



## The Union Connection

**October 15, 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  
**Fall Harvest Celebration**  
on  
Sunday, October 22nd  
following our worship  
service.

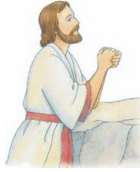
Please join us for fellowship  
and refreshments.



**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.  
through Oct. 25

#### Pray for our church

Tue. 2-2:30 p.m.  
through Oct. 31

#### Prayer Walk

Fri. 9:30-10:00ish a.m.  
through 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 Leaders needed for November and December.

Please sign up  
in the Narthex.



### Serving October 15th

#### Elders:

Susie Hayes  
John White

#### Deacons:

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

#### Worship Leader:

Karen Bauman

### Serving October 22nd

#### Elders:

Deb Stubbeman  
Joe Wells

#### Deacons:

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

#### Worship Leader:

Lori Sewell

of God for our church,  
contact Pastor Parky



#### Birthdays:

18 - Joe Wells

#### Anniversaries:

16 - Ellen & Rick Paris

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](#)

#### Sunday

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

6:30 p.m. - 7:30  
p.m.  
Rhythmic Drum  
Healing Circle

#### 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



### 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



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**DW News**  
Disciples Women  
will meet on  
Thursday, November 9th.



**DM News**  
The Disciples Men will meet  
on December 9th 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](#)

### Books of the Torah

**Friday**  
9:30 a.m. - 10 a.m.  
Neighborhood  
Prayer Walk

### Sermon 10/15

### Worthy of Praise

**Isaiah 25:1-9**  
**Philippians 4:1-9**

#### Synopsis:

We return to the pericope in Philippians that comes a couple chapters after what we heard two weeks ago in the sermon What If? when Paul was urging the church in Philippi to come together in unity; to be like minded and of one accord.

I mentioned in that previous message that Paul had to tell the church in Philippi that they needed to get along and that he even tells a couple members of that need later in his letter. Well, this is later and this is the message to those two members, along with the rest of their church.

Paul is trying to send a message of encouragement to this church. It is a message that we, also, should receive from these scripture verses. If we can find a way to get along, then it will be easy to glorify God and share the news that He is worthy of praise.

Pastor Mark



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