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Sunday Schedule: Worship Service, 10 a.m.
Coffee Fellowship, 11:15 a.m.
Children Church School, 10:10 a.m.
Adult Church School, 11:30 a.m.

Hazelwood's Statement of Calling: As members of the body of Christ, we at Hazelwood are called to share God's love by introducing individuals to Christ and nurturing personal spiritual growth for Christ's mission.

Motto: Our **BEST** for Christ



Look for us at:
www.hazelwoodchurch.org
We are constantly building and adding to it, so check back often! You can also contact us through the Website. Check out the home page.

NEWSLETTER SCHEDULE

November 10, 2016
November 23, 2016

Items to be published in the Newsletter are due in the office one week prior to publish date. Thank you!

HAZELWOOD LEAVES

October 27, 2016



Music Fest

Sunday, October 30th

Praise the Lord! Praise God in His sanctuary; praise Him in His mighty firmament! Praise Him for His mighty deeds; praise Him according to His surpassing greatness!

Praise Him with trumpet sound; praise Him with lute and harp! Praise Him with tambourine and dance; praise Him with strings and pipe! Praise Him with clanging cymbals; praise Him with loud clashing cymbals! Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord!

Psalm 150

BUDGET UPDATE

Offerings Received for Week Ending 10/18/16: \$2,764.83

Offerings Received for Week Ending 10/25/16: \$4,358.97

Average Offering for Last Five Weeks: \$5,796.97

Average Weekly Need: \$6,000

January-September Offerings Compared to Budget: (\$21,716.79)*

**Those parentheses mean we have received LESS than budgeted*



Well, you might have noticed we're in a Presidential Election season. Yowza! Can you think of a previous election season that was this intense? I don't think I can, and if you're like me you're ready for it to be November 9 and to have this behind us.

One strange positive in this election year is it's made us consider sexual assault and sexually degrading speech. These are things we don't necessarily talk about in polite church culture, but it's all around us even if we don't acknowledge it. I have a friend with a teenage daughter who recently had to give her daughter a talk about how to respond when a man gropes her or touches her in an inappropriate way. I have another friend, a fellow pastor, who was preparing for a funeral and walked in on the funeral home staff who were discussing the attractiveness of her body. These are things I don't think about or worry about as a man, but they are still a constant reality for women in our culture.

We believe, as Christians, in the dignity and worth of every person. Every human is made in the image of God and is worthy of honor and respect. Speech and actions that treat another person as an object are wrong. We Christians need to be able to say "no" when we hear degrading speech or we witness sexual assault. If anyone can point the way to healthier behavior and speech, hopefully it is we who gather in church communities where we believe in the value and dignity of every woman and man.

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Pastor Jason's Journal, continued...

And can I say a word to my fellow men? Guys, I, like most of you, grew up in a culture that objectified women by their looks and valued women only by how they measured up to some culturally imposed standard of beauty. I've heard plenty of degrading talk and witnessed inappropriate behavior by my fellow men. It wasn't like that in my family, but it was the "normal" I was around in my school years. But, guys, we're better than that, and we need to speak and act in ways that dignify others rather than demean them.

Every person is a beautiful and beloved child of God. Every person is worthy of speech and actions that treat each person as nothing less than a beloved creation of God. Anything less than that is beneath us and beneath the value and love God gave all of us.

Grace & peace,
Jason Jones



- ◆ Myrna Atkinson is in rehab at Bethel Pointe following surgery to mend a broken hip.
- ◆ John Burke has been released from the hospital.
- ◆ Larry Green has left Morrison Woods and is now at Westminster.



We pledge our Christian love and support to Kaylee Clark, who came forward to make Hazelwood her church home during worship on Sunday, October 23.

Kaylee is a senior at Ball State, majoring in Marketing/Hospitality. She hails from Crown Point, Indiana and likes to read, paint, and nap.

Let us all extend a warm Hazelwood Welcome to our newest member!



Words on Worship from the Worship Team

Many have asked the Worship Team, “Who picks the music, and how is it picked?” We, Marianna Gill and Rev. James Petty, diligently work together on our worship services every week. We have also occasionally had help from others involved in our worship service when their schedule allows, like the senior minister, organist, and choir director.

We have found we have a similar approach to selecting the music. Our first and foremost thought is finding music that will enhance the particular theme of each Sunday. The theme is influenced by the scripture being read, the sermon, and its place in the liturgical (i.e. Advent) and secular (Veteran’s Day) calendars. From there, we arrange music to where it most appropriately fits in the worship service. Some themes have a plethora of songs and hymns that fit. Therefore, we take into consideration which pieces best fit the theme, have been requested by the congregation (i.e. during the Music Fest), or have not been sung in a while. When themes do not yield very many practical songs or hymns, we search for something that best fits the particular place in worship (i.e. Communion).

We have slides for over 400 different songs and hymns we have done since the introduction of the monitors in the Sanctuary. As we add new music to our list, we consider several things. Is it singable? Can the congregation learn it easily? How can we best introduce and teach the new song or hymn? Through knowledge gained while attending worship conferences, Marianna has learned the best way to introduce a new song is to sing it with the congregation at least three Sundays- it can be three Sundays in a row, or three Sundays out of four. Another way we introduce songs to the congregation is to have the Praise Band do the song as a prelude or postlude before the congregation sings it. Our hope is when it’s time for the congregation to sing the song, it will already sound familiar.

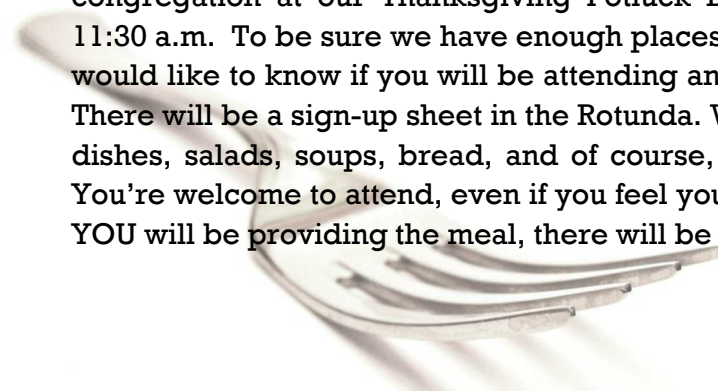
We have been very fortunate to get the scripture and themes 1-2 months in advance so we can spend time planning these services. Planning the music takes us 30-60 minutes for a regular worship service. There have been times when we needed to table a worship service to deliberate on music options.

In the end, we try to put together music that is both coherent with the theme and flows appropriately with our worship service. We thank you for all your comments and suggestions, and your votes for our Music Fests.

Peace and Blessings,
Marianna Gill & Rev. James Petty

THANKSGIVING POTLUCK

Hazelwood will once again give thanks by celebrating the culinary talent of our congregation at our Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner on Sunday, November 13 at 11:30 a.m. To be sure we have enough places set and a variety of food to offer, we would like to know if you will be attending and what food you would like to share. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Rotunda. We will need main dishes, meat, side dishes, salads, soups, bread, and of course, desserts. Drinks will be provided. You’re welcome to attend, even if you feel you can’t bring anything to share. Since YOU will be providing the meal, there will be no money collected at the dinner.



2016 ANNUAL MEETING

Our annual business meeting will be held on Sunday, November 13, immediately following the Thanksgiving Potluck, at approximately 1 p.m. Important issues that will affect Hazelwood’s future will be presented for the congregation’s consideration. The following is a list of candidates for 2017 officers which will be presented at the meeting.

Moderator

Vice Moderator

Treasurer

Secretary

At-Large Board Members

2017 OFFICERS

Tony Gill

Jim Warrner

Woody Wantz

Mary Ann Matchett

Kathy Clary

Cheryll Crose

John Starnes

ELDERS

Donna Dye

Mary Ann Matchett

Yeno Matuka

John Starnes

DEACONS

Jack Carmichael

Mariangella Glaze

Jay Matchett

Rhea Morgan

Andy Rees

TRUSTEES

Dick Miller

Sue Weller



Preschool NEWS

Thank you!

Thank you to all the families that attended Chapel this month. The children are really learning a lot. I'm so proud of them and our teachers for all their hard work.

Thank you to all of the parents that helped with our Halloween parades and parties. What a ghostly good time!

Fire Drills

~Angela Lopez, Preschool Director

We had our first fire drill of the new school year, and the children did great. They walked very orderly and calmly to our designated meeting places where we talked about the importance of having a special place to meet at home, too.

Dad's Night Out

The 4-5 Classes had a night of pumpkin carving that was frightful! With a total of 44 dads and students, we had smiles from ear to ear as they entered the building with pumpkins of all sizes and shapes. It was a hauntingly good time!

Bazaar

If you haven't signed up for a booth, to donate cookies, homemade candies, or breads, or to volunteer your time, please do so as soon as possible. We really need your help! This is our biggest fundraiser for the year, and we depend on all of you to make it a big success. If you are not sure how you can help, please call Angie at 284-2430, ext. 25 (cell: 702-4864), and remember- no time spent is too small, we appreciate it all!

Looking Ahead

Nov. 12	Hazelwood Bazaar Preschool & Youth Fundraiser, 7:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
Nov. 17	3-4 Year Old Classes Day of Giving, 10:30 a.m. & 2 p.m.
Nov. 21	4-5 Year Old Classes Thanksgiving Feast, 11 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
Nov. 23-25	Thanksgiving Break
Dec. 15	Christmas Program, All Classes, 6:30 p.m.
Dec. 22- Jan. 4	Christmas Break
Jan. 5	Classes Resume



ALL-YOUTH FELLOWSHIP (AYF)

One of the things that shaped me in my teenage years was Youth Sunday. To me, it was a joy, a privilege, and a chance to participate in the service in a different way. As I watched the youth plan the Youth Sunday service last week, I saw the same excitement in them that I remember experiencing.

Like last year, this year's service has been planned, and will be presented, completely by our youth. For some of them, they are developing their gifts and talents. Others are stepping outside of their comfort zone and exploring new ways they can participate in the life of the church. Together they have developed a service that includes songs, scripture, and lessons that are meaningful to them.

Please join us on Sunday, November 13 and see how God is moving through our youth!

~Rev. James Petty

UPCOMING EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

We will meet at 4:30 p.m. this Sunday, October 30, in the Rotunda for our **Youth Halloween Party**. We will join the church at 6 p.m. to help with the **Trunk-or-Treat**. We will need some youth to help run the bounce house and to serve popcorn.

November 5 is the **All Church Work Day**. There is a lot that needs to be done to get our building and grounds ready for the Bazaar (one of our major fundraisers!) and other upcoming events. Make plans to join us on Saturday, November 5 at 9 a.m. (come early for donuts, coffee, and juice) as we work together to take care of what God has placed in our care. Please see the sign-up sheet in the Rotunda to let us know you'd like to help.

Youth help is also needed during our **Bazaar** on Saturday, November 12. The major areas we need your help are in running the festival games downstairs, selling concessions in Cartwright Hall, and getting everything ready for Sunday's activities after the Bazaar is over. Please contact Rev. James Petty to see what opportunities are a good fit for you.

ALL CHURCH WORK DAY

Fall is here, and that means the church calendar is full of great events at Hazelwood. What better reason to come together and participate in our next All Church Work Day on Saturday, November 5! As usual, we'll meet in the Library area for juice and donuts at 8:30 a.m. The real work begins at 9 a.m. as we start to tackle those outdoor chores that come with the season: raking leaves, picking up sticks, and pulling weeds, just to name a few. If you are unable to tackle some of the more strenuous outside work, there is still plenty to do inside! Vacuuming, dusting, and window washing are all simple ways to help out that have a big impact.

Not able to come to the Work Day but still want to help be good stewards to our church? With John Burke recovering from his recent hospital stay and Randy Burke still recovering from his arm surgery, we can use all the help we can muster throughout the next couple of weeks to help keep the Sanctuary, Rotunda, and Library areas clean and ready for our Sunday worship. Special thanks go out to Rev. Jason, Dick & Marcia Miller, Rev. James, Stefanie, & Logan Petty, John Starnes, Glen Sulanke, and Ann Wolfe who have all stepped up during the last few weeks to help out.

There is truth to the saying "many hands make light work." If you would like to volunteer while John and Randy recover, please let the church office know. Whether it's a one-time thing or a little time each week, all help is greatly appreciated!

ADVENT DEVOTIONALS

It has long been tradition for members of the Hazelwood congregation to come together to create a devotional booklet for Advent. The result is a unique and personal set of devotions to help us prepare our hearts and minds for the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ.

The theme this year is *Holding Hope*. There are still plenty of verses in need of a devotion! If you would like to contribute to this project, stop by the Rotunda after worship. You will find a bulletin board with the bible verses for each day's devotion. Take a look, see what speaks to your heart, and sign up. In order to ensure our booklets are ready by the start of Advent, we ask that all devotions be submitted to the church office by October 31.



HAZELWOOD ANGELS

On Saturday, October 22, the Youth and the Missions & Benevolence Team helped direct cars to park for the BSU Homecoming Parade, raising \$148 for the Christmas Box Project. Those who helped included: Shirley Bookout, Hannah Brooks, Abby Mickle, Rev. James Petty, Jim Reece, Andy & Brynmar Rees, and Glen Sulanke.



STUFF-A-BUS fundraiser for Christian Ministries will be held November 4 & 11 at the Marsh stores on Tillotson and McGalliard. Volunteers are needed to pass out flyers for two-hour shifts. Please call Cheryll Crose at (765)759-8655 for more information or to sign up.

WHITELY FOOD PANTRY is located at Harvest Christian Church, 1010 E. Centennial Ave. Help is needed on the third Thursday of each month with set-up, working the pantry from 4-6 p.m., and take-down afterwards. This is a new pantry and can use lots of help. Please call Mary Dollison at (765) 288-1892 for more information, or to sign up to help.

SOUTHSIDE PANTHER PANTRY at Southside Middle School, 1601 E. 26th St., is on the third Thursday of each month. Volunteers are needed for set-up, working the pantry, and take-down. This is a huge pantry and could use all the help we can give. To volunteer, call Debbie Huston at (765) 744-5320.

~Blessings from the Missions & Benevolence Team



October 30-November 5, 2016

- SUNDAY**
- Music Fest Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary
 - Gathering, 11:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall
 - Trunk-or-Treat, 6 p.m., Hazelwood Parking Lot
- MONDAY**
- Area Ministers' Meeting, 10:30 a.m.
- TUESDAY**
- Praise Band Rehearsal, 9:30 a.m., Sanctuary
- WEDNESDAY**
- Elders, 5:30 p.m.
 - Bell Choir Rehearsal, 6 p.m., Choir Room
 - MS Support, 7 p.m., Cartwright Hall
 - Choir Rehearsal, 7:15 p.m., Choir Loft
- FRIDAY**
- Preschool Team Meeting, 10:30 a.m.
- SATURDAY**
- All Church Work Day, 9 a.m.-Noon

November 6-12, 2016

- SUNDAY**
- Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary
 - All-Youth Fellowship, 11:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall
 - College/Young Adult Fellowship, 11:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall
 - Christian Ministries' 36 Annual Thanks-Singing Festival, 3 p.m., Church of the Living God, 1120 E. Washington St.
- MONDAY**
- Women's Bible Study, 6 p.m.
- TUESDAY**
- Praise Band Rehearsal, 9:30 a.m., Sanctuary
- WEDNESDAY**
- Bell Choir Rehearsal, 6 p.m., Choir Room
 - Choir Rehearsal, 7:15 p.m., Choir Loft
- FRIDAY**
- Bazaar Vendor Set Up, 6-8 p.m., Cartwright Hall
- SATURDAY**
- Annual Fall Bazaar, 7:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

All events held at Sulanke Fellowship House, unless otherwise noted.



Looking Ahead...

November 13, 2016

Youth Sunday Worship Service, 10 a.m.

Annual Congregational Carry-In & Meeting, 11:30 a.m.

November 18, 2016

Men's Lunch, Noon, Cartwright Hall

Host: Bill Wakeland

November 20, 2016

Gratitude Sunday

Food donations will be collected during the service for Christian Ministries

November 24-25, 2016

Church Office Closed

Happy Thanksgiving!

December 4, 2016

Hanging of the Greens

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 Kathy Clary | 10 Robert Chambers | 16 Sara Krumme |
| Jeff Heavilon | Pat LaRue | 27 Kay Schnuck |
| 2 Jarrod Smith | 13 Tony Gill | Madeleine White |
| 3 Mary Dobson | Ann Wolfe | 28 Karen Ingles |
| 8 Marilou Lykens | 16 Don Crose | Jennifer Warrner |
| 9 Sam Devroy | 17 Khamasi Muhiga | |

If your name has been inadvertently left off, call the church office at 282-5969.



Hazelwood Christian Church
2016 Annual Fall Bazaar
Saturday, November 12, 7:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

- *All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast**, 7:30-9:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall
Cost: \$4.00
- *Crafts & Gift Bazaar**, 8 a.m.-2 p.m., Cartwright Hall
Past vendors have included: Crafts, Woodworking, Books, Bags, Cosmetics, Hair Bows & Accessories, Jewelry, Gifts, and much more!
- *Hearty Fall Lunch**, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Sulanke Fellowship House
Cost: \$8.00 for adults & \$5.00 for children - menu includes home-made chicken & dumplings with mashed potatoes or hotdog with chips. Either choice comes with green beans, dessert, and a beverage.
- *Children's Festival**, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Preschool area
Tickets: \$5.00 and includes bounce house, treat walks, ring toss, and more!
- *Silent Auction**, Cartwright Hall
The Silent Auction will be run this year by Kay Schnuck and Mary Ann Matchett. They would like your help putting together "theme" baskets/boxes to auction. Themes could be a favorite sports team, holidays, toys, children's books, pet items, even a decorated tree. You can put together a group of items, bring items to us to put together, or give us a donation, and we will do the rest. Be creative, have fun, and support our preschool and youth- it's a win for everyone! Your donations can be given to either Kay or Mary Ann, or dropped off at the church office. Please be sure to mark your item "Silent Auction" and include your name so proper credit can be given. Any and all help you give to support this event will be greatly appreciated!
- *Special Visit From Santa Claus**, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Cartwright Hall
Children are welcomed to get their picture taken with Santa and share their Christmas wishes!

The proceeds from this event benefit both the preschool and youth programs at Hazelwood.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING - TIME TO DECORATE!

It will soon be time to decorate our church with the lovely poinsettias and other decorations for Advent and Christmas. If you would like to help by donating a poinsettia in memory, or in honor, of someone this year, please fill out the form below, and send it to the church office with your check, or drop it in the offering plate on Sunday. Each gift is \$15, and you will be entitled to take a poinsettia home with you after Christmas. Names will be listed in the bulletin for the Hanging of the Greens worship service, December 4. *Thank you!*

Christmas Decoration Gift Order

Deadline to receive orders is November 20, 2016.

of Poinsettias ordered (@\$15 each) _____

Given by _____

In memory of _____

