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

April 26  
May 10 & 24

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

Even though our outer  
nature is wasting away,  
our inner nature is being  
renewed day by day.  
2 Corinthians 4:16b



## **BUDGET UPDATE**

**Offerings Received for Week Ending 4/3/18: \$5,890.30**

**Offerings Received for Week Ending 4/10/18: \$4,047.50**

**Average Offering for Last Five Weeks: \$4,605.64**

**Average Weekly Need: \$5,790**

**Jan.-Feb. 2018 Offerings Compared to Budget: (\$84.98)\***

*\*Reflects the amount received UNDER Budget*



- ♦ Dick Fraizer is back home after a brief stay in the hospital.
- ♦ Sympathies to Lori Rhoden and family on the passing of her sister-in-law.

## **NOTES OF APPRECIATION**

"Thank you for all of your prayers, calls, and cards after the passing of our two family members. It means so much to us."

~Ron & Faith Smith

"Thank you to all who helped with the Maundy Thursday dinner, from planning to clean-up. And special thanks to Shirley Bookout, who coordinated it all!"

~Stefanie Petty

"Our Easter Egg Hunt was a "hopping" success with nearly 50 kids from our church, preschool, and community coming out to hear a short lesson on the miracle of Easter and join the search! Thank you to all who helped with this annual endeavor. None of it would have been possible without your donations of candy, surprises, and your time spent stuffing and hiding the eggs. And a special thank you to Parlour and the Neighborhood Association for their support, for providing refreshments for the kids and their parents, and for generously donating a special prize of a \$75 Parlour Gift Certificate for one lucky parent! The excitement and joy in the eyes of the children as they searched for, found, and enjoyed their treasure-filled eggs is beyond compare."

~James Petty



If you live long enough, you will have some scars. They might be from a surgery or an accident. It could be a cesarean section scar, or it might be from a burn or the wear that a body knows over time. Every now and then I notice the scar on my index finger, a reminder that when I was 7 or 8 I slammed my finger in the car door (not my finest moment) and needed stitches to close the wound. There are others, too, marks and wounds and places where my body was altered. For many of us the scars aren't visible, but our hearts are scarred by pain and disappointment which left us hurt and broken in places unseen by the visible eye. Whatever the scar is, it's a reminder that this thing happened, that our bodies were marked by some type of violence or repair.

Christ, after his resurrection, shows his followers his wounds. I forget it, but Jesus rose to life with wounds. In my misguided imagination Jesus emerges from the tomb perfect and pure, with skin like a newborn baby's. According to the gospels, though, Jesus comes from the tomb with the wounds of Good Friday still visible. In Luke's gospel Jesus shows his followers his hands and feet to prove he is not a ghost. In John's gospel he shows his followers his hands and side, and when Thomas, who missed out on the first viewing, still isn't convinced, Jesus comes again, inviting Thomas to touch the wounds and know that Jesus is alive. Jesus says to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe" (John 20:27 NRSV), and in the showing of Jesus' wounds, Thomas believes.

I don't know what life in the resurrection will look like, when all of God's people are gathered, and God restores all things. I wonder, though, if like Jesus we will still have our scars. I don't know, but I'm guessing it might be, because I believe our faith is not about the erasing of the hard things of this world, but it's about knowing God can be found in even the darkest places, like the cross on Good Friday, and even from there God can bring life. May you know that, whatever your scars may be, as we journey ahead as Easter people.

Grace & peace,  
Jason Jones



## COFFEE HOUR WITH REV. JASON

I really like coffee and I really like spending time with people from church. Ever since I started my ministry here at Hazelwood, I've wanted to do a coffee house office hour where I set up shop for a couple hours each week in a place that serves coffee. After kicking it around in my head for a year and a half I told myself, "You just need to do it." So, I'm going to start spending part of Tuesday afternoons at The Caffeinery (401 South Walnut) in downtown Muncie. I'll be there on Tuesdays, as long as I'm in town and not pulled into an emergency, from 1 - 2:30 p.m. If you'd like to come and share a cup of coffee with me and talk about things of significance or insignificance (I love talking about sports), stop on by the Caffeinery and have a chat with me. If no one shows I'll just be working on a sermon. If you'd like to share a conversation around cups of coffee or tea, I hope you'll stop by and say hello early on Tuesday afternoons.



Not that we need an excuse to get together and fellowship, but you are invited to join us on Thursday, May 3 at 6 p.m. in Cartwright Hall to celebrate Cinco de Mayo (admittedly, a couple of days early)! A taco bar will be provided; you are asked to bring your favorite Mexican dish (or your favorite non-Mexican dish!). Not sure what to bring? We will try to have some authentic (as authentic as we can find) Mexican recipes that you can pick up when you sign up. The sign-up for the dinner will begin on Sunday, April 15, or you can email Marianna Gill at [hccmgill@gmail.com](mailto:hccmgill@gmail.com) with your RSVP.

*¡Ven y únete a nosotros!*  
(Come and join us!)

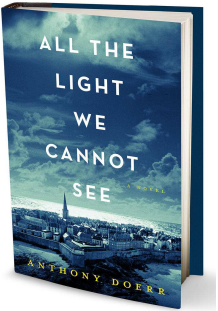
## HAZELWOOD BOOK CLUB

Attention all book lovers!

The next meeting of the Hazelwood Book Club will be on Thursday, April 26 at 7 p.m. in Sulanke Commons.

We will be discussing *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr. It was published by Scribner on May 6, 2014 and won the 2015 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction and the 2015 Andrew Carnegie Medal for Excellence in Fiction.

Childcare will be provided. If you have any questions, or are interested in joining in on the fun, contact Stephanie Farra at [safarra18@gmail.com](mailto:safarra18@gmail.com).



# Preschool



**Don't Delay, Register Today!**

Summer Camps begin May 29 and they are filling up fast! If you have not signed up for summer camp, you may want to do so as soon as possible. Summer really is just around the corner, and I would hate for your child to miss all the summer fun that Hazelwood Preschool has to offer!

## Looking Ahead

<b>April 29</b>	Preschool Sunday
<b>May 4</b>	Picnic on the Playground
<b>May 8</b>	Teddy Bear Tea, 10:45 a.m., 2-3 Tuesday & 3-4 Year-Old Classes
<b>May 9</b>	Teddy Bear Tea, 10:45 a.m., 2-3 Wednesday Class
<b>May 15</b>	Last Day of School for 2-3 Tuesday Class
<b>May 16</b>	Last Day of School for 2-3 Wednesday Class
<b>May 17</b>	Last Day of School for 3-4 Year-Old Classes
	May Celebration, 6:30 p.m., 2-3 & 3-4 Year-Old Classes
<b>May 18</b>	Last Day of School for 4-5 Year-Old Classes & ELC
<b>May 21</b>	Graduation Practice, 9 a.m., 4-5 Year-Old Classes
	Graduation Ceremony, 6:30 p.m., 4-5 Year-Old Classes
<b>May 21-28</b>	No School
<b>May 22</b>	Teacher Work Day
<b>May 29-June 29</b>	Summer Camp, 1st Session



## CAMP REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Just like last year, 2018 summer camp registration is done entirely online. Camp dates and locations, as well as links to register, can be found at [indianadisciples.org/commissions/commission-on-faith-formation](http://indianadisciples.org/commissions/commission-on-faith-formation). After you register, please print a copy for our church records.

Early registration deadline is **April 29**. As in years past, the church will cover half of the camp registration tuition. Please contact Rev. James in the church office for more information or if you have any questions.

### Geneva Center — Rochester, Indiana

**June 11-16** CROSS Camp (Grade 6-12)  
 Explorer Camp (Grade 4-5)  
**June 18-20** You & Me (Grade K-3 w/adult)  
**June 18-23** MAD Camp (Grade 6-12)  
**June 25-27** You & Me #2 (Grade K-3 w/adult)  
**June 25-27** New Beginnings (Grade 2-3)  
**July 9-14** Middle School (Grade 6-8)  
**July 9-14** High School (Grade 9-12)

### Bedford Christian Camp — Bedford, Indiana

**June 25-27** New Beginnings (Grade 2-3)  
**June 28-30** You & Me (Grade K-3 w/adult)  
**July 2-7** High School (Grade 9-12)  
**July 9-14** Explorer camp (Grade 4-5)  
**July 16-21** Middle School (Grade 6-8)

## VBS: ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Plans for this summer's VBS are well underway, and it's shaping up to be a great time for all! We are still in need of a few more adult volunteers. If you would like to work with the preschool kids, take charge of meal time, or simply volunteer to float wherever you may be needed each night, contact Rev. James in the church office, or Mariangella Glaze at (765) 760-8449.



## RENT-A-YOUTH FUNDRAISER

Spring is here and that can mean a LOT of house cleaning and yard work. The chores seem like they never end, and there are ever enough helping hands to get them all done!

### Never Fear... Our Youth Are Here!

Whether you need an extra set of hands or simply have some chores you just don't want to do yourself, you can now Rent-a-Youth to help you out! Here are just a few of the many tasks they are eager to help with:

**Indoors:** laundry, vacuuming, dusting, scrubbing floors, washing dishes, cleaning windows, cleaning bathrooms, organizing, and washing woodwork

**Outdoors:** planting, weeding, washing vehicles, cleaning patio furniture, yard clean-up, and watering plants

**Pets:** walking dogs, bathing pets, and (the ever-dreaded) poop pick-up of your yard

**Kids:** tutoring and babysitting

There are a few things we ask from you:

- ⇒ Please expect to have at least 2 youth helping out. Safety and transparency are important, especially so when youth are involved!
- ⇒ We provide the elbow grease, but ask that you provide whatever supplies are necessary for the task you have.
- ⇒ We've listed quite a few tasks our youth are able to help with, but if you need help with a task not on the list, contact Rev. James. Odds are we can help with that, too!
- ⇒ How much you pay is up to you, but we suggest \$10 per hour per youth (this is a fundraiser, after all!) All funds raised will go toward the youth missions trip to *Give Kids the World* in June.

If you are interested in some help with your to-do list this spring, contact Andy Rees at (765) 702-0667, or Rev. James in the church office. Let us know what you need done, and we will get youth lined up to help!







## **WINNIE'S KIDS**

A note from Winnie:

“Here is a brief history of the Kenya project, specifically with regards to the Shivembe Primary School and Mama Ni Mama women’s group:

The church has been supporting the Shivembe Primary School and Mama Ni Mama women’s group since 2009. During that time we have been able to do the following:

- ♦ We buy school uniforms for the students every year (students are required to have a school uniform in order to attend school). We started by providing uniforms to only 44 students. Last summer we provided uniforms to 225 students - all the kids that needed a uniform got one!
- ♦ We provide school supplies yearly (pens, pencils, erasers, pencil sharpeners, and crayons).
- ♦ We provide pain medication yearly.
- ♦ We provide sanitary pads for the older girls (since 2015).
- ♦ We have also been able to help the school build 10 latrines (outhouses/toilets), a kitchen, 2 additional classrooms, start a lunch program, and buy a farm to plant their own corn and beans for lunch. This year, we plan to help them build a library since the kids have become very motivated in reading but have no space for it.
- ♦ We have also been supporting the Mama Ni Mama women’s group to take care of their 55 children. For the women’s group, we usually provide school supplies, medicine, sanitary pads, and cash money to help them with their small business. At the moment, each woman has a cow as a result of this support.”

During the month of April, we will be accepting donations to help ‘Winnie’s Kids’ in Kenya. Each donation received will be matched, up to a total of \$1,000, from the Missions & Benevolence Sulanke Trust. Please mark all contributions ‘Winnie’s Kids,’ place it in either a red-bordered or pew envelope, and add it to the offering plate during Sunday morning worship (if writing a check, it would greatly help our bookkeeper if you write a separate check from your regular offering). We will present Winnie with our offering on ‘Kenya Day,’ **Sunday, May 6** (this is a change to the date printed in the previous newsletter). There are great needs in Kenya, so please prayerfully consider how you can help ‘Winnie’s Kids.’

~Blessings from the Missions & Benevolence Team

# 2018 GRADUATES

High School and College graduates will be recognized during worship on Sunday, May 6. If you are a graduate, or you have a Hazelwood graduate in the family, please let us know!

Graduates and their immediate families are invited to join Rev. James for lunch, immediately following the worship service. Please fill out the form below with the names of graduates and their school information. Be sure to turn in your graduation information sheet and reservation no later than Sunday, April 29 to be recognized.

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## GRADUATE INFORMATION

(only those whose names we receive can be honored)

Please return this form to the church by April 29, 2018.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Graduate of: \_\_\_\_ High School \_\_\_\_ Technical School  
\_\_\_\_ College \_\_\_\_ Graduate School

Name of Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

If other than high school, Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree: \_\_\_\_\_

Future Plans: \_\_\_\_\_  
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A graduation lunch will be held Sunday, May 6  
following worship service.

Please indicate your total number of reservations: \_\_\_\_\_



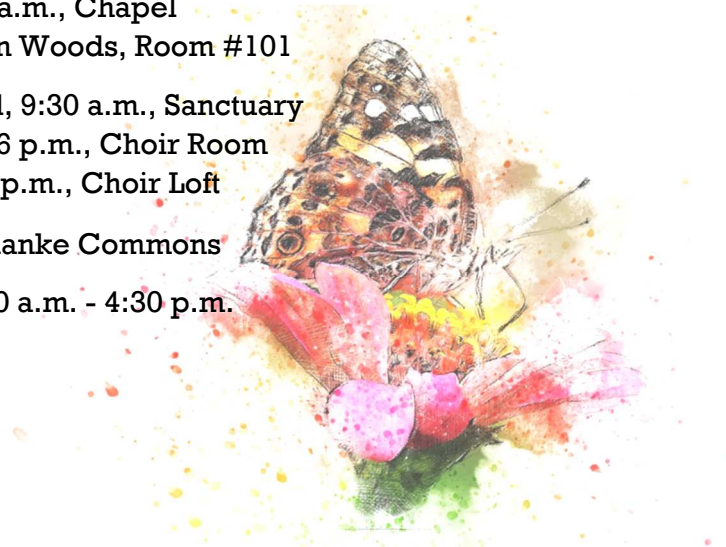
## April 15-21, 2018



- SUNDAY** • Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary
- MONDAY** • Missions & Benevolence, 4:30 p.m., Chapel
- TUESDAY** • Trustees, 5:30 p.m., Chapel  
• Big Picture Team, 7 p.m., Chapel
- WEDNESDAY** • Praise Band Rehearsal, 9:30 a.m., Sanctuary  
• Bell Choir Rehearsal, 6 p.m., Choir Room  
• Choir Rehearsal, 7:15 p.m., Choir Loft
- FRIDAY** • Men's Lunch, Noon, Cartwright Hall (Host: Don Crose)
- SATURDAY** • Habitat for Humanity Work Day, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

## April 22-28, 2018

- SUNDAY** • Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary  
• All-Youth Fellowship, 11:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall
- MONDAY** • Area Ministers, 10:30 a.m., Chapel  
• CWF, 2 p.m., Morrison Woods, Room #101
- WEDNESDAY** • Praise Band Rehearsal, 9:30 a.m., Sanctuary  
• Bell Choir Rehearsal, 6 p.m., Choir Room  
• Choir Rehearsal, 7:15 p.m., Choir Loft
- THURSDAY** • Book Club, 7 p.m., Sulanke Commons
- SATURDAY** • Epiphany Retreat, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.



## Looking Ahead...

### April 29, 2018

Camp Registrations Due  
Preschool Sunday, 10 a.m., Sanctuary  
Epiphany Retreat, After Worship - 3 p.m.

### May 3, 2018

Cinco de Mayo Carry-In, 6 p.m., Cartwright Hall  
Worship Team, 7 p.m., Chapel

### May 6, 2018

Graduation Sunday  
Graduate Lunch, 11:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall

### May 10, 2018

Book Club, 7 p.m., Sulanke Commons

### May 12, 2018

Youth Missions Trip Meeting, Noon, Cartwright Hall

### May 15, 2018

Trustees, 5:30 p.m., Chapel  
Board, 7 p.m., Cartwright Hall

*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.*

*Romans 15:13*

