



The Union Connection

Week of February 16, 2025

**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**

Paper Shower

For the remainder of February, we will be having a paper shower of paper towels, toilet paper, tissue boxes, kitchen napkins, soft soap for restrooms, etc.

While we already have plenty for the church, any excess will go to the food pantries.

Thanks

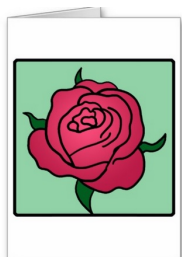


Birthdays:

17 - David Bauman
20 - Sandie Bisson

Anniversaries:

17 - Becky & Charlie Canary



Lori Sewell, Chair

The Discipleship Ministry Team

We will be holding our Linger Longer for February on the 23rd following worship.

Think about how you might disciple someone you know that needs Christ in their heart and life.



Annual Ladies Dinner

While the men put on this dinner around Valentines Day, the dinner is intended to honor all of the women of the church.

It will be this Sunday, February 16th following worship. We hope you will plan to join us.



**Becky Canary,
Chair**

The Spiritual Life Ministry Team

Would anyone be interested in a mid-day Lenten Bible study? Let us know.

Are you reading your Bible, reading a Christian devotion, spending time in prayer?

Lent is coming and devotionals will be available soon.

Lean into your spiritual growth.



Please volunteer to be a worship leader for **April and May.**

What's Up?

Sunday
9:30 a.m.
Sunday School

10:30 a.m.
Worship Service

11:30 a.m.
Valentines Dinner

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

Elder's Spiritual Retreat

The Elders and Pastor of UCC will be holding a spiritual retreat to strengthen our own spirituality and begin preparations on the Five Year Visionary Plan.

We intend to include the entire leadership of the church in determining this plan. More about that at a later date.



Sermon 2/16

Blessed Are You...

Jeremiah 17:5-10
Luke 6:17-26

Synopsis:

Matthew and Luke share a somewhat different narrative of the Sermon on the Mount message of the Beatitudes. Matthew mentions more circumstances for which people will be blessed through the trials of life.

In Luke, Jesus is very early into his ministry. He has asked several disciples to follow him, he has done some healing, he just named the Twelve Apostles

Tuesday

6:30-8:30 p.m.
GriefShare

Wednesday

6:30-8:30 p.m.
Bible Study

Friday - Saturday

6 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Elder's Retreat

February

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News to watch for!

In February

GriefShare
Support group

Elder's Retreat

In March

All church
workday

Ash Wednesday
Imposition
service

Links of Interest

[UCC website](#)

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Church](#)

New Address

Cliff Ronk

1070 W. Jefferson St.,
Apt. C301
Franklin, IN 46131



Serving February 23rd

Elder:

Karen Bauman
John White

Deacons:

Greeter -
Terrie
Ferguson

Offering -
Carole
Graham

Communion -
Judy
Wells

Alternate -
Mark
Graham

Worship Leader:

Donna Wisehart

and then there is a large crowd around him. Luke even tells us where some of these people have traveled from just to see and hear Jesus.

Matthew says that Jesus went up on the mountain to be above the crowds in order that they might hear him. Luke tells us that Jesus had already been on the mountain to pray, named the Apostles, then they came down to a level place together before Jesus looked at his disciples and taught them of the blessings of God.

Pastor Mark



Wednesday Bible Study

meets at 6:00 p.m. in person and online.

We are studying the books of
Ruth and Esther.

You can join us online via Zoom.



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DW News

The **Disciples Women** will meet on Thursday, March 13th at 6:30 p.m. in the church fellowship hall.



DM News

The Disciples Men will meet on Saturday, March 8th at 8:00 a.m. at Bob Evans restaurant.

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