WORSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT

In gladness, like our ancestor, King David, we proclaim:

“I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go to the house of the LORD!” (Psalm 122:1)

And so, we did! On Sunday, May 21st, we returned to the house of the Lord for in-sanctuary worship.

Sisters and Brothers, we have so much for which we can be thankful! The Holy Spirit is indeed alive and blowing in and through us.

On Thursday, May 13th, the Mask Mandate was lifted for fully vaccinated persons in the State of Pennsylvania. This directive follows that of the CDC, which rescinded masking and social distancing requirements for fully vaccinated people.

Starview United Church of Christ will no longer require masks to be worn indoors during worship for people who are fully vaccinated. People who are not yet fully vaccinated or are immunocompromised should still wear mask indoors, in keeping with guidance from the CDC.

Additionally, anyone who is not comfortable being unmasked indoors should feel free to continue to wear a mask.

Exuberant singing is encouraged, but while wearing a mask. COVID is an airborne virus, and since both vaccinated and unvaccinated people are able to transmit it, masking while singing reduces everyone’s risk of transmitting or contracting the virus.

Pre-registration is not necessary. A greeter will take your information when you arrive. Should we discern that in Sunday morning worship, you were potentially exposed, we will use the collected information to contact you and the PA Health Department.

Virtual worship via Facebook Live is always an option. A Facebook account is not needed in order to participate in this way. A family member or friend who does have a FB account can simply email or text you the service link and you can then, click on the link and participate in worship too – as it is happening – live with everyone else! As has been done in the past, for later viewing, the service will be made available on church website on Sunday afternoon.

Offering plates will continue to be located at each entrance/exit for your safety. E-tithing forms are also available for your convenience.

Both entrances/exits to the sanctuary will remain open with hand sanitizing stations located at each, for your convenience.

The Christian life is meant to be one marked with self-sacrifice and love, integrity and honesty, yet because we all sin and find it easy to do so, these are things we must work hard at. Knowing this, we turn to the words of scripture for encouragement and guidance.

Jesus calls us to love one another. He said, “As I have loved you, you must love one another.” (John 13:34) and “Do unto others as you would have them do to you.” (Luke 6:31) The Apostle Paul pointed out that “we should take pains to do what is right, not only in the eyes of the Lord, but also in the eyes of man” (2 Corinthians 8:21) and we should “not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices.” (Colossians 3:9).

As a community of faith-full followers of Jesus, we trust one another. We trust in the Christ-like, sacrificial love we have for one another, and are called to be truthful in our actions as well as our words; we trust one another to do what is right and safe for everyone – that we might continue worshipping safely in the house of the Lord, together.

May it be so…

It is exciting to take these steps with you in safely returning to life as “normal” and hope to see you in-person, inside the house of the Lord, for worship this Sunday.

Pastor Laura

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A Nicodemus Sunday
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
June 20, 2021
Happy Father’s Day

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Starview United Church of Christ

“We are a Christian community that welcomes all people to grow through the love of and service to God and neighbor.”

- Mission Statement of Starview UCC
ON THE CALENDAR AT STARVIEW UCC THIS WEEK

TODAY, June 20th
9:00 AM
Sunday Worship Service
HAPPY FATHER’S DAY

Next Sunday, June 27th
9:00 AM
Sunday Worship Service
Rev. Carrie Call, preaching

SUNDAY MORNINGS
9:00 AM on FACEBOOK LIVE (Starview United Church of Christ) or find the YouTube link on our website (starviewucc.org).

UPCOMING SUMMER SCHEDULE

June 27th
Welcome!!! Rev. Carrie Call, Penn Central Conference Minister who will be preaching today.

July 4th
Rev. Nora Foust, Associate Conference Minister for Congregational and Ministerial Excellence is preaching

July 11th @ 10am Outdoor Worship & Picnic on the Parsonage Lawn
Hot dogs over firepit and s’mores will be provided. Potluck meal – please bring one or two covered dishes to share, as well as, your own place settings and utensils. Grab your lawn chairs and come join the fun and fellowship. Games will also be available.

With Jesus Christ as the foundation, Starview United Church of Christ values:
- Worship
- Bible-centered preaching and teaching
- The Sacraments of Holy Communion & Baptism
- ALL people
- Tradition and purposeful change
- Spiritual Growth
- Ministries of Outreach
- Stewardship of our time, talent & treasure
- Fellowship

JUNE BIRTHDAYS!!
June 20 - Barb Warren
June 22 - Brian Clemens
June 26 - Kristi Saylor
June 27 - Gabrielle Jo Kreeger
June 27 - Cassieann Zorbaugh
June 28 - Gabriela Lizano

JULY BIRTHDAYS!!
July 4 - JR Eckenrode
July 7 - Stanley Ebersole
July 11 - Tammy Duke
July 12 - JoAnn Kreeger
July 14 - Zach Hoover
July 14 - Jamie Mako
July 17 - Janice Graham
July 18 - Clay Strohm
July 22 - Alice Sullivan
July 22 - Bryan Roth
July 29 - Earl Caswell
July 29 - Candy Lau
July 31 - Betty Couch