



The Union Connection

March 24, 2022

Encourage humankind to live Christ-like lives through loving, learning, listening, and leading.

The Union Connection is the weekly email newsletter of Union Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Franklin, Indiana; provided to our congregation, as well as to family and friends who are interested in knowing what is happening within the life of our congregation. Individuals can sign-up to receive this email or remove themselves from the distribution list, as they desire, by clicking the appropriate link at the bottom of this page.

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'Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.'

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18



Serving this week:

Wow! What a CRAZY week! I had a wonderful time serving on the clergy team for a Walk to Emmaus spiritual retreat weekend. This event is one that challenges participants to endure this time of reflection and an examination of conscience without a watch or cell

Elders:

Deb Stubbeman
Becky Canary

Sermon Mini-series on Love your neighbor

Sermon 3/27

The Golden Rule

**Leviticus 19:1-18
Matthew 7:1-12**

Synopsis:

phone!

It becomes difficult to realize just what time it is or even what day it is but it is well worth the time with God.

Then I had some personal time (healthcare procedure) on Monday and Tuesday, so I have been behind and lost all week.

Now, back to the business of our own faith community. Have you been keeping up with your devotional study during this Season of Lent? Even that can be a challenge. I had taken on too many and had to drop one of them to keep up. That is OK, better to try and fail than not try at all.

Blessings!
Pastor Parky



The Christian Action Ministry team outreach opportunity for March will support Wheeler Mission in Bloomington. It is not too late to help out this great cause.

Links of Interest



Deacons:

- G - Marty Sewell
- O - Lisa Wallace
- C - Sandy Owens
- Alt - Andy Duckworth

Worship Leader:

Cliff Ronk



This Week's Calendar

Online [calendar](#)

Sunday

- 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. - Worship
- 11:30ish - Linger Longer

Tuesday

- 10:00 a.m. - Bible Study - Elijah by Priscilla Schirer

Following the time when Jesus sat on the hillside and preached the message of the Beatitudes, he began a discourse on a variety of life circumstances and how we should handle them. One of them was how we should react or interact to other people. This verse, Matthew 7:12, simply states, "In everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets." It is known as "The Golden Rule" and it should be our attitude for everything we encounter in life.

I think it would be safe to say that each of us at one time or other in our lifetime, has been told to, "follow the Golden Rule." That was probably something that a parent or grandparent told us when we were children. Well, it is still a good thing to remember and it should determine our personality.

Pastor Mark



Johnson County Disciples of Christ Maundy Thursday service

We will be a part of four Disciples of Christ churches to participate in

[Union Christian website](#)

[Disciples of Christ in Indiana](#)

[Disciples of Christ General Church](#)

[Disciples Women](#)

[Disciples Men](#)

[Johnson County Indiana website](#)

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DW News

The next meeting for the Disciples Women would normally be on April 14th, which is Maundy Thursday. Watch for information about this meeting being rescheduled.

this service on April 14th at 6:30 p.m. at First Christian Church Bargersville.

Watch for more information in the coming weeks. **If you like to sing, we will be pulling together an impromptu choir.**

There is also the possibility of a Zoom Lenten Bible study. **It is NOT too late to sign up and get a book.** If you are interested, see Pastor Mark

You're doing great! Keep it up!!

[Union Christian Giving Page](#)

Total giving for Shoes of Hope has reached \$11,541 or 57% of our \$20,000 goal. This is something worth celebrating! You can still make a



DM News

The Disciples Men's group will meet every other month on the second Saturday of even numbered months at 8:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Our next meeting will be on April 9th.

We are making plans to hold the annual Union Christian Church Hog Roast on June 18 from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Make plans to help out and enjoy.



Birthdays:

30 - Trevor Burris
Mark Thompson

Anniversaries:



Greeting Card Ministry

If you enjoy sending cards to others, here is your chance to be a part of the

contribution by placing it in the offering plate or clicking on the link in the newsletter. It's not too late to encourage friends and relatives to chip in. One way to do that is to go to the donation site and copy and paste the web address to an email. add a couple of sentences explaining what it is and why you supported it. Voila! you're ready to send it out to all your distribution list!!



Bible Study:

Tuesday

Elijah

by Priscilla Shirer

10:00 a.m.

Last lesson on this study.

News to watch for...



March 27

Linger Longer

April 3

Choir practice

April 5

Spiritual Life

Ministry Team mtg.

ministry of this church. Below are names and addresses of individuals who would appreciate receiving a card from someone in the church:

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