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

#### Our Mission:

Sharing Christ with our community through  
service and relationships.



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**

February 28  
March 14 & 28

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



# HAZELWOOD LEAVES

February 14, 2019



*Love is patient; love is kind;  
love is not envious or  
boastful or arrogant or rude.  
It does not insist on its own  
way; it is not irritable or  
resentful; it does not rejoice in  
wrongdoing, but rejoices in  
the truth. It bears all things,  
believes all things, hopes all  
things, endures all things.*

*1 Corinthians 13:4-7*

**BUDGET UPDATE**

**Offerings Received for Week Ending 2/5/19: \$4,445.84**  
**Offerings Received for Week Ending 2/12/19: \$4,130.50**

**Average Offering for Last Five Weeks: \$4,469.04**  
**Average Weekly Need: \$5,151**

**2018 Offerings Compared to Budget: (\$30,232.39)\***  
*\*Reflects the amount received UNDER Budget*



**The 2018 Treasurer’s Report is now available in Sulanke Commons**



♦ Mary Anne Warfel is a patient at IU Health Ball Memorial Hospital.

*Carry each other’s burdens, and in this way you will  
fulfill the law of Christ.*

*Galatians 6:2*



**A NOTE FROM THE SESQUICENTENNIAL TEAM**

If you still want to submit a "2018 Sesquicentennial Time Capsule Survey" or any other items for inclusion in the Time Capsule, please do so by Sunday, February 24.

Thank you,  
Sesquicentennial Celebration Team

**JONES SCHOLARSHIP**

C. Darrell and Edith Jones Scholarship applications are now available in Sulanke Commons and on our website. Applicants, or their parents, must be a church member for at least two years. Deadline for submission is **March 1**. For more information, contact Mary Ann Matchett, chair of the Jones Scholarship Committee, at [mrsstiky@comcast.net](mailto:mrsstiky@comcast.net).



When I pastored in New York State I used to stop by a coffee shop called *Orange Cat Coffee*. They were cat people, and I had a cat, so we got along real well (it didn’t hurt that they were very friendly, too). I like coffee, and around noon I used to go there and get a cup of coffee. I’d find a comfy chair and do some reading while I drank my coffee. It was a little oasis in the day for me, a short break before I jumped back into the afternoon’s work. One day, though, I paid for my coffee and went to the room in the back where I usually sat, and I didn’t know what to do because they’d moved all the furniture around! They rearranged the room, and everything was in a different place. I stood there for a moment not knowing what to do. My little oasis I relied on was different, and I didn’t know how to react.

The good news is the comfortable places to sit were still there, and I learned to enjoy sitting in them in different places in the room. It wasn’t long before the new setup became the setup I was used to. That moment of shock, though, made me appreciate how hard it is to change. When we rely on something for a time, any change to it is a challenge. All of us need some sameness in life, and when that sameness isn’t the same we react negatively. It’s a human response; we’re all that way.

I tell that story to say we’re in a place like that now. Our church sanctuary will soon look different. The carpet is being replaced, and the pews will be replaced with worship chairs. It was obvious, after decades of service, the carpet needed replacing. The pews were affixed to the floor with bolts on each end. We wondered if it was worth it to put holes in the new carpet to reaffix the pews, and that led us to give a look at our pews, which made us realize they, too, were worn and could use replacing. That led us to the question of whether or not to put new pews in or to replace the pews with worship chairs. Pews are considerably more expensive (\$100 to \$150 per pew seat versus \$35 for each chair), and the worship chairs give us advantages in adaptability and comfort. So, we decided to make the change to the worship chairs.

I’ve said the old pews heard decades of prayers, and it brings a heaviness to see them leave. Can I ask you to open your heart to our new setup, though? I know change is always hard, especially when we rely upon the sameness of our Sunday oasis, but give it some time, and I believe you will learn to love the worship chairs and the adaptability and comfort they bring. One thing all of us can rely on in life is change, but change always brings its challenges. With time, though, I believe we’ll love the changes and our new sanctuary seating.

Grace & peace,  
Jason Jones



## Can you imagine?

"We sometimes think that "imagination" means something escapist or illusory. Yet, imagination is not something unreal or fake. No, it is **essential** to God's hope for creation. Hear how the Apostle Paul put it: "**Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine...**" (Ephesians 3:20-21). And God imagines a world where all are safe, all are loved, all are fed.

You see, when we use our imaginations in the way that God does, we can begin to envision - and work for! - a world

- ...where no child goes unfed, un-housed, or unloved;
- ...where no one ever fears abuse or violence;
- ...where clean water is not a dream but a reality for all;
- ...where small farmers do their work with dignity and are paid a fair wage for their labors;
- ...where agricultural practices enrich and renew the land rather than deplete it;
- ...where survivors of natural disasters have the resources they need;
- ...where vulnerable immigrants are welcomed in Christ's name.

Can **YOU** imagine these things? Through your gifts to Week of Compassion what we can imagine becomes ever more a reality for more and more people.

Please give generously!"

**"When people look at the church, they should see the One who declared—through word and deed to the leper, the lame, and the poor—that His kingdom is bringing healing to every speck of the universe."**

Steve Corbett and Brian Fikkert, in *When Helping Hurts*

A special offering will be collected for Week of Compassion during worship on February 17 & 24. For more information on Week of Compassion, visit them online at [www.weekofcompassion.org](http://www.weekofcompassion.org).



In order for Taters 'N Talent to be a successful fundraiser for our youth program, we need brave souls willing to share their talents with their Hazelwood family. So if you enjoy entertaining others with singing, dancing, magic, comedy, playing an instrument, doing a puppet show, or whatever else your talent may be, **WE'RE LOOKING FOR YOU!**

Solo acts, duets, small or large groups- all are welcome on the Hazelwood stage! If you have lots of experience, that's great! If this is your first time on stage, that's great, too! Your loving Hazelwood family will be there to support you regardless!

For those brave folks out there willing to share their talents at 5 p.m. on Sunday, February 24, sign up in Sulanke Commons after worship this Sunday. **There can be no Taters 'N Talent without the talent!**

## PRESCHOOL NEWS

### Spirit Night

Thank you to all who attended our Spirit Night at Chick-fil-A. It was good food and great fellowship with the preschool families and the Hazelwood congregation!

### Thank you!

Thank you to Jay Matchett and Bill Ritchie for doing such a great job repairing lights, installing our new mailbox, and keeping the preschool children and families safe by having the snow off the parking lot and sidewalks. We appreciate all you do!

### Looking Ahead

**February 18**

**February 25**

**February 28**

**March 25-29**

Presidents' Day- No School or ELC

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

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

Spring Break- No School or ELC





## INQUIRERS CLASS

Whether you are new to Hazelwood or a youth interested in baptism, our Inquirers Class is open to all who want to learn more about the Disciples of Christ and Hazelwood Christian Church. We are planning to start a class during the Lent season to explore the basics of our faith and what it means to be a member of Hazelwood. Please contact Rev. Jason if you are interested.

## SUMMER CAMPS

It's that time of year when we start dreaming of summer. Our region is sponsoring numerous camps again this year. As in years past, Hazelwood will cover half of the registration costs. Contact Rev. Jason in the church office if you have any questions.

**Register online:** <http://indianadisciples.org/search/summer+camp+2019>

**Cost:** Full week: \$310, 4-day: \$265, 3-day: \$205

(Add \$25 for registrations submitted after May 15)

	<b>Geneva Center</b> Rochester, Indiana	<b>Bedford Christian Camp</b> Bedford, Indiana
<b>Middle School</b> (Completed Gr. 6-8)	June 24-29	July 15-20
<b>High School</b> (Completed Gr. 9-12)	June 24-29	July 1-6
<b>C.R.O.S.S</b> (Completed Gr. 6-12)	June 24-29	
<b>M.A.D.</b> (Completed Gr. 6-12)	June 17-22	
<b>Explorer</b> (Completed Gr. 4-5)	June 10-15	July 8-13
<b>New Beginnings</b> (Completed Gr. 1-3)	June 17-19	June 24-26
<b>You &amp; Me 1</b> (Ages 5+ with adult)	June 12-15 (4 days)	
<b>You &amp; Me 2</b> (Ages 5+ with adult)	June 20-22 (3 days)	



## DISBURSEMENTS

- ♦ \$100 to A Better Way
- ♦ \$300 to Walk-A-Mile in My Shoes (Muncie Mission)

## NOTES OF APPRECIATION

**“Because of you...Our work of helping the poor and needy continues.**

Dear friends of Christian Ministries,

On behalf of the people we serve, we thank you for your generous contributions to the work of Christian Ministries. Your donation helps us to meet the needs of the people who struggle in poverty, those who suffer hunger, and many who are without a home. May God bless you for your continued support.

In His Service,”

Andrea Smith, Christian Ministries

“Dear Hazelwood,

Thank you so much for your generous gift of \$300 to Greater Muncie Habitat for Humanity. Your gift helps to create family legacies of homeownership. Since our inception in 1986, Muncie Habitat has served more than 200 families in Muncie and Delaware County through new construction homes, house rehabilitations, and home repairs.

Thank you for helping us to continue to strive toward our vision of **a world where everyone has a decent place to live.**

With Gratitude,”

Lindsey Arthur, Chief Executive Officer, Greater Muncie Habitat for Humanity

“Dear Friends,

Thank you for your recent gift to The Salvation Army. At the beginning of this new year, your generosity provides a beacon of hope for those who have so little.

As we look toward the months ahead, many of us hope to fulfill the plans we’ve made and experience new opportunities in life. But for those who come through our doors, a new year only adds to the burden of trying to provide for themselves and their families.

Your gift gives those we assist the hope and encouragement they need to face the coming months. Without you, each day would be a difficult battle for survival. Your compassion means more to them than words can say. Thank you for your generosity. May God bless you in this new year.

Sincerely,”

Major Mark Litherland, Corps Officer, The Salvation Army

**HAZELWOOD ANGELS**

Walk-A-Mile in My Shoes walkers included Shirley Bookout, Ashlyn Farra, Jaxon Farra, Kent Farra, Stephanie Farra, Rev. Jason Jones, Jay Matchett, Teresa Mbogori, Vincent Mbogori, James Mischuki, Victor Mischuki, Bill Moser, Felix Muhiga, Francis Muhiga, Khamasi Muhiga, Winnie Muhiga, Jason Ratts, Landon Ratts, Jim Reece, Nancy Reece, and Glen Sulanke. This year walkers raised \$1,858 to support the Muncie Mission’s many needs, receiving a Certificate of Appreciation for raising over \$1,000. THANKS to all who walked and/or made a financial donation.

**CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES’ FOOD PANTRY**

Hazelwood is scheduled to serve at the Christian Ministries’ Food Pantry from 8:45 a.m.–12:30 p.m. on February 27, 28, and March 1. Volunteers are needed for each of these days. Contact Marcia Miller at (765) 730-5552 to sign up or for more information.

~Blessings & Gratitude from the Missions & Benevolence Team

*Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due,  
when it is in your power to act.*

*Proverbs 3:27*



**February 17-23, 2019**

- SUNDAY
  - Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary
  - All-Youth Fellowship, 11:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall
- MONDAY
  - Presidents’ Day– Church Office Closed
- TUESDAY
  - Trustees, 5:30 p.m., Chapel
  - Epiphany Action Team, 7 p.m., Chapel
- WEDNESDAY
  - Praise Band, 10:30 a.m., Sanctuary
  - Bells, 6 p.m., Choir Room
  - Choir, 7:15 p.m., Choir Loft

**February 24-March 2, 2019**

- SUNDAY
  - Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary
  - Taters ‘N Talent, 5 p.m., Cartwright Hall
- MONDAY
  - Area Ministers, 10:30 a.m., Chapel
  - CWF, 2 p.m., Morrison Woods, Room 101
- WEDNESDAY
  - Praise Band, 10:30 a.m., Sanctuary
  - Bells, 6 p.m., Choir Room
  - Choir, 7:15 p.m., Choir Loft
- FRIDAY
  - Jones Scholarship Applications Due



**LOOKING AHEAD...**

- March 3, 2019**  
Hazelwood Teacher Recognition, During Worship
- March 6, 2019**  
Ash Wednesday Service, 7 p.m., Sanctuary
- March 10, 2019**  
Daylight Savings Time Begins, “Spring Forward” 1 hour
- March 14, 2019**  
Book Club, 7 p.m., Sulanke Commons
- March 15, 2019**  
Men’s Lunch, Noon, Cartwright Hall  
(Host: Gene Dobson)
- March 17, 2019**  
All-Youth Fellowship, 11:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall  
Lent Soup & Study, 5:30 p.m., Cartwright Hall
- March 19, 2019**  
Trustees, 5:30 p.m., Chapel  
Board, 7 p.m., Cartwright Hall