



# The Good News

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## From the Preacher . . .

**Hebrews 12:2** We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith. Because of the joy awaiting him, he endured the cross, disregarding its shame. Now he is seated in the place of honor beside God's throne.

WOW, what a month it has been!!! The last time I sat down to write out "From the Pastor's Desk" I had no idea how much our world would have changed in a month. No in person worship for over a month now, no gatherings of any kind, and we are still not sure what is next.

It's almost like something you read out of a scary book or a book about the end times. But it's not just a book, it is our new reality for who knows how long. I am so thankful for the people of the Hardinsburg UMC. You all have been so gracious and generous during this time.

As I am writing this, I don't know what life will be like next month when I sit down at the computer to write another article for the June newsletter. But there are a couple of things I do know.

Come June I will still have the privilege and honor of being the pastor of the Hardinsburg and Talbert Chapel United Methodist Churches. I am so grateful and thankful I get to come back for year thirteen in this wonderful community. Okay, I'm going to ask it, "How have you all put up with me so long?"

The second thing I'm sure of is I'm going to keep on fixing my eyes on Jesus and not the virus. As the scripture says, "We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus." We keep on keeping on as long as we fix our eyes on Jesus and not on what is happening all around us.

We will get through this together by keeping our eyes on Jesus.

In God's Great Love,  
Bro. Greg

### Giving Options

If you would like to continue giving your offering during this time while we are not meeting in person, you can mail your offering to Hardinsburg UMC, PO Box 3, Hardinsburg, KY 40143. We also have the option of online giving. Go to [www.Hardinsburgumc.org](http://www.Hardinsburgumc.org), click on the ONLINE GIVING PORTAL button, and follow the steps on the next screen.

Contact Us @ (270) 756-5901  
secretary@hardinsburgumc.org or brogreg63@gmail.com

**Word of the Month**  
Cleansed - made thoroughly clean

22 You were cleansed from your sins when you obeyed the truth, so now you must show sincere love to each other as brothers and sisters. Love each other deeply with all your heart.

1 Peter 1:22 (NLT)

ONLINE GIVING PORTAL

*Though the doors of the church are closed temporarily, our faith in God is wide open. Join us for church services on Sunday Morning at 9:00 via Live Stream on YouTube. Click [HERE](#)*

**WELCOME HOME**  
Hardinsburg UMC is a congregation of people who love God, strive to know Him, and seek to serve the community through acts of love, kindness, caring and compassion. The people of HUMC also genuinely care for and about each other in personal joys and sorrows. Love abides within the walls of HUMC and it is overflowing and available to all. We would appreciate the opportunity to share ourselves with you as we all journey through life with Jesus.  
Peruse through this website and let us know if you have any questions or concerns. We welcome you home if you have been attending Hardinsburg UMC your entire life or a visitor for the first time - no matter what, we're glad you stopped by.

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### Upper Room Devotionals

The May/June Upper Room Devotionals are now available. They are on the counter in the Welcome Center. If you would like to pick one up, please call the Church Office or Bro. Greg's cell phone to be sure someone is at Church to let you in.

### Monday Morning Connection (Zoom Video Conference) 10:00 a.m.

This will be a time where we can connect with one another. We can share prayer concerns, pray for one another, ask questions, share glory sightings or just talk and see a smiling face. In order to participate, you will need to download the "Zoom Meeting" app. This will be a cool way for us to be together and social distance in the proper way. If you are interested, just let Bro. Greg know and make sure he has your email address so he can send you an invite to the meeting room.

### Ministry Action Team Schedule (Zoom Video Conference)

The Ministry Action Team will meet on Tuesdays, May 5 and 19 at 10:00 a.m.

**Person of the Bible Study  
(Zoom Video Conference)  
Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.**

Each week we will have a specific person from the Bible to research. We can talk about how each person impacted the world and what you discovered about the person you didn't know before. Each week, questions about our person of the week we are studying will be emailed. In order to participate, you will need to download the "Zoom Meeting" app. If you are interested, just let Bro. Greg know and make sure he has your email address so he can send you an invite to the meeting room.

**Radio Ministry  
Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. on WXBC 104.3**

The audio of the previous Sunday's Worship Service will air on WXBC.

**Blankets of Praise**



The UMW annually makes/purchases child size blankets for giving to children who experience a crisis. Anyone can donate a blanket. The blankets will be blessed on Mother's Day, **May 10**, and then given to our local Sheriff's Department. They purchased plastic tubs especially for holding the blankets while stored in the trunks of the officers' vehicles. When they are called to a home and children must be removed for safety's sake, the child usually takes nothing or very little with them, and the officer can reach in his trunk for a blanket he can give the child. This project is one small way we can reach out to little ones who need a 'blankey' to hold onto when they are afraid.

If you would like to drop off a blanket, please call the Church Office or Bro. Greg's cell phone to be sure someone is at Church to let you in.

**2020 Graduates**

Do you have a high school or college student graduating this spring? We would like to announce the news in the June newsletter. Please email the Church Office by May 21 with the name, school, type of degree and names of parents and grandparents.

**Fifth Sunday Children's Home Offering**

Since we may not be able to receive the Fifth Sunday Offering in person on May 31, the Kentucky Methodist Homes for Children and Youth asked that we share their address with the congregation: 1115 Ashgrove Rd., Nicholasville, KY 40356 (Please make checks payable to The Methodist Home of Kentucky, and place your church's name and city in the memo line so they can give your church credit for giving.) **The May 31 Fifth Sunday Offering is one of four Fifth Sunday Offerings this year, meaning it represents twenty-five percent of this critical source of income for the Children's Home.**

**Prayer Concerns**

Please email your prayer concerns to:

[humcprayerconcerns@gmail.com](mailto:humcprayerconcerns@gmail.com)

and I will share them during the livestream of our service on Sundays. Please only share at the above email things you want shared publicly on our YouTube Livestream service. If you have a private concern or need, please contact me at my personal email or call the Hardinsburg UMC church office at (270) 756-5901.

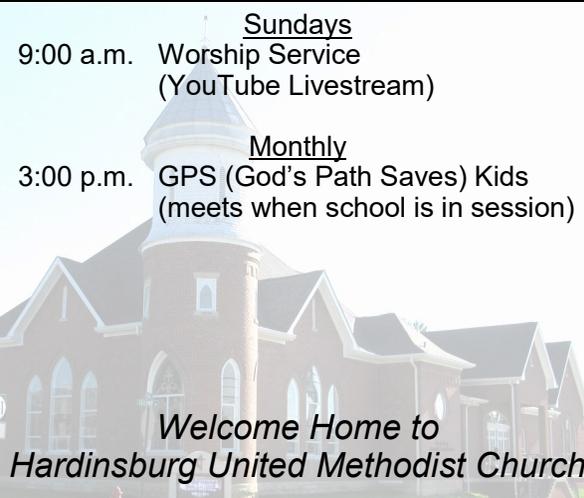
Bro. Greg

**Word of the Month**

Temporary - lasting for only a limited period of time; not permanent

<sup>18</sup> So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

2 Corinthians 4:18 New International Version (NIV)

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	<p><u>Monthly</u></p> <p>3:00 p.m. GPS (God's Path Saves) Kids (meets when school is in session)</p>		
 <p><i>Welcome Home to Hardinsburg United Methodist Church</i></p>			