NEW COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

The SLB approved the following protocols:

- Require social safe distancing, per CDC guidelines, which will include every other pew seating in the sanctuary
- Refreshments between services will continue to be suspended until further notice
- At the discretion of the Director of Music Ministry, choirs can resume singing in worship if singers are masked and socially distanced (the 8:00 service with the Wesley Choir will resume Rally Day, September 12).
- Masks are highly Recommended, for public indoor gatherings, and for congregational singing.
- Classes and small groups can continue to meet in person; however, it is strongly recommended that individuals wear masks.

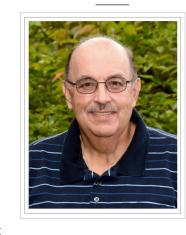
In addition, The COVID-19 Task Force affirms the following CDC guidelines for protecting individuals and communities:

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- Get fully vaccinated
- Safe social distancing
- Wearing masks
- Hand sanitizer

NOTE FROM DAVE WEAVER

Please accept my deep appreciation for the retirement service on Sunday which honored my 22 years as a pastor here at HPCUMC. Thank you for your love and support through the years. I have received many retirement cards, gift cards, and ministry donations in my honor. The luncheon and retirement service was wonderful. It was deeply meaningful to me, Diane and our family who were present. I was overwhelmed with emotion, joy and laughter. My heart



"was strangely warmed" and filled with your sincere love, kindness and care. I was both humbled and honored. The relationships with you, and with God, I have cherished.

Let us all continue to grow in our faith and serve in mission as disciples of Jesus Christ. It has been a high privilege to serve as one of your pastors. HPCUMC will remain my church home. It is a great spirit-filled church because of Christ-like people like each one of you.

In His love and mine, Dave

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Charlie's Brown's Hope

Lucy is chasing Charlie Brown...

"I'm going to get you Charlie Brown...I'm going to get you!"

All of a sudden Charlie Brown comes to a screeching

if we as children cannot learn how to forgive one



He stops, puts up his hands and says, "Lucy, Lucy,

another then how can our parents learn to forgive one another? And in turn how can the world..."

At that moment Lucy punches him and knocks him to the ground.

Lucy said, "I had to ... He was beginning to make sense."

Friends, in the midst of today's troubled world, filled with strife, division, and hate, Charlie Brown's plea of learning to forgive rises us from the chaos that surrounds us. The road to forgiveness is not an easy one, but it is one that Christ walked and invites us to follow.

Matthew 18:23-35 is our gospel lesson for this weekend and I invite you to read it before you connect with us for worship this weekend.

I look forward to sharing the Lord's Day with each one of you this Sunday!

Peace,

Pastor Cathy

FALL CLASSES

SOUL BUILDERS CLASS

Book: Breaking the Code: Understanding the Book of

Revelation, by Rev. Dr. Bruce Metzger

Date/Time: Sundays, 11:00am (starts Sept. 19)

Location: Room 205

Questions? Contact Ronda Deel at rodeel@fuse.net.

FAITH WEAVERS CLASS

Study: Women of the New Testament,

by Phyllis J. Le Peau

Date/Time: Sundays, 9:30am (starts Sept. 12)

Location: Room 205

Email Mike Hickerson at mikehickerson@gmail.com for

more information.

NEW VENTURES

Book: Freeing Jesus, by Diana Butler Bass

Date/Time: Starting Sunday, September 12 at 11:00am

Location: The Parlor/Zoom (still determining)

Contact Joyce Bates or Michael Vilardo for information.

PASTOR DOUG'S CLASS

Book: Inspired, by Rachel Held Evans

Date/Time: Tuesday mornings, 10:00 - 11:30

(starts Sept. 14)

Location: Now a Zoom Class

Books can be picked up in the Church office, 9:00 - 5:00 beginning September 1 (\$10.00 suggested donation).

MARY PEARCE CONNECT GROUP

Book: Words of Life by Adam Hamilton

Date/Time: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 6:30 pm

Location: Room 205

For more information, please contact Mary Pearce at mnbpearce@fuse.net.

PETE RUDOWSKI COURSE

Starting in October (Sunday, October 3):

Curriculum: Life Lessons of Psalms

Date/Time: Sunday, October 3, 2021-October 31 at 9:30am (video sent out Monday before Sunday

discussion)

Location: Library

Join Rev. Dr. Pete Rudowski in a 5-week series on the Psalms. Every Monday, a video will be sent out for you to watch, and the discussion will be held on Sunday mornings.

YOUNG ADULT FALL STUDY

Brews and Evolving Faith

Start your week off enjoying your favorite brew and meaningful conversation with other young adults. On Mondays starting September 13 through October 25, meet at the downstairs patio of Beans and Barley Coffeehouse and Taproom (Madison Rd) from 7:00 – 8:30pm for Brews and Evolving Faith.

Each week will feature a different episode from the podcast *Evolving Faith* talking about various topics, so each week stands on its own – come when you can. To view the schedule for the series and find the links to the episodes please visit: http://hydeparkchurch.org/young-adult-ministry/. Listen or read the transcript of the episode of the week before the gathering and come ready to discuss.



ROTHENBERG TUTORING

We are proud to continue our 11th year of partnership and support of Rothenberg Preparatory Academy in Over-the-Rhine. This year, we will start working with students in 3rd grade focusing on literacy. No special skills are needed, just a desire to help and encourage a student in improving their reading proficiency.

Tutors will meet their student at a pizza party on October 1st from 1:15-2:00pm. Tutoring will start the week of October 4 and will run until May. Tutors work with the same student one day a week choosing either Tuesday or Thursday from 1:15pm-2:00pm.

If you are interested, please contact Pastor Kate Smith (ksmith@hpcumc.org or 513-871-1345) or Karen Bruner for next steps (chatbru82@gmail.com or 513-787-3549).

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

FIRST FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP-CHANGE IN PROGRAM September 10th

Our "first" First Friday Fellowship luncheon will be Friday, September 10th from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. Our new chef and long-time church member, Jeff Sheldon, will be creating a wonderful meal for us. The program, which follows lunch, has been changed with Ron Purdon and his sextet playing for us. Ben Owen will be with us in December. Please join us for uplifting and entertaining music from the Ron Purdon Sextet!

Fellowship begins at 11:00 am in the Refectory with lunch at 12:00 pm. The program follows from 1:00-2:00 pm. The cost of the meal is \$10.00/person (no charge for attending only the program). **Reservations are required by Sunday, September 5** *to Peggy Schmitt. Peggy's contact information is 859-441-4115 OR meschmitt2013@gmail. com OR 257 Ridgepointe Dr., Cold Spring, KY 41076.*

THURSDAY EDITION

Thursday, September 16th

Program: A Virtual Tour of the ArtWorks Cincinnati Murals A speaker from ArtWorks will take us on a city-wide tour of the magnificent Cincinnati murals.

Join us in the Welcome Center at 1:00 pm for fellowship, followed by the program from 1:30-2:30 pm. No reservations are necessary.

WESLEY EDUCATION CENTER DONATION COLLECTION

During the month of August, Soul Builders will be collecting items for Wesley Educational Center:

Facial tissues

Copy paper

Baby wipes

Play doh

Disposable diapers (27-37 lbs)

Colored markers

Bring one or bring all to the Social Hall throughout the month. Or you can also contribute by donating through Realm or via check (please write "Monthly Partner Donation" on memo line) that will go toward buying the items.

DID YOU KNOW?

UMW Ruth Circle has supported Wesley Education Center for over 40 years with service days, classroom help, Christmas gifts, annual fundraisers, and other needs. COVID-19 is currently limiting onsite volunteer opportunities, but silent auction donations for the Centennial Celebration Dinner at the Summit Hotel on October 21 would be greatly appreciated. For details, contact Ann Flanagan at annflan55@gmail.com, or Peggy McDaniel at oldeagleeye@hotmail.com.