



Indian Hill Church

EPISCOPAL † PRESBYTERIAN

Youth Sunday and Senior Recognition Worship and Announcements



"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

We offer to you, Loving God, the gifts and needs of youth.

Bless them with your guiding grace as they face the challenges and opportunities in their lives.

Touch their hearts with the gentleness of your love, that they may know they are valued and valuable beings.

Send your spirit of hope to their lives, that they may believe in themselves and know they are needed in this world.

Grace them with the gift of joy that they may celebrate life through laughter and tears alike.

Guide us, as we continue to grow in appreciation of the many gifts of young people, in the ministry opportunities we offer to them, in the journey of faith we walk with them, in our shared mission as a community called to discipleship in the world.

We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

[Click here to view the Sunday Worship Service](#)

Indian Hill Church Reopening Plans Are We There Yet?

We all want this pandemic to be over. We miss church, worship, fellowship, and community. We miss each other. We wish we could gather in person inside the sanctuary, we crave talking and sharing snacks at coffee hour, we want badly to hear the organ and the choir and to see the smiling faces of the children in

the church. As states begin to reopen, it is reasonable to wonder whether we will be able to get back to normal soon. Currently, Ohio is under a "Stay Healthy and Safe at Home" order until May 29. Gatherings of more than 10 people are prohibited under this order.

The Vestry-Session will meet on Tuesday, May 19 to consider a plan to determine whether we are capable of reopening safely, and when that may happen. We want each of you to be prepared for the fact that "going back to normal" is a long way off. Church gatherings pose many dangers, including sustained contact, shared materials (bulletins, offering plates, communion), recirculated air, aerosolized droplets created by singing, high populations of vulnerable people, and more. The Vestry Session and Church Staff are committed to your safety above all else, and right now we must rely on science more than emotion to make these plans. At this time love may mean making hard and painful choices.

Each of our respective denominations have suggested it is better to wait than to rush to reopen. The Diocese of Southern Ohio released new guidance at the beginning of May stating that, "We are awaiting more directives from Ohio Governor DeWine, the Centers for Disease Control, and the local Department of Health and Public Safety. Even when in-person worship resumes, we will not "get back to normal" for some time." [Click here for Diocesan reopening guidance](#)

We are inviting you to join us in prayer especially for the making of this reopen plan and for each other during this time. Please keep the Vestry Session in your prayers as they take on leadership tasks that they could not have imagined when they agreed to serve. The Indian Hill Church is not led by one person or one denomination. The leadership is shared between the Episcopal priest, the Presbyterian Pastor, six elected Episcopalian lay leaders, and six elected Presbyterian lay leaders. We need your prayers and support as we work to uphold the strength,



health, and faithfulness of this congregation.

We will share this plan with the congregation following our meeting.

Take care, stay well, and God bless.

**IHC Connections:
Post Sermon Discussion
Sunday, May 17 at 11:00 AM**

Join us this Sunday for an online discussion. Here is the zoom link. If you need help learning about Zoom, contact Amy Clark (aclark@indianhillchurch.org).

[Click here for zoom link](#)



**Our Daily Bread
Wednesday May 20, May 27,
June 3 and June 10
Sandwiches, Fruit and Dessert Needed**

Thank you so much for providing sandwiches this week. We had such a wonderful response and provided over 600 sandwiches this week!

Our Daily Bread has changed the donation method. They have requested that we sign up for meat, PB&J sandwiches, fresh bananas or oranges and individually packaged homemade or purchased (Little Debbie's, oreo packs etc) desserts. You can donate food by emailing (christianeducation@indianhillchurch.org) or using the sign up genius.



We are still in need of desserts for May 20.

[Sign Up Genius Link](#)

Drop off sandwiches on Tuesday afternoon or evening or on Wednesday morning before 9:00 AM.

Procedure:

- 1- Sign up via sign up genius or by emailing me (christianeducation@indianhillchurch.org)
- 2- Clean your kitchen counters with antibacterial cleaner.
- 3- Wash your hands thoroughly. If you have gloves, wear them to prepare the food.
- 4- Wear a mask and cover your hair with a hat or tie it back if long.
- 5- Make ham and cheese, turkey and cheese or peanut butter and jelly sandwiches. (No condiments please.)
- 6- Place sandwiches in a sandwich baggie and label contents (Ham, Turkey, PB&J).

(As an alternative, you are welcome to pick up sandwiches from any sandwich company- Penn Station, Jimmy Johns, Jersey Mikes, Subway etc.)

7- Treats/ Desserts can be homemade or store bought. They need to be individually packaged. I would avoid nuts just to be safe.

7- Deliver sandwiches, fruit and desserts on Tuesday to Jennifer Taylor (6305 Graves Road, 45243). I will have coolers on the porch for contactless drop off.

8- Take a picture making the sandwiches for us to share with the congregation.

"In His name, lending a helping hand to others."

Readers Needed

Do you have a phone with a camera and email capability? If so, you can be a part of our weekly video worship service. If you would like to be a reader or pray the prayer, please email Amy Clark (aclark@indianhillchurch.org).



IPM Power Packs

200 IPM Power Packs Needed every week

IPM (Inter Parish Ministry) is collecting "Power Packs" in gallon-sized Ziploc bags that are then distributed to school-age children. You will find instructions below for creating Power Pack.

What makes a good power pack?

1. Look for a **meal** for each bag (microwave mac and cheese, microwave ravioli, soups with pull tab, canned chicken/tuna lunch kits, Hormel shelf stable meals)
2. Add other items such as individual cereals, applesauce, fruit cups, shelf-stable puddings, oatmeal, peanut butter crackers, JIF peanut butter to go cups, raisins, chips, juice box, granola bar, pretzels, microwave popcorn, cheese crackers).
3. Seal items in a gallon Ziploc bag.
4. It is great when the bag is full of items.
5. Feel free to add an encouraging note to the child receiving the Power Pack.



Power Packs can be dropped off anytime at one of three church member houses.

Church Member Drop off locations:

Michael and Jennifer Taylor's House: 6305 Graves Road, Cincinnati, OH 45243

Walt and Holly Dewees' house: 9310 Old Indian Hill Road, Cincinnati, OH 45243

Phil and Suzanne Beck's house: 9983 Walnutridge Court, Cincinnati, OH 45242

IPM Drop Off Locations:

Monday and Tuesday 10:00 am-12:00 pm at the Newtown Pantry 3509 Debolt Street, Cincinnati, OH 45244

Thursday and Friday 10:00 am – 12:00 pm at the Amelia Pantry 1075 W Ohio Pike (on K of C Drive) Cincinnati, OH 45245

You can also donate to IPM online by clicking this

link: <https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/weblink.aspx...>

What are you doing at home?

Photos Needed

What are you doing at home? Cleaning closets, walking, knitting, cooking, baking, gardening, watching movies, polishing silver, washing china and crystal, home schooling? We all miss seeing each other each week at worship and coffee hour. Please send us a picture of what you are doing at home to pass the time. Send your pictures to Amy Clark (aclarck@indianhillchurch.org).

