



PRESBY PRESS

June 2020

"I can do all things through Him who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13

DIGITAL CHURCH

At this time, GPC will remain digital for Sunday services through June. Please join us every Sunday at 10:30 am on Facebook for a service LIVE! You can access all of the previous services here: <https://www.facebook.com/greenwoodpres/live>. Note you do not need a Facebook account to view past videos!

In addition to Facebook, we are continuing to explore other ways to connect digitally, including possibly using Zoom as a resource for service as well as Bible Study. Stay tuned for other ways we can all connect during this time!

SUBMISSIONS TO PRESBY PRESS: gpc.presbypress@yahoo.com

Deadline: last Sunday of the month

SOCIAL MEDIA: www.facebook.com/GreenwoodPres

2020 PER CAPITA

2020 Per Capita is \$41.39. Your contribution toward Per Capita beyond your regular pledge will enable us to do more local ministry.

REVISED CHURCH SCHEDULE

We will not have worship in the Sanctuary THROUGH THE MONTH OF JUNE.

Church office hours have changed temporarily as well. Rev. Peter Zinn will be in Mondays & Thursdays. Charlotte will be in Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

SESSION MINI-MINUTES

Finally! A Session meeting and I can clear out my file of things to remember for the next meeting. Session met for the first time since February on May 26. The eight of us present spread ourselves across six tables in Fellowship Hall and used the large screen to look at the documents rather than shuffling a lot of paper as we usually do. The financial report was encouraging. One-third of the way through the year (end of April) our income was at 37.69 % of what we budgeted. That means we are doing a good job of keeping our pledges up to date. Thank you for that. The quarterly investment report, of course, did not look as good. The Clerk reported that we received some assistance to help with our finances this year. The Presbyterian Pension Fund has waived three months of pension dues and insurance for Pastor Peter. That equals about \$4,800. In addition, we received a Payroll Protection Program loan from our bank. This can be used to cover payroll and utilities in May and June and will turn into a grant for the amount we actually use for those purposes. We also received a grant of \$5,000 from the Smock Foundation to use for assistance to any of our members who are in need. If you are in need of assistance, please contact Pastor Peter to see if you are eligible to receive assistance from this fund. This money is not restricted to COVID-19 related need.

Session has been trying to clean the church rolls and remove names of persons who are no longer interested in being members of Greenwood Presbyterian Church. Letters were sent to a number of individuals in March and nine members and one affiliate member were removed from the rolls. This brings our membership to 119. Building and Grounds reported that the work on replacing the windows in the education wing has been completed and they have refurbished the north entrance. The task force working on revising the by-laws reported on their work and a congregational meeting has been scheduled for August 16 to have the first reading. The second reading will be at the Fall Meeting of the Congregation in October. That will allow the Nominating Committee to fill slots based on the planned changes. Copies of the proposed by-laws will be available in early August. Most changes are updates to reflect our current practice. The significant change will be to allow officers to serve longer terms. This has been deemed necessary because we have fewer members able to serve.

Session voted to not have in-person worship during June. We will decide at the June meeting what will happen in July. In the meantime, stay safe and join us live on Facebook Sunday mornings at 10:30.

SENIOR SOMETHINGS

Senior Somethings will NOT meet in June. We will evaluate future meetings at a later time. Thank you for your understanding!

MINUTE FOR MISSION THE PENTECOST OFFERING – BUILDING A LIFE OF FAITH



Who was the first person to teach you about Jesus? Who was the first person to show you how to honor God with your life? Who helped you open the doors to new understandings of God and of faith? When did these things happen? For many of us, they happened during our childhood. They happened at home, at Sunday School, at church, at camp, or, perhaps through mission trips or experiences of service.

Studies show that a foundation of faith established during childhood through young adulthood, the first third of life, helps ensure lifelong faith and service. Psalm 71 testifies to this same truth. Verse 17 says “O God, from my youth you have taught me, and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds.”

That’s why our congregation joins in support of the Pentecost Offering. This church-wide offering opens the doors to children, youth, and young adults so that they grow in the patterns of faith meant to last a lifetime. When we give, congregations join in shaping the education provided at public schools, through the Educate a Child, Transform the World national initiative. As Presbyterians, we believe that every child deserves access to high-quality education.

When we give, young adults engage in a year of service while discerning how best to love God and neighbor, through the Young Adult Volunteer program. As Presbyterians, we believe that serving others is more than just something good to do; it’s something that teaches us about God and about ourselves.

When we give, more than 5,000 youth gather at the Presbyterian Youth Triennium to worship, learn, and serve together. As Presbyterians, we believe that the Holy Spirit moves among us when we gather together and draws us into meaningful relationships and powerful understandings of what God is doing in the world.

Forty percent of this Offering stays here for our own ministries with children, youth, and young adults. During Pentecost, we celebrate that the Holy Spirit has opened the doors to faith in Jesus Christ. Just as many of us were nurtured in faith during our youth, we give to support these ministries and offer ourselves in service to the faith formation of other youth and young adults. We join with the Spirit and the whole church.

Please make your Pentecost Offering contribution by the end of June.

OFFERING A HELPING HAND

Anna Marcus is offering her services for any help with errands, housework, yard work, dog-walking, etc. She is available now through whenever school starts besides one week in July. She is able to drive to you. She is flexible with pay and schedules/time. If you're interested you can contact her at one of the following:

text/call: 1-317-675-7999
email: anna.marcus@att.net

She hopes she can help and is praying for you during this hard time!

BOY SCOUT NEWS



No information for this month. All BSA Scout news may be subject to change due to the VIRUS. Please check with BSA Troop Leaders for updated schedule.

Anybody interested in SCOUTING or being a Leader may contact Gayle Talley, Dave Baker or the Church office.

*Dave Baker
Liaison of BSA Troop #266*

HAPPY STITCHERS UPDATE

The Happy Stitchers have been making facemasks to deliver to the hospitals. BUT, if you need one, please come and get one! They're inside the north door! So far, over 42 masks have been made...and not necessarily just for medical personnel.

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you have a prayer request, concern or joy, you wish to have mentioned from the pulpit, please comment during the Facebook live on Sunday mornings and they will be read off.

NEW WINDOWS

Last month 50 new windows were installed in the office and classroom wing! This will help with regulating temperatures much better and decreasing energy costs!

Recipe of the Month



ANGEL COOKIES Submitted by Dana Baker

Ingredients:

- 2 sticks unsalted butter + more for greasing
- 1 cup canola oil
- 1 cup sugar + more for dipping
- 1 cup powdered sugar
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 2 large eggs
- 4 cups + 2 Tab. all purpose flour
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 1 tsp cream of tartar
- 1 tsp salt

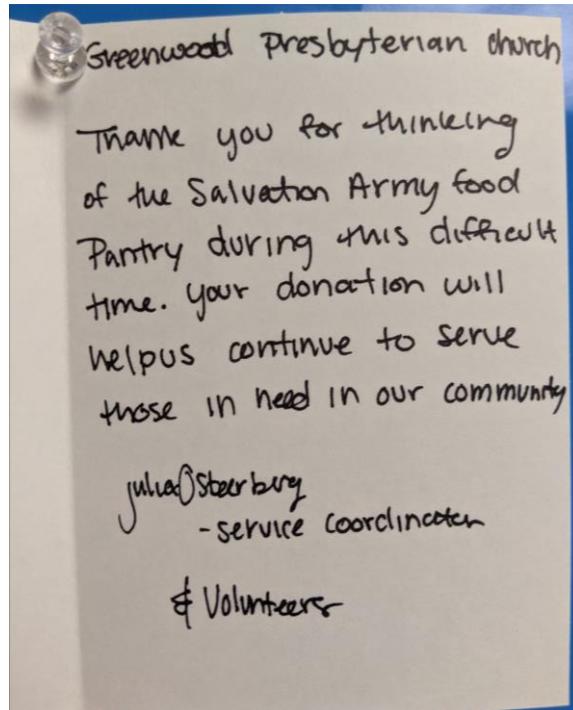
Directions:

- In a mixing bowl, cream, butter, oil, sugar, both kinds, vanilla & eggs.
- In another bowl, add flour, baking soda, cream of tartar & salt and stir till incorporated, add little at a time to creamed mixture & mix well.
- Cover and refrigerate for 1 hour
- Using cookie scoop, or use teaspoon to drop onto ungreased cookie sheets.
- Smear bottom of small juice glass with butter
- dip glass in regular or colored sugar and press each dough ball down until desired size, repeat sugar and butter when needed. I press mine to the size of the bottom of my juice glass.
- Bake until just barely turning brown on the bottom, 9 to 11 minutes. Oven 350 degrees
- Don't over brown
- Cool on cookie sheet 2 minutes before moving to cooling rack.
- Serves 24 – 45. Enjoy!



THANK YOU

On behalf of the Samaritan Service (Salvation Army) a heartfelt thank you to those who have made contributions. Birgit Kreck has used the money to shop for the Food Pantry. The below thank you card was received and is posted in the church. Thank you!

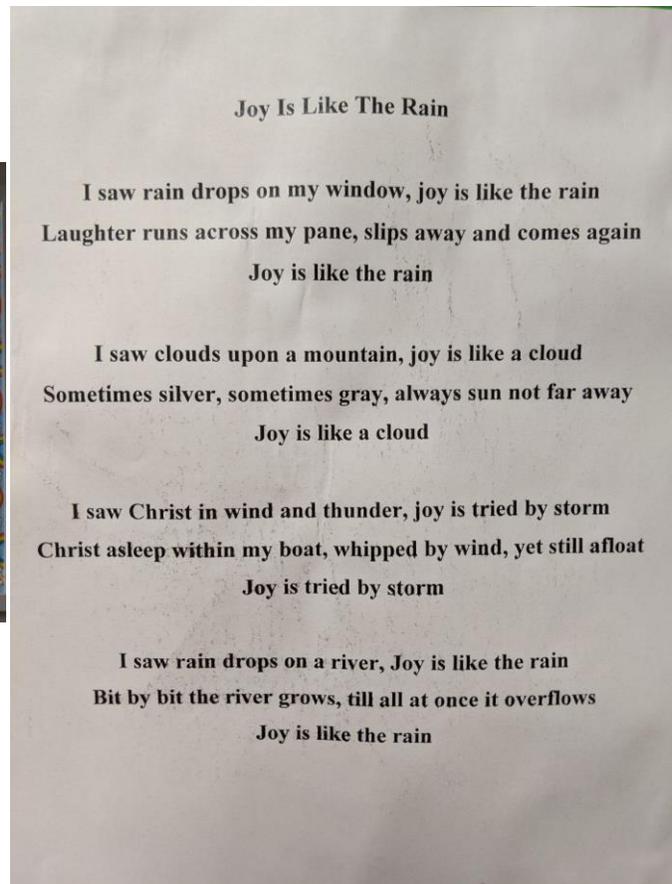


AROUND THE CHURCH

As I walk the empty halls of the church, I wanted to share a few things that make me smile! This new addition to Eleanor Mitchell's board about masks made me chuckle!



This board in the Head Start area made me smile as well. I love a spring rain!

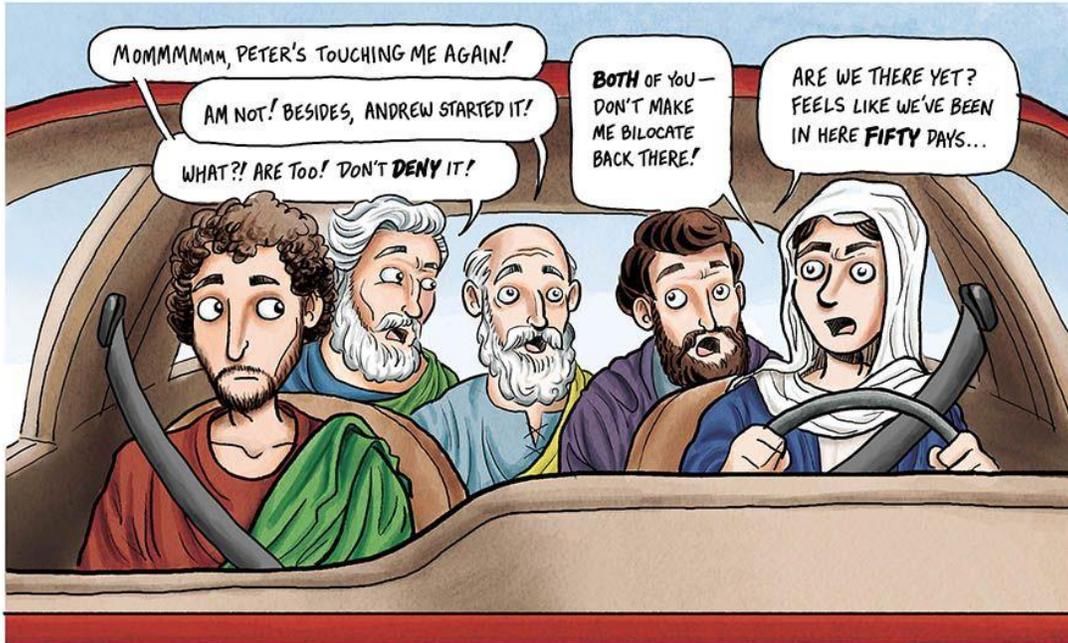


JUST FOR FUN

Two guys are walking through a game park & they come across a lion that has not eaten for days. The lion starts chasing the two men. They run as fast as they can and the one guy starts getting tired and decides to say a prayer, "Please turn this lion into a Christian, Lord." He looks to see if the lion is still chasing and he sees the lion on its knees. Happy to see his prayer answered, he turns around and heads towards the lion. As he comes closer to the lion, he hears the lion saying a prayer: "Thank you Lord for the food I am about to receive."

Two little boys were known troublemakers, stealing everything they could get their hands on, even from the church. One day a priest stopped one of the boys and asked, "Where is God?" The boy shrugged and the priest repeated, "Where is God?" The boy ran out of the cathedral crying to his home where he hid in a closet. Eventually his brother found him and asked, "What's wrong?" The crying boy replied, "We're in trouble now! God is missing and they think we took him!"

ACTS 2:1 "AND WHEN THE DAY OF PENTECOST HAD COME, THEY WERE ALL IN ONE ACCORD..."



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BIRTHDAYS



JUNE		JULY	
5	Donna Andres	6	Carol Paquette
9	Judy Cook		Gail Rozkydol
12	Susan Hardin	7	Ebbie Crawford
15	Judy Lovejoy	8	Bev Fiandt
16	Nita Conley	13	Kathy Johnson
21	Rachel Jewell	14	Lindsey Zeigler
	Judy Spencer	21	Corey Davis
22	Ken Spencer	24	Gary Vandergriff
25	Darrell Crawford	26	Betty Price
	Jan Neimeyer	28	Birgit Kreck
26	Rita Kistner		Barb Malasics
		31	Evelyn Everett