



Monday Musings from Pastor Brooke, July 20, 2020

Greetings Church!

We are at the start of another week: the start of new opportunities. Let me begin by complimenting you all on what a wonderful job you are doing continuing to “be the church.” Whether that is supporting the church by showing up to worship, donating to various charities in need, continuing pledges or making unexpected monetary gifts to the church, maintaining the flag display, or something else, you have been faithful and I want to thank you. This week presents some new opportunities:

- **Book study on *Waking Up White* begins Tuesday in person at 2 p.m. or Wednesday evening via Zoom** (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84492739746?pwd=cVVJaXZMN096UW9EVVEwUTdHVnJhQT09>). If you are calling in, the meeting ID is 844 9273 9746, and the Passcode is 771901. If you would like to attend the Tuesday book study in person, please call the church office to make a reservation.
- **This past week, we lost a great civil rights leader in John Lewis.** If you are interested in learning more about him, I recommend the documentary *John Lewis: Good Trouble* (<https://www.johnlewisgoodtrouble.com/>). It is available on demand via several cable channels. The website above has a link to purchase tickets to see the documentary locally, as well as a link to a cable, internet and on-demand sites carrying the documentary. If you purchase tickets to watch online via the UCC’s event site, <https://watch.eventive.org/johnlewis/play/5efa372ef8ae35005c81e98b>, your purchase will help support Justice and Local Church Ministries.
- **The flag display is going to take on a new format this week. On Thursday evening, July 23, at 7 p.m.,** we will meet on the front lawn and pull all of the flags up. **You will likely want to bring gloves to pull them up.** The lawn service will mow on Friday, and then **on Saturday, July 24, at 10 a.m.,** we will place all the flags in the shape of a white cross. While everyone should wear a mask, we can likely stay far more than 6 feet apart on Thursday evening. However, on Saturday morning, masks will be required because we will need to work more closely together.

I hope you will take advantage of these opportunities to work to bring the reign of God into this broken and hurting world.

Blessings,