

The Union Connection

April 3, 2022

Encourage humankind toward Christ-centered living 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

New schedule for The Union Newsletter!

The newsletter will now be sent out on Sunday mornings to allow for events of the coming week to be shared in advance of each event taking place.



Serving Today, April 3rd

Elders:

Karen Bauman Becky Canary



Sermon 4/3

Prepare For Days to Come

Philippians 3:7-14 John 12:1-8

Synopsis:

Jesus loved spending time with his dear friends, Mary, Martha, and Lazarus. On



We are getting SO close to Holy Week and the coming of Easter. By the time our next newsletter goes out (now on Sunday), it will be Palm Sunday. That will be the beginning of Holy Week, that includes Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Sunrise Service and Easter Worship service. It will be a busy time of the year but a fun time, if we expect to draw closer to God through His Son, Jesus.

We are still in the season of Lent. How are you continuing to prepare for the celebration of the resurrection? Are you excited about it? Let celebrate together.

Blessings!
Pastor Parky

Deacons:

- G Joe Wells
- O Mark Graham
- C David Hopping
- Alt Marty Julian

Worship Leader:

Donna Wisehart

Serving Next Week, on April 10th

Elders:

John White Becky Canary

Deacons:

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

Worship Leader:

Karen Bauman

one such visit, his friends hosted a dinner gathering in his honor. Mary - you remember Mary, who sat at the feet of Jesus while her sister Martha did all the work to prepare for a previous visit from Jesus was again listening to Jesus share his teachings. She was so mesmerized by what he was saying that she took an expensive jar of perfume nard and bathed his feet; drying it with her hair.

We might recognize this act as one of worship of our Lord, but Jesus would tell us that she was actually preparing his body for his crucifixion, death, burial, and resurrection. She was making the necessary plans to more toward a risen Savior. How are you preparing for the celebration of our Lord and Savior?

Pastor Mark



The Christian Action Ministry team will determine their outreach opportunity for April and it will be posted here when that information is available. Worship Leader needed for Sunday, April 17th. Please sign up in the narthex.





Johnson County Disciples of Christ Maundy Thursday service

We will be a part of four Disciples of Christ churches to participate in this service on April 14th at 6:30 p.m. at First Christian Church Bargersville.

Links of Interest

This Week's Calendar

Online calendar

I hope that you will be a part of this important worship experience.



Union Christian website

<u>Disciples of Christ in</u> <u>Indiana</u>

Disciples of Christ
General Church

Disciples Women

Disciples Men

Johnson County
Indiana website

About Franklin, Indiana

Samaritan's Feet

You're doing great! Keep it up!!

Union Christian
Giving Page

Total giving for

Sunday

8:30 am. - 9:30 a.m. Choir Practice 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School 10:30 a.m. - Worship

Tuesday

6:30 p.m. - Spiritual Life Ministry Team meeting

Saturday

8:00 a.m. - Disciples
Men's meeting



Birthdays:

31 - Kendall Sipp-Paris Cliff Ronk (Included due to change in newsletter schedule)

- 4 Abigail Wallace Nicholas Wallace
- 7 Corey Hamilton

Anniversaries:



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.



Greeting Card Ministry

If you enjoy sending cards to others, here is your chance to be a part of the ministry of this church. Below are names and addresses of individuals who would appreciate receiving a card from someone in the church:

Jill Lightle 1945 Crescent St. Franklin, IN 46131 **Shoes of Hope has** reached \$11.541 or 57% of our \$20,000 goal. This is something worth celebrating! You can still make a 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!!



DM News

The Disciples Men's group will meet this Saturday at 8:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall.

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. Rick Paris 265 E 300 S Franklin, IN 46131

Barbara Mitchell 1282 W SR 252 Trafalgar, IN 46181

Pat Hogan/Ray Von Burg 295 Village Ln., Apt. 200 Greenwood, IN 46143

Nancy Hunt 510 13th Avenue Sea Side, OR 97138

Ellie Roberts 6805 N 500 E North Vernon, IN 47265

Brenda Haler/Iva Shaw 1375 S. Center Ln. Franklin, IN 46131

News to watch for...



April 3

Choir practice

April 5

Spiritual Life Ministry Team mtg.

April 10

Choir practice
Palm Sunday
Worship Service