



UNION CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Disciples of Christ
FRANKLIN, IN

The Union Connection

April 10, 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 the event taking place.



**Welcome to
Holy Week
and Easter
Sunday!**

**Special
Announcement:**



**Sermon 4/10
Gate of the Lord**

**Luke 19:28-40
Psalm 118:1,19-29**

Synopsis:

The Psalmist for this reading is sharing the great joy of the people of Judah, particularly those in Jerusalem, who are overwhelmed at what God



Today begins Holy Week. Stop, pray and think about all that Jesus went through on His way to the cross; for you and I. Taking time from our busy schedule to be a part of the special services taking place this week don't even pale in comparison to struggles of Christ Jesus.

We should be able to endure a little pain and suffering in the form of giving up our time to be in worship on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday; along with joining us for a Sunrise service that will be followed by a breakfast before Easter worship.

It really isn't that much to ask. Think of it as if Jesus were asking you for your time to spend with Him.

Blessings!
Pastor Parky



Birthdays:
13 - Jill Lightle
Lisa MacPhee
16 - Maggie Hicks

Anniversaries:

There will be a special meeting of the congregation during worship service on Sunday April 24, 2022, for the purpose of electing the nominating committee to nominate new Church officers for the upcoming 2022-2023 Church year. Please plan to attend and participate.



**Serving Today,
April 10th**

Elders:

Deb Stubbeman
Becky Canary

Deacons:

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

Worship Leader:

Karen Bauman

**Serving Next Week,
on April 17th,
Easter Sunday**

has done for them in allowing the walls of the city to be restored in fifty-two days. Should they be happy? They were surrounded by their enemies who could have destroyed them very quickly.

This glory is given to the God who brought them out of Egypt and has now returned them from exile. Yes, they are confident in knowing that this same God will protect them.

In His writing, the Psalmist is hearing of God's great intentions to restore the Nation of Israel through the coming of the Messiah. Even the words of this psalm, speak directly to the day when Christ will enter the city of Jerusalem and bring hope to the people; even though he will suffer in doing it.

Pastor Mark



**Johnson County
Disciples of Christ
Maundy Thursday
service**

**Maundy Thursday
is THIS week!!**

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 Bargserville.



The outreach opportunity for April is with KIC-IT. They are organizing an Easter event where they will distribute Easter baskets and meals for low income and homeless families here in Johnson county. They are also needing volunteers to help assemble the baskets.

After Easter there are additional donation opportunities with KIC-IT to take us to the end of the month.

There will be a list in the Narthex of all these opportunities and items that are needed for them.

Links of Interest



[Union Christian website](#)

Elders:

John White
Karen Bauman

Deacons:

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

Worship Leader:

Lori Sewell

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



**Good Friday
Worship - 6:30 p.m.**
A service of remembrance.



This Week's Calendar

Online [calendar](#)

Monday

6:30 p.m. - Board meeting

Thursday

6:30 p.m. - Maundy Thursday service at FCC Bangersville

Friday

6:30 p.m. - Good Friday service

Saturday



We will be collecting a Special Easter Offering on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday. The Easter Offering, received by most congregations on April 10 & 17, 2022, supports several of the general ministries of the Christian Church. Your gift supports college students in leadership development programs, global mission partners, health and social service ministries, the formation of new congregations, support for pastors and chaplains, and so much more.

[Disciples of Christ in Indiana](#)

[Disciples of Christ General Church](#)

[Disciples Women](#)

[Disciples Men](#)

[Johnson County Indiana website](#)

[About Franklin, Indiana](#)

[Samaritan's Feet](#)

8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Holy Saturday
Prayer Watch

Sunday

7:00 a.m. - Sunrise
service

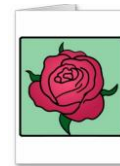
Pitch in breakfast
between services

9:30 a.m. - Sunday
School

10:30 a.m. - Worship



Please feel free to bring
Easter Lilies into the
sanctuary for Easter
Sunday.



Greeting Card Ministry

News to watch for...



DW News

The next meeting for the Disciples Women will be on April 21st at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Terrie Ferguson, 323 Samuel Drive in Whiteland. All women of the church are welcome to attend.

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

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

April 17

Sunrise service
Pitch in breakfast
between services
Easter Worship
service

May 3

GriefShare sessions
- 13 week
commitment



DM News

The Disciples Men's group will meet on Saturday June 11th at 8:00 a.m. in the

Nancy Hunt
510 13th Avenue
Sea Side, OR 97138

May 21

The Ark Experience

June 18

Union Christian
Church Hog Roast

**The Spiritual Life
Ministry Team is
moving their
monthly meeting
back to the first
Monday of each
month, beginning
May 2nd.**

fellowship hall. We will be finalizing our plans for the Church Hog Roast at this meet.

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.

Ellie Roberts
6805 N 500 E
North Vernon, IN 47265

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