

# Hebron Happenings

## A Note from Jason

Hebron Friends,

As many of you know, the CDC as well as other state and local agencies have put established new guidelines for gatherings and masking based on declining covid cases. In response to these updated guidelines, our session has updated our Hebron Church guidelines as well. The following guidelines will go into effect on June 1 for all groups using the church property and pavilion:

- Fully vaccinated church members and visitors no longer need to wear masks during worship and other events held at the church or pavilion.
- Members or visitors who are not fully vaccinated should continue wearing a mask.
- Social distancing is still encouraged.
- Those persons that feel ill or show symptoms of illness should not attend in-person meetings/gatherings.
- Congregational singing inside the church is still discouraged.
- Eating indoors is permitted, however serving utensils should not be shared.
- Events held outdoors can include singing and eating.

We recognize that these guidelines could possibly create tension between those who have been vaccinated and those who have not. We pray that this does not happen. The session is simply seeking to follow transitional guidelines set forth by our health agencies. We recognize there will be some who do not wish to be vaccinated or cannot be vaccinated for medical reasons and we all need to respect differences on these issues. We need to continue to love and support one another as the body of Christ and not allow our differences of opinion to impact our unity in Christ. In all of this, we simply ask that each one of us choose to be honest and take reasonable and responsible steps to help protect one another, especially our most vulnerable.

Should case rates continue to fall, or should we reach a point where it is appropriate to change our guidelines again, we will do so. Should anyone have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call or stop by and talk with me. In conclusion, I will share the words from Philippians 2:3-4: "Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, 'not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.'" May God grant that we all will give one another grace and love in this time, even as we may not always agree on the particulars.

God Bless,  
Jason



# Mission Team Updates

## Presbyterian Giving Campaign

June 6 – July 25

The Mission Team contributes to global, nationwide, and local charities. \$1,000 was approved for the Global Presbyterian Giving Catalog, plus individual congregational donations. Interested donors should choose a charity and specify the unique item number. **The order deadline is July 25.** A few catalogs are in the rear of the sanctuary.

## Pavilion Campaign

\$1,000 is designated for the continuation of the Pavilion construction needs. The Pavilion Team is seeking to raise money to complete the pavilion, specifically for electricity installation and securing the occupancy permit. If you write a check, please designate "Pavilion Fund" in the memo line so we know to apply your gift. Thank you!

The Community Outreach Team will participate at this year's Findlay Fair. The expenses will be covered by the Mission Team budget.

Next Mission meeting: June 13th after service



## Do you have a greenthumb?

Eleanor Adams has been working tirelessly for many years on the flower beds around the church. She is having some trouble keeping up and could really use some company! Can you help? If interested, please contact Eleanor Adams at 724.899.2629.

## Sunday School Classes are set to resume!

Get up a little earlier, awaken the children and grandchildren from their beds, and join us in September when Sunday School classes resume. If you are not already an active participant in one of our Sunday School classes, we encourage you to check out the available classes. Classes will be held for preschoolers thru adults; starting time will be determined as we get closer to opening day.

## Hebron Church Finances Improved through Memorial Day

As a Hebron church money counter, I can report that there is now a regular need to make a deposit every Sunday. We are averaging about 11-15 envelopes/week. Thanks to all who show their appreciation for Hebron Church and Rev. Jason Rea's work through your weekly contribution. From a financial perspective, the improvement in weekly giving has led to an improved financial statement. We are meeting Hebron's financial requirements for its personnel and missions with a small amount left over.

## Prayer Buddies Event

We hope that all of you who have a prayer buddy have been taking advantage of this opportunity to get to know your fellow Hebron members better, and to pray for each other in the month of May. We are planning to do some sharing during the church service on the first Sunday in June. Edi Davidson will be looking for volunteers--those who would like to stand up and share what they learned about their prayer partner as well as the glimpses you got of God at work in your life and in the life of your prayer partner. We hope you will all be able to attend worship that day!

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