



The Union Connection

May 19, 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 invites you to give to the Pentecost Offering for this year, that will be gathered again



Lori Sewell, Chair

Take Me Out to the Ballgame

We are going to an Indianapolis Indians game on Friday, June 21st. Please sign up in the Narthex, if

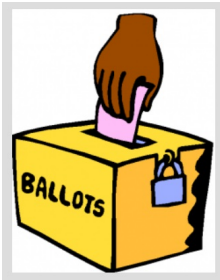


Karen Bauman, Chair

Spiritual Life Ministry invites you to join us on Sunday,

this Sunday,
May 19th.
Envelopes will be included
in your bulletin.

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



It's Time to Elect Officers

The nominating committee
for 2024 is as follows:

Andy Duckworth, Chr.
Carole Graham
Karen Bauman
Joe Wells
Michael Hayes

If you have ideas for a
nomination or would like to
volunteer for a position,
please contact any member
of this committee.



Birthdays:
24 - Ralph Duckworth

Anniversaries:
No anniversaries

interested. We are short a
couple participants but we
will be buying 25 anyway, in
hopes that a few more will
join us. The cost will be \$15
per person.

Invite a friend or family member!!

Come join us for a fun time
at
Victory Field!



Serving May 26th

Elders:

John White
Joe Wells

Deacons:

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

Worship Leader:

Ellen Paris

**Worship leaders needed
for
June 2nd
and June 16th.
Please sign up in the
Narthex.**

May 19th, as we celebrate
Pentecost!

If you choose, please wear
yellow, orange or red that
day as we give thanks for
the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Following worship, join us
for a sweet treat in the
Fellowship Hall.

Continue to reflect on
scriptures/devotions and
ask God how to apply them
to your life.

**LOOKING
FORWARD**

Sunday

9:30 a.m.
Sunday School

10:30 a.m.
Worship Service

6:30 p.m.
Healing Drum Circle

Monday

6:30 p.m.
Hopewell 4-H Club

Tuesday

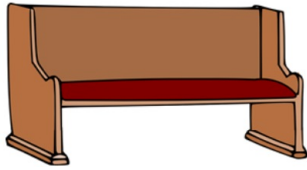
10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Tuesday Bible study

Wednesday

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

What's Going On?

Ever wondered about
events at UCC?
Well, wonder no more!
Click below to visit the
church calendar and see
what's going on in our
church.



Sponsor a Pew Campaign

The Building Project Committee is holding a campaign to raise money to re-upholster the pews in the sanctuary. The cost for each pew is \$175. If you would like to give to this effort, please mark your offering for Pew Project.

Matthew 6:3-4 "...do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your alms may be done in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you."

We want to be biblical in our giving, following the verses from Matthew, so please know that those who give will remain anonymous.



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



Sermon 5/19

Labor Pains

Ezekiel 37:1-10
Romans 8:22-27

Synopsis:

This week's message might seem out of order as we just celebrated Mother's Day last Sunday and this week, we are talking about labor pains. Of course, every woman who is the mother to a child – or to children – knows that those labor pains must come before the beautiful miracle of birth of a child.

As we come to Pentecost, we think of the birth of what we call the "church" or Christianity. However, the term Pentecost comes from the Greek word meaning "fifty." The fifty comes from the Feast of Weeks which was a required pilgrimage festival for the Jews and was counted from the second day following Passover for seven full weeks or 49 days, The day following that would be the seventh Sunday after Passover or fifty days.

There are additional theological interpretations for the birth of the church, but we know we don't get to the birth without the labor

<https://unionchristiandoc.org/about/calendar/>

MAY 2024						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
28	29	30	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	31	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8

Visit This Week's Calendar Online [click here](#)

News to watch for! Coming in May

Healing Drum Circle

Linger Longer

Coming in June
Disciples Men meet

Board meeting

Disciples Women meet

Hog Roast

Healing Drum Circle

Anchor Area joint worship & summer picnic



Anchors Area News

Events from our neighboring DoC churches in the Anchors Area.

Barbara Mitchell
1282 W SR 252
Trafalgar, IN 46181

New Address

Pat Hogan/Ray Von Burg
183 Smock Dr.,
Room 102N
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

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[DoC General Church](#)

[Disciples Women](#)

[Disciples Men](#)

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website lately?**

Why not see what others see
to learn about us and our
family; how we serve and
witness to others.

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your search browser:

<https://unionchristiandoc.org/>

pains. So, we will wait until
Sunday to reveal the rest of
the story.
Pastor Mark



DW News

The next regular meeting
for the Disciples' Women
will be on Thursday
evening, June 13th, in the
fellowship hall. They will
meet at 6:30 p.m.



DM News

The Disciples Men will meet
on Saturday, June 8th at
8:00 a.m. in the fellowship
hall to make final plans for
our summer **Hog Roast**,
which will be held on June
15th from 11:00 a.m. - 6:00
p.m.

Come join us for great food
and fellowship!



Follow us on [Facebook](#)

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.

**The Anchor Area
Disciples of Christ**

churches will gather
for a joint worship
service and summer
picnic
on June 30th at
**Union Christian
Church.**



Tuesday Bible Study

The Tuesday study is
meeting each week at 10
a.m. and will be studying:
The Lord's Prayer
by Adam Hamilton

Wednesday Bible Study

The Wednesday study
meets weekly from
6:00-7:30 p.m. and will
conclude on June 5th. We
are studying the Wiersbe
Bible Study series:

Joshua:

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Work in Your Life**

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