



In our third newsletter, we are coming upon Palm Sunday. What a wonderful time that was for Jesus! It was always a joyous celebration at Shawnee Presbyterian Church, waving our palms during the service and remembering what it would have been like to see the streets crowded with people paying homage to our Savior! Since we will not be having palms to wave this year, I have included the instructions of how to make your palm into a cross. I always loved doing this when teaching Sunday School and thought it might bring you a bit of happiness. Plus, I'm sure we're all looking for things to do with our children during this time! I have included it at the end of the newsletter and if you do not have a palm tree growing in your yard, I'm sure you can use construction paper.

I hope that you are doing well and that you are keeping the faith! I don't have a lot to report on this week. I hope that you were able to tune into Rev. Rhonda Kruse's message last Sunday. I really enjoyed it! If you had trouble getting onto Facebook Live, you should be able to still see the video on Facebook. The audio was also downloaded to our radio station. From now on, the regular times to listen will be Sunday at 2pm and 7pm and Wednesday at 7pm. You should also have received the transcript of her service via your email. Rev. Tom Bartha will be our leader this week and next, and I am looking forward to listening to his message.

This is a reminder to keep sending in your "lily" money. As I mentioned, the first Sunday back we will be celebrating Easter. So, we will be keeping the checks and information from those of you who sent them in early and will hopefully get in many more before we have our Easter service. We will still have an insert with "in honor of" and "in memory of", so you can use the same order form. The mailing address of the church is PO Box 145 Shawnee on Delaware, Pa. 18356. I'll continue to remind you of this in the weeks to come.

Just as an FYI...the Easter Egg hunt and the Easter Sunrise breakfast have both been canceled.

With many businesses being forced to closed, some of you may find yourselves in rough financial situations. There are ways in which we might be of help. Remember that the food bank is still operational. If you know of someone who needs help with groceries, contact Ginny Sodano. Her phone number is 570-476-9393 and her email address is gsodano@ptd.net. Or contact someone you feel comfortable talking with. We may be able to help, but won't know unless you ask.

As I had mentioned before, giving will be slow since we will not be "in church". Unfortunately, we still have bills to pay and would appreciate it if you could consider thinking of a different way to support our ministry. We are in the process of setting up an online giving program. We will keep you posted. Until then, please consider mailing in your offerings to the church. You can do that on a regular basis or whenever you feel you can spare something. We know that this is a rough financial time for many of you, so we understand if you cannot help at this time.

If you are in need of prayers for yourself or a friend, please let us know. Just because we are not meeting in person doesn't mean we can't pray for each other. The church and everyone in it are in my prayers every night. Please keep contacting members and friends. Don't assume someone else is doing it and if someone gets two phones calls, so much the better!

If there is something that you would like to see in this newsletter or something you would like to talk about, remember that just because we are not "in Church" doesn't mean that we are not communicating with each other. Please contact me or any other Session or Deacon member. I have included their emails and phone numbers below.

Continue to stay safe and healthy! Continue to wash your hands, continue not to touch your face and keep that 6 foot distance!

In His name,

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Palm Leaf Cross Directions

Supplies: One palm leaf strip about 24-26" in length, 1/2" in width, tapering to the end.

