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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](http://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

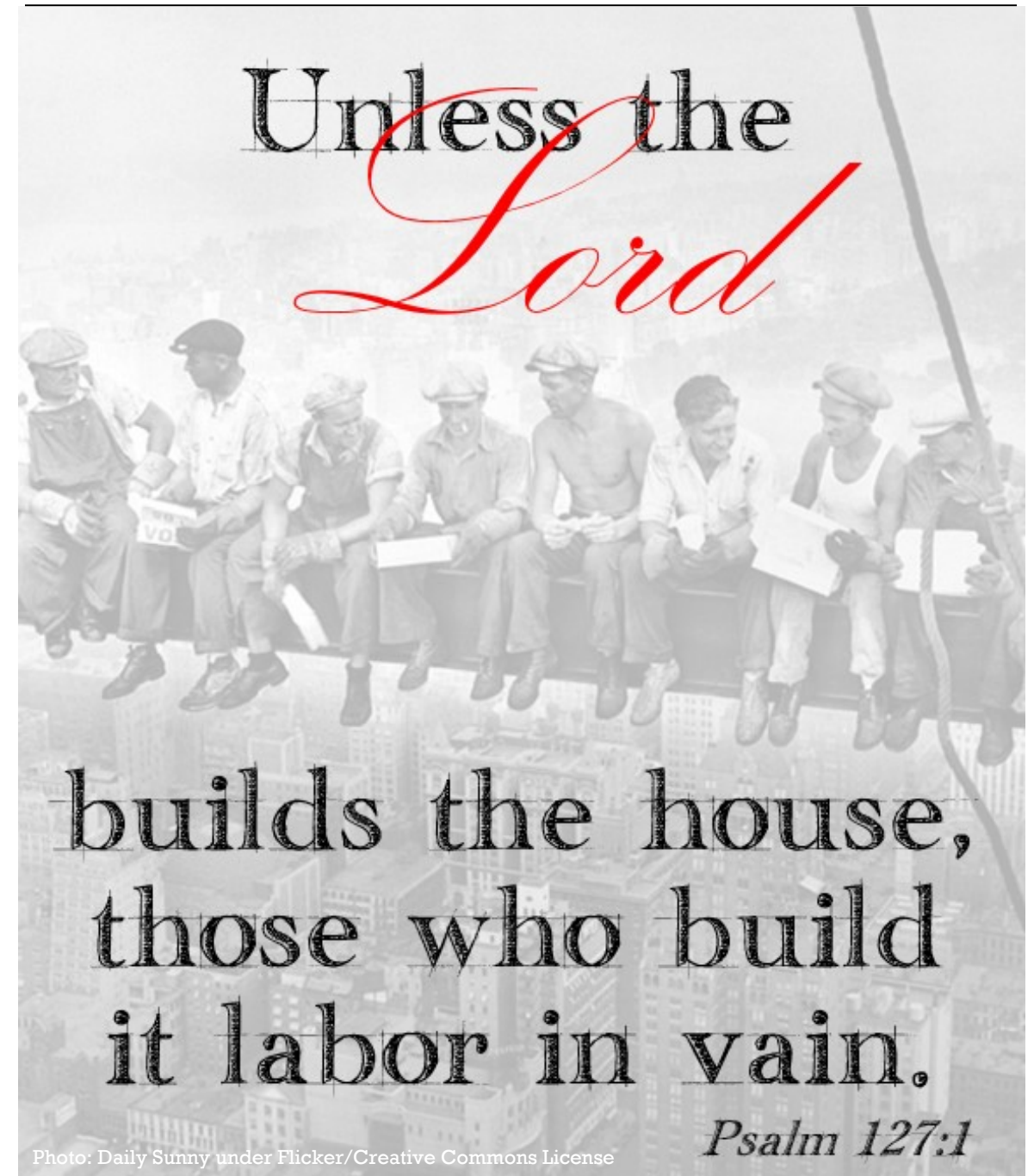
September 1, 2016  
September 15, 2016

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



# HAZELWOOD LEAVES

August 18, 2016



Unless the  
*Lord*

builds the house,  
those who build  
it labor in vain.

*Psalm 127:1*

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## **BUDGET UPDATE**

**Average Weekly Need: \$6,000**

**Offerings Received for Week Ending 8/10/16: \$4,664.12**

**Offerings Received for Week Ending 8/17/16: \$3,929.12**

**January-July Offerings Compared to Budget: (\$18,730.10)\***

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



When I drive along Riverside Ave. in the mornings, I now see kids waiting for the school bus. By the time you read this, Ball State Students will be arriving and settling in on campus. We're still feeling the heat and humidity of summer, but a new season of the year is beginning. I notice at the church, too, we're transitioning out of summer mode. Choirs are practicing; preschool is about to start; we're turning the page to a different season.

Even though we're in a different season now, it all feels new here at the church. We're still getting to know one another as pastor and congregation. You're still learning about me, and I'm still learning about how things work around here, who is who, and who is related to whom. I appreciate so much your welcome as I still try to figure things out.

One of my first jobs here is simply to listen. I want to get to know you, to hear your stories, and to listen to your perspectives. God is with you in your life already, you have a story of how God has been with you, and I want to hear it. I've been trying to visit with people in the church to get to know you and your story better, and I've learned a lot already. I want to do more of this, so if you'd like to meet with me, please let me know. We're also beginning to host what we're simply calling "Gatherings." These are smaller groups where we have a chance to meet and to listen to one another. I hope we can meet, either one-on-one, or in one of these Gatherings because I very much want to hear from you.

The future is a story yet to be written, but as we walk into it, I hope the first thing we do is listen to one another.

Grace & peace,  
Jason Jones



- ♦ Larry Green has been released from the hospital and is at Westminster as he regains his strength.
- ♦ Sympathies to Cheryl McCoy and family on the passing of her mother, Betty Jones, on Saturday, August 13. Services will be held at Noon on Friday, August 19 at The Meeks Mortuary and Crematory, Washington Street Chapel with Chaplain Rick Shaw officiating. Burial will follow in Elm Ridge Cemetery. Calling hours will be Thursday, August 18 from 5-8 p.m. and on Friday, August 19 at 11 a.m. at the mortuary.

## **NOTES OF APPRECIATION**

"Just a note to say how much I appreciated your prayers, cards, and visits during my recent time in the hospital. My heart was playing some serious tricks on me, and the doctors said after 5 days they guessed the Lord just wasn't ready for me yet. He must have some more work for me to do for Hazelwood."

~Bill Ritchie

"Mama Ni Mama Women's Group is grateful for the continuous support you give to us. We thank you most sincerely for the ksh 50,000/= you gave us through our daughter, Winnie Muchera. The donation helps us sustain the orphans we are taking care of. We pray that God will bless you abundantly."

~Yours faithfully, Mama Ni Mama Women's Group



**WANTED: NURSERY ATTENDANT**

We are looking for some additional workers to help out in the nursery on Sunday mornings from 9:30-11:30 a.m. This is a paid position and requires a background check and child safety training, which are provided by the church.

If you are interested in being part of the nursery rotation, or would like to be on our list to substitute from time to time, contact Rev. James in the church office or by email at [hccjpetty@gmail.com](mailto:hccjpetty@gmail.com)



- 3      Jairen Rees
- 4      John Starnes  
         Elaine Wulff
- 5      Merribeth Bruning
- 9      Ron Purtlebaugh  
         Ron Smith
- 11     Gary Edmonds
- 12     James Medsker
- 13     Howard Thomas  
         Adam Glaze
- 14     Patty Richards
- 16     Carolyn Jones
- 19     Rachel Smith
- 25     Mary Briggs

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

**STEWARDS OF CHILDREN WORKSHOP: FOLLOW-UP**

Donna Dye, Marianna Gill, Angie Lopez (Preschool Director), Rev. James Petty, Julie Thomas, and Ann Wolfe received training at the Stewards of Children Workshop held August 4 at Hazelwood. Facilitator Annie Cunningham used a two-part video and discussion points to emphasize five steps to protect children from sexual abuse (from “Darkness to Light”, [www.D2L.org](http://www.D2L.org)).

- 1. **Learn the facts:** 1 in 10 children are sexually abused. Over 90% of them know their abuser.
- 2. **Minimize opportunity:** Eliminate or reduce isolated, one-on-one situations to decrease risk for abuse.
- 3. **Talk about it:** Have open conversations with children about our bodies, sex, and boundaries.
- 4. **Recognize the signs:** Know the signs of abuse to protect children from further harm.
- 5. **React responsibly:** Understand how to respond to risky behaviors and suspicions or reports of sexual abuse.

Hazelwood Christian Church and our preschool already have certain protocols in place, and this workshop helped to identify areas in which we can improve. Special thanks to Ann Wolfe for arranging this informative workshop for us!

**GATHERING TOGETHER**

The Christian Life Team is hosting periodic “Gatherings” to help members and newcomers get to know each other and to introduce ourselves to Rev. Jason. The first Gathering is planned for Sunday, August 21. Many thanks to Donna Dye, Kelly Heavilon, and Mary Ann Matchett for helping with the brunch. Please stay tuned for more Gatherings to come!

Christian Ministries

# Treasure Shop Thrift Store

*Stocked with gently used clothes, shoes, accessories, and more, all donated by members of our community!*

Address: 405 E. Main St.  
Muncie, IN

Open: Monday-Friday  
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Call (765) 288-0601 for any questions you may have

For where two or three  
are gathered *in my name*  
*I am there* among them.

Matthew 18:20



## Welcome Back BSU

We would like to welcome our Ball State teaching staff back to school. We are looking forward to a wonderful school year with the children and helping our little ones learn more about Jesus. I'm also excited to share all of the teaching skills that we have learned with our new certifications!

## Orientation

Preschool orientation is Wednesday, August 24 and Thursday, August 25. Parents, please be sure to have all of your paperwork filled out prior to attending your child's scheduled time for orientation. Don't forget to bring your child's school supplies with you. You will enter through the Rotunda doors. Tables will be available for you to place your things on. We are looking forward to a GREAT school year. See you soon!

## Adopt a Child/Family

If you are looking for a way to get involved with the preschool but aren't quite sure what you can do, how about "adopting" a child for the year? You would be helping a child/family in need by providing a supplement to their tuition. You could also support them by praying for the family, sending them notes of encouragement, and coming to Hazelwood to enjoy special moments for your adopted preschooler such as Chapel, the Christmas Program, and Preschool Sunday. What a great way to help the littlest of our community get a great start on their education while learning to love God along the way!

If you are interested in adopting a child for preschool, contact Preschool Director Angie Lopez by phone at (765) 284-2430, or by email at [hccalopez@gmail.com](mailto:hccalopez@gmail.com).

## Celebration

Just a friendly reminder: you are all invited to help us celebrate our VCP Certification and place on the Paths to Quality Program!

**Date:** Thursday, August 18

**Time:** 6:30 p.m.

**Location:** Cartwright Hall

We hope to see you all there!



## Teacher Recognition & Blessing

On Sunday, August 28 Hazelwood will have a special moment of prayer and blessing for the preschool and its teachers during the worship service. At that time, you will be encouraged to bring forward any back-to-school items you wish to donate. If you cannot be in worship on that day, you can bring your items in another Sunday and place them in the designated bin in the Rotunda. As always, we appreciate all of your prayers and support for our great school!

~Angie Lopez, Preschool Director

## Looking Ahead

<b>Aug. 22</b>	Teacher Work Day
<b>Aug. 22-26</b>	Summer camp/ELC will be open (Students MUST be registered to come ahead of time)
<b>Aug. 24</b>	Orientation, 4-5 & 2-3 Year Old Classes
<b>Aug. 25</b>	Orientation, 3-4 Year Old Classes
<b>Aug. 29-Sept. 2</b>	Summer camp/ELC will be open (Students MUST be registered to come ahead of time)
<b>Sept. 5</b>	Labor Day - No School
<b>Sept. 6</b>	First Day, 3-4 & 2-3 Tuesday Classes
<b>Sept. 7</b>	First Day, 4-5 & 2-3 Wednesday Classes
<b>Sept. 26</b>	Chapel, 9:10 a.m. & 12:40 p.m., 4-5 Year Old Classes
<b>Sept. 29</b>	Chapel, 9:10 a.m. & 12:40 p.m., 3-4 Year Old Classes
<b>Oct. 4-5</b>	School Pictures
<b>Oct. 10-14</b>	Fall Break





## FUN IN THE SUN : TAKE 2

The weather wasn't working in our favor for our Youth Pool Party at Shirley Bookout's last weekend, so we've moved the festivities to this Sunday, August 21! As of now, the weather looks like it will cooperate with our plans. We hope to see you all there!!

## YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

With the end of summer fast approaching and kids everywhere heading back to class, All-Youth Fellowship is starting back up! Youth of all ages meet in Cartwright Hall after worship service on Sundays for fellowship, lunch, bible study, and prayer.

Upcoming dates for fellowship are:

September 11 & 25  
October 9 & 23  
November 6 & 20  
December 4 & 11

Parents of youth, as well as other individuals, families, and groups in the church are encouraged to help, and even to participate in our fellowship. If you would like to help with the meal, there is a sign-up sheet in the Rotunda on Sunday mornings. If you would like more information, contact Rev. James in the church office, or by email at [hccjpetty@gmail.com](mailto:hccjpetty@gmail.com).



## CROP WALK

### **Muncie Area CROP Hunger Walk 2016**

Hunger and poverty are rampant in our world, and escalating in the current economic conditions. Something can and must be done about them. Our local CROP Hunger Walk is a great place to start. For a few hours and a few miles, friends and neighbors will come together to, in the words of John 3:18, "... Love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action."

**When:** Sunday, September 25 at 2 p.m.  
Registration starts at 1:30 p.m.

**Where:** College Avenue United Methodist Church  
1968 W. Main St.



The sign-up to walk, or contribute to a walker, begins Sunday, September 4, 2016.

## Volunteer Opportunities



**Christian Ministries' Food Pantry** is still in need of a volunteer to help out August 24 & 25 from 8:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m. If you would like to volunteer to help out one, or both, of these days, please contact Jim Warrner at (765) 714-0544 to sign up, or for more information..

~Blessings from the Missions & Benevolence Team



## August 21-27, 2016

- SUNDAY**
- Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary
  - Gathering Brunch, 11:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall
  - Youth Pool Party (rescheduled), Noon, Shirley Bookout's Home
- MONDAY**
- Ball State University Fall Semester Begins
  - Preschool Teacher Work Day
- TUESDAY**
- Praise Band Rehearsal, 10 a.m., Sanctuary
- WEDNESDAY**
- Preschool Orientation, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Rotunda
  - Nominating Committee, 4:30 p.m.
  - Missions & Benevolence Committee, 6 p.m.
  - Bell Choir Rehearsal, 6 p.m., Choir Room
  - Neighborhood Association, 7 p.m.
  - Vocal Choir Rehearsal, 7:15 p.m., Choir Loft
- THURSDAY**
- Preschool Orientation, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Rotunda
- SATURDAY**
- All Church Work Day, 9 a.m., Rotunda

## August 28-September 3, 2016

- SUNDAY**
- Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary
  - Blood Drive for Indiana Blood Center, 9 a.m.-Noon, Cartwright Hall
- MONDAY**
- Area Ministers' Meeting, 10:30 a.m.
- TUESDAY**
- Praise Band Rehearsal, 10 a.m., Sanctuary
- WEDNESDAY**
- Bell Choir Rehearsal, 6 p.m., Choir Room
  - Vocal Choir Rehearsal, 7:15 p.m., Choir Loft

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



## Looking Ahead...

### September 16, 2016

Men's Lunch, Noon, Cartwright Hall  
Host: David Cartwright

### September 25, 2016

CROP Hunger Walk, College Ave. United Methodist Church  
2 p.m., Registration begins at 1:30 p.m.

# DONATE WHILE YOU DINE

Visit Culver's of Muncie on Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> from 5-8pm and we will donate a percentage of our sales to the **Christian Ministries of Delaware County.**

Enjoy a delicious meal, benefit a great cause and feel good all over.  
**THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

Come on in to your local Culver's restaurant:

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