

The Union Connection

February 4, 2024

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

Snacks for School Kids An elementary school has requested a need for classroom snacks. There are 14 classrooms and they do not qualify for extra help through outside agencies. We are requesting donations of bulk snacks such as boxes of goldfish, teddy grahams, snack packs of chips or crackers. (No peanuts please) We will do this from now until Lent.



Lori Sewell, Chair

We are having a Linger Longer on Feb. 25th following worship and will be serving nachos and hot dogs. Come join us for a time of fellowship.

Look for ways to be a part of this team this year.



Karen Bauman, Chair

Please mark your calendars for the **Prayer Vigil** on Saturday, Feb. 10th. It will take place before Lent this year. Watch for ways to engage and grow in your own **Spiritual Life**. Stay tuned for an exciting

Watch for ways to serve outside the church in **Christian Action** in the coming weeks.



Tuesday Bible Study Judy Wells is hosting this study on *Jesus and Women, In the First Century and Now* is by Kristi McLelland. The Study will continue to meet on Tuesday mornings at 10:00 a.m.

If you are interested or have questions, contact Judy.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study

We continue our study of the Books of the Torah, with the book of *Deuteronomy*, on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. If you need the study book or want information to join us via Zoom, contact Pastor Mark.



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:



Serving February 11th

Elders: Joe Wells John White

Deacons:

G - Mark Graham O - Lisa Wallace C - Carole Graham Alt - Judy Wells

Worship Leader: Mark Graham



Birthdays:

Anniversaries:

Sermon 02/04

Compared to Whom?

1 Corinthians 9:16-23 Isaiah 40:21-31

Synopsis:

The Prophet, Isaiah, is speaking to the nation of Israel, comforting them in their struggles during the Babylonian exile. He is telling them that they will be returned to their homeland and restored as a nation. He wants them to do and be their best while they are still in the land of Babylon.

FEBRUARY 2024						
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Visit This Week's Calendar Online click here

Sunday 9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship service

Tuesday 10:00 a.m. - Noon Tuesday Bible Study

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

Saturday 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. Prayer Vigil



News to watch for!

Coming in Feb. Snacks for school kids

DW meeting

Prayer Vigil

Church Valentine Dinner

Board meeting

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner

Ash Wed. service

Healing Drum Circle

Martha & J Compton 5399 S Nineveh Rd. Franklin, IN 46131

Barbara Mitchell

1282 W SR 252 Trafalgar, IN 46181

Pat Hogan/Ray Von Burg 271 Village Ln., Room 142 Greenwood, IN 46143

Nancy Hunt

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

Barbara Smith

1122 S Nineveh Road Franklin, IN 46131

Hugh Dunn

75 S Milford Drive Franklin, IN 46131

Martha White

1070 W. Jefferson St., Apt. E117 Franklin, IN 46131

Carolyn Rogers

490 Red Skelton, Apt 109 Franklin, IN 46131



DM News The Disciples Men met on February 3rd at 8:00 a.m.

Details of the Valentine Dinner will be published on our Facebook page.

We hope you will join us for food and fellowship!

Some Israelites have doubts about what the prophet is telling them, thus, he reminds them of all that God has done for them throughout their history. Through the prophet, God tells the Israelites, "Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?"

God issues a challenge to His people, the nation of Israel, in saying, "To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing."

Pastor Mark



DW News Disciples Women will meet on February 8th for their regular monthly meeting.

Watch here for more information.

All women of the church are welcome to join us.



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Events from our neighboring DoC churches in the Anchors Area.

Tabernacle Christian

offers a community meal on the first and third Wednesday of December. Volunteers are welcome - contact Nancy James at Tab if interested.

Union Christian will

be hosting this year's Maundy Thursday joint service on with Johnson County Disciples of Christ churches. The service will be at 7:00 p.m.

Links of Interest

UCC website

Union Christian Facebook page

UCC YouTube

<u>DoC in Indiana</u>

DoC General Church

Disciples Women

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