

ASLC NEWS

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Indoor Worship in Oct

Starting Sun, Oct 4, worship will be indoors at 11:00am. This decision was made by our Church Council and is in line with the guidelines set by our governor and the NC Synod's Taskforce for Re-Opening. We've taken half the chairs out of our worship space and socially distanced the rest. Masks are required and there will be no singing or group responses. For more info, check out our re-opening document which can be found on the church's web site.

Treasurer's Report

	August 2020
Income	\$12,254.94
Expenses	<u>-9,138.15</u>
Net Income	+\$3,226.79

YTD 2020 Net Income =
+\$6,109.26

Sincerely, Bob Lierman

NOTE: August was a 3 Sunday month and may have included some pledges for Sept.



Pastor Dave's Column

It's hard to believe but it has been over six months since we've had worship inside the building. Outdoor worship went really well during the months of August and September but now we are finally moving indoors with socially-distanced worship at 11:00am.

The service will look similar to what we've been doing outside except we will be able to use Anne for more instrumental music which will be a treat! Masks are required and we've taken out half of the chairs in our worship space to help keep families six feet from each other in all directions. We'll continue to do communion in family groups like we did outside.

For those who continue to worship online, you'll be happy to know that pre-recorded worship will continue indefinitely, even after there is a vaccine for the virus. We'll also continue to offer Sunday night Zoom communion as well. *[con't. p.2]*

[from p. 1] After I finish my intro to Mark's Gospel class, I'll be taking a break from teaching online. After moving at such a hectic pace since the beginning of the pandemic and taking no vacations this year I need to slow my pace a bit and do some self-care. I know you will understand.

Finally, thank you for your incredible financial support during this time. Other churches are really struggling these days to make ends meet. I'm happy to report that ours is not one of them!

Blessings, Pastor Dave

Cookie Bags for the Coat Drive

This year due to Covid-19 we will not be present for Western Carolina Rescue Mission's Coat Drive. However, we are asking people to make homemade cookie bags that can be handed out to people at the event. Two cookies per ziplock bag should do the trick! These bags need to be brought to church by Nov 1st. You can place them in the church freezer or they can also be placed in the plastic dropbox by the front doors of the church if you're not comfortable doing this in person. Please let Pastor Dave know if you will participate. The cookies are a big hit with the clients we serve and I'm glad we found a creative way to continue this small act of hospitality. Thank you!

Diaper Drive

Did you know that Beloved Asheville spends about \$700 a week to be able to give diapers to families who are struggling during this pandemic? ASLC will be collecting diapers through Oct 11.

Birthdays

Mark Barrett	3
Lynnie Barrett	13
Penny Miller	14
Claudine Kurtz	19
Leah Usedom	24

Anniversaries

Lawson & Sue Hebb
10/02/2010

Mark & Lynnie Barrett
10/15/1988

If you'd like your birthday or anniversary to be published, please give these dates to Pastor Dave. Thank you!

Sidewalk Repair

Thanks to Doris Wright for the gift of a new sidewalk in front of the Fellowship Hall. It looks great!

