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Worship: Sunday, 9am & 10:30am

Pond Mission Statement

"Accept one person at a time to Christ's
never-ending forgiving love!"



Ripples

February 2021

February Pond Calendar

SUNDAY MORNING PRAYERS - at 9am in the Sanctuary (enter from front Barnes Mill Road doors). Also, please find us on Facebook Live

WORSHIP - Sunday 10:30am virtually Meeting ID: 475 475 310
Call in number: 312-626-6799 Passcode: 768836

VIRTUAL LOGOS & LAGERS- Weds, February 3rd at 7pm
Meeting ID: 380 677 512 Passcode: 119216

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE - Weds, February 17 Drop-in
4-6:30pm & Virtual Service at 7pm on Zoom

The Journey

This month our congregation will begin the season of Lent. This time is supposed to be a desert place, an opportunity for reflection, quiet, repentance, and break from the routine. The problem is, it just seems that we have been on a Lenten walk since last March. Many of our lives feel like we never made it out of Lent into the new life of Spring last year. Still, here we are.

As I have thought and prayed about how Pond would focus for this time in the church starting with Ash Wednesday on February 17th, I was drawn to a central object in our sanctuary that defines and identifies us ... the table. We as members of The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) denomination gather for communion whenever we come together for worship. Also, it is an open table, meaning that all are invited to participate in the Lord's Supper. As I continued to focus on the table in our sanctuary I began to think about the fact that important tables are all around us, and they nurture and sustain us in different ways. Tables welcome our families for dinner, our computers or tablets rest on them when we gather for zoom worship, and some tables are used by children for drawing and tea parties. I am asking you to send in photos of your special tables so that we can continue to share our lives as a faith community. Email or text me your photos if you are open to me using them during worship.

Our theme for Lent is **Love Served Here**. There will be special music, unique ways of sharing stories with all ages, opportunities for helping others, and messages designed to engage us all in how our faith is lived out in active daily ways. It will be a different Lent, and we still don't know all the particulars on how we will celebrate Palm Sunday and Easter. What we do know is that White Oak Pond is a congregation committed to being a vibrant congregation that is ready to share God's love with this community and the world.

Agape,
Rev. Chad

JANUARY 2021 GIVING AND EXPENSES			
	OPERATIONAL		MORTGAGE
OPERATIONAL INCOME	\$ 9,365.75	MORTGAGE GIVING	\$ 820.00
OPERATIONAL EXPENSE	\$ 12,765.70	MORTGAGE EXPENSE	\$ 1,173.00
OPERATIONAL SHORTAGE	\$ (3,399.95)	MORTGAGE SHORTAGE	\$ (353.00)



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Thank You to all Our Great Volunteers

It has been a long journey to be back in our sanctuary. We are so grateful for those who have helped along the way. Whether painting, cleaning, or moving furniture you have all helped to make a challenging situation into a positive experience. A huge special thank you to the Adams Family as well as, David Tope, Margaret Bingham, Danny Reynolds and Brandon Carney. You are all a blessing to this congregation.



Ash Wednesday

February 17, 2021

Drop-In Experience of Ashes 4 - 6:30pm
Virtual Service - 7 pm

This year the congregation will offer a virtual Service on Zoom (using the Sunday Worship link) and a come on your own experience with prayer stations, music, art and a blessing. All are invited to be a part of this special day in the life of the church.



Do You Shop on Amazon or Whole Foods?

Pond currently earns around \$100 a year from purchases made on amazon by our members. Help make a difference when you order through Amazon. Go to shop AmazonSmile Charity Lists at smile.amazon.com/gp/ch/list/61-0916975 to support our mission. If you need more information please contact the church.

Pond's Four Values

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

Prayer Concerns

Gentry Deck - Continues with heart treatments after new pacemaker
Bill McKenney - Moved to Telford Terrace
Desiree Carter - Health Concerns



February Birthdays

Steve Cosby	February 1
Joyce Weaver	February 3
Mike Jackson	February 6
Carolyn Curra	February 7
Harry R. Moberly	February 8
John Curra	February 9
Jennie Curra	February 17
Samantha Terry	February 18
Rachel Carney	February 19
John Lackey	February 21
Ty Vargas	February 22
Samantha Clark	February 23
Taylor Billings	February 24
Tonya Adams	February 26
Ryan Eidson	February 26
Mike Eidson	February 27
Annaston Morrett	February 27



February Anniversaries

Conrad & Jane Long February 23

Lent is Buzzing with Excitement

As we prepare for Easter, our congregation will be offering the opportunity to help others in the world by collecting money to buy hives of bees through Heifer International. Think about your family coming together to buy a hive for \$30. This gift can be life changing and a great way to talk about hunger around our tables.



Why I'm at Pond... Jerry Ann Dimitrov

Pond was my grandparent's church. My grandmother played the piano. My grandfather was an Elder. I love History and discovered in the 19th century my ancestors were members of Pond. After arriving at Pond, I discovered some of the members here are my kin. Distant cousins.

I found a warm, welcoming spirit time with the choir, Sunday School and serving as an Elder. Rusty was so good to visit my father at the Veteran's Hospital.

I got involved with Dante's and especially liked the ending when everyone came back from the unknown into the light. The many children that worked on it had a ball. Some thought it didn't belong in church, but they missed the point.

I know we miss church because of the virus. Eventually we will get back together. There is an attachment that never goes away.



Rev. Chad Elected to RAMA Leadership

Richmond Area Ministers Association (RAMA), the organization for area pastors which serves the city and presents the Community Holy Week Services, has voted Chad as its Vice President. It is a two year term with an expectation that he will serve as President after that. Congratulations and we look forward to the ways he will represent White Oak Pond in this new role.