



Dear friends,

Looking for signs of hope in sometimes gloomy times isn't always easy. It takes work lately to see those glimpses of light and positive news. A thank you to those who put this sign out in front of our church. A simple message can be uplifting and provide light when there seems to be none.

The church received good news that we were awarded a grant from the Payroll Protection Program. This will allow our dedicated staff to be paid and leave us money to pay other costs that do not go away although we are not using the building. Thank you to Deb Ford in spearheading this effort.

Also a thank you to all of you who are sending in your support for our church. Without you there is no church.

In other news Women's Fellowship continues to meet on Thursday mornings at 9 for conversation and laughs. The conversation is light and seeing everyone's face provides a lift and provides much needed connection for all. The time allows us to share our news with others in our faith community and helps us to reach out and stay connected.

Laurie Tostenson and I attended a webinar yesterday on Planning for the End of Covid-19 Crisis. It was interesting to listen to the speaker, but I did not walk away with any ideas that are going to make this easy. I did learn what we are doing is going in the right directions, so please continue to reach out to neighbors and friends even if it is just a wave of your hand from a safe distant. If you have few dollars left in your pocket, please consider sending money to Upper Valley Haven or LISTEN for their work in our community. They have recently requested help from the church and this is another way we can reach out to our community.

I hope that as the days warm up that you have time to go outside and enjoy the beauty that surrounds us.

Faithfully yours  
Nancy Simpson  
for the church leaders