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Revelation Weekly

From Pastor Jane:

You Get to Choose

“You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.” Psalm 16:11

While the world spins around us and fear is at our doorstep, I was reminded this week that we still have the power to choose. God created us as human beings that have free-will. We have the power to decide how we are going to think, how we are going to react to the information and circumstances around us, and even in the worst of circumstances this is still true. A lot of our response has to do with where we are getting our information. Is your information coming from ABC, CBS, NBC, Fox, and CNN? Or have you discovered that the best news of the day is found in Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John? God is still on the throne; He is our King, Priest, Prophet - and we can choose the fullness of joy in His presence no matter what is happening. And that is good news.

Friday news: The Scripture reading from the Lectionary for 4/19/20 Second Sunday of Eastertide: Acts 2:14a, 22-32, Psalm 16, 1 Peter 1:3-9, John 20:19-31.

Tentative Schedule for the week online will be:
Wednesday: Live Facebook Prayer Time 7:00 PM to be posted on YouTube afterwards
Sunday: Worship on YouTube at 10:30 AM

Missions Moment: Over 700 face masks have been made by our Face-mask Brigade and have benefitted hospitals, nursing homes, hospices, dialysis units and law enforcement. When the masks are given, we include a note of encouragement and a prayer. We continue to put together face masks. Do you sew? If you'd like to be a part of that work, just text or email Pastor Jane and we will give you the pattern and the material. We've been dropping supplies off on porches and picking up completed masks so that everyone is keeping safe distances. There is a great need for this extra measure of comfort during these uncertain times. If you'd like to donate for masks, just go to our website and give online: <http://www.sharoncenterumc.org/giving/>. We will begin thinking about collecting items for flood buckets and other UMCOR kits in the coming weeks. More information will be coming out as we move forward.



KID'S CORNER

- Attached to this email is kid's activities and program for this week.

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURES

- Acts 2:14a, 22-32
- Psalm 16
- 1 Peter 1: 3-9
- John 20:19-31

HOW TO GIVE TO SHARON CENTER UMC

By mail:
Sharon Center UMC
P.O. Box 239
Sharon Center, OH 44274

Online:
Follow the link on website at
www.sharoncenterumc.org

WEEKLY MESSAGE AVAILABLE AT

www.youtube.com/channel/UCpEnqBSWTN0ovtp4X1CTu6w

Sundays, 10:30AM

Bible Study: We started a new Bible Study using Zoom conferencing on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM. We are studying what it means to be “counterculture” using David Platt’s book “A Compassionate Call to Counterculture”. You don’t need a book, but you do need access to the internet. You can stay in the comfort of your home and still be connected to your faith family! Let Nikki or Pastor Jane know, and we’ll send you a link. The study lasts six weeks.

Annual Conference has been moved to September 25 through 27 and will meet at Lakeside for the last time before moving to Akron. Youth Annual Conference is also being moved to a new location and date. Nancy Vogel, Millie Frambaugh and Pastor Jane are all still willing to attend and represent our congregation.

If you would like to talk with Pastor Jane via our Zoom technology (or phone, or other technology), just message us and we will set it up. It doesn’t cost anything and is virus-free! Reach out to others using technology to lift each other up, encourage one another that we will again meet together and praise the Lord in one voice.

That’s all the news we have today. We are going week-to-week and will keep you all informed. God bless and keep you ‘til we meet again! “The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.” Numbers 6: 24-26.

Pastor Jane