

News from Hunter

March 2020

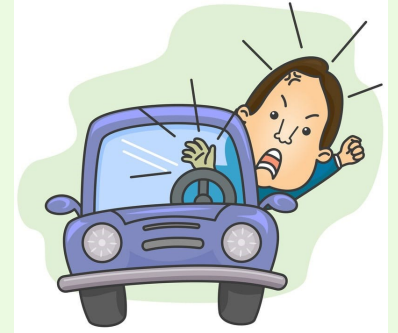


What is "Road Grace," and where can I get some?

A couple of weeks ago I sat in with the Alternatives class between worship services. A few people mentioned that when they speak about issues, anger, even sin, the subject of driving came up. I am certainly one who has complained about drivers, driving habits, and safety on the highways, roads and streets. I have honked my horn at inattentive drivers who miss a red light changing to green. I have named, out loud, mistakes that I have observed other drivers making.

However, I have made plenty of my own driving mistakes. And I remember the command to "do unto others as I would have others do unto me." I enjoy driving when others on the roads are patient and forgiving. Could I not be more forgiving as I make my way back and forth in my vehicle? These are the thoughts that flooded my mind as I sat with the Alternatives folks.

The turn of phrase I suggested was to counter Road Rage with Road Grace. I shared this story also, on the evening of Ash Wednesday. I am not one who has ever prescribed a precise Lenten course of action to any congregation, and tend to err on allowing the Spirit to guide the individual believer in such a decision. This year, however I make the suggestion. Be forgiving of other drivers out there. Perhaps countering bad habits with good ones, impatience with patience will make a difference. We may never truly know. However, we can recall the WWJD (What Would Jesus Do?) movement of a few decades ago. We can also consider HWJD – How would Jesus Drive? Go and do likewise.

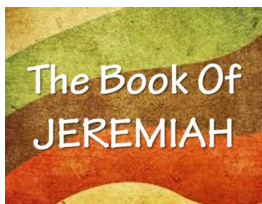


J.T. Silence



The Look of Lent

The paraments (fabric hangings) on the pulpit and lectern are purple—the liturgical color for the two great seasons of preparation in the church year (Advent and Lent). The "wilderness jars" we made during the craft time at our intergenerational breakfast on the last Sunday of February will grace our sanctuary throughout Lent. Along with the bare branch appearing on the chancel, they are meant to call to mind the forty days that Jesus spent in the wilderness, as well as areas of wilderness in our own lives, and the complete absence of hope that can engulf us from time to time. Each subsequent Sunday, we'll hang a few leaves on the "tree" to represent areas of brokenness in the world and other prayer concerns. (Thanks to Mackie Lockhart for updating the supply of leaves for this purpose.)



March 1st thru April 5th, Richard Weis will lead a study on Jeremiah in the lounge during the "Alternatives Class" time. Though modest, his wife Barbara tells me Richard is a worldwide expert on Jeremiah and is doing an update for the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible. We meet in the lounge at 9:30a.m. for fellowship. Class begins at 9:45a.m.

Can't get enough of Allen Fletcher's organ playing on Sunday? Come hear him perform an organ solo written by Barbara Rogers at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 3, at Transylvania University's Haggin Auditorium. Allen will be a guest artist at this concert of works by Transy faculty composers. Besides a second Rogers piece (for voice and piano), instrumental works by Larry Barnes (acoustic) and Timothy Polashek (electronic) will be on the program.



Transylvania Presbytery-Wide Mission Project During Lent

Mid-KY Presbytery is coordinating local Presbyteries to collect items for Disaster kits! We have been invited to participate.

When a tornado, flood, or hurricane devastates a community, people scramble to deal with the chaos and to recover. They need practical help – fast.

We can make a difference by contributing items for hygiene kits. We started packing hygiene kits in 2016. When we reach our 2020 goal of 2,000 hygiene kits, we'll celebrate an impressive milestone - 10,000 hygiene kits!

Each hygiene kit in a one-gallon zip lock bag includes:

- 1 hand towel
- 1 washcloth
- 1 wide tooth comb
- 1 nail clipper
- 1 bar of soap (unscented, bath size in wrapper)
- 1 toothbrush (in original package) (Toothpaste is not requested.)
- 10 Band-Aids



Volunteers will pack 2,000 (or more!) disaster relief kits in Louisville on the dates below. Other volunteers will deliver our hygiene kits to Camp Ferncliff, a distribution storage facility in Arkansas. The kits will be ready to help when the next natural disaster strikes in the US or around the world.

Between now and Palm Sunday, April 5th, we at Hunter will collect the above items (barrel in kitchen hallway) and Outreach committee members will deliver them to Beaumont Presbyterian Church in Lexington.

If you would like to simply donate toward the cost of supplies, you can send a check made out to Transylvania Presbytery (with **"hygiene kits"** in the memo line).

You can put your Disaster Kit check in the offering plate between now and Palm Sunday or mail it to Transylvania Presbytery, P. O. Box 23580, Lexington, KY 40523.

Reading to deepen the Lenten experience

Lent is a time for deeper thought and meditation. The Hunter Library has a number of books to choose from focusing on Lent displayed in the windows on the hallway.

Available for the first time are new books in memory of Hunter members who died in 2019. Purchased by a memorial fund from the Presbyterian Women of Hunter, they can be found in the library on the shelf marked RECENT ADDITIONS. The new memorial books are:

Believer on Sunday, Atheist by Thursday: Is Faith Still Possible

Dessert First: Preparing for Death while Savoring Life

The Overstory: A Novel

River of Fire: My Spiritual Journey

Paul for Everyone: Romans, Part 1

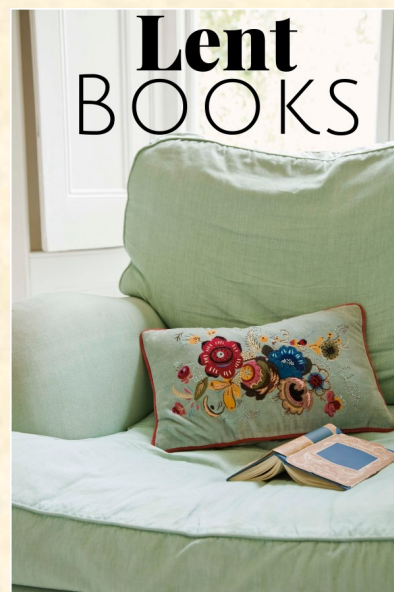
The Answer to Bad Religion is Not No Religion

The Sign and the Sacrifice

Truth Over Fear

Lent in Plain Sight

Holy Disunity



Tom Eblen will headline next Christian-Muslim Dialogue

TOPIC: "Can Real News Survive Fake Politics?"

DATE: Mark your calendar now for Saturday, March 28, 2020. 10 am to Noon Presentation and active discussion.

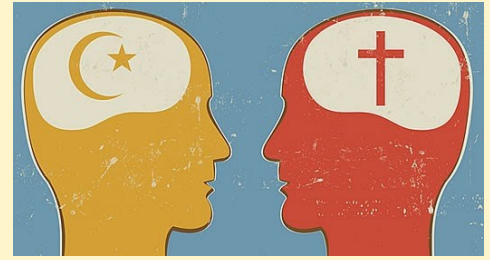
VENUE: Hunter Presbyterian Church, Fellowship Hall.

SPEAKER: Tom Eblen, is a writer and photographer based in Lexington, Kentucky. He was metro/state columnist for the Lexington Herald-Leader from 2008 to 2019 and the newspaper's managing editor from 1998-2008. He now works part-time for the Carnegie Center for Literacy and Learning, creating projects to promote the state's literary arts culture and managing the Kentucky Writers Hall of Fame.

He has won many awards, including the 2013 media award in the Kentucky Governor's Awards in the Arts. He was inducted into the Kentucky Journalism Hall of Fame in 2016.

The program will be followed by our traditional potluck luncheon at noon, an ideal time for continued conversation and getting acquainted. Invite a friend. Everyone is welcomed!

If you have any questions contact Carolyn Holmes at: holmes@uky.edu or check out CMD's website at: www.cmdlex.org.



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT

For more than fifty years, Presbyterians have joined with Christians throughout the nation in responding to Christ's love for all people by joyfully sharing that love with people in need through supporting One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS). One Great Hour of Sharing ministries—Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People—are working alongside local partners to help alleviate dire situations locally and world-wide.

- Presbyterian Disaster Assistance responds locally to help with a wide variety of disasters. Recovery efforts from local wildfires, tornados, and floods receive needed funding and refugees are offered help to seek legal advice about becoming legal residences in the United States.
- Fighting hunger is at the heart of our Presbyterian understanding of mission. PDA funding helps locally by providing grants to Blessings in a Backpack; donating money, food and volunteers at Food banks; and raising funding through the CROP Walk.
- The Presbyterian Committee on Self-Development of People continues to work with low income communities across the United States to overcome oppression and injustice. The National SDOP partnership projects include literacy, worker-owned cooperatives, advocacy, youth-led initiatives, farming, immigration/refugees issues and capacity building.

We ask you to prayerfully consider what you can do to answer God's call and contribute to these vital missions.

Unity Garden Update

Preparatory progress is now even visible to anyone's eyes or a neighborhood drone. The Landscape Architect, Mark Yanik, drew up the design for the garden in 2016. There is a copy of this design located across from the kitchen bulletin board. To help in finalizing the budget details for this area, the path was placed on the grassy area in the Unity Garden recently to better visualize the design in more "appropriate scale".



Eventually this Spring we hope to have a date to put the native plants in the garden area. If you helped with creating the garden beds or the Labyrinth then Ann has an equal type of job for you to do according to your abilities to help add 100+ plants on the planting day. Any and all help will be very appreciated!

If you're interested in helping with the prep work here are the Thursday scheduled meetings from 6:30-8 pm:

March 12th, April 2nd, and April 16th

Or you can help de-label and de-tape cardboard from 10:30-11 am on the Sundays of March 1st, 15th, and 29th.

Lola and Cecil Woolums: A World of Friends

Lola's great, great grandfather and his 2 brothers came from Doolin Ireland (Doolin is her maiden name). *Doolin is a coastal village in County Clare, Ireland, on the Atlantic coast. It is a noted center of traditional Irish music. The Doonagore Castle is in the area. The three brothers left Ireland during the great famine and came to the United States. The Great Famine (Irish Potato Famine), was caused by a potato blight. The blight was exacerbated by the Whig government's economic policy of laissez-faire capitalism; absentee landlordism and single-crop dependence. During the famine, about one million people died and a million more emigrated from Ireland.*



Cecil and Lola Woolums' parents were sharecroppers. Lola started school in a one room school house in Morgan County. Cecil and Lola met as freshman in Versailles high school but went their separate ways. Cecil joined the Army and three years later Lola went with a friend to the 1957 New Year's Eve Party at Fort Knox and met Cecil again. They were married the next year at Epworth United Methodist by Rev. Russel Patton. *(Personal note: Cathy Martin was confirmed by Rev. Patton; what a wonderful man of God.)*

Cecil joined the Army as a private. He advanced to the rank of Sergeant First Class. Then he attended Officer Candidate School at Fort Benning Georgia. After serving in the Army for 25 years, he retired as a Major. They have traveled the country and world together. They had 3 tours in Germany, 3 tours in Japan, 2 tours in Vietnam. Cecil worked for nine years in Saudia Arabia. He had duty stations in Virginia (twice) and Texas and California (twice). Their first duty station as a couple was Fort Knox and their son was born January 1960 at Ireland Army Hospital *(named in honor of Major General Merritte Ireland, a surgeon and U.S. Army Surgeon General from October 30, 1918, to May 31, 1931)*. Their daughter was born in Frankfurt Germany in 1965. Cecil retired in 1978 at Fort Hood, Texas. Wherever they went they made lifelong friends. Military families are exceptionally close to each other. Visitors come to their home from all over the world and country and Lola is called "Mama Lola" by her Saudia Arab friends.



After retirement the family moved to Augusta Georgia to stay in a moderate climate and on recommendation of a family friend. In Augusta they had several connections to the Augusta National Golf Club. Their daughter worked with concessions during one Masters tournament and Cecil delivered 50 cases of strawberries to the Clubhouse. At that time Lola, was Committee Chairman of the Lady Masons big fundraiser that was selling a huge refrigerator truck full of Florida strawberries.

Later an old commander contacted Cecil and recommended that he accept a job as an advisor to the Arabian National guard. And Cecil followed the call. While there, Lola and Cecil engaged in various aspects of the culture including drinking camel milk.

Eventually Cecil and Lola came to Kentucky to be closer to their children. Their daughter recommended they look at Hunter. Once they joined they became fast friends with Joy and Morris Swofford and Rue and Beryl Wallace. Beryl and Lola grew up in Morgan County, KY and this helped make an immediate bond.

Special notes: Their son was a volunteer fireman in several of the stations where the family lived. Lola stresses our need to support our first responders. Cecil and their daughter went on the Kentucky Honor Flight Sept 21, 2019.

"Honor Flight Bluegrass honors our heroes, recognizes their sacrifices, and takes extreme pride with our unwavering gratitude and utmost respect to provide this service to World War II, Korean, and Vietnam veterans who served during that time."



Respectfully submitted, Cathy Martin

ITN BluegrassTM
Dignified transportation for seniors

ITN Bluegrass is a dignified transportation service here in Lexington. If you are an interested senior please call 859-252-8665 or visit itnbluegrass.org to sign up or learn more. They will be happy to assist you so that you can continue doing the things you want to do without having to worry about driving to get there.



**Daylight Saving Time
Begins on
Sunday, March 8**

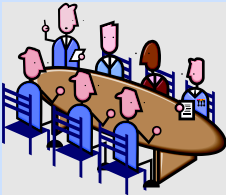
Gatherings



Lunch Bunch, March 17, 11:30a.m.

Stitch 'n Listen, March 19, 10:00a.m., UC

Upcoming Committee Meetings



3/11 Stewardship 5:30p.m.

3/15 Session 12:15p.m.

3/18 Outreach 5:00p.m.

3/18 Worship 6:15p.m.

4 Nora Jennings Chesnut
9 Milton Coughenour
9 Lola Woolums
9 Charlie Allen
14 Virginia "Jennie" Hall
14 Mia Telechbush
15 Art Wright
23 Doris Palmer
24 Adam Telechbush
30 Felix Brady

March Birthdays



Easter Flowers Order Form 2020

Easter is April 12th. Tulips, Hyacinths and Easter Lilies will be ordered to decorate our church. The cost is \$10 per plant. If you would like to purchase a plant in honor or memory of someone special, please fill out the form below and place it in the offering plate or send it to the church office.

***Please submit all orders by Wednesday,
March 25th!**

Please **print** your information below.

Name: _____

Lilies _____ Tulips _____ Hyacinths _____

Total # of plants _____ x \$10 = \$ _____

In Memory of:

In Honor of:

(for office use only)

PAID: YES _____ NO _____

AMOUNT: _____

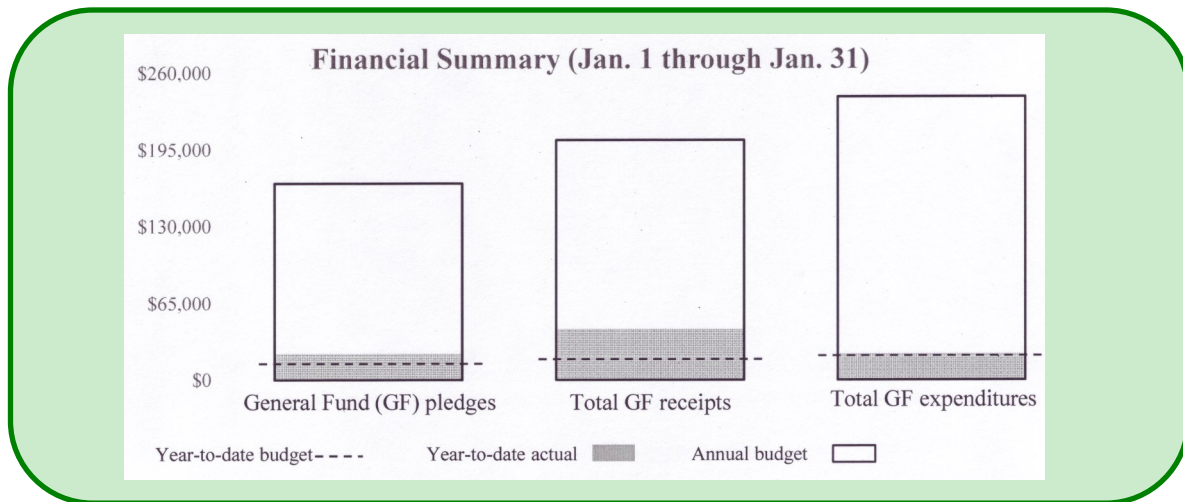
CASH: _____ CHECK# _____

EASTER 2020

Upcoming B.U.I.L.D. dates

March 23 — Rally

April 27 — Nehemiah Assembly



Looking ahead to Holy Week

(Watch next month's newsletter for further details)

Maundy Thursday, April 9 at 6:30 p. m.: Worship service with Communion.

Good Friday, April 10 at 7:00 p. m.: Hunter will join several other churches in the Presbytery to offer a service, presided over by clergy representing each congregation, with music provided by a combined choir. It will be held at Beaumont Presbyterian Church (1070 Lane Allen Rd, Lexington, KY 40504).

If you would like to attend either or both of these services but are leery of driving after dark, please call the office by Friday, April 2, or leave a note in the offering plate by Palm Sunday, April 5. We will try to arrange a ride for you.



Celebration of the Arts Planned for Saturday, April 18 at 7 p. m.



Once again we will feature guest poets, storytellers, and musicians along with our "in-house" talents. An art exhibit and book table downstairs will enhance the gustatory delights at the reception. This is our annual fundraiser for the Choral Scholars program. If you would like to volunteer for set-up, donation collection







at the door, ushering, providing food, or being helpful to audience members not familiar with Hunter, please speak to Hyunjin Kwak, Barbara Rogers, or Debby Eddy.

When publicity materials become available for you by mid- to late March, please circulate them widely among your friends, neighbors, office colleagues, places of business, etc. Meanwhile, start thinking about whom you might personally invite. Free child-care will be offered during the program; do you know some young parents who might appreciate such an affordable date night? Admission will be by donation (\$10.00/ adult; \$5.00/student suggested; however, both larger and smaller donations will be gratefully accepted).



March 2020

Events at Hunter Presbyterian Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1 Early Worship 8:45a.m. Sunday School 9:30a.m. Worship 11am</p>	<p>2 </p>	<p>3 OLLI (FH) 10am OLLI (FH) 1pm NCD (Rm. 23) 1pm</p>	<p>4 Blessings in a Backpack 3:30pm Pensacola Park NA Mtg. (FH) 6:30pm Choir 7pm</p>	<p>5 Bluegrass Home-school Learning Co-Op 9:30am</p>	<p>6 AA 6:30pm (UC)</p>	<p>7 Fayette Co-Op Music Class (FH+UC) 10am NCD (Rm. 23) 1pm Emo 'Ya M'bondo (FH) 2pm</p>
<p>8 Early Worship 8:45a.m. Sunday School 9:30a.m. Worship 11am District Al-anon Mtg. (Rm. 23) 2pm</p>	<p>9 </p>	<p>10 OLLI (FH) 10am OLLI (FH) 1pm NCD (Rm. 23) 1pm Fayette Co-Op Board Mtg. (lounge) 7pm Lexington Travel Club (UC) 7pm</p>	<p>11 Stewardship Committee 5:30pm No Choir Practise</p>	<p>12 Bluegrass Home-school Learning Co-Op 9:30am Blessings in a Backpack 11am Unity Garden Mtg. (FH) 6:30pm Girl Scouts (UC) 6:30pm</p>	<p>13 AA 6:30pm (UC) </p>	<p>14 Fayette Co-Op Parent Clean-up 9am NCD (Rm. 23) 1pm</p>
<p>15 Sunday School 9:30a.m. Worship 11am Session 12:15pm</p>	<p>16 Blue Grass Sierra Club (FH) 7pm</p>	<p>17 OLLI (FH) 10am Lunch Bunch 11:30am OLLI (FH) 1pm NCD (Rm. 23) 1pm</p>	<p>18 Blessings in a Backpack 3:30pm Outreach Committee 5pm Worship Committee 6:15pm Choir 7pm</p>	<p>19 Bluegrass Home-school Learning Co-Op 9:30am Stitch N' Listen 10 am (UC)</p>	<p>20 AA 6:30pm (UC)</p>	<p>21 NCD (Rm. 23) 1pm</p>
<p>22 Blue Shirt Sunday Early Worship 8:45a.m. Sunday School 9:30a.m. Worship 11am</p>	<p>23 </p>	<p>24 OLLI (FH) 10am OLLI (FH) 1pm NCD (Rm. 23) 1pm</p>	<p>25 Last Day to Order Easter Flowers Blessings in a Backpack 3:30pm Choir 7pm</p>	<p>26 Bluegrass Home-school Learning Co-Op 9:30am</p>	<p>27 AA 6:30pm (UC)</p>	<p>28 Christian-Muslim Dialogue (FH+Kit) 10am NCD (Rm. 23) 1pm</p>
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