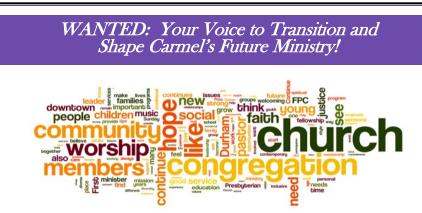


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The pandemic presents us with a **new reality**! And – metaphorically – you can't stay home this time! Although please find the link to our **Wednesday 7:30 pm Mission Studies** below!

Carmel has adapted to our emerging new reality courageously and with intention. We've experienced this new reality in our life-together through worship, congregational life, studies such as antiracism, facilities, and much more. Covid-19 has not created a new congregation but has highlighted needed ways for us to advance our mission and ministry.

Jeremiah reminds us again and again – "the time is coning, declares the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with Judah" (Jeremiah 31:31f). Of course, we know that new covenant is within us and engraved on our hearts: "from the least of them to the greatest." And that means we need everyone's voice in our Transitional Ministry Mission Study—meaning intergenerational voices together shaping Carmel's future.

What does it mean to envision the future—the prophets' work of envisioning something new: ecclesial, socially, politically. For us at Carmel, this is a new covenant shaped by our Presbyterian and Reformed understanding of covenant. In our Transitional Ministry, we are not talking about an internal nor an external covenant—it's all future! I like to think of it as internalized in our very souls. A justice-filled love that is part of who we are.

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You already have received the churchwide mailing describing our Seven-Week Transitional Mission Study Wednesdays (7:30—9:00 pm) each followed by a Sermon Series "Living Into ..." (10:00 am) the marks of vital congregations. These Wednesday Mission Study discussions are **so important** we are asking you to carve out time to attend and contribute to **each one** followed by Sunday's sermon challenge.

Elders and others will capture your thoughts and ideas from the studies and smaller groups as we discern what will work best to grow Carmel into and through our next pastor's ministry. We will capture your themes and next questions to incorporate in the fall into our written Mission Study. That's why it's so important to hear your voice and share your ideas now! In a sense, these Mission Studies will be **Listening Sessions**: What has God done, where are we now, where is God leading us?

And we are in a **special place** perhaps more so than other congregations not in a **Transitional Ministry**—because we are **already** on the journey of Transitional Ministry—programmed to ask the questions that will move us forward in God's plan for us in this corner of God's realm. What has COVID revealed to Carmel that are strengths we have to survive? What are some of our weaknesses? What did we do before that helped us to survive? What are some new realities



in learning who we need to be to best serve the Risen One?

What made the church vibrant? What makes our congregation vital? Let's be real. We are **not in a crisis**! However, we have what I'll describe as a **providential**

urgent opportunity to reclaim and re-discover what guiding priorities are for us for today and to empower forward-focused?

So, let's all join together Wednesdays at 7:30 pm to tell Carmel's story—the honest story—and hear each of us tell our stories to discover God's new possibilities of who we will become!

Here's how we'll get together Wednesdays at 7:30 pm for the Vital Congregations Mission Study Zoom Meeting. Click on the following link (which we'll send out weekly):

https://us02web.zoom.us/ j/89287341408? pwd=WVJjSzRKdkdSTUE5ZHA5eERE NzRTQT09

The Meeting ID: 892 8734 1408 and the Passcode: 255535. Remember, if not on Zoom, join with your phone with one tap mobile:

Dial by your location +1 301 715 8592 US (DC) +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago) +1 929 436 2866 US (New York) +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma) +1 346 248 7799 US (Houston) +1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose) Find your local number: <u>https:// us02web.zoom.us/u/kyWA10rPQ</u> --Pastor Peter The Seven Marks of Vital Congregations Study & Conversations Wednesdays – 7:30-9:00 pm "Living Into …" Sermon Series Sundays – 10:00 am

Week 1: Lifelong Discipleship Formation

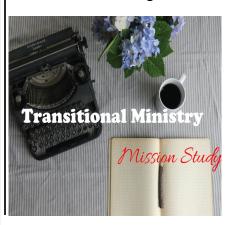
April 28, 2021 – Theme Study/ Discussion & Carmel Implications (Acts 2:42-47) May 2, 2021 Sermon Series— "Living Into Lifelong Discipleship formation" Carmel: Christian Education

Week 2: Intentional Authentic Evangelism

May 5, 2021 – Theme Study/ Discussion & Carmel Implications (John 4:1-41) May 9, 2021 Sermon Series — "Living Into Intentional Authentic Evangelism" Carmel: Outreach/Evangelism

Week 3: Outward Incarnational Focus

May 12, 2021 – Theme Study/ Discussion & Carmel Implications (Matthew 25:31-46) May 16, 2021 Sermon Series— "Living Into Outward Incarnational Focus" Carmel: Outreach/Evangelism, Deacons See **STUDY** Page 6





The following items were among the reports and business conducted during the Regular April Meeting of Session.

With praise and gratefulness Session opened the sanctuary on April 11 for in person worship with 13 congregants present. Session also approved to allow the attendance of the Hispanic Church service to be expanded to 40 attendees as of April 11. Over the coming weeks Session looks forward to welcoming more back to our beautiful sanctuary on Sundays.

Session approved the baptism of Avery Joan Moll daughter of Tyler and Cassandra Moll. It will take place during worship on Sunday May 2nd with proud grandfather Gary Moll as the Elder representative.

Congregational Life Committee received Session's approval to add a mission component to the Mother's Day Drive by Coffee Hour to benefit Laurel House. Donations of gift cards or diapers, per Laurel House's wish list, will be collected to help meet the needs of Laurel House's clients.

At the Property Committee's request, Session approved to replace rotted wood and cap the trim along the front of the chapel from the education building to the bell tower. Work will be done by Scullin Construction Inc. at a cost of \$5,346.

Session approved the Deacons plan to send an email of encouragement, along with a \$25.00 Wawa Ecard to our Carmel College students as the spring semester comes to an end. Approximately 10 or less students will receive the emails. And total expenditures should not exceed \$300.00.

It was reported that Elders David Campbell and Lynne Schutt having served six consecutive years on the Session; Carol Moll having served six consecutive years on the Deacons and; Patricia Agbote and Ruth Kucera having served six consecutive years on the Shepherds are ineligible for reelection to the respective Board for a period of one year. The Church Officers Nominating Committee will begin work seeking officer candidates for Class of 2024. If you are interested in serving on a Church Board or Committee please contact Elder Jay Raulinaitis or Reverend Sulyok.

The Stewardship Committee is reviewing the church membership roll to update our membership data and active member list.

The Web Site Redesign Task Force is actively working with Worship Times on the redesign of Carmel's website. Reverend Sulyok is researching and gathering templates for website and social media communication guidelines and procedures that Carmel can use as a resource for the development of Carmel's polices to manage social media content.

With Session's blessing and with thanksgiving, Reverend Rossi will be on vacation leave from June 11 through June 13, 2021.

—Nancy Pinkowicz, Clerk of Session



Just out: This year's Compassion Camp 2 VBS theme!

Changing the World With Loving Kindness

Carmel's Vacation Bible School for ages 4 to grade 5 July 25-29, 6:30 PM

Stay tuned for coming details about where and how, plus registration information. Guaranteed: Fun for all!

Includes Bible stories, crafts & activities, original music, movement, and more!

Congregational Life Committee Drive-By Event: Coffee Hour Plus A Shower

The Congregational Life committee invites you to **Coffee Hour Plus A Shower**. Mark your calendar for this Drive By Event, Sunday, May 9th, 11am-1pm. Pick up your special treat which will be lovingly prepared for EVERYONE. The part of our event that will honor all mothers is fittingly in the 'giving,'



\$25) to the following businesses:

Amazon Dollar Tree Giant Royal Farms Target Uber / Lyft Visa / Mastercard Walmart Wawa

If you prefer, we are also collecting dia-

pers (size newborn or size 1).

The women and children served by Laurel House will be 'showered' with our donations and our love on Mother's Day. I can't think of a more appropriate group to support on this special day.

Please email Melissa Deacon

(<u>mdeacon782@comcast.net</u>) to reserve your treat and ask any questions you may have. Please don't hesitate to request delivery. We've been so very happy to have many Carmel members offer to help with these events. It's been wonderful to be able to include everyone who would like to participate.

to 'shower' some very specific mothers with needs most of us can barely fathom.

If you're able to help, this is an opportunity



Laurel House is dedicated to the vision of ending domestic violence in each life, home, and community.

The women (so many young mothers) served by Laurel House have taken that 'first courageous step' in reaching out to Laurel House looking to build a 'violence free life for themselves and their families.'

Our Coffee Hour Plus a Shower event is a response to very specific needs of the Laurel House residents.

Please consider a donation of gift cards (they prefer

–Melissa Deacon

Cards for Carmel's Neighbors



Youth and adult leaders of Carmel's Refuge and Oasis youth groups made 110 Easter and Happy Spring care cards for residents and staff of our next door neighbor, Edge Hill Nursing Home. The project was organized by Sarah Stein of the Christian Education Committee, from an idea proposed by Kristin Waldner.



Sharing God's Love!











Blessings and Love from the Deacons!

We are all very excited at the opportunity for a safe return to the sanctuary, and ask that if you do attend in person worship that you PLEASE consider bringing food donations to the Interfaith Food Cupboard (located just inside the lobby). Please check for the current most needed items on the interfaith food cupboard website at: https://www.ifha.org/what-we-do/food-cupboard/ At this time they report having plenty of "Canned soups, pasta, beans, fruit & vegetables, jarred pasta/ spaghetti sauce, specialty condiments & spices, & foods that are very hot and spicy."

If you could use a home cooked meal, don't forget <u>Meals in a Moment</u>! Carmel members, please reach out to Carol Moll (clmoll@yahoo.com) to request a meal.

We continue to look for registrants for the below programs- please reach out if you have any interest!

C is for Carmel, College, and Circumlocution

Do you know a **Carmel college student** staring down the gaping maw of FINALS? Let us know their email address and we will send some Deacon love their way! Please forward their information to Abigail Clayton (ampm611@gmail.com). Bonus points for reading this far!

<u>Mealtime Love</u>

Are you a Carmel family with school-age children? Would you like a prepared family meal? Our Deacons are here for you! Email Joyce Kornfeld jkkornfeld@comcast.net and say 'yes'. Also include any family food allergies and a preferred night of the week.

Carmel Buddies

Hi Carmel Seniors! Are you spending a lot of time at home and missing your human connections? Deacons would like to connect you with our youth through a new pen pal program. We'll even supply the note cards and stamps. Want to join us? Email Joyce Kornfeld jkkornfeld@comcast.net (or call 215-884-9314) with your name, address and your top 3 interests.

As always, if you are in need of Deacon support or are interested in becoming a deacon, please reach out to me ampmp611@gmail.com or Pastor Ashley at pastorash80@gmail.com.

God Bless! —Abigail Clayton



Carmel wants to know if you have a Class of 2021 Graduate in your family! Please call or email the office with graduation information so that we can include it in an upcoming worship announcement and the next edition of the *Courier*. Please include the following: Name, school name, type of degree (if applicable), and future plans.



Stewardship

Belated thanks to all the members who used their time to deliver the 2021 giving envelope boxes to our congregation. Some members took boxes for their neighbors or people whose homes they passed on their way to their own homes. Others traveled out of their way to be sure all the boxes were delivered. Many preferred to remain anonymous. The committee is very grateful for all the help. THANK YOU!

The saying, April showers bring May flowers" reminds us to enjoy the beauty of God's world every day, especially in May. Let's treat God's creation with respect and thanks this month nature, animals, and especially people. —Anne Newman

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Week 4: Empower Servant Leadership

May 19, 2021 – Theme Study/ Discussion & Carmel Implications (John 13:1-20) May 23, 2021 Sermon Series — "Living Into Empowering Servant Leadership" Carmel: Personnel, Church Officer Nominating, Christian Education, Shepherds

Week 5: Spirit-Inspired Worship

May 26, 2021 – Theme Study/ Discussion & Carmel Implications (Hebrews 4:9-5:10) May 30, 2021 Sermon Series— "Living Into Inspired Worship" Carmel: Worship and Sacraments

Week 6: Caring Relationships

June 2, 2021 – Theme Study/ Discussion & Carmel Implications (Galatians 6:1-10) June 6, 2021 Sermon Series— "Living Into Caring Relationships" Carmel: Congregational Life; Deacons

Week 7: Ecclesial Health

June 9, 2021 – Theme Study/ Discussion & Carmel Implications (Matthew 15:1-9) June 13, 2021 Sermon Series— "Living Into Ecclesial Health" Carmel: Property, Finance, Investments and Insurance





Thanks so much for the beautiful lily delivered to me by Ruth Kucera. Abby, thank you, too, for the wonderful music we heard on Easter Sunday. The solo that Meg sang was beautiful. I have many fond memories of singing in Carmel's Choirs. ~ Kay Bauer

We certainly made a joyful noise when we saw the big yellow tulips dropped off at our house. Thank you Shepherds! $\sim Rod$ and Arlene Hackman

I thank you so very much for the beautiful tulips. I love the yellow ones. Whoever delivered them, I say thank you! \sim Mary Lou Frick

Thank you so much for the lovely bouquet of flowers delivered by Beth Cherry this Easter. It is a reminder of the beautiful friends we are leaving behind at Carmel. We appreciate your love, friendship, and fellowship over the past three years. We will miss you. \sim Bev and Les Mitchell

Thank you to Shepherd Kristin Waldner and her son, Gregory, for delivering the Easter lily. Next time stop for a visit! \sim Jean Badger

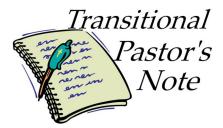
In Memoriam



Former Carmel business administrator James Ferguson passed away on April 5 in Doylestown. Many Carmel members remember Jim from his service as Carmel's business administrator from 2003 to 2011.

His time at Carmel was actually Jim's "retirement job." He had previously worked at Peat, Marwick, Mitchell as a CPA, at PSFS as Vice President of Operations, and at Rohm & Haas Del-Val Credit Union as President.

Jim and his wife Judy were members of Forest Grove Presbyterian Church, where he served as a Deacon, Elder, and church Treasurer. After turning 60, Jim and his son rode in Cancer and MS Bike-A-Thon fundraisers for 10 years. Please remember Judy, their sons Andrew and Timothy, and three grandsons as they mourn his loss. The family address for cards is available from the Carmel Church Office.



Forward-Looking: Awesome Possibilities Come with Pentecost!

Dear Friends,

This year the **Day of Pentecost** is May 23rd! Remember, wear something red to In-Person worship: wear red! Even if you are at home – Live-Streaming or Listening-In on your phone – wear red! Wear red all day and, go ahead, wear red all week! Why not even sing the words (in your heart) to "Happy Birthday" as we celebrate on **Pentecost** the Church's birthday...



Yes, **Pentecost** is often observed as the **"birthday of the Church."** However, I believe this sells **Pentecost** short. Why? Birthdays are a "backward" focus on what God has **done** rather than a "forward" focus to the **awesome possibilities** of what God is beginning to do through us! This year we will be right in the middle of our **Transitional Ministry Mission Study** with weekly **Mission Study Conversations** on Wednesdays at 7:30 pm followed by a Sunday worship **Sermon Series "Living Into ..."** at 10:00 am (in the sanctuary or live-streaming).

It is my prayer and hope that everyone will participate in the **Zoom Wednesday Mission Study** and be challenged by the Sermon Series on the same

Thank You to Carmel's Staff & Volunteers!



This past year has brought so many challenges. We would like to thank the staff who have truly stepped up to serve and keep day to day operations at Carmel moving forward. Ed Reilly, our custodian, has done an amazing job of implementing the many changes to keeping our

building safe and sanitized. I personally am very grateful for Ed as he has helped with set up and clean-up of Congregational Life events on his day off more than once.

Leslie Arrowsmith, Carmel's Nursery School Director, has had to deal with the practically impossible balancing act of serving CNS parents, her staff, Carmel Church and especially the young children who have really missed their time at Nursery School. Coming back into the building in a safe way has had so many challenges, but has been accomplished since March of this year.

Mary Ann Welsh, our Business Manager, has been amazing in her diligent efforts to explore PPP grants and loans Carmel has been eligible to apply for to provide financial relief in these unprecedented times. She has added extra duties such as bank deposits and much more as required to keep Carmel's finances in good order.

And Mary Kate Nolen, our Administrative Assistant, has taken on so many new responsibilities (I imagine she could hardly recognize her original job description if she had time to stop and think about it-which she does not!) They include frequent email communications of Zoom links, worship bulletins and more to the congregation. Just think of all of those Holy Week services, which she admits being glad that it only comes once a year! She accomplishes all of this with a warm and welcoming smile on her face, greeting everyone who enters the building.

Easter at Carmel















Palm Saturday—Breaking Bread Together



With so much having to be put on hold, or given up entirely as a result of the pandemic, Congregational Life wanted to be sure to uphold Pastor Eby's Easter bread tradition. To that end, we hosted a Palm Sunday Drive-By event on Saturday, March 27th so that members could break bread together with a loaf of cinnamon bread (with or without raisins)! The kitchen smelled amazing, and we made over 70 loaves of bread! Thank you to everyone who participated!





Sunday Lectionary Readings

May 25th Sunday of EasterActs 8:26-40CommunionPsalm 221 John 4:7-21John 15:1-8

May 96th Sunday of EasterActs 10:44-48Psalm 981 John 5:1-6John 15:9-17

May 16 7th Sunday of Easter Acts 1:15-17. 21-26 Psalm 1 1 John 5:9-13 John 17:6-19

May 23 Day of Pentecost Communion

Acts 2:1-21 *or* Ezekiel 37:1-14 Psalm 104 Romans 8:22-27 *or* Acts 2:1-21 John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

May 30 Trinity Sunday Isaiah 6:1-8 Psalm 29 Romans 8:12-17 John 3:1-17



rd to the ends of the earth." Acts 1:8, NRSV



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theme as the Wednesday's discussion. Each week for sevenweeks we will "forward" focus on a different **Mark of a Vital Congregation** and explore how the Mark might be both a catalyst for enlivening our congregation **now** and a stimulant for **future ministry** with our new called pastor. Because of the change brought upon us by the pandemic, we all need to grab on this opportunity to grow our congregation forward into the awesome possibilities **God's Pentecost Spirit** offers!

So, let's observe the **Day of Pentecost** as the arrival of the **Holy Spirit** to the early church –yes! Yet, also, as a call to be open to what God is doing in the world to shape us in being and staying human to and for each other, the creatures around us and our environment.

In other words, **let's celebrate** the **Day of Pentecost**! And, **let us continue to discern**—during the summer into the fall weeks of the **Season of Pentecost**—God's new vision for building up the realm of God in our **Transitional Ministry**! And, **let us strive** to nurture anew the spiritual gifts, power and authority the **Holy Spirit** gives both as individuals and as a congregation to be Jesus' active witnesses. The seven-weeks of the **Transitional Ministry Mission Study** and **Sermon Challenges** begin as we enter May. During that time we are each especially encouraged and challenged to have a voice in **who** Carmel will be as we urgently claim post-pandemic footing to offer a firm foundation for ministry with our new pastor. Let us transition Carmel into that newness of life Jesus promises on Easter and to which God's **Holy Spirit** guides us.

The first **Pentecost** was just the beginning! Jesus' disciples were all "baptized with the Holy Spirit" and received God's Holy Spirit to guide, support and empower them. Through us their work continues! We receive the **Holy Spirit** to equip and nurture us with spiritual gifts and power to pursue Jesus' mission and ministry. Jesus' promise that the **Holy Spirit** would come to the church continues—even today—to enable each of us and our Carmel Presbyterian congregation to stay spirited, vibrant, grow and be responsive to new challenges and opportunities. That's what we are about during this Transitional Ministry!

This year let's celebrate **Pentecost** not only as the birth of **God's Spirit** to the early church but—more importantly—as God's new "Easter moment" for us to freshly receive God's new vision and empowerment for God's future ministry with and among us.

Let's be open to listen and discern God's future in Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit!

Grace and peace,

Pastor Peter

P.S. If you don't remember why, "Wear red!", tune in on Pentecost—just wear red!

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Worship Tech

Between the two of them, I'd be surprised if there is a Committee or Board that has NOT been blessed by the dedicated service of Gary Moll and Jay Raulinaitis. Bringing Carmel's congregation the system we needed to live stream our services was and is an enormous project. They both have spent countless hours determining our needs as a church, researching companies, comparing proposals and interviewing technicians, and educating the Session. Then organizing the installation, and finally (no small task) learning everything needed to operate our new system to enable our members to participate in worship from home all have been such a huge job. Whew!

May I remind you that Gary and Jay are VOLUNTEERS? We're so thankful (and tired just thinking about their efforts!). It takes a heart for service to rise to this level of dedication to Carmel. The hard work is done, and done brilliantly. What we need now are willing 'students' with a similar desire to serve. Please consider volunteering to help live stream our service on Sundays; it's easy and fun. And --Gary and Jay have certainly earned the occasional day off! Thank you both, we are very grateful!

Our Church's Song

"Our world has changed and continues to change. As everything becomes less predictable, our 'church's song' is a source of healing and hope." One of the most dramatic changes to our worship experience at Carmel has centered on our 'church's song.' Our wonderful choir has not been able to make music together for quite some time. It's important that we recognize the incredible job our Music Director, Abby Palmisano, and our Lead Vocalist, David Campbell, have done to provide a reminder of the ways that music can lift the soul. Abby has scheduled many soloists to provide beautiful offertory music and has found creative ways to accompany vocalists, first virtually and now in person. With our live streaming technology in place, she has pivoted to a music program that takes the safety concerns of small group singing into consideration, including "singer's masks." Hearing her expertly play our beautiful organ in the sanctuary again has been a true comfort.



David has taken on the heavy lifting when it comes to singing hymns for our services in his beautiful voice. I would guess that the time he spends preparing and presenting all of the music for a typical Sunday has tripled at least. "Music softens the pain, increases the joy and opens the heart...." Thank you, Abby and David. The struggles we've all faced this year have been many; the beautiful music you create for our services provides moments of bliss.

Pastors Reinvent the Wheel We are most fortunate with our pastoral leadership. Pastor Peter Sulyok and Pastor Ashley Rossi have carried a heavy load for all of us. It is overwhelming to think about the many. many ways they've had to reinvent the wheel this year. With the sudden arrival of the pandemic shutdown, Ashley assumed a new 'full time job,' as she inadvertently became (under duress) video/social media/zoom producer. She also led a confirmation class, took on almost all of the preaching and teaching responsibilities—including a full week of Holy Week 2020 services--until Peter arrived to help, led book studies, Bible studies, VBS, and she was installed as Moderator of the Philadelphia Presbytery (wow!). Ashley was also instrumental in her work with Gary and Jay, tackling the huge task of bringing live streaming into our Sanctuary. She's had less time to pray and care for the spiritual needs of our Congregation and yet that's exactly where her attention has been.

Peter arrived and however we all thought this next chapter was going to go...well... let's just say he was forced to pivot practically overnight and build completely new ministry strategies to reach our congregation. How do you answer a brand new call and be unable to meet your congregation face to face for the first year and more? The small group Zoom Meet and Greet meetings that Peter suggested really gave us an opportunity to begin to connect. He attended our parking lot gatherings, met our seniors at ROAM, and provided pastoral care. Having guided several churches through this incredibly important process, we are grateful for Peter's leadership as we search for our next Pastor at Carmel. Also, I don't think it's a stretch to say Peter knows more Carmel folks by name than I do (after 20+ years.) That is a gift.

Pray for our Pastors and pray with our Pastors. Give Thanks! This journey has been full of struggle but we're getting there.

If you've read Carmel's FB page version of these posts, you couldn't miss the theme of gratitude. So many folks have really stepped up to ensure that our Carmel Family navigates these unprecedented times - continuing to love God, with heart, soul, and mind and love each other. We really are so very fortunate. —*Melissa Deacon*,





Best wishes to Rich & Ruth Kucera, who will celebrate their 54th Anniversary on May 6th and Samuel & Cornelia Jetter, who will celebrate their 59th Anniversary on May 7th

A shared experience

What comes to mind when you hear the word *Pentecost*? Many people think of a mighty wind, tongues of fire and multiple languages. But Acts 2 begins with another detail that's just as key: Jesus' disciples "were all together in one place." Because they were together physically and spiritually, the early believers didn't miss the life-changing, world-changing birth of the Church.

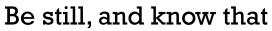
The pandemic, while changing our definition of gathering, also highlighted our need for interaction. If Jesus' first followers hadn't been assembled on Pentecost, they would've missed the outpouring of God's power and the indescribable joy God had for them. Think about what believers today might miss if we neglect to worship with other friends of Christ. Who would want to miss God's blessings, promises and joy?

—Adapted from NewsletterNewsletter, May 2021



Special dates

- National Day of Prayer, May 6, 2021
- Mother's Day, *May 9, 2021*
- Ascension Day, May 13, 2021
- Armed Forces Day, May 15, 2021
- Pentecost, *May 23, 2021*
- Trinity Sunday, May 30, 2021
- Memorial Day, May 31, 2021
- Ascension Day, May 13, 2021
- Armed Forces Day, May 15, 2021
- Pentecost, *May 23, 2021*
- Trinity Sunday, May 30, 2021





Psalm 46:10



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The LORD loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of his unfailing love. PSALM 33:5, NIV