



## **When Life Doesn't Make Sense, God Does.**

*The LORD is my strength and my shield;  
in him my heart trusts;  
so I am helped, and my heart exults,  
and with my song I give thanks to him.*  
Psalm 28:7 (NRSV)

This is embarrassing to say as a pastor, but there are some times in my life when I question God. When I look at what's going on in my life, or hear about things happening which I don't understand, sometimes I wonder what God is doing, and why He does things the way that He does. I wonder if I am the only one...

Yet, while I know that "questioning" is a normal and healthy part of life, rarely can I come up with an answer on my own that satisfies all of my aching curiosity. So, I have simply had to learn to get more comfortable with trusting that God knows more than I do. And, surprisingly, accepting the fact that I don't have all of the answers, reminds me why I'm so grateful that I am loved by a God who does. Aren't you?

I just wanted to pause and praise the Lord for sharing words just when we need to hear them, for He speaks in so many ways, if we are paying attention. Someone shared a poem with me recently that they said really inspired them, and as soon as I read it, it spoke to me in words far more eloquent than I could contrive. So, I am sharing this poem with you just in case life sometimes doesn't make sense to you either, so that you too may find joy in trusting the One who knows best.

### **Just A Weaver**

by Benjamin Malacia Franklin

*My life is but a weaving  
Between my Lord and me;  
I cannot choose the colors  
He worketh steadily*

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**JOIN US EACH SUNDAY**  
**WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10:30 AM (Bilingual Worship) inside the church and on**  
**College Hill Community Church's Facebook Page**  
**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS 9:15 AM ON ZOOM**

## When Life Doesn't Make Sense, God Does.

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*Of times He weaveth sorrow  
And I, in foolish pride,  
Forget He sees the upper,  
And I the under side.*

*Not til the loom is silent  
And the shuttles cease to fly,  
Shall God unroll the canvas  
And explain the reason why.*

*The dark threads are as needful  
In the Weaver's skillful hand,  
As the threads of gold and silver  
In the pattern He has planned.*

*He knows, He loves, He cares,  
Nothing this truth can dim.  
He gives His very best to those  
Who chose to walk with Him.*

What beautiful weaving!

Blessings, *Pastor*



**Vacation Bible  
School**  
at College Hill  
Church June  
27– July 1.

More details to  
follow.

*“As we grow older, real beauty travels from  
the face to the heart, appeal turns to charm,  
hurt to wisdom and great moments to  
shared memories. The true beauty of life is  
not how happy you are now, but how happy  
others are because of you.”*

*Author Unknown*



### A REQUEST FOR YOU ASSISTANCE

I'm asking for your assistance. Please use the word "father" in an acrostic in which you use each letter for an adjective relating to your father or fathering person. An announcement is going to be made in church Sunday regarding this. But as great as I think the idea is, not everyone may agree with me. So I wrote to a few people directly asking them to participate. I have received some already and they are so good. It has turned out in some cases to be a family project. Here's to the hope you will find time to do this and will be richly blessed in the process

We will have a special Father's Day edition of the church newsletter to share the submissions. One person also has suggested we make a little booklet as well. I am going to try to make that happen. She has even offered to help. Happy writing and many thanks and blessing.

Submitted by Pat Townsel (pltownsel@gmail.com)

## PRAYER LISTS AND BIRTHDAYS

### Prayers of Comfort, Healing & Peace for those with Chronic Illness

- Brenda Brown
- Ruth Bragg and Family
- Vicki Eason
- Michael and Gloria Gates
- Bruce Johnson
- Connie Lawson
- Michael Love
- Bob Moore
- Stevens Family
- Lorenzo Smart
- Nelson Stone Sr.
- Dorris Thompson
- Gerry Thompson
- Pastor Darryll & Rev. Karen Young

### Prayers of Healing, Recovery & Comfort over Illness, Health Tests and Treatments

- Prayers of miraculous healing and recovery for Esrich Walton who has stage 4 cancer.
- Prayers for Sandra March
- Prayers for Angeles Martinez Torres
- Prayers of healing for Delphina and Maria Bernardo's mom and her family!

### Prayers for Safe Traveling Mercies, Jobs, Life Situations

- Prayers for Pastor Worthen and her family
- Prayers for Jose and Dylan Vidal & family
- Prayers for the Benson family
- Prayers for Carlos Nieves and his family in Honduras
- Prayers for everyone watching and worshipping with us online! We pray that they return soon.
- Prayers for Dr. Williams
- Prayers for everyone traveling on vacationing as summer approaches!

### Prayers over Our Community, and the World

- Prayers for those struggling with mental and emotional health
- Prayers for Ukraine & Russia
- Prayers for all those dealing with allergies and sinus infections.
- Prayers for everyone to spread love, and maintain an open heart to love in God's way

### PRAISE REPORTS

- We thank God for Pastor's healing from COVID!
- We thank God for a successful Congregational meeting!
- We thank God for everyone that has been healed from cancer, sickness, mental health & so many more ailments!

### Prayers for Comfort, Love & Peace for those Grieving

- Prayers for the families and communities of the recent tragedies, shootings, bombings and accidents.
- Prayers for Dr. Carolyn Peters, and Sis. Linda Peters for the loss of their uncle.

- Prayers of comfort and peace for those who have lost loved ones.
- Our church members and leadership.
- Justice, healing, and reconciliation in our nation and communities & God's peace, protection and revitalization in our communities.

## BIRTHDAYS - MEMBERS & FRIENDS

### June 2022

Josephine Kariuki	1-Jun	Maurice Jenkins	15-Jun
Se'kani Drake	4-Jun	Michaele Thomas	16-Jun
Alexandra Coleman	6-Jun	Myan Drake	19-Jun
Brandy Pelaez-Alexander	7-Jun	Christina Olinger	21-Jun
Helen Jones-Kelley	7-Jun	Kiffany Stargell	21-Jun
Bettylene Mulligan	8-Jun	Angel Drake	25-Jun
Myla Jones	12-Jun	Charles Williams	26-Jun
Leilani Drake	13-Jun	Robin Hirtle	27-Jun
Noah Hulbert	13-Jun	Ivy Young	27-Jun
Stan Hirtle	14-Jun	Gamal Peters	28-Jun

## Clerk's Corner

Some highlights from the Session:

- In solidarity with the Social Justice and Peacemaking Committee, the Session has agreed to send a letter to the General Assembly requesting divestment in five fossil fuel companies 5 major oil companies (Chevron ExxonMobil, Marathon Petroleum, Phillips 66, and Valero Energy). An excerpt from this letter states:  
PCUSA's Mission Responsibility through Investment Committee (MRTI) states: "We recognize that climate change is undeniable, and is one of the most pressing moral and theological problems of our time," MRTI cites heat waves, storms, droughts, floods and fires that have increasingly occurred. Per MRTI: "Human action and corporate degradation of creation threatens the survival of the planet upon which we live and depend for our sustenance. People in the poorest regions of the world are more significantly impacted and live in vulnerable and precarious circumstances because of the rapidly changing climate. In the United States, this disproportionately manifests in communities of color."  
We solicit your prayers that our delegates to the General Assembly thoughtfully and prayerfully consider our request when voting on this action.
- We are excited to welcome the following new members and upcoming Baptisms (pictures and bios coming soon):
  - ◇ Donna Wilborn
  - ◇ Brooklyn Worthen
  - ◇ Taishawanna Jones (and daughter, Tariya Jones, candidate for Baptism)
  - ◇ C.J. Caldwell - candidate for Baptism
  - ◇ Tim Adams (Security guard for College Hill) - candidate for Baptism
- We thank the congregation for attending the various informational meetings in April, and participating in the May meeting to: vote on the proposed land acquisition, to respond to the proposed vision and plan for the church, as well as respond to the poll regarding Pastor Worthen's possible installation. The land vote and subsequent polling questions all passed with the majority in favor of Session's recommendations! We thank you for that vote of confidence.
- As a result:
  - ◇ Session is beginning the work of moving forward on the land acquisition!
  - ◇ The initiatives of the vision and plan will now be prioritized so we can begin moving forward to make these dreams reality! Elder Gaye Gerren is taking the lead to gather willing and excited members to begin. Please see Elder Gerren if you feel led to roll up your sleeves and begin this exciting work.
  - ◇ Session has renewed Pastor Worthen's contract as Stated Supply Pastor for another year, and are researching and discussing options to make installation possible.
- The Session is also meeting to address additional questions and issues that arose during the May meeting. More to come...

If you have any question or concerns about anything, feel free to reach out to your Session Elders. Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to realizing the vision together!

**Your Session Elders are:** Brenda Brown, Carole Estelle, Marlea Gaskins, Gaye Gerren, Marva Gray (Clerk), Stan Hirtle, Jessica Jenkins, Josephine Laury, Albert Watson, Pastor Worthen (Pastor & Moderator)

Yours in God's Service,

Elder Marva N. Gray, Session Clerk

## **SOCIAL, JUSTICE, AND PEACE MINISTRY**

### **Justice Ketanji Jackson**

Ketanji Brown Jackson became the first black woman justice confirmed to the United States Supreme Court. She was born in Washington, D.C., and raised in Miami. Her parents were both graduates of historically black colleges and universities, and professionals in law and education. Justice Jackson attended Harvard University for both college and law school. She became an editor of the Harvard Law Review, a most elite post in a most elite law school. She was later named to the Harvard Board of Overseers, which helps govern this prestigious university.

She began her legal career clerking for judges, including for U.S. Supreme Court Justice Breyer, whom she eventually replaced on the Supreme Court. She then worked in private law practice, then as a federal public defender. She worked at the United States Sentencing Commission and eventually became vice chair, where she worked on equalizing the sentences for possessing different types of cocaine, which had led to racial disparities in incarceration. President Obama appointed her to a federal district judgeship in the District of Columbia and later to the Federal appeals court in the D.C. circuit, a traditional career ladder to the Supreme Court.

Despite her sterling credentials, Justice Jackson was opposed in her confirmation hearings by Republicans, almost all of whom voted against confirming her. While in theory the legal system operates by the rule of law rather than politics, in practice conservatives have long reacted against court decisions favoring civil rights, regulation of businesses and other hot button issues by recruiting, grooming, winnowing and elevating young aggressive conservatives willing to articulate conservative legal theories and rule in favor of conservative constituencies. Justice Jackson's work included representing persons accused of crimes and even some interred at Guantanamo Bay as possible terrorists, a case she decided against President Trump on immigration issues, and a case requiring companies to disclose where their food comes from. These were cited by Ohio's Senator Portman in opposing her nomination, saying she would be inclined to "legislate from the bench." Critics say that judges from his party legislate from the bench frequently, just in the other direction.

In the confirmation hearings Justice Jackson showed dignified demeanor in the face of conservative attacks, accusing her, with little if any factual basis, of being soft on sex crime, an advocate of critical race theory and other hot button issues. President Biden described them as "verbal abuse, the anger, the constant interruptions, the most vile, baseless assertions and accusations." As an African American woman facing stereotypes, it was more important that she maintain her dignity and control.

Justice Jackson is likely to be writing dissenting opinions for the foreseeable future. As a result of the refusal to hold confirmation hearings for President Obama's appointment of Merrick Garland, and the passing of Justice Ginsburg allowing President Trump to replace her late in his term, there is now a solid conservative majority on the Supreme Court. Recent news of a draft opinion to overrule the Roe v. Wade case on abortion rights, and with it the underlying theory of a right to personal privacy and control, particularly for women, shows what may be coming as a result.

Justice Jackson's confirmation is important moment in view of the conflicts over racial justice in the country, which have led to mass murder in Charleston and Buffalo. It shows that America can live up to its ideals, articulated by MLK and others, that merit, work, skill and character matter. She will be a role model, and provide opportunities for young people like herself to move up in the world. She is an inspiration to black girls and women that success is possible despite the barriers that the society throws at them.

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## SOCIAL, JUSTICE, AND PEACE MINISTRY

### JUSTICE KETANJI JACKSON

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How are we to respond about a matter that seems very much out of our control? We can celebrate that there are people like Justice Jackson and that there are people throughout her career who supported her and voted to confirm her. We can point her out to the young people we know and consider her success in the decisions we make.

More importantly we must vote. Far too many of us do not, which makes us complicit in all the bad things being done by elected officials. We must vote not just in the big national elections but also the little ones. Presidents who appoint judges and others, and the Senators who confirm them, start by winning local elections and then rise in the ranks. The more people vote, inform themselves ahead of time about the candidates, and keep on the elected officials about their actions, the more the officials will do the will of the people, and the more Justice Jacksons we might see in the future.

Submitted by Stan Hirtle

## TEEN COLUMN

### JUNETEENTH

Juneteenth is a day filled with pride and heritage for many African Americans. It's the combination of the words June and 19<sup>th</sup>. It is an annual holiday observing the end of slavery in the U.S. and marks the day, June 19, 1865, when news of emancipation reached people in the deepest parts of the former Confederacy in Galveston, Texas. In 2021, it became the first new federal holiday created by Congress in nearly four decades. It signifies the end of the Civil War and that enslaved people were free. Former First Lady, Michelle Obama, wrote the following about Juneteenth.



*“Most of us were taught that slavery came to an end when President Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation in 1863. But as is so often the case, the full promise of this country was delayed for segments of the African-American community. And for enslaved people in Galveston, Texas, freedom didn’t come until June 19, 1865.*

*What I love about Juneteenth is that even in that extended wait, we still find something to celebrate. Even though the story has never been tidy, and Black folks have had to march and fight for every inch of our freedom, our story is nonetheless one of progress. I think of my own family’s journey. Both of my grandfathers were the grandchildren of enslaved people. They grew up in the Jim Crow South and migrated north in search of a better life. But even then, they were still shut out of jobs and schools and opportunities because of the color of their skin. But they pressed forward with dignity and with purpose, raising good kids, contributing to their communities, and voting in every election. And though they didn’t live to see it themselves, I can see the smiles on their faces knowing that their great-granddaughters ended up playing ball in the halls of the White House - a magnificent structure built by enslaved Americans.*

*All across the country, there are so many more parts to this story—the generations of families whose work and service and protest has led us forward, even if the promise we seek is often delayed. This Juneteenth, let’s all pledge to keep using our voices—and our votes—to keep that story marching forward for our own children, and theirs.”*

## June Changes in COVID Protocols

Session has approved several changes in the College Hill worship protocols, to take effect in June. These are intended to keep us safe in the ongoing pandemic while modestly and carefully loosening some restrictions that have been in place for many months.

Starting in June, you may **enter the building** before worship either **from the front door off Philadelphia Drive as we have been doing** **OR** **from the side door off the parking lot where the chair lift is located** (the side door nearest Philadelphia Drive). After entering, please come into the usher area in the narthex where you'll receive the worship materials for the day and any seating instructions.

After worship, ushers will allow you to **exit the building** from **any of church doors that are unlocked** (you will no longer be directed to a particular door to exit depending on where you have been sitting).

During June, you may also notice that some of the **plexiglass barriers** that have been in front of worship leaders in the chancel area could be removed. **Congregational singing** will also be increasingly encouraged during our service.

Following worship, we may also begin to phase in **longer fellowship events** in the fellowship hall, while continuing to maintain mask requirements at those events when participants are not actively eating or drinking.

**What remains in place during June:** Please remember that, despite the changes above, several key protocols still apply while we worship together indoors:

Masks are still required whenever you are in the church building

Maintain appropriate distancing in the sanctuary, especially regarding seating in the pews and when moving around

Fellowship hall remains the alternative worship space if there is an overflow in the sanctuary

There is no worshiper seating in the balcony except for audio-visual staff and other authorized people

We thank you so much for your cooperation as we continue to navigate these in-between times, assuring your safety while also making reasonable accommodations for our worship life together.

Submitted by Elder Larry Hollar for the Indoor Worship Protocols Committee

### WE'RE BACK!

The CHCC Annual Flea Market is being held on Saturday, August 6, 2022, 10am to 4 pm, with rain date on August 13. Spaces are \$25 each, and there will be only 35 spaces sold this year for COVID spacing and safety. Leaders Linda Peters and Marlea Gaskins will begin taking reservations late May, so watch for flyers and announcements soon. We also need VOLUNTEERS, so please consider volunteering for 1-2 hours that day. As our pastor stated, this will be our first large Outreach Ministry community event since the pandemic, so let's make this year's Flea Market a success!.



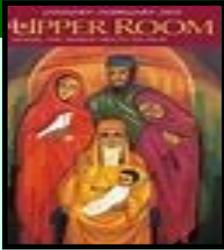
## Fundraiser for Leukemia and Lymphoma Society



This is a reminder to participate in Diann Harris' fundraiser for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Diann's husband, Harold died on Thanksgiving Day, 2019 of Leukemia. Please use a jar to collect your spare change in until Thanksgiving 2022. At that time, funds will be collected and given to the society.

### DAILY DEVOTIONAL MAGAZINES

The Upper Room and Daily Bread devotional magazines are now available. Ask the usher for a copy



## Clergy Community Coalition Need for New Hospital

Help show Premier Health that we will not accept anything less than an adequate hospital facility in Good Samaritan's place. Join us **every Friday** from 11:30 am to 12:30 am at the side of the former Good Samaritan Hospital, 2222 Philadelphia Dr., to show your support.

Contact Bishop Richard Cox (937-287-9353) or Nancy Keihl (937-422-4391) for more information.

## COLLEGE HILL'S VAN MINISTRY IS BACK



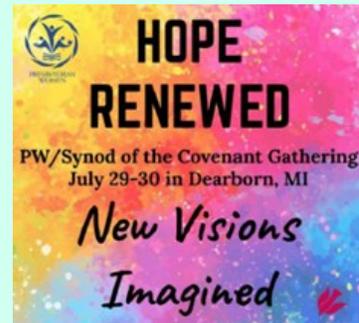
Please notify the church office by 2:00 pm every Friday if you are in need of a ride.



Deacon Ministry

Hello from your College Hill Deacons. The Presbyterian Women asked us to share stories of acts of kinness. Your deacons try to perform acts of kindness on a regular basis, but did you know that return kindness is many times shown to the deacons? Deacons receive cards, phone calls, and warm greetings in church thanking us or asking us how we're doing. These acts of kindness mean a lot to us and we hope you enjoy continued contact from your deacons!

Submitted by Kathy Lakes  
Deacon Moderator



Now is the time to begin your planning to attend the **Presbyterian Women in the Synod of the Covenant** Gathering to be held July 29-30 in Dearborn, MI.

You are invited to join your PW sisters from around the Synod with a theme of *Hope Renewed – New Visions Imagined*.

Contact Jan Brecht for more information.

## WHAT IS KINDNESS?

By Pat Townsel

I wrote a simple little poem about what kindness is. The main reason the poem is simple is because it deals only with examples of what kindness is - and most of us are familiar with the easy acts of kindness. However, as simple as kindness seems, there are some deeper challenges. For one thing, sometimes determining what kindness is becomes murky. For example, for fear of embarrassing someone, we may think it kinder to not say anything if we see lipstick or spinach on their teeth. More seriously, we may keep secrets from someone thinking they would be upset to know something, only to have the secret later revealed causing tremendous feelings of hurt, betrayal, and anger. Our intention to be kind can sometimes backfire.

A second complication of kindness regards to whom we should be kind. Jesus challenges us to love (be kind to) those we love even when they are not being so loveable. Even more, he calls us to be kind to those whom we neither consciously love, or even worse, consciously hate! So rather than not knowing what kindness is, it becomes difficult for us to follow the call to love everyone.

A third complication is that of realizing that we sometime get in our own way of loving one another. In fact we can either love ourselves too much, think love is restrictive and not expansive, and to love others takes away from ourselves. Contrarily, we may not love ourselves very much, or not at all, and consequently are mean and sour to everyone else. Either way is counterproductive.

Kindness grows out of love and, when given truly and honestly, is healthy, inspiring and reflective of God. Take time this month, to practice kindness generously and receive it just as generously. Hopefully, taking a full month to consciously absorb yourself in kindness, that kindness will come to you as naturally as breathing. Freely do the simple acts of kindness, and ponder the more complicated side of it, and what implications there might be for how you live. What a better place your little corner of this world will be.

### The Ways of Kindness by Pat Townsel

Kindness can be a prayer whispered alone in God's ever-attentive, ever-accessible ear  
Its effects mysteriously received by the prayed-for, be they unknown or deeply dear.  
Or kindness can be billionaire generosity -admirable for certain and for certain difficult to match  
But thankfully, neither humbleness nor high esteem is the key for God's blessings to attach.  
For **any** heart- borne gesture, expressed anonymously, quietly, or personally ostentationally,  
Is embraced by God, and transformed operationally, expansively, and inspirationally!

When I worked as a nurse at Stillwater, a 6 week old baby girl was admitted. She had a diagnosis of failure to thrive and had a life expectancy of 3 months. I got attached to her very quickly. The family felt they couldn't be involved so I did her laundry, bought her clothes, took her home several times when I was scheduled off. Fortunately, Mandy didn't know her prognosis. We had a party when she turned 6 months and another party on her one year birthday. When she was 16 months, she had to have surgery and ended up on a vent in the ICU. I went to CMC every morning around 5 before going to Stillwater and stopped every evening on my way home to see how she was doing. One morning when I arrived, the nurses said they were waiting on me to change her bed sheets and asked if I wanted to hold her. I sat in a rocker and they placed Mandy in my arms adjusting all of her tubes. She passed away just before I returned that evening. I was so thankful that the nurses were kind enough to know I needed to hold her one last time. I've had many acts of kindness directed to me but that was the one I remember the most.

Submitted by Jan Brecht



There is tragedy everyday now. We have to pray faithfully not to be angry, bitter or filled with hate. It is a worse disease than covid. We have been so fortunate through Shannon's health challenges and a recent moment of kindness was Paula Ewers coming by with daffodils and a cookie for Shannon. I will always picture her at the door with that sweet smile of kindness. She gives her time so faithfully and she is a perfect example of someone who knows how to balance her time. She celebrates life!

Submitted by Carole Estelle



**2022 Summer Camp Dates**

**Check this out!**

- Quilt Camp 1 June 5 - 10
- Beginners Camp June 12 - 15
- PYC Jr/Sr June 19 - 25
- Camp Kirkmont 1 June 26 - July 1
- Camp Rejoice July 10 - 16
- Camp Kirkmont 2 July 17 - 22
- Quilt Camp 2 July 17 - 22
- You and Me July 23 - 24
- Camp Kirkmont 3 July 24 - 29
- Camp Kirkmont 4 August 7 - 12

**Registration now open!**

Register at [www.kirkmontcenter.org/](http://www.kirkmontcenter.org/)

## MOBILE FOODBANK

6-Jun	<b>New Lebanon Courthouse</b> 195 S. Clayton Rd. New Lebanon 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
13-Jun	<b>Greater St. John's Church</b> 4200 Germantown Pike, Dayton 10:00 am – 11:30 am
8-Jun	<b>Living Word Church</b> 926 E National Rd, Vandalia 10:00 am – 11:00 am
8-Jun	<b>Englewood Christian Assembly</b> 415 N Main St, Englewood 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm
15-Jun	<b>Phillips Temple Church</b> 3620 Shiloh Springs Rd, Trotwood 10:00 am – 11:30 am
22-Jun	<b>Life Enrichment Center</b> 425 N Findlay St, Dayton 10:00 am – 11:30 am
Every M-W-TH	<b>Dayton Food Bank</b> 56 Armor Pl. Dayton, OH 9:00-11:00am

### FAITHLIFE – ELECTRONIC GIVING

Interpretation & Stewardship Ministry is accepting your offering and contributions to College Hill Community Church through Faithlife.com. Register at <https://faithlife.com/products/giving> by creating a user name and password. Offerings may also be mailed to or dropped off at the church office.



## Join with others in Presbytery of the Miami Valley for a Time of Prayer

Connect with others from around the Presbytery of the Miami Valley for a time of prayer. On the first Wednesday of the month at noon we will gather, via Zoom, for a time of prayer. This guided time of prayer will allow us to pray for one another, our neighbors, and our world. Those participating will have a chance to share their particular joys and concerns, celebrations, and challenges.

One tap mobile or dial by your location

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Join via Zoom:

Meeting ID: 813 8149 4899

Passcode: 984343

Questions? Contact Executive Presbyter Terry Kukuk at [ep@miamipresbytery.org](mailto:ep@miamipresbytery.org)

## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

*For safety during the pandemic, the secretary is now on a hybrid schedule working both from home and in the office.*

*Please be assured that phone calls will still be answered and/or returned Monday – Wednesday and Friday from 9am-2:30 pm. Note these times may vary occasionally depending on scheduling needs. The secretary will be present at the church most Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9:00am-2:30pm, and Thursdays from 12:30pm-3:00pm. Remaining hours she will be working remotely.*

*Office hours of the secretary remain 5 hours a day, 5 days a week. However, some hours will be worked from home, while others will be worked at the church.*

*If you need to come to the office, please schedule your visit the days she is scheduled to be present. If for some reason you need to meet with the secretary outside of these hours, please call or email the office to set up a time.*

*For those submitting announcements and/or prayer requests for service, the deadline is now Thursdays at 12pm.*

We solicit your support and prayers as we continue to navigate these uncharted waters of the pandemic. We are working to make sure the office resources are made available as needed, while maintaining a level of safety for the office staff and pastor as well. Pastor Worthen remains available to the congregation as needed: via email, phone and by appointment.

### GROW WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS!

The College Hill community garden on Parkhill has available plots for \$7.00. This fee pays for water use for your garden plot. You may garden at any time as the garden is always open. Note: the land is surrounded by fencing but this does not prevent people or God's critters from "borrowing" some of your crop. Contact Diane Welborn at 937-277-3335 to reserve your spot. Sister Diane will return your call to give further details. Directions: traveling from Salem Ave, the garden is on the left. Lanewood is the street that dissects Parkhill directly across from the garden. There is a sign "no outlet" to the garden entrance. It looks like you are driving in between two driveways.



### Presbytery of the Miami Valley June 2022 Prayer List

Each week we ask you to pray for a congregation or group in our presbytery. In addition, the presbytery committee we ask you to pray for during the month of June is the Network Support and Grants Committee.

**June 5 - Huntsville Presbyterian Church**, located at 6490 Fruit Street, Huntsville, Pastor Ben Beres.

**June 12 - Jamestown Presbyterian Church**, located at 61 West Washington Street, Jamestown, Pastor Michael Helling.

**June 19 - Middletown First Presbyterian Church**, located at 2910 Central Avenue, Middletown, Pastor Michael Isaacs and Christian Educator Lisa Kaufer.

**June 26 - Middletown St. Luke United Presbyterian Church**, located at 280 North Breiel Blvd., Middletown, Pastor Richard Sedgwick.

**July 3 - Monroe One Community Church**, located at 57 West Elm Street, Monroe, Pastors Steve Copeland and Vaughn Lewis.

*O Lord, you are loving to everyone, and your compassion is over all your works. All your works praise you, O Lord, and your faithful servants bless you.*

*-Psalm 145:9,10*

## **REGULAR MEETINGS JUNE 2022**

*Committee meetings are via Zoom until Session approves meetings inside **Worship Service** - every Sunday at 10:30 AM at College Hill Community Church. Also live streamed via Face book on collegehillcommunitychurch Facebook page. Previous recordings of service available on our Face-book page and Youtube.*

**Adult Sunday School** - every Sunday at 9:15 AM on Zoom. Meeting ID: 812 9453 9963 Passcode: 759784

**Bible Study** - every Thursday at 6:00 PM – 7:00PM on Zoom with Pastor Worthen (*June 3, 9, 16, 23, 30*)

**Buildings & Grounds** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays at 2PM, (*June 8*) on Zoom

**Christian Education** – 3rd Sundays following the worship service. (*Moved to June 26 due to Father's Day*)

**Deacons** – third Mondays at 6:00 PM, (*June 20*) on Zoom

**I & S Meeting** - 2nd Monday at 3PM (*June 13*) on Zoom

**Indoor/Outdoor Worship Committee** T.B.D.

**Personnel** – T.B.D.

**Public Relations** – Tuesday (*June 21*) at 10 AM

**Session** – Now 4th Tuesdays at 6:00 PM, (*June 28*) on Zoom. (*Call meeting June 7<sup>th</sup> at 6pm*)

**Social Justice and Peacemaking** – Now 1st Tuesdays (*June 7*) at 6:00 PM on Zoom. Meeting ID: 838 3655 9076 Passcode: 170476

**Spanish Bible Study** - On hold until further notice

**Worship & Music** – Tuesday (*June 14*) at 5pm.

## **SPECIAL DAYS/EVENTS JUNE 2022**

Sunday, June 5 – **Pentecost**

Sunday, June 12 - **Trinity Sunday**

Monday, June 13 – July 22 – **Dayton Scholars**

Sunday, June 19 - **Father's Day**

Tuesday, June 21 - **First day of Summer**

Monday June 27 – Friday July 1 – **Vacation Bible School**

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We are a family of Christians who intentionally include all God's children as we live in faithful obedience to God's command to love one another and seek justice, using Jesus as our example. We strive to serve God's people and connect to each other personally, spiritually and socially.