# SERVE IN PLACE CINCINNATI

### WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP?

Due to COVID-19, Summer Impact Cincinnati is pivoting this year to empower people to support the continued work of local partnerships to serve our neighbors in new, creative, and safe ways. Serving as a resource to individuals, families, groups, and churches, Serve in Place Cincinnati will be an information hub detailing how people can serve, share the love of Jesus, and transform their community while their lives are transformed as well. Not only will this resource be in place this summer as we continue to "shelter/stay in place" but it will serve as an ongoing resource. The long-term goal of Serve in Place is to encourage, support, and empower congregations and the community to serve locally and establish or strengthen partnerships with local organizations.

https://www.summerimpactcincinnati.org/serve-in-place

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# It Is Well With My Soul

Horatio Spafford wrote his timeless hymn, "It is Well With My Soul" after experiencing a number of personal and family tragedies within a short period of time. In the midst of it all he was able to rest in the peace of God that passes all understanding. In the aftermath, experiencing God's eternal presence, buoyed by hope, Spafford was able to pen:



When peace like a river, attendeth my way, When sorrows like sea billows roll Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say It is well, it is well, with my soul

In the midst of the uncertainty and unknowing of our current reality, claiming the truth of Horatio Spafford's words, over the past 3 months Pastors Cathy, Dave and Doug have offered a daily devotion, "It Is Well With My Soul." Monday thru Saturday at 10:00am you can join us by going to our web site: Hydeparkchurch.org. On the home page click the "It is Well: Daily Devotion and Praise".

We are pleased to announce that on June 15th, three additional pastors joined the team: The Rev. Kate Smith, The Rev. Dr. Michael Vilardo and the Rev. Dr. Pete Rudowski. As we continue to provide an encouraging word for the day, grounded in scripture and prayer, we welcome the addition of Kate, Michael and Pete.

Join us daily for this time of centering, gratitude and prayer. The weekly schedule for the in-person recorded devotion is as follows:

Monday – Pastor Cathy

Tuesday – Pastor Dave

Wednesday – Pastor Doug Thursday – Pastor Kate

Friday – Pastor Michael

Saturday – Pastor Pete

As we look to Sunday, June 21, Pastor Sadell Bradley (Pastor of The Warehouse, our second campus in OTR) will be with us as we continue our sermon series: "Working on Our Core". Her Sermon: Jesus: The Word Made Flesh, is based on John 1:1-4. Join us as we claim the presence of our healing Christ in these times of unknowing and uncertainty, and proclaim: It is well with my soul! Happy Father's Day!

Through Christ,

Pastor Doug

## PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

### Rescheduled for March 2-12, 2021

The Pilgrimage that Pastors Cathy and Doug were to lead in July has been rescheduled. Join Pastors Cathy and Doug as they lead a pilgrimage to the Holy Land March 2-12, 2021. The group will visit sites sacred to the Judeo-Christian faith, read Scripture, sing songs of the faith, and walk where the patriarchs, Jesus, and His disciples walked. This Spiritual Pilgrimage will be transformational as the Bible comes alive, using all our senses as we encounter the Holy sites.

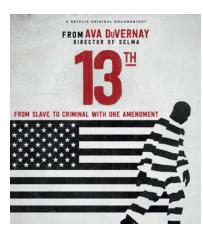
Pastors Cathy and Doug will hold an Information Meeting, Sunday, June 28,th at 3:00pm in the Library. Brochures can be found in the literature racks throughout the Church. Invite a friend to join you; all are welcome! For further information, contact Pastor Doug Johns: djohns@hpcumc.org or 513-979-8195.

# **DISCUSSIONS ON RACIAL JUSTICE**

As Pastor Doug said, while the sermon series on racial justice concluded, our work is just beginning. The Justice Ministry will be hosting multiple ways for people to engage in education, discussion, and self-reflection about race. You are invited to participate in a monthly documentary film and discussion and/or choose a book to read and be part of a group discussion.

13th Documentary: A Discussion via Zoom on Sunday, June 28th from 7:00-8:30pm

13th, titled after the 13th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, explores the intersection of race, justice, and mass incarceration in the United State.





We give our thanks, Creator God, for the fathers in our lives. Fatherhood does not come with a manual, and reality teaches us that some fathers excel while others fail. We ask for your blessings for them all and forgiveness where it is needed. This Father's Day we remember the many sacrifices fathers make for their children and families, and the ways—both big and small—they lift children to achieve dreams thought beyond reach. So too, we remember all those who have helped fill the void when fathers pass early or are absent grandfathers and uncles, brothers and consins, teachers, pastors and coaches and the women of our families. For those who are fathers, we ask for wisdom and humility in the face of the task of parenting. Give them the strength to do well by their children and by you. In your Holy name, O God, we pray. Amen.

- by Rev. Chuck Currie

# **CELEBRATING OUR STEWARDSHIP**

Hyde Park Community UMC		
2020 Operating Income and Expense		
May, 2020	Annual Budget	Actual YTD
Pledged Income	\$ 1,148,931	\$ 486,622
Unpledged Income	553,398	166,524
Endowment Draw	1,355,164	764,584
Other Income	161,883	60,210
Total Income	\$ 3,225,376	\$ 1,477,940
Admin Team	\$ 870,326	\$ 398,714
Staff Ministy	1,568,880	638,606
Apportionments	261,345	108,890
Communication Team	17,000	5,353
Bimel Outreach	217,500	177,885
Comm Min Global Out	186,800	97,492
Connecting Ministries	15,000	2,699
Discipleship Ministry	60,875	8,018
Worship Team	27,650	5,052
Total Expenses	\$3,225,376	\$ 1,442,709
Net Oper Inc vs Exp	-	\$ 35,231

# **ENDOWMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

An offering given each week is but one way of demonstrating your Christian stewardship. Remembering to include the cause of Christ in your estate plan to HPCUMC is another meaningful way to do so. Unless you have a valid will, your state of residence has written one for you, and it does not include any gift to HPCUMC or a favorite charity. To learn about next steps for a will that could benefit your heirs and the HPCUMC Endowment, contact Michael Vilardo at 316-1540 or Doug Johns at djohns@hpcumc.org for guidance on what your next steps could be.