

# Special Edition OUTLOOK

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### MAY 2020 OUTLOOK DEADLINE

We welcome contributions to our monthly newsletter and invite you to share information, or even something more creative!

*Please submit all articles, events or special announcements for the May 2020 Outlook by Wednesday, April 15, if possible, and no later than Monday, April 20. Thanks!*

Please remember our homebound in your prayers or with a note:

Dorothy Barwick, Dolores Colaiacomo, Gail Gorlo,  
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### PASTORAL CARE ~ VERY IMPORTANT!

If you, or someone you know, is hospitalized, please call the church office to let us know (203-374-8822). Hospitals do not notify us when a parishioner is hospitalized.

**“You are my refuge and my shield; I have put my hope in your word.”**

What is the Word of God? In a poll of one hundred people I feel certain the majority would say it is the scripture, the ‘words’ in the Bible. This answer makes sense, but I don’t think it’s the whole answer. Let’s look at what the Bible says about how God created humans:

“Then God said, ‘And now we will make human beings; they will be like us and resemble us. They will have power over the fish, the birds, and all animals, domestic and wild, large and small.’”

In this passage God’s speech is creative. In other parts of the Creation Story God also ‘commands’ and ‘names.’ These actions describe God using words to create and shape the Cosmos. I believe it is this sense of the word, “Word” that is used by the Psalmist in the scripture quote at the top of the page from Psalm 118. We are created by the word of God IN THE IMAGE OF GOD. This concept is powerful and hopeful. How are we like God? I am certain that books could be written about the ways we could be ‘like’ God, but in this article I want to focus on one: our ability to create and shape the world with our word.

I heard a story that goes something like this: A young girl loved to sing as she did chores and played around her house. One day her mother was in a bad mood because of typical adult frustrations and upon hearing her daughter’s singing yelled at her and told her that she was a bad singer. From that moment on she stopped singing and it wasn’t until college, when taking part in a skit, that she let her guard down for a moment and sang. Her fellow students marveled at her singing ability and she went on to make a career out of singing. If it wasn’t for that serendipitous moment in college, she would have never known how talented she was, her life would have been much different.

This story shows us that words can break down, but they can also build up. What do you do with your words? You see friends I think that, not only are we made in the image of God, God has hope in us that we will create the Kingdom of God. We hope in God’s word, and God hopes in our word. What a daunting responsibility! During this fearful and desperate time how can you create hope? Jesus’ word spoke Lazarus out of the tomb. God’s word spoke Jesus out of the tomb. In this fearful and desperate time how can you speak life to death?

These questions from your pastor may feel like the opposite of ‘pastoral care.’ It may seem like I am heaping burden upon fear. But I want you consider Jesus last words to Peter after his resurrection and right before his ascension:

“Peter do you love me?”

“Yes, Lord”

“Then feed my sheep.”

Yours, Pastor Todd

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## ***SPECIAL ONLINE HAPPENINGS WITH PASTOR TODD***

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### **NEW GROUPS ONLINE**

**Mindfulness Meditation: Tuesdays at 1pm**

<https://zoom.us/j/476564222>

**Bible Study: ALL ABOUT PAUL on Wednesdays at 4pm**

<https://zoom.us/j/805015283>

**Prayer Group: Thursdays at noon**

<https://zoom.us/j/448136195>

### **YOU TUBE VIDEOS MADE IN MARCH 2020 BY PASTOR TODD**

#### **WORSHIP VIDEOS**

March 15 Worship Service - <https://youtu.be/PhKyVWMQJMA>

March 22 Worship Service - <https://youtu.be/2npj9jyCLKY>

March 29 Worship Service - <https://youtu.be/w-5uzxsxrLU>

#### **DAILY MEDITATION WITH PASTOR TODD VIDEOS**

March 16 Daily Meditation - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wbAIf8P5SdA&t=36s>

March 17 Daily Meditation - <https://youtu.be/80-nqHbT0P8>

March 18 Daily Meditation - <https://youtu.be/uE7nHLIz5Q4>

March 19 Daily Meditation - <https://youtu.be/6CdXGdG0TRM>

March 20 Daily Meditation - <https://youtu.be/yjnyFcEw7Ow>

March 23 Daily Meditation - <https://youtu.be/62oaX3q4H6E>

March 24 Daily Meditation - <https://youtu.be/pDauVTyizwA>

March 25 Daily Meditation - <https://youtu.be/emLJLGcLPss>

March 26 Daily Meditation - <https://youtu.be/1TA62pB4Yjw>

March 27 Daily Meditation - <https://youtu.be/kKraI7novEY>

March 28 Daily Meditation - <https://youtu.be/qK1poDkLh8o>

March 30 Daily Meditation - <https://youtu.be/XRfHYvDL4sY>

March 31 Daily Meditation - <https://youtu.be/VI7x84OHkFA>

**AS ALWAYS CHECK OUT UNITY HILL'S FACEBOOK PAGE AND YOUR EMAIL INBOX FOR OUR DAILY MEDITATION AND NEWS ABOUT UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES AND EVENTS...**

Yours, Pastor Todd

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## ***CHURCH UPDATES***

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In these challenging days with Unity Hill having an online presence for its Sunday Service instead of meeting in person, it is important that every member realize this truth:

**Unity Hill's on-site worship services may have been cancelled, but our church's ongoing mission and ministry continues.**

Church members' faithful, weekly giving makes possible the continued fulfillment of the ongoing mission of Jesus for the church in our community and throughout the world.

How can you as a member remain faithful in your giving responsibility and thus continue to invest in and fund the continued mission and ministry of our church?

**Here are some ways:**

**1. Continue giving weekly through your personal banking online bill pay service.**

I heard someone say recently, "I rarely write a check anymore." This is because most people pay their bills online these days. Simply fill out the information regarding your church and add them as one of the organizations you "pay" or in this case "give" to. This method does not cost the church or the giver any additional fee.

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**2. Send your donation weekly through the U.S. Postal Service.**

This may be the option of choice for members who are not tech savvy. The "fee" for using this method is simply the Fifty-Five cent stamp required to send it. Members need to take precautions and make sure that when they send a letter that they don't have symptoms that might lead to the spread of a virus via a letter.

In these challenging times Christians need to find a way to remain faithful in their giving responsibility to the Lord and the church in order that Unity Hill's mission will thrive and not suffer.

**PALM SUNDAY** ~ On April 5, Pastor Todd will be giving out a palm and bulletin if they drive by the church between 11 and 12.

**GOOD FRIDAY** ~ April 10

**EASTER SUNDAY** ~ April 12



*Our Deepest  
Sympathy*

**VERY SAD NEWS...** William "Courty" Vars, Jr. passed away on Friday, April 3 in Yale New Haven Hospital. There will be a private graveside service with a memorial service in the late summer or fall.

Courty's family would appreciate cards and prayers but please no calls.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Courty's family through this time of grief.

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## A PAUSE BEFORE EASTER ~ a Reflection from Patty Bowman

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What is Holy Saturday? In simple terms it is the day between Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection yet for me it is much more. It represents how God guides us from the darkness of death to the joy of life.

The Bible has many details of the events on Good Friday and Easter Sunday, yet very little is written about the day in between. Saturday is the Jewish sabbath and Luke briefly mentions that it was observed by those who laid Jesus to rest in the tomb and the women who had come with Jesus from Galilee.

***“Then they went home and prepared spices and perfumes. But they rested on the Sabbath in obedience to the commandment.” (Luke 23:56)***

The disciples were reeling from the events of the week. They were sad, disappointed and likely feared for themselves as well. They retreated to a safe place to wait though they were not so sure that Jesus would rise, they had many doubts.

Today we are also faced with very uncertain times and have been exploring many facets of this through the daily meditations provided by Pastor Todd on Facebook. Saturday is the last day of Lent so maybe some people are anticipating returning to their pre-Lent habits. Maybe you have a stash of chocolate that you have been abstaining from. Or maybe you added a new habit for Lent and can now relax back into your old routine - no more burpees at 8am. It may feel like we will never get back to our old routine of work and school and being able to shop without gloves on. It will never be the same as we have new knowledge and that is what will help carry us forward. The disciples were just starting to realize what Jesus had been telling them all along about his path. They were not yet convinced of the message of the resurrection. But we know it and can rely on that to get us through.

For me, Holy Saturday represents the pause needed to process the passion of Christ and be able to share in the joy of the resurrection. Sometimes it takes much more than one day to move past loss and grief. How do we celebrate life while surrounded with negative news and fear right now? The first Easter, after my husband, Barry, died, I was not able to see joy through my grief and the promise of new life was hollow to me. I cried through that Easter service and yet I knew God was along for my ride. I saw it when people reached out to me and supported me. I saw it when I could laugh with my kids at a funny memory. I came to realize that I could do more than just carry on, I was meant to truly share in the joy of life ... By continuing to laugh and play, by reaching out for help when needed, by offering help to others when I could. These are still the ways we can embrace life even in the midst of this quarantine. Connect with family and friends through phone calls, email, facetime chats; rely on delivery service if you need to be staying home; make a facemask for a healthcare worker. These connections help us to keep living even in the face of loss and fear and rely on the Easter promise of new life to come.

So during these unusual times, pause on this Holy Saturday after marking the loss of Good Friday and soak in the Sabbath rest for as long as you need then turn toward Easter and you will find the joy that is offered in life through the Resurrection of Jesus.

Holy  
Saturday

IN STILLNESS  
EARTH AWAITS  
THE RESURRECTION

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## *CHURCH COUNCIL ~ By: Diane Henderson, Moderator*

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Good Day Unity Hill,

Just a quick note to let you know how much I miss all of you. Can't wait until we're able to worship together again. Hope everyone is staying safe and healthy.

Here's a little humor: "So you're staying inside, practicing social distancing, and cleaning yourself? Congratulations my friend, you've become a house cat." (Thanks to Two Weirdos with a page.)

I will close with a prayer,

Dear God,

Please give us the strength to endure this situation, and to find the blessings and lessons that it contains.

Please give us the endurance to continue ahead.

Please guide our thoughts, words, and actions so that we walk your path of peace and love. Amen.

Peace, love and blessings, Diane

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## *MISSIONS COMMITTEE ~ Brenda Finizio, Marsha Piper, Carole Fanslow*

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### *ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING: Not Just Peanuts*



Piremeka dreamed of a better life that offered opportunities to her children and her community. She learned of small loans that were being offered, and was granted one to open a store, the only one of its kind in her small village. The store helped provide an income, but there was not enough of a profit to change her family's life, so she applied for another loan to start growing peanuts. She was so successful that her sisters got loans and became peanut farmers too! As peanut farmers, they were very wise and kept their peanuts until just the right time to sell them at the best price at market. With their profit, the sisters each purchased wells for their property. The wells provided enough water for themselves and their entire community. Water became a gift that allowed them all to flourish. Once dry parched land became growing fields of plenty.

To you and me, these may look like ordinary peanuts. But to the people in Piremeka's village, they appreciate that people living far away made an investment in their futures through giving to **One Great Hour of Sharing**. This is but one example of the difference your generosity makes. When we give to One Great Hour of Sharing, we invest in making futures brighter. **Thank you for your generous support.**

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## **FELLOWSHIP GROUPS**

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### *WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP ~ By: Carole J. Fanslow, President*

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~ Our Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup> meeting has been cancelled.

~ We are still hopeful we'll be able to have our last event of the year - our **Luncheon Out** on Thursday, May 21 at Tea with Tracy with Tracy in Seymour.

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# COMMUNITY GROUPS AND HAPPENINGS

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## SILVER LAKE

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Hi Silver Lake Fans!

We are having so much fun on our [Facebook page](#) this week. I hope you will check it out and join in!

**Virtual Campfires** We will stream our [virtual campfire](#) to Facebook on Wednesday, at 4 p.m. To find the video, it helps if you like our page, and turn on notifications for live videos. Go to our [page](#), click Follow, and click the edit pencil next to Notifications. If you choose Standard or Highlights, you will be notified when we go live. Or click Watch in the menu on the left side of your Facebook homescreen and search for Silver Lake. Or just go to our page at 4 p.m.

**12 Days of Christmas** You can still submit a video to be part of our 12 Days of Christmas video project! [Check out the instructions here](#). Once you have taken a video of your day, you can send it to me at [jennkc@silverlakect.org](mailto:jennkc@silverlakect.org), or you can message it to the Silver Lake Facebook page. I can't wait to see what you come up with!

**Missing your friends from Silver Lake?** Let me help! If you would like to reach out to a camp friend or two, please send me an email with their name and the conference you attended together. I will then contact your friend and let them know you are trying to get in touch! If you are already in touch with all your friends, you can make a new friend! If you would like to write to someone new, reply to me with your mailing address, and I will match you up with a pen pal you can write to. Everyone loves to get mail! I hope to see you soon!

Peace, Jenn Kronholm Clark, Program Director [Kronholmclarkj.sneucc@brtapp.com](mailto:Kronholmclarkj.sneucc@brtapp.com)



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## FAIRFIELD EAST ASSOCIATION

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~ Spring Meeting will hopefully be on Wednesday, May 27 at Huntington Congregational Church, Shelton.

~ UPDATE -An update about applications for FEA Scholarships for Silver Lake summer programs and family camps... While we know that many of you are looking forward to summer fun at Silver Lake, we understand that plans are a bit uncertain these days for many folks. In order to better accommodate these needs, we will be **extending the deadline for application for Silver Lake Scholarships to May 15th**.

Each year the Fairfield East Association (FEA) budgets **Scholarship Funds** to help youth attend events that will help them grow in their faith, learn more about their church, and simply enjoy Christian community. Call the office to obtain a scholarship application for financial assistance to attend ANY Silver Lake Summer Conferences (SLCC) this summer - [including family camp](#). The exact amount of the scholarship offered varies from year to year and is based on several factors including the number of applicants as well as any special circumstances relating to an individual application. FEA disburses funds directly to SLCC. Last year, the scholarship amounts awarded ranged from \$100 to \$250 per camper. How does it work?

- Camper goes to [www.silverlakect.org](http://www.silverlakect.org) picks a week, and registers. Campers must be registered in order to receive a scholarship. *If the required SLCC deposit poses a problem, a camper can register without paying while awaiting scholarship help. However, they will need to contact the Silver Lake Registrar directly at [slcc@ctucc.org](mailto:slcc@ctucc.org) in order to do so.*
- Camper completes FEA scholarship application form, which requires a pastor signature, and emails it to [feascholarship@gmail.com](mailto:feascholarship@gmail.com) by May 15.

- Receipt of the FEA scholarship application is acknowledged by FEA scholarship administrator.
- FEA confirms camper registrations with SLCC.
- Camper is notified of the amount of the scholarship award in a timely manner, after May 15th.

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## ***COUNCIL OF CHURCHES OF GREATER BRIDGEPORT***

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~ **SPRING FLING FUNDRAISER** Due to the Covid-19 virus the Council has made the decision to cancel our Spring Fling. Our priority is the health and well-being of our entire community. As you may know, the Spring Fling is a critical fundraiser to the Council's work.

We will look forward to celebrating with you all at the **COUNCIL'S 75TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER** on November 13, 2020. Our tradition of honoring a congregation at the Spring Fling will be included in our program that evening.

~ **Gift cards needed!** The clients we serve through our FEED and Janus centers are in need of your help. We are collecting \$10 gift cards to the following: **Stop and Shop (or other grocery stores) and Subway.** You may drop these off to Cass at our offices at The Council. Please call 203-334-1121 ext 11 to let us know if you're dropping something off. **Online donations (CLICK BELOW) to help purchase gift cards are also accepted.** Click here .... <https://ccgb.org/CCGB/index.php/DonateToday>

Finally, let's be in prayer for each other and stay safe. Our communities will be stronger and more connected on the other side of this outbreak. *"And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast."* ~ Peter 5:10

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## ***TRUMBULL INTERFAITH COUNCIL***

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**GOOD FRIDAY INTERFAITH SERVICE** on April 10 has been cancelled.

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## ***46<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CROP HUNGER WALK RALLY AND WALK***

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The **CROP Walk** has been postponed due to the coronavirus. More info at [www.crophungerwalk.org](http://www.crophungerwalk.org)

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## ***CHURCH WORLD SERVICE KITS ~ Responding to 2020's Natural Disasters***

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*"Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer."* Romans 12:12

Dear friend,

*Given the heartbreaking realities of COVID-19 and in accordance with CDC guidelines, we are postponing all kit collections and depot activity through May 31st. I know that you've already taken steps to protect your congregation at great cost; my heart goes out to you as we sit in these next moments of uncertainty together. So what comes next? It's a question that permeates the world. With the kits ministry specifically, we've been getting daily requests for hygiene kits for vulnerable groups. But without collections in the near future, we're running out of supplies.*

*For now, our best answer is that you visit/bookmark [this resource page](#). It has information for people who are still able to give...and for those who need this time to heal. Then, on May 11th, we'll reach out to you again to share what we know and hear your thoughts about how we can continue this ministry in 2020. It's a rough road ahead, but there is hope along the way. The good Samaritan has been stopped in his/her tracks by new needs, and we're seeing incredible responses come out of that pause. I've seen neighbors encourage and help each other despite the distance. I've heard the beautiful songs and prayers of*

*communities resounding as a fractured “one”. I’ve seen generosity like never before. I’ve felt peace conquer fear. I’ll be praying for you and your community in the days ahead. Let’s be in touch in both spirit and word.*  
Matthew Stevens, Director of Congregational Giving, CWS

## **HEALTH CORNER: Coronavirus and COVID-19 Frequently Asked Questions**

**Lisa Maragakis, M.D., M.P.H.**, senior director of infection prevention at Johns Hopkins (This page will be updated regularly.)

### **PROTECTING YOURSELF FROM CORONAVIRUS** [Learn more about protecting yourself](#)

**Should I get a face mask?** The virus can spread between people interacting in close proximity—for example, speaking, coughing, or sneezing—even if those people are not exhibiting symptoms. In light of this evidence, [CDC recommends wearing cloth face coverings](#) in public settings where other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain (for example, grocery stores and pharmacies)

**Can coronavirus live on objects? Mail from affected areas? Clothes?** There is no evidence at present that items imported from affected areas and shipped or mailed over the course of days or weeks are spreading COVID-19. Although the new coronavirus weakens and dies over time outside of the human body, studies suggest that it can live on surfaces for a few hours or up to several days, depending on surface, temperature and other environmental factors. For instance, the virus is viable for up to 72 hours on plastics, 48 hours on stainless steel, 24 hours on cardboard, and 4 hours on copper. It is also detectable in the air for hours. So far, evidence suggests that the virus does not survive as well on a soft surface (such as fabric) as it does on frequently touched hard surfaces like elevator buttons and door handles.

**Can I catch the new coronavirus from my dog or cat?** There have not been any reports of companion animals becoming sick with COVID-19. Because this is a new virus, experts recommend good hygiene when handling or caring for your pets. Wash your hands before and after interacting with animals and avoid kissing them or letting them lick you or share your food. People ill with COVID-19 should let someone else take care of their animals. If this isn’t possible, patients should wear a mask while looking after their pet.

### **Is it safe to order take-out?** Learn more: [Coronavirus Disease 2019: Myth vs. Fact](#)

According to the [Food and Drug Administration \(FDA\)](#), there have not been any cases of COVID-19 known to be caused from eating food or handling food packaging.

Here are some steps you can follow when ordering groceries or carryout:

- Before ordering groceries or carryout, check to see if you can pay online or over the phone.
- Ask the delivery person to leave your packages at the door or on the porch.
- If you go in person and curbside pickup is not available, make sure you maintain 6 feet of distance between you and the cashier.
- Because carryout bags and containers have been touched recently by others, it is important to wash your hands after handling these.
- Dispose of all packaging and wash your hands again before eating.

**Is grocery shopping safe during the coronavirus pandemic?** It’s best not to make unnecessary trips, but if you need to go to a grocery store, it’s important to maintain social and physical distancing as you shop, and to clean your hands often while shopping and as soon as you get home. Here are some other suggestions:

- Have one adult go shopping instead of the whole family, especially since children like to touch objects and then their faces.
- Plan to stock up for at least a week so you can minimize the number of trips.
- When you're at the store, stay at least 6 feet away from others.
- Clean the handle of the shopping basket or cart with a disinfectant wipe or hand sanitizer.
- Don't touch your face and keep your phone in your pocket because it may harbor viruses — use a paper list instead.
- Hard surfaces are more likely to be contaminated than soft surfaces (such as fabric), so be mindful of commonly touched surfaces, such as payment equipment and self-checkout machines.
- If you use reusable shopping bags, wipe them with disinfectant or launder them once you've put your groceries away.

**KNOWING THE SYMPTOMS [Learn more about COVID-19 symptoms.](#)**

**Can coronavirus start with a sore throat?** The most common symptoms of COVID-19, the disease caused by the new coronavirus, are fever, cough and shortness of breath. Some patients also have body aches, runny nose, sore throat or diarrhea. If you have a sore throat and think you have been exposed to the new coronavirus, contact a health care provider by phone and discuss your risk.

**Could losing the sense of smell and/or taste be an early symptom of COVID-19?** Unexplained loss of taste or smell is considered a symptom of COVID-19.

**Can you have COVID-19 without symptoms?** Yes. Symptoms of COVID-19 usually show up from 2 to 14 days after exposure, but some people who are infected do not develop symptoms and do not feel ill.

**Does ibuprofen make coronavirus symptoms worse?** The World Health Organization (WHO) is monitoring this situation, but says that at present, they do not see a reason to stop using ibuprofen, and are not aware of reports of any negative effects of ibuprofen, beyond the usual known side effects that limit its use in certain populations.

**How are new coronavirus disease symptoms different from allergy symptoms?** Allergies are common in the spring months, and can cause itchy eyes, stuffy nose and sneezing. In contrast, COVID-19, the disease caused by the new coronavirus has these symptoms, which can worsen over time: Cough, Fever, Shortness of breath, Muscle aches, Sore throat and Unexplained loss of taste or smell. Symptoms and risk factors may vary in different people. If you have concerns, especially if you think you might have been exposed to COVID-19, call your doctor.

<i>Birthdays In March~ HAPPY BIRTHDAY!</i>	
1 Shoran Piper Baez	14 Darryl Gaetano
8 Christina Finizio	16 Jeremy Cole, Jr.
9 Betty Heffelfinger	20 Bob Santos
13 Ronnie Schneider	21 William Hayward
14 David Gaetano	30 Calap Brown



April 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5 <b><u>Palm Sunday</u></b>	6	7 <b>1pm</b> Zoom Mindfulness Meditation	8 <b>4pm</b> Zoom Bible Study All About Paul	9 <b>12pm</b> Zoom Prayer Group	<b>10</b> <b><u>Good Friday</u></b>	11
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## Unity Hill United Church of Christ Easter Memorial Contribution to the “Book of Remembrance”



If you would like to make an Easter Memorial Contribution to the “Book of Remembrance” in addition to, or in place of, an Easter Plant, please complete this form and return it, with your check, Donations payable to “Unity Hill UCC” with a notation for: “Book of Remembrance” on the check.

Please fill out completely and be sure to write your loved ones’ name exactly how you want it inscribed in the Book of Remembrance. Thank you!

**Donor’s Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**In Loving Memory of** \_\_\_\_\_

**Book of Remembrance Donation:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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*May your Easter  
be filled with blessings.*

*And Jesus Christ our Lord was shown to  
be the Son of God when God powerfully raised  
him from the dead by means of the  
Holy Spirit.*

Romans 1:4-5

*“No matter who you are or where you are on life’s journey,  
you are welcome here!”*

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