

MESSENGER April 6, 2020

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ on this Monday of Holy Week.

In this challenging time of required physical separation, I believe we are all realizing how much we miss being together and sharing fellowship and contact with one another. It seems especially hard not to be together in this week of all weeks that we would expect to see each other in church. I have been thinking there are three things that are important for us to do during this difficult time.

The most important thing we need to do is to hold fast to our faith, our hope and our trust in the Lord. Even as we recall our Lord's suffering and death this week, we know that His death was only temporary. His resurrection is our assurance that the suffering we experience in this life is only temporary. Our God is able to work all things together for good (Romans 8:28). This pandemic will come to an end; we will be together again.

Next, we need to remember that our reason for not gathering together is to do our part in trying to limit the impact of this terrible disease. Because we love each other and we love all of God's people in the world, we know this is what we must do for the good of all.

Finally, we need to be very intentional about staying spiritually connected even as we are physically apart. To that end, several persons in our church have volunteered to be "Joyful Callers." Our hope is that everyone in our church family will receive a call this week to let each one know they are thought about, prayed for and loved.

During this Holy Week, you will receive an email from me each day with a Scripture reading from the Suffering Servant passage in the book of Isaiah, chapter 53. Those same verses will serve as our Scripture card for the week. You will find the daily readings inside this Messenger.

May God grant each of us a blessed, safe and deeply meaningful Holy Week.

Peace and blessings,

. Pastor David



Let us draw
near to God with
a sincere heart in
full assurance
of faith...



PRAYER CONCERNS **Members** Jim Ace, Jonathan Adams, Scott Adams, Joyce Arnette, Clayann Binning, Jessica Blackburn, Nancy Buckman, Connie Carroll, Lois and Sam Snyder, Ed Drudge, Cal and Diane Geary, Stephanie Hardin, Janet Hughes, Gail Kaufmann, Janice Long, Neal McHenry and family of Jackolyn, Martha Marlow, Doug and Sherry Mewborn, Delores Miner, Jenny Mizzell, Larry Modlin, Judy Pratt, Nathan Redd, Duke Smith, Nancy Smith, and Kelly Wills.

Update:

Ed latest CAT scan showed that some of his tumors have reduced in size or remained the same. He has a new tumor close to the esophagus enters his stomach. Today he is having a set up for spot radiation treatments. He will have 5 treatments beginning April 16th. Thank you many prayers.

Praise the Lord! Love, Rebecca

Military: Joe Fraley, Sg. Joey Horne, John Modlin, Branden Mooney, Anthony Ripley, David Ritz.

Friends: Willie Ray Arnett, Paul Arnett, Al Avant, Jesse Bailey, Rudolph Batts, George Brodgen, Johnnie Byrd Family, Candie, Kathy Carlton, Carter, Kathy Clapp, Jack Cooper, Family of Wanda Davis, Debbie and her sister, Tobey Ferry, , Kevin Fisher and family. Jan Foster, Pastor Gary Gandy, Jensen Gandy, J.W. Gibson, Marlene Grove, Gene Harris, Tom and LeAnne Holgan, Roy Horne, Donna Johnson, Major Jones, Dr. Jack Kim, Kody, Craig Jenkins, Bill Kirpatrick, Lea, Brenda Leonard, Liza, A.J. Long, Doreen Luisi, Nancy McAloney, Douglas Mathis, Ernie Mazzei, Michelle, Monica, Sarah Moyer, Nathan, Sherri Nelson, Friends of Maike O'Day, Becky and Phil Osborne, Jeb Paarfus, Dot Phillips, Jimmy Platts, Penny Roberts, Rosie, Tania Roth, Betty Saunders, Nancy Serriano, Billy Sewell, Lori Shelton, Jonathan Sloan, the family of Joanne Smith, Katrina Seferyn, Maria Sutton, Sue Sutton, Terry, Theresa, Christopher Thomas, Jennifer Tower, Andrea Wright, and Bill Zell. **Any family member of our members or friends that are in a hot spot for this pandemic.**



SOME APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 6 Sean Mooney
- 7 Doris Davis
- 9 Amy Phillips
Rachel Shade
- 10 Connie Carroll
- 11 Hailey Grace Frye
- 12 Nancy Smith
- 13 Dave Strohpaul
- 17 Sandra Brown
Ann Hummel
- 19 Kim King
Brent Livingood
Andrew Osborn

- “Every day I have unlimited opportunities to pray and give thanks.” (from the Upper Room Devotional).
- “What small sign of God’s presence have I seen today?” (from the Upper Room Devotional).
- “God invites me into his rest and care.” (from the Upper Room Devotional).

From a member –

Kathleen O’Meara (1839-1888), a writer from the late Victorian period during a pandemic...

“And the people stayed home. And read books, and listened, and rested, and exercised, and made art, and played games, and grew gardens full of fresh food, and learned new ways of being, and were still.

And listened more deeply. Some meditated, some prayed, some danced. Some met their shadows. And the people began to think differently.

And the people healed. And, in the absence of people living in ignorant, dangerous, mindless, and heartless ways, the earth began to heal.

And when the danger passed, and the people joined together again, they grieved their losses, and made new choices, and dreamed new images, and created new ways to live and heal the earth fully, as they themselves had been healed.”

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- **If you have a quote or story to share that can help others at this time of isolation send it to secretary@faithharborumc.org and it will go in a Messenger to help others.**

Scripture Card April 6, 2020

Centering Prayer: Lord Jesus, help me remember your Passion.

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 22

M Isaiah 53:2a-4

T Isaiah 53:5-6

W Isaiah 53:7

T Isaiah 53:8

F Isaiah 53:9-10a

S Isaiah 53:11, 12b

Key Scripture: *Isaiah 53:11 He will make many to be accounted righteous,
He shall bear their iniquities.*

UPDATE ON USE OF FHUMC KITCHEN & CARE OF APPLIANCES

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!!!

On April 2, 2020, Marion Shade, Facility Manager and Jean Hawley, Hospitality Chairperson cleaned and sanitized the appliances in the Faith Harbor kitchen.

Given that our kitchen and appliances were not designed for heavy commercial use we have muddled along for almost fourteen years without having to replace a major appliance.

Faith Harbor has contractual cleaning services for the restrooms, sanctuary, narthex, hallways and kitchen floor but that does not include cleaning the appliances and organizing supplies/utensils in the cabinetry.

Under the leadership of former Hospitality Chairperson, Martha Vaughn a system requiring all users of the kitchen to complete a "**Check Out Sheet**" was implemented. The express purpose of the "Check Out Sheet" is to ensure proper cleaning tasks be performed , that care of appliances and food handling meet required standards.

The "Check Out Sheet", modified ,is still required . No exceptions.

On April 2nd, the conditions found in the refrigerators, freezer and behind the large coffee makers were considered to be a health hazard.

To correct these conditions and ensure sanitary food and beverage handling more stringent policies must be established to ensure safety for all.

Standards are posted above each Stove. Similar standards for the Freezer and

Refrigerators will be posted shortly. Please help by compliance with these standards.

Stay Well, Stay Safe, Stay Connected until we can meet again.

Marion Shade and Jean Hawley

FYI....Information provided by Hampstead UMC.

The GE Family is coming together to fight COVID19. Here are just a few examples:

- ✓ The GE Foundation and GE's Licensing Team have joined forces to provide critically needed KN95 masks to protect health care workers fighting the COVID19 pandemic. As lead donor, the GE Foundation is funding the procurement of 530,000 medical masks through Apericares, a disaster relief and global health organization.

- ✓ There are [100 employee and retiree volunteers](#) at work in Madison, Wisc., to ensure we have 24/7 round the clock production of ventilators. These volunteers have travelled from all over the U.S. – including one employee overcoming an earthquake and snowstorm – to help. In Europe, GE Healthcare is offering hospitals increased access to its software platforms that allow [doctors and nurses to digitally document vital signs](#) – saving them up to 10 hours a week, reducing the patient's time in the ICU essentially opening up beds faster for others in need.
- ✓ In China, a group of doctors are sharing their experience using lung ultrasound as an alternative to CT scans for COVID19 patients in ICUs.

Congratulations to GE and to our members and community friends who work there!

