



Tanner Valley Voice



Tanner Valley United Methodist Church

Date

God Will See Us Through

Back in March, I didn't think that we would still be closed in June. As I spoke with Tracy about online worship, we talked about how this would be short term, and we would celebrate with all the bells and whistles when we came back together. There would be singing, and hugging and carry-ins. We thought all this would be happening by Easter or Pentecost at the latest. Well, Easter and Pentecost have come and gone and all of those things we talked about are still dangerous. Because people with no symptoms of COVID-19 can infect others, large gatherings can still be places where many people can be exposed at once. That means whenever we gather, we must take precautions to care for each other.

I Corinthians 13:7 says love always protects, and as people who follow the God of love, we are called to protect each other and our community. Who would have thought that we could love others best by staying home, that we would connect best by staying six feet apart? And yet, these are the most loving acts we can do!

When we begin meeting in person again, our gathering is not going to look like the worship we know. We will begin meeting in small groups of 10-15 people. We will all be wearing masks and will be meeting outside. Expect to see me asking you to record greetings and prayers to share online. We ask that you use your best judgement when choosing whether to come to a gathering or stay at home. We will continue to provide online resources for worship along with the many others we are connecting from afar.

Even though I don't know when we will be able to worship as we did before the virus, I do know that we will continue to worship. We will continue to get liturgy and prayers in phone calls. We will continue to greet each other through phone calls and notes. We will continue to hear messages of hope and sing hymns online. While we continue to be the church, we trust God with the unknown future and we continue to share a love that always protects. Even if it takes longer to see each other's faces than we had first thought.

Most important, know that you are dearly loved. You are loved by our church. You are loved by God. And no matter what, God is with you. God is with our church. God will see us through.

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Adult Sunday School
Sundays—9am

Worship
Sundays—10am

UMW
2nd Thursdays—
1 pm

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UMW Update

SO... last time I wrote an article for the newsletter, it was in April. I wrote about how things were changing, about beginning to feel isolated. I also wrote about our next UMW meeting and our upcoming Mother Daughter banquet. Needless to say none of that happened. I miss the contact we all had! I wish I knew what the future will bring, of course, I don't!

Mother's Day was hard for all of us. It certainly was different. Cathy came over and dropped off some flowers and pastry on the front step. She will not come in the house. Cathy said, "Mom, I just need a hug". We hugged each other tightly (tears streaming down my face now, just remembering). She stepped back and then sprayed me down with Lysol!! That's a hug I won't forget!!

I am thinking one nice day, before long, I will call you all and suggest we meet in the church parking lot for lunch. Bring your own lawn chair, brown bag lunch and drink and just sit within proper distance and chat OR just enjoy seeing each other to know that we are all still here in support of each other.

SO... through it all, the one thing that has remained constant, not changing in any way...is God's love for us, God's constant presence with us all. God's guidance, protection and peace that we need only to ask for. I think I even realize that more now than before. We remember what we value, remember who is dear and long to have unprotected access to those we love. But until then we thank God continually for our many blessings and we Keep the Faith!

Stay safe - with love,

Nancy



Christian Education

Splish Splash! VBS

The Christian Education committee is excited to announce our plans for a remote VBS this year. For six weeks, starting June 15, there will be Bible lessons and activities for kids to do at home. Bible lessons will be available as YouTube videos that can be accessed from our webpage at <http://www.tannervalleychurch.com/vbs>.

If you live close to Tanner Valley UMC, you can also pick up a lesson packet each week with other fun activities. Physical packets can be picked up at the back door of the church and you will receive a text each week when the packet is available for pick up.

Packets will be in this container.



If you don't live close to Tanner Valley UMC, you can still participate through the YouTube videos and also activities posted on our private Facebook page, called Splish Splash VBS 2020 <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2653467708226118/>.

Either way, please register at <http://www.tannervalleychurch.com/vbs>. Invite the kids in your life, near and far, and let's make this a great Splish Splash! VBS.

Financial Report

Treasurer's Report for March and April 2020 combined:

The General Account opened the month of March with a balance of \$6,380.35. There were deposits of \$13,887.00 (March) and \$8,886.75 (April) for a total of \$22,773.75. There were expenses of \$7,455.25 service charges of \$35.00 (March), and \$8,149.62 (April) leaving a balance of \$13,514.23. The average weekly offering through April was \$2,256.57 which was \$3.48 less than the weekly budget need of \$2,260.06.

The Special Account opened the month of March with a balance of \$18,576.29. There were deposits of \$3376.12 (March) and \$665.00 (April) for a total of \$4,041.12. There were expenses of \$350.00 (March) and \$70.00 (April) leaving a balance of \$22,197.32. The balances in Capital Improvements and Faith Promise were \$6154.37 and \$6,872.90 respectively. The balance in the Music fund was \$2,605.00.

May deposits for the first four weeks of May were as follows:

General Account—\$5,814.00.
Special Account—\$10,104.92.

Your continued financial support while we are in this “stay at home” and social distancing period is appreciated.

WORSHIP SERVANTS

June 7

No Service

June 14

Reader

Donna Morgan

Ushers

Byan & Amy Delp,
Peg & Larry Delp

June 21

Reader

Larry Delp

Ushers

Bill & Debbi Robertson,
Paul & Nella Hoffbauer

June 28

Reader

TBD or on site volunteers

Ushers

TBD or on site volunteers

Primary Voting News and Changes

Tanner Valley UMC has been asked and permission has been granted to use the church building, specifically the Fellowship Hall, as a Vote Center for the 2020 Primary and General Election. There are, some important changes to what has been the practice in past election cycles.

First, the primary election has been moved from May 5th to June 2nd. This rescheduling is being done to support individual safety during the current COVID-19 pandemic and the associated countermeasures.

In order to avoid unnecessary contact with church members and minimize contamination, we will NOT be offering baked goods and coffee as we have in previous voting cycles. Larry Delp will be onsite for the day to provide direction to the voters and to maintain sanitation stations and church decontamination.

Second, there have been changes to the voting locations for the Primary and General Elections. These Vote Centers are different than in the past. Also, there is no need to vote only at the precinct where voters were previously directed. Voters may use any of the Vote Centers to vote. All information for registered voters in Dearborn County will be available at all Vote Centers and a vote will be recorded to preclude the potential for casting more than one vote. A post card with the Vote Center locations was sent to all registered voters in March. For most of our congregation, the Vote Centers in our area are:

Agner Hall, Lawrenceburg

TVUMC

HVL POA

Dearborn Hills UMC

St. John Catholic Church, Dover

St. Martin Church, Yorkville

There are others in Dillsboro, Aurora, and Moores Hill

NOTE: Assigned Worship Servants are requested to find a replacement if they will not be able to fulfill their duties on the date indicated. Trading places a week or so before avoids any confusion on the assigned date.

Thank you for volunteering and for serving.

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Key Events Scheduled/Pending if Permitted

June 4—Administrative Council Virtual Meeting—discuss and define how to worship at or near the church building on and after Sunday June 14th. Also, what if any other church usage will be permitted in June.

June 15—Remote VBS Day 1 of Splash Splash. Days 2 through 6 on succeeding Mondays ending on July 20th. See article on page 2.

June 16—Nursing Home Visit and Feed My Sheep (Tentative)

June 17—Rivertown Quilters (Tentative)

June 20—Knife & Fork (Tentative)

July 8—Mountain Mission Pick up at TVUMC

Other July events are shown on the July calendar but **all** are tentative at this time. Information on these scheduled events will be provided in the July Newsletter, through AllCall, on the calendar on our website or on FaceBook.

Stay Safe.



June 2020



....MAKING DISCIPLES OF
JESUS CHRIST

SUN MON TUE WED THU FRI SAT

1 2 3 4 5 6

7 8 9 10 11 12 13

14 15 16 17 18 19 20

Churches permitted to Remote VBS day 1
open—Rules apply

1:30p Nursing Home
3:30p Feed My Sheep

7p Rivertown Quilters

21 22 23 24 25 26 27

Remote VBS day 2

28 29 30

Remote VBS day 3

BIRTHDAYS: 1-John Hooten; 2-Candy Feller, Clyde Dawson; 3-Donna Morgan; 5-Barb Vandermuellen; 7-James Blanco, Debbie Robertson; 14-Lucy Brooks; 25-Pat Tirkemeyer; 27-Robert Kittle; 29-Larry Delp
ANNIVERSARIES: 17-Dan & Carol Beckman; 21-Oliver & Nancy Carpenter; 29-David & Kelsie Davenport

July 2020



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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4 Independence
					Independence Day Observed	Day
5	6	7	8 Mountain Mission	9	10	11
	Remote VBS day 4		7p Church council	1p UMW Meeting		10a Rivertown Quilters
	7p Missions Committee					
12	13	14	15 Tax Day	16	17	18
	Remote VBS day 5		4:30p High Hope Café			6p Knife & Fork
			7p Rivertown Quilters			
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	Remote VBS day 6	1:30p Nursing Home				
		3:30p Feed My Sheep				
26	27	28	29	30	31	

BIRTHDAYS: 11-Bill Offutt; 13-Cathy Dorsel; 26-Sophie DeLuca; ANNIVERSARIES: 3-Neil & Jennifer Hanneken
29-Don VanDyke; 31- Doug Dorsel, Pat Titkemeyer