

HOGE HERALD

Hoge Memorial Presbyterian Church

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October

PASTOR TOM'S "LITTLE CORNER OF HOGE"

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Read James 5: 7-11:

A survey of more than 1,000 American adults discovered that most people take an average of 17 minutes to lose their patience while waiting in line: It was also noted that most people lose their patience in only 9 minutes while on hold on the phone: Impatience is a common trait among God's people! The apostle James was writing this passage to a group of believers who were struggling with being patient for Jesus' return to earth. They were living under exploitation and distressing times, and James was encouraging them to "set the timer on their tempers" for the long-run. Challenging these believers to persevere under suffering, he tried to stimulate them to stand firm and to live sacrificially until Jesus' return. He wrote, "Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand." James called them to be like the farmer who waits patiently for the rain and the harvest. Be as patient as the prophets in their suffering, for they believed and spoke in the name of the Lord. Be as patient as Job in suffering trials and temptations, for Job saw that the Lord was full of compassion and mercy. Christ was coming again to separate the sheep from the goats: But we must be patient, we must endure all of the temptations and trials of this life. Our Lord is coming and He will reward or judge us, and one thing is for sure – none of us want to be condemned when Jesus returns. We must keep our eyes focused on the long-run, and this is a very special kind of patience – a spiritual patience that never gives in, it perseveres and suffers on and on, no matter what attacks it. We patiently confront and stand fast against these attacks, as us believers must confront them to conquer them! The prophets persevered in all the trials and temptations of life, they stood fast, they held onto their faith in God, and fought the trials and temptations every step of the way. They refused to give in and continued to proclaim salvation and hope of God for our troubled world. Remember, Job never gave in to the temptations, and he never forsake his faith in God. He didn't understand all that was happening to him, but he refused to turn his back against God! The point is this: Job kept his eye on the prize! He was fixated on the end-times, that is the coming of our Lord and the "Great Hope" this brings. Job endured, so he counted himself as being blessed! We believers are to bear the afflictions of many trials and temptations by focusing our eyes upon the end – that is, upon the second coming of Lord Jesus! As we do this, the compassion and mercy of God will flow through us and God will deliver us with His very own presence. God will deliver us through all the trials and temptations of life, giving us the victorious life we can only imagine. Remember, blessed are those who persevere with our Lord! Put this idea in your heart and live with it every day! Hope to see you soon at one of our worship services! We love you and miss you!

In Christ,

Pastor Tom

Special Announcements

KEEP IN DAILY PRAYER

Please remember the following Joys and Concerns in your daily prayers.

- Jack Neil, on going health issues
- Carolyn Colborn recuperating from hip surgery
- Rev. Susan Warrener Smith, for health issues with her eyes
- Bill Aiken experiencing health issues
- Barbara Mapes, on going health issues
- Connie Pilkington health issues
- For Richard Kline experiencing health issues
- Tenzin Blearsch, grandson of Jack and Bev Neil, is home recuperating
- Dorothy Pemberton family member working in the health field
- Police Officers, other front line responders and our military families
- Hoge Church: support for community-based ministries.
- Our city, nation, and world leaders. Our schools, teachers and children.



Please help keep this list current. Provide the church office with prayer requests for inclusion of "Keep in Daily Prayer" sections of the weekly bulletins and monthly newsletters either by phone or email

Food Pantry August Households, 112 Seniors 60 Adults 204, Children 143, Total Number of People Served 407

Happy Birthday – October



Mike Minch, 2; Beth Ormsby, 3; Diane Line, 9; Tom Billman, 13; Kyle Barrett, 21;
Amy Colborn, 26.



Note: If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, please let us know and we will be glad to add it.

The Fall Sale will be here soon. The dates for this year's sale are Friday October 11th and Saturday October 12th. Both days the sale will run from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. We set up for the sale on Thursday October 10th starting at 11:00 a.m. We need as many people as possible to do this job. In the beginning we are setting up tables and moving boxes of items into the appropriate rooms. Then we are taking items out of boxes and arranging them on tables. Come for any part of this process. The more people doing any of these tasks, the faster they get done. Remember, we always need bakers to make delicious baked goods for our bake sale. You can bring them to the church on Thursday, or early Friday morning. Help us make this a wonderful event!

Six-year-old Angie and her four-year-old brother Joel were sitting together in church. Joel giggled, sang, and talked out loud. Finally, his big sister had had enough. "You're not supposed to talk out loud in church." "Why? Who's going to stop me?" Joel asked. Angie pointed to the back of the church and said, "See those two men standing by the door? They're hushers."

Finding one of her students making faces at others on the playground, Mrs. Smith stopped to gently reprove the child. Smiling sweetly, the Sunday School teacher said, "Bobby, when I was a child, I was told that if I made ugly faces, it would freeze and I would stay like that." Bobby looked up and replied, "Well, Mrs. Smith, you can't say you weren't warned."

A certain little girl, when asked her name, would reply, "I'm Mr. Sugarbrown's daughter." Her mother told her this was wrong, she must say, "I'm Jane Sugarbrown." The Vicar spoke to her in Sunday School, and said, "Aren't you Mr. Sugarbrown's daughter?" She replied, "I thought I was, but mother says I'm not."



Lay readers: January-Mike Minch, February-Patti Gorman, March-Judy Manley, April-Mike Minch, May-Judy Manley, June-Gail Garman, July-Diana Purcell, August-Gail Garman, September-Mike Minch, **October-Judy Manley**, November-Gail Garman, December-Donna Swaneck.

If you cannot be the lay reader for the month, contact Worship Committee

Communion Servers - If you are unable to serve, please try to find a replacement and notify the worship committee.

January 7-Natalie Alter, Donna Swaneck, Diana Purcell, Joy Rector
February 4-Susan Barrett, Jack Neil & Bev, Patti Gorman, Gail Garman,
March 3 --Charlotte Smith, Mike Minch, Diana Purcell
April 7-, Donna Swaneck, Gail Garman, Patti Gorman
May 5-Natalie Alter, Joy Rector, Jack Neil, Bev Neil
June 2-Susan Barrett, Gail Garman,
July 7 - Mike Minch, Donna Swaneck, Gail Garman
August 4-Patti Gorman, Joy Rector, Diana Purcell, Natalie Alter, Bev Neil
September 1- Jack Neil, Gail Garman, Susan Barrett

October 6- Mike Minch, Diana Purcell

November 3- Natalie Alter, Joy Rector, Patti Gorman, Bev & Jack Neil, Gail Garman
December 1-Gail Garman, Mike Minch. Susan Barrett, Charlotte Smith, Ann Adair
December 24-Donna Swaneck, Diana Purcell, Debbie Peters, Bev Neil
Schedule of Ushers: If you would like to usher, please contact Gail Garman

Usher Team #1 (Jan, April, July, Oct.) Jack Neil, Bev Neil

Usher Team #2 (February, May, August and November): Mike Minch, Judy Manley
Usher Team #3 (March, June, Sept, Dec): Mike Purcell, Diana Purcell

Worship Committee This is the schedule for the fellowship hour on the second Sundays:

January-Finance and Facilities; February-Session; March-Outreach/Worship/Christian Ed; April-TBA; May-TBA;
June - Session; July - Finance and Facilities; August- Ushers; September- Outreach/Worship/Christian Ed; **October- TBA**;
November- Deacons; December- Ushers

Keith's Blog by Rev. Keith Jones .

Jonah 4:4-11—English Standard Version

4 And the Lord said, "Do you do well to be angry?"

5 Jonah went out of the city and sat to the east of the city and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, till he should see what would become of the city. 6 Now the Lord God appointed a plant and made it come up over Jonah, that it might be a shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort. So Jonah was exceedingly glad because of the plant.

7 But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the plant, so that it withered. 8 When the sun rose, God appointed a scorching east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint. And he asked that he might die and said, "It is better for me to die than to live."

9 But God said to Jonah, "Do you do well to be angry for the plant?" And he said, "Yes, I do well to be angry, angry enough to die."

10 And the Lord said, "You pity the plant, for which you did not labor, nor did you make it grow, which came into being in a night and perished in a night. 11 And should not I pity Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than 120,000 persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also much cattle?"

I like being comfortable. It's nice. Do I let myself get uncomfortable enough when I think about the sufferings of others? Or do I keep that far enough away so that it doesn't impinge upon my comfort?

When Jesus tells us that we should love others just as we love ourselves, it's a bit of an impossible command. Can we really love others with the same focus and passion that we save for ourselves? We treat ourselves when we can... can we treat others with the same excitement?

Here, Jonah resents God's deliverance of the people of Nineveh. He sets up camp outside of town, and God sends a plant for some shade. When God sends a worm to devour the plant and Jonah loses his shade, he is furious, far more furious than he ever was at the thought of the people of Nineveh perishing. He greatly favored his own comfort above the safety of others.

So what do we do with this story? In many ways, it's a wake up call for us. Are we open to considering how much energy and resources we spend on ourselves, and how we might give up some of that comfort to serve others? Do we recognize the suffering of others? Do we love them enough? Do we love ourselves too much?

Notes and Photos

Our special fellowship hour in honor of back to church Sunday



Some of our Sunday School class lessons.....also on Instagram and Facebook



We began a two-Sunday study of Noah's Ark. Donna told the basic story from the Bible. Then Maddy found a big plastic boat to be the Ark. Maddy and Violet went around the room looking for animals and people to put in the Ark. We think the Ark would have been crowded and a little stinky! Violet and Maddy drew their own pictures of the Ark. We learned that Noah obeyed God, even when other people were laughing at him.



Message

Rev. Hoge Accepts Pastorate Of Franklinton Church In 1807

Hardships of the country and the severe winter proved too much for Rev. Hoge's frail constitution and in May, 1806, after six months in Franklinton he set out for his home in Virginia. Here at his father's house he sought rest and restoration to health. Late in September he received a letter from the officers of the church in Franklinton, extending a call to become the regular pastor of the Franklinton Church. After much thought and consultation with his father and brothers he wrote his acceptance. By the following spring, 1807, his health had so greatly improved that he set out once more for the banks of the Scioto.

On June 11, 1807, he was installed by the Chillicothe Presbytery. His parish extended from Dublin on the north to Circleville on the south and east to the Big Walnut. Membership soon increased from the original 13 to 50. Services were held in the Court House. By 1811 the congregation had raised enough money, chiefly through the generosity of Lucas Sullivant, to begin the erection of a building. The War of 1812 came before the building was finished. General Hull, en-route north, took over the building for storing grain for horses. Heavy rains came and when the roof leaked the grain swelled and forced the walls of the brick building until it collapsed. Three years later in 1816, a new building was completed. This church was situated on the banks of the Scioto near Sandusky St. To this day the ancient burying ground still marks the site of the first church in Franklinton.


It was also in this same period, 1810-1812, that a new town site was laid out east of the Scioto River and named Columbus. Four men, Lynn Starling, John Kerr, Alex McLaughlin, and James Johnston formed the "Franklin Syndicate." They promised that if the legislature would establish on the east side of the Scioto the seat of the State Government they would agree to (1) to lay out a town according to a plan acceptable to the legislature; (2) to give to the state a square containing 10 acres for a public building; (3) to erect a State House and a penitentiary. Dr. Hoge conveyed to the "Syndicate" 80 acres of land with the provision that one-half of the lots laid out on this acreage were to be reconveyed to Dr. Hoge. Lots at Broad and High sold for \$200 to \$1000. In one year more than 300 people lived in Columbus. These settlers were anxious for a church on the east bank of the Scioto. In 1814 a temporary building was erected, a log structure 25x30 feet built entirely of hickory logs and referred to ever after as Old Hickory Church. It was located at what is now Spring and 3 streets. Dr. Hoge conducted services in this church as well as in Franklinton.

At the same time he kept in touch with people living in the country within 50 miles of Columbus. He spent so much time in the saddle that he was often referred to as "preacher on horseback." This kind of outdoor life may help to account for his apparently complete recovery in health. In 1818 Dr. and Mrs. Hoge moved to the east bank of the river. They built their home on E. Broad St. where the athletic club now stands. Here their first son, Moses Andrew, was born. (Named for Dr. Hoge's father, Moses Hoge and Mrs. Hoge's father, Andrew Woods.) Dr. and Mrs. Hoge had 11 children, six of whom survived their father.

In 1818, the congregation of the Old Hickory Church decided a larger building was needed to accommodate their rapidly growing congregation. Ten men subscribed \$100 each, the town authorities donated a lot of ground, and the congregation bought an adjoining lot for \$300. These lots were on the corner of Town and Front Streets. Here, a framed church 40 feet by 60 feet was erected costing \$1050. It seated 400 people and was really composed of three buildings constructed so that one might be removed from the others and sold as a residence. The Methodists nicknamed the building "Trinity in Unity." This church was known as "The First Presbyterian Congregation of Columbus." In 1821 the Franklin congregation united with this church.

MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!

October

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
<p>Pumpkin Crunch Cake-1 15 oz. can pumpkin puree, 1 12 oz. can evaporated milk, 4 eggs, 1 c sugar, 2 tsp pumpkin pie spice, ½ tsp salt, 1 box yellow cake mix, 1 c pecans chopped, 1 c unsalted butter melted, 1 8 oz. container whipped topping frozen. Preheat oven to 350°. In a large mixing bowl combine pumpkin puree, evaporated milk, eggs, sugar, pumpkin spice, and salt. Mix well. Grease a 9 x 13 baking dish, pour in the batter. Sprinkle the yellow cake mix on top of the batter. Gently pat the cake mix down. Spread the chopped pecans evenly over cake mix layer, drizzle it with melted butter. Bake for 60-80 minutes or until done. Top each slice with whipped cream or ice cream. Prattsburg PC, Prattsburg New York</p> 		<p>1 12:00pm Buckeye Clinic 6:00pm AA 8:00pm NA Meeting</p>
<p>6 8:00am Iglesia Oasis De Dios Esperanza fasting 8:30am AA 9:30am Bible Study 10:00am CMN 10:30am Worship w/Tom Billman 12:30pm Iglesia De Dios Nueva Esperanza Worship 7:00pm AA Meeting</p>	<p>7 12:00pm Buckeye Clinic 7:30pm NA</p>	<p>8 12:00pm Buckeye Clinic 6:00pm AA 8:00pm NA Meeting</p>
<p>13 8:30am AA 10:30am Worship w/Peggy Holcomb CRE . 10:45am Sunday School for Children 11:30am Donut Fellowship 12:30pm Iglesia De Dios Nueva Esperanza Worship 7:00pm AA Meeting <i>Happy Birthday Tom Billman</i></p>	<p>14 12:00pm Buckeye Clinic 7:30pm NA</p> 	<p>15 12:00pm Buckeye Clinic 6:00pm AA 8:00pm NA Meeting</p>
<p>20 8:30am AA 9:30am Bible Study 10:30am Worship w/Tom Billman 10:45am Sunday School for Children 12:30pm Iglesia De Dios Nueva Esperanza Worship 7:00pm AA Meeting <i>Newsletter Deadline</i></p>	<p>21 12:00 pm Buckeye Clinic 7:00pm Session 7:30pm NA <i>Happy Birthday Kyle Barrett</i></p>	<p>22 12:00pm Buckeye Clinic 12:00pm Food Pantry 6:00pm AA 8:00pm NA Meeting</p>
<p>27 8:30am AA 10:30am Worship w/Rev. Susan Kroeker 10:45am Sunday School for Children 12:30pm Iglesia Oasis De Dios Esperanza Worship 5:00pm District 34 AA 7:00pm AA Meeting</p>	<p>28 12:00pm Buckeye Clinic 7:30pm NA</p>	<p>29 12:00pm Buckeye Clinic 12:00pm Food Pantry 6:00pm AA 8:00pm NA Meeting</p>

White vinegar is an excellent substitute for many household cleaners. Buy a cheap spray bottle and fill it with vinegar undiluted. It is perfect for quick clean-ups around the kitchen and bathroom as it is both a disinfectant. Don't throw out used **butter wrappers**, fold them in half (the buttery side in of course) and put them in your fridge. **Microfiber cloths** are excellent for cleaning. They can clean anything with just a little water. Mirrors, glass, appliances...heck they can even take off the soap scum on shower walls (although that takes a bit of elbow grease). **WD-40 removes crayon** from anything as well as scuffs from ceramic and wood floors. Also **dissolves glues**. So, if you buy a fridge or something that has those irritating stickers on them, spray WD40 where you ripped the sticker off and wipe. (cont. on the next page)

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 12:00pm Buckeye Clinic 7:00pm IDDN Esperanza Bible Study 8:00pm NA Meeting <i>Happy Birthday Mike Minch</i>	3 12:00pm Buckeye Clinic 6:00pm AA 7:00pm Outreach/Worship/ Christen Ed 6:00pm Girl Scout Leaders <i>Happy Birthday Beth Ormsby</i>	4 12:00pm Buckeye Clinic 6:00pm AA Meeting	5 5:00pm HM ³ –Robin 6:00pm AA
9 12:00pm Buckeye Clinic 7:00pm IDDN Esperanza Bible Study 8:00pm NA Meeting <i>Happy Birthday Diane Line</i>	10 11:30am Fall Sale set up 02:00pm Buckeye Clinic 6:00pm AA Meeting	11 9:00am Fall Sale 12:00pm Buckeye Clinic 6:00pm AA Meeting	12 9:00am Fall Sale 5:00pm HM ³ –Overbrook 6:00pm AA
16 12:00pm Buckeye Clinic 12:00pm Revive Ohio 7:00pm IDDN Esperanza Bible Study 8:00pm NA Meeting 12:00pm Revive Ohio	17 12:00pm Buckeye Clinic 6:00pm AA Meeting	18 12:00pm Buckeye Clinic 6:00pm AA Meeting	19 5:00pm HM ³ -Covenant 6:00pm AA 8:00pm IDDN Esperanza Nightly Vigil
23 12:00pm, Buckeye Clinic 12:00pm Food Pantry 7:00pm IDDN Esperanza Bible Study 8:00pm NA Meeting	24 12:00pm Buckeye Clinic 6:00pm AA Meeting	25 9:00am Newsletter prep 12:00pm Buckeye Clinic 6:00pm AA Meeting	26 5:00pm HM ³ - Grace 6:00pm AA <i>Happy Birthday Amy Colborn</i>
30 12:00pm Buckeye Clinic 12:00pm Food Pantry 7:00pm IDDN Esperanza Bible Study 8:00pm NA Meeting	31 12:00pm Buckeye Clinic 6:00pm AA Meeting 	Old credit cards make great scrapers – perfect for getting spilled food off the floor, and stubborn stuff off counters, like spilled pancake batter. Also try them for scraping the inside of the microwave, and baking sheets. Used dryer sheets for dusting. Almost as useful as those expensive Swiffer things.	

Spray inside of your **Jack-O-Lantern with vinegar** occasionally. It will last 10x longer. **Windex** will remove fingernail polish from fabric. **Coca-Cola (or Pepsi):** The general-purpose rust remover/cleaner. Used **tea bags** sprinkled on rose plants will make them blossom faster with more vibrant colors. **Ice packs,** take a large zip lock freezer bag, fill about 1/3 full of 3 parts water, one part rubbing alcohol, seal it, being careful to work the air out of it. Put that bag inside another bag. The bag will freeze to super cold slush that never solidifies. **Baked-on mess?** Just take a piece of aluminum foil- crumble it into a ball get to scrubbing! It will take literally anything out of your pots and pans no matter how long it's been stuck on.

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community service groups

Food Pantry, HM3, AA and NA
groups, Girl Scouts, Urban Minis-
tries, Members of Out of the Box

Community Theatre

Check out the social media sites listed above
in the return address section

Feeding the Community Physically & Spiritually

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