

Worship Returns to Our Sanctuary

After months of sharing worship together over the phone and online and then weeks of worshipping in our church parking lot, on Sunday July 19 worship returns to our sanctuary. To know what is expected of worship attendees and what changes to expect in worship, make sure to read our reopening transition letter. In brief, we require everyone who comes to our church to wear a facemask and practice social distancing as recommended by public health experts, such as washing your hands regularly, keeping six feet apart from members of other households, and avoiding physical contact with others.

Devotional Calls and On Line Worship

There will be no devotional call on Wednesday, August 5. Devotionals will resume on Wednesday, August 12. Recordings of worship can be viewed late Sunday evening. We have new equipment and it is taking longer than expected to upload and process the video of the service.

Christ Candle

Our new Christ candle is a living light with meaningful decorative symbols that beautifully represent the mystery of Christ's Resurrection. Cross, Alpha & Omega, Lamb of Victory, and Easter Lilies.

August 2—August 16

Church Staff

Pastor Alex Peterson	Organist Katherine Nold
Office Admin. Linda Warren	Faith Nurse Linda Hamilton
C.E. Director Carrie Sumrall	Custodian Orlando Rodriguez
Music Director Heather Hundt	

Please Pray For...

Medical Workers & Researchers
Essential Workers
Local, State & National Leaders
Jack Burris
Nan Marvicsin
Gloria Michelson
Willard Schaefer
Barb Scrimger
Jane Waldrup
Jim, Kelly & Kaleb (friends of Moshers)
Jackie Germani
Alice Moser (friend of Moshers)
Rhonda Lyons (Niece of Ken & Barb Dick)



August Birthdays

1	Katie Smith
4	Maya Wilcox
5	Renee Badertscher
7	Scott Placeway
8	Patti Davis
10	Stephen Rudowski Karen Rowden Lynn Jacob
19	Heather Hundt Linda Hamilton
22	Willard Schaefer Barbara Skirmants
25	Bob Dare
26	Mike Mosher
27	Lynne McLoskey
28	Corbin Cross
29	Alice Hobbins



Making Connections

Church Hours: M-F, 10am-2pm

Pastor Hours: Pastor Alex has office hours on Mondays, 10am—2pm or anytime by appointment.

Pews News Deadline: If you want your news item in Pews News, please submit your info the Wednesday before the next issue.

2020 Per Capita: \$29.00

Going Deeper: To learn about becoming a Christian or a member here, please contact our office.

Changes to Prayer Requests & Concerns

The prayer concerns list in our Pews News was not updated for some time and so has been cleared out. But if someone's prayer concern should still be on this list or if you have someone you would like our church to pray for, please let the office staff know. Additionally, we sadly must suspend the prayer request time in our Sunday services for two reasons. Because worship is shared online, we want to protect the privacy of those we pray for so their needs are not displayed across the world. Further, shouting out prayer requests out indoors as we used to do greatly raises the odds of spreading covid-19. Instead, if you have a joy or concern you wish prayer for, please contact the church so we can put the request into our announcements and Pews News.

Wednesday Fellowship Group Call

To provide Christian fellowship and discipleship outside Sunday worship, our CE Director hosts a devotional time via conference call every Wednesday from 5:30 to 6pm. Together we go through *The Upper Room* devotional booklet: extra copies are available at the church office or can be mailed to you. To join the call, either call (312) 626-6799 or use the Zoom app. When asked, the meeting ID is 988 1916 0837 and the password is 1833 433 (*no spaces in either*). We hope you join us!

Memorial Contributions

John Michelson
Marlene Burns
Nancy Lee

Frances Darragh
Barbara and Victor Skirmants
Donald Mosher
Al and Betty Hart

Session & Committees

Lynne Butler (Finance)
Barbara Dick
Sharon Galbreath (Worship)
Linda Hamilton (Christian Ed)
Kathryn Lawter (House)
CJ Merriman (Session Clerk)
Mike Mosher (House & Tech)
Art Sieting (Personnel)
Barbara Skirmants (Finance)

Deacons

Keith Byard (referrals, treas.)
Phyllis Dickie
Chris Dungey (secretary)
Toni Emmons
Margaret Fansler (referrals)
Virginia Harris (cards)
Deb Moore
Darlene Placeway

Other Ministry Leaders

Scott Bodell (Ushers)
Maxine Hale (Ushers)
Cletis Klauffer (Brown Baggers)
Carol Jaeger (Pres. Women)
Kay Mattson (Faith Circle)
Co-Moderators (Priscilla Circle)