



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: 15TH

Pastor: Linda Dolby
Associate Pastor: Craig Overman
Choir Director: Mary Lou Clendenning
Pianist: Esther Creamer
Organist: Angie Schilling
Custodian: Sarah Wilson
Nursery: Sherry Gouvan
Admin. Asst: Wendy Simon

Traditional Worship: 8:45 am Sun
Sunday School: 10:00 Sun
Blue Jean Service: 11:00 Sun
Bible Study: Tue at 7:00 pm &
Wed at 10:00 am

Women's Bible Study: Tue at 5:30am at the
Church

P.S. Jesus Women's 7:15 pm Thursday
Study Group at Vickie Brose's house
Men's Bible Study 7 am 2nd & 4th Sat.

Wee Blessings Preschool:

Director & Teacher: Sarah Wilson
Teacher: Mary Kay Finnerty

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Mary Caroline writes...

To my church family and friends: I can't begin to describe the feelings when I began receiving the cards and notes from all of you. I was still in shock from the fall and the fact that I had extensive mussel damage due to all that pushing to get myself back to the door so that has added extra exercising to work out the "kinks."

God gave me one miracle in relieving me of a lot of pain and he is helping me every day. Keep me in your prayers because I still have a long way to go. Happy Easter to all and thanks again to all the wonderful craft Ladies for their beautiful cards.

From the Pastor's Heart

Holy Week and Easter

If we have died with Christ, we believe that we are also to live with him. We know that Christ, once raised from the death, will never die again; death has no more power over him. His death was death to sin, once for all; his life is life for God. In the same way, you must consider your selves dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus

Romans 6:8-11

Palm/Passion Sunday – April 1 – One Worship Service at 10:00 a.m.!

Come celebrate Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem...and then our hosannas will grow quiet as we hear the story of our Lord's passion and death through word and song. The choir will be singing "Lonesome Valley," "Behold the Lamb," "Up Calvary's Mountain One Dreadful Morn" and "The Healer/Worthy is the Lamb." Mary Lou Clendenning and Diane Walker will sing a duet, "Jesus Loves Me/O How He Loves You and Me."

Maundy Thursday – April 5 – 7:00 p.m.

A quiet, reflective service with Holy Communion

Easter Sunday – April 8

Sunrise Service at 8:00 a.m., led by our Praise Team
Breakfast at 8:45, provided by the Missions Committee

Festive Celebration Worship – one service at 10:00 a.m.!

Since you have been raised up in company with Christ, set your heart on what pertains to higher realms where Christ is seated at God's right hand

Colossians 3:1-2

Stone Soup Food Pantry

After the recent peanut butter recall, the stock was checked at Stone Soup Food Pantry and 5 jars were found with the "2111" code. These jars were destroyed and the lids sent to the manufacturer for reimbursement. Individuals accessing the food pantry were contacted to insure no other jars had been distributed, and there were none.

Stone Soup Food Pantry served 2 families in March. Outdated food was taken to Food-Finders in Lafayette. There is still room in the freezer for meats, fruits, etc. Needs for this month include:

foil, plastic wrap, salt & pepper, crackers, lotion, aspirin/Tylenol, band-aids, peroxide.

If you or someone you know is hungry, call Chris Gipson 296-6632.

"If everyone gives just a little, there will be plenty for all"

Support Group News....we are off to a fine start and are finding support and hope as we meet together each Thursday at 2:00 p.m. We welcome new participants! If you know of someone who lives with a chronic illness or condition, please invite them to join us.

April Birthdays

4/1 Jan Dyer	4/11.. Hattie Cullom
4/2 Beth Newhart	4/14.. Adam Garriott
4/5 Dave Kelsey	4/15.. Ryan Walker
4/7 Coriden Schilling	4/15.. Sandy Waninger
4/8 Eric Lenahan	4/20.. Keith Haslet
4/9 Brianne Thayer	4/21.. Craig Overman
4/9 Emily Waugh	4/24.. Mark Newhart
4/10 Jerry Kemmerer	4/27.. Evan Lenahan
4/10 ... Tess Wilson	4/27.. Nate Overman

If your birthday is not listed,
please call the church office at 296-3399

Wee Blessings Pre School



Happy Spring everyone!

I love this time of year when everything comes back to life—just as Jesus rose from the grave and of course our Bible lessons have been about how Jesus died and rose again to give us eternal life. The children have enjoyed that different stories and plays on Jesus' life. The four year old class has completed the alphabet and will now review all the letters and we will be testing them on what they have learned throughout the year and will have parent/teacher conferences around the last of April. Kindergarten round-up (at Clinton Prairie) will be the first Thursday and Friday in May. Wee Blessings registration for next school year will be April 18th and 19th.

The three year old class has been working on their numbers and nursery rhymes. We have been through #6 and several rhymes and will continue after Spring Break which is March 26th-30th. School resumes on April 2nd. This class is doing a great job on their numbers and different math centers we have had.

We only have 4 about a month and a half of school left so we are going to be busy, busy, busy getting everything done.

Happy Easter, Happy Spring—Happy everything!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Sarah Wilson

Kid's Club

K-3rd grade had a great time when the FCA Teens came to spend some time entertaining and teaching them one evening. Thank you! Also we had a special night making play dow and side walk chalk. The fun, messy evening was great thanks to the staffs helping the kids work on their projects. Our lessons have been about how Jesus is our shepherd in life. Always with us to guide and protect us. Just one of the songs our kids are having fun with is "Jesus Teaches Us To Pray." We will soon be wrapping up another year of Kid's Club. Thank you to all the staff for your dedication this year.

The Directors

United Methodist Women

Come join us for the United Methodist Women's meeting on April 12th. Meet at the church at 6:30 and we will carpool for a "mystery adventure." Our meeting will be at Barb Seager's home. Come prepared to have fun. ☺

We are praying for:

Bessie Reid, who was hospitalized with pneumonia and is recuperating at MHRC.

Cleve Shields, who will have surgery on April 5 to clean up a problem from his recent knee replacement surgery. He expects to be in the hospital overnight.

Dear Friends,

In April 2006, I had surgery to correct a bladder problem. That surgery has left me with a complication that now needs to be surgically corrected. In addition, I have inherited an eyelid drooping problem that has worsened to the point that my vision is impaired and surgery is needed to correct this. Each procedure has a 2-3 week recovery period and the surgeons have given permission to have them done in the same week so I can recover from both at once. On April 23 I will be having the bladder surgery and will stay overnight at the IU Hospital in Indianapolis. On April 25 the eye surgery will be done in Lafayette. I expect to be "out of commission" for 2-3 weeks. I have consulted with the Staff-Parish Committee and they will be obtaining need pastoral coverage while I recuperate. Thank you for your understanding, thoughts and prayers. Pastor Linda

Thank You...

I would like to thank my Church Family for all of the Cards, Prayers, and other acts of kindness during my down time with my knee. Everything is going well and I am looking forward to having the other one done in the future not to near future but in the future.

Thank you and God Bless each and everyone of you!

Steve Percy, Julie too!

●Sunday School News●

F.R.O.G.S. Sunday School Class

The F.R.O.G.S. and the Junior High class have combined. We are meeting in the basement class room and are keeping the name Fully Rely On God's Sacrifice. This class covers the grades 4th-8th. Send the kids down to join us in our study of the Lord's Prayer.

"Can You Believe in God and Evolution?"

Cleve's class will continue at 10:00 a.m. in the sanctuary on Sundays April 15, 22 and 29.

► Help is needed on Wednesday, May 30 from 12:30 - 3:30 to help with the assembling of the packets for Annual conference at the Purdue Union.

Please email or call the office if you can help at any of the numbers below.

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CALENDAR

4/1	10:00 am	Palm/Passion Sunday – 1 worship service
4/4	7:00 pm	Finance Committee
4/3	7:00 pm	Bible Study
4/5	2:00 pm	Support Group
	7:00 pm	Maundy Thursday Worship
4/7	9:00 am	Abba's Board of Directors
4/8	8:00 am	Easter Sunrise Service
	8:45 am	Easter Breakfast
	10:00 am	Easter Worship Celebration
4/9	7:00 pm	Administrative Council
4/10	7:00 pm	Bible Study
4/11		Fasting Day for Imagine Indiana
4/12	2:00 pm	Support Group
	6:30 pm	UMW Meet at church
4/14	7:00 am	Men's Bible Study
4/17	7:00 pm	Bible Study
4/19	2:00 pm	Support Group
4/22	6:00 pm	Corporate Prayer
4/24	7:00 pm	Bible Study
4/26	2:00 pm	Support Group
4/28	7:00 am	Men's Bible Study

Service Assistance

Traditional Service

Prayer With Pastors:

4/1 Cheryl Overman

4/8 Mark Newhart

4/15 Linda Marshall

4/22 Marlene Boyd & Cathy Harden

4/29 Amy Thayer

Communion Steward: Vicki Hastings

Worship Leader: Wayne Walker

Acolyte: Whitney Simon

Greeters:

4/1 Jerry & Wilma Fultz

4/8 Larry & Marlene Boyd

4/15 Matt & Wendy Simon and Family

4/22 Jade & Crysta Fultz

4/29 Shelly Surber & Family

Blue Jean Service

Worship Leader: Cathy Harden

Greeters:

4/1 Deb Schutz

4/8 Mike & Tina Hall and Family

4/15 John & Cathy Harden

4/22 Jeff & Pat Weber

4/29 Perry & Betty Skiles

Children's Church:

4/1 Becki Staley

4/8 Betty Skiles

4/15 Deb Turner

4/22 Margarita Gipson

4/29 Vicki Hastings

*If you are listed and are unavailable on the date listed please call the office at 296-3399

From The Youth...

By the time you read this our Mississippi Mission Trip will be history. However, because of publishing deadlines, this is being written before we go. What I can tell you is that our chili lunch on March 11 was a huge success. We served over 100 bowls of delicious chili and the free-will offering was over \$800. We are astounded and humbled by the generosity of this church and this community. Thanks you to everyone who helped prepare and who contributed financially. And thank you for your prayers. Next month we will have an account of the trip.

Pastor Craig Overman

Missions Committee

Welcome to new officers: Barb Paddock--Chair

Deb Schutz--Secretary/Treasurer

Ryan Turner--Advisor

Special thanks to Ryan for your years of dedication as chairman. We are thankful to have you continue as advisor and "worker bee"!

Upcoming Events:

Easter Breakfast, April 8th, 8:45, between services.

-Free will offering to support future trips.

-PLEASE bring donations of donuts, coffee cake or any other breakfast treat.

-We will provide the rest!

EXCITING NEWS!!!

Medical Mission Trip to AFRICA is being planned. We are working with Joe Wagoner of the Conference supported program, Operation Classrooms, and will go to either Liberia or Sierre Leone. It will be a 2 week trip, lasting from the last week of June through the first week of July. We hope to send a team of 5. We will be using the airline vouchures left from the cancelled Haiti trip, which expire July 9th. Each team member will be responsible for about \$1500 of expenses. Watch and listen for more information soon!!

Submitted by: Deb Schutz

Thank you to our Mission Team, who spent the week of March 24 – April 1 serving those whose lives were devastated by Hurricane Katrina in D'Iberville, Mississippi. Thank you to all of who supported their trip with your prayers and donations. The team will report on their trip, with pictures, on Sunday, April 16 at both services. Our missionaries:

Jim Cullom, Becky Farley, Kevin Garrett, Dave Klippel, Cheryl Overman, Craig Overman, Michael Cook, Hattie Cullom, Joanne Weber, Cody Pope, April Farley, Erin Overman, Nate Overman, Sarah Thies, Laura Brassie, Kenny Patton, Dave Patchett, Keri Katzman, Stephanie Reagan, Josh Zaring, Derek Lee, Jacob Stephens, Karista Gephart, Sean Crye

MUMC Vital Signs



	<u>Offering</u>	<u>Missions</u>	<u>Attend.</u>	<u>S.S. Attend.</u>
Feb. 18	\$2,617	\$73	123	58
Feb. 25	\$1,895	\$171	84	34
Mar. 4	\$4,311	\$162	139	34
Mar. 11	\$3,122	\$1,120	154	67

*Average Sunday Service Attendance as of 3/11:130

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Sunday Worship Services

8:45 AM	Traditional
10:00 AM	Sunday School
11:00 AM	Blue Jean/ Contemporary
4-5:30 PM	Youth Group at Abba's Place

“We would love to see you there!”

