

# What's Happening at Holy Covenant

May 3, 2020

## Welcome to Holy Covenant MCC!

*We are overjoyed that you are here. If this is your first time worshipping with us, please take a moment to introduce yourself to the people sitting next to you.*

### Easter

#### This Week's Scripture:

**Acts 2: 42-47**

**Psalm 23**

**Sermon: by Rev. Martha Daniels**  
**"Community of Caring"**

## This Week at Holy Covenant AA Has been cancelled until further notice.

**Online meetings at**  
**<http://aa-intergroup.org/>**

*Holy Covenant invites you to bring your beliefs and identities to celebrate with us as we strive toward inclusion, spirituality, community action, and social justice.*

## Weekly Giving for April 2020

Week No.	Needed Weekly	Amt Given	Difference
4/5	\$1313	\$ 50	-\$1,263
4/12	\$1313	\$2,473	\$1,160
4/19	\$1313	\$ 382	-\$ 931
4/26	\$1313	\$ 60	-\$1,253
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$5,252</b>	<b>\$2,965</b>	<b>-\$2,287</b>

### YOU'LL RECEIVE A LINK

1. For your first time click "SIGN IN" then "REGISTER FOR AN ACCOUNT"
2. Complete the registration to receive your secure PIN
3. Select the fund, enter the donation amount and payment information. Tap "Save Payment" to use it for future gifts.

#### OTHER TEXT COMMANDS:

**EDIT** - Update your account & payment information

**KEYWORD** - See a list of Keywords (Funds) you can give towards

**REFUND** - Made a mistake? Refund your last gift. (15 min. expiry)

by sending a check. Our address is 9145 Grant Ave, Brookfield, IL, 60513.

### A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

The church building is closed to all face to face meetings, per Governor Pritzker's order. I will be monitoring our voicemail regularly, and checking mail periodically; we have an alarm monitoring system and remote access to the heating system, so the building will be cared for. Additionally, I am in contact with MCC resource people (our point Elder, Rev. Nancy Maxwell, and our network lead, Rev. Carolyn Mobley-Bowie) for support and information.

I am available by email, phone, Messenger, and text for any pastoral care needs you may have ([rev.martha@holycovenantmcc.org](mailto:rev.martha@holycovenantmcc.org); 708-387-1611).

### ON HOLD - POT LUCK-SUNDAY

Potluck is ON HOLD for right now, and will be depending on the COVID-19 recommendations. If we do have it, the theme is "Greek" Bring an Greek

## NEW WAY TO GIVE - EASYTITHE



Holy Covenant MCC has partnered with EasyTithe to help make giving easier during this most difficult time. Now all you have to do is text **GIVE** to 7083506577,

set up an account and you will be able to send money to us without using a check, PayPal or Square. Those options are still available to you if you prefer to continue giving as such. Instructions are below on how to give via Text.

Don't forget to share your offering with Holy Covenant—we may not be meeting in the building, but costs such as insurance and utilities continue. You may give via PayPal—access it through the link in the comments on YouTube, or on our website-- or electronic check from your financial institution, or

dish—think pita bread, baklava, grape leaves, feta cheese and kalamata olives, or Moussaka!

## **MEDITATION & WOMEN'S GROUP LIFE SKILLS (FREE) – VIA ZOOM**

WEDNESDAY'S AT 7:00 PM – email Mary Ann if you are interested in doing meditation via Zoom at [onlylamar@yahoo.com](mailto:onlylamar@yahoo.com)

## **PINTS WITH THE PASTOR! – May 11<sup>th</sup>**

Pints with the Pastor will take by Zoom meeting on Monday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to join us, please email me for the password to the meeting. When you sign in to the meeting, you will be placed in a “waiting room” for me to approve your entrance to the meeting. These measures should prevent any “Zoom-bombing.” If you would prefer to join by telephone only—that is, just the audio of the meeting, email me and I will give you the phone number to call to join by telephone. If you do not have the Zoom app, it is available for free in the app store of your choice. Please be sure to download and install it well before the meeting so you will be able to join us. We may be using Zoom for other purposes as well, such as a book study or other meetings, depending on how long the stay at home order is in effect.

## **DATES TO REMEMBER!**

Postponed - Spring Dance – May 16<sup>th</sup>

Postponed – Drag Queen Bingo – May 24<sup>th</sup>

Postponed - Garage Sale – May 30<sup>th</sup>

## **BOARD MEETING VIA SKYPE**

The next Board meeting is Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm via Skype.

## **MISSED A SERMON?**

You can find the sermons on the website

<http://www.holycovenantmcc.org/sermons> or on our You Tube channel <https://bit.ly/2uEtOrK> (shortlink)

## **DRAG QUEEN BINGO – NONE FOR MAY**

**Please note: DQB is Postponed for MAY. Please watch our Facebook page for more information.**

Drag Queen Bingo is coming up on Sunday hopefully in June at Hamburger Mary's in Oak Park, 6 pm for dinner, 7 for the games! \$15 for a card; dabbers included! We will also have a 50/50 or two.

## **REV. DANIELS MAKES HOUSE CALLS!**

Until the Covid-19 crisis is cleared, Rev. Martha will not be making home visits. She will call or Facetime if you are in need of her prayers.

Are you homebound and cannot make it to church? Sick? Know someone who wants a home visit or communion? Please let Rev. Martha Daniels know and she will arrange a home visit.

[rev.martha@holycovenantmcc.org](mailto:rev.martha@holycovenantmcc.org) or call 708-387-1611

## **DO YOU USE FACEBOOK? TWITTER?**

### **INSTAGRAM? Watch YouTube?**

Did you know that Holy Covenant MCC has its own Facebook page, Twitter account and Instagram? If you are on social media, then follow us to get updates from the church on what is happening! If you are in church, check in on Facebook!

## *House of Prayer for All People*

If you would like a concern or celebration listed under Prayers of the People in the Sunday Times, please indicate this on your Attendance Card, located in the bulletins each Sunday. Unless otherwise notified, each prayer request will remain with Prayers of the People for three weeks.

Prayers for the family of Norm Mitchell a congregant of Holy Covenant who recently passed away.<sup>1</sup>

Prayers for Ian Thiel, who's wife Stacey recently passed away.<sup>3</sup>

For Nilsa's mother Myriam<sup>2</sup>

That all our medical personnel, first responders, grocery store workers and others that are still working be safe during this Covid-19 crisis.<sup>2</sup>

That God will provide for those who are hungry, unemployed, and homeless or in financial difficulties.

All those affected by HIV/AIDS, breast cancer, and other life-threatening illnesses.

All communities of faith

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We are here to meet the needs of our members and friends. We will assist you with holy unions, funerals and memorial services, home, hospital and hospice visitations, bereavement and other grief and loss issues. To schedule an appointment, please call the number above or send an email to Rev. Martha Daniels.

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