



Updates & Announcements February 4, 2021

Pastor Scott

Pastor Scott will be on study leave next week (February 2-8). For pastoral emergencies please contact Pastor Sandy Nuernberg at 608-695-4248 or the church office.



Welcome Guest Preacher & Forum Speaker Sunday

Join us for worship this Sunday Feb. 7 with guest preacher, Chelsea Cornelius, then zoom after at 11:45am (after coffee time) for a special forum: "Hospital Chaplaincy, Grief, and Good Care in the time of COVID." Chelsea will share reflections and snapshots from her work offering spiritual care, emotional support, and crisis counsel to those with and affected by COVID-19 as a full-time hospital chaplain. The forum will offer an opportunity for questions, discussion, and reflection on how the particularities of hospital chaplaincy may offer wisdom and vision for relationships and connection in and out of crisis.

Chelsea Cornelius is a UW-Madison alum (BA, 2015) and earned her Master of Divinity degree at The University of Chicago Divinity School (MDiv, 2019), where she wrote a masters thesis on neonatal ethics and trauma-informed theology. She is a candidate for ordination in the Presbyterian Church (USA).

Chelsea is the Pediatric Staff Chaplain at American Family Children's Hospital at UW Health and on the pastoral staff at Covenant Presbyterian Church. She is also



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Homebound Highlights (rotating each week): Jack Hamann, Gloria Hanson, Margie Knott, Hugh Moss, Wade Waggener

a writing instructor for the University of Chicago Humanities Division and is a night chaplain at Meriter Hospital in Madison. She lives on the east side of Madison with her partner, Sarah.

Sunday Book Study: Strength to Love - Sermons by Martin Luther King, Jr.

A reminder that there is no book study for the next two weekends. This Sunday (Jan.31) is the annual meeting and the following Sunday (Feb. 7) we will have a guest forum from Chelsea. Our next book study will be Sunday February 14. Please read chapters 12-15 by then.



-Join us Sunday at 10:00am for a special Valentine's project during children's Sunday School with Connie Evans!

- **Just for Fun Preschoolers:** [CLICK HERE](#) to enjoy a cute video of Daniel in the lion's den for the preschool crowd.

Our 2021 Lenten Theme

Racial Justice and the Way of the Cross

-Ash Wednesday-February 17. In lieu of an evening worship service, Pastor Scott will be offering a drive-by imposition of ashes from 11:00am-12:30p at the Yuma Drive entrance of the church in a COVID appropriate manner. "Remember you are dust, and to dust you shall return." Ash Wednesday, which is traditionally the beginning of the Lenten season, focuses on the meaning of our mortality, echoing the spirit of this reflective season. Each worshipper at an Ash Wednesday service receives the sign of the cross on his or her forehead with ashes made from the palm branches of the previous Palm Sunday (a big thank you goes to Ruth and Rich Hein for making the ashes for us this year).

-Sunday Worship-each week Pastor Scott will examine an issue in our holy calling for racial justice and equity as we journey with Jesus towards Holy Week and the cross.

Members & Friends: Betty Smith, Dianne Stevens, Lisa Jones, Seema Tahir, Hugh Moss, Carla McCann, Sue Dornfeld's granddaughter Nicki



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-Sunday Adult Forums @11:45a-A joint mission and education planning group will be bringing us six Adult Forums on Sundays via Zoom beginning February 21 featuring a local speaker on some aspect of racial justice in the greater Madison area. Stay tuned for more details in the coming weeks. Pastor Scott's Bible study class will not be meeting during Lent so all of us can participate in these critical conversations.

Here are two resources to help you experience the fullness of the season:

-Lenten Book Study-on Thursdays at 7 pm beginning February 18. Pastor Scott will lead a six-week book study on *Anxious to Talk About It: Helping White Christians Talk Faithfully about Racism*. The book is written by Austin Presbyterian Seminary professor Carolyn Helsel based on her years of working with predominately white congregations to thoughtfully and faithfully engage this difficult issue . Books are now available in the church office for \$16 . . A Kindle version is available from Amazon. The Zoom link for our first session will be included in next week's email announcements..

-Lenten Daily Devotional Guide - *Were you There: Lenten Reflections on African American Spirituals* by Duke Divinity School professor Luke A. Powery. Each brief daily meditation beginning Ash Wednesday February 17 includes scripture readings, a brief commentary on an African American Spiritual, and a prayer. Books are now available in the church office for \$11. Our Minister of Music Joe Chrisman will help us each week in worship during Lent focus on a particular Spiritual.

12th Night Play February 13 - You're invited!

Our friends from the Nakoma League are putting on their 97TH ANNUAL TWELFTH NIGHT (virtually). Through plagues, wars, the Great Depression, and recessions, the 12th Night Players have been here to liven up these deep winter months. They'll be virtual this year with an original musical performance. This event is free but is also a fundraiser for our amazing partners at the Madison Area West Collaborative (in fellowship hall). The play is Feb 13th at 7:30pm, and is one hour long. If you're interested, here is the registration web link. <https://nakomaleague.wildapricot.org/>

Everyone is invited and welcome, so spread the word!

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