

Campbellsburg Christian Church

Newsletter

A Family of Faith, Hope and Love

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Julie's Journal

Now that we are past Memorial Day, dust off your white shoes and get ready for a fantastic summer! I know that wearing white is OK now at any time of the year, but old habits are hard to break. We are tentatively planning to open the sanctuary for worship on June 14th. That will be a great time for you to wear those white shoes!

Please keep in mind that this is new territory for everyone and that we will have to tweak things as we go along. For the safety of everyone, we will be attempting to follow the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines. That means that everyone should wear a mask and practice social distancing, maintaining a distance of at least six feet from people who do not live under your roof. We will have extra masks (thank you, Alice!) if you forgot yours or don't have one. If you are not feeling well, please stay home until are well. If you want to stay home for safety reasons, that's OK, too. Wait until you feel comfortable being back in the building for worship.

I know that it will be difficult to refrain from hugging and shaking hands, but it would be even more difficult if several people in the church came down with the coronavirus. The deacons will not be passing the communion trays nor the offering trays. We will be using pre-packaged communion and we will have a drop off location for the offering. Cheri is working on a plan for singing and we will update you on that as soon as it is ready. I know the "New Normal" will be somewhat difficult, but I also know that it will be so good for us to be together in person again.

We will continue using Facebook Live to make sure that everyone has the opportunity to join our brothers and sisters in Christ while worshiping together, even if it is in different locations.

If you are bringing pennies, plastic lids, or pull tabs to donate, please put them in a plastic bag so that we can keep track of which ones have been sanitized and which ones have not.

There's still time to contribute to the Disciples of Christ Pentecost Offering, a special offering that goes toward new church starts. Please write "Pentecost" in the memo section of your check or if you are using cash for the special offering, put it in an envelope and write "Pentecost" on the envelope. Of course, our church expenses are ongoing. If you are able, please continue to contribute your regular tithes and offerings as well.

Many thanks to the person(s) who planted the geraniums near the front door of the church.

Scriptures for June are:

June 7th — Mathew 28:16-20 (Trinity Sunday)

June 14th — Psalm 100

June 21st — Ephesians 6:4 (Father's Day)

June 28th — Psalm 13

I know this is a difficult time for so many in our congregation. Please call, text, or email me if you need to talk. For the month of June, I am switching my hours in the office from Fridays to Wednesdays.

Remember to request an absentee ballot for the June 23rd primary election. Go to govoteky.com for information.

Let us all pray that our doctors and scientists find a cure or vaccine for the coronavirus soon!

May you feel the presence of the Holy Spirit as you go about your days this summer.

*Blessings,
Julie*

Musical Musings

One of the devotional books that I read each morning is called "Jesus Always" by Sarah Young. It is subtitled "Embracing Joy in His Presence." The following excerpt is from the Introduction at the beginning of the book.

We embrace Joy by embracing Jesus—loving Him, trusting Him, staying in communication with Him. We can choose to live this way even during our most challenging times. In fact, the more difficult our circumstances, the brighter our gladness will shine—in vivid contrast to the dark backdrop of adversity. Thus we make the Light of Jesus' Presence visible to people around us.

Each of Sarah Young's devotional books is written from the perspective of Jesus speaking directly to the reader. As I read the following selection this morning, I thought it was very appropriate for the times in which we currently find ourselves.

I am God, and you are *not*. This may sound harsh, but it's actually a blessed dose of reality. In the Garden of Eden, Satan tempted Eve with the very same desire that had caused him to fall from heaven: to *be like God*, usurping My divine position. Eve succumbed to this temptation, as did Adam. Since that time, the sin-nature in people prompts them to act as if they are God—trying to control everything, judging Me when circumstances don't go as they'd like.

Remembering you are *not* God helps you live in freedom. You don't take responsibility for matters that are beyond your control—which includes *most* matters. If you let go of everything that is not your responsibility, you are freed from carrying unnecessary burdens. And you can be more effective in areas where

you do have some control. Moreover, you can pray about all your concerns, trusting in My sovereignty. Bring Me your *prayers with thanksgiving; present your request to Me*. Living this way will shield you from anxiety and bless you with *Peace that transcends all understanding*.

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 4:6-7)

In His Service,
Cheri

From the Chair

Wow, times sure are crazy these days. I hope everyone is getting used to the “new norm” (whatever that is). I do have some good news related to the pandemic.... We plan to resume church services on June 14th!! We will just have church (no Sunday school) at first. We will have some recommendations for worshiping safely which mostly relates to minimizing physical contact of each other and objects. Masks are recommended and we have some at church for those who need them. More details will come later - some within this newsletter. This is all good news for us, but we hear so much about COVID-19 all day long. I know it is always on our minds, but what else could I write about today? I wouldn't say I have writer's block, but what would be something different to focus on this week?

I am reminded of the first article I wrote. In it I said that I once wrote five and one half pages on a doorknob. I also said that if I started that then you would know I couldn't think of anything to write. Well I guess this is the doorknob month.

You may wonder just what I would have written in my high school senior journal about a doorknob. For those of you who are wondering... You are in luck! I went down to the Lyle family archives and managed to get an old copy of my College Prep English journal from 1982. Amazingly it is still in one piece! It wasn't etched in stone or written on slate but it was handwritten in a spiral notebook. Here is an excerpt from it: (Oh, for those of you who weren't wondering, just bear with me. This is going somewhere.)

Let's see. It starts like this... “The adventures of detention hall are really an experience. I've been in here for four minutes and boy is it exciting! Everyone is sitting around trying to act cool but...” Oops, sorry that wasn't the part I meant to put in. Oh, here it is. “A doorknob a common ordinary, everyday doorknob. It could be made of any material. Let's imagine the kind of doorknob that would be in the Whitehouse. This doorknob has been there since the first president, it got burned once but it is still in perfect shape.... Just think of all the important people who would have used this doorknob. Look at all the presidents that would have gone through that door... imagine opening the same door as Washington, Lincoln, Roosevelt, and Nixon (I bet the doorknob knows a few things about him) and all the other presidents of the United States.

It could really have gotten Nixon in trouble. It was there through all the Watergate mess. It might even be able to tell some things on some of the other presidents who were just as bad as Nixon was. Maybe no one ever has suspected some of the presidents of things that happened while they were in office. Maybe no one noticed certain things. The doorknob might be able to make one of the best presidents look like one of the worst just by seeing the things it saw.

Hopefully doorknobs really can't see and hopefully they will never talk. If they do then a lot of people could be in deep trouble, even me and you.”

So, anyway, it went something like that. Now that gets me to thinking. (Scary, isn't it?) The bible says Jesus is the door. “I am the door: by Me, if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.” (John 10:9) What if Jesus is the doorknob, too? Can He see what is in our lives? I bet He can, but you know what? He is the door. He is also very compassionate and forgiving. If only we knock He will answer. In the hustle and bustle, don't forget to knock.

In Christian Love,
Les

Scripture of the Month

“A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”
John 13:34-55

Financial Info

As of May 31st:
Balance in the Checking Account: \$ 40,477.69
Total Offerings for the Month: \$ 6,020.00
(\$200 included in offerings for Lucia - additional June offerings to date make a total of \$525 donated to help Lucia Stratton obtain a therapy dog.)
Balance in the Memorial Fund: \$ 17,999.90

June Calendar

June 3rd: *Happy Anniversary – Chet & Cathy Lawrence
Tony & Karen Osborne*
June 4th: *Happy Anniversary – Kevin & Kim Mullikin*
June 5th: *Happy Birthday – Betty Spradling*
June 6th: *76th anniversary of D-Day*
June 7th: *Worship Service posted on Facebook Live
Trinity Sunday – Mathew 28:16-20*
June 8th: *Happy Birthday – Tina Spencer*
June 9th: *Henry County Ministers' Meeting –
Our Best – 11:30 a.m. (Maybe?)*
June 10th: *Happy Birthday – Campbell Adair Orr*
June 12th: *Happy Birthday – Kim Mullikin*
June 14th: **Flag Day**
*1st Sunday back in church for Worship
Sermon still posted on Facebook Live
Psalm 100
Call to Worship – Kim Mullikin
Elders – Les Lyle
Kim Mullikin*

June 14th continued:
 Deacons – Mary Ann Courtney
 Jennifer Rankin
 Acolyte – Logan Bush

June 17th: *Happy Birthday – Jane Brown*

June 19th: *Happy Anniversary – John & Joan Ellegood*

June 20th: **First Day of Summer**
Happy Birthday – Kevin Mullikin
Happy Anniversary – Charlie & Marilyn Highfield

June 21st: **Father's Day**
Ephesians 6:4
 Call to Worship – Isaac Schwarz
 Elders – Tracy Carpenter
 Chet Lawrence
 Deacons – Jill Bohman
 Isaac Schwarz
 Acolyte – Adam Lyle
 Board Meeting following Worship

June 26th: *Happy Birthday – Tony Osborne*

June 28th: *Psalm 13*
High School Graduate Recognition Sunday
 Call to Worship – Gina Lyle
 Elders – Kevin Mullikin
 Kim Mullikin
 Deacons – Becky Bush
 Jennifer Rankin
 Acolyte – Amy Lyle

June 30th: *Happy Birthday – Betsy Carpenter*
 Sue Price

July 4th: **Independence Day**

July 5th: **Independence Sunday**
 Call to Worship – Amy Lyle
 Elders – Alice Lyle
 Les Lyle
 Deacons – Patricia Carpenter
 Tina Spencer
 Acolyte – Ginny Lyle
Happy Birthday – Truman Simpson

Board Meeting

We will have a Board Meeting following our worship service on Sunday, June 21st. All Board members are encouraged to attend.

Father's Day

Be sure to remember Father's Day on June 21st and be in worship as a family. All fathers will be recognized.

A Father's Day Prayer

*God, bless all
 the fathers in the world.
 Father, we ask that You
 guide them to be good role
 models and loving to their children.
 We also ask that You
 help them to be a father like You are.
 Give them grace and
 patience to handle situations
 in a loving way.
 Amen.*

Author Unknown

4th Sunday Luncheon

We will not have our 4th Sunday Luncheon for June. Hopefully, we will be able to resume our fellowship luncheons in the near future.

A.D.M.er's

We will not have an A.D.M.er outing this month as restaurants are restricted on the numbers allowed to dine in. Hopefully, we will be able to resume outings in the near future.

Cookbook

All of the recipes that have been turned in have been typed into the cookbook website. If you would like to include any additional recipes, please see Patricia Carpenter or Kim Mullikin. We can still use more!! If you happened to provide a recipe for "Southwestern Onion Rings" or "Marshmallow Delights," please let Kim Mullikin know so your name can be included as the contributor. We are hoping to have it completed soon.

Among Our Own

Hi Campbellsburg church family! I just want you all to know I read your newsletter and keep the church in my prayers and in my heart. Stay the course!

*Blessings of love,
 David Cooper*

Please email the editor at mullikink@seidata.com for additions to the **Among Our Own** column, or any other newsletter items.

Prayer Concerns...

***Please See Newsletter in Church
 For Specific Prayer Concerns
 Due to Confidentiality***

We pray for the healing of everyone with COVID-19 and the families of those who have lost loved ones due to COVID-19.

All our military personnel

Our Church

Our Nation -- May we eliminate structural racism in the United States and pray for peace on our streets.

WORLD PEACE