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Sunday Schedule: Traditional Worship, 10 a.m.; *Celebrate!* Worship, 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 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

2014
April 24
May 8 & 22
June 5 & 19

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



HAZELWOOD LEAVES

April 10, 2014



AT HAZELWOOD ~ 2014:

Palm Sunday, April 13:



Procession of Palms at both services.

Week of Prayer begins at 1 p.m., and runs the entire week. You may sign up for a time on the prayer board in the Rotunda.

Maundy Thursday, April 17:



Dinner, 6 p.m., Cartwright Hall.

Worship service, 7 p.m., Sanctuary, with choir anthem, homily, hand-washing, and communion.

Good Friday, April 18:



Church office closes at noon.

Community Good Friday service, noon, First Baptist Church, 309 E Adams.

Reflect on what Christ accomplished on the cross for each of us.

Saturday, April 19



Easter egg hunt, 10 a.m., lawn.

Easter Sunday, April 20:



Traditional service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary.

Celebrate! service, 10 a.m., Cartwright Hall.

Come, worship our risen Lord!



April 13 - 19, 2014

- PALM SUNDAY**
- Traditional service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary.
 - *Celebrate!* service, 10 a.m., Cartwright Hall.
 - Retirement Reception for Howard Thomas, Rotunda.
 - Week of prayer begins, 1 p.m., Chapel.
- MONDAY**
- Preschool Team meeting, 1 p.m.
- TUESDAY**
- Praise Band rehearsal, 7 p.m., Cartwright Hall.
- WEDNESDAY**
- Bell Choir rehearsal, 6 p.m., choir room.
 - Choir rehearsal, 7:15 p.m., choir loft.
- MAUNDY THURSDAY**
- Dinner, 6 p.m., Cartwright Hall.
 - Service, 7 p.m.
- GOOD FRIDAY**
- Church office closes at noon.
 - Community Worship service, First Baptist Church, 12 p.m.
- SATURDAY**
- Easter Egg Hunt, 10 a.m., lawn area. Older youth, who want to hide eggs and assist the younger ones, be at the church at 9 a.m.

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



TIME TO UPDATE!

If you want to get correspondence through email, and you currently are not, be sure we have your current email address in the church office.

If you want the newsletters through the Postal Service, the charge is \$15.00 for the year, or you can pick one up in the Church Office or Library.

Thank you!



Now that the snow is gone (hopefully for good!), it's time to think of playing ball. We're looking for men and women to have fun and to play softball at the Muncie Sportsplex, beginning May 6. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Rotunda during coffee fellowship. Please sign up so that we know if we have enough for a men's and a coed team. See Marianna Gill or Andy Rees if you have any questions. Players must be at least 14 years old to play. If you turn 14 this year, you are eligible.

Many Thanks!

PUB TABLES...

Hazelwood has been blessed with many ministries, fellowship groups, and two wonderful worship services. One of the reasons we began running the two worship services concurrent is to help keep all of these wonderful things from feeling disconnected from each other. This allows both services to mingle together during the coffee fellowship.

We always look to improve and encourage this communal bonding. We have been observing the coffee fellowship time, and discovered the lack of a space for people to gather around, and a place to set belongings and refreshments. After discussion with a few people, we looked into a solution to help improve our fellowship.

In a few Sundays, you will see four pub tables, generously donated by Andrea and Hal Dickson. These beautiful, solid wood tables will be staggered in the coffee fellowship area. This will give us places to congregate around, and to free up our hands so we can talk more comfortably. These will be equipped with wheels so they can be moved to free up the area when we have events in that space.

We hope you will take advantage of these tables to get better acquainted with your brothers and sisters in Christ, and please thank the Dicksons for their donation.



The Hazelwood Congregation is invited to a farewell and appreciation dinner for Rev. Colby, Suzy, Jessica, and Chance Smith on Sunday, April 27, 2014, noon, Cartwright Hall.

Meat, drinks, and table service will be furnished. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to share. If you are on a committee, various dishes have been assigned, to be sure we have a good variety.

We will also have a *gift card box* available if you wish to honor them with a going-away gift. Suggested gift cards are: Staples, Amazon, and Lowe's.

Here are the assignments for the dinner:

- Ministerial Relations - Meat
- Elders - Salads / Relish Tray / Fruit
- Deacons - Side Dishes / Casseroles / Vegetables
- Personnel - Drinks (Coffee, Iced Tea, Lemonade, Water, & Ice)
- Trustees & Stewardship - Desserts (Cookies, Brownies, Pies, Fruit Crisps)
- Missions & Benevolence - Cake
- CWF, Chi-Ki-Lo, Youth - Set-Up & Table Decorations
- Celebrate! Team, Choirs, Worship Team - Clean-Up

If you are not assigned to any of these committees or groups, bring your favorite dish to share!

We would like to have an idea how many we are planning for, so please RSVP by email, hazelwoodchurch@gmail.com or by phone, 282-5969, by April 21.

This is a bittersweet occasion, but we want to show our love and appreciation to the Smiths, as we wish them Godspeed on their journey to Arkansas!

Hazelwood Ministerial Relations Committee

*For everything there is a season, and
a time for every matter under heaven...Ecclesiastes 3:1*



April 20 - 23, 2014

- EASTER SUNDAY**
 - Traditional service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary.
 - *Celebrate!* service, 10 a.m., Cartwright Hall.
- MONDAY**
 - Area Ministers' meeting, 11 a.m.
 - Christian Women's Fellowship, 2 p.m., home of Jeane Garrett.
- TUESDAY**
 - Trustees' meeting, 5:30 p.m.
 - Board meeting, 7 p.m.
 - Praise Band rehearsal, 7 p.m., Sanctuary.
- WEDNESDAY**
 - Bell Choir rehearsal, 6 p.m., choir room.
 - Neighborhood Association meeting, 7 p.m.
 - Choir rehearsal, 7:15 p.m., choir loft.

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

Looking Ahead . . .

Maundy Thursday, April 17
Dinner, 6 p.m., Cartwright Hall
Worship service, 7 p.m., Sanctuary

Good Friday, April 18
Community Worship Service, 12 noon
First Baptist Church, Muncie

Sunday, April 27
Preschool Sunday, combined worship service,
10 a.m., Sanctuary.

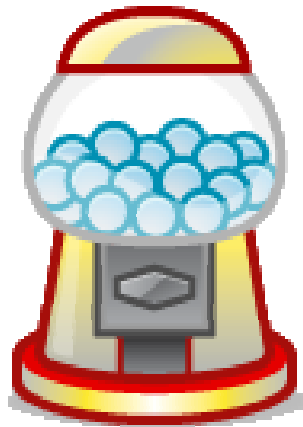
Farewell Dinner for Rev. Colby and family,
12 p.m., Cartwright Hall.



“You may have seen the giant gumball machine in the Rotunda and are wondering what in the world this is all about? The Preschool will begin our BIG FUNDRAISER in April. With a goal of \$2,000.00, we hope to buy some much needed supplies for our Preschool classrooms, such as summer equipment, multicultural materials, craft supplies, bulletin board paper, etc. We would also like to buy some playground equipment that would be more developmentally appropriate for our younger students.

“Each gumball placed in the machine will represent a \$25.00 donation, or an accumulated donation of \$25.00. As the donations go up, so will the gumballs. We will keep track of our progress by placing the received donated amount on a gumball placed in the gumball dispenser. If you can give a financial donation to our Preschool, we would be very appreciative. If at this time you are not able to give a monetary donation, we would be grateful for your prayers. As always we want to do God's will in everything we do.

“A big ‘Thank You’ to Pati Sparks for painting and putting together our giant gumball machine, it looks fabulous!”



YOUTH CAMP

To our youth- Early bird Camp registration is quickly coming upon us. Please have your applications turned in by May 1st. Applications are available in the church office, on the desk in the library, or on the Indiana Disciples website, <http://camp.indianadisciples.org/>.

To our congregation— Camp isn't just about our youth. At infant dedications we, as a congregation, offer our support and encouragement to the infant and their parents to help raise the child in a Christian manner. Each summer we have approximately 15 youth attend summer camps, and this year, you can be a part of this opportunity as well. Please consider supporting our youth in one of the following ways...

- Pray for our youth as they prepare for summer camp, for travel mercies, and that they may draw closer to God and grow as Christians through their camp experiences this summer.

- Scholarship a youth. Each year it is a joy to send so many young people to church camp. Please consider helping offset a youth's tuition through a donation. Your donation, along with the half-tuition camp scholarship the church offers, will allow for many of our youth to experience camp this summer. This year's average camp tuition has increased to \$270.

- Consider being a counselor this summer. If you have a passion for Christ, like the outdoors, and enjoy spending time with youth, consider counseling one or more camps this summer. For every five youth we send to camp, we are asked to provide a counselor from our congregation as well. This is a great way for you to see what our youth experience, and give back to the greater church body. Information and registration forms may be obtained through the church office. There is not a fee to be a counselor.

- Ask our youth about camp when they return. Each youth brings back numerous stories and experiences they would love to share with you about their summer church camp experience.

Rev. James



Easter Egg Hunt

EASTER EGG HUNT...

Children through 5th grade are invited to join us on Saturday, April 19

at 10 a.m., on the lawn in front of the Fellowship House. If there is rain, we will meet in the Rotunda and have the egg hunt inside. We will have designated areas for different age groups. If you are able, please return the empty plastic eggs to the church office to be used again next year.

Our older youth and adults are invited, and encouraged, to help us hide the eggs at 9 a.m., and to supervise the different areas.

PLASTIC EGGS AND CANDY...

Are you looking for ways to help? We have five needs to make our Easter Egg hunt a success.

- We need candy donated to fill the eggs. We prefer wrapped candy in case eggs accidentally pop open.
- We need plastic eggs donated for filling with candy.
- We need help filling the eggs. We will be filling them on Palm Sunday (4/13/14) after the worship service. Join us in the East Room of the Fellowship House at 12:30 p.m.
- We need help hiding the eggs on Saturday, April 19 at 9 a.m. on the lawn in front of the Fellowship House.
- We need help supervising the different areas set up for the children to search.

Please bring donated items to the church by Sunday, April 13.

What's Coming Up...

Hurry, Hurry, Hurry!!!

“Summer Camps begin May 27, 2014. If you have not signed up for summer camp, you may want to do that as soon as possible. Summer really is just around the corner, and I would hate for you to miss all the summer fun that Hazelwood Preschool children will be having!”

April 18 - Good Friday, no school

April 21 - Parent/Teacher Conferences for 3-4 year-old class

April 23 - Parent /Teacher Conferences for 3-4 year-old class

April 25 - Parent /Teacher Conferences for 3-4 year-old class

April 27 - Preschool Sunday, 10 a.m., Sanctuary

May 13 - Muffins for Moms, 2-3 year-old Tuesday class and 3-4 year-old class, 10:30 a.m.; 3-4 year-old p.m. class, 2 p.m.

May 14 - Muffins for Moms, 2-3 year-old Wednesday class and 4-5 year-old a.m. class, 10:30 a.m.; 4-5 year-old p.m. class, 2 p.m.

May 19 - 4-5 year-old class, last day of school

May 20 - 2-3 year-old Tuesday class and 3-4 year-old class, last day of school

May 27 - 1st Summer Camp begins

Angie Lopez, Preschool Director

TATERS & TALENT DVD AVAILABLE



A DVD of the 2014 Taters & Talent is available to be checked out in the Library. Please return it when you're done so that others may check it out as well. Our thanks to Tony Gill for videotaping and putting together the DVD. The DVD will work in a computer as well as a regular DVD or BlueRay disc player. Thanks, again, to Rev. James, all the talented performers, and the youth, who provided a wonderful show!

Mission Update...

Christian Ministries:

Those who volunteered to help in the food pantry March 12, 13, & 14, were Peggy Fast, Mary Ann Matchett, Jim Reece, Dick Miller, Marcia Miller, Carol Schussler, John Starnes, Cheryll Crose, and Don Crose.

Thanks, you are all very much appreciated!

Our next dates to volunteer at the food pantry are June 18, 19, & 20. Jim Warrner will be recruiting help. See Jim if you are interested in helping!

Notes of Gratitude:

"I just want to thank Hazelwood for the wonderful donation of food, time and love, that you shared with us. We are grateful for all you do."

Betty Robertson, Christian Ministries Sleeping Room

"I want to take a moment, on behalf of the Board of Directors, to gratefully acknowledge you for the financial gift you have provided to 'A Better Way.' The contributions that you have provided are a tremendous support for our mission of bringing peace to homes, individuals, and families through crisis intervention, service, support, education, and caring. You have helped us make a positive difference in our community, to keep people safe and raise awareness that domestic violence, in any form, is completely unacceptable."
Robert Mitchell, A Better Way board member

"We are so appreciative of your support for Muncie's Habitat For Humanity. Thank you for your sacrifice to help serve our partner families. Without support, these families would still be struggling to obtain safe, decent, affordable homes."

Thank you, William Isaacs, Board Chair

"Thanks so much for your generous support to Special Olympics Indiana and thank you for inspiring greatness."

Michael Furnish, President/CEO

Looking Ahead:

May - The month of May we will be accepting donations to help with "Winnie's Kids" in Kenya. Each donation received will be matched, up to a total of \$1,500.00, from the Missions & Benevolence fund. Dig deep and give all that you can...this is a blessing for all.

June - Sunday, June 1, will be Missions Sunday. During the combined service, we will be hearing from honored guests from three local organizations we support regularly. You won't want to miss it.

July - Watch for "Christmas in July."

Thank you and God Bless, Missions & Benevolence Committee



WOMEN OF FAITH COMING TO INDIANAPOLIS!
September 26-27, 2014

Transform your soul, awaken your spirit, and revive your faith at our 2014 event. At this all-new event you'll receive powerful Bible teaching, be inspired by uplifting music, enter into authentic worship, and more. Experience the renewal that comes from spending time in the presence of God. Discover new joy and a fresh sense of purpose. Gather your group, call your friends, and put your family on notice. It's time to make plans!

Bankers Life Fieldhouse
125 South Pennsylvania Street
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Friday, 7 p.m. - 10 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

The price, which includes Friday and Saturday is: \$111 per person.

If you'd like to go with a group from Hazelwood, email Barb at hccbmarlow@gmail.com, no later than August 1, 2014