

The Union Connection

February 5, 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



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



Karen Bauman, Chair

The Spiritual Life Ministry invites you to mark

for Clarity of Johnson County. We will be asking 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

We are waiting for Force Tech to schedule the installation, which should be in the very near future. Awaiting final notification as to when.

Stay tuned for further updates.

Blessings!
Pastor Parky



Greeting Card Ministry

Compassion.

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.



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 February 5th

Elders:

Becky Canary Joe Wells your calendar and join us on Sunday, Feb. 12th.

Our special music for that day will be the quartet,
"Three Handsome Gentlemen",
which are part of the Chordlighters Chorus.
They will perform during the service and also serve as our entertainment for the Valentine's Ladies
Luncheon,
hosted by the Disciples

There will be an opportunity to share a Love Offering, in the

narthex.

Men, after church.



Sermon 2/5

Pass the Salt, Please

Psalm 112:1-10 Matthew 5:13-20

Synopsis:

Jesus himself tells us in Matthew 5, "... but whoever does them [follows the commandments] and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven." That is a great goal to at least attempt to achieve but what is more important is the first half of that very sentence. It reads, "Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven."

That makes this verse even more important in our daily

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 the women of the church

Deacons:

- G Mark Graham
- O Susie Hayes
- C Carole Graham

Worship Leader:

Alt - Judy Wells

Donna Wisehart

Serving February 12th

Elders:

Deb Stubbeman John White

Deacons:

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

Worship Leader:

Allen Whitehurst

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Disciples of Christ General Church

Disciples Women

living. Not only should we strive to follow the commandments, we must make EVERY effort to not break them; not even the least of these commandments.

Are we living out our lives in such a way that others see Jesus? Jesus also tells us in this reading that we are the salt of the earth. As others see our way of life, I hope they will say, "pass the salt, please."

Pastor Mark



Birthdays:

Anniversaries:

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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

Shrove Tuesday Pancake dinner

Ash Wednesday service

Coming in March

GriefShare support group

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Disciples Men

Johnson County Indiana website

About Franklin, Indiana



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.

(For more info click HERE)

Thursday

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - Disciples Women

Saturday

8:00 a.m. - Disciples Men's Meeting



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.