

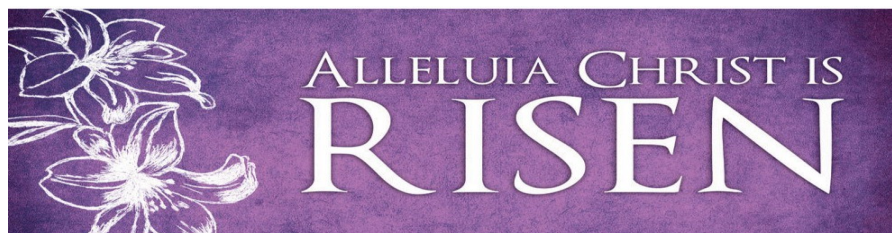
MADISON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

202 Broadway
Madison, IN 47250
812-265-2952

email: madpresby@gmail.com
<http://madisonpresbyterianchurch.org/>

Trumpet Notes

April, 2020



Session Highlights for March 18, 2020

- Heard that plans are in place for an audio worship service through the website madisonpresbyterian-church.org through this time of suspended worship services due to COVID-19.
- Discussed calling people to check in each week; will check with the Deacons to see what plan they have in place. Proposed that each Session member could pair with a Deacon to help with calls or needs.
- Heard Jonathan is still taking assistance requests for community members but is using social distancing in the office and limiting one person at a time.
- Heard Karen Ault has been doing additional disinfecting of the church.
- Approved the OGA (Office of the General Assembly) Annual Report.
- Approved the minutes from February 19, 2020, Session Meeting and the March 8, 2020, Congregational Annual Meeting.
- Approved a motion from Personnel for a 2% salary increase for Jonathan Stanley as Music Director and as Office Manager.
- Heard that Personnel has placed an ad in *The Madison Courier* for the position of Nursery Attendant; no responses to date.
- Mike Dorsey, Chair of the Transitional Pastor Search Committee, presented the Ministry Information Form (MIF) for approval. It was approved and will be sent to the Committee on Ministry at Presbytery. When approved by the COM, the Presbytery will present the MIF to potential candidates for an Interim position with our church.
- Heard that the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering will be collected at a later date to be announced. The children may continue collecting coins in their fish boxes.
- Decided that when the Presbytery of Ohio Valley, in keeping with the CDC, recommends a return to worship services, we will resume.
- Approved the February General Fund Report and the February Capital Fund Report.
- Approved a motion from Connie Huntington for Sara Stetson to serve as Co-Treasurer with Dan Smith.
- Accepted the resignation of Linda laCour as Trustee with regrets.
- Heard from Moderator Rev. Dr. Catherine Knott that she will help us explore options for Holy Week (Mandy Thursday and Easter).
- Heard that per Presbytery recommendations, the Session will use Zoom for meetings as a COVID-19 safety precaution.
- Accepted with appreciation the willingness of Natalie Willis and Shari Vaughn to represent Session on the Nominating Committee.
- February balances:

General Fund	\$83,375.24
Capital Fund	\$66,977.89

*This balance reflects claim payments for hail damage for roofing and water damage.

Memorial Fund	\$14,011.79
Youth Fund	\$ 7,285.89

MINISTRY UPDATES

WORSHIP

The Session has suspended Sunday morning worship services through May 10. This includes Easter Sunday. Those who wish to retrieve the lilies they purchased can pick them up at Colonial Flower Shop at 406 East 2nd Street, 812-265-4127. Lilies were dedicated by:

Janet Castor in memory of
George William "Skip" Lineburg
and in honor of Jeffrey Stewart Lineburg

The Corbin Family in memory of Jerry Corbin

Larry and Valecia Crisafulli in memory of
Roy and Virginia Ingle
Charles and Rosalie Crisafulli
Andrew Lane
Velma Rhea Torbett

The Glass Family in honor of
Shannon Glass and the Zach Ricketts Family

Mary Elizabeth Goldsmith in memory of
Gladys and Howard Demaree

Carole Hanson in honor of
Kingsley Hanson, Abigail Hanson and Carter Schutte

Al and Connie Huntington in memory of
Paul, Margaret and Paul D. Geyman
Glenn and Dorothy Huntington

Joan Knowland in memory of Don Knowland

Dick and Marcia McCracken in honor of
family past and present

Les and Lesley Miller in memory of
Norma Miller and Pauline Laird

Tim and Libby Sheppard in memory of
Darrell and Nell Sheppard and
Jack and Donna Martin
in honor of
Dylan and Amelia Brown and Adeline Otte

DEACONS

Deacons now have a list of congregational members for whom they are responsible. We have decided to contact our list of people more frequently than we used to contact. If you need any assistance at this time, please don't hesitate to contact me at 812-701-9357 (call or text). I will be glad to tell you who your assigned deacon is.

Several things are changing, but the mission of our deacons and church remains the same—to care for our congregation and community.

Last month our beginning balance was \$4701.84

Deposit for February was only \$435.

We were able to help four families and HOH for a total cost of \$468.40.

Thank you, Congregation, for your contributions. Without your support, we cannot help everyone. The SMOCK fund helped one family in our congregation for \$830, and we still have \$2505 left! Yeah, Smock Family.

We are planning a yard sale Memorial Day weekend, but we may need to see what the coronavirus impact will be. Stay tuned next month.

Bill Ohlendorf,
Moderator

FINANCE

In the absence of face-to-face worship on Sunday mornings, some of you may be wondering how you might continue making your pledge with no offering plate being passed. We are pleased to receive checks by U. S. mail. Please do not send cash. To preserve discretion, you may put your check in your regular offering envelope and put that envelope in another envelope addressed to

Madison Presbyterian Church
ATTN: Financial Secretary
202 Broadway
Madison, IN 47250

If your check is meant to go to the Deacon Fund, please write "Deacons" on the memo line. We offer this as a means to stay current in your personal bookkeeping. As always, we appreciate your generosity and tireless support of the church.

PERSONNEL

The church is still seeking a nursery attendant to begin employment when services resume. This job pays \$20 for two hours of work on Sunday mornings. If you know of persons who may be interested in this position, please provide their names and contact information to Mike Dorsey, Personnel Chair, at

mldorsey3@gmail.com

MISSION

One Great Hour of Sharing Updates!

As you all know, face-to-face worship services are cancelled during the week that we were to bring forth our One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) Special Offering. We'll re-evaluate the collection of the fish boxes and the offering at a later date. In the meantime, please continue to fill your fish boxes! If you need another fish box, you may receive one by emailing me, Heather Owsley-Smith, at

owsley817@aol.com

and I can make arrangements to drop off one to you. Lastly, you may also go online to make an immediate offering to OGHS by following this link:

<https://specialofferings.pcusa.org/make-a-gift/gift-info/>

Happy Easter!





Prayer List

NOTES OF INTEREST

Music Notes

Years before social distancing and self-isolation were recommended by the powers that be, Eric Whitacre assembled a virtual choir. While this experience is by no means a substitute for the communal experience of singing in an assembled ensemble, complete with emotional connection to other singers and listeners, other virtual choirs have begun to pop up all over the internet. In an era when nearly everyone has the means to make a video recording, it was likely only a matter of time before coordinated videos began and, thus, the virtual choir.

In the first step of this process, the composer/conductor, Eric Whitacre, made a video of himself conducting the piece. This video, along with a digital copy of the score, was made available via free download to anyone who was interested. These interested people, in turn, would record themselves watching the video and singing their vocal line along with the conductor. The individual performers would then email their video back to Eric Whitacre, who had a tech person sync them into a composite whole, a choir that literally transcends time and space. The result is displayed in the youtube link below.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D7o7BrlbaDs>

Now, more than ever, may we find ways to stay connected. This, too, shall pass.

You are in my prayers. Jonathan

Baptism Tradition

The last time we had a face-to-face worship service, March 15, the community of faith celebrated the baptism of Ezra Becerra. Ezra was wearing a lovely gown with quite a history. This baptismal gown had been handmade by her great-grandmother, Mary Ann Porter, and had been worn by each of Mary Ann's grandchildren—Madison Porter Becerra, Riley Porter, Scout Porter, and River Porter. This gown is now being used in the baptisms of the next generation, having been worn by Isla Becerra, Opal Becerra and, most recently, Ezra Becerra. Each time the gown is used in a baptism, Mary Ann stitches the name of the newly-baptized into the garment.

We welcome other such stories of interest that can be included in future editions of Trumpet Notes.

Congregation: Mark Andreasen, Sharon Auxier, Dennis and Karen Bessenecker, Ken Brunner, Judy George, Mary Louise Grimes, Bob and Pat Hughes, Al Huntington, Betty King, Beth Orrill, Janet Rhodes, Alicia Ricketts, Jennifer Saroka, Staci Torres, Sondie Williams, Greg Zieseemer.

Family and Friends: Steve Aldridge, Steve Baker, Mason Barger, Michelle Barlow, Lloyd Bell, Robert Black, Carol Blasdel, Donna Bowman, Todd Bredenkamp, Connie Brink, Mike Brown, Chris Browning, Michael Busching, James Callahan, Becky Chase, children separated from their parents, India Cooper, Sherry Craddock, Marie Cross, Andrew Damm, Angel Dart, Hilary Drake, Phillip Eades, Erik, Steve Facemire, Trish Frye, Jessica Garvey and family, Pat Goley, Jo Gray, Shirley Griffith, Chuck Hale, the family of Peggy Hans, Milly Harness, Lila Haynes and family, Jeffrey Heckenast, Brittany Henry, Bill Hughes, Sarah Hull, Chad Imel, James Jackson, Lois Jackson, Curtis Jacobs, Brittney Johnson and family, Ruth Johnson, Vince Johnson and his wife Mary Jean Woodburn, Kaya Kabota, the family of Lorraine Kahan, Cathy Kish, Michael Sean Kugler, Joni Lanham, Paul Limato, Jeff Lineburg (Janet Castor's brother), Steve Livingston, Terra Louis, Mary Anne and James Lutes, Jason Mace, Madison Correctional Facility, Madison State Hospital, Shane Mason, Mary McClure, Tabatha Melton, Gaye Mill, Brad Miller, John Mircheff, Jeanine Hill Moran, Gary and Geneva Napier, Muriel Newcomb, Pam, Bill Parker, Joy Parks, Wanda Payton, Frank Pearson, Nak Phok, Jennifer Poggel, Michelle Powers, Jim Risk, Roberto, Randall Robinson, Cora Russell, Susan Schafer and family, Jeff, Janna and Rachel Schmidt, Margaret Seifert-Russell, Dan Shearer, Donna and Travis Smith and family, Jessica Smith, Laryssa Smith, Therese Spence, Michael Staub, Roy Stone, Jody Sullivan, Mary Lynn Summerfeld, David and Kate Sutter, Denver Taylor, Trey Taylor, Rodney Thompson, Jean Trillet (Jim Grant's sister), Doug Vaughn, Peggy Voris and family, Buddy Waller, Warren (friend of Bob and Judith Glass), Jaye Weaver, Tom Weber, Dawson Whitaker, Laurel Lyn Wiest, Sue Williams, Kyle Wilson.



MPC Rotating Prayer Calendar

April 5

Robert and Judith Glass
Kristen Carlson

Kristofer, Kalinda, and Kora

April 12

DaShawn Kelley
Dextry

Melissa and Kyle Cutshaw
Rory

April 19

Michael W. and Jessica Dorsey
Hannah and Breanna

Dick and Sandy Freeman
Joan Knowland

April 26

Crystal Bayne

Madison and Devin Worley

Helen and Mike Cope

Mary Elizabeth Goldsmith



April Birthdays

8. Adam Hostettler
9. Anne Andreasen, Peggy Clapham, John Rhodes
11. Stephen Goldsmith
12. Bill McCubbin
13. Emma Cook, Jerry Thaden
17. Heather Dorsey, Richard Fox
20. Dave Cope
21. Jeffrey Vaughn II
23. Eddie Hostettler
27. Michael L. Dorsey
28. Sam Ward
29. Terri Brunner
30. Marlene Bateman