

**Walnut Hill Church**  
**2020 Memorial Contributions**

*Walnut Hill Church gratefully acknowledges the following memorial contributions received in  
2020 and early 2021...*

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Dear Friends:

*The mailing of annual giving reports provides opportunity to say "thank you" to so many Walnut Hill members, friends, and neighbors who contributed to support Walnut Hill's life and ministry in 2020, including regular and special offerings, as well as memorial gifts. While the final 2020 numbers are still being reviewed, we can say that your generosity has been amazing! Thanks to all.*

*Mike Ward*

Some additional news...

### **Services "online only" during Covid surge**

The post-holiday coronavirus surge has prompted the continuation of **online-only Sunday worship through January**. Conditions will be reviewed in February, along with the possibility of resuming "outdoor" services in March if use of the Sanctuary remains unsafe at that time.

**Live stream services** are available Sunday mornings, 11am, via the Walnut Hill Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/walnuthillchurchky/](http://www.facebook.com/walnuthillchurchky/)).

**Audio recordings** of scripture, sermon, and prayer for each week as well as viewable/printable **worship and study resources** are available on the Walnut Hill website ([www.walnuthillchurchky.org](http://www.walnuthillchurchky.org)).

### **Walnut Hill Reaching Out**

Walnut Hill is reaching outreach during the pandemic including...

...**providing Christmas gift bags** to children involved in the Nathaniel Mission tutoring program.

...**\$900 to the Innkeeper's Offering** supporting the Salvation Army's ministry to homeless women, children, and families.

...**\$1,000 to the Coronavirus Response Fund** at the Bluegrass Community Foundation.

...**Sandwich Ministry** - Esther Livingston served as our "Sandwich Minister" in December.

...**the Backpack Ministry** providing 50 weekend food "backpacks" each week for students at Brenda Cowan Elementary School. (845 provided so far)

**\*"Soup-er Bowl"** is coming on **Sun, Feb 7**, to benefit God's Pantry. Watch for more details.

### **Staying Connected**

You can stay connected to the Walnut Hill Church community during the pandemic...

...by visiting the Walnut Hill Church website ([www.walnuthillchurchky.org](http://www.walnuthillchurchky.org)) or Facebook page.

...by participating in our Wednesday "virtual" Fellowship gatherings.

...by calling Mike Ward at the church (263-5304) to visit by phone or schedule an in-person visit.

Thanks to all who are helping our congregation stay "connected" until we can gather again on Sundays.

### **Unpacking a Legacy**

2020 experienced a racial reckoning in the United States as the nation, communities, institutions, and individuals became (were made) aware of the legacy of historic racism ongoing in the present. Churches, including Walnut Hill, have their own racial legacy to unpack. While not always easy work, the outcome could be life giving in surprising ways. We begin "unpacking" in February. Watch for details.

### **News of the Congregation**

\***Brian Tucker** was recently enrolled as a "Friend" of Walnut Hill Church.

\***The 2021 Vestry** began its work this month including **John Wharton** (Sr. Warden), **Amanda Masthay** (Vice Warden), **Stephen Barnes**, **Chris Bohmer**, **Elaine Horn**, **Mary Jane Wenke**, **Ron Johnston** (Treasurer), **Cory Sharrard** (Clerk).

Thanks to Nell Horman who completed her three-year Vestry term at the end of 2020.

\***Thanks to John Ragland** for his leadership encouraging neighbors near and far to "mask up" during the pandemic. In addition to Walnut Hill's "mask up signs," John's efforts have led to signs in various parts of Kentucky and other states.

\***Thanks to Amanda Masthay and Julie Swim** who share the work of video/live streaming our Sunday morning services. Additional volunteers would be welcome. Contact the church office (859-263-5304) for more details.