



Fairgreen Leaves

MAY/JUNE 2020

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Dear Fairgreen Congregation,

I pray this letter finds you and your family healthy and happy today. Each one of you has been lifted up in prayer by members of the Session, the staff and by many in the congregation during this trying time of worry and social distancing.

In response to the current pandemic emergency, we have not been able to hold worship services or meetings in person since mid-March and we anticipate this to continue for a while longer. But the Pastor Nominating Committee has been hard at work since last May and didn't want the results of their pastor search to be delayed any longer.

It is with great pleasure that the Session of Fairgreen Presbyterian Church announces the hiring of Rev. William (Bill) S. Dunifon as our new Pastor and Head of Staff! Bill will begin his full-time ministry here at Fairgreen on May 4, 2020. We expect your initial introduction to Bill will take place through online worship services, Bible studies, video conferencing, phone calls, postcards and prayer cards. Bill is eager and excited to meet everyone and to help lead and guide our congregation, not only during this unusual time, but for many years to come.

I have provided some background information about Bill, which you can read in a separate document within this newsletter. He brings his deep faith, vast knowledge, education and life experiences to us, and we will all be blessed by getting to know him as we go forth in our faith journeys together.

Our by-laws require an in-person vote by the congregation to complete the hiring of a Called and Installed Pastoral position. Since this won't be possible for quite some time due to the pandemic, the PNC, the Session and the Maumee Valley Presbytery agreed to hire Bill as a Temporary Pastor (which is a specific title used by our denomination) and only requires a vote by the Session. This is NOT the same as an interim pastor.

As soon as the pandemic emergency restrictions are lifted, we have agreed with Bill and the Presbytery to present Bill as the sole candidate for our next Called and Installed Pastor so that we can have his call to Fairgreen affirmed by a vote of the congregation.

Please join us in giving Bill, and his wonderful wife Dorothy, a warm welcome to Fairgreen. Hopefully, sooner than later, we can meet together to rejoice in the blessings that God provides and spread the love and good news of our Lord Jesus Christ!

On Behalf of the Session and
In Service to Christ,

Peg Winslow
Clerk of Session

BRIEF BIO OF REV. BILL DUNIFON

Bill was born in Columbus, Ohio, but the family tired of Columbus winters. Bill did most of his "growing up" in Ft. Lauderdale, where the family lived for 35 years. During a summer vacation from college (Stetson University) Bill, along with dozens of others, got a job as an "extra" in a couple of beach movies. After two years active duty in the Army Artillery, Bill followed the "call" inspired by Roy Burkhart and Sam Orlandi and migrated to Princeton Seminary. His first parish was in Howell, Michigan, where he met some professors from the University of Michigan during a series of workshops offered by the church for parents and teens. He was invited to a doctoral program at Michigan where he taught grad students and served as an assistant dean. During his time at Michigan he got to know Bo Schembechler and a few other coaches through his work as a dean. So, the original Ohio State kid turned out to be a long time Michigan partisan and great fan of college sports. In general, this was a natural evolution as Bill was the sports editor for his college paper and had a sports radio show.



Pastor Bill & Dorothy Dunifon

Bill has been a faithful servant throughout his career, continuing to work closely with congregations and presbyteries during his years in the educational field. He believes the church is not a building, or even a fixed location, but consists of God's people, wherever they find themselves, doing what God is calling them to do. He also believes that Bible study and preaching are important but that the most effective preaching or teaching we do is through our behavior; through our actions; through what we do in the wider world as we engage other people. So, what Roy Burkhart at First Community Church and Sam Orlandi at Second Presbyterian Church ignited has led to the wonderful chances we have to share and pursue ministries here at Fairgreen. Bill's wife, Dorothy will be exploring those opportunities with all the rest of us.

Here is a message from Bill: "I pray for wisdom and insight and energy for each one of us that we may have the courage to engage what God has placed before us. It will be fun and exciting to walk these pathways together led, challenged, and sustained by the Holy Spirit!"

**"For I know the plans
I have for you,"
declares the LORD,
"plans to prosper you
and *not* to harm you,
plans to give you
hope and a future."
~Jeremiah 29:11~**

SESSION SUMMARY by Peg Winslow

Special Session Meeting Held on February 25, 2020:

Motion: to approve the presentation of tonight's candidate to the congregation (date yet to be determined), to be the next called Pastor of Fairgreen Presbyterian Church. M/S/P

Motion: to permit the PNC to negotiate the Terms of Call with the pastoral candidate, with a cash salary/housing allowance up to \$40,000. If the need arises to go above this amount, the request will be brought before Session. M/S/P

Motion: to adjourn. M/S/P

Regular Session Meeting Held on March 3, 2020:

Motion: to approve the meeting agenda for March 3, 2020. M/S/P

Motion: to approve the minutes, as revised, of the regular Session meeting held on February 4, 2020. M/S/P

Motion: to approve the minutes of the Special Session meeting held on February 25, 2020. M/S/P

Special Session Meeting Held on Sunday, March 15, 2020:

Motion: to accept the Terms of Call for our next pastor, which have been proposed by the Pastor Nominating Committee, as outlined in the minutes of today's meeting. M/S/P

Motion: to call a Congregational Meeting for April 19, 2020, the purpose of which is to present the candidate to the congregation, and vote on the Terms of Call. M/S/P

Motion: to table a decision about continuing the paychecks for the preschool teaching staff during the school's emergency pandemic shut down, which began on March 16, 2020. M/S/P

Motion: to adjourn. M/S/P

Electronic (email) Motions During the Emergency Pandemic Shut Down:

3/17/20 Motion: to cancel Fairgreen Presbyterian Church worship services through April 5, 2020 (Palm Sunday). Motion Passed.

3/18 Motion: to approve payment of two weeks wages to all staff (both church and preschool), thus providing some compensation during the Corona Virus shut down. Motion Passed.

3/20/20 Motion: to suspend all group activities at Fairgreen from Friday, March 20, 2020 through Sunday, April 5, 2020 due to the global COVID-19 pandemic. This includes all committee meetings, share groups and social events. Motion Passed.

3/24/20 Motion: To hire Rev. William S. Dunifon as a Temporary Pastor at Fairgreen Presbyterian Church, to begin on May 4, 2020. Once the State of Ohio "stay at home" orders are lifted and it is safe to begin worshipping in person, we will announce a date for a Congregational Meeting, with the purpose of moving from a Temporary Pastoral relationship to one of Called and Installed Pastoral relationship. Motion Passed.

Regular Session Meeting Held on April 7, 2020 via Zoom:

Motion: to cancel the Congregational Meeting (due to the COVID-19 emergency pandemic) that had been planned for April 19, 2020. M/S/P

Motion: to cancel the Easter Sunrise Service on Sunday, April 12, 2020. M/S/P

Motion: to continue compensation of wages for the church employees during the emergency pandemic, until further notice, as each are continuing to work either from home or at the church. M/S/P

Motion: to adjourn. M/S/P

Electronic (email) Motions During the Emergency Pandemic Shut Down:

4/10/20: Motion: to continue the preschool staff wages during the pandemic (exact number of weeks to be determined), with the anticipation of receiving the federal stimulus payroll funding. Motion Passed.

4/10/20 Motion: to grant permission to the preschool staff to hold a drive through parade (in April or May, 2020) for the students and their families. Motion Passed.

4/16/20 Motion: to furlough all staff (church and preschool) during the pandemic and until the emergency restrictions are lifted by the State of Ohio, and the Fairgreen Session feels it is appropriate for our employees to return to work safely. If, at a later date, Fairgreen receives any of the federal Payroll Protection Program funds, we can provide retroactive wages to our staff. In addition, the hourly church employees are asked to track their actual hours worked during this furlough, describe the tasks they have done, and submit their hours to the Personnel Chairperson. They will be paid for their actual hours worked, not to exceed their normal weekly hours, on the next regularly scheduled payday. These hours will then be deducted from any PPP pay that is paid retroactively. The preschool hourly employees have already been paid through April 11, 2020 and the church hourly employees will be paid their regular hours through April 17, 2020. Motion Passed.

APRIL BLESSINGS by Linda Hoover

***A QUOTE FROM MOTHER TERESA:
"DO SMALL THINGS WITH GREAT LOVE."***



Instead of a Carol's Cupboard feature this month, it seemed appropriate and necessary to reflect upon many of the blessings that not only are part of the food pantry, but part of our church life, and community health concerns.

The biggest blessing of surprise and God's great timing for Carol's Cupboard was the opportunity to replace the two old chest freezers with two new and efficient stand-up freezers. Fortunately in March, Lutheran Social Services provided a sum of \$750 which we could use to immediately purchase a freezer. After purchasing approval from Memorial Committee, a second freezer was ordered. Both freezers were delivered free on March 11, for a final cost of \$749 for each one. Fred Nordhoff arranged the recycling of the freezer chests, and the Buildings and Grounds funds received \$150 for the two.

The food pantry closed as of March 13. Linda has been serving those who are from the church or are pantry volunteers who have contacted her. Appointments are made and food packed for pick-up at the door. In this time of need, call Linda at 419-343-8113.

A Beautiful Blessing blooms in the church garden! If you have not witnessed the masses of daffodils raising yellow heads to God with Easter Glory, stop by the garden, and take in the joy! It may be a place of serenity and prayer in this time of uncertainty.

Today I heard a reminder on KLOVE that sits solidly in my soul. Asking what we have taken for granted, and what we will be looking forward to enjoying again, encouraged a long list from listeners. It is true; we have missed the life we were used to, but I have reflected about and am inspired by what we have the opportunity to accomplish, to value, and to participate in.

The stories of compassion and creative goodwill of people of all kinds and ages are amazing. Even the TV commercials are evolving to focus on encouragement, and inspirational messages. What is God placing in your mind? How is he nudging you to add to the movement of togetherness and the mounting demonstration of acts of kindness.

WHAT ARE YOUR TALENTS AND CALLINGS?

- * Make a call to someone you have not seen for awhile.... a church member, a relative, a friend, a neighbor!
- * Send a card of encouragement to someone struggling, a card of love to someone ill or alone, send a giggle or fun email/ text to someone who needs joy.
- * Drop a small surprise gift off at somebody's door.
- * Put a chalk message of love on someone's sidewalk.
- * Make masks, bake cookies for the fire station, give notes of thanks to the post office workers, challenge yourself to thank every essential worker you come across (even the cashier at a fast food place, a stocker at the store, or a refuse worker).
- * Pray, (constantly) for every essential worker you can possibly think of. Pay attention and be attune to all those who are providing our lives with a sense of normalcy and work with commitment to the point of exhaustion.

FINALLY: Jon Husted, the Lieutenant Governor of Ohio, quoted Galatians 6:9 on air during the daily 2:00pm news conference with Governor DeWine. Kudos to him for his bold spirituality. Check out the scripture he chose. It is worth reading daily.

May 2020

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
ELDERS OF THE MONTH ~ Joyce Koback & Sheila Ortmann WORSHIP ~ 10AM					1 *Bonnie Buehrer No Food Pantry	2 *Jeffrey Buehrer & Family
3 *The Scott Burtch Family Communion 10am Worship	4 *Ken & Pat Close Church Office Closed	5 *Beverly Crammond 6:30pm Session Mtg.	6 *Jeff DeVaul	7 *Erika Dunn	8 *David & Sharon Durrant No Food Pantry	9 *Jim Eaton 9am-11:30am Men's Prayer & Bible Study on Zoom
10 *Eric & Angela Emens & Family 10am Worship Happy Mother's Day	11 *Pat & Chuck Gibson Church Office Closed	12 *Danilo & Felicia Gonzales & Family	13 *Linda Gregory	14 *Michael Henning	15 *William Henning No Food Pantry	16 *Dale Herren 9am-11:30am Men's Prayer & Bible Study on Zoom
17 *Gary & Karen Herren Communion 10am Worship	18 *Linda Hoover Church Office Closed	19 *Sally Kille	20 *Joyce Koback	21 *Aimee Leu & Family	22 *John & Nancy MacPherson No Food Pantry	23 *Marilyn McAfee
24 *Catherine McCornack 10am Worship	25 *Agnes McKinstry Church Office Closed Memorial Day	26 *Jeremy & Jodi Methena & Family	27 *Julie Murray	28 *Derek Nordhoff	29 *Fred & Patti Nordhoff No Food Pantry	30 *Sheila Ortmann
31 *Lynn Panyuscik 10am Worship	<p>*Denotes the day to pray for each of these individuals and families.</p> <p>Wednesday Bible Studies at 3pm will be conducted on Zoom and Saturday Men's Prayer & Bible Study on May 9 & 16 will be conducted on Zoom at 9am. If you are interested in being a part of either of these two please contact Mike Roadruck.</p> <p>Sunday Services can be viewed on our church website and Facebook. Pastor Bill Dunifon will be conducting the service on Sunday, May 10 and each Sunday there after. The website and Facebook information is on the back page of this newsletter.</p> <p>We will keep you informed of any changes through email or phone for those who do not have email.</p>					

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Barb Roadruck	May 2	Jeff Wilczynski	May 16
Fred Nordhoff	May 3	Jack Storey	May 22
Connie Winslow	May 8	Brooklyn Swartz	May 24
Ron Wu	May 13	Don Gorrell	May 29
Luke James	May 14	Austin Rogers	May 31
Pat Gibson	May 15		

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Tom & Darlene Hughes	May 4
Jeff & Rachel Buehrer	May 17

June 2020

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 *Sharon Peoples Church Office Closed	2 *Jody Peterman & Family 3pm Eaglestone Bible Study 6pm Prayers of Discernment 6:30pm Session Mtg.	3 *Alyssa Pope 3pm Bible Study	4 *Charlene Ravenscraft Frankly Speaking 1-3:30pm in the Commons "Nutrition & Exercise"	5 *Mike & Barb Roadruck 10-12pm Food Pantry	6 *Chris Roebuck
7 *Melanie Rogers & Family Communion 10am Worship	8 *Dick Schroeder Church Office Closed	9 *Desiree Seevers 3pm Eaglestone Bible Study	10 *Shannon & Wade Smith-Lee 3pm Bible Study	11 *Stephen Stambaugh	12 *John & Ginny Storey 10-12pm Food Pantry	13 *Scott Strayer 9am-11:30am Men's Prayer Breakfast & Study
14 *Judy Stuart 10am Worship	15 *Joshua & Donna Tillman & Family Church Office Closed	16 *Steve & Kendy Vamos 3pm Eaglestone Bible Study	17 *Zandra Williams & Family 3pm Bible Study	18 *Aaron Winslow	19 *Tom Winslow 10-12pm Food Pantry	20 *Peg & Dan Winslow 9am-11:30am Men's Prayer Breakfast & Study
21 *Connie Winslow Communion 10am Worship Worship begins in the Commons Father's Day Ice Cream Social right	22 *Betty Wolff Church Office Closed	23 *Ron & Isabella Wu 3pm Eaglestone Bible Study	24 *PCUSA 3pm Bible Study	25 *Our Leaders	26 *Our President 10-12pm Food Pantry	27 *Medical Staff
28 *All Churches 10am Worship	29 *All families who lost loved ones during Covid-19 Church Office Closed	30 *For our Pastors 3pm Eaglestone Bible Study & Communion	ELDERS OF THE MONTH ~ Dale Herren & WORSHIP ~ 10AM COFFEE HOUR ~ 11:15AM *Denotes the day to pray for each of these individuals and families. Until the Covid-19 virus ban is lifted we will continue to use Zoom for our Wednesday Bible Studies at 3pm and also for the Men's Prayer & Bible Study at 9am on Saturday, May 13 & 20. The Eaglestone Bible Study will not take place if the ban isn't lifted. Also the Food Pantry will only start up if the ban is lifted. The same will be for the Sunday Services. We will keep you informed through email or phone for those who do not have email.			

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Ken Bennett June 1
Preston Parsons June 5
Karen Herren June 6
Kay Amendola June 7
Joe Murray II June 9

Kingsley Methena June 13
Patti Nordhoff June 17
Crystal Acain June 17
Scott Burtch June 18
Gardy Bandfield June 18

Michael Henning June 22
William Henning June 22
Brody Buehrer June 22
Mark James June 26
Isabel Bosley-Smith June 27

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Jack & Ginny Storey June 26



WORD SEARCH

Try to find the words from Psalm 91 in the word search below. Words may go diagonal, up OR down and forward OR backward.

F A I V D R O L Q C I R D F C
 F A S E H U L G O I O L W B S
 M X A Z J E S Z R E S C U E L
 H A L L E M H I A T S U R T E
 H F V P D W E L L I N G V G G
 D R A U G E L I O N J K B V N
 B Z T A R K T U U N I Y S Q A
 Y F I H H S E R T X U T A B T
 R F O A N R R C P Q L H N F T
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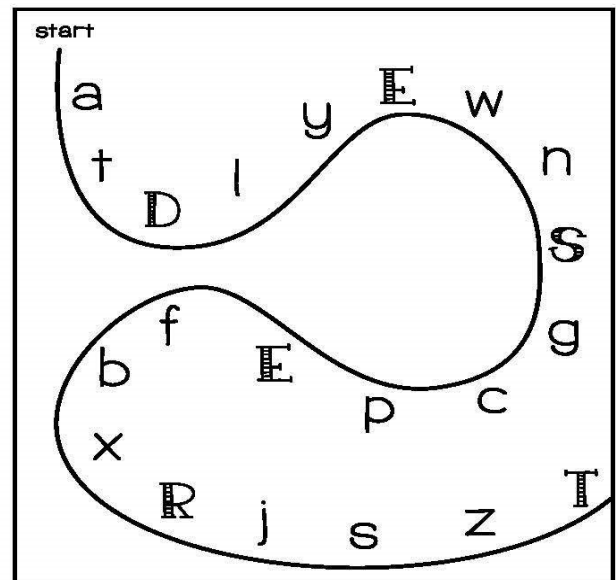
SHELTER
 ALMIGHTY
 LORD
 REFUGE
 FORTRESS
 TRUST

DWELLING
 TENT
 ANGELS
 GUARD
 LION
 SERPENT

LOVE
 DELIVER
 PROTECT
 ANSWER
 RESCUE
 SALVATION

FOLLOW the PATH

After his baptism, where does Jesus go and face temptation? Follow the path of letters, and each time you come to a capital letter, write that letter down at the bottom of the page. When you get to the end of the path, see the place spelled out below.



A SPECIAL THANK YOU!



Hello to all my Fairgreen Family,

It's so nice to be back at worship with all of you. I only got to be there a few Sundays when everyone was told to stay at home.

The time I was out with my hip replacement surgery was made so much more pleasant for me with all the prayers, phone calls, and beautiful cards sent to me. When you are in the midst of a crisis, the power of your love and the comfort of your prayers is so wonderful.

Thank you all so much for all your love. The power of the Holy Spirit was with me through your love. FAIRGREEN FAMILY YOU ARE AMAZING!!!!!! I LOVE ALL OF YOU, AND CAN'T THANK YOU ENOUGH. Well done, Good and faithful servants.

Love,
Charlene Ravenscraft



We on the Mission and Outreach Team wanted to share with you a few things regarding the Samaritan Purse Ministry.

Perhaps you have seen on television the big white tents that are being erected in New York City's Central Park by Samaritan Purse. They are also being sent to the state of Washington for use of additional beds for non Covid-19 patients.

Franklin Graham, Billy Graham's grandson also has been on television asking for sinners to repent and accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.

Both of these events are a part of the Samaritan Purse that you/we have funded by your donations thru the Shoebox Ministry.

Please consider now or later to increase your donation to these important missions and thanks for being part of the solution in this pandemic time.



For the month of May there will be no Eaglestone Bible Study at this time. The Wednesday Bible Studies at 3pm and the Men's Prayer and Bible Study on Saturday May 9 & 16 will be done on Zoom. Contact Mike Roadruck if your interested in either of these two events.

When the Covid-19 virus ban gets lifted by Governor DeWine, then the following Studies will take place on the dates listed.

Many Opportunities Available to Study God's Word

Tuesday's June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Eaglestone Bible Study at 3pm

(7367 Eaglestone Blvd., Lambertville, MI)

Wednesday's June 3, 10, 17, 24

Fairgreen Bible Study at 3pm

in the Lounge at Fairgreen

Saturday's May 9, 16 & June 13, 20

**"Men's Prayer Breakfast and Bible Study"
from 9am-11:30am**

in the Lounge at Fairgreen



The Church Office will be closed on these Holiday dates:

Monday, May 25 ~ Memorial Day

Friday, July 3 ~ Day Before Independence Day



Our **Summer Worship Services** will be held in the Commons starting **Sunday, June 21, 2020** and will continue through **August 23, 2020**.

We invite you to join us each Sunday at 10am in a cool air-conditioned atmosphere.



**ICE CREAM SOCIAL
TO HONOR ALL OF OUR DADS**

On **Sunday, June 21**, right after the service, we will be **honoring** all of our **Dads**, and invite everyone else to join us for an **Ice Cream Social** in the Commons.

So mark your calendars and bring your ice cream appetites. This will take place only if the Covid-19 virus ban has been lifted.



SAVE THE DATE!
SUNDAY, JULY 26TH
FOR OUR ANNUAL
CHURCH PICNIC

More details to come!

We Love Our Shut-Ins

We do not want to ignore our shut-ins or have them think we have forgotten them...so we are listing two of our shut-ins and we are asking everyone to send a card (or two), or even a phone call to them. We will list two names every newsletter with their addresses for your convenience so they will know that we are thinking and praying for them.

Betty Wolff
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Springfield, OH 45502

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Worship Service
10:00am

Coffee Hour
11:15am

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Young 5's
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Terri Turner, Director

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