



The Union Connection

April 7, 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

Christian Action

Charlie Canary, Chair

Christian Action team has finished collecting old board games, etc. We appreciate all who donated these items



Lori Sewell, Chair

Our next **Linger Longer** event will be on April 28th.

We are planning a trip to an Indianapolis Indians game



Karen Bauman, Chair

We hope you enjoyed the

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



Birthdays:

- 13 - Jill Lightle
- 13 - Lisa MacPhee

Anniversaries:

No anniversaries



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:

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

on Friday, June 21st. Please sign up in the Narthex ASAP, if interested. If we have 25 participants, the cost will drop from \$19.50 to \$15 per person.

Stay tuned!



**Serving
 April 14th**

Elders:

- Deb Stubbeman
- John White

Deacons:

- G - Paul Lightle
- O - Belinda Williams
- C - Michael Hayes
- A - Terrie Ferguson

Worship Leader:

John White



Tuesday Bible Study

Our next study will begin at 10 a.m. on April 16 and we will be studying:
The Lord's Prayer

fellowship and worship of Resurrection Sunday!

Thank you to all who took the time to be a part of any of our Holy Week events. We encourage you to continue to reflect on scriptures/devotions that you might read and ask God how you can apply them to your life.

APRIL 2024						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11

**Visit This Week's
 Calendar Online**

[click here](#)

Sunday

9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School

10:30 a.m.
 Worship service

Monday

6:30 p.m.
 Board meeting

No Bible Study groups this week

Thursday

5-7 p.m.
 Paradigm Health Concepts -
 Celebration of Life

Saturday

8-9:30 a.m.
 Disciples Men

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

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 will meet on Saturday, April 13th at 8:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall.

Come join us for great food and fellowship!



Celebration of Life

by Adam Hamilton

Wednesday Bible Study
The Wednesday Bible study will begin on April 17 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. and continue for eight weeks.

We will be studying:

Joshua:

Putting God's Power to Work in Your Life

If you would like to join us, please let me know so I can order books.



Sermon 4/7

We Declare

Psalm 133

1 John 1:1-2:2

Synopsis:

To 'declare' something is to make a bold statement that holds with it a fact or an assertion that gives your point of view on that particular 'thing' you are declaring. The founding fathers of our country said in the Declaration of Independence, "We, therefore...solemnly publish and declare..." They were making a claim and complaint against the rule of King George III in England. The results of that declaration became our country, The United States

LOOKING FORWARD

News to watch for!

Coming in April
Healing Drum Circle

Linger Longer

Paradigm Health
Concepts -
Celebration of Life

Disciples Men meet



Anchors

Area

News

Events from our neighboring DoC churches in the Anchors Area.

Tabernacle Christian

offers a community meal on the first and third Wednesday of each month.

Volunteers are welcome - contact Nancy James at Tab if interested.



DW News

Paradigm Hospice of Franklin will be holding a **Celebration of Life** service at our church on April 11th from 5-7 p.m. for families they have served over the past year.

Please pray for those families and for those leading this service.

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of America.

Dictionary.com says 'declare' is a verb that means to make known or state clearly, especially in explicit or formal terms. Someone can declare their position in a controversy, declare a state of emergency or declare a winner.

The author of 1 John is telling his audience, which includes us, that he is declaring what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life, i.e. Jesus as the Messiah.

What do we declare?
Pastor Mark

The April meeting for the Disciples' Women will be one week later than normal due to another event taking place in the church sanctuary. The will meet at 6:30 p.m.

Links of Interest

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