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Sunday Schedule: Traditional Worship, 9 a.m.; *Celebrate!* Worship, 10:45 a.m.  
Coffee Fellowship, 10:15 a.m. and 12 noon; Church School, 10:10 a.m. and 10:30 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](http://www.hazelwoodchurch.org)**  
We will be 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  
2013  
January 10 & 24  
As always, if you want something in, it is due one week prior to mail date.  
Thanks!



# HAZELWOOD LEAVES

December 13, 2012



*Merry Christmas  
From the  
Hazelwood Staff*

*John*

*James*

*Howard*

*Barb*

*Marianna*

*Ann*

*Rebecca*

*Judy*

*Rev. Sara*

*Linette*

*Monica*

*Rev. Colby*

*Rhea*



**December 16 - 21, 2012**

- SUNDAY
  - Traditional service, 9 a.m., Sanctuary.
  - *Celebrate!* service, 10:45 a.m., Cartwright Hall.
- MONDAY
  - Preschool Christmas program, 11 a.m. & 2:30 p.m., Rotunda.
  - Family Fun Game Night, 7 p.m., Cartwright Hall.
- TUESDAY
  - Preschool Christmas program, 11 a.m. & 2:30 p.m., Rotunda.
  - Trustees' meeting, 5:30 p.m.
- WEDNESDAY
  - Bell choir, 6 p.m., choir room.
  - Choir, 7:15 p.m., choir loft.
- FRIDAY
  - Men's lunch, 12 noon. Host: Bill Patterson.

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The Women's Organization still has some goodies for sale.....pint jars of mincemeat, ham loaf, noodles, almonds, and walnuts. See Dee Moser or Judy Thomas to purchase any item.

Also, if you want delicious homemade noodles, contact Mary Anne Warfel at 284-6493.



If you signed up to ring bells for the Salvation Army, please don't forget your time!

**Looking Ahead . . .**

**Christmas Eve, December 24**

7 p.m., "Tell Me The Story,"  
Cartwright Hall.

8:30 p.m., Coffee Fellowship  
Reception, Rotunda.

9 p.m., Traditional  
Lessons & Carols, Sanctuary.

**Sunday, December 30**

One service, 10 a.m., Cartwright Hall.



Dear Friends,

May this be a Christmas  
when all those you love  
have laughter and warmth  
and sweet memories to share.

Best Wishes,

Pastor Robert and Mary Harris



## ADVENT AT HAZELWOOD

**December 16:** Worship at 9 & 10:45 a.m

**December 17:** Family Game Night, 7 p.m.

**December 18:** Trustees meet; No Board meeting.

**December 23:** Worship at 9 & 10:45 a.m

**December 24:** Church office closes at noon; Worship at 7 p.m. *“Tell Me The Story;”* coffee fellowship reception, 8:30 p.m., Rotunda; Worship at 9 p.m. *Traditional Lessons and Carols.*

**December 25:** Christmas Day, Have a Blessed Christmas; Church office closed.

**December 30:** One family worship service, 10 a.m., Cartwright Hall.

**December 31:** Church office closes at noon.

**January 1:** Church office closed. Welcome to 2013!

Help is Needed.....



**Meals for the homeless**

The Missions & Benevolence committee is sponsoring a week of meals for the men’s sleeping room of Christian Ministries, January 13 - 19. Each day we will provide two meals, breakfast, 6 - 7:30 a.m. and dinner, 6 - 7:30 p.m. Participants are encouraged to bring food already prepared, or you may fix what is available at the shelter. We will need to know when you sign up if you are providing food for your meal. Sign up begins Sunday, December 23, in the Rotunda.

Please prayerfully consider when you can help. For additional information contact Shirley Bookout, 744-107.



## December 23 - 28, 2012

SUNDAY

- Traditional service, 9 a.m., Sanctuary.
- *Celebrate!* service, 10:45 a.m., Cartwright Hall.
- Rainbow, Chi Rho, & CYF, “End of Semester” party, 12:30 - 5 p.m.

MONDAY

Christmas Eve



- Worship, “Tell Me The Story,” 7 p.m., Cartwright Hall.
- Coffee fellowship reception, 8:30 p.m., Rotunda.
- Worship, Traditional Lessons and Carols, 9 p.m., Sanctuary.

TUESDAY

Christmas Day

- Church office closed.



FRIDAY

- P.D.O. fun day, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., P.D.O. room.

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Our Ball State Graduate

## CONGRATULATIONS DECEMBER GRADUATE

Mark PaHud is a December 15 graduate of Ball State University, with a degree in Criminal Justice. He will now be on the hunt for that perfect job. Mark is Rev. Sara's fiancé, and they are planning a June wedding in California. He is also serving as one of our Hazelwood youth sponsors. Best of luck, Mark!



Happy New Year ♪ Happy New Year ♪ Happy New Year

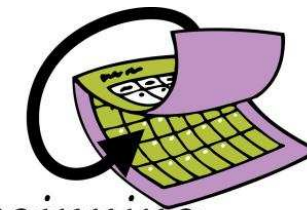
**December 30, 2012 - January 4, 2013**

- SUNDAY** • One Worship service, 10 a.m., Cartwright Hall.
- MONDAY** • Church office closed at noon.
- TUESDAY** • Church office closed. Have a safe and happy new year!  
New Year's Day
- THURSDAY** • Book club, 6 p.m., Library. Discussion on "Snow Angel,"  
by Glen Beck. Everyone is welcome to attend.
- FRIDAY** • Men's lunch, noon. Host: Charles Retherford.

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Special Christmas Offering taken  
December 16 & 23 for the  
Indiana Region, to help with summer  
camps, conferences, men's and women's  
ministries, and equipping people to serve  
in mission work and ministry outside their  
building, outside their community, and  
outside of the United States.



*Beginning  
January 6*

DID YOU KNOW . . .IT'S COMING . . .?

Sunday, January 6 is the kick-off!! Of what, you ask?? Sunday, January 6, 2013, is the first Sunday of our simultaneous worship services! Both services (Traditional and Celebrate!) will begin at 10 a.m. Why, you ask? Much study and conversation has gone into this decision. The major reason is so that all of our church family can be at church at the same time on Sunday mornings. This will align us with growing congregations that share the same Sunday morning platform. If we are to grow, we need to do some things differently. This will allow for greater unity within Hazelwood by sharing common worship times. Other benefits are: a combined coffee fellowship time; adult, youth, and children shared Sunday morning Bible time; unified children's choir; and greater possibility for whole-church activities.

Please mark your calendar now for Sunday, January 6, and plan to be at church at 10 a.m.

- 9 a.m. Vocal Choir Rehearsal
- 9 a.m. Nursery available for newborns - 2 years old
- 10 a.m. Both services begin
- 10:10 a.m. Children's Church School (Elementary, grades 1 - 5; toddler, ages 2 - Kindergarten)
- 10:45 a.m. Children's Choir
- 11:15 a.m. Ch Ki Lo Class
- 11:30 a.m. Youth Group (the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month)

Coffee fellowship will be served in the Rotunda at the end of the services. Join us and your fellow congregation members, as we begin our new worship schedule together.



### Church School Start-up For Toddlers

### New time, new curriculum, and new teachers schedule...

Beginning January 6, all of our children will be in Church School at the same time! There will be a church school class for our 1st through 5th graders, and a church school class for our toddlers, ages 2-kindergarten. Our Celebrate! toddlers have enjoyed having their own Church School class this past year, and we are excited to announce that all our toddlers will now have a church school class of their own.

Our elementary youth will begin a new Children's Church School curriculum in January, and our toddlers will continue to hear a Bible story each Sunday.

We also give thanks for all the church school teachers who have been so generous with their time and talent, and we appreciate their flexibility with this transition. We look forward to the opportunity to share God's word with our young ones in the coming year.

\*Our younger toddlers (ages 2-3) are invited to either attend Church School or, if they are not ready (i.e. not potty-trained), they may stay in the nursery until they are ready to attend the toddlers class.

### Our Shelves Were Empty and Then Help Came!

"Thanks to everyone that helped to fill the Food Pantry shelves during November. Hazelwood Christian Church was among them."

Christian Ministries of Delaware County



## January 6 - 11, 2013

### SUNDAY

- Traditional service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary.
- *Celebrate!* service, 10 a.m., Cartwright Hall.
- Coffee Fellowship, 11:15 a.m., Rotunda.

### WEDNESDAY

- Elders' meeting, 5 p.m.
- Creative Arts Group, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., east porch.
- Bell choir, 6 p.m., choir room.
- Choir, 7:15 p.m., choir loft

### FRIDAY

- Men's lunch, noon. Host: Larry Rees.

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Permanent  
Fund News

### HAZELWOOD'S PERMANENT FUND IS ESTABLISHED....

Endowment Funds provide a wonderful opportunity for a congregation to enhance its ministry and witness, while also giving the individual Christian an avenue to express a personal faith stewardship statement. The donor wants to be sure the church will be a wise steward of these gifts, and in many cases, desires that the gift for ministry serve in perpetuity. At Hazelwood, we do have an Endowment/Permanent Fund, administered by a team, and invested at Christian Church Foundation. When you're planning your 2013 budget, or planning for your estate in your will, remember Hazelwood's Permanent Fund, and Hazelwood will benefit from your generosity for years to come. If you have questions about donating to this fund, or remembering Hazelwood in your will, you may talk to Rev. Colby Smith, or any of the Fund Administrators: Ron Thomas, Jim Warrner, Donna Dye, Jay Matchett, or Jerry McKean. Thank you in advance for your generosity, and your gift benefiting generations to come.

## Youth Group Info

December 23 — All youth are invited to join us for an “end of semester” party. We will meet from 12:30—5 p.m. All youth are invited to bring a food item to share for lunch that day. We will then travel to XSite Laser Tag, in Indianapolis, for an afternoon of fun. We will return to the church by 5 p.m. The cost for this event is \$10.00. Don’t forget to RSVP by December 16th, and invite a friend.

January 13— First Youth Group of the New Year... NEW TIME 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Lunch will still be provided.

January 21 — MLK Day Trip to Entertainment Junction (entertainmentjunction.com). We will meet at the church at 8 a.m. and return at 5 p.m. Cost of the event is \$5.00 and includes lunch and admission. RSVP by January 13th.

January 27— Youth Group meeting, 11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.



Mark Your Calendar for July 2013...  
Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) General  
Assembly. July 13 - 17, Orlando, Florida.

Though it may seem like a long way off,  
the General Assembly will be here before you know it!

Congratulations to Barb Marlow, who has published her first book! The book, “Sweet Dreams,” is a children’s book, and it was illustrated by our own Hannah Thomas. See Barb for more details.



January 2013

- 2 Mallory Masiongale
- 4 Kara Tucker
- 8 Rachel Tucker  
Alexis (Bennett) Brant
- 9 Stefanie Petty
- 10 Evan Conley
- 14 Michael Heavilon
- 15 Brayton Conley
- 17 Donna Dye  
Sharon Herron
- 18 Linda Roberts
- 21 Zachary Foster
- 22 Bill Moser
- 23 Lois Gross
- 24 Cathy Purtlebaugh
- 26 Jay Matchett  
Helen McConnell
- 27 Robert Purtlebaugh  
Stan Bobbitt
- 29 Andrew Glaze  
Rev. Colby Smith
- 30 Andrew Rowe



January  
Birthdays

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