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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
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 2, 16, & 30

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



BUDGET UPDATE

Offerings Received for Week Ending 7/10/18: \$4,165.50

Offerings Received for Week Ending 7/17/18: \$7,225.50

Average Offering for Last Five Weeks: \$4,971.64

Average Weekly Need: \$5,790

Jan.-June 2018 Offerings Compared to Budget: (\$11,217.83)*

**Reflects the amount received UNDER Budget*



- ♦ Faith Smith is a patient at IU Health Ball Memorial Hospital.
- ♦ Louise Maley is a patient at St. Vincent Anderson Regional Hospital.
- ♦ Tom Schnuck has been released from the hospital.

NOTES OF APPRECIATION

"Thank you for the flowers while I was in the hospital, and special thanks to Rev. Jason and Tony & Marianna for visiting. The flowers and visits mean so much to me."

~Faith Smith

"Many thanks to Rev. Jason for his visit, to the church for the flowers, and to the Hazelwood family who have been in prayer for my health issues and hospitalizations. God Bless You All."

~Tom Schnuck

If you get a chance, say "Thank you" to Glen Sulanke for all the countless hours and work he put into the 150th Celebration last weekend. Glen did exhausting research in our History Room and spent countless hours writing up the history moments and putting together the display in Sulanke Commons. What a blessing!

YOU'RE INVITED



Ten years ago there was a little Russian boy who lived across the street from Hazelwood. He played violin very well and performed in our services on various occasions. Misha Vaymen has returned to Muncie this summer with a Master's Degree in violin. Misha is giving a recital on July 25 at 7:30 p.m. at Sursa Hall on the BSU campus, and he would like to invite his Hazelwood friends to come to this free program.



One of the pictures we saw at the Sesquicentennial haunts me. I enjoyed all the historical photos and memorabilia which were displayed in Sulanke Commons, and a big thanks goes to Glen Sulanke for doing the work of organizing it all and putting it out. One picture showed a men's bible study from 1916. All these men from over 100 years ago posed in their century-old fashions. Over to the right of the picture, though, is a little boy, maybe two years old. His face is blurred because he obviously was wiggly (as little boys are), and the exposure for pictures then required the subjects to stand still for a clear photo. I saw that little boy and thought, "Unless he's 104, he's probably lived his life and is dead now."

Maybe it's because we have a little guy in our household now, but seeing that boy in that picture and realizing his life is probably over struck a serious chord in my heart. I'm a middle-aged guy, and in middle age we wake up to the fact that our days on this earth are finite. When you're younger you don't think about these things, but I think about them now. Maybe I've got more than 50 years left and I live to 100, but maybe I get less than that. I don't know, but what I have now is not unlimited. I know, as Christians, we are Easter people, and we celebrate life even from death, and I look forward to an eternity in God's future. But it's good to think about our mortality. In the Rule of St. Benedict it says, "Day by day remind yourself you will die." In Psalm 90 we're told "Teach us to number our days so we can have a wise heart." When we think about our mortality it, hopefully, teaches us to live what we have well.

Chalk it up to the trite but true category, but I'll say it here: every day is a gift. Every day is a gift from God. Use these gifts well. Love as much as you can, enjoy as much as you can, and give yourself to the things that matter, because we only have so many days to do it.

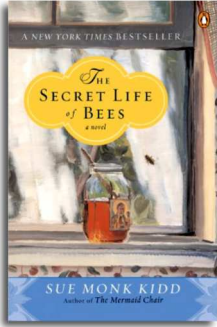
Grace & peace,
Jason Jones

*There is nothing better for a person than to eat,
drink, and enjoy his work. I have seen that even
this is from God's hand.*

Ecclesiastes 2:24



BOOK CLUB



The next meeting of the Hazelwood Book Club will be on Thursday, **August 9** at 7 p.m. in Sulanke Commons. We will be discussing *The Secret Life of Bees* by Sue Monk Kidd.

From Goodreads.com:

Set in South Carolina in 1964, The Secret Life of Bees tells the story of Lily Owens, whose life has been shaped around the blurred memory of the afternoon her mother was killed. This is a remarkable novel about divine female power, a story women will share and pass on to their daughters for years to come.

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

AND THE NOMINATION GOES TO...

The 2018 Nominating Committee has been formed and is ready to start the task of finding candidates among the active participants in the Hazelwood congregation to serve as Officers, Elders, and Deacons to our church. The members of the committee were approved during the Hazelwood Board meeting on July 17 and are: Shirley Bookout and Marcia Miller (they will serve as Co-Chair), Kathy Clary, Dennis Holmes, and Cheryl McCoy.

Open nominations will begin September 16 and go through September 30. If you have any questions, or would like to nominate someone from the congregation for a position, you can contact any member of the Nominating Committee.



YOUTH SPONSORS & TEACHERS

Our Youth Ministries cover kids from birth to twelfth grade and include things such as teaching lessons, playing games, mission & service projects, fellowship, fundraisers, and many other events. If you have a passion for our youth and these ministries and would like to join our team, please contact Rev. James in the church office or by email at hccjpetty@gmail.com.

Youth News, continued....

MISSIONS TRIP PRESENTATIONS

Our Youth had a wonderful time serving at *Give Kids the World* and bonding together through our experiences. This year, you have two opportunities to hear our stories:

1) **Our Youth Stockholders' Dinner on Sunday, August 5 after worship.**

New this year, those who purchased shares of Youth Stock will get to sit back, have dinner, and enjoy an in-depth presentation by our youth and adult participants. During the presentation, we will share our experiences with you, and answer any questions you have about our trip and what *Give Kids the World* means to us. You'll get the exclusive answers to some rather intriguing questions such as "What has become a reoccurring tradition we wish we could avoid even though it always makes our adventure more exciting and adds to our learning experience?" and "Is that one of our youth sponsors in the back of a police car?"

If you'd like to join us by becoming a Youth Stockholder, it's not too late to purchase stock at \$10 per share from the Youth during Coffee Fellowship or through the church office!

2) **A brief presentation during worship on Sunday, August 12.** This will be a rather "short and sweet" presentation by our Youth, during which we will share the impact *Give Kids the World* has had on our lives.

We look forward to sharing our adventures with our Hazelwood family and hope you will join us!

BACK-TO-SCHOOL POOL PARTY

The summer has been speeding by, and school will be starting soon. The good news is that means our All-Youth Fellowship (AYF) and other activities are starting back up, and there's no better way to kick off the new school year than with a pool party and cookout!

Several of our families have a membership at the Catalina Pool, and they have been working on the details to host our Back-to-School Pool Party there. Mark your calendar for Sunday, **August 12** after the worship service. 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!). RSVP to Rev. James if you are planning on attending so we can be sure there is plenty of food to go around.

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CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Collection of non-perishable items for the Christian Ministries' Food Pantry continues through Sunday, July 29. Please place items under the Christmas Tree in Sulanke Commons.

Items needed include:

Boxed Pasta Dinners	Toilet Tissue
Hamburger Helper	Shampoo
Tuna Helper	Toothbrushes
Cereal	Toothpaste
Peanut Butter	Bath Soap
Macaroni & Cheese	Diapers
Canned Fruit	

***Canned fruit and boxed dinners are especially needed!**

Thank you for your generosity!



HEARTS & HANDS UNITED GIVEAWAY

Saturday, July 28, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Fairgrounds Memorial Building

Sunday, July 22 is the last day to bring shoe donations– **NEW BOY'S/MEN'S SIZE 5 ATHLETIC SHOES**– for the Back to School Distribution on Saturday, July 28. Please prayerfully consider helping in this worthwhile community project. Thanks!

For more information, contact Shirley Bookout at (765) 744-1207.



CROP WALK

Get your walking shoes out now, and get ready for the Annual CROP WALK on Sunday, September 23 at Hazelwood Christian Church! We are the host church this year, and our goal is to get everyone involved in this annual walk, the purpose of which is to help end hunger around the world! We will begin recruiting walkers on Sunday, September 2. Mark your calendars now!

~Thank you and Blessings from the Missions & Benevolence Team

July 22-28, 2018

SUNDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary• Praise Band Rehearsal, 11:30 a.m., Sanctuary
MONDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Area Ministers, 10:30 a.m., Chapel• CWF, 2 p.m., Morrison Woods, Room #101
SATURDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Memorial Service for Mauri Mangas, 11 a.m., Sanctuary

July 29-August 4, 2018

SUNDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary
WEDNESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Praise Band Rehearsal, 9:30 a.m., Sanctuary• Elders, 5:30 p.m., Chapel• MS Support, 7 p.m., Sulanke Commons
THURSDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Preschool Team, 10:30 a.m., Chapel• Worship Team, 7 p.m., Chapel



LOOKING AHEAD...

August 5, 2018

Youth Stockholders' Dinner, 11:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall

August 9, 2018

Hazelwood Book Club, 7 p.m., Sulanke Commons

August 12, 2018

Youth Missions Presentation During Worship, 10 a.m., Sanctuary

August 17, 2018

Men's Lunch, Noon, Cartwright Hall (Host: Dick Miller)

August 21, 2018

Trustees, 5:30 p.m., Chapel
Big Picture Team, 7 p.m., Chapel