



January 2021 Newsletter

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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Session Highlights

A Called Meeting of the Session was held on Monday evening, December 14th, for the purpose of revisiting in-person worship going forward. After much discussion and considering of Presbytery and other health organization recommendations, the decision was made to continue to suspend in-person worship services through January 31, 2021. In the meantime, we will continue to have “Drive-In Church” at 10:00 AM on Sundays, where you can tune into radio station 98.5 and listen to the service. You can also watch the service on Facebook Live or watch a recording of it on Facebook at a later time. There is also a link to recordings of our services on our website, flushingpres.org. Session will continue to monitor the situation and update you when new information or decisions are made. Session appreciates your understanding and misses our time together as much as everyone. May God’s grace and love be with you all.



There will be no *Wired Word* class in January. Classes will resume again on Sunday, February 7th.

Searching for a New Pastor



Update from the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC)

Our Ministry Information Form (MIF) has been approved by Session and will now go to the Committee on Ministry (COM) at the Presbytery for approval before it can be entered into the search website for matching us with a called pastor. This MIF is basically a resume about our church, combined with a job description of what we are looking for in a called pastor. Once this is approved by the COM, we will be given the go ahead to submit it on the pastoral search website. The COM meets on January 20th. We ask for your continued prayers that the pastor we have been waiting for answers and that we are the church they, too, have been waiting for!



Session has decided to postpone our annual meeting of the congregation until we can once again meet for in-person worship. The date is yet to be determined.



We will be printing an updated church directory in February. If you have had a change of address, phone number, cell phone number or email address in the past year (or have one that you would now like to have added), please notify the office by Monday, January 25th, so that the new information can be included.

BLOOD DRIVE

The Red Cross will be holding a Blood Drive at our church on Monday, February 1, from 12:00 - 5:45 PM. This will be our month to provide volunteers for the drive; if you can help, please contact Kathy Miller. To schedule an appointment to donate blood, log onto redcrossblood.org, sponsor code: Flushing Community or call 1-800-Red-Cross (1-800-733-2767).

Guest Pastors' Schedule

The following schedule has been established for visiting pastors:

January 3 - Julianne Princinsky
 January 10 - Julianne Princinsky
 January 17 - Max Hayden
 January 24 - Max Hayden
 January 31 - Julianne Princinsky
 February 7 - Max Hayden
 February 14 - Julianne Princinsky

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

January

- 1 Pat Bemis, Laura Ruppel
- 4 Jon Bitterman, Sherry & Tim Bradish
- 12 Ed Davison
- 22 Kaye Kaufherr, Abbie S
- 23 Gary Stuber
- 25 Karlee S
- 31 Bob & Joyce Tassell



Financial Highlights

Average 2020 Collections	\$3,028
Average November Collections	\$2,497
Average 2019 Collections	\$3,069
Average needed for 2020 Budget	\$3,821

Dear Flushing Presbyterian Church,

From the Community Outreach Team . . .

On Monday, November 16th, the items from the Warmth Tree were packed up and delivered to the Flushing Community Schools Administration building. The items will next be divided up and delivered to the schools in the district. This year 92 hats, 78 pairs of socks, 38 pairs of gloves, 22 scarves, and 4 hat/mitten sets were donated. A huge THANK YOU to you, our generous members and friends, for this wonderful outpouring of warmth.

From Lucille Mars & Family . . .

We would like to thank everyone who sent cards and birthday wishes. Also, for the wonderful video message and song for Lucille's 98th birthday. That was very special and she sure enjoyed it!

From Love INC . . .

Thank you very much for your donation in November. Each donation is very much appreciated, as it allows us to be here to help those with a need.



Dear Friends at Flushing Presbyterian Church – the Session and Congregation,

Please accept my joyful thanks for the many cards and then, the Christmas Gift basket filled with good things! The serving board, coffee, coffee mug (that Tom wants to claim), the chocolate caramel candies (really good!), hand towel, red wine, and gift card made for a very thoughtful surprise. What fun to unwrap and discover everything in it and the “Michigan” connections; also, really appreciated the note in the card. Thanks to Karen Howe, who I understand, put it all together. For so many years, FPC has been a blessing in Tom's and my life; you continue to be. Know that we pray daily for God's will to be made known to you and that you “stand firm” on HIS WORD. In Christ, with thanksgiving for all of you!

Julianne “Julie” Princinsky (and Tom, too)

From Kathy Miller . . .

Many thanks to everyone that came and donated blood on Monday, December 7th. The Red Cross exceeded their goal of 34 units of blood, collecting 39 units from 44 donors. A special thank you to Shirley Sanborn for helping to run the drive, and to Carol Dulin, Kay Hall, Flora Radspieler and Pat Bemis for helping to staff it as well.





The special focus items requested by the Flushing Christian Outreach Center (FCOC) for January 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.



STAY CONNECTED 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

January 3: Jer. 3:7-14 and Ps. 147:12-20; Eph. 1:3-14; John 1 (1-9) 10-18

January 10: Gen. 1:1-5 and Ps. 29; Acts 19:1-7; Mark 1:4-11

January 17: 1 Sam. 3:1-10 (11-20) and Ps. 139:1-6, 13-18; 1 Cor. 6:12-20; John 1:43-51

January 24: Jonah 3:1-5, 10 and Ps. 62:5-12; 1 Cor. 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20

January 31: Deut. 18:15-20 and Ps. 111; 1 Cor. 8:1-13; Mark 1:21-28

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