



Hebron United Methodist Church  
 9811 Main Street, P.O. Box 323, Hebron, IL 60034

# Catch the Spirit!

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OCTOBER 2020

## The Pastor Ponders...

### ...What's in a name?

*For if you keep silence at such a time as this, relief and deliverance will rise for the Jews from another quarter, but you and your father's family will perish. Who knows? Perhaps you have come to royal dignity for just such a time as this. Esther 4: 14*

A couple of Sundays ago, Glenn and I were in Hebron checking the church building and enjoying some ice cream. We were social distancing in our car when I noticed that THE corner across the street was festooned with red, white, and blue signs. I admit that I enjoy a warm feeling of patriotism when I see those colors. However, when I read the signs, I almost choked on my vanilla malt. "Dump Joe and the Hoe. Elect Trump/Pence 2020" I'm sure the makers and the displayers of those signs thought that they were cute, clever, and witty. They are NOT!

I don't mean to be political or to support either side in this letter, so please read with an open heart. I am sure that I speak for most of the females in the world when I say that

## Join us IN PERSON on Sunday October 4th!

# WHAT TO EXPECT THIS SUNDAY

**HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE**  
**OCTOBER 4, 2020**  
**11:00AM**

## 03

At this time, there will be no live singing during indoor events.

## 01

Greeters will "check-in" each attendee to church, screening for symptoms and gathering contact information.

## 04

Bathrooms are available! Please use good handwashing and sanitize upon exit of the bathroom.

## 02

Masks are REQUIRED for all visitors over the age of 2.

## 05

Please do not linger indoors. Follow the usher's guidance for entry and exit of our church!

Please use the north entrance when entering and exiting the church.

Our online worship service will also be available. For more detailed information on our ReTurn Plan head to our website or [click here](#).

## **The Pastor Ponders (continued)**

there is no worse, demeaning, and degrading term than to refer to a female as a “hoe” (no matter how you spell or pronounce the word). I don’t care what a female’s line of work is, her social/economic standing, her educational achievement, her political stance, her race, her marital status, her age, any way you wish to define someone, no female person deserves to be called a “hoe,” ever! In fact, I can’t even begin to come up with a word that is equally demeaning to a male person. (And, in case you are questioning my use of language, I will remind you that these signs were displayed in a very prominent public place.)

Sen. Harris is a strong woman of color, with excellent credentials and leadership abilities, as well as other gifts from God for the job she is seeking. She, and other women on either side of the aisle, has had to endure much worse than these signs and is not going to let this deter her from doing what it is she feels she has been called to do. However, I am advocating for the rest of us female people – your mothers, wives, daughters, sisters, granddaughters, and the other female people you care so much about, as well as for your sons, grandsons, and other men with whom you have influence. What do those signs say to our daughters or granddaughters who we have nurtured and encouraged to achieve all that they can be and do as God’s beloved children? What do they say about our moms or our wives who may have achieved some position of

leadership in whatever arenas in which they are employed? --that seeking to serve others using all their gifts gives people the right to refer to them as “hoe”? Are the males allowed to demean their sisters, wives, others because those females have sought to develop their God-given gifts and talents?

If the events leading up to election 2020 go the same way they did in election 2016, Sen. Harris and other women running for office in any party will be characterized in derogatory terms used only for females, and not by an honest assessment of their political platforms or leadership abilities. This is violence against women. We are called to be discerning when we hear a candidate or their views described. Is the vocabulary used gender neutral or gender biased or even gender derogatory?

The Bible tells us that God gives specific gifts to women so that they may play a vital and necessary role in our story of salvation. (Shiphrah & Puah, Deborah, Ruth & Naomi, Esther, Mary, Lydia, others) God’s plan is for females and males to be in partnership. It is not necessary to agree with someone’s position to honor them as persons of value. What would Jesus do/say? What name would Jesus give to these women?

Blessings,  
Pastor Char

## **Mark Your Calendar**

**IN-PERSON SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**  
Sunday October 4th at 11:00 a.m.

**KATHY DICKERSON'S MEMORIAL SERVICE**  
Saturday, October 17th at 11:00 a.m. at the church

**NEXT CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING**  
October 25th at 9:00 a.m. at the church

### **CHARGE CONFERENCE**

Charge Conference is Monday, November 9th via Zoom at 6:30 p.m. SPRT meets via Zoom at 6:00 p.m. We may set up a Zoom at the church for those who want to attend but are unable to log in from home



## N.O.W. - Nurture

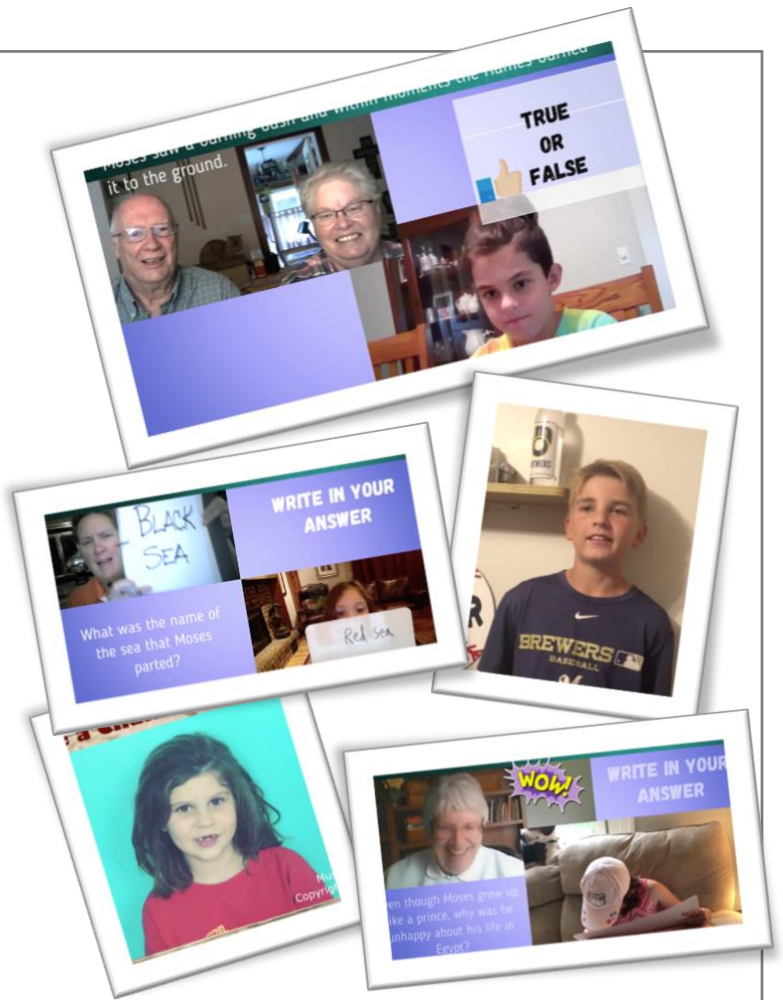
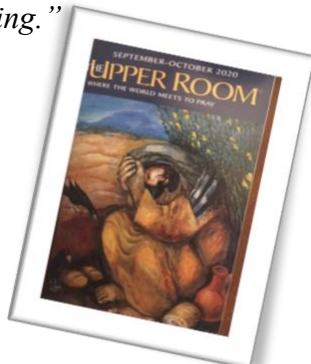
As we enter into our 7th month of not being able to worship together it is very important to reach out to those in our congregation, and friends and family, with words of encouragement and love. As it states in John 15:12, "Jesus said, 'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you'." Another way we can do this is through The Upper Room. As you know, The Upper Room has uplifting personal stories and scriptures every day. If you haven't received a copy or you know someone who could use a copy please let me know. This is a great source of encouragement for believers and those who aren't quite sure yet.

We will again be participating in the gift program through the school. For anyone not familiar with this program we receive a list of children, ages infant through High School, to buy Christmas gifts for. With each child we receive their clothing and shoe sizes and their wish list. This is a great way for us to make a child's Christmas a little brighter. In the past we have sponsored from 6 to 15 children. If you wish to participate in this wonderful program please let me know. I should be meeting with other participants in October and will have further information in our November newsletter.

With the uncertainty of the Coronavirus we will not be having our annual Thanksgiving Dinner this year. This will be the second time in 9 years we have had to cancel. We do look forward to seeing everyone next year!!

While we are apart remember the words in Philippians 4:6: "Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything."

Shirlee and Alberta  
Nurture Co-Chairs



## HUMC KIDS - Sunday School

On Sunday, September 13th we celebrated Rally Day online and kicked off our Sunday School year. We'd like to thank everyone who participated in our Rally Day fun with an extra special thank you to our Quiz Show contestants!

Our online curriculum is called "Digging into Foundations of Faith" and is offered each week using Google slides filled with videos of Ms. Kate's lessons, games, music, crafts and other activities. To receive a link to our Sunday School class each week, contact us at [churchoffice@hebronmethodist.org](mailto:churchoffice@hebronmethodist.org) to be added to our e-mail list or simply sign up on our website at [www.hebronmethodist.org](http://www.hebronmethodist.org). We look forward to this creative year of learning!

Kate Johnson & Stephanie Claussen  
Sunday School Teachers

*Kathy Dickerson's  
Memorial Service  
October 17th*



We will be honoring Kathy Dickerson's memory and celebrating her life on October 17th at 11:00 a.m. in-person at the Hebron United Methodist Church. To keep with our health safety guidelines we are asking those who would like to attend to RSVP using the link below. In the link there is a space to share a memory you have about Kathy which we will include in a slideshow at the service. If you would like to share a memory on video, we would welcome that as part of the slideshow as well! Please send your video to churchoffice@hebronmethodist.org by October 11th to be included in the service.

We plan to post portions of Kathy's Memorial Service virtually for those who cannot attend. [Click here to RSVP](#) or go to our website at [www.hebronmethodist.org](http://www.hebronmethodist.org). If you have trouble accessing the RSVP form, please email the church office.

**CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE**

We are updating our church directory this month! You will receive an email from the church the week of October 5th with a brief questionnaire requesting your name, best way to contact you, your birthday and anniversary, and a photo. The church will be using this information to create an up-to-date church directory. We hope to have the new church directory available to our members by the Advent season. (For those of you receiving the print version of our newsletter, please fill out the enclosed print version of the questionnaire and send to HUMC, P.O. Box 323, Hebron, IL 60034).



**Building Update**

The Timberwood shingles have arrived and work on the roof will begin soon!

**Happy Birthday!**

- Emilee Reins 10/6
- Danny Nelson 10/10
- Jackson Schaid 10/11
- Dawn Nelson 10/13
- Harold Bailey 10/16

**Happy Anniversary!**

No Anniversaries this month.



Dear Lord, please hear our prayer for the following...

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The family of Richard Tibbitts who passed away September 16th. \*\*Anyone wishing to send a sympathy care see below\*\*

Pastor Char & Glenn's daughter-in-law, Julie, as she goes through testing for her MS

Debbie & Jeff Arnold's friend Wendy

Kris Bottlemy's aunt, Lorraine Davis, who needs healing of a leg wound

Karen Vipond's friend, Mary Dade, going through a difficult situation

Jack & Bonnie Proesel as Jack is admitted to a nursing facility

Nora Winn who is at the Fair Oaks Nursing facility

Luke Moore

Anita Landry, her son-in-law, Emil, who is on oxygen 24/7, & her daughter, Cora, as she takes care of both

Our former Pastor Jim and Char

Our former Pastor Paul and Lynn

Jeanne and Marlo Johnson

LaVerne Schmarje

Dorothy Peterson's family

Betty Garrett's family

Arlyne Mummer

Those affected by hurricanes and fires

We pray for protection and safety for all those who defend and protect us.

We pray for the victims and families of all who have been affected by and from violence. We also pray for the return of goodwill among all people

We pray for all those affected by COVID-19 and their families; and we pray for the safety of all medical staff and personnel during the care of all patients.

We pray for our church, the Village of Hebron, and all leaders - local, state and national; our church leaders in Hebron, our Elgin District Sup't., our Bishop and the entire UMC.

We pray for the names in our hearts that they will be kept safe from harm. God bless us all. Amen



If you wish to have someone added to our Prayer List please contact Shirlee on our Nurture Team at (815) 648-5009 or at [offqueen@aol.com](mailto:offqueen@aol.com).

During a mental health crisis, anyone can call the 24-hour National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-8255. Veterans crisis line is 800-273-7255.

\*\*Sympathy cards may be sent to:  
Patricia & Tony Amigh, 50 White Magnolia Circle, Austin, TX 78734\*\*

# JOIN US FOR WORSHIP ONLINE!

[www.hebronmethodist.org](http://www.hebronmethodist.org) and find us on 

## ONLINE ACCESS

**Do you know someone over 60 who would like to see our online worship service but doesn't have access? Contact Sharon Smith about a free tablet, free internet and a free tutorial. (815) 701-6627.**

*Please continue to make your church offering. We are looking into online payment options but for now, please make your generous giving via mail to: Hebron United Methodist Church, P.O. 323, Hebron, IL 60034 Attn: Dawn*



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An electronic version of church directory questionnaire will be emailed to you the week of October 5th.  
If you prefer to print and mail in the questionnaire instead, it is provided below.

## Hebron United Methodist Church Directory

Please help us update the contact information in our Hebron United Methodist Church directory.

### Family Information

Please share with us the names and birthdays of the members of your household.

Name:	Birthdate:
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Please list any anniversaries: \_\_\_\_\_

### Contact Information

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

Primary phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary email: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Additional Information

Is it okay for Hebron United Methodist Church to publish your contact info in our church directory?

- Yes
- No
- Yes, with the exception of \_\_\_\_\_

We need to update our directory photos as well! Please choose one of the following options regarding your photo:

- I will send a photo to [churchoffice@hebronmethodist.org](mailto:churchoffice@hebronmethodist.org)
- I will mail a photo to Hebron United Methodist Church Attn: Church directory PO Box 323 Hebron, IL 60034
- Please use the photo from the last directory.

Many Thanks!  
The HUMC Directory Committee