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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

April 25  
May 9 & 23

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



# HAZELWOOD LEAVES

April 11, 2019

Blessed is the  
king who comes  
in the name of  
the Lord! Peace  
in heaven and  
glory in the  
highest!

Luke 19:38

**BUDGET UPDATE**

**Offerings Received for Week Ending 4/2/19: \$6,414.80**  
**Offerings Received for Week Ending 4/9/19: \$7,606.50**

**Average Offering for Last Five Weeks: \$5,710.34**  
**Average Weekly Need: \$5,151**

**Jan.-Feb. 2019 Offerings Compared to Budget: (\$7,387.46)\***

*\*Reflects the amount received UNDER Budget*



- ◆ Wilma Purtlebaugh is now at Bethel Pointe.
- ◆ Pat Patterson is a patient at IU Health Ball Memorial Hospital.
- ◆ Julie Thomas is a patient at St. Vincent Heart Center in Carmel.

**READY FOR SPRING**

Big thanks to the hard workers who accomplished so much during the Property Work Day on April 6: Shirley Bookout, Don & Cheryl Crose, Kent Farra, Tony & Marianna Gill, Jason Jones, Jay Matchett, Rhea Morgan, Jim Reece, Bill Ritchie, Glen Sulanke, and Ann Wolfe.

Hazelwood is blessed with this wonderful property and it takes us all to keep it at its best. If you weren't able to help with the Property Work Day, but would still like to help out, contact Stefanie in the church office. There are always tasks waiting to be tackled, both inside and out!



If you're here at the church building through the week you'll see lots of children coming and going through our doors. Parents are dropping off or picking up kids who are a part of our preschool. On a nicer day you'll see kids playing on our playground. If you'll walk around the lower level you'll see classrooms filled with children. Our preschool brings lots of children and families into our church building through the week for a variety of classes. We have a devoted preschool staff who work very hard making a positive experience for the youth and families who are a part of our preschool, and if you hang around the church on a weekday you'll see them hard at work.

*Pastor Jason's Journal, continued...*

One of the things I noticed though, when I first came here to Hazelwood a couple years ago, is, at times, a disconnection between church and preschool. Most of our church members are here on Sunday and don't see the work of the preschool. A few people from our church work with the preschool, but it is mostly staffed by people outside our congregation. This can lead to misunderstandings and sometimes a feeling of competition between preschool and church. Between our church and preschool we have two different organizations with unique needs while both existing within our church building, and this can lead to friction or misunderstandings as we both try to work together in the same space. I know, too, preschools are often started with the hope that maybe preschool families will find their way into the regular life of the church, and while we do have a few who found us through our preschool, the majority of preschool families don't become a part of our church community.

I started saying last autumn we needed to do some work, as a congregation, on understanding what it means to have a preschool in our church. We need to do some work, as a church, in our understanding of what we're trying to do with our preschool ministry here at Hazelwood. At the end of last year I formed a Preschool Discernment Team to lead our congregation in a faithful conversation as we ask, "What does it mean to have a preschool in our congregation?" I invited two from our Preschool Team, Julie Thomas and Stephanie Farra, and two from our congregation, Jim Reece and Marcia Miller, along with myself and our preschool director, Angie Lopez, to be a part of this team. During April, the team will be informally asking you some questions:

- What does the Preschool mean to our congregation?
- How could we improve the presence of the preschool in our congregation?
- Would you like to help with our preschool?

You might find the Discernment Team people mingling during Coffee Fellowship or other times informally asking you these questions.

We also want a way we can talk faithfully together as a church about what it means to have a preschool, and so we're hosting a Congregational Circle gathering on May 19, after Coffee Fellowship. We'll gather in Cartwright Hall. This is a chance for us to listen to one another as we continue to discern what it means to have a preschool as a part of our church ministry.

You'll see here in this newsletter a explanation of the work the preschool does. I hope you'll give it a look so you can understand better the work of our preschool, and I hope you'll join us in this faithful conversation as we do our best to listen to God and one another as we discern how we can claim the preschool as a mission of the church.

Grace & peace,  
Jason Jones  
2019 0411

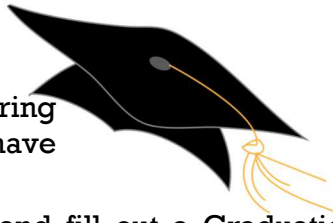
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## **ATTENTION GRADUATES!**

High School and College graduates will be recognized during worship on Sunday, May 5. If you are a graduate, or if you have a Hazelwood graduate in the family, let us know!

Please stop by the sign up table in Sulanke Commons and fill out a Graduation Information Sheet with the name of the graduate and their school information. Be sure to turn in your graduation information sheet no later than Sunday, April 28 to be recognized.



## **EXPERIENTIAL MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE**

Every year, Hazelwood holds a Maundy Thursday service to remember the night in which Jesus was betrayed and handed over to the authorities, which eventually led to his crucifixion on the cross for our sins. This year's Maundy Thursday service will be quite different from ones in the past. Our service will include "The Journey to the Cross," based on the "Stations of the Cross."

Wikipedia has this to say about the "Stations of the Cross":

"The **Stations of the Cross** or the **Way of the Cross**, also known as the **Way of Sorrows** or the **Via Crucis**, refers to a series of images depicting Jesus Christ on the day of his crucifixion and accompanying prayers. The object of the stations is to help Christians to make a spiritual pilgrimage through contemplation of the Passion of Christ. It has become one of the most popular devotions, and the stations can be found in many Western Christian churches, including Anglican, Lutheran, Methodist, and Roman Catholic ones. Commonly, a series of 14 images will be arranged in numbered order along a path, and the faithful travel from image to image, in order, stopping at each station to say the selected prayers and reflections. This is done in a spirit of reparation for the sufferings and insults that Jesus endured during his passion."

We will have 5 "stations". There will be some walking from station to station, but all stations will be in the Sanctuary. There will be chairs at each station for those who need them. It is our hope that through this experience, you may feel more connected to what Jesus endured during those final days of his ministry. Please join us on Thursday, April 18, at 7 p.m., in the Sanctuary.

## **GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE**

Join your neighbors at Noon on Friday, April 19 for a Community Good Friday Service sponsored by Christian Ministries at Riverside United Methodist Church (1201 Wheeling Ave.). Three musical selections will be sung by the Community Choir, and donations of non-perishable goods and toiletries will be accepted for the Christian Ministries' Pantry.

## **ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT**

Children through 5th grade are invited to join us on Saturday, April 20 for our annual Easter Egg Hunt! We will gather in Sulanke Commons at 10 a.m. before beginning the hunt for the elusive eggs on the lawn (if the weather isn't cooperating, the eggs will be hidden inside).

There are many ways you can help us get ready for the Egg Hunt:

- 1) Donate wrapped candy to fill the plastic eggs. Keep in mind the candy will need to fit in the regular size plastic eggs, so nothing too large please.
- 2) Help stuff eggs on Sunday, April 14 after the worship service, or stuff eggs at home. If you stuff them at home, please indicate the type of candy or appropriate age group (we want to avoid hard candy for the 0-3 year-olds).
- 3) Help hide the eggs before or help supervise the hunting grounds during the big event! We will meet in Sulanke Commons at 9 a.m. to begin hiding eggs.

If you would like to help, or have any questions, contact Rev. Jason in the church office.



## **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 May 8, 9, & 10. Volunteers are needed. Please contact Shirley Bookout (765)744-1207 to sign up or for more information.

## **WINNIE'S KIDS**

We will be accepting donations to help 'Winnie's Kids' in Kenya on April 28, May 5, 12, and 19. 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 Sunday, May 26. There are great needs in Kenya, so please prayerfully consider how you can help 'Winnie's Kids.'

~Blessings & Gratitude from the Missions & Benevolence Team

EASTER LILIES WERE GIVEN...

In honor of...

Our children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren  
Suzanne, Ryan, Kara, & Rachel Tucker and Tony, Melissa, Chase, & Chloe Ritchie  
Ruth & Dave Griffey and Brian Dye  
Michael Carlton Family and Molly (Moser) Kiron Family  
Tiffany Marie Ingles

From

Gene & Mary Dobson  
John & Carolyn Starnes  
Donna Dye  
Bill & Dee Moser  
George & Karen Ingles

In memory of...

Parents, William & Thelma Bowman and Eunice & James Miller  
Our deceased relatives & friends  
Don Lanning & my parents  
Lloyd & Buna Starnes and Jim & Bea Insley  
Lee Dye  
Dean Heberling  
Giles & Dorothy McCann  
Ronald & Phyllis Matchett  
Parents, Herbert & Suzan Myers and Ron & Vera Thomas  
Floyd & Esther Firestone, Alice (Firestone) Stoy, and V.G. & Ruth Moser  
Rev. Peter Shults (Grandfather)  
Grandma Betsy & Grandpa Jack  
Marjorie & Kenneth Wantz  
Virginia & Charles Ingram  
Myrtle & James Cundiff  
Gladys & John Jeffs  
Florella Moudy

From

Shirley Bookout  
Gene & Mary Dobson  
Mary Lanning  
John & Carolyn Starnes  
Donna Dye  
Kelly (Heberling) & Jeff Heavilon  
Jay & Mary Ann Matchett  
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Ron & Julie Thomas  
Bill & Dee Moser  
Andy, Wendy, Brynmar, & Jairen Rees  
Andy, Wendy, Brynmar, & Jairen Rees  
Woody & Molly Wantz  
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Katelyn & Adam Moudy  
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Easter Lilies, continued...

In memory of...

Parents, Stanley & Evelyn Bartlett  
Grandparents, Harry & Lydia Williams  
Major Robert Scott  
Amanda Kay Cartwright  
Tom Morgan  
Dorles Jennings  
Dr. Robert & Frances Sulanke  
Mother, Martha Jeanne Hamilton and Brother, Jay Hamilton  
Family members who have passed  
Colleen Thomas  
Parents and Grandparents  
Sue Reece and Helen Hartley  
John Wean  
Children, Stephen and Deborah Syphers, Eugene Syphers, Ed Sanderson, and parents  
Son, Bill G. Ritchie  
Bob Garrett  
Willa & Mary Jane Stacker and Herbert & Ruby Miller

From

Jeane Garrett, Elaine Wulff, and Mary Strubbe  
Jeane Garrett, Elaine Wulff, and Mary Strubbe  
Jason & Amanda Scott  
David & Susan Cartwright  
Rhea Morgan  
Stephanie Farra  
Bob, Betsy, Thom, and Glen Sulanke  
Lee Anne Chambers  
Ruthanne Devroy  
Mariangella, Andrew, Adam, & Alex Glaze  
George & Karen Ingles  
Jim & Nancy Reece  
Jim & Nancy Reece  
Barbara Syphers  
Bill & Leah Ritchie  
Jeane Garrett, Beth, and Nancy  
Dick & Marcia Miller



Cinco de Mayo

Congregational Dinner

Not that we need an excuse to get together and fellowship, but you are invited to join us on Sunday, May 5 at 11:30 a.m. in Cartwright Hall to celebrate Cinco de Mayo! 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 14, 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!)

# PRESCHOOL NEWS

## About Hazelwood Christian Preschool

As we work toward our goals on the Preschool Discernment Team, we thought it would be helpful for everyone to know some general information regarding Hazelwood Preschool.

1. We have 6 classrooms in total: ELC Infants, ELC Toddlers, ELC Pre-K, 2-3 Year-Old Class, 3-4 Year-Old Class, and 4-5 Year-Old Class.
2. We have 14 teachers.
3. We have our own housekeeper and cook.
4. We are a Registered Ministry in Delaware County and have the following certifications: CCDF (Child Care Development Fund), VCP (Voluntary Certification Program), Paths to Quality Level 1 (Health & Safety), Level 2 (Learning Environments), and Level 3 (Planned Curriculum). When we reach Paths to Quality Level 4, we will have our National Accreditation and will have achieved the highest certification possible in our field.
5. The preschool is divided into two sections: Preschool and ELC (Extended Learning Center). The preschool classes are held either in the morning or afternoon, while ELC is available Monday-Friday from 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. ELC allows parents to have the option of choosing a Christian preschool as well as a safe educational place for their child to be while they are away at work.
6. All preschool teachers must have the following to work at Hazelwood Christian Preschool: a criminal history check with fingerprints, TB test, CPR and first-aid training, UP, drug test, physical, child abuse and detection training, consent to care on file, sexual abuse risk management certification, safe sleep training, health and safety training, Early Childhood and Indiana's Early Childhood Foundations training, and emergency procedure training. They are also required to have 20 hours of continuing education each year.
7. Each year the preschool has a variety of special events held at the church to encourage parents and families to become acquainted with the facility in hopes that they would attend a Sunday morning service. These events include: Preschool Sunday, Donuts with Dad, Teddy Bear Tea, Graduation, May Celebration, Picnic on the Playground, Dad's Night Out, Halloween Parades, and our annual Christmas Program.

**April 14-20, 2019**



SUNDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Palm Sunday Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary</li><li>• All-Youth Fellowship, 11:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall</li></ul>
TUESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Trustees, 5:30 p.m., Chapel</li><li>• Epiphany Action Team, 7 p.m., Chapel</li></ul>
WEDNESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Praise Band, 10:30 a.m., Sanctuary</li><li>• Bells, 6 p.m., Choir Loft</li><li>• Choir, 7:15 p.m., Choir Loft</li></ul>
THURSDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Preschool Team, 1 p.m., Chapel</li><li>• Maundy Thursday Dinner, 6 p.m., Cartwright Hall</li><li>• Worship Service, 7 p.m., Sanctuary</li></ul>
FRIDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Community Good Friday Service, Noon, Riverside United Methodist Church (1201 Wheeling Ave.)</li></ul>
SATURDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Easter Egg Hunt, 10 a.m.</li></ul>

**April 21-27, 2019**

SUNDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Easter Sunday Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary</li></ul>
MONDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Preschool Discernment, 10:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall</li><li>• CWF, 2 p.m., Morrison Woods, Room 101</li></ul>
TUESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• NEST Study, 7 p.m., Moser's Home</li></ul>
WEDNESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Praise Band, 10:30 a.m., Sanctuary</li><li>• Missions &amp; Benevolence, 6 p.m., Sulanke Commons</li><li>• Bells, 6 p.m., Choir Room</li><li>• Choir, 7:15 p.m., Choir Loft</li></ul>



**LOOKING  
AHEAD...**

**April 28, 2019**

Preschool Sunday Worship, 10 a.m., Sanctuary  
All-Youth Fellowship, 11:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall

**April 29, 2019**

Area Ministers, 10:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall

**May 5, 2019**

Cinco de Mayo Dinner, 11:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall