



The Union Connection

October 1, 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

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.

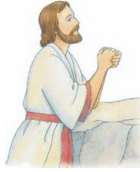


Karen Bauman, Chair

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.



A Time For Prayer

Prayer and Coffee

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

Pray for our church

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

Prayer Walk

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

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



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.

Blessings!
Pastor Parky

Worship Leader needed for October 22nd. Please sign up in the Narthex.



Serving October 1st

Elders:

Susie Hayes
John White

Deacons:

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

Worship Leader:

Kendala Parkinson

Serving October 8th

Elders:

Deb Stubbeman
Joe Wells

Deacons:

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

Worship Leader:

Susie Hayes



of God for our church, contact Pastor Parky



Birthdays:

Anniversaries:

2023 OCTOBER						
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	31				

**Visit This Week's
Calendar Online**

[click here](#)

Sermon 9/24

What If?

**Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32
Philippians 2:1-13**

Synopsis:

In our reading in Ezekiel, God tells the Prophet that he shall no longer use the proverb concerning the land of Israel, 'The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge' God says, 'Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die.'

God goes on to say that he hears the response of Israel saying, 'The way of the Lord is unfair.' Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?'



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,
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Franklin, IN 46131

Brenda Haler
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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



Welcome to Fall

DW News

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



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](#)

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[UCC YouTube](#)

[DoC in Indiana](#)

[DoC General Church](#)

[Disciples Women](#)

[Disciples Men](#)

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In the scripture from Paul's letter to the church in Philippi, we see Paul addressing an issue between that appears to be growing between two female members of the congregation. Paul eventually tells Euodia and Syntyche that they should be of one mind in Christ.

As our sermon passage opens, Paul says, 'If then there is any encouragement in Christ, [if there is] any consolation from love, [if there is] any sharing in the Spirit, [if there is] any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. What if Paul would have said, 'Since there is?'

Pastor Mark

Sunday

9:30 a.m.

Sunday School

10:30 a.m.

Worship service

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
Coffeehouse 5

6:30 p.m.

Bible Study
Books of the Torah

Friday

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

Neighborhood
Prayer Walk