



The Union Connection

Week of November 24, 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. 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

**If you would like to be a part of any
or all of the Ministry Teams,
let Becky, Lori and/or Charlie know.**



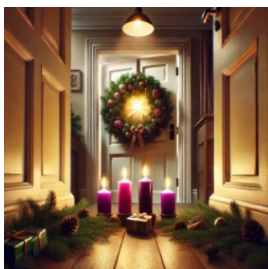
**Charlie Canary,
Chair**

**The Christian Action
Ministry Team**
would like to say
"Thank You!"
for the
Week of Compassion
offering taken up at the
Harvest Celebration
Dinner. We raised over
\$1,100!

There will be three
families on the
**Christmas
Angel Tree**
beginning next week,
the first Sunday of
Advent.

We will be
collecting, again today,
for the
**Regional
Thanksgiving
Offering.**

**Advent is behind the
next doorway...**



It's time to sign up to
be a reader/candle
lighter for Advent
candles.
The sign-up sheet is in
the Narthex.



Lori Sewell, Chair

**The
Discipleship Ministry
Team**
encourages each of
you to participate in all
of the holiday activities
at church.

**"WinterLights at
Newfields"**
Saturday, Dec. 7th
The time for our tour
will be announced
soon.



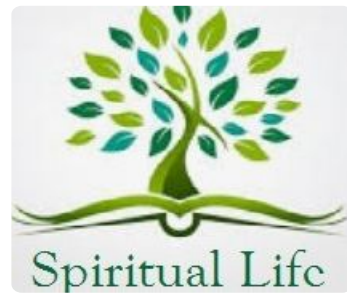
Birthdays:
24 - Melody Davis
27 - John White

Anniversaries:
No Anniversaries



**Serving
December 1st**

Elder:
Susie Hayes
Joe Wells



**Becky Canary,
Chair**

**The Spiritual Life
Ministry Team**
will be decorating for
Christmas
in the sanctuary
following worship
today, Nov. 24th.
We will provide sub
sandwiches, chips,
and cookies for those
who stay to help.

This evening, on Nov.
24th at 6 p.m., will be
the **Thanksgiving
Bread Service.**
We hope you will join
us in being thankful.



There are a couple
different Advent
Devotional books in
the Narthex to choose
from.

Enjoy the time of
preparation for our
celebration of
the coming
of the Christ-child.

**What's
coming up?**



Greeting Card Ministry

If you enjoy sending cards to others, you could be a part of this church ministry. Below are names and addresses of individuals who would appreciate receiving a card from someone in the church:

Martha Compton
800 Freemason Parkway,
Room 1126
Franklin, IN 46131

J Compton
800 Freemason Parkway,
Room 1125
Franklin, IN 46131

Ray Von Burg
183 S. Smock Dr., Rm 403
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

Ralph Duckworth
862 E 125 S
Franklin, IN 46131

Deacons:

Greeter -
Judy
Wells

Offering -
Mark
Graham

Communion -
Terrie
Ferguson

Alternate -
Carole
Graham

Worship Leader:

Susie Hayes



Sermon 11/24

His Last Words

Psalm 132:11-18
2 Samuel 23:1-7

Synopsis:

This Sunday is the last Sunday of the liturgical year, as we move into Advent on December 1. During Advent, we take time to prepare for the coming of the newborn Christ-child. We know that he was born but each year, we anticipate the celebration of that birth.

Sunday

9:30 a.m.
Sunday School

10:30 a.m.
Worship Service

11:30 a.m.
All-Church
Christmas
decorating

6:00 p.m.
Thanksgiving
Bread service

Monday

6:30 p.m.
Elders

Tuesday

No Bible Study

Wednesday

6:00 p.m.
Bible Study

NOVEMBER 2024						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
27	28	29	30	31	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
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

**Visit This Week's
Calendar Online**

[click here](#)

**News to watch
for!**

This Week

Elders meeting

Coming in December

Board meeting

GriefShare

DW and DM meet

All Church
Christmas party



No Tuesday Bible Study for now!

Due to the upcoming holidays, the Tuesday study will **not** meet until January.

Wednesday Bible Study

Wednesday evening Bible study is studying the **Book of Judges** from the *Knowing the Bible Series* at 6pm in the fellowship hall or via Zoom.

This is a 12-week study but we will not meet on Nov. 27th, Dec. 25th or Jan. 1st.



Surviving the Holidays

We are hosting the second of two GriefShare holiday support groups on Dec. 10th.

If you know someone who might benefit from this group, spread the word.

In our first reading for this week, God is making an everlasting promise to King David to keep one of his descendants on the throne of Israel, as long as they obey God's commandments.

Then, from our second reading, we reach the end of King David's reign and hear his last words. Last words are important. They are sometimes called 'Dying Words' and hold a greater importance than other words.

Little did the Israelites know, David was making room for Jesus to step into the role of King of the Jews. Why shouldn't we hear David's last words before we anticipate Christ's birth?

Pastor Mark

Not an email subscriber to our newsletter? You can subscribe to our newsletter by going to the bottom, right-hand corner of our website, found at:
<https://unionchristiandoc.org>



Follow us on [Facebook](#)



DW News New winter start time!

Disciples Women will meet again on **Thursday, December 12th at 5:30 p.m.** Please plan to join us for fun and fellowship.



DM News

The next meeting for the Disciples Men will be on **Saturday, December 14th at 8:00 a.m.** Come join us!

Links of Interest

[UCC website](#)

[Union Christian Facebook page](#)

[UCC YouTube/Live Stream](#)

[DoC in Indiana](#)

[DoC General Church](#)

[Disciples Women](#)

[Disciples Men](#)

[About Franklin, Indiana](#)