Pastor's Log, October 7, 2020

Grace and Peace be with you in this topsy-turvy world.

First, please remember that the Session has called for a meeting of the Congregation and Corporation via Zoom immediately following worship this Sunday, October 11. The purpose of the meeting is to approve the By-laws for the Congregation and Corporation of the Ewing -Covenant Presbyterian Church, and to elect members of the congregation to serve on the Congregational Nominating Committee. The Zoom link for the meeting is the same as for our worship.

Second, if you have not done so already, please complete your Congregational Survey on returning to inperson worship and gatherings. You will find the survey in the last edition of "Connections", the church newsletter. Simply fill it out and mail it to or drop it off at the church office. Or, you can do the survey on-line at https://forms.gle/Cd78768FfmrTxgF8. Your responses are important to the work of the Return to Church Committee.

Finally, **BREATHE**. In the craziness of this time, take time to breathe. Breathe in the presence of God that is around you all the time.

Breathe out the tension and anxiety brought on by all the reporting on the pandemic, on racial injustice, the fires, the hurricanes....breathe out.

Breathe in the breath of God experienced in the wonderful weather of these past days, the beauty of God's creation.

Breathe out the images of violence and destruction.

Breathe in the Holy Spirit found in those most precious and reassuring relationships, the ones that nourish us, encourage us, sustain us, for that is what the Holy Spirit does.

Breathe out the pain and hurt that has come in the broken relationships in our lives.

Breathe in the hopes and dreams of God's Kingdom, the rule of God's love lived out in this world.

Breathe out the broken dreams of racism and prejudice, of discrimination and injustice.

Breathe in....

Breathe out....

Breathe.

Breathe on me breath of God; fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

Grace and Peace be with you all,

Pastor Paul

Mark your calendars! On Sunday November 1st we will celebrate communion and we will also acknowledge All Saints Day during our morning worship service. As is our tradition, we will read aloud the names of our church family (members and friends) who have entered the Church Triumphant since last November 1, 2019. Keep an eye out for updates regarding additional plans for this important occasion in the life of our church. *Pastor Ann*

Here are the Links for this Sunday:

Ewing-Covenant Presbyterian Church at Worship

Every Sunday, 10:00

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/910100569

Or by telephone dial 1-929-205-6099, if asked, enter the Webinar ID: 910 100 569 +1 929 205 6099 US (New York)

Sunday Morning Bible Study - 9:00 AM Led by Sam Bonner

https://zoom.us/j/564813133?pwd=WXV3dk5zYlkvUGJDUUEwZEc2R3REdz09

By phone, dial 1-646-558-8656 and enter when asked the meeting ID 564-813-133

Sunday Afternoon Adult Ed.

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81923102879
By phone, dial 1-929-205-6099, Meting ID: 819 2310 2879

Tuesday and Thursday Chat's with Pastor Ann Tuesdays at 10 AM to 11 AM.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81010467123?pwd=UDNqWG5pN0t3MFJUeDN5SFcvQnpzdz09 Meeting ID: 810 1046 7123 Password: 271785 By phone +1- 929- 436-2866 enter password: 271785

Thursdays at 7 PM to 8 PM.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/960150849?pwd=bTdYTVV3S1M0R2xmenZSWlc5MnhMUT09 Meeting ID: 960 150 849 Password: 079496 By phone dial 1-929 -436- 2866 Password: 079496

Wednesday Evening Faith Conversations with Pastor Paul 6:30-7:30

Check in with other folk, then view or listen to a short video and explore how our times have affected how we understand God, and Christ's command to love one another. Join by Zoom Link or phone: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86079729283 By phone dial 1- 929- 205- 6099 US Meeting ID: 860 7972 9283