



The PresCruetian

*Giving of Ourselves and Caring for one another.
Shawnee Presbyterian Church Worship, Learn, 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

A clear answer to the question of "What Now?" has yet to be answered. I guess in bringing this up at all means I am looking to you for the answers to really hard questions. I'm not talking just about when the church might open back up to in person worship and activities. When all of this quarantine and shut down began I thought I understood we would return to our regularly scheduled programming at some point in the future, but I don't see that being the case in any area of our daily life. So again I ask "What Now?"

It really bothers me to try to talk through a face mask, but it bothers me even more to not know if the person I am talking with is smiling or frowning. The other day I was working with someone on a project and at the end of our working together he reached out and I shook his hand. Goodness, I touched another person and they aren't in my immediate family. "What now?" Do I immediately go wash my hands getting rid of any reminder of this physical contact that was actually meant as a thank you for my presence and assistance in this project?

I spoke with Kinsey Walters about this following a long day of her providing dental care. This is scary stuff. When will it get better enough for us to return to our own sanctuary? What will our worship look like when we do? How soon can we have a potluck meal in Fellowship Hall? "What now?" When will all of this differentness go away?

I ask each of us to consider how this same question has been asked by those who have lost jobs and incomes. I ask each of us to consider how this same question has been asked by those who live in undesirable homes with pests and monthly choices of which utility to turn back on for now.

I ask each of us to consider how this same question has been asked by those who have to live extra carefully because of their skin color or gender or gender orientation. "What Now?"

Does God understand what we are going through? How long will God put up with this? Doesn't God understand how much of an inconvenience and challenge our daily life is? Then I am reminded the words of Romans 8:38-39 "For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord." We were never promised an easy comfortable life. We are asked to trust God and Jesus Christ and to follow in the teachings. We are reminded that no matter if we live with a large family or in a home by our self we are never truly alone for God is with us.

So I leave you with the same question "What Now?" Just as the people throughout the ages have asked this same question I leave you the same answer; we are not alone. Emmanuel, God with us. So I leave you with the blessing of this great presence in our wilderness. Know that you are remembered and loved in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

In Ministry Together, Pastor Craig

— WATCH AT HOME —
ONLINE SERVICE



We will be offering worship through our [Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/Shawnee-Presbyterian-Church-PCUSA-102224526487292/) throughout this time.
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Shawnee Presbyterian Church will continue to
Suspend in-person worship through
Sunday, July 12th at the earliest.
Session will be meeting on
Monday, July 13th to assess worshipping together.

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One request we do have is for everyone to comment “Good Morning”, or “Hello” during the service so that we know who all attended when we review the video later. Please share our church online service with any friends or family who may enjoy our worship.

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

FINANCIAL UPDATE – MAY 2020 RESULTS

Thank you for continuing to support our church. Thank you too for being good stewards with the resources we are blessed with.

	May 2020 Financials	Year-to-Date
Receipts	\$7,144	\$81,975
Expenses	\$16,316	\$63,853

Please contact Chris Nelson, Finance Committee Chair, at (913) 602-4235 or

christopher.nelson@sbcglobal.net if you have any questions/concerns about this report.

If you haven't driven by the Shawnee Presbyterian Church sign along 69th Street you should take a look now. The efforts Linda Hague put into sprucing up the sign are being realized.

Brook Meyers has offered to put solar lights into the mix. Once they are in place you'll be able to see the sign in the evenings as well.

Great job Linda!

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.

**Office
Hours**

Trivia Corner

Each week 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.

Answers to Trivia Week 4:

- 1) Which of these animals were used in the 1900 Olympics? D. Pigeons
- 2) In 1558, what did Pope Paul IV order done to Michelangelo's "Last Judgement" in the Sistine Chapel? D. He ordered clothes painted onto the nude figures
- 3) How many bees equal the weight of one M&M plain chocolate candy?
B. 9
- 4) In 2003 Crayola came out with a Special Edition 100 crayon box, celebrating 100 years. (Which I have!) Which of these colors was retired and not included in the box?
C. Magic Mint
- 5) What is a "carpetbag" steak stuffed with? C. Oysters

Trivia Week 5

- 1) What year was the first beach ball invented?
A) 1922
B) 1976
C) 938
D) 1912
- 2) What is the top selling item of the summer?
A) Sunglasses
B) Swimsuits
C) Hats
D) Movie Theater tickets
- 3) The artist formerly known as "Prince" composed music for the soundtrack of what 1989 superhero film?
A) Superman
B) Batman
C) Spiderman
D) Duckman
- 4) What does the "M" stand for in the "Wally World National Anthem"?
A) Magical
B) Morty
C) Merry
D) Moose
- 5) New Jersey's new roller coaster Zumanjaro: Drop of Doom, drops its riders a record-breaking height that is equivalent to how many stories?
A) 30
B) 36
C) 39
D) 41

Hope everyone is doing well, I miss seeing all of you!
Nancy Auf Der Heide

July Birthdays

7/3—Lois Carnahan
7/4—Ken Chipman
7/5—Wendy Nelson
7/7—Reta Ousdahl
7/9—Liz Gibson
7/12—Russ Case
7/19—Pat Straight
7/25—Maxine Lewis
7/25—Steve Stuart
7/28—Joe Thimes
7/29—Dennis Sexton
7/30—Mike Bridge



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.

I teach
Sunday School
what's your
superpower?

Sunday School Teachers

S.O.S. The children's ministry is in need of TWO Sunday school teachers.

You would be asked to teach 4-5 times a year (September-May) with summers off (June-August).

Your pay is simply the gratitude of our church and the laughing and hugs from our students. Anyone and everyone is qualified; even choir members, we can work around your singing performance in the service.

To borrow a line from Uncle Sam,
"WE NEED YOU".

Please contact Marge Clark at 913-522-4797 or margeclark5@gmail.com.

What a fun way to give back to the church.

PRAYER LIST: Please share your prayer requests w/ Pastor Craig

**Dorothy Morris fell and hurt her arm. Medications became an issue with a chemical imbalance. She was hospitalized. Home Health is helping her.

**Bev Randazzo is recovering smoothly with knee replacement. Her friend Diane is staying at the house with Bev and John. Jack reports that the other knee may not need to be replaced now due to less stress since the knee replacement.

**Kai Arnold is doing well. He was born prematurely.

**Chris Nelson reports that his grandbabies are doing well and a joy.

**Stephen Richardson is having issues with his father's passing. His brother has been diagnosed with ALS.

Joe Grinstead and Karen Swisher will be moving towards the end of July/early August **possibly.

**Caroline (once with our choir) is having issues and is hospitalized.



