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Revelation Weekly

Seventh Sunday after Easter Day

From Pastor Jane:

“Waiting”

I don't wait well. I become impatient when I have to stand in line, and I get cranky when I have to wait to eat a meal. I'm not proud of it, and I'm working on it. Today in my devotions I read this in Isaiah 64:4: “Since ancient times no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who acts on behalf of those who wait for him.” I want to be one who waits on Him, so my waiting needs an upgrade. During this time of waiting, I'm realizing that on the other side of waiting is not what used to be, but a whole new thing. We don't know what it will look like next, but we know that there is no other God besides Him and He is working on our behalf. What a great news! We can learn to wait on God. Praise be to God!

When are we going to be back to worshipping in person? The Bishop has sent us guidelines of what needs to be in place for us to begin worshipping together again in person, including social distancing, sanitizing the building, and putting in place new procedures. We will not be going back to the way things used to be right away. Many things will change to protect those who are most vulnerable to COVID19 and we will be following all the guidelines put in place by the Governor and the Bishop. We are hoping to continue to offer our Worship Service on YouTube for those who are home-bound or who want to wait a bit longer before coming back to in-person Worship. Special thanks to Ken Ullery for all his hard work in creating our virtual Worship Service each week, for his work on our Website and the creation of our YouTube Channel. He is a blessing from God. If you haven't subscribed to our YouTube channel, please log on and do so. When we get to 100 subscribers, we get our own URL. The goal is 100! Ask your friends to help us! When we know exactly when we will be worshipping in person, we will give you all advance notice and what the changes will be. In the meanwhile, we are still the church, because the church is the people, each of us wherever we are, following Christ and being his disciples. That's the church.

Where to get updates: As the restrictions on gatherings in Ohio change, we will be sending out updates on email and posting on our Website and Facebook pages. Friday Weekly Revelation gives you the most up-to-date information and it is also posted on the Website each week.



KID'S CORNER

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

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURES

- Acts 1: 6-14
- Psalm 68: 1-10, 32-35
- 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5: 6-11
- John 17:1-11

ONLINE SCHEDULE

- Sunday—Worship, 10:30am
- Wednesday—Live Facebook Prayer Time, 6:30pm, Send prayer requests for Prayer Wall to Pastor Jane, janepiehl@gmail.com
- Leadership Team Meeting—June 10, at 7pm

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Follow the link on website at
www.sharoncenterumc.org

WEEKLY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

- May 26— Darlene Franz
- May 28— Erin Keenan
- Anniversary—May 25
Jack & Christina Breese

WEEKLY MESSAGE AVAILABLE AT

www.youtube.com/channel/UCpEnqBSWTNoovtp4X1CTu6w

Sundays, 10:30AM

Missions Moment:

1,661 Masks have been made since 3/20/20. 470 of them went to the Midwest Mission, and the others went to Hospice, Nursing Homes, Dialysis Centers, other churches, individuals in the community and in our church. A generous amount of fabric and elastic was donated by the Fabric Peddler in Wadsworth along with individuals who gave fabric or funds to make it possible. Each week on Wednesday masks were picked up from porches and supplies were dropped off as needed. All work was done while complying with social distancing guidelines. Some are continuing to make the masks for the Midwest Mission. We are thankful for each person who helped – men and women, church members and community members, all being the hands and feet of Jesus Christ for such a time as this. If you'd like to donate to the Midwest Mission, just go to our website and give online: <http://www.sharoncenterumc.org/giving/> . If you need 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. We have been able to supply masks to people in our congregation and some folks from the community too. Do not hesitate to ask!

Bible Study: We will begin a nine-week summer Bible Study on Tuesday, June 2, 2020 at 7:00 PM called “We Over Me – Letters of Hope from Revelation” using resources created by Whitney Capps. In this study we will cover the first three chapters of Revelation and discover how God has a purpose and a plan that he uniquely accomplishes in and through the church and how each one of us can be a part of it. We continue using Zoom conferencing. Books will be available and can be dropped off. You will need access to the internet. Let Nikki or Pastor Jane know, and we'll send you a link.

Staff Update: Reminder: Millie will be in Florida from May 21 through July 1 helping her niece Kelly and her husband Michael with Day Care for their children Dylan (5) and Kira (3). We will miss her while she is away, but we'll still see her every week as she has recorded herself playing the piano for us to use in Worship. We are glad she can help her family during this COVID19 crisis. Meanwhile Millie asks for continued prayers for her Father, Rod, as well as her sisters and Mother as they care for him at home with Hospice.

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