

Manse Cat Monthly: Musings from Pastor Leia / her cat

Out of concern for the health of our members and a desire to love our neighbors by keeping them safe, the Session of Peoples Presbyterian Church voted on Tuesday to continue to worship at home through the end of June. Our building may be closed, but the church itself is not closed and has never been closed-we have simply returned to the roots of early Christianity by worshipping at home.

Since we'll be based online for a while longer, I thought I would lead a refresher tour of our website: peoplespresbyterian.org. I've been spending an awful lot of time working on it these past couple months and I want to make sure everyone knows what resources are available there.

There are eight pages on our website in addition to the homepage. The first page (and obviously the newest) is titled "COVID-19." This page has the most recent news on how long we will continue to worship from home, details about all of the services, events, and fellowship times, plus links to the recordings of each and every online service we have had, as well as bulletins and sermon audio files.

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The second page is titled "Worship" and is also a recent addition to the website. Its dropdown

menu will take you to a page of readings, hymns, and prayers for every Sunday service we have had apart. Sunday morning worship, May 3, 2020 (bulletin) (sermon audio) Wednesday evening prayer, May 6, 2020 Sunday morning worship, May 10, 2020 (bulletin) (sermon audio) Wednesday evening prayer, May 13, 2020 Sunday morning worship, May 17, 2020 (bulletin) (sermon audio) Wednesday evening prayer, May 20, 2020

Feast of the Ascension, May 21, 2020

The page for each Sunday goes up a day or two before the worship service is live-streamed so that you can use the m NEW page to follow

along. Hymn titles are direct links to r Session, we will YouTube videos of the song so that vok at 10am. You our website unde offee hour on Zoc new, you could a 124 fettement by something other

than just my voice. After Sunday morning, links to the service video and sermon audio are added. 5/25/2020

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

Info.

- Website updates
- Essential Members
- Word Search
- Family Fold

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The third page is titled "Events" and brings you to a calendar noting every service, fellowship opportunity, Bible study, etc. If you click on any individual event, you will find directions to join a zoom call, a link to our facebook page, or a link to the recording of a service.

There are two items on the drop-down menu under the sixth page, "What We Do" that I want to direct your attention to.

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	NEWSLETTERS	
U S Memorial D:	SERMON AUDIO	
May 25, 20:	PASTOR'S BLOG	MAY 8, 2020: WEEK 8 OF ISOLATION
8:00 pm - 8	FACEBOOK	MAY 1, 2020: WEEK 7
Bible Study May 26, 20:	INSTAGRAM	OF ISOLATION
8:00 pm - 8:	15 pm	APRIL 17, 2020: WEEK 5 OF ISOLATION
Wednesday Evening Prayer May 27, 2020 <i>8:00 pm - 8:15 pm</i>		APRIL 10, 2020: WEEK 4 OF ISOLATION
Virtual Cocktail Hourl May 28, 2020		APRIL 4, 2020: WEEK 3 OF ISOLATION
5:00 pm - 6:	00 pm	MARCH 27, 2020: WEEK 2 OF ISOLATION
looking for something?		MARCH 20, 2020: WEEK 1 OF
» The Hour	PUBLICATIONS Has Come" (John 17:1-11)	JANUARY 2020

The first is the Bible study page, which lists the scripture readings for each Bible study I've put online as well as a link to the recording. Lower down in the drop-down menu is a Mission page, which lists out alphabetically some of the many projects, outreach events, and collections that we have



WHILE WE SHELTER AT HOME, PASTOR LEIA WILL LIVE STREAM A SHORT AND INFORMAL BIBLE STUDY ON FACEBOOK ON TUESDAYS AT 8PM. YOU CAN WATCH THE RECORDINGS HERE:

April 29, 2020 Ecclesiastes 1:1-14 May 5, 2020 Ecclesiastes 3:1-22

April 21, 2020 Ecclesiastes 1:1-2, 12:8-14

May 12, 2020 Ecclesiastes 5:1-20

May 19, 2020 Ecclesiastes 8:12-13, 8:16-9:11

done for our community in just the past few years. It's an impressive list and worth a read!

The seventh page is titled "Media" and contains a lot of different content. You can find newsletters, sermon audio files, my blog, and direct links to our Facebook and Instagram pages.



BOOK BUDDIES

In 2018, we started a "Book Buddies" program, in which volunteers take shifts to read with second graders at Paddock Elementary School right across the street. Every Wednesday while school is in session, we get to hear stories as the kids practice reading out loud!

BUNNY MONEY

We started a new Easter tradition in 2019 by filling the plastic eggs at our egg hunt with plastic "bunny money." We had one basket designated for a summer camp scholarship and one basket designated for "Books on Bikes," and the kids used their plastic coins to vote for the charity they wanted to receive a donation. On behalf of the youth of Peoples, and at their request, we wrote a check to "Books on Bikes"!

CANOPY ON THE CORNER

On Halloween, we host a "canopy on the corner," offering cookies and hot cider to trick-or-treaters and their parents!

GREEN TAPE SUNDAYS

We believe that there's no "red tape" in helping to solve hunger in our community. On the first Sunday of each month, we push a shopping cart up the aisle to collect food. Giving food to Aid in Milan, a local food pantry, is just as much an offering as the money we place in the plates.

HATS FOR CANCER

Members and friends of the church meet monthly in the church lounge to visit while they knit, crochet, or sew soft warm hats for chemo patients who have lost their hair. Hats are also made at home and the collections of hats are periodically delivered to area hospital oncology units. Since this project began in 2013, over 1,400 hats have been made and donated, including 244 in 2019

HILL HOUSE

Every year, we provide a fried chicken dinner for the homeless population served by Hill House in Ann Arbor. They are always excited to see us and it's a great opportunity to get to know our neighbors!

HOLIDAYS

During the Thanksgiving season, Peoples

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A BLESSING FOR THE MASKS

Great Physician, Giver of All Life, may this mask I wear show your true face: a face of mercy and compassion a face that loves others above myself a face that protects the vulnerable and weak.

As I wear this mask, save and protect me from danger that may come my way. As I wear this mask, save and protect others from danger I may send their way, even without meaning to.

As once you hid your face from Moses, in order to reveal the glory of your presence, teach us to hide our outward faces, to reveal our inward love for the world, and the glory of your presence in us. Amen.

Rev. Carol Ferguson, Crescent Springs Presbyterian Church







Caring Corner

People's Prayer List

Essential Workers:

Medical Staff - Diane Glover, nurse at St. Joes Hospital

Kim Heeringa, clinical subject coordinator/microbiologist, at the 1000-bed field ward Shane Bookout, paramedic Bob Sitz, pharmacist, at State Hospital and Herrick Hospital Becky Sitz, works at the pharmacy at U of M Hospital Lisa Pratt, works in the patient laboratory at VA Hospital Staci Bashaw Jennifer Bookout Lori and son Jesse Fugate Tony Gehring Stacy and Larry Johnson Kerri Morrow Alayna Plews' father, Terry Plews Vicky and Richard Gehring Al and Albert Clarke Justin Fugate **Ryan Cranson** Jessica Cranson Jacob Cranson **Travis Cranson**

Laid Off Workers:

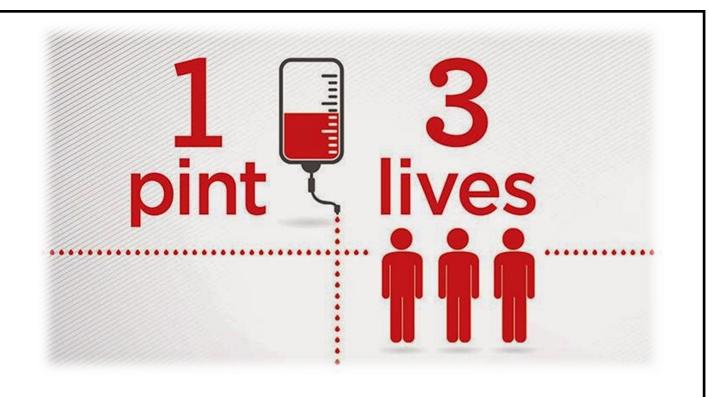
Jenny Bellers Phil Marteney Jason Marteney Linda Cranson Rob Cranson

Please let us know if you are aware of any other Essential Workers or those who are laid off.

Family Fold

"Per our Zoom Fellowship hour about gardening projects, here is Sue's new rock garden at the lake. That's a Armillary sundial in the middle. It's telling pretty at telling good time, but of course it's an hour slow due to "springing ahead for daylight savings time. They are all new plants, hence pretty small." -Steve Barney





Dear Peoples People,

As many of you already know, we are still in the process of procuring enough names to become a Blood Donation Host with ARC.

We need <u>30 names of interested donors</u>, but I currently only have 7. I realize, in these times, it will be more challenging to reach our goal due to lack of in-person contact and public health. However, I believe we can reach our goal, and I am so grateful to those of you who have already volunteered your names! You rock!

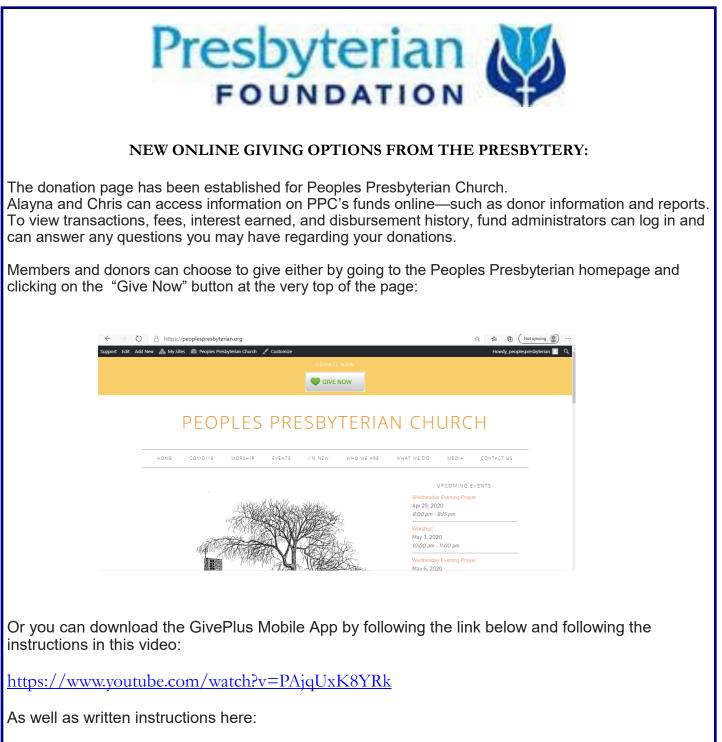
Christina Warbington, Michigan's Booking Rep., She has briefed me on all of the precautions being implemented around donations during the pandemic, and I assure you that ARC is well-prepared and will not let us conduct any of this unless they have deemed it completely safe. Ms. Warbington was so thrilled to hear of our interest as there is an urgent need for donations currently. **As I mentioned, our first step to becoming a Blood Drive host is to procure 30 names of people who can commit to donating.** I am including, at the end of this newsletter, Blood Donation Fact sheet for any and all of you to use freely. You may also call and leave me a voicemail at the office number provided on the last page of this newsletter, or since I am often working from home, **please feel free to call my cell as well: (616)-490-1799.**

Lastly, while we are hoping for a good response in potential donors, we also want to ensure that the health and safety of our community are TOP priority. Many of you have already reached out to inform me of health or other reasons you cannot donate, and that is fine. We are not asking you to do anything you can't do. If you still want to help but can't donate, please feel free to disseminate this information and the sign-up sheet to any and all in the community who you think would be capable and interested. Even if you are in good health to your knowledge, PLEASE review the links below thoroughly regarding donor criteria and eligibility before signing up:

https://www.redcrossblood.org/donate-blood/how-to-donate/types-of-blood-donations/whole-blooddonation.html

https://www.redcrossblood.org/faq.html#eligibility

Thank you in advance,. Wishing you health and happiness, Alayna Plews, Office Administrator



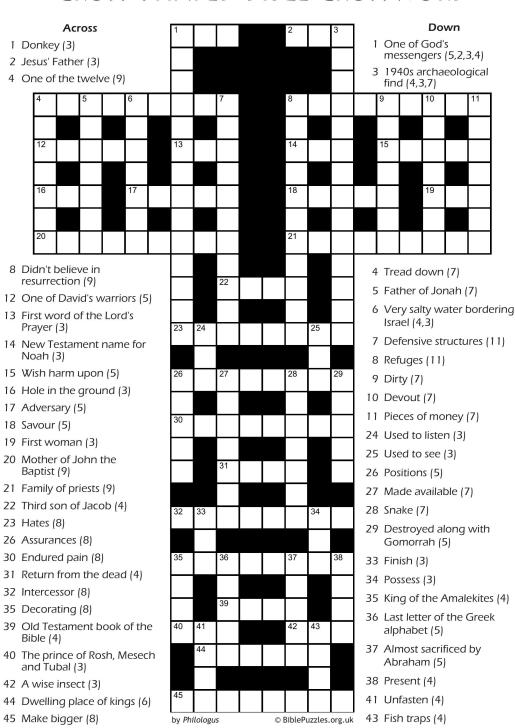
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1XmuWCTg81uPiGh898jWFIoR02K36QW-z/view?usp=sharing

You can read additional FAQs regarding this new donor option here:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1KRXiUz_Eo56ly2XgmGSG7J0ZquD5c7v2/view?usp=sharing

If you have additional questions, feel free to contact Alayna at anytime at either the church office or Alayna's cell: (616)-490-1799.

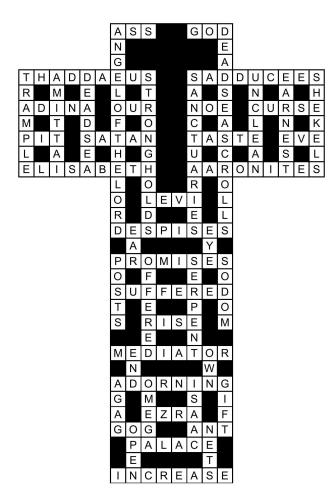
GAMES and ACTIVITIES



CROSS-SHAPED BIBLE CROSSWORD

ANSWERS

CROSS-SHAPED BIBLE CROSSWORD - SOLUTION



Across: 1 Ass, 2 God, 4 Thaddaeus, 8 Sadducees, 12 Adina, 13 Our, 14 Noe, 15 Curse, 16 Pit, 17 Satan, 18 Taste, 19 Eve, 20 Elisabeth, 21 Aaronites, 22 Levi, 23 Despises, 26 Promises, 30 Suffered, 31 Rise, 32 Mediator, 35 Adorning, 39 Ezra, 40 Gog, 42 Ant, 44 Palace, 45 Increase.

Down: 1 Angel Of The Lord, 3 Dead Sea Scrolls, 4 Trample, 5 Amittai, 6 Dead Sea, 7 Strongholds, 8 Sanctuaries, 9 Unclean, 10 Earnest, 11 Shekels, 24 Ear, 25 Eye, 26 Posts, 27 Offered, 28 Serpent, 29 Sodom, 33 End, 34 Own, 35 Agag, 36 Omega, 37 Isaac, 38 Gift, 41 Open, 43 Nets.

Bible Crossword by BiblePuzzles.org.uk

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American Red Cross

You will get juice and cookies.

It's easy and convenient. It only takes about an hour to give whole blood, and you can make your donation at an American Red Cross blood donation center or one of many blood drives held at businesses, community centers, schools or places of worship.

You will weigh less. One pint less than when you came in!

It's something you can spare. Most people have blood to spare, yet there is still not enough to go around.

No one can ask you to do heavy lifting. As long as you wear your bandage, you're on reprieve. Wear it as long as you like. It's a badge of honor!

You will walk a little taller afterward. Most people feel good about themselves knowing they've just helped save someone's life. You will too!

You will be helping to ensure that blood is there when it's needed. Most people don't think they'll ever need blood, but many do. One whole blood donation can yield up to three blood products: red cells, platelets and plasma.

You will give a gift that costs nothing, but last a lifetime. Blood is something money can't buy. It's only something that one person can give to another.

You will be someone's hero. You may give a newborn, a child, a mother or father, a brother or a sister another chance at life. In fact, you can help save up to three lives with just one donation!

It's the right thing to do!

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