Announcements

April 5, 2020

This week

Sunday, April 5 - Palm Sunday

8:30AM – Worship Service – YouTube Live

10:45AM - Worship Service - YouTube Live

1:00PM - Rush UMC Coffee Hour on Zoom Video

5:00PM - Youth Group via *GroupMe*

Tuesday, April 7

6:30AM – Men's Bible Study

10:00AM - Zoom: Rush UMC Connections

7:00PM - Zoom: Rush UMC Connections

Wednesday, April 8

1:00PM – Staff Meeting via Zoom Video

Thursday, April 9 – Maundy Thursday

10:00AM - Zoom: Rush UMC Connections

4:00PM - Maundy Thursday Service - YouTube Live

5:00PM - Curbside Communion at Rush UMC, until 7:00PM

7:00PM – Zoom: Rush UMC Connections

Friday, April 10 – Good Friday

7:00PM - Good Friday Service - YouTube Live

Saturday, April 11

8:30AM – Leadership Ministry Team Meeting via Zoom Video

Looking Ahead

Sunday, April 12 – Easter Sunday

8:30AM – Worship Service – YouTube Live

10:45AM - Worship Service - YouTube Live

1:00PM - Rush UMC Coffee Hour on Zoom Video

Tuesday, April 14

6:30AM – Men's Bible Study

10:00AM – Zoom: Rush UMC Connections

7:00PM - Zoom: Rush UMC Connections

Wednesday, April 15

9:15AM – A Meal & More Soup Kitchen

Thursday, April 16

10:00AM – Zoom: Rush UMC Connections

7:00PM – Zoom: Rush UMC Connections

For more information see "His Faithful Followers" newsletter; copies available on Eagle Isle in the Church Lobby.

Announcements

Cancelled or Postponed Due to the Coronavirus

All group events and activities at Rush UMC have been cancelled or postponed until further notice. Worship Services are available on YouTube Live at the service times or on YouTube anytime. Go to

the church website, www.rushumc.com, for information on events being held on Zoom, a video conferencing venue.

Contact Pastor Todd to take your meeting or gathering online!

Easter Memorial Plants

To celebrate the Resurrection and remember/honor a loved one, why not order an Easter Plant? Even though we will not be worshiping in person, flowering plants will grace our sanctuary with their beauty on Easter Sunday, April 12. To order "Memorial/In Honor of" plants call the church office at 533-2170. Orders must be placed on or before Tuesday, April 7. The prices are as follows:

Lilies – 5+ Blooms \$8.75 Lilies – 8" pot Doubles \$17.50 Hydrangeas - 4+ blooms \$17.00 Hyacinths - 6" pots \$6.50

The price includes foil pot covers. When you order, please print clearly the information you would like in the bulletin on Easter Sunday.

Holy Week and Easter Services

Maundy Thursday Service: 4PM on YouTube Live, Communion will be served from 5 - 6PM curb side, with home delivery or your own bread and juice

Good Friday Service: 7PM on YouTube Live

Easter Sunday Services: 8:30 and 10:45AM on YouTube Live

Go to church website for the YouTube Live link.

Ways to Give Without Being Physically Present at Worship

- 1. Mail your check to the church
- 2. Sign up through VANCO on the church website, www.rushumc.com, to send an electronic donation, either through your checking account (ACH) or a credit card (additional fees apply)
- 3. Send an electronic payment through your bank

Even though we are not holding in person worship services, our day to day expenses, including payroll, continue and need to be met. We are monitoring our extraneous spending to keep it minimal. We appreciate your help keeping our income steady.

Jerusalem Fund

"Our church family helping our church and community families."

The Jerusalem Fund was set up to assist any of our own church families who encounter an unexpected crisis. Assistance is given in the form of a loan with no follow up for repayment. The loan is given on the expectation that the family will repay the amount when and if they are able.

If you are in a position to make a donation, please put your check or money in a church envelope stating it is for the Jerusalem Fund. You can also donate through VANCO, a link on the church website.

If you encounter a family crisis where some help will assist in relieving the stress, please contact or send a formal request to Pastor Todd or leave it in the church office. At this time, we have about \$800.00 in the fund. Your donations are gratefully appreciated.

PromiseLand Book and Silent Auctions

With the cancellation of the PromiseLand Spaghetti Dinner and Live Auction, we are looking for ways to offset the loss of several thousand dollars of income from that event, one of PromiseLand's major fund-raisers.

To help raise additional funds, we will continue to accept donations for the Book Auction until April 8.

1. If you didn't get an opportunity to donate initially, please consider now.

- 2. If you donated something initially (batch of cookies, cake, etc.), and you would be able to support multiple winners, please let us know.
- 3. If you were going to donate something for the Live Auction, please consider donating that item to the Book Auctions.
- 4. E-mail Bill Stambaugh your donation at: bnbstam@frontiernet.net

The book will be available on April 10. Bidding for both the Book Auction and Silent Auction will end on May 1.

Go to the church website, www.rushumc.org, for a link to photos of Silent Auction items and the bid sheet for the Book Auction. Thank you for your support of PromiseLand, Rush UMC's Christian outreach to the community.

Rush UMC Connections

As this pandemic grows and brings hourly changes, let us strengthen our church, serve and love our neighbors, and return thanks to God!

Rush UMC Connections, every Tuesday and Thursday, each morning and evening, video chat with family, friends, and members of the Rush UMC.

10:00 am T/Th https://www.rushumc.com/rush-umc-connections-t-th-am

7:00 pm T/Th https://www.rushumc.com/rush-umc-connections-t-th-7pm

1:00pm Sunday https://zoom.us/j/597867115, bring your own coffee and cookies!

Zoom Video: Easy to use on laptops, desktops, phones, and tablets

Draw close, find strength, love neighbors, and love God. Pastor Todd will host each open session.

Invite others to join us; no passwords necessary. We will check in with each other, engage in prayer, and identify needs in our community that we can meet. All are welcome!

Sunday Schedule - Modified

8:30AM: Worship Service – Live Stream and YouTube

10:45AM: Worship Service – Live Stream and YouTube

1:00PM: Rush UMC Connections Coffee Hour – Zoom Video

5:00PM: Youth Group via *GroupMe*

Upcoming Activities & Meetings

Sunday, April 5: Palm Sunday: 8:30 and 10:45AM: Worship Services: YouTube Live; 1PM:

Rush UMC Coffee Hour on Zoom Video; **5PM:** Youth Group via *GroupMe*

Tuesday, April 7: 6:30AM: Men's Bible Study; 10AM and 7PM: Zoom: Rush UMC Connections Wednesday, April 8: 1PM: Staff Meeting via Zoom Video

Thursday, April 9: Maundy Thursday: 10AM and 7PM: Zoom: Rush UMC Connections; 4PM: Maundy Thursday Service: YouTube Live; 5PM: Curbside Communion at Rush UMC, until 7:00PM

Friday, April 10: Good Friday: 7PM: Good Friday Service: YouTube Live

Saturday, April 11: 8:30AM: Leadership Ministry Team Meeting via Zoom Video

Sunday, April 12: Easter Sunday: 8:30 and 10:45AM: Worship Services: YouTube Live; 1PM: Rush UMC Coffee Hour on Zoom Video

Tuesday, April 14: 6:30AM: Men's Bible Study; **10AM and 7PM:** Zoom: Rush UMC Connections **Wednesday, April 15: 9:15AM:** A Meal & More Soup Kitchen "Grab & Go"

Thursday, April 16: 10AM and 7PM: Zoom: Rush UMC Connections

Sunday, April 19: Easter Sunday: 8:30 and 10:45AM: Worship Services: YouTube Live; 1PM: Rush UMC Coffee Hour on Zoom Video; 5PM: Youth Group via *GroupMe*

Tuesday, April 21: 6:30AM: Men's Bible Study; 10AM and 7PM: Zoom: Rush UMC Connections Wednesday, April 22: 1PM: Staff Meeting via Zoom Video

Thursday, April 23: 10AM and 7PM: Zoom: Rush UMC Connections; 5PM: May Newsletter Article Deadline

RUMC Guatemala Trip 2020 Fundraising

We are excited to be partnering with FUN PASTA FUNDRAISING! Shop now and order some creative, delicious pasta goodies. It's simple, and you'll love the selection - great for any special occasion or just for yourself! This fund raiser allows you to order safely online and have the products delivered straight to your house. This would make a great care package to send to love ones! They have many fun shapes and different products, including gluten free. We can use some fun right now! RUMC Guatemala Trip 2020 (ctrl+click)

Super Sale Updates

The Super Sale is asking that you hold all your donations until further notice. We are being overly cautious in that there is so much we still don't know about how the virus is spread. Our next sale is scheduled for May 1 and 2 providing we can have one. We hope to be able let you know as soon as possible when you can bring in your donations again. If you are a shed volunteer, please do not sort the bags. We still need to handle them to make sure there are no hangers, housewares or electrical items in the bags. We have put gloves in the shed to keep you protected when going through the bags. Any questions please contact Leola or Britta.

Nursery Substitutes Are Needed

In the event our regular nursery attendant is not available, we are in need of people willing to step in. This is a minimum wage paid position. See Alethea Coulter to offer your assistance.

Calendar/Additional Announcements

Weekly calendar and additional announcements are available on the web site and Rush Tidings. Copies of the weekly calendar are on Eagle Island.

April 2020 issues of "His Faithful Followers" are on Eagle Island

Mission Opportunities

Rush Church provides extensive outreach activities and missions. Contact the church office to learn more and find your niche.

Weekly Financial Report

Be rooted and built up in him, be established in faith, and overflow with thanksgiving just as you were taught. Colossians 2:7

Needed weekly to meet all expenses: \$6,057.72

Received 03/29 - 04/04: \$8,615.00

Prayer Requests

Michele Cuatt's daughter-in-law, Nicole Terri Eisenhauer, pacemaker surgery Ellen, recovering from surgery

Marcia

Charlie Luft

Norm and Louise Miller, feeling better, continue to need prayers

Annette Spanganberg's Aunt Bernice, stage 4 ovarian cancer

Inability to visit family and friends

Hospital and Nursing Home Staff – stay healthy and strong to tend to the needs of patients and residents

Those who have lost their jobs, even temporarily

Those serving in the Military, home or abroad

Family members and friends who are homebound or in senior living facilities

Praises

Charlotte, accidental overdose, now home recovering

Steve and Kellianne Williams' brother and sister-in-law, birth of daughter, Frankie Jennifer Williams on March 27

April Birthdays and Anniversaries

Homebound and Ill

Ruth Baldoni, Jean and Walt Banker, Kathy Belik, Robert Bock, Rose Bock, Betty Brandes, Mary Anne Brice, Marilyn Chase, Trudy Corio, Craig Crowell, Charis Davis, Alberta Greer, Jim Hughes, Meg Kinnally, Robert Rider, Delores Sheppard, Helen Skibinski, Marge Weather, Bill Wood

Our Military

Phillip Banker, Jason Bello, Ryan Blood, Jon Cannioto, Ben Frederick, Christian Koch, Michael Kurvach, Steven Kurvach, Jason McKnight, Isaiah Montana, James Rice, Sgt. Joseph Sarmiento, Bryan Simpson, Matthew Simpson, Marcus Sydow, Aaron Yager

2020 Leadership Ministry Team at Rush United Methodist Church

Please seek out Leadership Ministry Team members with any questions or concerns. Their names and email addresses are listed below.

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