SUPER SERVE SATURDAY! APRIL 17

As a way to bring families, multiple generations, and people of all backgrounds together and serve in meaningful ways throughout Cincinnati we invite you to take part in Super Serve Saturday on the 3rd Saturday of each month. There is something for each age and ability – no superpowers necessary – just a willing, humble, and flexible spirit and heart for all! We have adapted to COVID so there are options to serve at home or limited/no contact, and limited numbers for in person projects.

Check out hydeparkchurch.org/superserve-saturday to see the 5 different projects/partners we are supporting and to sign up!

JUSTICE MINISTRY Be Informed About Issue 3

During the May local election Cincinnatians will be asked to vote on Issue 3, the proposed amendment to the City Charter that would provide a funding stream and organizational structure to address affordable housing shortfalls in the City.

Several local organizations with whom the Justice Ministry is working are also championing Issue 3. These include the AMOS Project, the Urban League and the Metropolitan Area Religious Coalition of Cincinnati (MARCC). In addition, the ORV of the West Ohio Conference and Bishop Palmer have voiced support for Issue 3. The April edition of the Justice Ministry newsletter has information to learn more and get involved with supporters of Issue 3.

Find a link to the newsletter on the Justice Ministry page at hydeparkchurch.org/justice-ministry. Visit www.actionforhousingnow. com to learn more about the amendment.

APRIL DONATIONS FOR IHN

The Soul Builders Sunday school class is continuing monthly donations for the partners of HPCUMC. We will collect items for IHN in April.

INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK
APRIL DONATION DRIVE
Collecting pantry, cleaning, and hygiene Items for families.
Please drop donations in the Social Hall of the church

Week 1 and 2: Juice boxes and

individual sized snacks

Week 3: Disinfecting Spray

Week 4: Adult/baby shampoo and conditioner

You can bring in one item every week or all 4 items. Please leave donations in the social hall and Soul Builders will collect and distribute to IHN at the beginning of May 2021.

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Thank You!

Grace and Peace to you through our Risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! As the flowers bloom and the trees bud, all of creation reminds us: we are a Resurrection People! As Resurrection People, we offer Resurrection Living to others. To this end your generous financial investment in the mission and ministry of HPCUMC/ The Warehouse offers God's light and love to the world. Because you gave:

inspires, comforts and offers hope and encouragement.



As we resume in person worship we look forward to face to face fellowship. In addition, through our dedicated IT staff, we are uniquely positioned to continue a quality livestream worship experience that

• Discipleship classes continue and flourish as dedicated leaders facilitate growth in our relationship with God and one another.

- Over \$68,000 in direct aid for our neighbors in Cincinnati through our partnerships (IHN, MEAC, Center for Respite Care, Wesley Chapel Mission Center, Wesley Education Center, Rothenberg Preparatory Academy, Meals on Wheels, Hyde Park Center for Older Adults, Habitat for Humanity).
- Project 5000 bags continue to be delivered to our Community Partners as together we help meet the needs of the most vulnerable in our community.
- The Warehouse, continues to engage the Washington Park neighborhood of Over-The-Rhine in creative ways through social media outlets and live stream broadcasts. The Warehouse is planning an official, in person, launch June 6 in Washington Park.
- The Preschool continues to thrive through in-person education as a 5-Star Step UP to Quality Preschool (the top ranking in Ohio's tiered quality ranking and improvement system). Enrollment for the 2021/2022 school year is in process, and robust.
- The Family Ministry Team has creatively offered fellowship and learning opportunities, seeking to keep our children, youth and their families connected.
- Over 400 children and adults participated in The Easter Egg Community Welcome Event, offering families in our church and community a fun, and exciting glimpse of HPC offering God's light and love.
- The Senior Adult Ministry creatively stayed connected with our home bound members delivering Easter Bags from the church. Cards were made by the Preschoolers and children Sunday School classes; volunteers donated chocolate eggs, packed, and delivered the bags.
- Our Music Ministry, innovatively connects us through music.

Thank you for your faithfulness, your financial investment in the mission and ministry of HPCUMC/The Warehouse is foundational in who we are, and what we do. As we resume in-person worship (beginning April 11) we look forward to increasing face to face activities. It is a joy to serve in ministry with you!

Through Christ, Pastor Doug

TRAINING FOR HANDBELL MUSICIANS

April 11 – May 23, 2021 Queen City Bronze (QCB) is excited to announce its new Spring Training series for Handbell Musicians. Classes will begin April 11 with Handbell Techniques – Level 1 from the Handbell Musicians of America Handbell Certification series.



In the following weeks, we will offer classes on four-in-hand, weaving, presentation and musicianship, stopped sound techniques, phrasing and ensemble, and deciphering difficult rhythms.

While this series was designed for members of Queen City Bronze, we are pleased to open these classes to the Cincinnati handbell community. Most classes will be held on Sunday afternoons in the Little Theater in a socially distanced setting. Some will be offered via Zoom. Space is limited, so please contact QCB and HPCUMC handbell director, Jenny Cauhorn at jcauhorn@hpcumc.org to reserve space in the classes. A complete schedule of classes and topics is available at http://queencitybronze.org.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

New Ventures Class

Meets: Sunday Mornings 11:00am via ZOOM

Starts: April 11 Ends: May 30

Discussions will be based on Christian articles that challenge us to think about the intersection of faith and life. It is always the desire to encourage participants to share differing views that cause us to wrestle with biblical principles, traditional church teaching and contemporary applications of dynamic Christian faith. Currently the class is meeting via Zoom and is open to any who would like to participate. Started by a group of "baby boomers" to address their questions of Christian faith and life in the 21st century, all are welcome to join the lively conversations that are part of each Sunday morning.

Feel free to contact Joyce Bates at joycebates@cinci.rr.com or Michael Vilardo at mpvilardo@gmail.com for more information.

ALTAR FLOWER DONATIONS RESUME

On April 11, as in-person worship resumes, we invite you to consider donating flowers for use on Sunday mornings. After 12:00 noon on that Sunday you are able to pick them up and enjoy them in your home. You may also designate them in honor or in memory of a loved one. *Please contact Amanda Kern in the church office to sign up at 513-871-1345 or akern@hpcumc.org*.

BIBLE STUDIES

Pastor Dave's Study

Thursdays, April 29 - May 27 Weekly from 6-7:30pm Social Hall

Book Donation: \$10.00 Class Size: 15 Register early!

You are invited to participate in a study by retired Bishop Will Willimon titled: *Fear of the Other: No Fear in Love.* This is a 5-week study that encourages participants to explore who they consider the "other" to be in their lives and communities regarding the "other" from a Christian perspective. It is a Bible, book and DVD study. Register online through Realm under Events, or contact Pastor Dave at dweaver@hpcumc.org or 979-8184. *Pick up your book before the 1st class in the church office.*

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Moses: In the Footsteps of the Reluctant Prophet

Six Tuesdays: May 25 - August 3, 6:30 - 8:00 pm

In-person, Welcome Center HPC

Leader: Pastor Cathy Johns

Adam Hamilton's book and videos (filmed on location) will explore the sites of Moses' life from the Nile River to the Reed Sea and from Mount Sinai to the wilderness. This Bible study will include history and archaeological data to deepen our understanding of the scriptures. Class members will read a chapter each week and watch a video prior to class.

Please contact Pastor Cathy Johns with questions. Books are available in the church office. Suggested Donation for Hardback Book: \$5.00

YOUNG ADULT STUDY

Aiko Bethea with Brews and Brené

We are doing a two-part study on April 12 and 19 on Bean and Barley's patio (NEW LOCATION) from 7:00-8:30pm to enjoy your favorite beverage (coffee or beer) and

meaningful conversation.

The study, "Aiko Bethea with Brews and Brené" will be a discussion on the two episodes of Brené Brown's Dare to Lead podcast featuring Aiko Bethea a diversity, equity, and inclusion expert. On April 12 we will discuss the "Inclusivity at Work: The Heart of Hard



Conversations" episode and on April 19 the "Creating Transformative Culture" episode. The podcast can be found for free on Spotify – listen before the gathering and come ready to reflect and discuss.

Contact Kate for more details (ksmith@hpcumc.org) or visit the Young Adult webpage: http://hydeparkchurch.org/young-adult-ministry/

ABOLISHING THE DEATH PENALTY Book Study and Workshop

The Justice Ministry will be addressing the topic of abolishing the death penalty by hosting a book study on Monday, April 26 from 7:00pm-8:30pm via Zoom, with a follow-up presentation by the Intercommunity Justice and Peace Center (IJPC) the following week Monday, May 3 from 7-8:30pm via Zoom.

To participate in the book study, please read *The Sun Does Shine: How I Found Life and Freedom on Death Row* by Anthony Ray Hinton and be ready to discuss on April 26. Then as a way to put our faith in action, take part in the IJPC's workshop "Abolishing Ohio's Death Penalty" which will focus on sharing about IJPC's work on this justice issue and offer training and tips on how we can become active in these endeavors.

Please contact Pastor Kate (ksmith@hpcumc.org) to register for one or both events!

ORGAN CONCERT SERIES

The Music Ministry announces the spring concert of the Organ Concert Series on Sunday, April 25 at 4:00 p.m.

Dexter Kennedy, Assistant Organist at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, Michigan, and Organ Instructor at the College of Wooster, will present a program of organ works by J. S. Bach, George Baker, Elsa Barraine, Jeanne Demessieux, César Franck, and Jean Langlais. Mr. Kennedy is the winner of the Grand Prix d'Interpretation at the 24th Concours International d'Orgue de Chartres (France).

This concert will be offered both in person (by reservation only) and online. For more information, visit http://hydeparkchurch.org/organ-concert-series/.

PAYROLL PROTECTION PROGRAM (PPP) UPDATE

In May of 2020 Hyde Park Community received word that we were granted a \$337,400 loan/grant from the Small Business Administration of the U.S. Government, part of the stimulus package passed by Congress. The loan/grant insured that we could meet expenses throughout 2020 if needed. Late last year we applied to the Small Business Administration to have the loan convert to a grant. In February of this year we were informed by the Small Business Administration that our application was approved. Thank you for your continued financial support of the mission and ministry of Hyde Park Community, together we have navigated these COVID-19 waters offering the light and love of God to our

community and beyond!