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From Pastor Nicole...

Hello OBC Friends and Family-

You’ve been hearing a lot from me lately, so I will keep this letter brief. Thank you so much for your continued prayers and flexibility during this tough time. There is a lot that remains unknown, and so much I can’t tell you for certain. With things continually being cancelled and postponed (for good reason), due to the COVID-19 pandemic, most of the in-person events we have listed in this newsletter are tentative. I do know one thing for sure...

Even if we aren’t holding the following in person, we will still be having Holy Week services, including Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Palm Sunday, and Easter Sunday. They will either be pre-recorded and posted on our website or done on a live Zoom call. We will most likely be doing them with our sister churches, Greece Baptist, Ogden Presbyterian, and Spencerport UCC. Be on the lookout for e-mail and letters filled with information to join in.

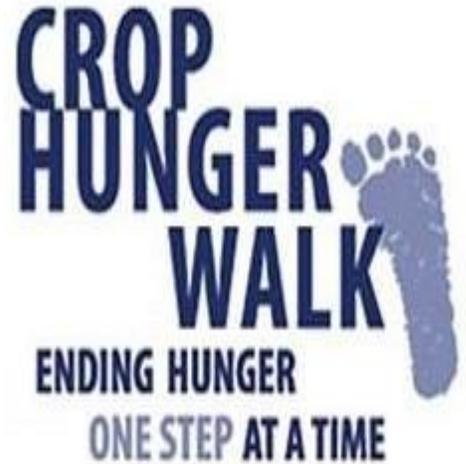
In the meantime, keep sending me prayer requests to forward onto the congregation. Stay in touch with me (see my contact information on page 7). Let me know if you need a church directory so I can get one to you. Participate in as many virtual/phone activities with the church as you feel comfortable with (see page 6). Reach out to me if you need some Zoom tech help, and I’ll do my best. I would like to leave you with word of Good News in the form of a poem by an Italian journalist named Irene Vella:

*In the Time of Pandemic:
And the people stayed home.
And read books and listened, and rested and exercised,
And made art and played games,
And learned new ways of being and were still.
And listened more deeply.
Some meditated, some prayed, some danced.
Some met their shadows.
And the people began to think differently.
And the people healed.*

And in the absence of people living in ignorant, dangerous, mindless ways the earth began to heal.

*And when the danger passed, and the people joined together again,
they grieved their losses, and made new choices,
and dreamed new images,
and created new ways to live and heal the earth fully,
as they had been healed.*

Keep the faith, dear ones. We will be together again, and what a day of celebration that will be. No matter what day it is...THAT will be Easter! ~ Pastor Nicole



SPENCERPORT CROP WALK

Coming on May 3rd, 2020! Walkers are needed, as well as pledges of support from as many friends and family as possible. Visit the Spencerport website at: <https://www.crophungerwalk.org/spencerportny> and get involved!

Mary Jo Green is our OBC Team Leader. Contact her at 278-0433 or jolie9ys7@yahoo.com to join the walk or for more information. Walking options include the Golden Mile, a walk of 3 miles to Adams Basin, or for the ambitious, do the 6 mile round trip back to Spencerport after reaching Adams Basin. “Not able to make the walk? You can still raise funds online!”

25% of the total funds raised from the walk comes right back to support our own Spencerport Ecumenical Food Shelf. Thank you for your generous support!



Thank you to everyone for your generous contributions for putting together Church World Service School Kits and Hygiene Kits. School Kit collecting and preparing was done in the summer of 2019 as part of our 200th Anniversary

celebration. 130 School Kits are boxed and ready to ship! Our Hygiene Kit items have been collected over the past two months and there are 45 kits also boxed and ready to go. Many, many thanks for supporting the work of Church World Service! Also, thank you to Nancy Hill Dean for coordinating the work and delivering kits to be shipped.

**SAVE THE DATE:
RUMMAGE SALE & BAKED FOOD SALE
Saturday, May 2nd, 8am to 3pm**

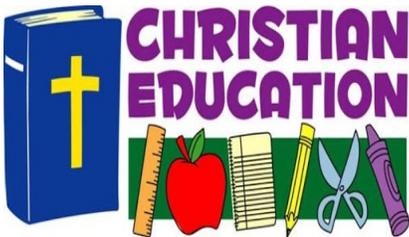
Please start setting aside your items that might sell at the church’s rummage sale. Also save any paper bags or cardboard boxes that can be used for packing up sales. Soon there will be sign-up sheets to help price items before the sale, help the day of the sale, and baking for the bake sale.



Here’s wishing a very happy birthday to the following individuals who have birthdays in April:

- 8 — Lorry Ryback & Tom Hill
- 9 — Larry Mance
- 12 — Ryan Pedersen
- 18 — Conrad Lind
- 19 — Heidi Feuerherm, Jim Volke & Bruce Thomas
- 20 — Beth Calabria

Congratulations to you all!!! Enjoy your special day!



BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Save these dates, and pray God is willing we will be able to meet:

- June 14th — Children’s Day
- July 6th—10th — Vacation Bible School
- August 3rd—7th — Cooking Camp

Children's Ministry Update

Due to the novel coronavirus Sunday school, Kid's Faith Discovery and other youth related activities and gatherings are on hold. There will be no in person gatherings for any of these until further notice. KFD will meet via Zoom on Wednesdays at 6:20pm. Please contact Miss Dale for information on how to join in on the fun. Our children can also connect with Miss Dale on Facebook, via Snapchat, or email and old fashioned phone calls. Miss Dale will also post lessons for the children and is in touch with all their families.



Everyone at OBC is following CDC directives and government protocols to help curb the spread of this new unknown virus. God is with us as we make these adjustments.
Keep all in prayer!



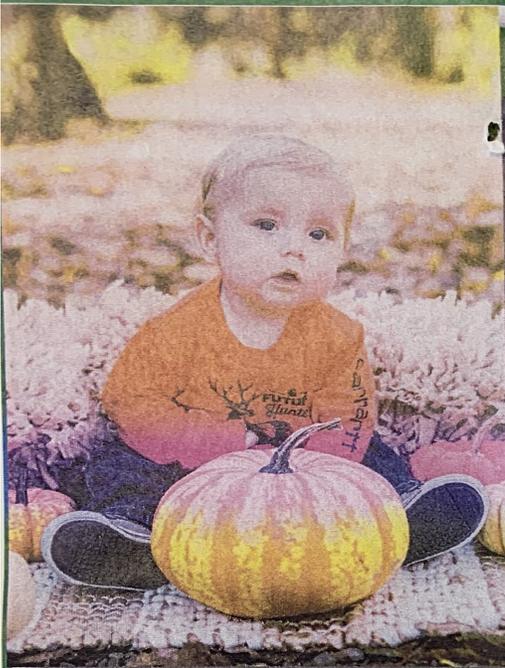
ZOOM “OFFICE HOUR”

Starting Tuesday, March 31st, Pastor Nicole will open up a Zoom meeting room on Tuesdays and Thursdays from Noon to 1pm, and will be available if anyone wants to talk, share concerns, or have a prayer together.

To join on the Zoom App: <https://zoom.us/j/963237574>

The ID for the meeting is 963 237 574 and will be that same number each time.

If there is something of a really confidential nature you wish to discuss, Pastor Nicole would recommend a phone call rather than the Zoom meeting. Let’s give this a try and see how it goes! Sign in and let her know how you are doing!



We're throwing a Benefit

EASTON'S ENDEAVOUR



SATURDAY
may | 12p
16th | to 6p

2020

Conservation Club of Brockport
291 Ladue Rd • Brockport • NY 14420

BENEFIT DINNER

TICKETS INCLUDE PULLED PORK BBQ FROM 58 MAIN BBQ

TICKETS: \$15 each

Advance purchase is preferred.

To purchase tickets, contact Alica (mom) at

EastonsBenefit@gmail.com OR 585.339.8077

- If additional means of payment are necessary, please email Alica at EastonsBenefit@gmail.com to make arrangements.
- Tickets will also be available at the door. While supplies last.

Easton was born in kidney failure; spending the first months of his life in the NICU at Strong Hospital. After 80 days, 8 surgeries, and the placement of his dialysis catheter, he is on peritoneal dialysis for 11-12 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Easton is currently awaiting a kidney transplant that will take place at Boston Children's Hospital hopefully sometime this spring or summer. Easton's family will need to be in Boston for at least a month after transplant and then back multiple times for check ups.

AVAILABLE DURING THE EVENT

RAFFLES:

- GIFT BASKETS
- 50\50

TSHIRT SALE:

\$15ea



QUESTIONS?

✉ EastonsBenefit@gmail.com

THANK YOU

for helping to make this benefit possible.

58 MAIN



BBQ & Brew

Want to HELP?

• Could you be a Donor?

Follow the link • Submit the form • Save a life!

<https://bwh.donorscreen.org/register/donate-kidney>

• Donations graciously accepted



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- [PayPal.me/EastonsBenefit](https://www.paypal.com/mec/EastonsBenefit)

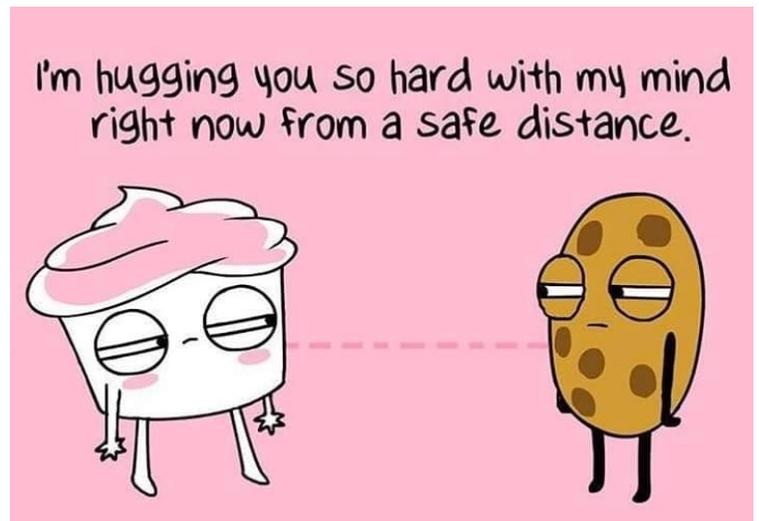


During these challenging times, as we deal with the growing COVID-19 pandemic, the biggest way that we can say that we care about our friends and loved ones is to obey the practice of social distancing. This is quite challenging for a community where fellowship is such a key part of our purpose and identity. We send you a big virtual hug :)

While we cannot currently meet in person, that doesn't mean that we have to stop being the church... take the time to call or virtually check in on your friends and family, particularly those who are elderly and more at risk. Even though we are discouraged from in-person contact, it doesn't mean we have to be truly isolated. Practice kindness... as we get frustrated in our quarantine time, it is easy to grow frustrated and lash out at people without meaning to. These are challenging times for all of us. But they too shall pass. Stay safe, and we'll all weather this storm.

Sometimes the most “Christian” thing we can do is to give people space and to stay away from them. We avoid situations that only throw fuel on the fire. Until we can meet in person again, here are a few things to give you a little laugh:

- KEEP CALM
- WASH YOUR HANDS
- HELP PROTECT AT RISK PEOPLE
- BE KIND



WORSHIP PLANNING
COVIDI9 PANDEMIC EDITION

Breathe on Me, Breath of God.....NOPE
 Precious Lord, Take my Hand.....NOPE
 Just a Closer Walk with Thee.....NOPE
 Gather Us In.....NOPE
 Close to Thee.....NOPE

COULD WORK

Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters
 Jesus Walked this Lonesome Valley
 I Come to the Garden Alone
 Trust and Obey



VIRTUAL CALENDAR: WORSHIP WITH US ONLINE (AND ON THE PHONE)

NOTE FOR THOSE WHO DON'T WISH TO USE ONLINE SERVICES: There is a telephone number you can use to dial in from any phone, and just listen in to Zoom calls, without access to the video.

Mondays: No scheduled activities.

Tuesdays: 10am - Prayer Call via Zoom with Pastor Nicole: Folks can dial in from any phone and share prayer concerns. I will pray for us, and we can pray for each other. It will give everyone a chance to talk about how they are doing. For the sake of privacy, the information below will not be listed publicly on our website.

Zoom is very easy to download and use. It can be accessed on smart phones with the "Zoom" app (available free at the App Store), or on your home computer at <http://www.zoom.us>. You are also able to call in with your phone without downloading the app (audio only). Because we want to respect the privacy of all, we are not listing the call-in information publicly online. Please contact Pastor Nicole if you want the information to join this call.

11am-1pm: Pastor Nicole will be in the office to receive food donations for the Spencerport Ecumenical Food Shelf via curbside drop offs. Please leave your donations outside the doors closest to the church offices. Tithes and offerings may also be dropped off at this time.

Wednesdays: 6:20-7pm - Kid's Faith Discovery via Zoom with Min. Dale Shonk. Please contact Dale directly for the information needed to participate on this Zoom call/video chat. Her e-mail address is: obckid-smin@gmail.com.

7pm - Choir Chat via Zoom with Director of Music, Suzanne Feuerherm. Contact Sue directly to get the information you need to join in by video or phone. Let's talk music and catch up! Sue can be reached at suef3199@gmail.com or (585) 637-3569.

8pm - Facebook Live prayer time (or silent prayer time) with Pastor Nicole on the Ogden Baptist Church Facebook page. Visit www.facebook.com/OBCHome at 8pm, and you'll find the prayer time post there.

Thursdays: 11am-1pm: Pastor Nicole will be in the office to receive donations. Please see the description for Tuesday.

Fridays: 12pm - Facebook Live prayer time (or silent prayer time) with Pastor Nicole on the Ogden Baptist Church Facebook page. Visit www.facebook.com/OBCHome and you will find the post there.

Saturdays: No scheduled activities, but I may host casual "hang-outs" via Zoom on occasion. (These could really happen on any day of the week.) It's a chance for all of us to be together and see one another's beautiful faces (or hear the voices of our friends on the phone). An invitation will be sent via e-mail prior to the hang-out.

Sundays: 11am- By this time, a worship service will be uploaded to both our Facebook page, www.facebook.com/OBCHome, and on our website at: <http://obcn.org/services-and-resources>. Other worship materials will be available to help you follow along. An e-mail will also go out with this information prior to service. Those who do not wish to use online services to experience Sunday worship can contact me directly, and I'll mail you an order of worship and a copy of my sermon.

I understand that for many of us, this technology is a bit uncomfortable to use. There will be glitches at first, that is almost certain, but we will work through them! I appreciate your patience and flexibility as we work out the wrinkles. We're all learning together! -Pastor Nicole



Food Shelf

The Spencerport Ecumenical Food Shelf needs the following items during this difficult time:

Peas, Macaroni & Cheese, Pasta Sauce, Soup, Stew, Chili, Hash, Green Beans, Toothpaste, and Cleaning Products.

Items can be dropped off at the following locations:

- ◆ St John’s, 55 Martha Street. 9am—5pm every day.
- ◆ Spencerport United Methodist, 30 Amity Street. There is a collection basket outside the church.
- ◆ Café Macchiato, 123 Union St. 8am—5pm daily.
- ◆ Ogden Baptist Church, 721 Washington St. Tuesday and Thursday from 11am to 1pm.

Please note that here at OBC, donations are “curbside dropoff” only. We’re asking folks to leave donations outside of our office doors (the set on the west side of the building... **NOT** the parking lot doors.) If no one is there to accept them in person, you can leave your donations there and call (810) 333-3298 to let Pastor Nicole know that they are ready for pick up. Thank you!!

Let’s stay in touch! I’m here for you!

Pastor Nicole Iaquinto’s Contact Information

E-mail: pastornicoleiaquinto@gmail.com

Cell Phone: (810) 333-3298 **Landline:** (585) 210-8233

Don’t forget to reach out to each other, too! IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A COPY OF THE DIRECTORY AND WOULD LIKE ONE, please contact me and I would LOVE to e-mail or snail mail one to you!





DO NOT BE AFRAID – Luke 1:26-38 and Psalm 89:1