



The Union Connection

January 29, 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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'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

Ministry Teams



Charlie Canary, Chair

Baby Bottles are coming!
Watch for information about
the Baby Bottle campaign
for Clarity of Johnson
County. We will be asking



Lori Sewell, Chair

The Discipleship Ministry
Team will work with the
Christian Action Ministry
Team on a Soup pitch-in on
Sunday, February 26th -
focusing on Week of
Compassion.



Karen Bauman, Chair

We are hopeful for your
spiritual growth this coming
year from the Spiritual Life

you to "Give up your loose change for Lent."

Looking forward to serving God through serving you; from the Christian Action Ministry Team!



The **Special Offerings** for **Week of Compassion** will be received on February 19th & 26th.

Watch for more information in the Narthex.



Building Project Updates

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



Watch for more information about plans for "Dinner & a Movie" on Friday March 24th at 6:00 p.m.

Our current ministry team consists of chairperson: Lori Sewell and members: Susie Hayes, David Bauman, John White, and Lisa Wallace.

Wish List!

Needed at church:

We could use several packs of AA batteries to have in the church for remote controllers; along with some 9v batteries for smoke detectors, if you happen to see them at the store and would like to purchase a package or two. Thanks, in advance!



Serving
January 29th

Elders:

John White
Joe Wells

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 1/15 Sermon Series on S.H.A.P.E.

Experiences

2 Corinthians 12:1-5
Acts 9:1-9

Synopsis:

Probably by far, my most challenging class in seminary was that of Theology. The term comes from the Greek word for God, or Theos and the study of any subject; ology. It is defined as the study of the nature of God and religious belief. Notice that this doesn't say it is the definitive answer about God, simply the study of God's nature. It leaves the answer open to interpretation; just as God gave us the right to choose what we will do or be in life.

This week's sermon series lesson point is on experience and while I was in seminary, I understood that my life experiences helped me understand God's nature in my life. This would be called 'experiential theology.'

What experiences have you gone through that 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

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

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

Barbara Smith
1122 S Nineveh Road
Franklin, IN 46131

Hugh Dunn
75 S Milford Drive
Franklin, IN 46131

News to watch for...



Coming in February

Valentine Dinner for

Deacons:

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

Worship Leader:

John White

Serving February 5th

Elders:

Becky Canary
Joe Wells

Deacons:

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

Worship Leader:

Donna Wischart

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[Disciples Women](#)

drawn you closer in your relationship with God? How did you learn more about God by going through some of those difficult circumstances in life?

Pastor Mark



Birthdays:

02/01 - Paul Lightle

Anniversaries:



Visit This Week's Calendar Online

[click here](#)

Sunday

9:30 a.m. - Sunday school

10:30 a.m. - Worship

Wednesday

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

- Bible Study

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the women of the church

Shrove Tuesday
Pancake dinner

Ash Wednesday
service

Coming in March

GriefShare support
group

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DM News

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

The Disciples Men's group will be hosting the Annual Church Valentine Luncheon on Sunday, February 12th at noon or shortly after worship.

All men of the church are welcome at our bi-monthly meeting and come hungry.



DW News

The next regular meeting of the Disciples Women will be on Thursday, February 9th at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

All ladies are invited and welcome!

GriefShare Support Group coming in March.
For more information or to sign up, click [HERE](#).

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