Hazelwood Christian Church

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Sunday Schedule: Worship Service, 10 a.m.
Coffee Fellowship, 11:15 a.m.
Children Church School, 10:20 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

October 25 November 8 & 21

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



October 11, 2018

Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty firmament! Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his surpassing greatness!

Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp!

Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe! Praise him with clanging cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals! Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord!



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BUDGET UPDATE

Offerings Received for Week Ending 10/2/18: \$5,763.30 Offerings Received for Week Ending 10/9/18: \$3,539.50

Average Offering for Last Five Weeks: \$3,885.44

Average Weekly Need: \$5,790

Jan.-Aug. 2018 Offerings Compared to Budget: (\$27,945.08)*

*Reflects the amount received UNDER Budget

NOTES OF APPRECIATION



"Thank you for all of the thoughts, prayers, and cards following the death of my mother, Martha Jean Hamilton."

~Lee Anne Chambers

"Dear Church,

Warm greetings from Mama ni Mama Women's Group to the church members. We are sure you are doing well in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. We thank God who has brought us this far, and he has sustained our cordial relationship. It is our prayer that God gives us good health in the days to come. Mama ni Mama Women's Group would like to thank all church members who have continued to support us, together with our vulnerable children. We appreciated the amount of Ksh 50,000/= that you gave us through our daughter, Winnie.

Thanks so much, and may God bless you so much. Yours sincerely,"

~Mama ni Mama Group

"I want to thank everyone so much for all of the love, support, and condolences on the passing of my father. It's been a great comfort to me. Thank you and blessings,"

~Stephanie Farra

"Thank you Hazelwood Church for the lovely book for my graduation. Thank you so much!"

~Hannah Thomas



My day always starts with a simple ritual: I make coffee. Sometime during the first hour I'm awake, I go through the simple ritual of making coffee. I've done it so many times I do it on autopilot. I make coffee because the caffeine in it helps wake me up, but I do it, too, because I enjoy it. I know not everyone enjoys the taste of coffee, but the first few sips of coffee in the morning are a gift I enjoy every day. My problem, though, is sometimes I don't realize I'm enjoying it. My autopilot ritual continues after making the coffee; I slurp the coffee down without much thought and don't appreciate that it's something I enjoy.

I used to think the really big things give life meaning: the big successes, the big paydays, and the big celebrations. All those things are good when they come, things like graduations, awards, and worldly accolades. I remember the feeling of walking across the stage to receive every diploma awarded to me. We enjoy those big moments, but don't the small joys of life keep us going? It's these little things—enjoying something like a cup of coffee in the morning or the joy of laughing at a funny moment—aren't these the things that buoy us along through life? I remember a man in his 80s telling me how much he enjoyed watching a television program in the evening with his wife and then patting her hand when it was over and he was getting up from the couch; that little moment of togetherness and affection was something he appreciated every evening. Don't we all have these moments, when we're given a little gift, and isn't the accumulation of all of life's little gifts what makes us happy?

Here's my job for you: appreciate these gifts. Don't do like I often do, drinking my coffee on autopilot. Be present in the moment; know you're enjoying something; appreciate the gift given to you. When you do, say thank you. Whisper a little prayer of thanks to God for the quiet gifts that are there every day giving you joy and happiness.



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A CELEBRATION OF CALL

My family's journey has been a remarkable one as God has repeatedly called me and opened doors to new opportunities. This last August marked 10 years that my family and I have been worshipping with you. It has been five years since God called me from the organ bench into a deeper commitment in ministry. Doors were opened to pastoral education at Christian Theological Seminary and here at Hazelwood. Together we have celebrated special events, milestones, and many other wonderful accomplishments. We have sat together through great sadness, grief, loss, and pain. I have had an exceptional and diverse experience that I would not trade for anything. When I was in seminary, I often heard other students envy the challenges and experiences I have faced while in a learning environment that has been so loving and nurturing. What my family and I have found is not just a church home, but a wonderful extended family.

I praise God for the journey we have shared, but God has not finished calling me. With much prayer and consideration, I have accepted the call to Mount Summit Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Mount Summit, Indiana to be their associate pastor overseeing the youth and worship ministry.

I use the word celebration to describe this letter about my calling, though my leaving is bittersweet. It is a celebration of the journey I have been on and of the journey to come. I hesitate to use the word resignation; resignation sounds like I'm giving up or accepting something undesirable but unavoidable. This could not be further from the truth. My work is not done because God's work is not done. My call is not ending but is instead continuing where God needs me. While my work will not be directly with Hazelwood, we will always work together in the one universal church, which is the body of Christ, to bring glory to God's name and share the good news of Jesus Christ with all God's creation. In this I hope you will join me in celebrating my call.

Sunday, November 4, 2018, will be my last Sunday worshipping with you. The good news is Mount Summit is only thirty minutes away from our house, so our family does not have to be uprooted and moved. Logan will continue his education in the Yorktown Community Schools, and Stefanie will continue at Hazelwood as the Office Administrator. We will always carry our Hazelwood family in our hearts, treasure our memories, and remember our stories together.

This is not a farewell forever, for our hope in Christ assures us we will see each other again.

Peace & Blessings, Rev. James Petty

ADVENT DEVOTIONAL

It has long been tradition for members of the Hazelwood congregation to come together to create a devotional booklet for Advent. The result is a unique and personal set of devotions to help us prepare our hearts and minds for the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ.

Believe it or not, the time has come to get started on our 2018 Advent devotions! The theme this year is *The Days to Come*. If you would like to contribute to this project, stop by Sulanke Commons after worship. You will find a bulletin board with the bible verses for each day's devotion. Take a look, see what speaks to your heart, and sign up.

In order to ensure our booklets are ready by the start of Advent, we ask that all devotions be submitted to the church office by Tuesday, October 30.

AMAZON SMILE FOUNDATION

Just about everyone these days does a little shopping online. Often times it is less expensive (and so much more convenient!) than going out to the stores to search for what you need.

These days Amazon.com has become synonymous with online shopping. They have everything from food to electronics, books to home goods. It's one stop shopping! But did you know there is another side to Amazon that gives back to non-profit groups? It's called Amazon Smile. The same products and prices you find on Amazon, but with the added benefit of having a portion of all qualifying purchases go toward a non-profit of your choice.

Hazelwood Christian Church has recently registered to be a recipient with Amazon Smile. Whenever you use **smile.amazon.com** to do your online purchasing, Hazelwood will receive .5% of the purchase price as a donation, and it doesn't cost you any more than it would otherwise. That's what I call a Win -Win Situation!

If you would like to help out Hazelwood through the Amazon Smile Foundation, visit the website below and confirm Hazelwood Christian Church as your donation recipient:

https://smile.amazon.com/ch/35-6048217

*If you go straight to the website and use the search function to find Hazelwood, be careful which one you pick! There are multiple listed, but we are the only one in Muncie, IN!

Have any questions as to how this works? Check it out online at smile.amazon.com, and read all about the program.



YOUTH HALLOWEEN PARTY

Attention all Youth: Join us on Saturday, October 27 from 6:30-8 p.m. in Cartwright Hall for a Spooktacular Halloween Party. It will be an evening full of Halloween games, food, friends, and (of course) candy! No need to wear a costume- we want everyone to be able to participate in all the fun without worrying about damaging their trick-or-treat gear!

Running out of snacks is a scary thought! Help us plan accordingly by letting us know you'd like to attend. RSVP by Wednesday, October 24 to Rev. James at (765) 730-2512 or by email to hccjpetty@gmail.com

2019 SUMMER CAMPS

The schedule is out for 2019 Summer Camps! I wanted to get these to you as soon as possible so you can make sure your calendar next summer stays clear for the church camp of your choice. Below are the camp dates. They are still working on the themes for camps, and registration forms will not be ready until some time next year. As always, the church will pay half of the camp cost. Please let me know if you have any questions.

~Rev. James

Geneva Camps:

June 10-15: You & Me 1 (grades K-3 + an adult)

Explorer (grades 4-5) **Tune 17-22:** M.A.D. (grades 6-12)

New Beginnings (grades 1-3)

You & Me 2 (grades K-3 + an adult)

June 24-29: Traditional Camp (grades 6-12) C.R.O.S.S. Camp (grades 6-12)

Bedford Camps:

June 24-26: New Beginnings (grades 1-3) Tulv 1-6: High School (grades 9-12) **July 8-13:** Explorer (grades 4-5)

July 15-20: Middle School (grades 6-8)

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 13 All-Church Picnic, 4 p.m., Bill & Leah Ritchie's Farm

BSU Homecoming Parking Fundraiser, 8 a.m. October 20

AYF, 11:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall October 21 Youth Halloween Party, 6:30 p.m. October 27

October 28 Trunk-or-Treat, 4 p.m.

LETTER OF APPRECIATION



"Dear CROP Hunger Walk Friends,

What a wonderful gift we had from God in the perfect weather He gave us on Sunday (September 23)! It was a real pleasure to see all of you, 82 walkers registered from 11 different church groups plus Andrea and Trish, who took over the treasurer's job this year. Thank you, Hazelwood team, for your hospitality and the cool water for the road. Thank you, Cheryll Crose, for contacting our business friends for the coupons. We already enjoyed our hamburgers after walking on Sunday. Thank you, High Street team, for again bringing the largest group of walkers, 35 counting everyone in the Marshall family joining in. Thank you, each and every person, for coming and caring about hunger!"

~John and Theresa Weakland

BALL STATE HOMECOMING PARADE PARKING

Saturday, October 20, 2018 8 a.m.-Noon

Not only is Hazelwood in a prime location to see the Ball State Homecoming Parade, we are also fortunate to have a large parking lot in an area where public parking is at a premium. To make the most of our situation, Hazelwood will offer parking to the public on the morning of the parade in return for a \$3 donation per vehicle.

This event is sponsored by our Hazelwood Youth and Missions & Benevolence Team. The money raised from this project helps support our Christmas Box Project, where we help less fortunate families in Delaware County have some comfort and joy during the Holiday Season.

Mark your calendars now, and sign up in Sulanke Commons after worship to volunteer and support this worthy cause!

LOOKING AHEAD

Mark your calendar now! We will need volunteers for the Christian Ministries Food Pantry on November 28, 29, & 30. For more information contact Shirley Bookout at (765) 744-1207.

~Blessings from the Missions & Benevolence Team



October 14-20, 2018

• Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary

TUESDAY • Trustees, 5:30 p.m., Chapel

• Big Picture Team, 7 p.m., Chapel

WEDNESDAY • Praise Band Rehearsal, 9:30 a.m., Sanctuary

• Bell Rehearsal, 6 p.m., Choir Loft

• Choir Rehearsal, 7:15 p.m., Choir Loft

THURSDAY • Preschool Team, 10 a.m., Chapel

• BSU Homecoming Parade Parking, 8 a.m.

October 21-27, 2018

SUNDAY • Children's Sabbath

• Music Fest Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary

• Flu Shot Clinic, After Worship, Cartwright Hall

• All-Youth Fellowship, 11:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall

MONDAY • CWF, 2 p.m., Morrison Woods Room 101

TUESDAY • NEST Study, 7 p.m., Bill & Dee Moser's Home

WEDNESDAY • Praise Band Rehearsal, 9:30 a.m., Sanctuary

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

FRIDAY

• Men's Lunch, Noon, Cartwright Hall (Host: Gene Dobson)

• Youth Halloween Party, 6:30 p.m., Cartwright Hall



October 28, 2018

Trunk-or-Treat, 4 p.m., Hazelwood Parking Lot

November 4, 2018

All Saints Sunday
Daylight Savings Time Ends

November 8, 2018

Book Club, 7 p.m., Sulanke Commons

November 10, 2018

Hazelwood Fall Bazaar, 7:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

November 16, 2018

Men's Lunch, Noon, Cartwright Hall (Host: Yeno Matuka)

November 17, 2018

All-Church Property Work Day, 9 a.m.-Noon

November 18, 2018

Gratitude & Youth Sunday

Annual Congregational Carry-In & Meeting, After Worship, Cartwright Hall

November 22-23, 2018

Happy Thanksgiving! Church Office Closed

SOUP SUPPER AT YORKTOWN CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Yorktown Christian Church CWF is hosting a Soup Supper on Friday, October 19 from 4:30-7 p.m. Enjoy soup, sandwich, veggies, dessert, and a beverage all for a freewill offering in support of the women's missions programs!

What a great (and delicious!) way to help spread God's love!

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Saturday, November 10, 7:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

*All-You-Can-Eat Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

7:30-9:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall

Cost: \$5.00

*Crafts & Gift Bazaar

8 a.m.-2 p.m., Cartwright Hall

Past vendors have included: Crafts, Books, Bags, Cosmetics, Hair Bows & Accessories, Jewelry, Gifts, and much more!

*Hearty Fall Lunch

11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Cartwright Hall

Cost: \$6.00 - menu includes bowl of chili (choice of mild, spicy, or vegetarian) with cornbread *or* hotdog with potato chips. Both options include drink and dessert!

*Children's Festival

10 a.m.-1 p.m., Preschool area

Tickets: \$5.00 and includes bounce house, treat walks, ring toss, and more!

***Silent Auction**

8 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Cartwright Hall

The Silent Auction will be run by Kay Schnuck and Mary Ann Matchett. Donations can be given to either Kay or Mary Ann, or dropped off at the church office.

*Baked Goods Table

8 a.m.-2 p.m., Cartwright Hall

Stop by and purchase all kinds of home-made treats! Cookies, brownies, breads... the possibilities are endless!

*Special Visit From Santa Claus, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Cartwright Hall

Children are welcome to get their picture taken with Santa and share their Christmas wishes!

The proceeds from this event benefit both the youth and preschool programs at Hazelwood.

(Be sure to check out the volunteer form to the right!)

Hazelwood Christian Church 2018 Annual Fall Bazaar Volunteer Form Saturday, November 10, 7:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Please mark the ways you would like to participate in the Hazelwood Christian Church Annual Fall Bazaar and place it in the offering plate or bring it by the church office by October 31. Feel free to mark more than one!

Phone: Email:	Name:				
vendor booths, so please return this form with the rental fee ASAP if you are planning to have a booth. Booth prices start at \$30. Contact Julie Thomas at jubet77@comcast.net for details. Please make checks payable to "Hazelwood Christian Church." Items at my booth: This booth will be:individualgroup organization I would like to volunteer to help with the Annual Bazaar! There are plenty of opportunities to help both Friday, November 9 and Saturday, November 10. There is a sign-up sheet in Sulanke Commons where you can let us know which day you are available and what you would like to help with. If you aren't able to stop by Sulanke Commons after worship, please contact Molly Wantz at (765)747-9908. I would like to donate an item for the silent auction! Item to donate I would like to donate items for the Baked Goods Table! I would like to donate items for the Lunch! Stop by the sign-up table in Sulanke Commons for a list of items needed, or contact Stephanie Farra at safarra18@gmail.com. Contact Information: Angie Lopez Preschool Director hccalopez@gmail.com Julie Thomas Vendor Coordinator jubet77@comcast.net Molly Wantz Volunteer Coordinator msuewantz@yahoo.com Vendor Coordinator msuewantz@yahoo.com Vendor Coordinator msuewantz@yahoo.com	Phone:	Email:			
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