



# July 2020 Newsletter



INDEPENDENCE DAY

## Flushing Presbyterian Church

Worship: 10 AM year round C.E. 11:15 AM Sept - May Be the Church Opportunities Year Round (see inside)  
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### From the Session of Flushing Presbyterian Church

- 1) Thank you to all those who came to our first ever drive-in church on Sunday, June 21st! There was a great turn out and it was great to see everyone! We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did!
- 2) Because it went so well and to maintain gathering in a safe way, we are going to continue with drive-in church a little longer. We will offer this kind of service on June 28th and July 12th, 19th, and 26th. There will be no service on the weekend of July 4th. This coming Sunday (June 28), Max Hayden will again be our guest pastor.
- 3) As far as use of our building, it will continue to remain closed for most purposes as it has been for the past few months. Session did vote to allow team meetings in the building as an option if everyone on the team is comfortable with it.
- 4) We continue to encourage you to reach out to a session member if you have a need or concern. We continue to try to make decisions in the best interest and safety of our congregation.

Blessings to you all! Stay safe!

Your Session Members



## FLOOD RELIEF

*You Can Help!*

Hundreds of homes were damaged or destroyed as a result of the dam break and unprecedented flooding in the Midland area in May. If you would like to help people affected by this disaster, you can do so by making your check payable Flushing Presbyterian Church and indicating "Flood Relief" on the memo line.



## DRIVE-IN CHURCH

Sundays, June 28th and July 12th, 19th, and 26th (There will be no service on the weekend of July 4th)

1. You are encouraged to download and print your own bulletin to bring, however, attendants will also have bulletins on hand if you need one.
2. Attendants will guide you to park, but we ask for trucks and SUV's to park to the back with sedans near the front.
3. Once you are parked, tune your radio to channel **98.5 FM**. You should be able to hear Kathy playing music before the start of our service.
4. To encourage social distancing guidelines, you are asked to stay inside your vehicle the entire time.
5. Remember that our building is closed and bathroom facilities will not be available.
6. Offering will be collected by attendants who will bring around buckets attached to poles; please make sure your window is rolled down at this time.



**We will be holding a Blood Drive on Monday, August 3rd, from 12:00 - 5:45 PM.** To schedule an appointment, log onto [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org), sponsor code: Flushing Community or call 1-800-Red-Cross (1-800-733-2767). Blood is urgently needed during the Covid19 pandemic - prayerfully consider giving the "gift of life."



Please note that our office hours in July and August will be from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM, Monday through Thursday. The office is closed on Fridays. There is no admittance to the building on any day.



**From Bob & Gail Barnhart . . .**

We would like to thank Flushing Presbyterian Church for the many cards, calls and prayers for us while we coped with the loss of our brother-in-law, Jake Mitchell. Jake was the husband of Corinne Mitchell, sister of Gail. Jake died of complications of the Covid19 virus.

**From Marty Williams . . .**

I would like to extend a huge thank you to everyone for the love and support you extended to me during the time my mom was under hospice care and following her death. There are no words to express how much your prayers, flowers, cards, calls and words of comfort have meant to me. I thank you all again and again.

**GOD AMID PANDEMIC**

Last spring, life changed as we became familiar with terms such as social distancing, flattening the curve and self-quarantining. We could hardly believe the closed schools, businesses and especially churches — just as Holy Week and Easter drew near! The coronavirus ran rampant in the world. Where was God?

But as the spread continued, many civic leaders stepped up, calmly informing us of the facts, of actions being taken to mitigate the crisis and of how we could help. Healthcare professionals risked their lives and endured separation from families; teachers drew on astounding stores of creativity to teach online; pastors delivered sermons and lessons to empty sanctuaries as members listened and prayed while living in lockdown. Surely God was present — through them!

Then I remembered how God assures us through Isaiah, “Fear not! When you pass through the waters, the fires, yes, even the pandemics of this world, I will be with you” (43:1-2, paraphrased). And Jesus echoes, “I am with you always” (Matthew 28:20).

*Sandy Hyland (from the August 2020 Newsletternewsletter)*



**July**

- 1 Jake B, Kathy Dubovsky
- 4 Flora Radspieler
- 6 Megan R
- 7 Kathy Lescelius
- 8 Ella Baney, Joyce Tassell
- 11 Bill Ballagh
- 12 Karen Howe, Julie Socha
- 13 Joshua Y
- 14 Tim Bradish, Virginia Churchill, Christine Cooper
- 17 Kip Hogan, Jeff Rumsey
- 18 Katie & Michael Whitman
- 19 John Daig
- 26 Cathy Stuber



**Financial Highlights**

Average 2020 Collections	\$3,029
Average May Collections	\$2,603
Average 2019 Collections	\$3,069
Average needed for 2020 Budget	\$3,821



**The special focus items requested by the Flushing Christian Outreach Center (FCOC) for July are cereal and kleenex.** If you can help by providing these items, or any other non-perishable food or personal care items, please deliver them to the FCOC at 5409 West Pierson Road. The need is great in our community at this time, so cash donations are also much needed. **No clothing is being accepted at the current time.**



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WITH WEEKLY  
UPDATES**

## EMAIL UPDATES

If you would like to receive weekly email updates about prayer requests and upcoming events, please contact Kay Hall or the church office. You will then be put on the email list. You may request to be removed from the list at any time. Please note that your email will not be published or given out without your permission.



## Lectionary Readings

**July 5:** Gen. 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67; Ps. 45:10-17 *or* Song of Sol. 2:8-13; Rom. 7:15-25a; Matt. 11:16-19, 25-30

**July 12:** Gen. 25:19-34; Ps. 119:105-112; Rom. 8:1-11; Matt. 13:1-9, 18-23

**July 19:** Gen. 28:10-19a; Ps. 139:1-12, 23-24; Rom. 8:12-25; Matt. 13:24-30, 36-43

**July 26:** Gen. 29:15-28; Ps. 105:1-11, 45b *or* Ps. 128; Rom. 8:26-39; Matt. 13:31-33, 44-52

## Flushing Presbyterian Church 2020 Session

### Budget & Finance

Brett Albert  
Steve Howe

### Community Outreach

Carol Dulin  
Sylvia Keeler

### Member Care

Denise Churchill  
Kip Hogan

### Property Team

Bill Churchill  
Scott Tucker

### Spiritual Growth

Julie Socha  
Carrie Younkin