



## The Union Connection

September 24, 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](mailto: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

### Christian Action

**Charlie Canary, Chair**

Watch for information and how to sign up for meal packing opportunities on Nov. 4th & 5th. We will be working with local Rotary Clubs to pack meals for Ukraine.

They need 200 volunteers for each shift - 2 on Saturday the 4th and 2 on Sunday the 5th. More info will be in the Narthex.



**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.



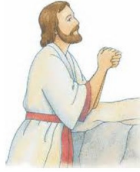
**Karen Bauman, Chair**

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 at church praying for the will

Thank you so much for your support.

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### A Time For Prayer

Wed. 9-9:30 a.m.  
Sep. 20 to Oct. 25

#### Prayer and Coffee

Tue. 2-2:30 p.m.  
Sep. 26 to Oct. 31

#### Pray for our church

Fri. 9:30-10:00ish a.m.  
Sep. 29 to Nov. 3

#### Prayer Walk

Please watch the weekly bulletin or message me via text/email/phone call for more details.

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#### Tuesday Bible Study

Judy Wells will be hosting 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 meets at 6:30 p.m. and 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](#):

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## Worship Leaders needed for October.

Please sign up in the Narthex.



Serving  
September 24th

#### Elders:

Susie Hayes  
Deb Stubbeman

#### Deacons:

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

#### Worship Leader:

David Bauman

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Serving  
October 1st

#### Elders:

John White  
Susie Hayes

#### Deacons:

G - Lisa Wallace  
O - Mark Graham  
C - Belinda Williams  
Alt - Judy Wells

#### Worship Leader:

Kendala Parkinson

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of God for our church,  
contact Pastor Parky

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#### Birthdays:

30 - Judy Wells

#### Anniversaries:

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2023 SEPTEMBER						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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					

Visit This Week's  
Calendar Online

[click here](#)

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#### Sermon 9/24

#### Right to be Angry?

Matthew 20:1-16  
Jonah 3:10-4:11

#### Synopsis:

Jonah told God, "Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country?" He knew exactly what God would do if he went to Nineveh and told the Ninevites that they needed to repent or God would destroy them. Jonah was angry with God for not putting an end to this nation of people. Jonah didn't even like them to begin with.

God gave Jonah a great example of something that was provided to him – by God – without any effort by Jonah. Then it was taken away. Jonah was again,

Blessings!  
*Pastor Parky*



**A special "Thanks!" to all  
helpers with the Hog Roast!**



### 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

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

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



### DM News

The Disciples Men will hold their regular every other month meeting on October 14th at 8:00 a.m.

We hope you will join us for food and fellowship!

### Links of Interest



[UCC website](#)

[Union Christian  
Facebook page](#)

[UCC YouTube](#)

[DoC in Indiana](#)

[DoC General Church](#)

[Disciples Women](#)

[Disciples Men](#)



### DW News

Disciples Women will meet on Thursday, October 12th at 6:30 p.m. in the church fellowship hall.

angry.

In Matthew, we hear the story of the generous landowner who hired some workers at the end of the day yet paid them the same amount for their few hours of work as he paid the workers who were there all day. Those hired early were angry for his generosity.

God is generous to us and to those who may not be in a relationship with God – “For he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous.” Matthew 5:45

Do we have a right to be angry about God's generosity toward those who don't even love him, as we love him?

Pastor Mark

### Sunday

9:30 a.m.

Sunday School

10:30 a.m.

Worship service

11:30 p.m.

Linger Longer

### Tuesday

10:00 a.m.

Bible Study

Jesus and Women, In  
the First Century and  
Now

2:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Pray for our church  
(at home or  
at church)

### Wednesday

9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Prayer and Coffee at  
Coffeeshouse 5

6:30 p.m.

Bible Study

Books of the Torah

### Friday

9:30 a.m. - 10 a.m.

Neighborhood  
Prayer Walk