

# THE mini STEPPING-STONE, MAY 20, 2020 Issue



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Good Morning TUCC!

## Prayer and Praise

### Prayer Requests:

For the Hawley families on the passing of Betty Lou's mother, Marjorie Hoffman.

For the Thompson family on the passing of Ralph Thompson of North Rd.

For the Clark family on the passing of Peter Clark Jr.

For those who mourn alone.

Mary Thompson going to Roswell this week to find out her treatment plan.

Don and Pat Kenny are returning from Florida. They will be living with a daughter.

The three Foster adult children, Ian, Morgan, and Brianna are all essential workers and need prayer.

Don Bickelhaupt pacemaker reinstalled successfully

Mary Rapp kidney transplant

Lydia Aris's mother, Zdena, new complications from COVID-19

For Farmers and our food supply.

Continued prayers for: Linda Cottrell knee injury; Ken Hoogs, dementia, and caregiver Sharon; Renata Gaddis has lung cancer; Pam Falge, Jim and Kay Butkus' daughter, cancer; David, Goddard's friend, kidney cancer; Linda Long, neighbor of the Hillenbrands, cancer; for health care workers who are under great stress; David Klem cancer; Nancy Colonna, Butkus's good friend, cancer; Angie Fratesch; Joe Puccia, Beverly LaForse, Robbie MacCrea and new military recruits, and all of us facing the uncertain times - we are anxious about what will be the NEW normal.

### Joys shared:

Tom Whitney's surgery and go fund me account successful.

Rick's friend, Randy Vermillion, has had his third round of chemo and is doing well.

Ann Sedore's granddaughter in Texas has received a wonderful job promotion.

Betty Ketcham was part of a Zoom call with Fran Fishlock. Said she looks great.

Laura Zobel is excited about Carolyn's sonogram. The baby's face shows very clearly!

Bella Masler, daughter-in-law of Mark and Bernice, graduated from Wake Forest Medical School.

Rick was excited that Orioles came to his feeder!

A parishioner grateful for negative biopsy for her daughter.

Praise for a sunny day

Praise for small ways to see people at a safe distance.

Are you, or someone you care about, in need of prayer? Please email the church, [tullyunitedcc@gmail.com](mailto:tullyunitedcc@gmail.com), and we will include your need.

## Meditation and Sunday Service

Our beautiful sanctuary is open daytimes for prayer or meditation. Hand sanitizer is provided by the door. Homemade masks are available for you to wear and take for added protection during COVID19.

The Zoom link for all Sunday services is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/135746765> Meeting ID: 135 746 765

The Youtube sermon link is sent a day or two before via email. Search for sermon by date as they are not listed chronologically.

### Church Council Update

At Council this week Rick said that he plans to use Zoom for three events: to continue teaching the Confirmation Class, a choir *gathering*, and a book study. Council received a nice thank you note for the church's contribution to St. Leo's Food Pantry and Outreach. We sadly learned that there will not be camping opportunities for youth this summer at UMC facilities. As we wait for in-person gatherings and activities to resume, the Transition Team is also taking a break.

### Trustees – Water Line to be Replaced

For a long time now, the water line that brings water from the town supply into the church has needed repair. The Trustees have patched and patched but this is not possible any longer. R. Shaw Mechanicals will get the necessary permits, replace the line, install a back-flow preventor, and do water testing. Council approved Shaw's proposal of \$7000. This is a major expense for the church and one that was not budgeted. Please consider making a special donation to this need making checks payable to TUCC, memo line *Water Line Replacement*. Thank you!

### Going, Going, Gone!!! and Spring Clean-Up Held

That is how fast the Chicken BBQ sold out last Sunday. Congratulations Deacons and Stewards. They assure us that they will cook more halves next time. Spring fix-up day at TUCC was also held last Sunday and many jobs were completed! Still want to pitch in? Please call or text [Janet Hillenbrand at 315-427-9681](tel:315-427-9681) to see the jobs that remain. Thank you!

### Message from the Board of Stewards

Most banks and credit unions offer electronic bill pay systems to their account holders. Do you use this product? Why not add TUCC to your vendor list. It will remind you to donate to church ministries on a regular schedule. Helpful information: Payee: Tully United Community Church Address: 5872 Meeting House Rd, Tully NY 13159 and remember to put your envelope number in the memo line.

### Ways to Support Your Church and Community

Ministries come in many forms. Some take time, some take money, and some take both! Here are some suggestions for giving to others:

1. Offerings to TUCC – mail or drop off at church
2. St. Leo's Food Pantry and Outreach, POB 574, Tully, 13159. Attn: Cheryl Paccia. Pantry needs monetary donations for fresh produce, meat, and dairy
3. Donate sauce, tuna, canned veggies, PB, jelly, toiletries, paper products, etc., for the Food Pantry. They can be left just inside St. Leo's hall between 9am – 2pm or just outside the door
4. Shop [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) and select TUCC as your non-profit. A percentage is returned to the church!

### Birthdays and Anniversaries –May 20th-27th, 2020

**Birthdays-** May 20<sup>th</sup>-Carlton Swartz; May 21<sup>st</sup>-Jamie West; May 22<sup>nd</sup>-Sandra Burgett; May 23<sup>rd</sup>-Mark Masler, Emily Spath,& Jade Marie Kanar; May-24<sup>th</sup>-Roland Brown, Russell Kanar, & Maya Faith York; May 26<sup>th</sup>-Diane Dewey;

**Anniversaries-** May 20<sup>th</sup>-Cleave & Laurie Snow; May 22<sup>nd</sup>-Tom & Kim Dando; May 27<sup>th</sup>-Brad & Beth Ann Smith



**Peter's Weeders 2020**

Wednesday, June 3, 2020

9AM – 1030AM

### TAG Plant Sale

The annual TAG plant sale will be held at Cornerstone Park on Saturday, May 23 from 8:30 a.m. until 12:00 noon. WEAR YOUR MASKS! No plant donations this year but there will be a good selection of perennials and native plants available. All proceeds go to the continued park development. There will be a display of locally invasive plants for identification with suggestions for their eradication. Please call Peter Huntington if you have questions (315-263-2537).

**Remember: Wash your hands. Wear your mask in public. Keep 6' between you and others.**