

News from Hunter

September 2021



September Worship

Some of the guest preachers we've enjoyed during the summer are coming back for return engagements! Here is what we have to look forward to for this month:

September 5 — Lea Schade (Lexington Theological Seminary)

September 12 — Tyler Mayfield (Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary)

September 19 — No sermon, but a music-led service! Hyunjin and Allen are putting their heads together over this. More details will be available in the weekly email that precedes this day. What we can say for sure already is that you won't want to miss it.

September 26 — Philip Lotspeich (General Presbyter, Transylvania Presbytery)

Guest Preachers



Unity Garden Update

Almost 100 plants have been planted at the Unity Garden. The cardboard has been placed around the plants and free tree mulch has been placed as far as it lasted. Meaning we ran out of mulch but that is a good thing since we will now have room for football parking people to park their cars in the driveway since the season is almost begun. Since September 4th is the first home game we will bring out the benches for a photographic opportunity to be able to properly Thank Dr. Dennison for his monetary gift since he donated all the money to pay for the benches and platforms underneath them. Sadly we will put benches back into the church so that the people tailgating will not be enticed to walk on the tiny plants accidentally. A rope will be placed around the area to help keep people off the plants to allow them to root and grow before winter gets here. The rope will have a loop on it to be easily removed at the red fence so that Kevin and others can work in the area.



My very deep Thanks to Kevin Eddy, Margaret Maxwell, Carolyn Holmes, Barbara Rogers, and the neighbor Ron Simon who diligently and faithfully volunteered many hours this summer to ensure these plants got as far as they did. There were many others like Ruth Beattie and Val Zeps who continued to help guide and speed this process along.

Thanks to all who continued to pray for this process to move forward as well as it has!

2021 Per Capita Fund Offering

Every year at Hunter Memorial Presbyterian Church, the Session develops and approves a budget for presentation to you, the congregation of Hunter. The purpose of this budget is to develop and implement our financial plan and vision for ministry and mission in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

As members of this church you are **not** asked to pledge and give to the church in order to meet the budget, but rather you **are** asked to pledge and give to further the ministry and mission of the church – at Hunter, in Lexington, in the United States and around the world.

One of the unique features of the Presbyterian Church (USA) is its “connectionalism.” We are a denomination in which individual congregations work together with other congregations. We are a denomination of nearly 10,000 congregations which support each other and work together to do many things which we could not do as individual congregations. As part of a “connectional” church, we at Hunter share certain benefits and costs with our sister Presbyterian congregations.

The Presbyterian Church (USA) is a missional church – witnessing to the love and salvation that is ours through the triune God. Across our nation and around the world the church has a wide variety of programs that share this ministry in various ways at all levels of the church – Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly.

These missional programs and activities are funded in part through the Per Capita Fund. Each congregation in the Presbyterian Church (USA) is assessed a per capita assessment to support the basic and essential operation and administrative cost of the Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly.

Hunter Presbyterian Church’s 2021 assessment is \$38.47 per member.

Again this year the Stewardship Committee and the Session have approved that Hunter’s members participate in a special donation covering the per capita assessment by participating in the Per Capita Fund Offering.

Each member of Hunter is being asked and encouraged to consider contributing the \$38.47 that Hunter will pay in 2021 for each of our members. During the month of September, “Per Capita Offering” envelopes will be in the pews for your use. If you would like to contribute your assessment amount, please use these envelopes or write Per Capita Fund Offering in the memo line of your check. Of course, each member is free to contribute more or less of the \$38.47 per member.

Knowing the mission spirit of Hunter’s members, we are confident of a strong response to the 2021 Per Capita Fund Offering.

Thank you.

Hunter Stewardship Committee

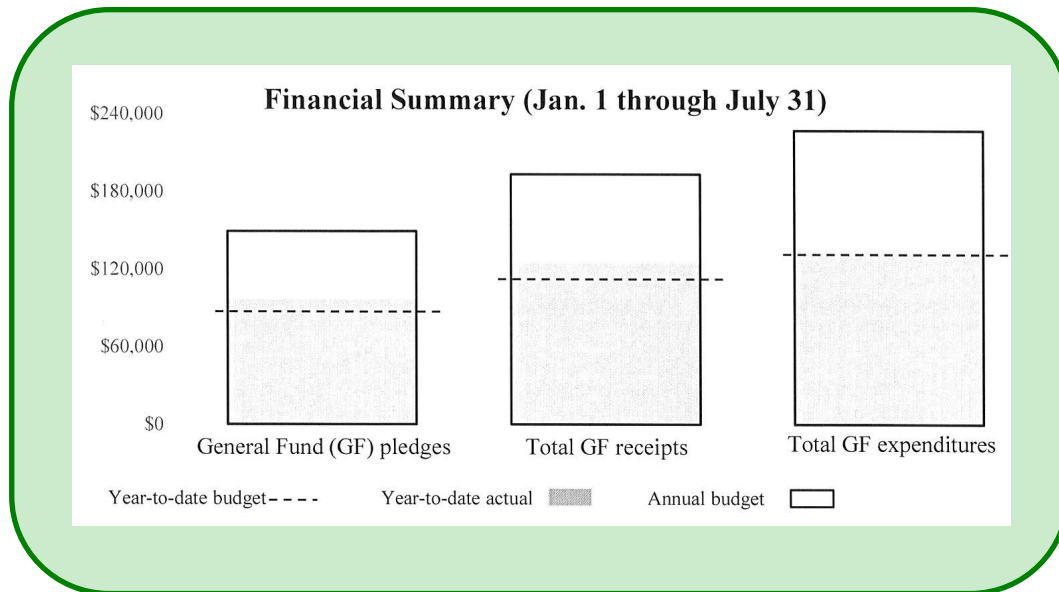
Harry Lockhart, Chairperson



The Peace & Global Witness Offering (September 5—October 3) is received during the Season of Peace which ends on World Communion Sunday, a celebration observed by several Christian denominations that promotes Christian unity and ecumenical cooperation. This year, World Communion Sunday is October 3.

On World Communion Sunday, we celebrate that Christ’s peace extends throughout all creation. We celebrate that we are all together at the table, in God’s house. We celebrate that we are offered what we need to continue the work of building the household of God with active peacemakers here at home and around the world.

A gift to the Peace & Global Witness Offering enables the church to promote the Peace of Christ by addressing systems of conflict and injustice across the world. Individual congregations are encouraged to utilize up to 25% of this Offering to connect with the global witness of Christ’s peace. Mid councils retain an additional 25% for ministries of peace and reconciliation. The remaining 50% is used by the Presbyterian Mission Agency for its ministries of education and partnership with active peacemakers all around the world.



Hunter Supports CROP Walk October 3

Members of more than twenty Lexington congregations walk together to support the work of Church World Service. The walk begins at Second Presbyterian Church at 3:00. It never rains on CROP WALK.

CROP Walk (**C**ommunities **R**esponding to **O**vercome **P**ov-
erty,) a cooperative ministry of Church World Service
(www.churchworldservice.org), is composed of more
than thirty five denominations providing assistance in eighty
countries. Donations raised support CWS actions against hun-
ger, thirst, natural disasters, disease, and the refugee crisis
across the globe. A quarter of the funds raised stay in Lexington
and go to God's Pantry.

Walking in CROP Walk is an opportunity to enjoy Lexington
in the fall and share the experience with family, friends from
Hunter and other churches. However, if you can't walk you can
support the work of CWS by making a donation.



September Birthdays!

- 1 Valdis Zeps
- 2 Joshua Goodrich
- 2 Cecil Woolums
- 2 Jeffrey Tipton
- 9 Howard Moffett
- 10 John Woodring
- 13 Suzi Kifer
- 14 Anne Combs
- 25 Susan Durant
- 25 Brenda Reynolds
- 29 Jennifer Hibbard Wheeling
- 30 Alan Lytle



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