Hazelwood Christian Church

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

<u>Hazelwood's Statement of Calling</u>: 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

August 17 & 31

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



August 3, 2017

Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, "This is the way; walk in it."

Isaiah 30:21



BUDGET UPDATE

Offerings Received for Week Ending 7/18/17: \$3,223.95 Offerings Received for Week Ending 7/25/17: \$4,967.70

Average Offering for Last Five Weeks: \$5,213.19

Average Weekly Need: \$5,790

Jan.-June 2017 Offerings Compared to Budget: \$8,209.66*

*Reflects the amount received OVER Budget



The work of our Worship Discernment Team is almost finished. We've reviewed all of the input from our listening sessions, and we've considered every option we thought might be possible for us. We considered options such as going to two different worship services, creating another worship service at another time, or just focusing on one particular style of worship. After considering all the options, the Worship Discernment Team is recommending we stay with one blended service and make it grow. Here are the reasons why we were drawn to this option over others:

- There is more enthusiasm for this option
- There is a sense of unity around this option
- It's doable
- We think God is leading us this way
- There's more certainty with this option than any other
- We're on the right track with what we're trying to do

The Discernment Team recognizes we have more work to do to provide unity in our worship. We heard many good ideas on how to make our worship better, and the Discernment Team is going to try to find the best ones and propose them as ways to improve our worship. As I said, this process is almost done, but expect a little bit more as we do our best to walk the path we believe God is leading us in our worship together.

Grace & peace, Jason Jones



- Tom Schnuck and Leah Ritchie are both back in their respective homes after brief stays at IU Health Ball Memorial Hospital.
- Sympathies to Greg Dunsmore and family on the passing of his maternal grandmother in Florida.

NOTES OF APPRECIATION

"I am sending thanks to Hazelwood for the flowers I received during my recent hospital stay, for Reverend Jason's visit, and for any and all prayers lifted on my behalf."

~Tom Schnuck

"Hazelwood, thank you for your support so that families like mine can have a place to call home!"

~Debra Boyd, Habitat for Humanity Partner Family

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Erin Nicole Carter Ciscell, who blended her family (Carter, Chandler, Chloe, and Carmynne) with Douglas Townsend's family (Sloane, Emme, and RJ) through marriage on July 1, 2017 in Kokomo, IN. Erin is the daughter of Toni Carter and the late Dr. Larry Carter.



- 4 George Ingles
- 13 Judy Van Fleet
- 14 Woody Wantz
- 15 Barbara Money
- 21 Nlandu Matuka
- 22 Larry Rees
- 23 Laura Bennett
 David Rowe

- 25 Winnie Muhiga Colleen Thomas
 - John Tucker
- 27 Hannah Thomas
 Ron Thomas
- 29 Cleo Haney
- 31 Suzanne Tucker

If your name has been inadvertently left off, call the church office at 282-5969 or send an email to hazelwoodchurch@gmail.com.

SANDWICH & STUDY

I've been impressed with the number of people already signed up for August's Sandwich & Study. We're going to study Revelation on Wednesday evenings with this special program. We'll gather at 6 p.m. on August 9, 16, 23, and 30. First we'll share in a light sandwich meal, and then we'll have a time of learning

from Revelation. We have several already signed up, but you can still join us. A study book is available called *Breaking the Code* by Bruce Metzger, and it costs \$8. I hope you'll share in this special study and fellowship, and if you have questions don't hesitate to ask me.

~ Jason Jones

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Hazelwood has been fortunate to have had two past ministers who had each led the congregation for a significant number of years. The Sulanke Fellowship House and Cartwright Hall were so named to honor the impact these men had in the lives of the Hazelwood congregation. However, with the pending sale of the Fellowship House, we find ourselves in the position of no longer having that opportunity to recognize and remember Rev. Sulanke. It is with this in mind that the Hazelwood Board has made the decision to christen the Library/Rotunda area "Sulanke Commons." A sign is being made, much like the one you see in Cartwright Hall, to hang on the east wall of the room. There will be an unveiling of the new sign during an upcoming Coffee Fellowship, so stay tuned!

NIGHT OF PRAISE

It's time to get your praise on! Your Hazelwood Praise Band is offering a time of praise and singing on Sunday, August 20, at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. This is the weekend Ball State students return to campus. We are wanting to use this Night of



Praise to welcome them to Hazelwood. Spread the word. However, this night is not just for students. It's for all who love to praise the Lord. This will be a casual time of praising and singing and praying to our God! You will hear songs you may already know, but you will also hear songs you may not know. People can sometimes feel uncomfortable singing a new song. While it's good to sing praises to God, sometimes it's just as important to let a song speak to you by just listening. Let it wash over you, and through you. Let it enter your heart and find a welcome home there. While the planning is still in process, I believe this Night of Praise will be no more than an hour long. But who can put a timetable on praising God????!!!!! I hope you will join us for this first of hopefully many opportunities to praise God at a Night of Praise.

~Marianna Gill, Worship Coordinator

GET INVOLVED!

Getting involved in church beyond Sunday morning worship helps you grow closer to your church family and closer to God. Have you been looking for new ways to get involved here at Hazelwood? Here are just a few of the many opportunities currently available:

Bell & Vocal Choirs: All are invited to join the Hazelwood Bell Choir or Vocal Choir. Rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings starting August 23. Bells meet at 6 p.m., Vocal Choir meets at 7:15 p.m. If you would like more information, contact our Director of Choirs, Sally Geib, at smkg07@gmail.com.

Church School Teachers: We are looking for teachers, helpers, and substitutes for Church School on Sunday mornings during part of the worship service. Teachers rotate monthly and are provided curriculum. There are currently two Church School groups: Toddler to Preschool, and Kindergarten to 5th Grade. If you would like to volunteer to help teach, contact Rev. James in the church office.

CWF (Christian Women's Fellowship): This group of women is hosted by Jeane Garrett at Morrison Woods, Room #101, on the 4th Monday of the month at 2 p.m. If you are interested in joining them or have any questions, contact Mary Dobson at (765) 281-9132.

Meal Coordinator: Often times after a funeral service, family and friends will gather in Cartwright Hall for a light meal. We are looking for someone who is willing to coordinate these meals. This person would be in charge of finding volunteers to come in and help prepare the meal, serve, and clean up afterwards. This is a great opportunity to be a blessing to others at a time when they need the support of their church family the most. Contact Stefanie in the church office for more information or if you would like to volunteer.

Men's Lunch: This group of men meets in Cartwright Hall on the 3rd Friday of the month at Noon for lunch and fellowship. The group takes turns hosting and preparing the meal. If you are interested in joining them or have any questions, contact Gene Dobson at (765) 281-9132.

Receptionists: We are in need of receptionists to help answer phones and greet visitors weekday mornings from 9 a.m.-Noon. If you would like more information or to volunteer one day of the week, please contact Stefanie in the church office.

Youth Sponsors: We are looking for individuals interested in being part of the leadership of our elementary, middle, and high school youth. Youth Sponsors in the past have helped with anything from teaching during All-Youth Fellowship to planning or chaperoning various events. Contact Rev. James in the church office to learn more about this opportunity.

There are many other opportunities throughout the year to get involved here at Hazelwood. If you would like to know more, contact Stefanie in the church office or send an email to hazelwoodchurch@gmail.com.

Preschool

Families in Need

As school quickly approaches, I am doing lots of tours and talking with families. We have a couple of families that are in great need of a scholarship to help with tuition. I am asking for you to pray that these families find a way to send their child to a Christian Preschool—a place where they not only get top-of-the-line education, but more importantly, they get to hear the word of Jesus and to learn what a wonderful God we have.

If there is anyone that feels called to help a family in need, please let me know as soon as possible. Remember, no amount is too small to help a child in need.

~Angela Lopez, Preschool Director

Summer Camp

We are extending the dates of Summer Camp and ELC. We will now be open August 21– September 1. Students MUST be registered ahead of time to attend!

Looking Ahead

August 21 Teacher Work Day

August 23 Orientation for 2-3 & 4-5 Year-Old Classes

August 23 Orientation for 3-4 Year-Old Classes

September 4 Labor Day- No School

September 5 First Day 2-3 Year-Old Tuesday & 3-4 Year-Old Classes

September 6 First Day 2-3 Year-Old Wednesday & 4-5 Year-Old Classes

September 25 Chapel, 9:10 a.m. & 12:40 p.m., 4-5 Year-Old Classes

September 26 Donuts for Dad, 2-3 Year-Old Tuesday & 3-4 Year-Old Classes

September 27 Donuts for Dad, 2-3 Year-Old Wednesday Class

September 28 Chapel, 9:10 a.m. & 12:40 p.m., 3-4 Year-Old Classes



BACK-TO-SCHOOL POOL PARTY

What better way to kick off a new school year than a pool party! Shirley Bookout has graciously invited the Hazelwood Youth to her home for All-Youth Fellowship and a Pool Party, so mark your calendars for August 13 from Noon-3 p.m. We will talk about upcoming AYF events and plans, then it's all about the food and fun! Hot dogs and drinks will be provided. Please bring a snack to share and anything you need for swimming (don't forget the sunscreen!). Sign up in the Rotunda if you are planning on attending, so we can be sure there is plenty of food to go around!

AYF (ALL-YOUTH FELLOWSHIP)

All-Youth-Fellowship is getting back into full swing! After our Pool Party on August 13, we will continue meeting every other Sunday through November 19, then meet on the first two Sundays in December. We'll gather in Cartwright Hall for lunch at 11:30 a.m. After we've had our fill, we'll continue in fellowship with Bible Study and activities until 1 p.m.

All youth, from Kindergarten through 12th grade, are invited to join us as we take a look at how our faith impacts our lives and our community through Bible study, movies, and service projects. If you have any questions about AYF, contact Rev. James in the church office.

Keep an eye on this section of the newsletter for details on upcoming events!

YOUTH MEAL SIGN-UP

All-Youth Fellowship will be starting back up August 27 and will run every other Sunday through November 19. We will also meet on the first two Sundays in December. We are looking for individuals, families, or groups interested in providing meals for our fellowship. It doesn't have to be fancy, simple is best! In the past, the youth have enjoyed sloppy joes prepared at home, cold cut sandwiches picked up at the store, pancakes and grilled cheese sandwiches prepared in the church kitchen, and meals catered from restaurants like Fazoli's. Regardless of what was served, the youth have always been appreciative for the meal and those who provided it. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Rotunda over the next couple of Sundays if you are interested in providing a meal. Please contact Rev. James in the church office for more information or if you have any questions.

ALL-CHURCH TRIP: HOLIDAY WORLD!

Hazelwoodians of all ages are invited to a day of family fun at Holiday World & Splashin' Safari in Santa Claus, Indiana on Saturday, September 9. Whether you love the rides and games of an amusement park, or prefer to get wet at the water park, there is something for everyone to enjoy (for more information on Holiday World, check out their website at www.holidayworld.com)!

We don't have the funds to charter a bus, so everyone will be responsible for their own transportation (car pooling is definitely encouraged!). But by planning a group trip, we can get discounted tickets at \$31.99 per person age 3 and up, and free for age 2 and younger. To get in on this great discount, RSVP at the sign-up table in the Rotunda or contact Rev. James in the church office. Payment is due no later than September 3. If you pay by check, make it out to Hazelwood Christian Church and write "Holiday World" on the memo line (be sure to make this check separate from your offering!).

If you aren't able to commit by September 3 but find yourself able to join in on the fun, you can purchase tickets at the gate for \$49.99 per person over 54" tall, \$39.99 for those under 54" and seniors (age 60+).

If you have any questions about this trip, please contact Rev. James in the church office.



DISBURSEMENTS

- Hearts & Hands United: \$171.75 used to purchase shoes
- Hazelwood Community Garden: \$85.47 to purchase garden supplies

HEARTS & HANDS UNITED GIVEAWAY

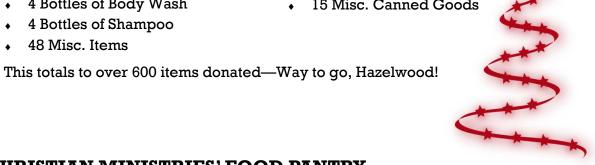
We reached our goal of 50 new, size 5, boy's/men's athletic shoes! The Hazelwood congregation donated 36 pair, and 14 pair were purchased from the Sulanke Trust. Our thoughtfulness put smiles on many faces as they prepared to begin a new school year. Thanks to all who participated!

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Thanks to all who participated in bringing non-perishable items for Christian Ministries' Food Pantry. Items donated included:

- 124 Rolls of Toilet Tissue
- 119 Diapers
- 56 Travel-sized Hygiene Products
- 48 Feminine Products
- 45 Bars of Soap
- 19 Toothbrushes
- 14 Tubes of Toothpaste
- 4 Bottles of Body Wash
- 4 Bottles of Shampoo
- 48 Misc. Items

- 26 Boxes of Cereal
- 26 Boxes of Mac & Cheese
- 19 Boxes of Hamburger/Tuna Helper
- 18 Cans of Tuna
- 18 Pasta/Rice Sides
- 14 Jars of Peanut Butter
- 8 Complete Meal Kits
- 15 Misc. Canned Goods



CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES' FOOD PANTRY

September 6, 7, & 8 are Hazelwood's days to work at the Food Pantry from 8:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Please consider helping with this worthy community project. If you are able to help, or would like more information, please contact Marcia Miller at (765) 730-5552.

~Blessings from the Missions & Benevolence Team



Care Hospice Services is looking for volunteers in the Muncie area to assist their hospice patients. The activities are various and could include things such as making crafts/blankets, companionship, errand running, yard work, etc. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Jeannette Crouch by email at jcrouch.care@gmail.com or by phone at (317) 214-9459.

WANTED: HOST FAMILIES

The Indiana Academy is looking for families willing to host International Students. Check out https://academy.bsu.edu/international/bios/ for more information on the Indiana Academy's International Student Program and the students currently in need of a host family.

Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by this some have entertained angels without knowing it.

Hebrews 13:2



August 6-12, 2017

• Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary

• Praise Band Rehearsal, 6:30 p.m., Sanctuary

MONDAY • Discernment Team, 7 p.m., Chapel

TUESDAY • Praise Band Rehearsal, 9 a.m., Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY • Sandwich & Study, 6 p.m., Cartwright Hall

• No Choir or Bell Choir Rehearsal

August 13-19, 2017

• Worship Service and Youth Missions Presentation, 10 a.m.,

Sanctuary

• Youth Cookout & Pool Party, Noon, Shirley Bookout's Home

TUESDAY • Praise Band Rehearsal, 9 a.m., Sanctuary

• Trustees, 5:30 p.m., Chapel

• Big Picture Team, 7 p.m., Chapel

WEDNESDAY • Sandwich & Study, 6 p.m., Cartwright Hall

• No Choir or Bell Choir Rehearsal

• Men's Lunch, Noon, Cartwright Hall (Host: Don Crose)

• Praise Band Rehearsal, 1 p.m., Sanctuary



Looking Ahead...

August 20, 2017

Sunday School Teacher Meeting, 11:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall Night of Praise, 6:30 p.m., Sanctuary

August 21, 2017

Ball State University Fall Classes Begin

August 23, 2017

Bell Choir Rehearsal, 6 p.m., Choir Room Choir Rehearsal, 7:15 p.m., Choir Loft

August 27, 2017

Preschool Teacher Recognition and Blessing During Worship

September 4, 2017

Labor Day - Church Office Closed

September 5, 2017

Hazelwood Preschool's 2017-2018 School Year Begins

YOU'RE INVITED!

Join us for the first Annual Car, Truck, & Tractor Cruise-In at Yorktown Christian Church. It will be a fun-filled family event with food, music, & games! All proceeds will go to support the Yorktown Christian Church mission.

When: Saturday, August 19, Noon-6 p.m.

Where: Yorktown Christian Church

10101 W. SR 32 in Yorktown

Registration is FREE! Participant ribbons given to the first 100 vehicles to arrive.

To pre-register, or for any questions, contact Daniel Blanton by phone at (765) 808-8135, or by email at railroad7118@gmail.com.

