



The Union Connection

September 18, 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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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



Building Project Updates

The Building Committee closed off the closet at the bottom of the stairs outside the fellowship hall and we have been informed that our new chair lift is ready and is scheduled to be installed on September 19th.

We are seeking quotes on work to the parking lot and are in communications with the audio-visual vendor of choice.

Beeson Mechanical is still waiting on a couple crucial



Serving Today, September 18th

Elders:

Deb Stubbeman
John White

Deacons:

G - Carole Graham
O - Judy Wells
C - Mark Wallace
Alt - Susie Hayes



Sermon 9/18

Kingdom of Heaven be like...

Romans 8:26-39
Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Synopsis:

We know that Jesus loved so share about God and heaven through the use of parables. In Matthew 13, he goes on and on and on, using parables the entire time. Then, he asked his disciples 'Have you understood all this?' Their answer was 'Yes.' Do you

components that are on back order. They will call to schedule the installation of our HVAC system when those parts arrive.

Stay tuned for further updates.

Blessings!
Pastor Parky

Online Bible Study

Starting Wednesday
September 21 from
6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.,
our Bible study will be
available online
via Zoom.

If you are interested
in joining to study the
Books of the Torah,
contact Pastor Mark
for details or
questions you may
have.



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

Barbara Mitchell
1282 W SR 252
Trafalgar, IN 46181

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

Worship Leader:

Terri Ferguson

Serving Next Week, September 25th

Elders:

Becky Canary

Joe Wells

Deacons:

G - Marty Sewell

O - Lisa Wallace

C - Sandy Owens

Alt - Andy Duckworth

Worship Leader:

Eric Hunt



The Outreach Opportunity for September is the Interchurch Food Pantry

The pantry has requested that we donate boxed cereal. More information is available in the Narthex.

Fast Track sends a huge Thank You for all of the generous school supply donations.



Birthdays:

Anniversaries:

suppose they really knew or were they embarrassed to admit that they did not?

How do we understand the parables that Jesus used? Do you believe that there are circumstances that occur today that might be a metaphor for some sort of parable? By that, I mean, each time someone sees something absolutely beautiful – beyond belief – and they say, that must be what heaven is like. God just might be sending us a parable at that moment in time.

Do you watch for those moments in your life? Half the battle in understanding what Jesus was trying to tell us was to be obedient enough to STOP long enough to listen to God and watch for his beauty that surrounds us.

Pastor Mark

Sermon Series
Teach Them to Obey



The deadline for information to be included in the bulletin or newsletter is on or before Thursday morning.



This Week's Calendar

Online [calendar](#)

Sunday

9:30 a.m. - Sunday

School

10:30 a.m. - Worship

Nancy Hunt
Compass Park,
GA 2350,
890 Freemason Parkway,
Franklin, IN 46131

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



DW News

Announcement - No DW group meeting in September. Check back for updates on a next meeting.



Two New Bible Study Opportunities Coming Soon!

Women's Bible Study will begin on 9/13 on Tuesday's at Noon at the church. They will be using the Beth Moore study on "Chasing Vines".

An open Bible Study will begin on 9/20 on Wednesday's at 6:30 p.m.

We will be using the Knowing the Bible series to study the five books of the Torah - Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers & Deuteronomy. This study is also available **online via Zoom**. Contact Pastor Mark, if interested.

Links of Interest



[Union Christian website](#)

[Disciples of Christ in Indiana](#)

[Disciples of Christ General Church](#)

[Disciples Women](#)

[Disciples Men](#)

[Johnson County Indiana website](#)

[About Franklin, Indiana](#)

[Samaritan's Feet](#)



Rhythmic Drum Healing

4th Sunday of the month, 6:30p-7:30p on Sep 25
Now extended to Oct 23 & (date moved) Nov 20
Union Christian Church Outdoor Shelter

Come join in or just observe
Bring your own lawn chairs

We will move indoors if the weather is inclement

Free will offering accepted

Lead by Lori Meyers

News to watch for...

Tuesday

10:00 a.m. - noon -
Women's Bible Study

Wednesday

6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. -
Bible Study on
Books of the Torah

Sunday

6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. -
Healing Drum Circle



DM News

The Disciples Men is holding a **Fall Hog Roast** on **September 17th from 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.** with the help of the church. We all know it takes many helpers to make this event a success. Watch for how you might help in the coming weeks.

The next regular Disciples' Men's meeting will be on October 8th at 8:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall. All men of the church are welcome and if you like, please bring a brother, a friend, or a neighbor.



2022 Regional Assembly
"On Promise Road"

It's not too early to be thinking about attending this year's Regional Assembly.
Saturday, November 5, 2022



**Spiritual Life Ministry
Invites you to join us for our
Harvest Vesper Service
Sunday, Oct. 9th,
5:30-7:00 p.m.**

**Join us in the Shelter House
for
Devotions, Music and
Fellowship!**

**Apple cider, Hot Chocolate and
Coffee provided**



**Coming in October
Harvest Vesper
Service**

GriefShare group

New Sunday School
class

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<https://unionchristiandoc.org/>

Geist Christian Church
The Regional Assembly will
be a "hybrid" event,
meaning that you may
register to attend in person
for \$45, or you can register
to attend on-line for \$25.

For more info, visit
[http://indianadisciples.org
/regional-assembly-2020/](http://indianadisciples.org/regional-assembly-2020/).

I want to encourage each
member of our congregation
to consider participating in
this Regional Assembly.