

# **The Union Connection**

September 3, 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. Comments/Concerns/Suggestions regarding this newsletter can be made at the Church Office or by email to lorisewellucc@gmail.com.

'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** 

We are supporting the Interfaith Food Pantry for the month of September. Your participation is greatly appreciated. Please bring items to the narthex. Thank you so much for your support.



Lori Sewell, Chair The Discipleship Ministry Team update:

We are holding our **Linger Longer** on Sunday, September 24th.

Please take a moment to spend time with church family in fellowship and refreshments.



Karen Bauman, Chair Watch for information from the Spiritual Life Ministry team in the coming weeks.

If you are interested in praying for our community at a coffee shop, by walking through neighborhoods, or



# **Tuesday Bible Study**

Judy Wells will be hosting a new Bible study opportunity beginning Tuesday, September 12th. This study on Jesus and Women, In the First Century and Now is by Kristi McLelland. The study is open to all and begins in the fellowship hall at 10:00 a.m. If you are interested or have questions. contact Judy Wells.

# Wednesday Evening Bible Study

Our study on the Books of the Torah, returns on September 6. We will finish on November 15 - before Thanksgiving week.

Participants may join this meeting via Zoom. The link can be found on the church Calendar found HERE:

Blessings!
Pastor Parky



# **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



# Serving September 3rd

#### **Elders:**

John White Joe Wells

#### Deacons:

G - Lisa Wallace

O - Carole Graham

C - Judy Wells

Alt - Mark Graham

### Worship Leader:

Paul Lightle

# Serving September 10th

#### Elders:

Susie Hayes Deb Stubbeman

#### Deacons:

G - Belinda Williams

O - Michael Hayes

C - Terrie Ferguson

Alt - Paul Lightle

# Worship Leader:

Melody Davis

at church praying for the will of God for our church, contact Pastor Parky



#### Birthdays:

(Missed last week)

1 - Ashley Hayes

2 - Pat Hogan

(This week)

8 - Flora Markward Smith

#### **Anniversaries:**

(Missed last week) 28 - Kendala & Mark Parkinson

2023 SEPTEMBER						
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Visit This Week's
Calendar Online
click here

# Sermon 9/3

Your Mission, Should You Choose to Accept It

> Romans 12:9-21 Jeremiah 15:15-21

#### Synopsis:

From our reading, it appears that the Prophet, Jeremiah, has been dealing with some evil forces – people who have set out to destroy him at first opportunity. He is tired of fighting against them and maybe even knows that he cannot beat them; that is,

Barbara Mitchell 1282 W SR 252 Trafalgar, IN 46181

#### Updated!

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

Brenda Haler 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

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



### **DW News**

Disciples Women have been on vacation for July and August.

Now is the time for the women of the church to get back together, as the women will meet on Thursday, September 14th at 6:30 p.m. in the church fellowship hall.



#### **DM News**

The Disciples Men have set the date for the Fall Hog Roast as September 23rd from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Please plan to attend and if possible, help with preparing and serving.

There will be plenty of fun to be enjoyed.

Spread the news on the date of our Hog Roast!

#### **Links of Interest**



UCC website

Union Christian Facebook page

UCC YouTube

DoC in Indiana

DoC General Church

**Disciples Women** 

<u>Disciples Men</u>

Jo. Co. Indiana web

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Jeremiah calls upon the name of his Lord but he asks God to bring down wrath against his adversaries rather than to simply protect him from them. Not a bad plan but we will quickly see that this would not be God's plan.

God's plan includes stepping out in faith, stepping up for God and giving the message that God wants told to those who God needs it to be heard.

God says, he will take Jeremiah back but in return, he must be the mouth of God, giving the words of God.

Pastor Mark

#### Sunday

9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship service

#### Monday

Labor Day

#### Wednesday

6:30 p.m.

Bible Study

Books of the Torah



News to watch for! Coming in Sept. Labor Day Weekend

Bible Study groups

Ministry Teams

DW Meeting