

## WEEKDAY WORDS

Homer Congregational United Church of Christ  
Thursday, April 22, 2021

### THIS SATURDAY

It is up to 5,000 now...5,000 cranes have been flying on our green since April 11. Through sun or rain or (today) SNOW, these signs of hope have reminded us that when we work together, we can have an impact. This Saturday, April 24 we will flock to the green for the closing, beginning at 3:30 PM. Bring your own chair and join us for a bit of music, words of gratitude, a brief play, and the main event – recognizing groups of people within this community who have helped us move through days that have been so different and, at times, so difficult. The program will last about 40 minutes with pre-wrapped cookies from our area bakeries at the end. Join us for this extraordinary event right in our front yard. Thanks for wearing your mask.

### THIS SUNDAY

- 9:30 Faith Formation is LIVE, beginning in the kitchen. Kids K – 5 will talk about Jesus’ definition of “neighbor”. While things are baking in the oven, we will go outside for one last stroll through the cranes. Nursery care will be provided in the RFR for children ages infant – pre-K. Everyone will wear a mask.
- 10:30 Worship in the sanctuary. Worship leaders include Pastor Vicki, Lori Schmidt, Linda Homer and Joseph Ford. Read 1<sup>st</sup> John 3:16-24 to prepare. Masks are worn and seating is distanced. The service will be live-streamed. Find the link for our service at: [www.homercc.com](http://www.homercc.com).
- 1:00 Outreach Team Zoom meeting
- 2:00 Susquehanna Association’s Spring Meeting. We are represented by Pastor Vicki and Belinda Burtson.
- 3:00 The cranes will come down.

### Coming Up

Sunday, May 2

- 9:30 K – 5 Faith Formation is IN PERSON.  
Nursery care for Pre-K is available.
- 10:30 Worship with Communion  
Joanne Cincotta and Gene Wright are Deacon/Trustee of the Month  
Nursery care for infants – 3 years is available.
- 1:00 Discussion of *Americanah* by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie via Zoom.

Wednesday, May 5 Worship & Music in the RFR at 6:30.

Saturday, May 15

11 AM A Celebration of the Life of **Dale Halstead**

Saturday, May 22 Give-Away of Kitchen resources

The green may be covered with snow, but summer is coming:

Saturday, July 17    Holiday in Homer – Keep the day open because we need your help!

Saturday, July 24    Route 90 Sale – space on our green is available for \$60/booth.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Our **Deacons** met last week. Highlights of the meeting include:

- A conversation based on 1<sup>st</sup> John 2:3-6 and what holy work is tasked to us as “Resurrection People”.
- Confirmed that our Mission Committee will send a check for \$3,000 to New York Help Honduras.
- Terry Pedersen volunteered to help with the revision of our constitution and by-laws. Jim McKenna, David Rutherford and Pastor Vicki are also on this team.

Our **Trustees** met this week. Highlights include:

- We continue to explore putting solar panels on our roof.
- PCC from Syracuse recently met with Brian Cornwell and provided a quote for upgrades to technology in our sanctuary. We are consulting CCC for the required wood work.
- Linda Homer agreed to be the contact person for our “use of the green” applicants.
- The Concerts on the Green were approved. They are scheduled for Wednesday evenings, beginning June 23.
- The manse driveway will be resurfaced soon.
- Brian Cornwell and David Rutherford will coordinate the booth rental on the green for the Route 90 Sale, scheduled for July 24.

### **GOOD NEWS TO SHARE:**

Congratulations to Jacob Dentes who has chosen to attend Cornell University this fall.

Many thanks to Ralph Dudgeon and Ken Herman for the marvelous trumpet/organ concert last Sunday afternoon. There were 68 people in attendance and the free-will offering totaled \$650 to benefit the Homer Food Pantry.

### **TECH TEAM ANYONE?**

We are looking for people who could run the camera equipment on Sunday mornings. If you are interested in learning about the equipment and then volunteering for this project, please see Pastor Vicki, David Rutherford or Brian Cornwell. A training session is to be scheduled.



I only went out for a walk  
and finally concluded  
to stay out till sundown,  
for going out, I found,  
was really going in.

~ John Muir