

The PresCryterian

Giving of Ourselves and Caring for one another. Shawnee Presbyterian Church Worships, Learns, and Serves our needy world together.

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SUNDAY WORSHIP;

Every Sunday at 10:30a.m. **Through Facebook**

OFFICE HOURS;

M-Th 9am-12:30pm; **Pastor Craig** is available throughout the day.

CHURCH STAFF;

Rev. Craig R. Gibson. Pastor;

Kelly Hackleman, Music Director;

Vonda Norman, Adm. **Assistant**

When are we able to worship in person again? Session met virtually last night (May 26) to consider this very question. It was decided that we should not gather together in person for worship until July 5 at the earliest. I know this news brings mixed reviews from our congregation. Please know our Facebook worship service at 10:30am Sunday will continue and the services remain on the church Facebook page to view at a later time and/or date of your choosing. We would like to encourage everyone to recommend family members and friends to see what we are doing by "Sharing" each service which will help spread not only the message of Jesus Christ in the worship, but also that our congregation remains present and active in the strange world we are living in.

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But I don't like what is happening and proposed. Simply said, I don't either. Session and I have discussed this and will continue discussing this during our time of separation right through our time of gathering together all to make sure we are doing the safest thing possible. The scenario playing out in our community and world shows that if we are not careful anyone of us can catch Covid19 and many of us will not do well in the recovery of the illness. We all will have the opportunity in the near future to express ourselves in a survey that will be available online and by paper. Please take the time to share with us your concerns, desires, and expectations as we move toward a time of normalcy.

Thank you everyone. Your patience and understanding during this time of uncertainty is greatly appreciated. I remind you as I remind myself the church is not the building, but is the presence of Christ found in the world today. We are and will continue to be the church and to follow our Lord and Savior.



We will be offering worship through our **Facebook page** throughout this time. https://www.facebook.com/Shawnee-Presbyterian-Church-PCUS 102224526487292/

It appears that our time of separation will continue for a while longer. During our time of social distancing we will continue to worship through our church's Facebook page. Services begin at 10:30am each Sunday and are available to view at a later time as they are posted on the page as well. We have heard many positive comments about the service.

If you have any challenges being able to see or sign on to the service please contact Pastor Craig for assistance.

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One request we do have is for everyone to "Comment" during the service so we know who all attended when we review the video later. There is some glitch that will tell us how many people have watched the service, but no names provided to us unless you comment with at least a "Hi" or "Good Morning."

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We are reaching many who have not been attending in-person and certainly do not want to lose this connection in the future.

Please share our church online service with any friends or family who may enjoy our worship. Again, can you imagine what we could grow to if we were intentional about sharing?



SUNDAY, MAY 31 WILL BE OUR 5TH SUNDAY GIVING

We will collect personal care and home care items for Shawnee Community Services. During the challenging time of staying at home during the Covid 19 Pandemic many families have had challenges keeping things together with personal care items quickly falling to the bottom of the list. Some items that might come to mind are soaps & shampoo, toothbrush and toothpaste,

feminine hygiene products, and diapers of all sizes (adult sizes too).

A collection box is available outside the front doors of the church.

FINANCIAL UPDATE - APRIL 2020 RESULTS

Overall our financial situation looks good, but let us remember our offerings are reduced during our time apart. Thank you for continuing to support our church. Thank you too for being good stewards with the resources we are blessed with.

April 2020 Financials Year-to-Date

Receipts \$7,499 \$74,831

Expenses \$11,125 \$47,537

Shawnee Presbyterian Church Office Hours are Mon.-

Thurs. 9 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

Pastor Craig is available throughout the day.

Pastor Craig can be reached at 913-631-6689 Ext.11 OR pastor@shawneepres.org.

If you have a pastoral emergency, call Pastor Craig at 918-346-0839.

Please call the office at 913-631-6689 or email the office at office@shawneepres.org.



Well, I've had about enough of this quarantine! It certainly hasn't been fun.
So I thought I would put a little fun in your life!
Each week (I wished I had started this earlier)
I will give you five trivia questions.
You will have to wait until the following week for the answers...
or you can do your own investigating! So here we go.

- 1. What note is the highest string on a violin?
- a. C
- b. A
- c. D
- d. E
- 2. What color is the little engine in the children's book, "The Little Engine That Could"?
- a. Red
- b. Yellow
- c. Blue
- d. Black
- 3. What type of animal is "Napoleon" in George Orwell's novel "Animal Farm"?
- a. Cow
- b. Sheep
- c. Pig
- d. Dog
- 4. What cartoon legend became the first licensed lunch box character back in 1935?
- a. Donald Duck
- b. Mickey Mouse
- c. Goofy
- d. Porky Pig
- 5. What musical featured the song "Sit Down You're Rockin' the Boat"?
- a. Showboat
- b. South Pacific
- c. Anything Goes
- d. Guys and Dolls

Hope everyone is doing fine, I miss seeing all of you!

"Until We <mark>Meet Again",</mark> Nancy Auf <mark>Der Heide</mark>



How to obtain the Facebook App for FREE:

If you DO NOT have a Facebook Page on your computer go to http://www.facebook.com OR download the Facebook app on your phone or tablet (available in your device's app store).

You will need to create a Facebook account which is FREE!!

All you need is your Name, email or phone number, create a password, and click Sign-up.

Once you are logged into Facebook, find the SEARCH Box (in the top left corner of the Facebook page) type in Shawnee Presbyterian Church (PCUSA) and enter or click search. This will pull up Shawnee Presbyterian Church's Facebook page.

You will need to LIKE this page. This is underneath the picture with a thumbs up to the left of the word LIKE.

You should be able to view past posts (Kelly has posted a few fun songs and history about the songs).

On Sunday's at 10:30am, you will find a LIVE of the service Pastor Craig and Kelly have put together. Turn the volume up and enjoy the service.

If you miss the 10:30am Sunday church service or you would like to watch it again or share it with a friend, you have the capability to watch it over, and over again.



Happy Retirement to the one and only Miss Barb (aka Barb Horner).

Barb Horner, long time member of Shawnee Presbyterian Church and Preschool Director has closed the chapter on teaching children. Barb created so many memories affecting many, many children across multiple states over the years. From teaching elementary in Missouri and Mississippi, to teaching preschool and running a fabulous preschool program here at Shawnee Presbyterian church for well over 20 years. Student that attended Shawnee Presbyterian Preschool were well socialized, ready for Kindergarten, and loved to come back to say hello to Miss Barb..

Thank you Miss Barb for your dedication and passion to each student over your tenure of teaching. Thank you for instilling life long values into the lives of children. THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!!!!

Enjoy your retirement! It is well deserved!

Shawnee Presbyterian Church



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PRAYER LIST

Please share your prayer requests w/ Pastor Craig

**Maxine Lewis is home recovering from a series of surgeries (only one was expected).

**Louella Powers is recovering from having a Pacemaker placed.

**Bev Randazzo will have knee replacement surgery June 15. Her friend Diane and the family will be chipping in to help out Bev and John.

**Donna Wernes has experienced another loss as her cousin passed away suddenly.

**Stephen Richardson's father passed away. Services will be at Southminster Presbyterian Church when gathering are possible.

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The PresCryterian is published once a month on the 4th Wednesday. The deadline for articles is 9:00 am on Monday the week of publication. You can submit your article via e-mail, office@shawneepres.org, or place it in the folder on the office door.

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Medical Equipment available for church members and family. Did you know that our church has a collection of assistive medical equipment available if you or your loved one has need. Our collection currently has crutches, wheel chairs, bath chairs, toilet risers, and walkers. If you have need for such an item (short or long term) please know these are available for you to borrow. Donations to this collection are accepted, but please make sure the donated item is in a condition at least as good as you would want for your own use. These items are being stored in the Purple Room upstairs (farthest door on the right) If you have any questions please contact Vonda or Pastor Craig.



