



Dear Friends:

We pray this letter finds you and your family well. 2020 is a year like no other for all of us. We began the year with intentions to accomplish some much needed maintenance before our biggest camp season ever, create new programming and welcome new groups, and to increase the gifts we share with the London, Ohio community. Instead we find ourselves in the middle of a pandemic with the rest of the world, with an infection and consequence rate that continues to climb. We are blessed that no one here has contracted the Covid-19 virus.

After the difficult decision to cancel summer camps to protect the health of our staff and campers, we all grieved what we lost and love and hold dear in our hearts, Procter Summer Camp. We will all miss this precious community that comes together to pray, play and learn. Many wait all year to feel the love that is Procter. We hope to virtually share some of camp with you this summer. Hopefully, it will bring joy to your heart to hear your counselors sing your favorite camp song and we can all dream of being together under the stars with the glow of the campfire making our hearts glad.

*Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God,  
and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. John 4:7*

The Procter board and Procter staff switched gears for this coming summer to focus on what is possible. We were blessed to have received a PPP loan to cover Procter staff salaries for April and May. We are hard at work on the exterior of Christ Chapel and Thompson Lodge. The interior of the Lodge has been painted and new carpet installed in the lobby, hallways and small meeting rooms. This building has not had a refresh since it was built 20 years ago. The Barn and Corn Crib will be getting new roofs. Procter will be fresh and clean and ready for your return.

We are providing hands-on training, room & board, and a stipend for 4 farm interns that will work all aspects of the Procter farm. This includes caring for the pigs and chickens, planting and harvesting all of the fresh produce for our Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) shares, multiple farmers markets, Procter's kitchen and the Procter Store.

The Procter Store in downtown London opened on May 21 with CDC safety precautions in place. All of our vendors from last year are returning and we have welcomed new vendors that bring baked goods, handmade soap, delicious coffee, cute signs for your home and more. We are helping local farmers and artisans by offering their products in a local store.

The people of London will be looking to us to provide fresh food and we can take SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) coupons. This is critical in a community with a >15% and growing poverty rate.

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Please reach out to us if there is something that Procter Center can add to your life at this time. We welcome you to come for visit if you just need to get out of the city and need some fresh country air. The labyrinth is calming, the lake looks refreshing and the farm animals are exciting and fun to see! Please call Robin at 740-206-2036 or email [rkimble@proctercenter.org](mailto:rkimble@proctercenter.org) to schedule your visit. Also stop by the store at 119 S. Main St. in London when you come to visit. We are open Thursday & Friday noon - 5pm and Saturday 10am - 3pm. Consider making plans to host your church or community event at Procter this fall. Space is limited so call Robin to see what we have open for your group. We can't wait to see you!

Procter Center is vital to many in our Diocese and to the community of London, OH. In addition to providing employment, job training and affordable fresh food in 2019, Procter Center subsidized one quarter of the camper fees through Camperships. We expect the need to grow in 2021 as Southern Ohio recovers after the pandemic. If your situation allows, please consider making a contribution to our ministry.

Procter will be participating in The Big Give, at The Columbus Foundation (CF), on June 10 & 11. The Big Give is a 25 hour on-line giving opportunity through the Columbus Foundation. The CF and its family of donors, and corporate and community partners have funded \$1 million+ in bonus pool to help your dollars go further.

Please make a donation to support the Procter Center in The Giving Store, beginning on Wednesday, June 10 at 10am through Thursday June 11 at 11am. Visit the <https://columbusfoundation.org/the-giving-store/nonprofit-directory-listing/ProcterCampandConferenceCenter/12231>

We are so grateful to each of you for prayerfully considering a contribution to your beloved Procter Center.



beautiful carrots



the farm crew!



fresh veggies at the Farmer's Market

Yours in Christ  
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