

HOGE HERALD

Hoge Memorial Presbyterian Church

2021

September

PASTOR TOM'S – "LITTLE CORNER OF HOGE"

September 2021

My wife and I recently had a vacation in New Mexico where we recharged our spiritual batteries. New Mexico is a spiritual paradise! You can feel God's presence as soon as you arrive there. We spent most of our time in or near Santa Fe, but took several day-trips around Santa Fe including a trip to Ghost Ranch in Abiquiu, NM. The famous artist, Georgia O'Keefe, had a studio near Ghost Ranch, where she painted her favorite mountain, Pedernal, in many different settings. While we were hiking at Ghost Ranch, we could feel God's presence on the trails with us – The rock formations and the high desert vegetation is so different from our Ohio home! The native American influence is very prevalent in New Mexico, as we saw several "Pueblos" or reservations throughout our trip. We immediately felt at one with the landscape and beautiful cloud formations we experienced at every turn. The wideness of the sky, and the wonder of a trillion stars at night – without any light-pollution, dazzled us! New Mexico is one of the spiritual wonders of our country – A great spiritual wilderness that I hope you have time to explore, and your Pastor is giving great thanks to God and Hoge, for the opportunity to experience it! I wanted to share an article written by Hopi Indian Chief, White Eagle, on July 9, 2021, which shares his reflection on our current American situation: "This moment humanity is experiencing can be seen as a door or a hole. The decision to fall in the hole or walk through the door is up to you. If you consume the news 24 hours a day, with negative energy, constantly nervous, with pessimism, you will fall into this hole. But, if you take the opportunity to look at yourself, to rethink life and death, to take care of yourself and others, then you will walk through the portal. Take care of your home, take care of your body – connect your spiritual-home – When you take care of yourself, you take care of everyone else at the same time. Do not underestimate the spiritual dimension of this crisis. Take the perspective of an eagle that sees everything from above with a broader view. There is a social question in this crisis, but also a spiritual question – The two go hand-in-hand. Without the social dimension, we fall into fanaticism – Without the spiritual dimension, we fall into pessimism and futility. Are you ready to face this crisis? Grab your toolbox and use all of the tools at your disposal. Learn resistance from the example of Indian and African peoples – We have been and are being exterminated – But, we never stopped singing, dancing, lighting a fire, and rejoicing! Don't feel guilty for being blessed in these troubled-times. Being sad or angry doesn't help at all – Resistance is resistance through joy! You have the right to be strong and positive. And, there's no other way to do it than to maintain a beautiful, happy, and bright posture. It has nothing to do with alienation (ignorance of the world). It's a resistance strategy. When we cross the threshold, we have a new worldview because we've faced our fears and difficulties. This is all you can do now: Serenity in the storm: Keep calm and pray every day: Make a habit of meeting the sacred every day: Show resistance through art, joy, trust, and love:" Wise words from a great Native American treasure! Let's make a habit of meeting our sacred Lord, Jesus Christ – Everyday! He'll bring immeasurable grace and peace! Hope to see you all in worship at Hoge real soon, as you are greatly treasured by God and your Hoge brothers and sisters!

Pastor Tom

Special Announcements

- Kylie Alter, beginning cancer screenings process
- Joel Peck, Natalie's friend, facing health concerns
- Carolyn Colborn, having hip replacement surgery
- Leslie Grothaus, Jeanne's daughter, with health issues
- Connie Pilkington in the passing of her husband, Geroge
- Jeni McGraw's son for various health challenges
- Ronnie Line family asking for prayers
- Carol Ross, for recent hospitalizations and health challenges
- Lois Sensenbrenner-family is requesting prayers for Lois to pass into heaven peacefully
- Lois Duey health issues
- Altha Martin recovering from some health issues
- Dorothy Pemberton family, member working in the health field
- Juanita Deweese, Barbara Mapes, Avis Dorn
- 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

Families Served at HM3 July. Adults 58, Children 30, (Volunteers 34, Hoge people, 20, others 32) Total= 154

Food Pantry July Totals: 29 Households, 75 People served, Adults (60+) 19, Adults (59-18) 35, Children 21

Personal Care Pantry Needs - As part of Hoge's ministry and outreach, a Personal Pantry is part of our HM3 program. The pantry is open to the public on the second Saturday of each month. Donations of personal care items are always accepted for the pantry but the following items are currently in high need: Chap Stick, Socks (black or white), Toothpaste, Wash Cloths, Please see Bev and Jack Neil or Kathy and Barry Schieferstein for additional information. Thank you for your support of this ministry.

Happy Birthday – September



Kylee Alter, 6; Judy Moody, 15; Veronica Martin, 17; Kevin Colborn, 25;
Rev. Marion Stenner, 25; Charles Stenner, 26, Judy Isel, 28



Last Minute: A minister waited in line to have his car filled with gas just before a long holiday weekend. The attendant worked quickly, but there were many cars ahead of him. Finally, the attendant motioned him toward a vacant pump. "Reverend," said the young man, "I'm so sorry about the delay. It seems as if everyone waits until the last minute to get ready for a long trip." The minister chuckled, "I know what you mean. It's the same in my business."

Fall Sale Information—Sorting/pricing dates are Tuesday August 31, Tuesday September 7th and Tuesday September 14th from 10 a.m. - 12 noon. Additional sale preparation dates, which may include pricing, will be scheduled if needed.

- The cut-off date for donations is Sunday September 5th. This gives us time to get everything priced and ready to sell.



Lay readers: January-Mike Minch, February-Patti Gorman, March-Judy Manley, April-Mike Minch, May-Carolyn Colborn, June-Bill Aiken, July-Diana Purcell, August-Gail Garman, **September-Carol Ross**, October-Judy Manley, November-Carolyn Colborn, 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 17-Natalie Alter, Donna Swaneck, Debbie Peters, Diana Purcell, Joy Rector

February 21-Susan Barrett, Jack Neil, Patti Gorman, Gail Garman, Bev Neil

March 21-Charlotte Smith, Wilbur Smith, Mike Minch, Carol Ross, Janet Fetherolf, Diana Purcell

April 18-Dave Colborn, Carolyn Colborn, Donna Swaneck, Gail Garman, Judy Moody, Patti Gorman

May 16-Natalie Alter, Debbie Peters, Joy Rector, Jack Neil, Bev Neil

June 20-Susan Barrett, Gail Garman, Charlotte and Wilbur Smith, Janet Fetherolf, Carol Ross

July 18 - Dave Colborn, Carolyn Colborn, Mike Minch, Donna Swaneck, Gail Garman

August 11-Patti Gorman, Joy Rector, Diana Purcell, Natalie Alter, Bev Neil

September 20- Jack Neil, Gail Garman, Susan Barrett, Charlotte Smith, Wilbur Smith

October 18-Carol Ross, Janet Fetherolf, Debbie Peters, Mike Minch, Diana Purcell

November 15- Natalie Alter, Joy Rector, Patti Gorman, Bev & Jack Neil, Gail Garman

December 20-Gail Garman, Mike Minch, Susan Barrett, Charlotte Smith, Wilbur Smith, Ann Adair

December 24-Dave Colborn, Carolyn Colborn, Donna Swaneck, Diana Purcell, Debbie Peters, Bev Neil

Schedule of Ushers: If you would like to usher, please contact Gail Garman or Carolyn Colborn.

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

Usher Team #2 (February, May, August and November): Mike Minch, Bill & Dorothy Aiken

Usher Team #3 (March, June, Sept, Dec): Mike Purcell, Diana Purcell, Jim Cheadle

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-Choir; May-Martha Circle;

June - Session; July - Finance and Facilities; August- Ushers; **September- Outreach/Worship/Christian Ed;** October-

Martha Circle; November- Deacons; December- Ushers

No Potlucks on fourth Sunday in July, August, November and December

Regular Session Meeting - July 19, 2021- The Session of Hoge Memorial Presbyterian Church met for their regular meeting at 7:00 pm July 19th, 2021 Moderator: – Tom Billman. **Clerks' Report** – Diana Purcell. Communion was served to (25) people on July 18th, 2021. Communion was served twice at HM3 by Doug Brown and Tom Billman.

Moderators/Pastoral Care Report: Tom has started in person visitation again and has seen Avis Dorn, Charlotte & Wilbur Smith, Juanita Deweese, Barbara & Fred Mapes. Spoke with Ronnie Line, Bobbi McComb, Carol Ross, Leila Parker, Susan Omen. On June 29th Dr. Craig Anderson visited with Tom and was impressed with our Facility and Ministry. Tom will hold a New Member class in September. **Treasurer's Report** – Patti Gorman- No Physical Balance Sheet available. Money is in checking account and Bills have been paid. (see page 5) **Committee Reports:**

Worship/ Outreach/Christian Ed: July Ministers are Tom Billman July 4th, 18th. Peggy Holcomb July 11th, Wayne Morrison July 25th. Donut Fellowship was held on Sunday July 8th. Compel Christian Center held the first worship service in Wold Hall on July 11. They are also holding a service Thursday at 6:45 pm in Wold Hall and a recovery meeting on Friday at 6:45pm in the Junior Room. **HM3:** Natalie and Joel scheduled for HM3 meal for Fourth Saturday in October (23). Patti will do the meal on October 9. Michael and Sharon from Covenant Presbyterian doing meal on July 24. Still need meal provider for fourth Saturday in August. **Out of the Box Community Theatre:**

Still on hold. May Resume in the Fall. **Finance, Facilities, and Stewardship** – Janet Fetherolf/Mike Purcell All groups are back. Parking lot has been paved and stripped but all cracks have not been filled in. Christian looking into Power Washing equipment and pricing. Jack Neil, Mike Purcell and Diana Purcell cleaned up East side of church yard. Compel Christian is holding services 3 days a week. Saturday morning AA group is going back to Upper Arlington Lutheran church. **Approval of Report:** Report was approved by motion, 2nd and moved. **Nominating:** - Natalie Alter- Nothing to Report. **Personnel:** Carolyn Colborn – Christian hours are 9:00-2:00 pm Monday-Friday. Natalie wants to be On Personnel committee. Christian 90-day review will be coming up soon. **Deacons:**

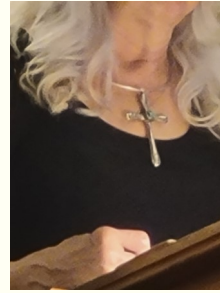
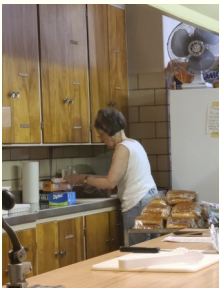
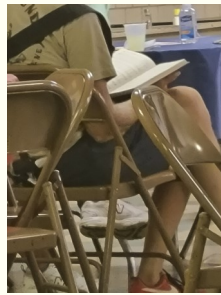
June Food Pantry: Served 45 Families (see page 3). Deacons: (Judy Manley) Donna Swaneck is Site Coordinator for Hoge Food Pantry. Discussed amount of money to be given to Deacons and members. **Presbytery of Scioto/Valley/Cap City Helping Hands:** Natalie Alter expressed over the last month the Pride she has in Hoge's missions. She stated that other churches have no missions. **Old Business:** Nothing to Report. **New Business:** Need approval to hold Fall Sale on Oct 8th, and Oct 9th, 2021 from 9-1 Set up Oct 7th in the morning. Clean up Saturday from 1:00 until we are done. Approved by motion made, 2nd and moved. **Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm with the Lord's Prayer. Next Session Meeting:** on August 16th 7:00 pm. **Respectfully:** Diana L Purcell, Clerk of Session

Notes and Photos

The box below is part of the financial report....see page 5

Balances as of July 31, 2021:		Operating Expenses:	
Unrestricted cash	\$ 207,507.23	Admin & Other Expenses	\$ 5,561.40
Restricted cash	103,734.71	Building Maintenance	2,270.39
Payroll Liabilities	(80.53)	Committee Expenses	4,394.98
Net liquid assets	\$ <u>311,161.41</u>	Office Expenses	2,649.70
Operating Income:		Non-Pastoral Salaries	14,072.00
Contributions	\$ 62,549.00	Pastoral Expenses	12,889.23
Interest	3,597.46	Utilities and Phone	<u>10,340.87</u>
Other income (building use)	3,175.00	Total Operating Expenses	\$ 52,178.87
Other income (other support)	3,046.69		
Other income (flower dedications)	<u>548.00</u>	Difference - Operating Activity	\$ 20,737.58
Total Operating Income	\$ 72,916.15		

Some photos from the HM3 services through the month of July



Church activities: new sidewalk by the west entrance & along the side; one of the visiting ministers; bible study; fellowship



Financial Update

Financial Update – July 31, 2021

The following is a summary of Hoge's 2021 financial activity through July. Detailed financial reports are available by request to the church office. Hoge is grateful for the human and financial resources God has made available to allow personal and community-based ministries to remain alive and active during the start of another unique and challenging year. THANK YOU!!!

Designated Offerings / Donations / Other Income during 2021:

Building Enhancement & Improvements Funds: \$25,073.87 (includes interest earned from designated savings account)

Christmas Joy Offering: \$1.00

Deacons Funds: \$1,846.68 (includes support from Worthington PC)

Ed & Lois Sensenbrenner Pastoral Care & Leadership Fund: \$134.42 (includes interest earned from designated savings account)

Fall Sale Proceeds: \$30.00

Flower Garden Maintenance: \$500.00 (in honor of Susan Barrett's retirement from OSU)

HM3 / Personal Care Pantry Support: \$379.12 (includes support from Covenant PC & Westminster PC)

Memorial Funds: \$870.00 (in memory of Gary Link & Warren Pemberton)

One Great Hour of Sharing: \$1,521.00

Parking Lot/Building Maintenance Fund: \$602.11 (includes interest earned from designated savings account)

Recycling: \$33.00

Sound Equipment Upgrades: \$500.00

Toilet Repairs/Replacement: \$2,389.00

Financial notes:

We continue to address maintenance needs of the building and property:

New laptops for worship services and Christian Ed/Outreach support have been purchased

Concrete work has been completed (removal of old steps in front of West Side doors and new ramp installed; new sidewalk on west side of building; select sections of concrete in front of church by main entrance doors – will be sealed in the fall)

Slate roof repairs are expected to be completed during late August or early September

"No Trespassing" signs are being hung around the building, particularly on the east side where we have had some attempts of homeless living in the yard; we are working with Columbus Police to appropriately address the situation

Plans are in progress for power washing the south wall as well as the complete building along with aggressive tuck pointing and sealing work

A generous donation was received for lawn treatments of weed control, grub and pest control, and grass fertilization for this fall and through 2022


A donation of \$25,000.00 was received to continue focusing on facility improvements and upgrades

Hoge receives support from a variety of sources; those sources believe the work of Christ is present here and its impact to the community is true to our mission of *Feeding the Community, Physically & Spiritually*. Your consistent support is appreciated, especially during the challenging times of COVID-19.

The Finance & Facilities committee values your commitment to Hoge with time, talents and funds. Maintaining our building for worship, mission, safety, beauty and use in the community is something to be proud of. Contact members of the committee to inquire how you are able to help with any of our missions. Please continue to commit to Hoge in prayer, physical efforts, and financially.

If you are not currently participating in activities at Hoge, please prayerfully consider your willingness to do so. We have unique mission and outreach occurring here which is not happening anywhere else. You have to experience it to understand it!

Patti Gorman-Conrardy, Treasurer

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
<p>Jell-O Punch 1 small package Jello, 2 c. sugar, 1 Large can frozen lemonade, 4 c. hot water 1 (42 oz.) can pineapple juice, 1 qt. ginger ale. Dissolve Jello and sugar in hot water. Add lemonade and pineapple juice. Mix well; pour into large container and freeze. Remove from freezer two hours before serving. Place in punch bowl; add ginger ale. Punch will be slushy. yield - 36 servings. Jell-O determines color Of punch. This punch may be made and frozen for several weeks before use. Christ Presbyterian Church, Canton, Ohio</p> 		
<p>5 9:30am Bible Study 10:30am Worship w/Tom Billman 1:00pm Compel Christian Center Worship 7:00pm AA Meeting</p>	<p>6 7:00pm AA 7:30pm NA <i>Happy Birthday Kylee Alter</i></p>	<p>7 10:00am Fall Sale Sorting</p>
<p>12 10:30am Worship w/Peggy Holcomb 1:00pm Compel Christian Center Worship 7:00pm AA Meeting</p>	<p>13 7:00pm AA 7:30pm NA</p>	<p>14 10:00 Fall Sale Sorting</p>
<p>19 9:30am Bible Study 10:30am Worship w/Tom Billman 1:00pm Compel Christian Center Worship 7:00pm AA Meeting <i>Newsletter Deadline</i></p>	<p>20 7:00pm AA 7:30pm NA 7:00pm Session</p>	<p>21 12:00pm Food Pantry</p>
<p>26 10:30am Worship w/Rev. Wayne Morrison 1:00pm Compel Christian Center Worship 7:00pm AA Meeting <i>Happy Birthday Charles Stenner</i></p>	<p>27 7:00pm AA 7:00pm Cap City Helping Hands Meeting 7:30pm NA</p>	<p>28 12:00pm Food Pantry <i>Happy Birthday Judy Isel</i></p>
<p>Vinegar For Rusty Tools, let your tools soak in a bath of vinegar overnight, then rinse them off with water in the morning. Clean Your Showerhead Using Vinegar, prepare a cleaning solution with ½ cup of vinegar with one quart of clean water. After this, put the solution in a polythene bag and tie it to the showerhead. Deter Ants, Insects, and Spiders from Your House Mix 1 part of vinegar and three parts of clean water in a spray bottle. In addition, add a teaspoon of liquid soap. Use same spray bottle to spray spaces that might harbor spiders, insects, and bugs. Use Vinegar to Control or Deter Cat Mischief, put a sponge soaked in vinegar in that area. You can also neutralize a pet stain using three parts of water and one part of vinegar. (continued on next page (7))</p>		

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 7:30pm NA Meeting 7:30pm Choir Practice	2 7:00pm Outreach/ Worship/Christian Ed 6:45pm Compel Christian Midweek Worship	3 6:00pm AA Meeting 6:45pm Compel Christian Recovery	4 8:00am AA 5:00pm HM ³ -Robin 6:00pm AA
8 7:30pm NA Meeting	9 6:45pm Compel Christian Midweek Worship	10 6:00pm AA Meeting 6:45pm Compel Christian Recovery	11 8:00am AA 5:00pm HM ³ -Overbrook 6:00pm AA
15 7:30pm NA Meeting 7:30pm Choir <i>Happy Birthday Judy Moody</i>	16 6:45pm Compel Christian Midweek Worship	17 6:00pm AA Meeting 6:45pm Compel Christian Recovery <i>Happy Birthday Veronica Martin</i>	18 8:00am AA 5:00pm HM ³ -Covenant 6:00pm AA
22 12:00pm Food Pantry 7:30pm NA Meeting	23 6:45pm Compel Christian Center Midweek Worship	24 9:00am Newsletter Prep 6:00pm AA Meeting 6:45pm Compel Christian Recovery	25 8:00am AA 5:00pm HM ³ -Patti 6:00pm AA <i>Happy Birthday Kevin Colborn</i> <i>Happy Birthday Rev. Marion Stenner</i>
29 12:00pm Food Pantry 10:00am Live prayer vigil on Pastor Tom's Facebook	30 6:45pm Compel Christian Midweek Worship	Fridge Cleaning Solution , mix with equal parts of water with vinegar. Be sure to give the side walls a good cleaning too. Use Vinegar to Clean a Bathtub , Heat half a cup of white vinegar for 30 seconds. Mix the white vinegar with the dish soap. Spray the bathtub and shower walls with the resulting mixture. Leave it undisturbed for half an hour before you wipe it dry.	

Sanitizing or Killing Microbes on a Toothbrush, Prepare a sanitizing vinegar solution by mixing ½ a cup of water with two spoons of white vinegar and two spoons of baking soda in a glass. Soak your toothbrush for 30 minutes. After soaking, rinse the brush thoroughly with clean water. **Use Vinegar to Whiten Your White Clothes**, The recommended amount of white vinegar for regular clothes is 1-2 cups. However, if you wish to whiten specific clothes, soak the specific clothes in a mixture of water and vinegar overnight and wash the following day. Use two cups of vinegar against 5 cups of clean water. **Vinegar as a Hand Hygiene Solution**, Washing hands with distilled vinegar gets rid of debris and microorganisms that can cause diarrhea.

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Various Committee Heads

Various Volunteer Office Staff

Heads of Various Programs and

community service groups

Food Pantry, HM3, AA and NA

groups, Girl Scouts, Urban Minis-

tries, Members of Out of the Box

Community Theatre

Feeding the Community Physically & Spiritually

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