

The Looking Tree

Love lives here, Love flows from here. . .

APRIL 2021

Hello Members and Friends of Head of Christiana,



Pastor Hilary Livingston

Good news!

Session voted unanimously to resume in-person worship services in our sanctuary at our March meeting. Here are the specifics for reopening:

• We will have our first worship service in the HoC sanctuary at 11:00 AM on Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021 with COVID safety protocols in place.

- An online worship option will also be available on our HoC YouTube channel and Facebook page for those who do not yet feel comfortable attending worship in person.
- There will also be an outdoor Sunrise Service in our HoC cemetery on Easter Sunday morning at 7:00am with donuts and juice to-go provided by our Care and Fellowship Commission.
- Following Easter, we will continue having in-person worship services in the HoC sanctuary at 11:00am, with an online worship option available for those still worshipping at home.

We appreciate everyone's cooperation in observing these safety protocols, as this enables us to minimize risk of COVID transmission while resuming in-person worship in the sanctuary.

We're very excited to be able to resume in-person worship in our sanctuary on Easter Sunday! We are also pleased to be able to continue offering online worship for those who prefer that option.

If you have any questions or concerns about our reopening plans, please contact me or a session member.

Looking forward to seeing you all in worship (either virtually or in-person)!

"He has Risen,
Have faith in him...
And he will always

be there for you!"
"Have a blessed and
Happy Easter!"

Opening Phases and COVID Safety Protocols:

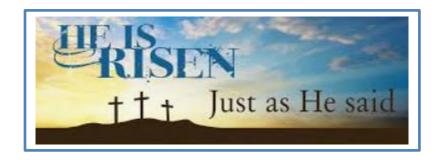
We plan to resume in-person worship in our sanctuary in phases. The first phase will have full COVID protocols and restrictions. As conditions with the virus improve, we hope to loosen restrictions and resume full regular Sunday morning activities.

Phase One restrictions/safety protocols include the following:

- Worship will be limited to the sanctuary and/or outdoor spaces only. The Christian Education building/Fellowship Hall will remain closed (including restroom facilities). This is to limit the risk of COVID transmission to HoC and presbytery staff who utilize our CE building during the week.
- Worship service in the sanctuary will be limited to 30 minutes (to reduce the time people are within an enclosed area).
- Social distancing will be observed both outside and inside the sanctuary. Tape-marked Xs will indicate safe standing distances for those waiting to enter the sanctuary. Inside the sanctuary, certain pews will be taped off for non-use to promote appropriate distancing.
- Ushers will individually seat family units inside the sanctuary one-at-a time. Once seated, you are asked to remain in your pew until the service has concluded. Afterwards, ushers will dismiss family units one-at-a-time to exit.
- Those attending worship will be asked to sign in inside the narthex before entering the sanctuary (to collect information for possible contract tracing, if necessary). Bulletins and communion elements will be given upon entry.
- Masks must be worn inside the sanctuary. Disposable masks will be available for those who need them. Hand sanitizer will also be available.
- No singing, shaking hands, hugging or other contact is permitted inside the narthex or sanctuary.
- To improve air circulation, the sanctuary windows will be open during the worship service. Please dress in layers to accommodate temperature fluctuations.
- To make cleaning/sanitizing easier, pew cushions have been removed. Please feel free to bring your own cushion.
- Offering plates will be available in the narthex. You may place your offering in the plate upon entry or exit from the sanctuary. You may also mail checks to the church, or use our online giving platform at hocpc.org/give
- There will be no fellowship hour or Christian education classes inside the building. These may be reinstated as conditions improve.
- To minimize virus transmission, the sanctuary will be closed outside of Sunday morning worship times.

Blessings,

Hilary



EASTER SUNDAY (APRIL 4, 2021) SCHEDULE:

- 7:00am Outdoor Sunrise Service in HoC Cemetery
- 11:00am Indoor Service in HoC Sanctuary

Appropriate COVID precautions will be taken.

Please wear a mask.

Communion will be celebrated at the later service. A virtual worship option will be available for those who do not feel comfortable attending in-person worship. Please visit our website, Facebook page, or YouTube channel to access the virtual service.

Please watch your email/HoC website/HoC Facebook page for details and schedule changes.

For those without internet access, information will be sent to you through the mail and/or dropped off to you at your home.

Please contact the pastor or a session member with questions.



SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE CHANGES:

Beginning Sunday, April 4, 2021, we will be moving to hybrid worship (with both in-person worship in our sanctuary and virtual worship online). To accommodate this change, here are the following changes to our Sunday morning schedule:

Sunday, April 4, 2021 - Easter Sunday

7:00am Sunrise Service (outdoors in HoC Cemetery)

NO ZOOM FELLOWSHIP HOUR

11:00am Worship

(indoors in HoC Sanctuary & online on HoC Facebook page/Youtube channel)

12:00 PM Facebook Live w/Pastor Hilary

Sunday, April 11, 2021 and subsequent Sundays (until further notice):

11:00am Worship (indoors in HoC Sanctuary & online on HoC Facebook page/YouTube channel)

12:00pm Facebook Live w/Pastor Hilary

1:00pm Zoom Fellowship Hour

Hybrid worship will give folks the <u>option</u> of attending worship either <u>in person</u> in <u>our sanctuary or online</u> with prerecorded worship services.

We are also in the process of equipping our sanctuary for livestreaming!

Once livestreaming is operational, folks at home can participate with those worshipping in our sanctuary in real time. Stay tuned for more details!

Please contact Pastor Hilary or a session member with questions.

HEY FOLKS, IT'S APRIL

April is here. And April is an outstanding time of year for us, and arguably the best time of the year for the Church! It's Easter – birds are singing, flowers are sprouting, sunny days are thriving, life is coming back. And through it all – snowy days, Covid injections, lock downs, trying to figure out how to Zoom it – neither our membership nor our feelings of belonging have dwindled.

The Church continues and it gets stronger. Members contact members to see how all goes. Greeting cards, Birthday cards, Hope You're Feeling Better cards, Thinking of You cards, are being distributed and appreciated daily. This all points to an engaged and caring membership. And that is the strength that's found at the Head of Christiana Presbyterian Church. That strength is in caring – every one of us caring for each other. And caring brings with it a sense of belonging and a strength in helping others to the full extent of one's energies.

Yes, the current Head of Christiana Church congregation may be small, but the combined energy of its members and the giving of itself can only be expressed at the highest level. The Church is that body to which we all belong and from which we all prosper from that belonging.

\$10,000 CHECK AWARDED TO WARRIORS HELPING WARRIORS

Through the generosity of the Head of Christiana Presbyterian Church, "Warriors Helping Warriors," a Conley family initiated and managed homeless military veteran's helping organization, now has the funds to construct within the Center the necessary facilities (bathroom and bedroom) to meet the requirements of the "Americans with Disabilities Act." This will mean that "The Veterans Resiliency Center" will be able to become certified to receive Veterans Administration funding.

Keeping the Center (the house was purchased in November 2016, opened on April 27, 2019) operating has been a significant financial task for the Conley's. However, through hard work and long hours they have, since the Center opened, managed to assist over fifty homeless veterans to find housing and employment and return to the productive civilian community. The Head of Christiana Presbyterian Church's sensitivity for the Conley's mission and Church's help in financially assisting the Conley's to continue to meet their goals can only be expressed in the most positive of terms. The Head of Christiana Presbyterian Church has truly helped to meet the needs of those WHO USED TO BE HOMELESS WARRIORS.







2021 SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

"The 2021 Souper Bowl of Caring was a resounding success!

Thank you so much to all our generous donors who gave to our neighbors in need during this unprecedented time.

Our Head of Christiana church family really pulled together and raised a whopping \$871.42 for the Hope Dining Room!

Our youth has a special relationship with this mission and we will be so proud to send Hope Dining Room this great donation. As you are well aware this money is needed more now than ever before.

We thank you so much for contributing to this worthy cause!
With Gratitude,
The Youth of HOC"



HoC VIRTUAL WORSHIP INFO



VIRTUAL CHURCH WORSHIP INFO:

Please join us for <u>virtual worship</u> on <u>Sunday mornings at 11:00 AM</u>
on our <u>website</u> at: <u>https://hocpc.org/online-worship/</u>
or on our <u>YouTube channel</u> at:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjuPGVlASRtLTGrDabSTpJA
or on our Head of Christiana Presbyterian Church Facebook Page:

https://www.facebook.com/pg/HeadOfChristiana/posts/
You don't need a Facebook account to access the page.

Beginning April 11, 2021, we will be having a **Zoom Fellowship Hour** on **Sunday** afternoons at 1:00pm after our virtual worship service.

(PLEASE NOTE THE TIME CHANGE!!!)

Click this link to access:

 $\underline{https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81691102111?pwd=QTB1MFMvclZsTmhvbHdGK3h2cGlSdz09}$

Meeting ID: 816 9110 2111

Passcode: 482678

(This link is valid through May 30, 2021.)

If you don't have internet access, you can call 1-312-626-6799 or 1-646-558-8656.

You can call in just like you would call someone on a regular phone.

We will also be <u>mailing hard copies</u> of the <u>weekly bulletin and sermon</u> to those who don't have internet access. <u>Please let Nancy or Pastor Hilary know if you would like to be added to the mailing list.</u>

HoC CONTACT INFO



IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION:

Pastor Hilary's cellphone #: (814)-577-4269

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Please reach out to us if you need anything!!!

Once upon a time there was a baby virgin born Whose perfect life would end as the sacred veil was torn His death and resurrection would millennia inspire His message of grace and hope and love would set the world on fire Eternal life He sought to bring by stepping down from Heaven Mankind can scarcely understand the Gift we have been given So accept His loving sacrifice by trusting in His grace And know that you will one day meet this Savior face to face

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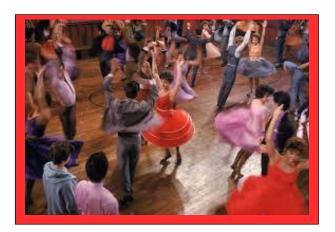
West Side Story - "Mambo"

Submitted by Lucy Marianiello

I spent time during February learning the flute part to some music from *West Side Story*, teaming up again with the Southern Dutchess Concert Band. Here's the link to see the complete "Dance at the Gym: Mambo" https://fb.watch/483JdRSK3t/. A Facebook account is *not* needed to watch it. The flute players are in the bottom row of the video.

From their FB post: "Southern Dutchess Concert Band's tribute here to "West Side Story" is timely because the original movie debuted sixty years ago and a new film version is scheduled to be released nine months from today. "The Dance at the Gym: Mambo" is our energetic look forward to the end of winter and knowing that we'll resume actually playing together in less than two months! Crank it up and shout along with us (and our stuffies): "Mam-bo"!"







Monday, June 17, 2013

The New York Times

Johanna Fenimore and Andrea Carla Michaels /

This clever puzzle is a collaboration that was done entirely by email. At the time it was made, the two constructors had never met face to facer - will thorn;

ACROSS

- 1 Breakfast bread
- 6 ___-kiri
- 10 Rubik's Cube and troll dolls, once
- 14 Baghdad resident
- 15 Designer Saint Laurent
- 16 One-named rapper-turned-actor
- 17 Flu cause
- Frisbee, checker or tiddlywink
- 19 Kelly of "Live! With Kelly and Michael"
- 20 Curved molding
- Plains animal that tunnels
- 23 Region
- 25 Condensed books
- 26 Fast-food rival of Wendy's
- 30 Acapuico gold
- 31 Fit for duty, draftwise
- 32 Writer Jong and others
- 36 Voting group
- 38 Madrid Mrs.
- 40 Wild's opposite
- 41 "See ya!"
- 44 Ones under sgts., in the Army
- 47 Fan setting of 1, say
- 48 Vehicular antitheft devices
- 51 More nutty
- 54 Old geezer
- 55 Purchase from Google

- 57 Swelled heads
- 61 Deuce topper, in cards
- 62 Dumbstruck
- 63 New York's Memorial
 - ___-Kettering hospital
- 64 Brontë's "Jane
- 65 "First, ___ harm"
- 66 Warm 59-Down greeting
- 67 Senate majority leader Harry
- 68 Conclusions
- 69 Easy-to-catch hit __ or what 1-, 21-, 26-, 48- and 55-Across all do

DOWN

- Record for later viewing, in a way.
- 2 Not a copy: Abbr.
- 3 Swiss river
- 4 Mouse's sound
- 5 *__ the season to be july*
- 6 Infuses with water
- 7 Adidas alternative
- s Owell
- 9 Give credit (to)
- 10 Way out in an emergency
- 11 Tums targets
- 12 Train station
- 13 Does' mates
- 21 by League school in Philly
- 22 Stravinsky or Sikorsky
- 24 ___ de Janeiro

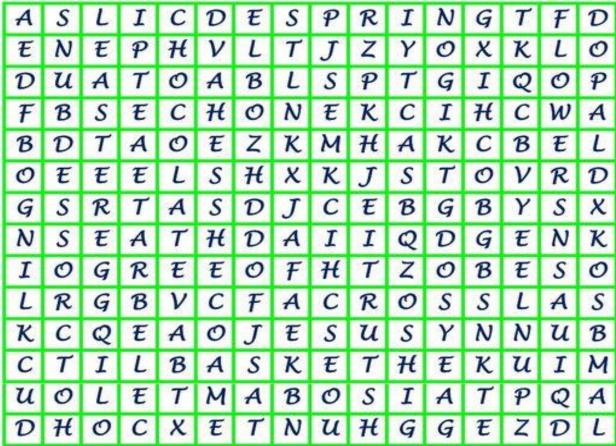
- - 26 Steve of Apple
 - 27 "Alice's Restaurant" singer Guthrie
 - 28 Snazzy
 - 29 Brother of Chico and Grouche
 - 33 Class after trig
 - 34 Run ___ (go wild)
 - 35 Puts in stitches
 - 37 Nutry
 - 39 Guacamole ingredients
 - 42 Depilatory brand
 - 43 Lobbed weapon
 - 45 Trampled (on)
- 46 ___-mo (instant replay feature)
- 49 Tapped, asexperience
- 50 Verdi opera
- 51 Bad-check passer

- 52 How a ham sandwich may be prepared
- 53 Former "S.N.L." comic Cheri
- 56 Take care of, as a garden
- 58 Sticky stuff
- 59 Obama's birthplace
- 60 Jacket fastener
- 63 Tree juice



Easter Word Search





- * CHICK
- * LAMB
- * EASTER EGG
- EGG HUNT
- SPRING
- * EGG SHELL
- * DUCKLING
- * BASKET

- * FLOWERS
- * CHOCOLATE
- CROSS
- * HOT CROSSED BUNS
- CELEBRATE
- * CHICKEN
- BUNNY







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HOC CALENDAR — April Happenings

Sunday April **Easter** 04 Wednesday April 12 7:00pm **Session Meeting (ZOOM)** Wednesday **Looking Tree Deadline** April 12 Monday April 19 Admin & Finance Meeting (ZOOM) 7:00pm **Thursday** April 22 **Earth Day Worship Meeting (ZOOM)** Monday April 26 7:00pm





"Whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think on these things."

Philippians 4:8





APRIL BIRTHDAYS



Apr 3 **Linda Huffman Branch Murray** Apr 19 **Ruth Cox** Apr 4 Apr 20 Allen Gallaher Apr 6 Hilary Livingston Apr 23 Leo Marianiello Apr 6 **Vince Marianiello** Apr 28 **Abigail Condliffe** Aileen Burmeister Apr 9 Apr 29 Susan Brook **Ed Cairns** Apr 15

