

Venice View

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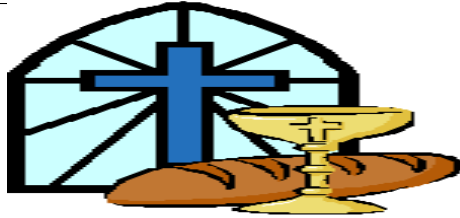
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Worship Service - 10:30a

Junior Church - during worship

Youth Group - during worship



The Sacrament of Holy Communion
will be celebrated on:
**Online service, we will be sharing
Communion on July 5**

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Attendance

April

5.....Online
12.....Online
19.....Online
26.....Online

May

3.....Online
10.....Online
17.....Online
24.....Online
31.....Online

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Venice View is published monthly.
All items should be submitted by the
third Tuesday of each month.

Praise the Lord, we are opening again on Sunday, July 5th. We're excited to be together at our church again. Safety procedures will be in place:

- Everyone is asked to wear masks if it is possible.
- Seating will be portioned to help create social distancing
- Ushers will open the door for you and there will be no contact during the service.
- All Bibles, hymnals, white song books, envelopes and pencils have been removed from the pews.
- There will be no passing the plate but there will be a place to drop off tithes before or after entering the sanctuary.
- The congregation won't be singing hymns yet, but the service will have special music and Ben will be playing the piano.
- There will be no coffee hour until further notice.

For congregants who don't feel comfortable coming to church, Owen Ziepfel will be taping the service and putting it online after the service is over. We apologize for not being able to stream the service live but we don't have the capacity at this time. We will get more information to you about the timing of when the tape will be available on Sundays.

July 5th is the first Sunday of the month. We will have communion for anyone who wants to participate. Cups that have the wafer on top and the juice on the bottom that is wrapped have been purchased. You will pick one of them up on the way in.

We're blessed that both Amy Arnold and John Specht will continue to preach through August. They will not be greeting people after the church service. When we are done, everyone will social distance when they leave. Please don't congregate in the hallways, but immediately go outside. If you want to chat, please do so in the parking lots with social distancing in place.

TRUSTEES

The Trustees have 9 wooden dining room chairs. There are 2 different styles. We have 5 of the darker wood chairs, and 4 of the lighter wood chairs. Chairs can be viewed at the annex. If interested in purchasing the set, please submit sealed bid to the church office by July 15th.

Any questions, please see a Trustee. Thank you.



Kroger Rewards Program:

The church has received a check for \$139.40 from the Kroger Rewards program for the time period of Feb 1, 2020, to April 30, 2020. We have 37 households who participate in this program. Thank you for your participation. If you are currently not participating but would like to, contact myself (603-0732) or Melanie Hanson (314-2633) and we can help you sign up. Your participation in this program does not affect your individual rewards that you receive from any Kroger programs.

Dale Hanson
Treasurer - VPC

Greetings,

I'd like to share with your family an opportunity to join a local Cub Scout Pack or a Scouts BSA Troop. They are specifically looking to introduce more girls to a scouting program that provides a lot of fun and enriching activities, enhances our community, and helps develop strong leadership skills that will last a lifetime. They would like to share that experience with even more young people in our area.

We are asking for your help in spreading the word to *girls* (and boys) about our Cub Scout Packs and Scouts BSA Troops. *We are specifically looking to introduce more girls to Cub Scouts (Grades K-5), as well as helping Troop 1930 grow and share Scouting with girls ages 11-17 in an ALL-Girl Troop.* Of course, if you know a boy in grades K-12 who is interested in Scouting, there is a Pack or Troop for him in our community as well.

Now more than ever, the values and ethics that Scouting instills are needed in our community. Please consider passing along this opportunity to any young people you know who might be interested in Scouting. Below is the contact information for several Packs and Troops who are looking to welcome your family right now.

BeAScout.org has information about all our Packs and Troops in the area.

Troop 1930, Oxford (Girls) - Jered Wasburn-Moses at jeredwm@yahoo.com
513-524-4050

Troop 930, Oxford (Boys) - Chuck Moul at chuckmoul@hotmail.com 513-523-0510

Pack 937, Darrtown (Boys & Girls) - Conni Shaw at conni@collegesoure.com
513-668-8568

Pack 961, Oxford (Boys & Girls) - Jennifer Marie Silko at jen.silko@miamioh.edu

Pack 924, Millville (boys & Girls) - Joe Ramsey at joseph.a.ramsey@gmail.com
513-309-8648

Pack 979 Seven Mile (Boys & Girls) - Drew Geiser at cubmaster979@gmail.com
513-255-1057



The RAMM Back to School Event will be held on Saturday, August 8th. We will be distributing backpacks and school supplies from Elda Elementary from 12pm to 2pm.

We are seeking donations of backpacks with school supplies. We are providing the school supply lists below. Our biggest need is High school and Middle school backpacks, but welcome Elementary as well.

If you have any questions, or would like to help out with the event, please see Greg Young or Debbie Schwab. Thank you!

High School Supply List

- Large Backpack
- (12) Mechanical Pencils
- (2) Boxes of Pens (blue/black)
- (4) Highlighters
- (4) College Rule Notebooks
- (1) Pack of Colored pencils
- (1) Set of Ear Buds
- (6) plastic, two-pocket folders (preferably with prongs) – blue, purple, yellow, red, +2 more colors of choice
- (4) 1" Binders
- (2) packages of College Rule Loose Leaf Paper
- (1) pack of Graph Paper
- (1) Large Eraser
- (1) Index cards
- (2) Post it note pads

(Middle School and Elementary lists on next page)

Middle School Supply List

Large Backpack

Pencil bag

(6) plastic, two-pocket folders (preferably with prongs) – blue, purple, yellow, red, +(2) more colors of choice

(5) sturdy, one-subject spiral notebooks – blue, purple, yellow, red, black

(1) Pack of Colored pencils

(2) Box of #2 Wooden Pencils

(1) pack of mechanical pencils

(4) Highlighters

(4) Expo markers (blue or black; low odor)

(6) Glue Sticks

(1) 8 Count Package of Markers

(2) packages Loose Leaf Paper (wide ruled)

(1) Set of Ear Buds

(2) Pack Index Cards

(1) Pack Black Pens

(1) Pack Blue Pens

(1) Box tissues

(1) Pack of Clorox wipes

(1) Sandwich of gallon zip lock bags

(1) Pointed scissors

(1) Erasers

(4) Post it notes

(2) Composition notebook (college ruled)

Elementary School Supply List

Backpack – Small to Medium

Blunt tip Scissors

(2) Highlighters

(2) Erasers

(1) 10 Pack Crayola Markers

(2) 24 Pack Crayons

(1) Dozen #2 Wooden Pencils

(1) Pack of Wide Rule, Loose Paper

(5) Spiral Notebooks (wide ruled)

(5) Two-pocket Folders (yellow/red/green/blue/purple)

(6) Glue Sticks

(1) Box Tissues

(1) Box Gallon Storage Bags or (1) Box Sandwich Bags

(1) Set of Headphones

(4) Black Dry Erase Markers

(1) Ruler

(1) Composition notebook

(1) Post It notes

(1) Hard pencil box

(1) Lined index cards

(1) Disinfecting wipes

(1) Colored pencils (classic colors)

Thank you to Kim Young for contributing this beautiful poem by Fran Burns.

GOD'S HOUSE
by Fran Burns

The church with a steeple points the way
to a haven of peace and grace for each day.
Dedicated men of long ago
followed Christ's words to save each soul.
The work remains the same, with change
in new decor and extended range
We are all different, but united as one
doing God's Will - following His Son.
The spark ignited shines far and near-
The message is always so loud and clear!

Ushers

July

5th	Youth Group
12th	Deacons
19th	Men's Group
26th	Women's Group

August

2nd	Youth Group
9th	Deacons
16th	Men's Group
23rd	Women's Group
30th	Back Row Ladies

Worship Assistants

July

5th	Bill Steenken
12th	Judy Bohne
19th	Rob Rollins
26th	Tami Adams

August

2nd	Melanie Hanson
9th	Jerry Rohrer
16th	Richard Bohne
23rd	Greg Young
30th	Kim Young

Trustees

Trustee of the month: July: Dan Young
August: Clarence Bohne

Deacons

The Deacons will not be meeting until September. They will be communicating through email and phone calls to handle any issues or concerns.

The Deacons sent out the following cards during June.

Thinking of You cards:

LaVerne Mehl
Marcia Collingsworth
Emily Eberwine
Vern Tragesser
Judy Turley
The Millers
Ruth Guenther
Sue Toler
Jay Butterfield

Vern Tragesser - Happy 100th Birthday card

BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS is the highlight of our summer at Venice Presbyterian Church but has been canceled this year due to the COVID virus. We will miss our students and wish them a great summer. We'll save the materials and put it on in the summer of 2021.



Christian Education

Thursday Morning Bible Study

Judy Bohne will continue Coffee Conversation Bible Study in the Fall.

Adult Sunday school.

Kim Young will continue Adult Sunday School in the Fall.

Youth Group

Our youth got together at Cindy's for swimming, hot dogs and s'mores. All of our kids were able to attend and enjoyed reconnecting with everyone!

The Youth Group will be meeting in the downstairs of the Annex when it starts back up. Jen Lee will let them know that date. It will not be July 5th.

Stay safe and take care.

In Christ's Love,
Jen Lee

Junior Church

Junior Church will be meeting in the social hall.

Dear Church Family,

I sincerely want to thank you from my heart to each one of yours. All the cards, calls and prayers kept me going through a very difficult time in my life.

I thank God for blessing me with such a wonderful church family.

Love Always, Sally Schwoeppe



Many thanks for all the cards, prayers, and concern during my recent heart attack. It means a lot to have the support of church friends.

Emily Young - Eberwine

We are saddened to share that **Pam Brackbill**, wife of former VPC Pastor Tom Brackbill, passed away on Monday, June 15, 2020 in Alma, Michigan. You may send a card to Tom at: 524 SE 35th St, Cape Coral, FL 33904.



The Venice Presbyterian Church pantry has had **112** visits through June. Your donations are serving 15-20 families a month at the church. We could not help this many families without your generosity and kindness. If you can bring just one item per week from our list of needed items, or would like to make a financial donation for “Venice pantry” to purchase needed items, it would be a great help.

1. Jelly & Peanut Butter
2. Cereal
3. Canned Meat (tuna, chicken)
4. Canned Pasta Meals and Soup
5. Spaghetti Sauce & Pasta

Any questions, please see Dave Wheat or Rick Weppeler.



RAMM

The RAMM monthly open pantry is held the third Saturday of each month, from 10am to 12pm, at the Ross Schools Administration Building, room 101. We have changed to a “drive-thru” pantry beginning in March due to Coronavirus. The monthly fresh market open pantry has had **229** visitors through June 2020. If you would like to volunteer your time or have donations of perishable or non-perishable food items, or personal care items, please contact Greg Young at 513-212-7950. Financial donations are greatly appreciated! Thank you for your continued generosity and support!

RAMM now has a website! **www.rammbutler.org**

The next RAMM Open Pantry will be on July 18th. If your family is in need of food, please contact RAMM at 212-7950 to register for the July pantry.

RAMM NEEDS: Spaghetti sauce, canned fruit, canned meats, peanut butter & jelly, soup (chicken noodle, vegetable & tomato), Ramen noodles, kid-friendly snacks



July Preschool News

2020-2021

Venice Presbyterian Preschool

4244 Layhigh Rd

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513-738-0158

preschool@thevenicechurch.com

Ages 3 to 5

(students must turn 3 by September 1st and be potty trained)

9:15 am – 11:45 am

2 day morning (Tues and Thurs) \$103/month

3 day morning (Mon, Wed, Fri) \$122/month

\$20 non-refundable registration fee

*Monthly tuition includes a daily snack



News from the VPC Treasury:

This will give you an update on the Income vs Expenses for June and the year. Thank you for your continued financial support of the church even though the building is closed.

	EXPECTED FOR JUNE	ACTUAL FOR JUNE	STATUS FOR THE YEAR vs EXPECTED
INCOME	\$11,500	\$11,994*	+\$2,590
EXPENSES	\$9,998	\$9,681*	-\$2,924

*Estimated

Our income in total for the year has exceeded our expenses by \$8,598.

PNC expenses to date:

2019: \$200

2020: \$50

Anyone who would like to review our full financial report for the month, please contact me.

Dale Hanson
Treasurer of VPC

PRAYER LIST

Please continue prayers for Ray and Millie. You may send a card or note to: **Ray & Millie Miller:** PO Box 172, Ross OH 45061

Please keep **Patty Wurzelbacher** in your prayers as she continues to recover. You may send a card to: 60 Robert Dr, Hamilton OH 45013

Please keep **Debbie Siekerman and family** in your prayers. You may send a card to: 4104 Hamilton Scipio Rd, Hamilton OH 45013

Please keep **Vern Tragesser** in your thoughts. He has moved to Berkley Square. You may send a card to: 100 Capitol Crescent, Apt 111, Hamilton OH 45013

Please keep **LaVerne Mehl** in your thoughts. She has moved to Fairfield Pavilion. You may send a card to: 5251 Dixie Hwy, Apt. 1115, Fairfield OH 45014

Please keep **Marcia Collinsworth** in your prayers for healing from complications from heart surgery. You may send a card to: 4088 Mikehill Dr, Fairfield, OH 45014

Please keep **Judy Turley** (friend of the Schwab family) in your prayers for healing. Judy is receiving chemo treatments for stage 4 bone cancer. Please send a card to: 8603 Meadowview Dr, West Chester, OH 45069

PNC request: Please pray for us that God will direct us in this task.

Please keep the following families in your prayers: **Kim Parker Family, Amanda Roberson Family, Michael Hamilton Family, Farmer Family.**

Please keep **Missy Jo Peacock** in your prayers for healing from back surgery. You may send a card to: 2220 Morgan Ross Rd, Hamilton, OH 45013



7-8 Candy Weppler
 7-12 Steven Young
 7-16 Dyllan Brandenburg
 7-18 Tom Kirk
 7-23 LaVerne Mehl
 7-27 Becky Berling
 7-29 Debbie Schwab
 7-31 John Krier



7-7 Jerry and Helen Rohrer
 7-8 Ray and Millie Miller
 7-11 Kevin and Mary Unwin



If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, please contact the church office. Thank you.