts need to be in by Sunday, December 6th between noon and 2pm. If you do not want to shop and wrap we will accept cash gift cards for our volunteers to shop for you.

We will be giving out family grocery cards for their Christmas dinner in the month of December. We could use donated gift cards from Acme, Giant Eagle or other grocery stores in our area. We distribute food gift cards in ten dollar increments based on the size of their family.

Since we are using the gym for the clothing room every Wednesday, it means we do not have an area to set up for the parents to come and pick up Christmas gifts for their children this year. So, your donations will be extra appreciated this year! Parents will remain in their cars for pick up and we will load their gifts into their car for them.

Thank you for your help! Pat Stiles

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Good Time to Update!

This pandemic has created us to do things a bit different, but to find a silver lining in it, there seems to be a lot of people “cleaning house!” Possibly your house cleaning looks like downsizing material things or maybe even the best landscaping your yard has seen in a long time! No matter we all need to take advantage of the time we are given and use it wisely.

Here at the church it is always nice to do some of our own house cleaning too. One way, we are wanting to keep our records and information up to date. If you have a new phone number, email address or even decided you want added to the Birthday and Anniversary lists we want to hear from you. In addition, we need current information on all the post high college students mailing addresses and college or university information also!

Please take time today to share with us your updated information so we may continue to communicate with you clearly, efficiently and compassionately too. Let’s keep our houses in order and include The church in that process too.

You can email Pam at pam.moore@greensburgumc.net or call the church office at 330.896.1936.

Another update: The One Board has decided to change the mailing address for the church from a PO Box to the physical address so there is less confusion for deliveries and mail from outside sources, and social media communications. The Trustees will be installing a mailbox within the next few weeks. The mailbox will be located under the overhang that is outside the office entrance. Mail delivery will be M-F only so that we can gather it each day AND the mailbox will be secured with a lock and key also. We will maintain the PO Box address for the time being and until further notice.

CROSS TALK DEADLINE

All articles for the Newsletter need to be submitted to the Office, no later than the 20th. If you wish to be included in the birthdays and anniversary lists or wish to volunteer for an activity or group, please contact the office. Volunteers are always welcome. Thank you, Pam Moore ~ Admin Asst