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Dear Friends,

Having heard the word "stewardship" so much in my life, I recall my history with that particular term. I am sure when I first heard it as a young child, it sounded strange to me, the way big words often sound to kids. I think about lessons in church school or church camp that have brought the meaning of the term closer to me. There are also word studies I have done looking for general meaning and specifically theological understanding.

Descriptions of Stewardship historically have included management, responsibility,

oversight, but always some way one person "takes care" of someone or something else. It is a big responsibility, more than one simple act or position description. For us, it has always meant more than simply "fundraising" as Howard Moffett mentioned in a minute for mission this past Sunday. It is activity saints (meaning we of the church) are involved in as we look after one another, and look after the group as a unified body.

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As we approach All Saints Day on 11/1, we may consider the saints who have joined the church tri-umphant, and reside now eternally in God's presence. Before they passed into that reality, they helped look after you, the people of Hunter. They gave, they served, they loved, they left a legacy. They were stewards.

Some of what we, the church, do is because of the saints who have passed, some of the new ideas we have are because these past saints left us space and capacity to build upon the foundations they helped provide. As I write my last Horn article for you, I think of those I have "met" only because of your stories. I remember those who died during my time with you, and I realize your nature as a people. My last words to you then should come as no surprise, nor should they seem an insurmountable challenge. Indeed my last words will reflect what I have already witnessed in your midst.

Take care!

J. T. Silence

Dear Hunter Family,

On Sunday, October 25 | was overwhelmed by your outpouring of love and generosity. Thank you for the cards, notes, and gifts to me and my family. Thanks also to those who were able to drive through the church parking lot and wave and say farewell to us. We will miss you all a great deal, and wish you the very best. Thank you again for being our church family!



Much | ove,

J.T. Silence



It's been a few months since we've thanked those who've participated in worship leadership for our online services. Truly we have been blessed to have so many among us willing to serve! Liturgists have been Ann Freytag, Carol Hulse, Harry Lockhart, Howard Moffett, Nana Ndeba, Barbara Rogers, Cooper Silence, and Pam Silence. Kriis Zeps, Harry Lockhart, Ann Freytag, and Howard Moffett have brought us Minutes for Mission. Kent Brouwer, Kori Silence, Rubin Thomas, Hyunjin Kwak, and guest soloists Jung Hyun Lee and Emma Scott have led our hymn singing, ably supported by Allen Fletcher at the organ. For J. T.'s last Sunday with us, the choir came out of COVIDinduced hibernation to produce its first composite video anthem, and Carol Hulse gave a heartfelt presentation of thanks (complete with 6foot-arm-length hug!) from the congregation to our departing Interim.

Welcome New Pastor Emily Miller

Our new called pastor, Emily Miller, will be on the job beginning Monday, November 2. We look forward to having her preach in our sanctuary beginning Sunday, November 8, and she eagerly anticipates being in ministry with us.



Emily Miller, her daughter Harriet Hofmeister-Miller and her husband, Rev. Dr. Jake Hofmeister (a minister member of the Presbytery).

News from Becky Gift

Becky's granddaughter, Hazel Trow, graduated from the Gatton School in May and is now a freshman at Middlebury College in Vermont studying Arabic. Interesting fact: while Hazel was at Gatton she set a record for rock climbing.



Becky's daughter, Nancy Gift, married Jim Trimble in March 2020. Jim is the minister at Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Winchester.

Worship Options for November 1

Once again, Transylvania Presbytery offers an online first Sunday of the Month service for the entire Presbytery, led by clergy and laity from several congregations. These services have been a great way to connect with other people in our Presbytery. Also, because it will be All Saints Day, there will be a Hunterspecific memorial celebration, pre-recorded and available for viewing.

Dear Hunter family:

I hope this message finds you all safe, warm, and well.

It has been seven years since I left Lexington, but I've been encouraged to invite you to rejoice with me as I count my blessings. I hope this up-



date will brighten your day, as I consider my successes the result of all the contributions that have made me the person, Christian, and musician I am today. Hunter, being my first church appointment out of college, has been a major contributor to my life's trajectory. Again, I thank you.

After leaving Hunter, I went on to pursue a Master of Music degree with a conducting emphasis. While there, I was blessed to receive a teaching assistantship, and was the only minority teaching assistant in the College of Creative Arts. While in school, I met the lovely and talented Angela Smith – also a church musician – to whom I've now been married for almost four years. We now parent two children.

After 3.5 years at a Methodist church in SC, in September I accepted the call to serve as Minister of Music and Arts at the First Presbyterian Church of Richmond, VA. And more recently still, I have finally, after fifteen years in the US, become a naturalized citizen.

Though it has been a while since I left Hunter, I hold you all close to my heart and in my daily prayers.

With every blessing,

Jason N. Brown

Sunday, Nov. 29, is the beginning of Advent. As in years past, Hunter will have an Advent Booklet for your medita-tive use during the Ad-vent season. Normally the booklet is picked up at Hunter on the two Sunday's before the First Sunday of Advent. Due to COVID-19 and Sunday to COVID-19 and Sunday



worship being held by video rather than in the Sanctuary, we need to change the process by which you may get your Advent Booklet.

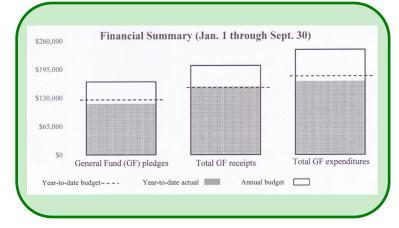
The following is how we will handle things:

First – If you are interested in receiving an Advent Booklet please call either: Lynn at the Hunter office (277-5126) or Howard Moffett (224-3652) and indicate to the person you call if you will be picking up your copy

Second – Pick-up process and times are as follows: Enter the church through the steps and door (by the kitchen) that lead to the Fellowship Hall. Date and time: Monday through Wednesday, November 23 to 25 - 10:00 am to 2:00 pm **and** Friday and Saturday, November 27 and 28 - 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, le le

Third – For those individuals needing a delivery of the Advent Booklet please call me, Roger Guffey (537-7914), so we ca time for the delivery. (537-7914), so we can work out the best day and

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BUILD (Building a United Interfaith Lexington through Direct Action) is continuing their work on very important justice issues here in Lexington. BUILD has been working for over 15 years to get to the root of many of the issues within Lexington that form injustices between the people of Lexington. BUILD didn't get to have their Nehemiah Action Assembly last Spring so they are still working on the three issues from last year (Education, Mental Health, and Violent Crime). This year BUILD realized that the hard earned Affordable Housing money could be in jeopardy when the current Mayor almost did a line item veto. The "Honk for Affordable Housing" rally BUILD spontaneously had this year prevented the veto. However, BUILD added Affordable Housing to its list of issues to try to prevent this from happening again.

Let me explain one of the issues in a little more detail: For Education - BUILD is asking the school superintendent to implement the Whole School Restorative Practices program (WSRP) to lower the number of suspensions in several schools which in turn would lower the racial disparity since black children are much more likely to become suspended then their white counterparts. Lowering the number of suspensions overall would lower the "school to prison pipeline" since the children could stay in school to continue their education.

Lexington is only as good as the least within Lexington, please consider registering for this Virtual Community Problems Assembly on Monday, November 9th at 7 pm to help those most in need by helping to continue the work of BUILD. They are expecting about 400 people virtually. Please let Ann know if you are planning on attending since she will not be able to spot you within the "crowd".

One must register for this event beforehand. Below is the link to register for this BUILD event so they can send you your specific internet link to the event.

You can register for the CPA over zoom here: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/ tZErc-mpgjkiGdz4B313nak7l5YugD3hoZQm

Unity Garden Update

Fifteen bags of invasive honeysuckle between the driveway and extended parking lot were removed recently by Kikoko, a gardener, and his oldest grandson, Henry. This in turn helped the area look bigger and more spacious. Kelly Telech-Bush helped paint the rest of the red fence (on the back side) as well.

The new compost bin is available for anyone to drop off their food trash. By anyone, I mean the church or the community can drop off food trash. There will be a sign soon stating no meat or onion type food for example. However the sign still needs to go through the committee before it is printed and laminated. The compost bin is already being well used by Kevin and the gardeners.

I have had several (COVID compliant) discussions at the garden with new neighbors as well as the many volunteers that have helped to bring progress to this area. The church is still very much alive in this area within this community and I believe the area has transformed appropriately for the new pastor's arrival. There are still many flowers and plants thriving within the garden beds as well as new growth from hardy winter plants.



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I am among you as one who serves.

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A digital copy of this newsletter is available on www.hunterlex.org. Contact the office if you would like to change your subscription to online-only. I.davis@hunterlex.org—thanks! Lynn

Jackson Christmas Store

The Jackson Store Christmas Drive will be going ahead this year with a few modifications.

• They CANNOT accept any clothes, including hats, scarves and gloves.



• They will accept toys only. The toys will be delivered

to the Jackson Store before Thanksgiving. You can drop off your donations at the church (place them in the barrel by the kitchen). Thank you!

