

ZOOM CHAIR YOGA

Feeling a little stiff and low energy? Rick Long will be teaching Chair Yoga on Zoom on the following dates/times:

We will meet via Zoom at 11:00 a.m. Central Daylight Time on Tuesday, June 2nd.

Rick began taking yoga 21 years ago and took teacher training twice from Kathleen Coleton. He practices Hatha Yoga and currently takes Zoom Yoga weekly.

Please plan to join us. You will need a chair, belt, and a computer.

Join Zoom Yoga at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89838463671>

Meeting ID: 898 3846 3671

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Longview Chapel Happenings

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THOUGHTS FROM PASTOR DONNA



By nature, I am a fixer. Something drops, pick it up. Struggling with a topic, dive in and study harder. Confusion or conflict, let's sit down and talk it through. (To my children's frustration, this sometimes meant two of them sitting on the couch for a long time until they worked out some

kind of deal to work through their problem together.) Whatever the problem, tackle it and find a solution. I think you get the idea. I tend to struggle in situations that I or others can't fix. Perhaps you know the feeling.

One of the pieces of wisdom I am relearning through this pandemic is sometimes I must, and we must, just watch and wait as we stand fast in our faith. There is no one quick answer or solution to be found. We must stop, look and listen to how we are called to love our neighbor during this time. We must stop, look and listen to how God is leading us to be church and share with others the Good News of Jesus without the building. Together, we are finding a path as we try to be brave and strong and wise.

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MINISTRY STAFF

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Beth Fleer

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Sara Conley

Youth & Children's

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Melissa Hill

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THOUGHTS FROM PASTOR DONNA (CONTINUED)

In the midst of all the strangeness, we are finding we can still reach out and love, grow and serve as we welcome others to Christ. Here's just a few things we have been doing together:

- Our Mother's Day flower handout was something we had certainly never done before. We had roughly 50% from the congregation and 50% from the community. All were very appreciative and it was so good to see all of you who made it as we all stayed physically safe.
- Raising funds and thank you notes for our local HyVee workers was done in just a little over 2 weeks! Well done church! The management and workers were very appreciative!



- Our worship online is reaching some folks (one as far away as London) that we were not reaching before. Our online Bible studies Tuesday, as well as the online recording for people to use on their own or with a friend is helping us and some other friends to grow in our Biblical knowledge.
- We are finding ways to offer things like online chair yoga with Rick Long on Tuesdays, May 26 and June 2, that help us grow and are easy to share with friends.

- Many of you are *liking* and *sharing* on Facebook which is helping us to reach people who might otherwise not know Longview Chapel is here.

- Our giving remains strong – thank you for sharing your tithes and offerings by mailing checks or giving online through our website!

We've had more contact with each other via phone, mail and Zoom. Many of you have enjoyed the conversations shared, sometimes between folks who did not know each other well.

Do you have some other ideas you'd like to help do? We may even find that some of what we are learning will help us reach more people even after this pandemic.

On June 1, our Reopening Team will be meeting by Zoom again. We are trying to wait and watch and be brave, wise and strong as we look at a process and timing for reopening the building. We are looking at virus trends, recommendations from a variety of sources including our Regional and General Churches, and will be doing our best to create guidelines to keep us all safe. We are also looking into equipment that will help us continue to broadcast worship services for those of you will choose to stay home until a vaccine is available.

With God's help, we CAN do this transition together. My prayer has been and continues to be each day, "God, help us as a church, and churches around the world, to use this time to grow closer to You and to each other." Step by step may we be a part of making that prayer a reality.

Peace and Wisdom to All of You,
Pastor Donna

Financial Report:

(2020 Financials)

Submitted by Paula Diehl

**Thank you for your ongoing gifts of tithes and offerings!
Longview Chapel Christian Church
2020 Financial Report**

	Current Month April	Year to Date
Contributions to General Fund	\$ 17,724.00	\$ 72,766.86
Pre-School Tuition	\$ 2,530.00	\$ 26,908.00
Expenses	\$ 19,277.34	\$ 90,786.86
General Fund – Surplus or (shortage)	\$ 976.66	\$ 8,888.00
Payroll Protection Loan	\$ 34,100.00	\$ 34,100.00
General Fund – Surplus or (shortage)	\$ 35,076.66	\$ 42,988.00
Special Mission- Non Budgeted Giving		\$ 940.00
Contributions to Capital (Building Fund)	\$ 908.33	\$ 2,972.75
Funds for Capital Improvements	(\$ 600.00)	(\$2,400.00)
Capital Fund- Surplus or (Shortage)	\$ 308.33	\$ 572.75
Funds Available for Capital Improvements		\$41,700.39

June Anniversaries & Birthdays



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| June 9—Warren & Wanda Weston | June 18—Alex & Jackie Hamilton |
| June 12—Noel & Anne Graham | June 25—Lyle & Bev Hocker |
| June 13—Kory & Karla Dickman | June 25—Bill & Delila Brown |
| June 17—Don & Sue Forbes | June 29—Wayne & Patsy Groom |

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| June 1 -Shelby LaRue | June 11—Matt Dyke | June 25—Chuck Masoner |
| June 3—Andrea Hendrix | June 12—Lesley Soucie | June 26—Melissa Mills |
| June 4—Louise Barber | June 15—Bea Clark | June 27—Bob Prunte |
| June 6—Alex Hamilton | June 16—Max Belanger | June 28—Karen Maxey-Droege |
| June 7—Mary Eubank | June 16—Kevin Opperman | June 28—Dave Schmidt |
| June 7—James Thomas | June 23—Becky Ruf | June 30—Jackie Koch |
| June 8 - Elliot Graham | June 24—Betty Dalrymple | |
| June 10—Meredith Graham | June 25—Ward Holman | |



Greetings From the Music Director

Beth Fleer, Choir Director

Exciting News! The board has voted to purchase a music license to allow us the opportunity to expand our music choices while we are providing on-line church services. Up until now, we have been using public domain music that was written before 1924 to sing and play for our services. Many of you have enjoyed the old hymns but we are very limited in our choices. Now with the license, we are able to use many of the contemporary hymns and will be allowed to stream them on Facebook and YouTube without breaking any copyright laws. This is like saying we had \$5.00 and now we have a million! I hope you will appreciate this opportunity that has been given to us to enjoy all the music we can to praise God.

During the time we have been quarantined, in order not to feel so enclosed in our homes, many people have chosen to walk outside. The walking not only helps relieve the stress we sometimes feel but also takes us outside to see the beauty of spring. It just brings a smile to my face to see the trees budding, the flowers blooming and hear the birds chirping.

Malthie D. Babcock took the opportunity to do what many of us have done. He would lose himself in nature by running or hiking a couple of miles. Before he was called into ministry. Malthie was a remarkable student from Syracuse University. He was an athlete, a musician, and an avid fisherman. Although he would have succeeded at any profession, God called him into ministry where he became the pastor at the First Presbyterian Church in Lockport, New York. He would often say as he ran and hiked in the hill outside of town that, "I'm going out to see my Father's World." It was during this time that Malthie wrote a poem, "This Is My Father's World". Each verse begins with this phrase.

If you know the words to this song, he describes what we have seen with our own eyes. During June on Father's Day, we will sing this song and I hope you will be reminded of this story about the man who wrote it. More importantly though is to say thanks to the "Man" who made this world.

Enjoy your walk!

Beth



Thank you to Alex Hamilton and Rick Long for planting the white dogwood tree in the Memorial Garden for Kary & Becki Hocker.

We are so grateful for all you do at the Chapel!

Sincerely,

Lyle & Bev Hocker

Pentecost Sunday Birthday Celebration

Sunday, May 31, 2020

11:00 a.m. (right after online worship)

Via Zoom

Please wear orange, red and yellow to signify the flames of Pentecost



CHAPEL NEWS

Online Giving:

Did you know online giving is just a few clicks away on your computer? Save yourself the worry of writing checks and set up your giving to happen regularly and automatically. It's very easy and makes sure your offerings to God are here even when you need to be away. Contact the office if you need assistance.

Outreach:

Congratulations Team Longview Chapel! In just 2 ½ weeks you raised the funds and wrote the notes to say thank you to all the workers at our local HyVee. Thank you for your generosity and your speed in giving! You have lived out the words of Colossians 3:17: Whatever you do, whether in speech or action, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus and give thanks to God the Father through him. CEV

Thanks from the HyVee Workers

Oh My Goodness

These are Amazing!!!

Thank you all for such an amazing gift!!!

Property:

Property Committee planted a new white venice dogwood tree on the north side of the prayer garden, requested by Bev and Lyle Hocker. Also thanks to John Johnson for HAND CRAFTING a new identification plaque showing the way to the Sanctuary. Looks great. There are a lot of things that need attention around the church, so if you have some ideas let Shelley in the office know so she can contact Property team to get them fixed.

Worship Ministry Team:

We miss you!! It was wonderful to see those who could come by on Mother's Day and pick up flowers. We had 400 flowers and probably gave away 300. It was beautiful. Besides our members, many folks in the neighborhood came by. For 2 hours, we didn't have a lull. Many families came by, some kids who had not yet gotten their mom a present, some dog moms and some folks just walking by. It was definitely a fun way to share and honor women who help others bloom (Thanks Sue).

We are planning to have something different for Pentecost. Pentecost Sunday is May 31. After our 10:00 a.m. live online worship, at 11 am, we will have a Zoom meeting for everyone who can participate. We will celebrate the birthday of the church so make sure you have a birthday treat to enjoy! Wear your red, yellow or orange.

We are also working on plans to improve sound and picture and manner of transmitting our worship. It's gone well but we need to tweek some things. We would like to continue airing our worship online even after we can reconvene. That way, our friends who can't make it to worship will still be able to participate. Watch for future information!

Stay strong and trust in the Lord!

Children & Youth Ministry

Melissa Hill

Hi Church,

We are enduring some interesting times right now! I don't know about you, but I sure am glad to be a believer right now, and to have God by my side 100 percent of the way! We have continued our Sunday School lessons on Zoom. Last week was Ecclesiastes and we talked about this season of change that we are in. We talked about how God is steady in an ever changing environment and how we can count on him when we feel fear or uncertainty.

When I asked the kids what was one thing that made them know for sure that God loved them, they said their parents, having a good home to live in, and health. When we talked about what was something positive that has come out of being in quarantine they said (after they said not having to go to school! LOL!) spending more time with their parents, riding their bikes, and having dinner together as a family.

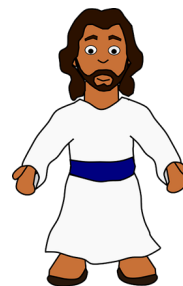
It is so important during grey skies that we remember that with God beside us we are truly blessed. The children and youth contributed 250 of the 400 cards that were needed for the HyVee service project. I was recently, on an online conference with Oprah Winfrey over the weekend and she said all the people that were once invisible, nurses, cashiers, waiters and waitresses, and teachers, are now appreciated more than ever before. A church had donated to all the teachers at our school \$10 Panera gift cards for teacher appreciation week. It was a welcomed and small gesture, but it was very nice to be thought of. I am hoping the HyVee workers feel this same feeling of being appreciated.

I hope that you all continue to be well, and in prayer, until we meet again!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JESUS IS COMING IN JULY!!! Into the homes of boys and girls that is! Have you ever heard of Flat Stanley? Well, Jesus will be a big part of our "VBS IN A BOX" initiative! There will be games, crafts, and songs, just like regular VBS but in the comfort and safety of our own homes! We are excited to see all the places that Jesus may go! I have been in collaboration with Sue Hendrix, Shelby Seymour, and Family Life Committee coming up with fun "remote" learning activities for our VBS this year! More details to come.



Melissa Hill

Children's Ministry Director

This past month has continued to be challenging for preschool. We have been able to stay connected, though, through technology. Our teachers continued to convert our preschool curriculum to be as digital as possible, creating videos of our music and gymnastics classes, art projects, and reading books. They shared lessons and were able to continue teaching and learning opportunities for our students even though we couldn't be together in the classroom. Each of our classes has been able to connect through Zoom calls regularly. It's been a great way for our students to see and interact with their classmates and their teachers. On May 20, we held a drive-by parade to kick off our summer break. Our teachers and families have been incredible to adapt to the challenges of this current situation!

It was disappointing not to be able to have our typical graduation this year, but we are working on a plan to recognize our graduating PreK class. We will miss them in the fall when they head off to Kindergarten! We look forward to the time when we can resume being together at preschool. We are so grateful for our excellent teachers who have adapted so well! And we are so very thankful for the generous support of families who have donated to support our preschool and to our church home for their commitment to our preschool and teachers!

