

NEWS TO SHARE



Oregon City United Methodist Church

April 30, 2020



Dear friends and family of OCUMC:

For God is my witness, how greatly I long for you all with the affection of Jesus Christ. ~
Philippians 1:8.

Grace and peace to all of you as we continue to be socially distant from each other. We continue to hold each other in prayer in this generational event. Many of you have said how much you miss seeing each other in worship. This Sunday is our eighth Sunday of online worship. Thanks to our worship team for their talents in creating our online presence. I look forward to “seeing” you in worship this week.

This Sunday, we will have “Drive-Thru” Communion. We typically participate in the Lord’s Supper on the first Sunday of the month. I will be serving the Eucharist this Sunday from 9-11 a.m. outside our front doors. Everyone will stay in their cars, and I will hand out a plate of bread and cup of juice to those who wish to partake. I’ll be in mask and gloves; and the elements will be prepared under safe conditions.

Our Bishop has shared a hopeful (and rather optimistic) date of when in-person worship can resume: May 31st. This MAY change. But it would be fitting as it is the day of Pentecost - the day the church began two millennia ago from the Disciples huddled in their rooms bursting forth into the streets. Keep posted.



Thanks to all who continue to support the church with your tithes and offerings in these times. Some local churches have already cut staff or are not paying bills and utilities this month. Some of our projects and spending have been put on hold right now and rightfully so. We know it is a tough time for many and your gifts are very much appreciated and needed.

Thanks to our staff for their dedication and diligence during this time. They are doing what they can where they can to affect their ministry area.

But mostly, thanks for all of YOU, for being the church even when we cannot be AT church. You continue to Love Others Value Everyone in the ways you can. And if you just need to chat for a while, please don’t hesitate to call.

Blessings,

Pastor Mike



PRAY

FOR GOD'S GLORY

across the Earth

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2020



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For our upcoming online worships, could you video yourself (or family) saying "God is Good, All the Time, All the Time, God is Good" and send it to me? I'd like to piece them together for the next few weeks.

Revbenny.com or Text 503-522-9807

Thanks!
Pastor Mike

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Even small acts of service that
I may deem insignificant,
God values.

SPECIAL DATES

- National Day of Prayer, May 7th
- Mother's Day, May 10th
- Armed Forces Day, May 16th
- Memorial Day, May 25th
- Pentecost, May 31st

Anniversaries

SHAVER, JIM & YOLANDA	05/14
ZYLSTRA, JOHN & JOANNE	05/20

Birthdays

BAGLEY, KATHIE	05/01
MALLEN, ANN	05/01
STRATTON, WILDA	05/01
MCCO RKLE, GARRY	05/03
BENISCHEK, GABRIEL	05/05
GREGORY, SANDY	05/05
FOURIER, PHILIP	05/13
SUTTON, HAROLD	05/16
HEMPHILL, HERB	05/17
FINCK, TERRI	05/18
NELSON, DON	05/21
CHAPMAN, FRANKLIN	05/24
LARSON, DAVE	05/27
SCHULT, WILLIAM	05/29
OSTRICK-CRONRATH, ELSIE	05/31

For the LORD, the Most High, is
awesome,
a great king over all the earth.



PSALM 47:2, NRSV