



## On the Journey....

### A Return to the Sanctuary

We are not going "back to normal." I know this is not what we want to hear, we want to hear that what is going on is a bad dream and that all this will just go away. Ignoring or wishing it away will not change where we are as a world, this pandemic has been a horrible situation. When we encounter trauma or significant crisis events like this, it throws us into a tailspin. Our first emotions are ones of grief, pain, and anger. We experience a sense of lostness and realize that we are not in control of the situation. It is not easy to navigate through and we find ourselves using many different ways to cope and keep moving forward. Within this pandemic, White Oak Pond chose to name the feelings we have and then to seek God in the midst of it. Recognizing that this is not something that God has done to Creation, rather God dwells with us in our time of trial. God continues to work in the world and to surrounds us with love and a presence that can bring peace and comfort.

White Oak Pond has not stopped being the church. We have chosen to worship remotely for the safety of our congregants and because we recognize that we play a part in stopping the transmission of this virus. It has been hard for all of us. Recognizing that we cannot continue on as we have, our leadership has decided to begin taking steps towards a new experience of worship while we are in this pandemic situation. We want it to be safe, worshipful, and reflective of our congregation while continuing to reach out to as many as possible. Therefore, Pond is forming a team to prepare us for worship in person and online. This team will work together to prepare, plan, and implement this next stage of worship. As part of this process, we will be adding some things to worship in the month of July. I will now be leading worship on the zoom platform from the sanctuary. Next, we will be adding some outdoor vesper services. We look forward to gathering in our green space and parking lot as we safely spend time worshipping as a gathered community. (See July schedule above and watch for more info by email.)

Our scriptures for the next month will let the stories from the Hebrew prophets guide our worship and engage our faith. I pray that you will join us in one of the many different ways our church continues to share the gospel. If you have any questions, or want to be a part of this team that will help with next steps of worship, please contact me or Marcy Gagnon. May we continue to seek God's guidance as we move forward in the life of this congregation.

Agape,  
Rev. Chad

MAY & JUNE 2020 GIVING AND EXPENSES			
	OPERATIONAL		MORTGAGE
OPERATIONAL INCOME	\$ 22,941.27	MORTGAGE GIVING	\$ 1,460.00
OPERATIONAL EXPENSE	\$ 24,278.30	MORTGAGE EXPENSE	\$ 2,264.00
OPERATIONAL SHORTAGE	\$ (1,337.03)	MORTGAGE SHORTAGE	\$ (804.00)

### Pond's Four Values

We value **ACCEPTANCE**.  
We value **DIVERSITY**.  
We value **RELEVANCE**  
(In the Current World).  
We value **FUN & ENJOYMENT**.





# The Pets of Pond







## This Month's Birthdays

Gentry Deck	July 4
Jenn Barclay	July 7
John Allnutt	July 10
Steven Dickey	July 17
David Tope	July 18
Sannie Rhee	July 22
Liz Eidson	July 23
Bill McKenney	July 27
Brittany Unthank	July 27
Callie Coakley	July 31

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!**

## This Month's anniversaries



David & Teresa Tope	July 18
Charlie & Denise Schneider	July 26

## A Special Thank You

A huge thank you to the following people who have help rejuvenate the courtyard garden and



landscape beds around the church...Margery Baldwin, Denise Schneider, Teresa Tope, David Tope, Danny Reynolds, The Barclay Family, Paul Rogers, Karen Younger and her friend Jim, Suzy Edmister, Margaret Bingham and Mike Eidson.

We are prepping the courtyard to be a certified **Monarch Butterfly Waystation** and we are off to a fantastic start! So looking forward to everyone getting back to church to see how beautiful it is!



If you are in the area, please stop by and check out the progress.

If anyone is interested in donating to purchase the mulch we need to finish the beds around the church, please contact Denise at the church office, 859-623-6515.



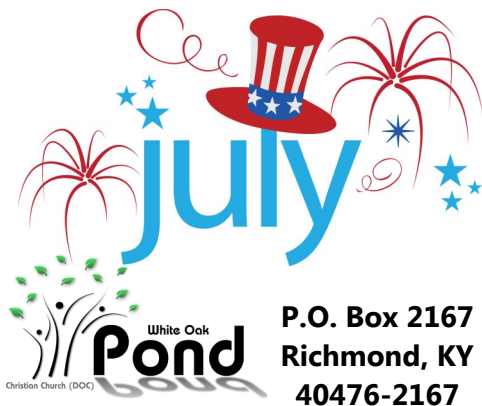
## Madison County Farmers Market

The Farmer's Market will continue on Saturday's at WOPC from 9 am - 1 pm.

Beginning in July, on Thursdays, 3pm-6pm, the Farmer's Market will be held at Dreaming Creek Brewery

## Pets of Pond Owners (See page 2)

Sam - John & Laura Allnutt  
Mr. Wiggles - Bill & Margaret Bingham  
Bremace, Boo, Garfunkel & Mister - Marcy Gagnon  
Kallie & Kaitlyn - Kathryn Bagby  
Henry Allen - Patrick & Lori Eidson  
Lamb Chop - Patrick & Lori Eidson  
Gryff - Ryan & Liz Eidson  
Doobie & Rio - Marcy Gagnon  
Lucy & Maizy - Marcy Gagnon  
Xena Mae - Patrick & Lori Eidson  
D.C. - Georgiana Wehrly  
Swizzle - David & Teresa Tope  
Cocoa & Truffles - Kasey Eidson  
Whiskers - Kasey Eidson  
Bella & Fannie - Mike & Kathy Eidson  
Sponge Bob Squarepants - Margery Baldwin  
John the Baptist - Margery Baldwin  
Alex - Margery Baldwin  
Chloe - David & Teresa Tope  
Macho Man - David & Teresa Tope  
Golden Comets - Margery Baldwin  
Little Hope - Margery Baldwin  
Molly Dog - Patrick & Lori Eidson  
Big Red & Luke - Margery Baldwin  
Hemingway - David & Teresa Tope  
Amigo & Blue - Margery Baldwin  
Rosie - Joyce Thomas  
Max & Amigo - Margery Baldwin



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Happy July 4th!!

## Church Staff and Board

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*Nursery Attendant*

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Worship Service: Sunday 10:30am

## July Upcoming Events

**WORSHIP - continues virtually through  
June ID: 475 475 310**

**Call in number: 312-626-6799**

**July 1, Wed - VIRTUAL LOGOS & LAGERS  
at 7pm ID: 380 677 512**

**July 12, Sun - Outdoor Vespers at WOPC  
5pm (Rain Date: Wed, July 15)**

**July 15, Wed - Virtual Board Meeting  
7:30pm ID: 380 677 512**

**July 19, Sun - Outdoor Vespers at WOPC  
5pm (Rain Date: Wed, July 22)**



## Pond Mission Statement

**“Accept One Person at a Time  
to Christ’s Never-Ending Forgiving Love!”**