



The Messenger, June, 2020

A Message from the Pastor

I wonder how the forced Sabbath of this Covid-19 pandemic is changing us. How has our social distancing made us more aware of our need for connection with others? How has the shutdown of businesses and schools with the accompanying loss of jobs revealed injustices in our society that we may have missed or ignored before? How has your relationship with God changed as we gather for worship in our homes beside our screens? Have you found yourself more

drawn to prayer? Have you found yourself more drawn to calling and checking on someone, or sending a card or note through the mail so that another receives a tangible sign of your caring for them?

I invite you to discern with me how God might be reshaping us for mission as we've been forced to take a break from doing business as usual. We've been learning together how to better use technology to support one another, connect in

worship together, and share the good news of God's love. This can also be a great opportunity to turn to God for solace and peace daily in the midst of our worries and grief. Our lives have already begun to change. We've been grieving the many losses as we remember how things used to be. And we need to do this in order to let go of the past and open ourselves to God's new future. As we enter into the season of Pentecost I invite you

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Worship

In order to keep one another safe, we will continue to live stream our worship through our Facebook page for the foreseeable future. You do not need to be a Facebook user to access this video stream; just click [here](#). You can also access the livestream

through the link in the sidebar on our [webpage](#). Our worship now includes Holy Communion, in addition to music led by a few of our musicians. Because the acoustics in our sanctuary are good, the singing sounds robust even though we never have

more than 10 people in attendance. All the liturgy and hymns are printed in the worship folder available on our website or click [here](#). There will also be a few printed bulletins on the bench inside the door of the church in case you would like to pick one up ahead of time.

From the Pastor (continued)

Let's imagine the new things God will be doing.

to be open to the Spirit's inspiring presence. Let's imagine together what new things God will be doing in and through us to bring restoration to the brokenness of our lives and our world.

Deep Blessings,

Pastor Mark



Reopening the Church Building

A task force has been formed to look at how we may begin to hold public worship and other meetings and events in the church building in as safe a way as possible. I appreciate our bishop reminding us that the Church has never closed, for the Church is the people and we've continued to bear the love of Christ into the world even as we gather in diaspora for worship.

Please be patient as we work out the details of how to best go about this. We will continue to livestream our Sunday morning worship at 10 AM for the foreseeable future.



Thank You



We send our heartfelt thanks to our wonderful Faith Family for all the emails, texts, cards and virtual hugs we received from you after my mother's (Margie Myers) passing. I especially thank my Sophia sisters for their kindness and support, and Pastor Mark for his thoughtful and very appropriate homily. God's peace to you all, Gail Swanson

Free Jumbo Toilet Paper



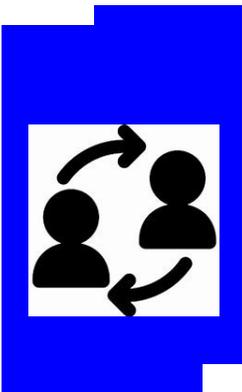
Two cases of jumbo rolls of toilet paper were accidentally ordered from Office Depot and cannot be returned to them. If your business can use these or if you know someone who can, please let [Kathy](#) in the office know.

Telephone and Internet Service



We have successfully switched our internet and phone service to METRONET. This change will mean faster service at a much lower cost. The main thing this means for you is this: **you now must dial 859** before you dial the church's number. Don't forget or your call won't go through!

Staying Connected



Our Care and Support Team has been coordinating an effort to help us check-in and stay connected with one another by phone. We would welcome your help. If you are already staying in touch with members or would be willing to make phone calls, let [Pastor Mark](#), [Jerry Klim](#), [Cindy Heine](#), or the [office](#) know. We want to be sure

that everyone gets checked on. Also, if you have a need or know of someone who does, please let us know. The office will be the point of contact for these efforts. Click [here](#) to email or phone 859-266-7621.



Learning Center Status



Once the Learning Center reopens, class sizes will be reduced. With tuition being the primary source of income, this causes an even greater need for financial support to sustain the program. Please consider donating. Your donation will be used to help

cover payroll. Payments can be made online at <http://www.tinyurl.com/flclex> or checks made payable to "FLLC" can be mailed to:
Faith Lutheran Learning Center
Attn: Charla Heersche
1000 Tates Creek Rd

Lexington, KY 40502
Thank you for the generous donations we have already received. They have been used to continue benefits for full-time staff while the center is closed. We are thankful for your prayers and support.

Life Together at Faith

June Birthdays

- 1 Jane Pettibone
- 2 Teri Applegate
- 4 Jonathan Delap
Anne Gross
Anne Sabbatine
- 5 Ben McGrath
- 6 Owen Witt
- 8 Miriam David
Will Holmes
- 9 Ann Hagan-Michel
Julie Keller
- 11 Amy Hadden
- 12 Marianne Kehres
- 13 Sherri Greer
- 14 Kelsey Cloyd
- 16 Ruth Schumacher
- 18 Nick Veil
- 22 June Hansen
- 23 John Cottrill
- 24 Neddy Brown, Jr.
Jenny Delap
Randy Young
- 27 Elaine Billington
- 28 Lori Watkins
- 30 Clover Hadden
Brad Ranta

June Wedding Anniversaries

- 3 Paul Ebben & Lori Hetzel
- 5 Ray & Anne Sabbatine
Barry & Lin Whitley
- 6 Jerry & Sue Landis
- 8 Jim & Judy Knauss
- 9 Brian & Ruth Lundborg
- 10 Dave & Judy McGrew
- 12 Urton & Debbie Anderson
- 14 Kathy & George Heersche
- 18 Bront & Carol Davis
Robert & Donita Henry
Richard & Ann Michel
- 23 Jonathan & Jenny Delap
- 25 Roland & Helen Born
- 27 Barry & Hannah Williams
- 29 Marcus & Melonie Atkerson
Ned & Miriam Brown

Baptism Anniversaries

- 1 Debbie Anderson
David Fegley
Lori Hetzel
Carolyn Holmes
Lee Holmes
Melody Kazee
Jade Paumi
Wayne Schedler
Carl Whitehouse
- 3 Hailey Veil
- 7 Ezra Kurth
- 10 Aeris Hammonds
Aja Hammonds
Juliana Fox
- 23 William Terry
- 25 Debbie Rosenberg
Hannah Williams
- 30 Marianne Kehres
Diane Nicely

Congratulations to Dru and Katie Mendenhall on the birth of their daughter, Arbor, on March 26. We pray God's blessing on the whole family.



April Financial Summary

April 2020	Total Income - Month	Total Expense - Month	Actual Total Income Less Actual Total Expense	Total Income - YTD	Total Ex- pense - YTD	Actual Total Income Less Actual Total Expense
Budget Forecast	\$36,164.83	\$36,461.51		\$144,659.32	\$145,846.04	
Actual	\$29,529.34	\$27,756.83	\$1,772.51	\$125,123.44	\$112,779.02	\$12,344.42
Variance	(\$6,635.49)	(\$8,704.68)		(\$19,535.88)	(\$33,067.02)	
%	81.7%	76.1%		86.5%	77.3%	

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Gayle McGrath, Secretary
Roland Born
Sherri Greer
Carolyn Holmes
JoEllen McComb
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Sunday Online Streaming, 10:00 AM

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