

Hello fellow gardeners!

Our flower and vegetable gardens have never looked better. The tomato plants are finally ripening up, but if only we could only keep the squirrels from eating them we'd be really happy!

How many of you have started home improvement and organizing projects, too? It certainly has been a good time to get things done around the house.

I finally got to see our Primetime committee in person when we met at a local park for our monthly meeting. I was happy to hear that Skip and Mary Lou Riegel and Bill and Carole Mason are moving to my neck of the woods in Solon! Welcome neighbors! Kathie Biggin

has been kind enough to develop an activities questionnaire (on the back of the newsletter) and a letter for all of you to read (below).

The update on the church is that we will remain closed until the end of the year. This saddens me because I miss all of you so much, but I do understand the reasons behind the decision. You can always email me at <u>dherschel@fedchurch.org</u> or call my



cell at 440.785.5998 if you would like to talk and catch up. I would love to hear from you!

My best to all of you! Dolly

# A Story I Felt Compelled to Share

About two months ago, in the middle of this pandemic, a friend of mine experienced a horrendous loss in her life. Her father, in his early 6o's and in excellent health, fell down the basement steps, suffering a concussion and a broken neck. He died instantly. No time to say "goodbye" or "I love you."

This incident affected me deeply. What if I died suddenly? Would my husband, children, grandchildren, and dear friends know how much I love them and what they have meant to me in my life? What can I do to let them know?

So, when my family and I were all gathered on our deck for the 4th of July, I asked them to sit down and I told them of my friend's experience. I then told them – each one – that I loved them dearly, and how special each one of the is to me, and that, when I say "I love you" at the end of a phone call, I really mean it!

It's not just some standard way to say goodbye. The other thing I told them was that, even after this life, I will still be with them, in their hearts, always! So they should feel free to talk to me, even after I'm gone.

They were all very touched by what I told them. Even through the pandemic, there were lots of hugs and kisses that day. And I feel a peace in me that, should the worst happen and I would die without seeing, hugging, kissing goodbye, and saying "I love you!",

they know, without a doubt, that I love them and will be with them in their hearts forever.

I tell you all of this in case you might want to be inspired to do something similar with your loved ones.

Love to all of you all of you! Kathy Biggin



# Questionnaire

### Prepared by Kathie Biggin

Please respond to this questionnaire through e-mail to Dolly at <u>dherschel@fedchurch.org</u> or by mailing her at Federated Church, Primetime, 76 Bell St, Chagrin Falls, OH 44022.

Do any of you remember the Mr. Roger's Neighborhood from our childhood? Or that our children used to watch? Well at the end of the show, as he is going out the door, he would turn to the camera, look right into your eyes, and say;

#### "YOU ALWAYS MAKE EACH DAY SUCH A SPECIAL DAY BY JUST YOUR BEING YOU. THERE'S ONLY ONE PERSON IN THE WHOLE WORLD LIKE YOU, AND I LIKE YOU JUST THE WAY YOU ARE."

That's the way we feel about you! You are all very special to us and we would like to be able to provide activities and info to you during this pandemic. Without you, there is no Primetime!

- 1. How do you receive the Primetime Newsletter? (E-mail, Postal service, both)
- 2. Do you use Zoom?
- 3. Do you watch the online Sunday Service on YouTube?
- 4. Do you use Facebook?

5. Would you be interested in a Federated Forum, or some other activity, on Zoom or YouTube?

6. Would you be interested in a live meeting, perhaps at an outdoor venue, such as a local park, where everyone wears masks and social distancing is practiced?

7. Would you be interested in meeting in a restaurant that practices social distancing?

8. How would you like to be contacted about information concerning Primetime?



### Primetime Mission Statement

Primetime is a church-based organization providing spiritual growth, service to others, and education. This program provides opportunities for social involvement and gives people a sense of community and support. Federated Church sponsors this program to help enrich the lives of its members and the wider community.

NAPPY BIRTUDAY	September Birthdays			
Debbie Medlar Pat Fox Audrey Bashian Norma Burrows Bill Johannisson Regina Johannisson Susie McWilliams Dave Strauch Silvia Kenneweg Jennie Krutilla	9/1 9/4 9/7 9/7 9/7 9/8 9/8 9/9 9/10 9/10	John Bourisseau Mary Eason Linnea Rostek Jim Sutherin K-Leigh Ericson Joe Coney Marie Powers Sandy Hauser Ellana Miklos Janie Case	9/12 9/16 9/17 9/21 9/22 9/22 9/23 9/25 9/25 9/27	
		Connie Caldwell	9/27	

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