

# The Union Connection

May 1, 2022

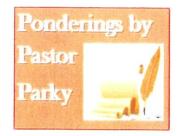
Encourage humankind toward Christ-centered living through loving, learning, listening, and leading.

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.

Comments/Concerns/Suggestions regarding this newsletter can be made at the Church Office or by email to lorisewellucc@gmail.com.

'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



Mayday, Mayday! For anyone monitoring radio frequencies used by ships and/or airplanes, this is an immediate warning to remain silent on this particular frequency; it is to be used ONLY by the vessel in distress and those responding to that distress.

As a child, my visions of Mayday was that time of early spring with flowers

# New Special Announcement:

There will be a special Board meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Monday May 2, 2022, to determine our priorities toward a Capital Campaign for improvements to the church building and property. Board members should please plan to



Sermon 5/1

The Lord Worked With Them

Romans 10:14-15 Mark 16:7-20

## Synopsis:

Biblical scholars have concluded that in the original writing of Mark's Gospel, it ended abruptly, with no mention of what happened after the three women had discovered the empty tomb.

blooming and children playing games outside, running off all of that extra energy. A May Pole was typically a pole with a swivel bracket on top; draped with ropes, ribbons or chains that hung down. Kids would grab a ribbon and walk it around the pole; sometimes in opposite directions.

I hope your early May is not going in opposite directions. I hope you are simply walking toward and with Christ.

Blessings! Pastor Parky



# Birthdays:

3 - Martha Compton





For April, the Outreach Opportunity is the Little Free Pantry at the Franklin Branch of the Johnson County Public Library.

Built by a JCPL employee, on his own time, the pantry is located in front of the branch and is available anytime. No library funds are used to stock the pantry. Donations from the people of our community keep the pantry stocked. People take what they need and donate

#### attend



# Serving Today, May 1st

#### Elders:

Becky Canary Karen Bauman

## Deacons:

G - David Hopping

O - Marty Sewell

C - Joe Wells

Alt - Mark Graham

## Worship Leader:

Donna Wisehart

Worship Leader volunteers <u>NEEDED</u> for May!

# Serving Next Week, on May 8th

#### Elders:

Deb Stubbeman John White

# Deacons:

G - Andy Duckworth

O - Marty Julian

C - Lisa Wallace

Alt - Sandy Owens

#### Worship Leader:

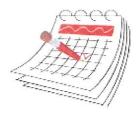
Volunteer Needed

They were simply too afraid to speak to what they had just witnessed. Was it out of fear of the disciples not being willing to believe them? Mark doesn't really say but Mark or another author does add to his original ending with a very short paragraph about how the women did tell Peter and the others and how Jesus used this opportunity to spread the Good News around the world.

Then, Mark – or that other author – comes back to say that ONLY Mary Magdalene was at the tomb and alludes to the great commission that is found at the end of Matthew 28. It took three endings to get it right but in the last one, he included the phrase that "the Lord worked with them" to accomplish all that they were able to accomplish.

Pastor Mark

Sermon Series - Make Disciples



## This Week's Calendar

Online calendar

#### Sunday

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School

10:30 a.m. - Worship

## Monday

6:30 p.m. - Special Board Meeting

## Tuesday

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. - GriefShare Group

what they will. A list of suggested items will be in the Narthex.

We also have an Outreach Opportunity that will be from Mother's Day to Father's Day (May 1 to June . We will be filling baby bottles with money to help fund Care Net which is Johnson County's pregnancy care center. There will be a table set up in the Narthex with information about the center and the baby bottles.

## Links of Interest



Union Christian website

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

Disciples of Christ General Church

Disciples Women

Disciples Men

Johnson County Indiana website

About Franklin, Indiana

GriefShare

Samaritan's Feet



If you know of anyone dealing with grief, even if they don't believe they are, tell them about this opportunity to help them



#### **DM News**

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

## News to watch for...



# May 3 GriefShare sessions -

13 week commitment

May 8 Mother's Day

May 21
The Ark Experience (maybe)

June 18
Union Christian
Church Hog Roast watch for more
information about the
Hog Roast in the
coming weeks.



# **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

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

## New address:

Nancy Hunt Compass Park, GA 1327, 890 Freemason Parkway, Franklin, IN 46131

Ellie Roberts 6805 N 500 E North Vernon, IN 47265

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

To register for the group at Union Christian Church, click HERE. We will be meeting on Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. until July 26th.



# **DW News**

The next meeting for the Disciples Women will be on May 12th at Union Christian Church. All women of the church are welcome to attend.