

# eNews UPDATE Sunday, May 22, 2020

## Note from Rev. Becki Curry

Dear friends,

What a wonderful time of worship together this morning! While we weren't 100% free of technical glitches, nearly 800 devices connected to our 11 am service on either our website, Facebook or YouTube. Many of you were on the other end of those devices singing, praying and stretching with Leanne! We were absolutely blessed by our musicians who set such a worshipful tone for all of us.

I want to thank Jennie Weeks and Rev. Brandon Dirks who conducted their first online Sunday School this morning at 10 am. About 200 people participated in the lesson on Psalm 23. I'm so proud of how our staff is using technology to keep us connected to each other and to Jesus Christ.

I also want to thank the people who work behind the scenes to make our livestream possible: Michael Olafson does a great job with our sound, and Terrell Crossland, who operates the camera and generates the livestream. It's been a bit stressful the last couple of weeks with the high demand for church streams presenting challenges, and these two handle it with grace.

I encourage you to read below about ways you can connect throughout this week. Remember, we may be physically distanced, but we are NOT socially or spiritually distanced. I leave you with this:

Satan: *"I will cause anxiety, fear and panic. I will shut down business, schools, places of worship and sports events. I will cause economic turmoil."*

Jesus: *"I will bring together neighbors, restore the family unit. I will bring dinner back to the kitchen table. I will help people slow down their lives and appreciate what really matters. I will teach my children to rely on me and not the world. I will teach my children to trust me and not their money and material resources."*

Amen!  
Becki

[Link to Church Service and Sunday School Recordings](#)

## Youth

### Online Youth Pet Party!

All youth can bring their pets to Youth Group...online! Join us on our Zoom call [here](#) on **Sunday, March 22, 6-7 pm.**

## **Online Youth Gaming Ministry!**

On **Wednesday, March 25 from 6 to 7:30 pm**, our gaming ministry is going online. Check your email or contact [Chris Hughes](#) for details.

## **Children**

### **Sunday Evening Online Family Worship Time!**

This interactive time for families to worship together begins this **Sunday, March 22 at 5 pm**. Relax, have fun and connect to other families through a Bible Story! Join us online [here](#).

### **Online Bible Playtime with Leanne**

Take a break and spend 15 minutes with Rev. Dr. Leanne Hadley as we play together and hear a Bible story! This is a full body fun for kids of all ages (preschool – 5th grade). **Monday through Friday at 10 am**. Visit the [Children's Page on our website](#) for the daily links.

## **Parents**

### **Pen-Pal Program**

Families, all of us are craving connection in this season, and we are looking to help make that connection across generations. Would your family like to become “pen pals” with one of our senior adult families? Contact information would be shared and you could then mail letters or send emails and share about likes, hopes, fun activities, and generally encourage and pray for one another. To participate, email [Lisa Watkins](#).

### **Whine at 9**

**On Thursday evenings at 9 pm**, put the kids to bed and join other moms for a non-judgmental space to share and laugh together! Bring your own drink and snacks! ;-) Invite friends! The more the merrier! Check [here](#) for each week’s link.

Parents, watch your email on Wednesdays for weekly information for all that is being planned for our children and youth.

### **Resources for Parents**

- [Guilt Free Parenting Begins with God: 3 ways to let God journey with you](#) by Dr. Leanne Hadley
- [Environmental Concerns For Our Babies and Children During the Covid-19 Pandemic](#) by Linda Hess
- [Tips for Teaching Kids at Home During the Coronavirus](#) by Karen Larimore
- [Helping Children Deal with Coronavirus Anxiety](#) by Janet Hagerty
- [Keeping Teens Social in a Time of Social Distancing](#) by Rev. Chris Hughes

## Care

If you are aware of a care need, please email or call [Rev. Melissa Head](#), (502) 435-5749.

## Outreach

Each Tuesday, we will share with you how we are serving our community.

### **Non Perishable Food and Supply Drive for Portland Promise Center and Maryhurst**

If you are comfortable, **you may drop any of the items listed below to our Church on Wheels which will be parked under our Portico on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday from 9:30 am to noon.**

- Pasta and canned tomato sauce/diced tomatoes
- Rice and beans
- Canned meals (chili, soups, Chef Boyardee, etc.)
- Whole grain cereals
- Canned vegetables
- Canned meat and fish
- Velveeta mac-n-cheese (this eliminates the need for milk and butter)
- Dried fruit and nuts
- Toilet paper – if you have a few rolls to spare
- Health Supplies: hand sanitizer, medical masks, disinfectant wipes, Lysol spray
- Store-bought Snacks: individual (small) bags of chips, gummies, cookies, popcorn, sports drinks, flavored water (no sodas or canned drinks)
- Household Essentials: laundry detergent, cleaning supplies, toilet paper, paper towels, tissues
- Meal Relief for Staff at Maryhurst: Gift cards to restaurants that remain open for takeout (McAllister's Deli, Jason's Deli, etc.)—Gift cards can be mailed directly to Maryhurst c/o Development, 1015 Dorsey Lane, Louisville KY 40223

Thank you for remembering these vulnerable neighbors, children, and families. Thank you for keeping them in prayer and giving in a sacrificial way this Lenten season.

# Ways to Give

1. Give online [ccum.net/give](https://ccum.net/give)
2. Text a gift, send the dollar amount (i.e. \$500) and code CCUMGeneral to 30131
3. Mail a check to CCUM, 4614 Brownsboro Rd, Louisville, KY 40207, Att: accounting office
4. Schedule a payment from your bank's automatic web-pay
5. Set up an ACH, email [Jim Stewart](mailto:Jim.Stewart@ccum.net) CCUM controller for assistance

# Prayer Resources

## The Examen

We have been praying the Examen as a congregation this Lent. Click [here](#) if you don't have an Examen card at home.

## Prayer

*O Great Love, thank you for living and loving in us and through us. May all that we do flow from our deep connection with you and all beings. Help us become a community that vulnerably shares each other's burdens and the weight of glory. Listen to our hearts' longings for the healing of our world. [Please add your own intentions.] . . . Knowing you are hearing us better than we are speaking, we offer these prayers in all the holy name of God, Amen.*

# Links

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[Sunday Scripture](#)

[Sunday 11 am Livestream Link](#)

[Beyond the Pulpit Podcast](#)