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PCUSA
Special Offerings
each year



A Review of 2020, from our Annual Meeting of 2-21-21

We remember beloved members and friends we lost this year: Ben Long, Roland Geddes, Rev. Kim Sydnor, Mandy Matthews, JoAnna Love and Patricia Morris.

Our church serves God and community through five Ministry Groups: Christian Education, Church Growth, Congregational Care, Mission and Outreach, and Worship and Music.

- Your session met in person and by email to make needed decisions.
- Three Ruling Elders were elected and a service of ordination and installation was held outdoors.
- We worshipped and fellowshiped together indoors, outdoors, and through our car radio services.
- An email service of worship with announcements has been provided to everyone on our email list each week beginning March 15, 2020.
- We offered the Lord's Supper at home and/or outdoors on every planned Communion Sunday.
- We held memorial services for Mandy, Jo, and Pat.
- Ruling Elders and the pastor attended Presbytery meetings in February, June, October and November of 2020.
- Weekly Bible study, outdoor visits, texts, emails, cards, and phone calls have kept us connected.
- Mission and Outreach projects continued: we became a "Matthew 25 church," through food donations, 2020 Souper Bowl Sunday lunch, delivery of needed items gathered in preparation for Operation Inasmuch 2020, through four 2020 PCUSA offerings, through our support of a community-wide Service of Unity, and in our participation in the Christmas Mother program.

We give thanks to God as we both struggled and found strength to serve!

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The crowds that went ahead of Jesus and that followed were shouting,

"Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

Matthew 21:9



One Great Hour of Sharing: Restoring Hope, Feeding the Hungry, Empowering the Oppressed

Typically received during the season of Lent, each gift to One Great Hour of Sharing supports efforts to relieve hunger through the Presbyterian Hunger Program, promote development through the Presbyterian Committee on the Self-Development of People, and assist in areas of disaster through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance.

—\$4.1 million granted by PDA in the United States and 57 countries in the first half of 2020

—94 grants impacting 20 countries

—over 5,000 projects in economically poor communities in the United States and around the world have had an opportunity to develop solutions to their own challenges since SDOP's inception



March Announcements

Sunday, March 7-- Jill Robertson is moving to Iowa to be with her family, and we will miss her so! We'll have a cake and lemonade social time March 7 after church to celebrate Jill's life and service to TPC.

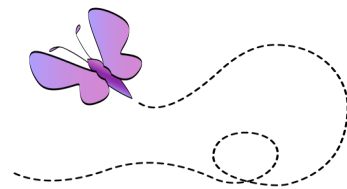
Tuesday, March 9 at 7 pm. on Zoom. "Multicultural Conversations" (see below) continue with a presentation and discussion about equity in law enforcement and issues of recidivism in Essex County. Let Vicki know if you'd like to join us!

Tuesday Bible Study each Tuesday at 1 pm: we are studying of Lenten Scriptures by Rev. Dr. Roger Gench. Just let Vicki know if you'd like to participate.

Session will meet March 16th at 6 pm. in the sanctuary, masked and apart. A mike will be used so we can hear one another.

Operation Inasmuch will not be able to be held again this year because of COVID restraints, but efforts are being made to work in/with the community through possible collections and repair work.

Please pray for these loved ones of our church: Stacey, recovering from surgery; ML, now at home; Phyllis and Laura Jo; Jill's son Will, facing continuing health issues; LeighAnn and Bryce Matthews and Ann and John Colby; Betty Geddes; John Moody; Virginia; 4 year old Brady and his family (which includes Robbie and Dave); 13 year old Luke and his family and friends, including Susan and Virginia; Ellen and John; Bob Stanford (Robbie's dad); Betty and Tom; Joey Burrough; Jill and Hunter; Cindy and Ron and Cindy's mom; Rebecca and her family.



Multicultural Conversations: TPC is involved in a new community effort that has developed out of the Service of Unity held in Oct of 2020. About 20-30 of us gather to share friendship and learn what the people in our community need and want. We have learned from the ER doctor at our hospital about COVID equity, from a local activist about creating change that honors our neighbors, and this month, from our law enforcement team about policing equity and a lack of mentoring for folks who get in repeat trouble with the law. Let Vicki know if you'd like to join the conversation!

Seven Days of Prayer for Vital Congregations

A Seven-Day Cycle of Prayer based on the Seven Marks of Vital Congregations



Living God, we give you thanks and praise for the new things you are doing among us ...

- SUN Spirit-Inspired Worship for the transforming presence of Christ
- MON Lifelong Discipleship Formation for your call to follow the way of Jesus
- TUE Intentional Incarnational Focus for the gifts of your Word made flesh
- WED Authentic Evangelism for the good news of your holy realm
- THU Empowering Servant Leadership for Jesus' example of humble service
- FRI Caring Relationships for your great love for all the world
- SAT Ecclesial Health for our common ministry in Jesus' name

Living God, by the gifts of your Spirit, help us to bear witness to the risen Lord. Living God, in the great mystery of our faith, receive us each night and revive us each day, that we may be dead to sin and alive to you; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

(pcusa.org/vitalcongregations; Presbyterian Mission Theology, Formation & Evangelism)



March
Dave Canby 9
Anne Sydnor 14
Ann Colby 16
Sydney Jones 27



April
Bekah Hughes 19
Sherry Jones 20
Mary Wigmore 25