

# Richwood Presbyterian Church

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## May, 2021



*We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.*

*Romans 8:28*

### Sunday Schedule

#### **11:00 am Worship Service**

*Virtual Worship on Facebook & In-House  
Worship with social distancing and masks.*

### Daily Schedule

**9:00 am Facebook Daily Scripture Reading & Meditation** given by Rev. Terry Webster

### A Message from our new Interim Pastor:

Dear Friends,

The journey of a church being in transition, as we are here at Richwood, is a fascinating time, especially for me. It is a journey of getting to know as many people as I can (despite the limitations), learning the rhythm of the church, and discovering what the church is all about. These past couple of months since I got here have helped me do some of that. Worship has been very enriching to me, especially with the leadership of Jill and Annie and our liturgists. I was especially moved by having a choir help lead us in worship on Easter Sunday. The music really

made Easter very special for me. Thank you to all who participated.

As I mentioned when I first got here, we would be taking Lent as a time for prayer, seeking God's wisdom as we discern where to go from here as we begin the journey of calling a new pastor. At our April session meeting we began taking these steps. The session began looking at the 'types' of calls that are available to us. Some of those include a part time Pastor, State Supply, and Commissioned Ruling Elder. But before we bring a new minister on board, we also need to take a look at ourselves. The session already did part of this last year as they looked at the strengths and weaknesses of Richwood. Each of the members of the church are part of the next step. You should be getting a mailing with a survey that we are asking every member to look at, fill in and return to the church. The questions involve your history with the church, your hopes and fears for Richwood, and what you would like to see in the future. This, along with the previous work done by session, will help us to assemble a mission study of the church which will enable us to move the process forward. I hope you will take the time to fill out this questionnaire because the more that do this, the better picture we get of your church, it really is important!

Plus, please keep Richwood in your prayers. This is both an exciting and a stressful time as you seek new leadership.

Blessings to each of you,

Terry

**Per Capita**- Our annual contributions to the General Assembly, Synod and Presbytery are being received. The amount due is \$33/ member. It can be submitted by check with a note in the memo section or you may donate online and designate Per Capita.



Please put this on your calendar. Vacation Bible School will happen the same as last year starting the week of **June 9th** with the packet pickup on Wednesdays and going with the last packet on July 7th with a party on the 10th. The theme this year is called Water Around the World.



The Christian Education Committee is sponsoring a Community Garden this year and our children are sprouting some veggies at home to bring to the garden when the soil warms up enough. Hopefully, the garden will provide some fresh vegetables for our community and anything that grows up and beyond our needs can be given to Fairhaven as a mission outreach.

If you have an interest in helping this project along, please call, Anita at 513-305-0186. We have been given a great boost from Jim Lakes in helping to till it twice- once last fall and again this Spring. Many hands make it happen.

**Other Happenings in Christian Ed.**

**Adult Sunday School**

The committee wants to inform you that an Adult Sunday school class will begin the first Sunday in June. We need your help to facilitate this program. Come and join us for a summer study each Sunday as we take a journey through the Psalms. This series will give us a chance to look at the different types of psalms and learn more about how and why they were written and what they mean to us today. The classes will begin on **June 6**. We will gather for a short time of fellowship at **9:30** with the study beginning at **9:45**.



Dinner for the mission Saturday, May 8th will be sliced Ham, Mac and Cheese, Potato Salad, Green Beans, Rolls & butter, and Desserts. If you would like to participate in preparing food or going to Fairhaven please call Sharon at 859-394-4090.

**Birthdays**

Doris Emmert	13-May
Rhoda Brumfield	26-May
Joe Messina	30-May
Cole Lakes	31-May

**Anniversaries**

Tucker & Jackie Lakes	May 19
Dick & Ruth Davis	May 23
Paul & Melissa Turner	May 27



Online is new to a lot of us but works very well. Go to the church website and click on **Sunday Worship**, then click on the button.



This will take you to online donations. This is through the PCUSA Foundation. They will process checks or credit cards and then let us know what has come through.

**OR**

You put your phone on camera and point it at this box to the right in the bulletin. At the top of your screen a link will appear that you can then click on to take you to the site where you can donate money to us. It's that easy!



### Our Church's 187<sup>th</sup> birthday is May 1<sup>st</sup>

We will be celebrating our Church's 187<sup>th</sup> Birthday (along with Pentecost) on **Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup>**, instead of Sunday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, due to wanting warmer weather to have Picnic up on the hill behind the Church (front of our Quilters House). Meat will be provided! Please bring your favorite dish to share with drinks, or you can just bring your own Picnic. Two years ago, we had a wonderful time on the front lawn of the Church and because of the Pandemic we thought June would be best, to be outside.

**R.S.V.P. to Patsy at 859-866-1027  
or sign up in Fellowship Hall**



### May Session Highlights:

- Meeting opened in prayer and devotion.
- Time was spent on looking into RPC's future. Discussed where the church universal is currently and where RPC is. A letter of conversation will be coming out shortly to hear your perception of RPC. Discussion covered all types of ministry, called, pulpit supply, stated supply and other types. The discernment process is well underway.
- Trinity Schafstall requested to do the financial side of office work.
- The office position is being divided into two positions. A Job description. was approved for Administrative Assistant.
- An interview has taken place of a candidate.
- Christian Ed has begun work for Community Garden, Adult Sunday School and VBS preps are underway.
- Church birthday deferred to Pentecost due to cold weather predicted on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Watch for updates.
- Fairhaven Rescue mission May 8<sup>th</sup>.



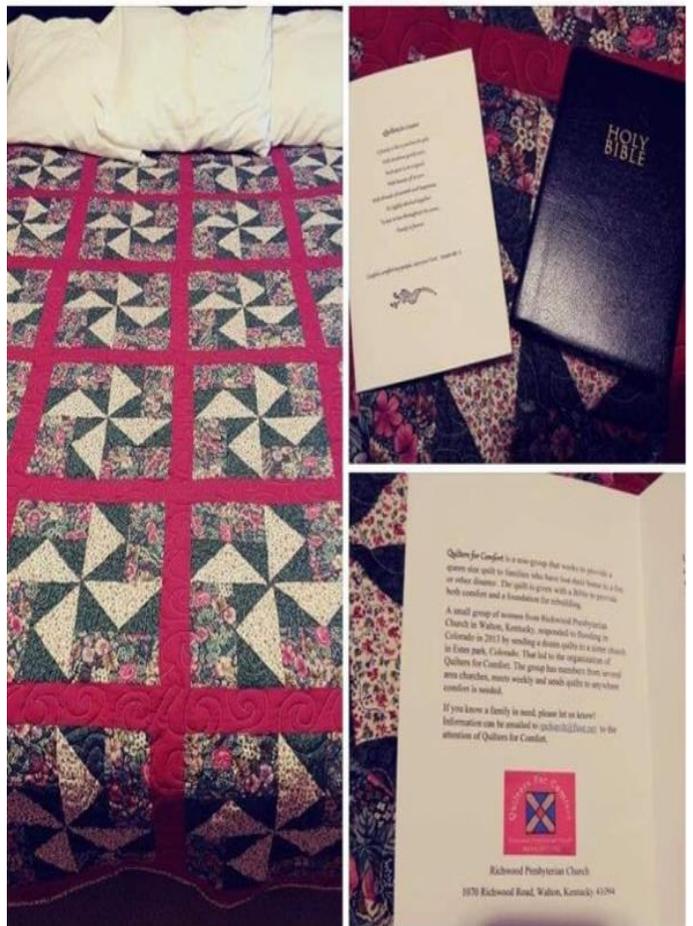
To the Quilters for Comfort,  
I just wanted to send a very  
heart-felt thank you to your  
group for the beautiful quilt you  
made for our family after our house  
fire - we appreciated it so much ♡.  
Also, thank you for the gift of the  
Bible - we lost all of ours and  
needed one greatly. Thank you again  
for your kindness.  
Cassio, Kyle Isaac + Ethan Strucka



Donielle Weinel

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Today someone brought me one of the most thoughtful gifts. People continue to amaze me with their kindness. The majority of our physical needs have been met for now but mentally we still need a lot of prayers. Someone from Richwood Presbyterian Church dropped off a quilt that their Quilters for Comfort group made and prayed over. They also gave us a Bible. What a wonderful group! This gift really touched my heart. [Brittany Lipscomb](#) please tell your husband's grandma I said thank you for thinking of us. The quilt is beautiful and it means so much.



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March 18, 2021

Richwood Presbyterian Church  
Rev. Rhoda Brumfield  
1070 Richwood Rd  
Walton, KY 41094-8229

Dear Rev. Brumfield:

Thank you for your gift of \$105.00 on March 3, 2021, designated to Su Casa Hispanic Center, a program of Catholic Charities Southwestern Ohio. It's been a difficult year for everyone, especially for so many of our clients facing new hardships. Amidst whatever challenges you may be managing during this pandemic, please know that we are heartened by your compassion for your neighbors.

Loving our neighbors is at the heart of Pope Francis' new encyclical, *Fratelli Tutti*. Reflecting upon the Parable of the Good Samaritan, he explains, "The word neighbor in the society of Jesus' time, usually meant those nearest us. It was felt that help should be given primarily to those of one's own group and race... [Jesus] asks us not to decide who is close enough to be our neighbor, but rather that we ourselves become neighbors to all" (no.80). At Catholic Charities and Su Casa, we build community across differences in faith, race and national origin, recognizing that we are all neighbors, each endowed with infinite dignity and a unique calling from God.

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, Catholic Charities has delivered over \$800,000 in adapted, free services, including over 350,000 meals in urban and rural communities, over 12,000 care packages of food and PPE, rent and utility assistance and charitable mental health counseling. In addition to increasing our emergency services, we continue to empower people through remote learning for children and adults, parenting education, senior and caregiver support, and language interpretation, including for medical staff treating coronavirus-positive patients in our hospitals.

By your generosity, Catholic Charities has adapted itself to respond to the poor and vulnerable throughout the pandemic, and we will continue to adjust however we must to serve and empower our neighbors in the months and years ahead. Thank you for being a part of this mission with us.

May God bless your family and keep you healthy throughout the New Year.

In Gratitude,

  
Tony Stieritz  
Chief Executive Officer

*Thank you, and may God bless  
your congregation!*

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