

COVENANT NEWS The Newsletter of the First Congregational Church of Webster Groves

MAY 2021

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FROM THE PASTOR

Easter Again

On April the first, I received my second COVID vaccination. For those of you keeping track at home, it was the Pfizer vaccine and was administered by the County Department of Public Health.

Well past two weeks out from inoculation, I am told that I may circulate freely, especially among others who also have been vaccinated. And I have already begun contacting assisted living and senior living residences, as well as individuals who live alone, to learn how I might get back into circulation among our church members who aren't themselves able to get out and about.

In the office, all but two of us have received full doses of Pfizer, Moderna, or Johnson & Johnson, and of those two, one is halfway there! So, the Restart Committee has cleared us, when there are no outsiders present, to be interacting with each other unmasked.

There have been sufficient numbers of us congregation-wide who have been vaccinated that we have concluded it is time to welcome worshipers back into the sanctuary. No questions will be asked when you enter, but masks and social distancing will be required, and singing will be restricted to the Chancel Choir and soloists. The first Sunday of this month will be our first Sunday back. (For those of you who cannot attend in person on any given Sunday, please know that we have a new Lead Audio/Visual Technician, Mark Metcalf, who is streaming our worship live on the internet and providing an edited version on our YouTube page. This will be a permanent option for you, wherever you are.)

On May 2, worship will feature the Canterbury Bells, the Chancel Choir, and what is sure to be a blithe spirit (and a Holy Spirit, too) so that it may feel like Christmas, Easter, and Pentecost all combined. But it's that feeling of Easter Again that excites me the most – to see people bodily, and the Body of Christ made manifest, as if fresh back from death!

Peace. Peace. Peace.

PASTOR DAVE DENDON

WORSHIP NOTES FOR MAY

This schedule is subject to change, as need may arise.

Sunday worship each week will be shared in person for those who wish to attend and live streamed on YouTube, starting at 9:55am (bit.ly/FCCWG-YT). Please see elsewhere in this issue of Covenant News for instructions about attendance.

A Time for Fellowship will be provided in the Jubilee Garden, each Sunday after worship for those in person, and at 11:00am weekly on Zoom (bit.ly/JehovahJava) until such time as it may be perceived either as unnecessary or superfluous.

- Sunday, May 2, 10:00am Fifth Sunday of Easter (Orthodox Easter); Sacrament of Christ's Table. Acts 8:26-40; Psalm 22:25-31; 1 John 4:7-21; John 15:1-8. During the past twelve months, what has saved you? As Pastor Dave Denoon explores the responses of church members and friends, the scriptures seem to answer, "Love." Referring to an important image of loving that Jesus brings forward in the gospel reading, "A Lesson in Viticulture" is the title of the Message of the Day.
- Sunday, May 9, 10:00am Sixth Sunday of Easter; Mothers Day; Festival of the Christian Home. Acts 10:44-48; Psalm 98; John 15:9-17. In the pastor's office hangs an image of "The Laughing Christ" by the irreverent sketch artist Fred Berger, to remind the pastor that Jesus was human enough as to actually have fun. A colleague of the pastor's has referred to parenthood (and maybe adult life in general) as being composed of "joy but not much fun." What brings you joy? What is its relationship to fun? Let's think about these things as we consider together "Christ's Joy within Us, Completely."
- Sunday, May 16, 10:00am Seventh Sunday of Easter (Sunday after the Feast of the Ascension); Mental Health Sunday. Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; Psalm 1; 1 John 5:9-13; John 17:6-19. Student Pastor Elston McCowan closes his year of Contextual Education by leading us in worship.
- Sunday, May 23, 10:00am Feast of Pentecost; "Strengthen the Church" Sunday (denominational special offering); Annual Congregational Meeting follows worship. Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Romans 8:22-27; John 15:26-27 and 16:12-15. Jesus speaks in the gospel of John about the Holy Spirit (also "Advocate" and "Spirit of Truth") an uncontrollable force from God which enlivens and empowers people of faith. It can seem chaotic and its impacts can seem random. This has made Christians wonder, throughout the ages, What is becoming of us? How can we know with confidence that all will be well? Pastor Dave Denoon offers a message he calls, "Reintroduction," and invites worshipers to develop dialogues together about who we are as individuals and as a church.
- Sunday, May 30, 10:00am Trinity Sunday; Memorial Day Weekend; All Ages Worship. Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 29; Romans 8:12-17; John 3:1-17. Pastoral Assistant Halley Kim offers insights about the encounter of Jesus with the Pharisee Nicodemus.

MODERATOR'S CORNER MAY 2021

The time has come for our church to truly "Rise Again" and start to function as a family together. As you are probably aware, we will resume our in-person services in the Sanctuary on Sunday, May 2 with our 10:00 am service. There will be Sunday School for school age children and a nursery available for infants and toddlers. Once again, we will be able to share the spiritual comfort of gathering together for worship. COVID protocols will be in place (masking and social distancing) for risk management. We will be live streaming on YouTube for those of you who can't make it in person or are not yet comfortable gathering with others. We ask that you read the announcements in this Covenant News and the eNews from the past several weeks for more information. You can continue to check the church website for any current announcements regarding the services.

As mentioned before in my communications, this past year the work of the church has not been neglected. With hard work and creative thinking the Three Ministries, Executive Ministries, Strategic Planning, Endowment, Communications and other groups have been meeting with Zoom. Adjustments were made and new ways of serving the congregation were devised. Some of these innovations will remain a part of our church as we adjust skill sets and staffing to meet these objectives. As we prepare to move forward, I think it is important that we recognize our unbelievable staff who have performed above and beyond the call of duty to make all of this work during the past year. Let's pay special tribute to:

Facility Manager Chip Isringhaus and Custodian Darrell Lakies Their hard work and constant sanitizing and monitoring the needs of our facility at their own risk is greatly appreciated. As we worked to restart our church activities they often served as our liaison to outside groups and helped establish a workable COVID protocol. They also took advantage of this time to make repairs and upgrades throughout the facility so that the building is ready to welcome our return.

<u>Office Administrator Debbie Tolstoi</u> She kept the office going, whether from home or on site. She paid the bills, published eNews and Covenant News, coordinated virtual and site events...she worked whatever time of the day that things had to be done. She was a big reason the church was able to function during this past year. A big salute of gratitude goes to Debbie.

<u>Student Minister Elston McCowan</u> He took an active part in a number of the worship services and helped coordinate the Wednesday afternoon prayer gatherings. His genuine care and concern for all who are suffering has been welcomed during a turbulent year. Thank you for your involvement.

<u>Student Minister Merrimon Boyd</u> This past year he became an indispensable part of the worship team, taking on responsibilities not normally expected of a student minister. When Pastor Denoon had back surgery, he coordinated the production of the services and made sure everything was done to make it work. He has been a key part in the productions of all of our Sunday Worship Services throughout the pandemic as well as taking full-time courses at Eden Seminary. Thanks for your contributions and congratulations on your upcoming graduation.

<u>Reverend Cliff Aerie</u> as the Director of the Ministry of Imagination, Creativity and the Arts (MICA) he produced relevant productions relating to the world around us. Despite the impact of the pandemic, he was able to provide quality productions to be shared across the internet for our world and our congregation. His contributions to our worship and the work he is doing with MICA are greatly appreciated.

Dr. Leon Burke III As our Director of Music, Leon had the difficult task of fulfilling our music needs during a time when choirs could not gather and singing was not permitted under COVID protocols. Our church prides itself in our musical tradition and looked to him for ways to provide comfort of music when most needed

throughout a troubling year. His creative offerings and musical talents provided what our spiritual life needed. Thank you for making this work.

Pastoral Assistant Halley Kim Because of the changing needs of our church, some pandemic oriented and some due to staff replacements, Halley joined us during this past year as our Pastoral Assistant. She was tasked with helping us in the areas of Christian Education, internet and social media technology, and pastoral care. Her impact was immediate and is greatly treasured. We look forward to her continued contributions as the church tries to meet the changing demands of a post-pandemic world.

Reverend David Denoon Our Senior Pastor had to take on the task of leading a church, a congregation, and a staff through uncharted times. Faced with day to day changing situations arising from the pandemic, social issues, and congregational needs, he worked diligently to keep our church active while trying to meet the needs of his own family. There were a lot of balls being juggled and a lot of hours invested to keep us an effective church. As we reopen our doors to worship let us not forget all that Pastor Denoon did to get us to this day. We thank you and look forward to our continued growth together.

We are ready to resume our journey together by creating a safe environment for a return to the sanctuary. Please join us whenever you feel most comfortable and ready. To the people who have kept our spiritual home at First Congregational Church alive, **THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS!**

In Christ,

Mark Edwards Moderator

INTERCULTURAL MUSIC INITIATIVE CONCERT

from the First Church sanctuary Now Playing on YouTube and Facebook

Wendy Hymes (flute), Mary Bryant (clarinet), and Hank Skolnick (bassoon) recently presented a concert in our sanctuary which began streaming on YouTube and Facebook, Saturday, April 24. The trio perform works by Ernst Toch, Fred Onovwerosuoke, and Scott Joplin.

The concert streams on YouTube at <u>https://youtu.be/EKbCZHanums</u> and on Facebook at <u>http://bit.ly/IMI-2021-40-24</u>. More information is available in Leon Burke's monthly article in this issue.

CLIFF AERIE AND MICA FEATURED IN WEBSTER-KIRKWOOD TIMES

The Rev. Cliff Aerie and our Ministry of Imagination, Creativity, and the Arts (MICA) were highlighted by Don Corrigan in a multi-page article in the *Webster-Kirkwood Times* issue of April 2 – 8, 2021. If you were unable to read it in the *Times* when it appeared, the article is available online at <u>http://bit.ly/MICA-article</u>.



FROM THE ORGANIST'S BENCH



Welcome back to in-person worship! COVID-19 has definitely changed how we do things for the last year or more and any return to a semblance of normal is welcome. We have the Canterbury Bells and Chancel Choir back in rehearsal and I think we are ready for in-person prime time. Our first rehearsals, for each group, were joyous for being together again. Because we have been absent from regular worship the church ensembles will rehearse and appear in worship through the end of June.

Looking back, trying to continually engage the community, I have let

several groups record music in our sanctuary. Obviously, they were impressed, and word is getting out about our wonderful sanctuary acoustics and fine music program. Also, Brentwood Congregational is downsizing and in a gesture of thanks and gratitude to this church historically so closely connected to them, has gifted us their beautiful set of handbells. I accepted this thoughtful gift to make sure that such a magnificent set of instruments would have a nice, appreciative home.

Looking ahead, I am arranging a series of concerts to celebrate our opening up again. (Thank you, Restart Committee!) Look for information on Christina Harnisch, concert pianist who will be giving a piano recital for us the week after MICA's excellent *Journey Through Creation* series concludes in June and international concert organist Andrzej Zahorski will finally favor us with an organ recital to celebrate our beautiful organ, a year late, for its 25th birthday. Look for links to a performances by the Intercutural Music Initiative recorded in our sanctuary.

See you in church!

Leon Burke, Music Director



Mark your calendar for Sunday June 6th at 2pm because we're going to deliver some cheer! If you are a family of young kids or teenagers, we invite you to be IN the parade. If you are a church member who has been isolated during COVID or could use some good old fashioned JOY for any reason, we invite you to be a stop ON the parade! Halley and all participating kids, youth, and parents will make out a route and parade past your residence in our decorated cars. We will honk, blow bubbles, shout hooray, and provide general merriment and silliness! Each church member who registers to be a "stop" on the parade route will also receive a homemade goody in addition to the hoopla of the parade itself! Please contact Halley at <u>Hally.Kim@</u> <u>FirstChurchWG.org</u> or call 314-962-0475, ext. 12, to register, either as a parade participant or benefactor. Further details to follow.

CLIFF'S NOTES: JOURNEY THRU CREATION FINAL PROGRAM



For the past five years I've been a regular contributor to the UCC Musicians Association's thrice yearly journal. I thought you might like to read an edited version of my article that will appear in this summer's issue.

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This past year has, indeed, been a challenging time. The pandemic has raged on with devastating effects and even with it now slowing down (hopefully) many of us wonder if life will ever return to normal—whatever normal is. The worshipping life of the church has also been a challenge. Some congregations have been fairly successful at mastering virtual distance worship, while others have found it stressful and disruptive. If it's one thing churches have been forced to do, it's to look at their traditional worship patterns in a new way—seeking creative alternatives not only in presentation but in content and form.

Our church was fortunate to have received a Calvin Institute of Worship Renewal Grant. Our goal was to explore our role as stewards of God's creation through the arts in worship. We developed a comprehensive year-long program and invited artists and ecological advocates to lead

us in creative workshops to affirm our role as stewards. Our congregation made a commitment to understand the consequences of decades of environmental abuse, explore ways to combat the roots of climate change, become advocates for ecological justice, and fashion innovative worship that reflects our relationship to our Creator God. We decided that jazz would be the musical thread to help guide us through this discovery process of theological reflection, artistic imagination, and ecological awareness.

Just as we were scheduled to begin our year-long worship renewal journey the pandemic's ugly head reared. Our best laid plans were no longer doable. We could no longer gather in creative workshops, participate in person for worship, and have our jazz musicians perform live. Everything had to be reconsidered and transformed into a socially distanced environment. Workshops became webinars, worship was edited from Zoom recordings, and since the band (The Oîkos Ensemble) could not gather in person I had to create You Tube movies from previous recordings.

The second and third waves of the pandemic further complicated our efforts. We found it necessary to push back our series by three months, even cancel one of our segments. Yet somehow our planning team persevered and we were able to create two webinars followed by three unique worship services.

Our grant concludes in June with a Summer Solstice morning worship service and an afternoon sacred jazz concert: Earth Walk. We're planning to gather in person (I'm keeping my fingers crossed) and stream it live on Face Book. We'll also create a You Tube recording.

This summer's Solstice Sunday will offer spirit-filled jazz, inspiring stories, poetic readings, and creative dance. Together we'll celebrate God's amazing blessing of the environment, acknowledge what humanity has done to our planet-home, and offer words and songs of hope to inspire us to act out our faith as stewards of God's gift of love in Creation. The theme song for Earth Walk is the song of the same name. I was inspired to compose the song in 1995 while on a concert tour. It has remained one of my favorite creations. It begins with a saxophone lament, a melody of sadness offered to Mother Earth for the way we have mistreated her. It segues into a melody of hopefulness, an affirmation of a world still in our care, a world that still offers us the gift of life despite all that we've done to harm soil, water and air. It's a jazz call to action. You can hear and see Earth Walk on You Tube.

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Join us on Sunday morning, June 13 for a creative service of worship led by the Journey thru Creation planning team and the Oîkos Ensemble. Later that afternoon, the Oîkos Ensemble will be joined by dancer Jen Medina, the Logos Readers, with video excerpts of the artists and ecological advocates that have been a part of our program. It will be a grand celebration of Mother Earth, the Summer Solstice, our role as responsible stewards of this planet, and an opportunity to together as a community in person (though socially distanced). Please invite family and friends to join with us as we web stream the concert to the world.



TRACEY HARRIS TO GRADUATE, MAY 14



Tracey Harris will be graduating from Eden Theological Seminary with a Master of Divinity degree, on May 14 at 7:30 PM. The Commencement can be viewed on the Eden Facebook page.

Says Tracey, I am the wife of Jim, and the "Meemaw" to Keagan, Charley and baby girl Moeller and Reylynn and Kaytlin Harris. I am also proud that my two children, Eric and Miranda Moeller, both graduated from Eden before me.

First Congregational Church of Webster Groves and Pastor Dave have supported me from the beginning of my journey to become a Pastor. I can not wait to complete the next steps so I can become an Ordained Pastor while surrounded by my First Congregational family. I want to thank everyone for their prayers, encouragement and support! Thank you!

"So then, with endurance, let us also run the race that is laid out in front of us, since we have such a great cloud of witnesses surrounding us." Hebrews 12:1

Tracey

DO YOU HAVE A GRADUATE IN YOUR LIFE, TO BE RECOGNIZED? LET US KNOW!

Tracey, of course, will not be the only graduate in the weeks to come. (Our current Student Pastor Merrimon Boyd comes to mind, also!)

If you have a student in your life preparing to graduate from high school, college/university, or graduate school and would like to have them recognized in either the May or June edition of Covenant News, please let Pastor Dave know (by email or by phone - 314-962-0475, ext. 11), so that they may be honored in print!

STRENGTHEN THE CHURCH SPECIAL OFFERING, MAY 23

First Church will receive the Strengthen the Church (STC) offering on Pentecost Sunday, May 23, 2021.

STC reflects the shared commitment of people across the United Church of Christ to cooperatively build up the UCC. Conferences and the national setting equally share the gifts given by members and friends through their local congregations. The funds raised support leadership development, new churches, youth ministry, and innovation in existing congregations. By your generosity to this offering, you build up the Body of Christ.

As God calls our congregations to be the church in new ways, your generosity will plant new churches, awaken new ideas in existing churches and develop the spiritual life in our youth and young adults.

CONGRATULATIONS TO US!

Giving Together, we accomplished what initially appeared to be impossible. The members and friends of First Congregational Church exceeded the ambitious goal of \$23,000 set for the 2021 Giving Together Benevolence campaign. The latest total is \$24,247! There may still be checks coming in and there are still two social opportunities that can be purchased for this summer.

As many of us have now received a vaccine affording protection from the Covid virus, we may be increasingly comfortable socializing. With that in mind, there are still places available for Mike Lenard's Cocktail Party on June 26. The cost is \$35. We will remind you of this great event around the first of June in case your social calendar makes your attendance possible. Rosemary Hensley's ever-popular Garden Party will be on August 13. Reservations for that event are \$30.

The Giving Store was a huge success. Online buyers bought early and often. All the proceeds were designated for the Minister's Discretionary Fund. Thus \$2,365 of the total proceeds will be designated for that important charitable outreach.

This is fantastic testimony to the commitment of First Church to "proclaiming in word AND deed the love of Christ." The Benevolence Committee will allocate the funds later this year.

A huge Thank you from the Giving Together Committee for your generous support. Jane Porchey, Kay Roush, Jeanene Harris, Kay Roush

NEW FLOORING

As you return to worship in First Congregational Church, look down as you enter. There is something new! After carefully wiping your feet, discover the new carpeting in the narthex, conference room, library and offices. Then take a look at the entrances from the Gore parking lot and the hallway to Memorial Hall and appreciate the new hard surface flooring.

The funds for the flooring and installation were made available in memory of Kenneth Musbach who passed away in July 2018. Ken was a very practical man. In the years he served on the Trustees he was intensely interested in the upkeep of the church. This is the sort of memorial he would appreciate. In addition, nine church households contributed the funds necessary to have the furniture professionally removed and reinstalled to make carpet installation possible. Among those contributors are: Roger and Jan Barnes, George and Ginnie Conlee, Marilyn Davis, Elaine Coe, Kay and Phil Roush, Jeanene Harris, Mark and Mary Edwards, Lynn Hoganson, and Marj Courtney. A heartfelt thank you to these generous members.

Dana Romeis and Diane McLean shepherded the project from start to finish. They were assisted in the selection process by Dave and Coco Denoon, Ian Didriksen and Chip Isringhaus.

So enjoy what is new as we gather together again in our beautiful and well-maintained church.

OUR CHURCH DURING CHALLENGING TIMES POLIO EPIDEMIC

Seventy years ago polio was one of the most feared diseases in the U.S. Summer was thought of as polio season. Swimming pools were shut down in many areas. People were told not to sit close to others in movie theaters. Many people stopped shaking hands. These were challenging times. Sounds a lot like how COVID 19 has changed lives. People mobilized to fight the disease by raising money for the March Of Dimes organization that worked to find a vaccine.

A large percentage of people had non-paralytic polio; some had no symptoms at all. About 1% of all cases were paralytic and some were deadly. Doctors were able to save many patients by using a large tubular tank called an iron lung to help patients breathe. Polio had infected people for years but in the early 1950s the disease reached epidemic proportions. No cure or vaccine was available. The arrival of the first polio vaccine in St. Louis 2was in 1955. As I remember, it took several years to get the majority of U.S. citizens vaccinated.

In the early 1950s polio struck members of our church. Charles Gossett recovered. Kishlar family members did not. In August of 1952 Mrs. Lamar Kishlar, Jr. (Dodie) died of polio. Her husband also contracted polio and was kept alive in an iron lung. Their son James, 22 months old, was raised by his Kishlar grandparents. Marge Gable, a church member, remembers the senior Kishlars caring for Lamar, Jr. in his iron lung in the dining room of their house in Webster Groves.

Kay Roush Historian





CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION, MAY 16

Hello, parents with students entering 7th through 10th Grades for the 2021-2022 academic year!

It's been more than a year since we've been able to consult about Confirmation, but the time has finally come when your pastoral staff are ready to get started.

We would like to conduct a summertime Confirmation program, this year, with the aim of receiving students who choose to be confirmed into membership on Sunday, October 3. As in past years, we will be working with mentors as well as students. The best mentors we've found have been adult members of our church who are not related to the students but whom the students admire. (If you have someone in mind as a mentor, we suggest that you contact the Pastor about the prospect so that he may express the invitation and inform them of what their duties will be. If you are hesitant to name someone, there will be a list of willing adults for you to choose from, on May 16.)

Pastoral Assistant Halley Kim and Pastor Dave Denoon will lead the Confirmation curriculum, entitled, Confirm not Conform (or CnC). Their CnC Information Session will be on Zoom, Sunday, August 16, at 3:00PM. All families who wish to participate are encouraged to attend. They will introduce the curriculum, the class calendar – including session dates and times, field trips (a service trip and visits with leaders and youth of other religious communities), what young people will do who decide to be confirmed but haven't been baptized yet, Confirmation Sunday itself (October 3), and a wonderful iConfirm event for students whether or not they are being confirmed on October 3.

To see a preview of CnC, go to www.ConfirmNotConform.com

SEEKING CONFIRMATION MENTORS

If you read the article, Confirmation Orientation, May 16, then you are aware that we are seeking adults who are church members who would be interested in serving as mentors for the Class of 2021. Our Confirmation class could have as many as eight students, if all currently eligible students decide to enroll!

Would you consider serving as a mentor, to accompany one of these vibrant young people on an exploration of faith and discipleship? If so, please contact the Pastor (with a call to 314-962-0475, ext. 11; or an email to DDenoon@ FirstChurchWG.org).

LOVING ONE ANOTHER

We learned recently that **Jim Bennett** spent part of last week in the hospital. You may be aware that Jim has been living with leukemia for the past few years, moderated well with medication and transfusions. This hospitalization, however, revealed that the leukemia is progressing, and returning home he has been placed in hospice care. Cards and letters are welcome.

Jean Kohler suffered a fall at home, last month, breaking her hip. After a stay in the hospital to reset the bone, Jean has been moved into a skilled care residence for the next few weeks. Please, consider sending a letter or card to her at her home address. Family will deliver your greetings to her.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN MAY AT FIRST CHURCH

Sunday, May 2 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Nursery Care Available 10:00 AM Worship 10:15 AM Sunday School Immediately After Worship Fellowship in the Jubilee Garden 11:00 AM Fellowship on Zoom

Tuesday, May 4

10:30 AM - Noon Staff Meeting (Please note: Staff will be unavailable at this time)1:00 PM Communications Team Meeting

Saturday, May 8 8:30 AM – 2:00 PM Webster Groves Herb Society Plant Sale

Sunday, May 9 — Mother's Day 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Nursery Care Available 10:00 AM Worship 10:15 AM Sunday School Immediately After Worship Fellowship in the Jubilee Garden 11:00 AM Fellowship on Zoom

Monday, May 10 7:00 PM Three Ministries (Zoom)

Tuesday, May II 10:30 AM - Noon Staff Meeting (Please note: Staff will be unavailable at this time) 6:30 PM Practicing Our Faith – Location TBD

Sunday, May 16 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Nursery Care Available 10:00 AM Worship 10:15 AM Sunday School Immediately After Worship Fellowship in the Jubilee Garden 11:00 AM Fellowship on Zoom Monday, May 17 4:00 PM Executive Ministry (Zoom)

Tuesday, May 18 10:30 AM - Noon Staff Meeting (Please note: Staff will be unavailable at this time)

Wednesday, May 19 9:30 AM Yoga with Jeanene (Inglis Room) 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Healing Touch Practice

Sunday, May 23 — Pentecost — Merrimon's Graduation Celebration 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Nursery Care Available 10:00 AM Worship 10:15 AM Sunday School Immediately After Worship Fellowship in the Jubilee Garden 11:00 AM Fellowship on Zoom

Tuesday, May 25 10:30 AM - Noon Staff Meeting (Please note: Staff will be unavailable at this time) 6:00 PM Lady Elect – Bring Your Own Food and Drink to Blackburn Park

Wednesday, May 26 9:30 AM Yoga with Jeanene (Inglis Room)

Sunday, May 30 — Trinity Sunday 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Nursery Care Available 10:00 AM Worship 10:15 AM Sunday School Immediately After Worship Fellowship in the Jubilee Garden 11:00 AM Fellowship on Zoom

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Dana Romeis May I Paul Davis May 2 Rogelio Garcia May 2 Mark Edwards May 3 Cathy Buerk May 3 Tracey Harris May 8 Garie Perry May 9 Drue Hood May 10



Kay Roush May 12 Peter Bakker-Arkema May 17 Jean Gray May 19 Margery Gable May 22 Karen Kaalberg May 23 Mark Thompson May 26 Trevor Zink May 28



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Seek Christ in each. Serve God in all.

MISSING SOMEONE?

Have you been missing someone for a while from worship and other church events? Please, let Pastor Dave Denoon or Joan Musbach, know. Either will be happy to follow up for you.

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