Revelation Weekly
Fifth Sunday after Easter Day

From Pastor Jane:
I’ve Heard That Somewhere Before
“Do not let your hearts be troubled.” “In my Father's house there are many dwelling places.” “I am the way, and the truth, and the life.” This week’s Gospel reading from the book of John chapter 14 is filled with familiar words of Jesus – words that bring comfort and assurance that we aren’t alone, that God has a plan and a purpose for all of this uncertainty and pain. It’s amazing that these words would show up now, when we need to hear them most – during a pandemic. Isn’t that just like God? Let’s take hold of these promises and replace all of our anxiety with promise and hope.

Where to get updates: As the restrictions on gatherings in Ohio changes, we will be sending out updates on email and posting on our Website and Facebook pages. The Governor has begun to let some businesses open over the next few weeks; however, nothing is changing for us right now. If anything changes, we will let you know in advance how it will affect our use of the building, our in-person gathering and scheduling so that you can make the best decisions for you and your family. We started sending out these Friday emails so that everyone would have the most up-to-date information and we will continue.

Missions Moment: Our face-mask Brigade has made over 1,200 masks since March 24! For the next two weeks we will be making masks to send to Midwest Mission, a cooperating ministry of UMCOR, to replenish their depleted supply from the Coronavirus and equip them to continue ministry. 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/. If you are in need of a mask, or you know of someone who needs a mask, please let Pastor Jane know and we will make sure you have one at no cost to you.

Bible Study: We continue using Zoom conferencing for Bible Study 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. Let Nikki or Pastor Jane know, and we’ll send you a link. This week’s topic is “Race”.

That’s all the news we have today. God bless you, stay safe and give thanks!