



The Union Connection

January 1, 2023

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

Happy New Year!!!!

Ministry Teams



Lori Sewell, Chair

Please watch bulletins and
the newsletter for upcoming
events sponsored by the



Charlie Canary, Chair

Happy New Year from the Christian Action Ministry Team!



Building Project Updates

The installation of the AC/Heaters and the new high efficiency boiler system is complete with final minor modifications being made as needed.

The church Board has voted to accept the recommendation of the Building Project Committee to enter into a contract with Force Technology Solutions for the purchase and installation of new audio/video/live streaming equipment. We are waiting for Force Tech to schedule the installation.

Stay tuned for further updates.

Blessings!
Pastor Parky



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

Discipleship Ministry Team as we enter the New Year.

We are working to engage the congregation in fellowship and comradery. If you have suggestions of activities you would like to engage in just let us know and we will see what can be done.

We are always excited to have new members join us, so if you're looking to join a ministry team to serve God, give us a try. Our current ministry team consists of chairperson: Lori Sewell and members: Susie Hayes, David Bauman, John White, and Lisa Wallace.



Needed at church:

The fireplace tools for the shelter have been donated.
Thank You!!



Serving January 1st

Elders:
John White

Karen Bauman, Chair

Happy New Year from the Spiritual Life Ministry Team!

We look forward to worshipping together as the family of God in 2023.

Please join us for our "SHAPE" Sermon series in January as we work toward being faithfully fit!



Sermon 1/1 Sermon Series on S.H.A.P.E.

Spiritual Gifts

Isaiah 11:2-3
1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Synopsis:

Pastor Rick Warren, who started Saddleback Church in California created an abilities assessment tool to use with his congregation. He incorporated the use of an acronym to help them understand what they were learning. It is S.H.A.P.E.; used to designate Spiritual Gifts, Heart, Abilities, Personality and Experience.

We will begin a sermon series on S.H.A.P.E. as we begin the New Year and think about resolutions to help us get into a better, healthier shape for the coming year. This week's focus will be on Spiritual Gifts. What shape are you in?

Pastor Mark

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

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

The next regular meeting of the Disciples Women will be on Thursday, January 12th at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

All ladies are invited and welcome!

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Joe Wells

Deacons:

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

Worship Leader:

Karen Bauman

Serving January 8th

Elders:

Becky Canary
Deb Stubbeman

Deacons:

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

Worship Leader:

**Worship Leader
Needed**

Links of Interest



[Union Christian website](#)

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Birthdays:

Anniversaries:

2023 JANUARY						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY

Visit This Week's

Calendar Online

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Sunday

9:30 a.m. - Sunday school

10:30 a.m. - Worship

Wednesday

6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. - Bible Study

(More info click [HERE](#))



DM News

The next meeting of the Disciples Men will be on February 11th at 8:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall.

see?

News to watch for...



Coming in January

Sermon Series on
S.H.A.P.E.
(**More info** [HERE](#))

Ministry Team
meetings

DW meeting

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welcome and come hungry.

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