

United Presbyterian Church

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Sunday Bible School 9:00am

Sunday Service 10:45am



July 2019

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UPC OPEN HOUSE AT MUD MEETING HOUSE





Rev. Karen
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From The Pastor's Pen

Summer is a time of savoring what's good. Perfectly ripe, chilled watermelon. Outings with friends to hear a superb singer/musician. Gatherings for food, and conversation, and fun.

The Mud Open House was one such occasion. Many thanks to Marilyn Allen, Lee Russell, the hospitality team, and the Historical Society, for a job well done. Fifty people came to marvel at the Meeting House's construction, and to listen as Amalie Preston narrated the area's history. How many of you who didn't attend knew that Margaret Lynn's great, great grandfather sold the property for a small fee to the Dutch Reformed folks who wanted to build a place of worship?

Revolutionary War soldiers, among those Dutch Reformed, are buried on site. It's such a peaceful locale. The creek from which the mud was obtained to fill in between the giant posts for the walls continues to gurgle on its way.

The afternoon brought back wonderful memories for me, since I went to seminary in the East, surrounded by Dutch Reformed churches. As a member of every choir my seminary had, including the traveling choir, I sang at the invitation of many of these congregations. What a joy that was! "But let all who take refuge in you rejoice; let them ever sing for joy. Spread your protection over them, so that those who love your name may exult in you (Psalm 5:11)."

Summer tends to be a slower time of year for churches, with parishioners traveling and vacationing and enjoying better weather. We had only a few light sprinkles at the Mud Open House, despite ominous rumbles of thunder as we departed.

I'll be away on vacation myself, for two weeks. "'Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree,' [Abraham said to three messengers sent by God.] 'Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on--since you have come to your servant.' So they said, 'Do as you have said (Genesis 18:4-5).'" Abraham and Sarah prepared food for them.

What had the messengers come to report? Sarah and Abraham would have an heir. Sarah, who was thinking about how old she and Abraham were, couldn't believe it, and she laughed. "The LORD said to Abraham, 'Why did Sarah laugh, and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' Is anything too wonderful for the LORD? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son.' But Sarah denied, saying, 'I did not



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laugh'; for she was afraid. He said, 'Oh yes, you did laugh.' Then the men set out from there, and they looked toward Sodom; and Abraham went with them to set them on their way. The LORD said, 'Shall I hide from Abraham what I am about to do, seeing that Abraham shall become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? No, for I have chosen him, that he may charge his children and his household after him to keep the way of the LORD *by doing righteousness and justice*...(Gen. 18:13-19).'"

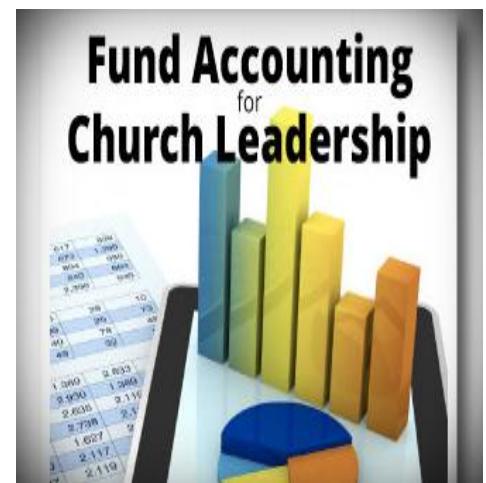
Note, if you please, that “doing” is involved, in worshipping and serving God. Meeting people where *they* are, not where *we* may want them. What is United known for, among Harrodsburg’s residents? I was asked that question by one of the consultants hired by the Presbytery to help small churches. “We used to be known as ‘the rich church,’” I replied. “We’re not anymore.” You know better than I do. Which “doing” would you have said? What, about United’s “doing,” would Harrodsburg’s residents miss today, if we weren’t here?

On Sundays, June 30 and July 7, United will have Rev. Jim Erwin back to fill the pulpit. If you need pastoral care during my time away, then please contact one of your elders, and let our secretary Jane know, if you wish congregational prayer.

Meanwhile, please be considering “doing” that is, specifically, WITH others, rather than FOR them. And let a Session member know your idea(s).

MONTHLY REPORT

Beginning Balance: May 1, 2019	\$ 25,204.62
Income	\$ 3,938.59
Total	<u>\$ 29,143.21</u>
Expenditures	<u>\$ 5,324.01</u>
Total	\$ 23,819.20
Transfer from Memorial Fund	<u>\$ 0</u>
Ending Balance: May 31, 2019	\$ 23,819.20





CARRIE'S CAUSE

As many of you know this program was started in 2017 in honor of my niece who died of breast cancer at 38 years old. She had worked with a program similar to this in her church in Greenville, SC. Basically, this ministry helps those who cannot afford to wash their clothes at the local Laundromat. We work through the Christian Life Center, who are in contact with those in need of this aid. Clients receive a voucher and must come during a certain time on a certain day. The voucher is good for 3 loads, washed and dried, which is about \$15 per person. Earlier this year we approached the Foundation for Curry Mission Funds and were graciously funded \$1800 which will pay for about 6 months of laundry. Also the Kate Riker Circle, Sherry Pryor and Mike Rockas save quarters for the program. Thank you, thank you, thank you all. This seems like a small mission, but it is truly a need; everyone should be able to have clean clothes! To bring it into perspective, I asked one client how she was doing, and she said, "I am great, happy and ready for tomorrow because I have clean clothes."

Helen Dedman

Thank You!

Thank you for your prayers, cards and love given to my family and me for my mother. She is home, happy, still not walking but she says "she will"- and I have no doubt of that. Don't ever think God does not hear or answer prayers. She is a living testament of what prayers can do. Much love to all of you. ***Laura Fugate Devine & Family***

Hospitality Committee Monthly Report

Even though our rainy month of June interfered with our church family and friends picnic planned for 06/23, we did “weather the clouds” on 06/09 when at least 50 people showed up at the Mud Meeting Open House. That many signed the guest register, there may have been more. The Harrodsburg Historical Society, with whom we partnered to provide this public event, was very pleased with the turnout and local interest. They hope to have water available at the site by Fall. Thanks to all members of our congregation who were present to answer questions about UPC support of these Dutch settlers who built this neighborhood church. Many later became members of UPC.

Our church also hosted, and provided snacks, to a district-wide Presbytery Committee meeting this month. Seventeen people attended.

We continue to collect inspirational, positive quotes about the USA to place on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. We would like to fill all white stripes of the flag on this board with these quotes. This is a project in which all members of UPC can participate. Surely you have been inspired enough by some document or statesman to remember a positive quote to share with others. Just jot it down and email, mail, or drop in the box in back of the church. Jane will type it and place it on the board. July 4th is near; it would be nice to “fill our flag” by then. Remember as a child when you were possibly intrigued by *Bambi*? Thumper’s mother said: “If you can not say anything nice, do not say anything at all!” Don’t you wish that more people these days would follow her advice? Our country has a lot of positive things to say about it. Please try to think of one and send it to your church to share.

UPC has just received **\$75.00** from Kroger!! There are **12** households signed up for the Kroger Rewards Program to benefit UPC. If you have not yet signed up your Kroger Plus card, go to [Kroger.com/community rewards program](https://www.kroger.com/community-rewards-program).



SHAKER VILLAGE

Free admission for Mercer County residents July 8th - 14th

Mercer County residents with a valid ID may attend daily programs and exhibits, and explore the Kentucky River on the Dixie Belle at no cost. Admission to some attractions will be limited, and all guests must receive their complimentary passes at the Shaker Village Welcome Center upon arrival. All adults must have valid ID demonstrating Mercer County residence to receive free admission. Children under age 18, accompanied by a qualifying adult, will also be extended free admission.

Does not apply to group rates. Call 1-800-734-5611

Dear Presbyterian church friends!
Thank you so much for providing
the lunch for VBS last week. It
was all so yummy and we are
so grateful for the time and the
gift of it all! sincerely,
Your friends @HCC!
-Bry.

UPC provided VBS lunch for
Harrodsburg Christian Church
on Thursday June 13th.

Thank you

Beverly Woodard and Jackie Corbit!



BRINGING U BLESSINGS

Jackie, Leona and Laura Devine delivered 13 bags of
goodies— (Blessing you Bags) to residents of Harrodsburg
Health Care in May.

The bags were given to the residents of the nursing home who do not have many visitors. I wish each of you could have seen the smiles and heard the thanks we received.

Thank you to our congregation for your donations of items to put in these bags.
God Bless each of you.



JULY 2019

Ruth Young	6
Mary Alexander	12
Shirley Howe	14
Marilyn Allen	18
Jessie Rawlings	21
Laura Duhamel	25
Elaine Lipps	26
Chris Ferguson	27
Amy Wickliffe	31



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Jeff and Mary Ann Rawlings 14



Prayer List

Members of the Congregation: Laura Fugate Devine; Tim Prigmore; Dick and Shirley Howe; Mattie Cammack; Margaret Knapp; Ruth Young.

Family and friends of the Congregation: The family and friends of John Bissett (brother of Pat Rockas); David M. Howells and family, (Howard Howells brother); Thelma Fugate and Betty Stickler (Laura Fugate Devine's mother and aunt); Bill Lively; family and friends quietly remembered and loved; all military personnel; and all those suffering the consequences of addiction.



MERCER COUNTY BACKPACK PROGRAM

We are still collecting food and other items for the Mercer County Backpack program. This program supplies basic supplemental food items to children in need. Below are the items needed.

Applesauce – any flavor

Apples

Beanie Weenies

Beef Ravioli

Beef Stew*

Breakfast Bars

Canned individual or mixed fruit

Cereal/any flavor (small boxes)

Chicken Noodle Soup

Cornbread mix

Cuties (small oranges)

Hamburger or Tuna Helper*

Instant Oatmeal – any flavor

Jello Cups

Jelly – grape/strawberry in plastic jars

Macaroni and Cheese

Microwave Popcorn

Peanut Butter

Peanut Butter Crackers

Pizza Kits*

Pop Tarts – any flavor

Pudding Cups – any flavor

Ramen Noodles (chicken flavor)

Saltine Crackers

Spaghetti and Meatballs

Spaghetti noodles

Spaghetti O's

Spaghetti Sauce (canned)

Tuna

Vienna Sausages

Other needed items

Soap, shampoo, conditioner
toothpaste, deodorant, laundry
detergent, dishwashing liquid

*These items are extremely useful for families to have for easy quick meals. Please send them in **plastic or cans only**.

SUMMER DAYS

Do you have plans for the summer?

What will you do?

Take a vacation, go to the zoo?

Go to summer school, spend your days in the pool?

Or stay inside to stay cool?

Leave the country for a spell?

To visit places you've never been?

Or just rest up before school starts again?

Spend time with your family and friends.

Going to picnics, plays, movies, concerts too.

Whatever makes you happy, is what I wish for you.

Sit outside in the shade or sun,

watch the clouds float away.

They're just like the troubles in your life

They are not here to stay.

Enjoy these summer months of sun, rain and warmth.

Green grass, vegetable gardens, flowers that bloom.

Bee's in their hives, birds that fly.

Time spent on the front porch.

Time has a way of flying by.

Summer will soon be gone.

Fall and winter is on the way

It wont be long.

Laura Fugate Devine

July 2019



Red, White & Boom in the 'Burg. Fireworks show at Anderson-Dean Community Park (1501 Louisville Road). Thursday, July 4, dusk. Employees from Ephraim McDowell-James B. Haggin Hospital will collect non-perishable food and monetary donations for the Christian Life Center.

18th Annual Lights Over Herrington. Fireworks show on Saturday, June 29, at dusk. There will also be a lighted boat parade on Lake Herrington near Kennedy Mill Bridge.

Upcoming church meetings in July



Stewardship and Finance Committee meets Sunday, July 7th after worship in the Parlor.

Stated Session meeting Sunday, July 21st.



JULY 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4 Independence Day Fireworks 9:15 –11:00pm Anderson Dean Park	5	6
7 4th Sunday after Pentecost Stewardship meeting in Parlor Rev. James Erwin	8 Mercer County residents free admission at Shaker Village	9 Mercer County residents free admission at Shaker Village	10 Mercer County residents free admission at Shaker Village	11 Mercer County residents free admission at Shaker Village	12 Mercer County residents free admission at Shaker Village	13 Mercer County residents free admission at Shaker Village
14 5th Sunday after Pentecost Mercer County residents free admission at Shaker Village	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 6th Sunday after Pentecost Communion Stated Session meeting	22 Mercer County Fair and Horse Show	23 Mercer County Fair and Horse Show	24 Mercer County Fair and Horse Show	25 Mercer County Fair and Horse Show	26 Mercer County Fair and Horse Show	27 Mercer County Fair and Horse Show
28 7th Sunday after Pentecost Hunger Offering Mercer County Fair and Horse Show	29	30	31			



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Custodian J. L. Devine

Secretary Jane Eitreim

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SESSION

Jackie Corbit, Clerk of the Session

Class of 2019

Leona Berg

Tim Prigmore

Class of 2020

Marilyn Allen

Irene Mitchell

Class of 2021

Jackie Corbit

Pat Rockas

Elders serving on the Session, and of legal age, also serve as Trustees.

2019 COMMITTEE CHAIRS

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