Hazelwood Christian Church

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Rev. Jason Jones, Senior Minister Stefanie Petty, Administrative Assistant & Newsletter Editor Amy Stucky, Moderator 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 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

March 14 & 28

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



"For the mountains may depart and the hills be removed, but my steadfast love shall not depart from you, and my covenant of peace shall not be removed," says the Lord, who has compassion on you.

Isaiah 54:10



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BUDGET UPDATE

Offerings Received for Week Ending 2/19/19: \$3,529.50 Offerings Received for Week Ending 2/26/19: \$3,907.40

Average Offering for Last Five Weeks: \$4,785.92

Average Weekly Need: \$5,151

Jan. 2019 Offerings Compared to Budget: (\$7,616.12)*

*Reflects the amount received UNDER Budget

The 2018 Treasurer's Report is now available in Sulanke Commons.

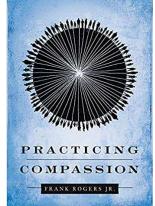


- Mary Anne Warfel has been released from the hospital and is now back home following a short stay at Golden Living for rehab.
- Jeane Garrett has been released from the hospital and is back at Morrison Woods.
- Sympathies to the family of Jane Quinichette, who passed away on Saturday, February 23.

LENT SOUP & STUDY

I've said it before, sometimes the name says it all, and Soup & Study is just what you'd expect it to be. During Lent we'll gather for Soup and for Study. At 5:30 p.m. on four Sundays (March 17, March 24, March 31, and April 7), we'll share in this special season of Lent through fellowship around some bowls of soup, and then we'll have a time of study.

Our focus for study will be Frank Rogers Jr.'s book, *Practicing Compassion*. We usually believe compassion to be a positive thing, but we often lack a means to get it, and this book shows us a path. I've found Soup & Study be a unique way to gather for both fellowship and renewal as we journey through this special season. We need folks to make soup for each evening, so if you'd like to share some soup please sign up on Sunday after worship. If you'd like to attend Soup & Study, please sign up, too, so we'll have an idea of how many will attend. Books are \$14 if you'd like one, but it isn't necessary to have the book to attend.



~Jason Jones



A couple of years ago my Dad sent an email telling me Katie died. Katie and her husband, Shorty, were a part of our church when I was a teenager, and Katie was

a character. Shorty (I never knew his real name) had a gruff voice, and my Dad could do a funny Shorty impersonation. Katie was famous for using the church's prayer chain. The church had a prayer chain for prayer requests, where one person would call the next on the list, sharing the request. Katie would share everything on the prayer chain; she would share every need she distantly knew about. We'd tease, when we got a prayer chain call at the house, saying "Katie's uncle's cousin's neighbor's friend's mailman's brother stubbed his toe and needs prayers." Every week there'd be a couple requests like that, some distant connection to Katie where she wanted prayer.

Every church has its characters, and Katie was one. But if she erred it was the error of caring too much and praying too much for too many things, and that's really not a mistake. I think we need a little more sincerity and less sarcasm and cynicism these days, and Katie was always sincere. When she knew of a need, no matter how distant it seemed to her, she always wanted prayers there, and that's not such a bad thing. Some Christian traditions seek the prayers of those who have died before us, and if Katie is praying now, I hope she says a prayer or two along the way for me because I know I (like everyone else) need it, and I know Katie always meant it when she prayed. Katie taught me the gifts of caring and praying, and we all could use a little more of that in our lives.

Grace & peace, Jason Jones

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Daylight Savings Time begins at 2 a.m. on Sunday, March 10. Remember to turn your clock **forward** 1 hour on Saturday night before you go to bed!



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.

SEASON OF LENT AT HAZELWOOD

ASH WEDNESDAY

We begin the season of Lent on Wednesday, March 6 with our Ash Wednesday Service at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary. The Ashes we receive are a sign of our mortality and repentance, and a marker of our desire to return to God with whole hearts.

LENT SOUP & STUDY

Pull up a chair as we enjoy a bowl of soup and delve into *Practicing Compassion* by Frank Rogers Jr. at 5:30 p.m. on March 17, 24, 31, and April 7 in Cartwright Hall.

PALM SUNDAY

Join us for a Procession of Palms and Worship service on Sunday, April 14 at 10 a.m. in the Sanctuary as we celebrate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Enjoy a light supper on Thursday, April 18 at 6 p.m. as we come together in fellowship in Cartwright Hall. At 7 p.m., we will move to the Sanctuary for worship and communion in memory of Jesus' Last Supper with his disciples.

If you would like to volunteer to help with the meal, please contact Stefanie in the church office.

EGG HUNT

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Hazelwood is Saturday, April 20! Kids up to Grade 5 will meet in Sulanke Commons at 10 a.m. to search for those elusive Easter Eggs filled with candy.

If you would like to donate candy, or volunteer to help stuff Easter Eggs, contact Rev. Jason in the church office.

EASTER SUNDAY

He Has Risen!

Join us in Worship on Sunday, April 21 at 10 a.m. in the Sanctuary as we celebrate Jesus' resurrection.

Youth that complete the Inquirers' Class will be baptized during the service.

EPIPHANY ACTION TEAM UPDATE

"Serving Christ with our community through service and relationships."

We have a worthwhile opportunity to put Hazelwood's new mission statement into action! North View Elementary school is striving to raise its F accountability grade, and the principal there is thrilled to have Hazelwood members listen to a child practice read, help a kiddo with double-digit addition, or be the occasional "extra adult" in a classroom. There are opportunities during the school day, after school, and during various evening events. If you are not able to visit the school, the principal says teachers always need help getting props and manipulatives ready, a task that can be done at home.

Several of you have already expressed interest. Thank you! Please return the pink Volunteer Information Form to me soon. Anyone helping with school children needs to fill out this form for a background check. There is no expense involved to you or to Hazelwood.

Please let me know if you want to be part of this North View partnership, and I will be glad to get you started.

~Ann Wolfe

TEACHER RECOGNITION

In any church, the role of teacher is a vital one. We are very fortunate here at Hazelwood to have so many who are willing to take on this role in its many forms. They lead bible study groups, teach Sunday School, direct our choirs, guide our youth, and work with the littlest of our congregation in the nursery. Those who have taken on these monumental tasks this past year include: Aurora Bennett, Laura Bennett, Gene Dobson, Mary Dobson, Kent Farra, Stephanie Farra, Mary France, Sally Geib, Adam Glaze, Andrew Glaze, Mariangella Glaze, Rev. Jason Jones, Mary Ann Matchett, Nlandu Matuka, Bill Moser, Andy Rees, Brynmar Rees, Wendy Rees, Rachel Smith, Julie Thomas, and Vicki Vance. Our deepest appreciation goes out to this great group of teachers!

There are always new opportunities arising for teachers here at Hazelwood. Contact Rev. Jason for information on how you can get involved!

INOUIRERS' 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.

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NOTES OF APPRECIATION



"Dear Hazelwood Christian Church,

On behalf of the residents of the Whitely Community, volunteers, and our board members, I would like to thank you for your 2018 donation of \$250 to the Whitely Community Council.

Your gift will help continue the fight against food insecurities that are a daily struggle for many of our residents. The distribution of nutritious food is a vital and important part of what we do to fight hunger, but it is not the only tool we use. Through education, communication, and partnerships with other likeminded organizations, we have created unique relationships that will continue the fight against poverty and the effects it has on communities.

We can not thank you enough for your generosity, but we can guarantee that your donation will be used in the most responsible way, bringing relief to families and creating pathways to sustainability.

Sincerely,"

~Ken Hudson, Executive Director, Whitely Community Council

"Dear friends,

Thank you for your participation in Muncie Mission's 15th annual Walk-A-Mile in My Shoes fundraiser. We are thankful for this event which raises the awareness of the plight of the homeless and provides funding for the Mission to be able to minister in a positive and loving way. Thank you for your help in making it a tremendous success. When YOU GIVE....WE GIVE. Thank you so much.

Sincerely,"

~Frank Baldwin, Executive Director, Muncie Mission

HAZELWOOD ANGELS

Thanks to the following volunteers who helped with Christian Ministries' Food Pantry on either February 27, 28, or March 1: Dick & Marcia Miller, Pat Patterson, Jim & Nancy Reece, Carol Schussler, and Glen Sulanke.

~Blessings & Gratitude from the Missions & Benevolence Team

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

Galatians 6:2

A NOTE FROM CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES

"Almost every day, we hear from men, women, and families who have no place to live, no food to eat, and lack the basic necessities of life. People come to us when they are desperate, scared, and confused. For many it is their first time walking through our doors. They do not know what to expect, they just want someone to listen, and they want someone to help! At Christian Ministries, we continue to help all of those that we possibly can with the programs and services that we offer.

We continue to offer the following services:

- **Homeless Services**: Men's Sleeping Room Shelter (open October-April), and our Family Shelter Rooms and Apartment
- Our **Food Pantry** is open Tuesday-Friday every week
- Utility & Rent Assistance
- Baby Care & Blanket Cupboard
- Treasure Shop Thrift Store open Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m."

ONGOING DONATION NEEDS

All donations can be dropped off during regular business hours

Men's Shelter

Cleaning Supplies: bleach, Pine-sol, laundry detergent, toilet bowl cleaner, disinfectant spray (Lysol)

Paper Goods: toilet paper, paper towels, napkins, Kleenex, paper plates

Family Shelter

Cleaning Supplies: bleach, Pine-sol, laundry detergent, toilet bowl cleaner

Paper Goods: toilet paper, paper towels, Kleenex

Bedding: blankets, sheets (full, queen, king), pillows, bath towels, washcloths

Main Office

Cleaning Supplies: bleach, Pine-sol, toilet bowl cleaner, disinfectant spray (Lysol)

Paper Goods: toilet paper, paper towels, Kleenex

Baby Care Program

Diapers (size 4, 5, & 6)

Wipes

Baby Food & Formula

Blanket Cupboard

Blankets, Comforters, & Sheets (all sizes, especially queen & king)

Pillows

Towels

Food Pantry

Canned food: vegetables, fruit, & meat

Boxed food: pasta, mac & cheese, hamburger helper, rice, etc.

PRESCHOOL NEWS

Volunteer Opportunity

There is nothing more precious than holding an infant as they smile and coo at you, or rock them as they sleep. Our new infant room is growing very quickly and we are looking for some very valuable volunteers to hold and rock our smallest little students. If you like holding babies and rocking them, then we have an opportunity for you! If you have an extra hour to spare and want to use your time serving in a very important ministry, please contact Angie Lopez at 284-2430 to receive more information.

Looking Ahead

March 25-29 Spring Break- No School or ELC

April 19 Good Friday- No School or ELC

April 28 Preschool Sunday



Andy Rees
 Sue Weller
 Felix Muhiga
 Steve Cartwright
 Carol Schussler
 Shirley Bookout
 Barbara Syphers
 Yeno Matuka
 Dee Moser
 Felix Muhiga
 Dennis Holmes
 Jeane Garrett
 Barbara Syphers
 Yeno Matuka

If your name has been inadvertently left off, let us know! Call the church office at 765-282-5969 or send an email to hazelwoodchurch@gmail.com.



March 3-9, 2019

SUNDAY

• Worship Service & Teacher Recognition, 10 a.m., Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY

- Praise Band, 10:30 a.m., Sanctuary
- Elders, 5:30 p.m., Chapel
- No Bells or Choir
- Ash Wednesday Worship Service, 7 p.m., Sanctuary



Church Calendar

March 10-16, 2019

• Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary

MONDAY • Preschool Discernment, 10:30 a.m., Chapel

WEDNESDAY • Praise Band, 10:30 a.m., Sanctuary

Bells, 6 p.m., Choir RoomChoir, 7:15 p.m., Choir Loft

THURSDAY • Preschool Team, 1 p.m., Chapel

• No Book Club

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



LOOKING AHEAD...

March 14, 2019

Preschool Team, 1 p.m., Chapel

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

March 24, 2019

Lent Soup & Study, 5:30 p.m., Cartwright Hall

March 25, 2019

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

March 31, 2019

All-Youth Fellowship, 11:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall Lent Soup & Study, 5:30 p.m., Cartwright Hall

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