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Sunday Schedule: Worship Service, 10 a.m.
Coffee Fellowship, 11:15 a.m.
Children's Music and 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

June 6 & 20

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



HAZELWOOD LEAVES

May 23, 2019

No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends.

John 15:13



Memorial Day: Monday, May 27

BUDGET UPDATE

Offerings Received for Week Ending 5/14/19: \$4,344.50
Offerings Received for Week Ending 5/21/19: \$4,135.00

Average Offering for Last Five Weeks: \$6,475.12
Average Weekly Need: \$5,151

Jan.-Apr. 2019 Offerings Compared to Budget: \$681.21*
**Reflects the amount received OVER Budget*



♦ Ellen Edmonds is a patient at IU Health Ball Memorial Hospital.

NOTES OF APPRECIATION

“Thank you to our dear Hazelwood family for all the thoughts, prayers, and support. Thank you for the many cards, the beautiful flowers, people’s visits and phone calls, and the hugs. Thank you Rev. Jason, Tony, and Marianna for accompanying us in our first moments of need. Thank you to the amazing ladies who prepared and served the after-funeral meal. Our hearts are full. May God Bless you all.”

~Bill & Leah Ritchie, and Jeff, Kathy, & Josh Clary

“Thank you to all my friends at Hazelwood who honored my 90th birthday with such wonderful cards. I truly appreciate it. God bless you all,”

~Helen Tyler



I’ve been talking for a few months about ways to help our former Property Manager, John Burke. As many of you know, because of John’s health challenges, he was away from work and is soon to be transitioning to being on disability. We’re going to host a special fundraising meal on Saturday, June 15, starting at 5:30 p.m. This will be a way to not only help out John and his family with their financial needs, but I hope this will also be a fun night. I’m thinking of some ways to make this more than a meal- an event where all leave having had a great time.

If you’d like to help with this evening, please let me know. This is a way we can turn out to show our love for John and to help him out, but it’ll also be a fun way for us to gather as a church community. Mark your calendars, and we’ll look forward to seeing you on the 15th!

Grace & peace,
Jason Jones



Words on Worship

What the Power of Praise Can Do: 8 Reminders from His Word
(by Debbie McDaniel – blogger for crosswalk.com)

We have so much to praise God for. There's great power in giving honor to Him. And many of you live that truth out, every single day of your lives. The Bible is filled with examples of praise when we see His power released - life-changing miracles, dramatic stories of the enemy being halted or defeated, hearts being changed and drawn closer to Him. Yet reality is that, way too often, daily struggles or constant life demands can crowd out our praise to God. We might check the worship box at church and somehow think we’re good for the week. And all the while, with souls distant and cold, we sing words, we listen to music, and then we go home.

What the Power of Praise Can Do - 8 Things:

1. **Praise gets our focus off ourselves and back on God.** *“Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness!” Psalm 150:2*
2. **Praise brings us to a place of humility.** *“Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.” Psalm 95:2-3*
3. **Praise makes the enemy flee.** *“As they began to sing and praise, the Lord set ambushes against the men of Ammon and Moab and Mount Seir who were invading Judah, and they were defeated.” 2 Chronicles 20:22*
4. **Praise leaves no room for complaining and negativity.** *“Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.” Psalm 103:2-4*
5. **Praise makes room for God’s blessings over our lives.** *“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ.” Ephesians 1:3*
6. **Praise invites His presence.** *“He inhabits the praises of His people.” Psalm 22:3*
7. **Our spirits are refreshed and renewed in His presence.** *“In His presence, there is fullness of joy.” Psalm 16:11*
8. **It paves the way for God's power to be displayed, miracles happen.** *“About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them, and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken. And immediately all the doors were opened, and everyone's bonds were unfastened.” Acts 16:25-26*

We have a choice every day in this life. To live absorbed in worry and stress, focused only on what surrounds us. Or, we can ask God to help us take our eyes off all that may be swirling around, our problems and mess, or the voices of others. And we can look up...to Him, the One who holds it all together, and who holds us in His hands.

SUMMER MUSIC

Do you sing? Play an instrument? We need you!!

As the choir takes a brief break this summer, we would love to hear from other members of our congregation. If you play an instrument or sing, please consider signing up to sing or play on a Sunday this summer. Solos and groups are welcome! We would be honored for you to use your talents in worship this summer.

If you would like to sign up, or have any questions, please contact our Director of Choirs, Sally Kelley, at (615) 796-3321 or smkg07@gmail.com.

BOOK CLUB

The next meeting of the Hazelwood Book Club will be in Sulanke Commons at 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 13. We will be discussing *The Light Between Oceans* by M.L. Stedman. We will also be watching the movie based on the novel. Childcare will be provided.

From goodreads.com:

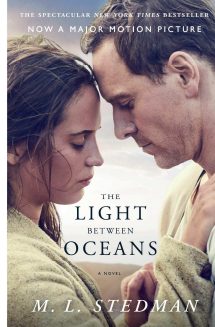
A captivating, beautiful, and stunningly accomplished debut novel that opens in 1918 Australia - the story of a lighthouse keeper and his wife who make one devastating choice that forever changes two worlds.

Australia, 1926. After four harrowing years fighting on the Western Front, Tom Sherbourne returns home to take a job as the lighthouse keeper on Janus Rock, nearly half a day's journey from the coast. To this isolated island, where the supply boat comes once a season and shore leaves are granted every other year at best, Tom brings a young, bold, and loving wife, Isabel. Years later, after two miscarriages and one stillbirth, the grieving Isabel hears a baby's cries on the wind. A boat has washed up onshore carrying a dead man and a living baby.

Tom, whose records as a lighthouse keeper are meticulous and whose moral principles have withstood a horrific war, wants to report the man and infant immediately. But Isabel has taken the tiny baby to her breast. Against Tom's judgment, they claim her as their own and name her Lucy. When she is two, Tom and Isabel return to the mainland and are reminded that there are other people in the world. Their choice has devastated one of them.

M. L. Stedman's mesmerizing, beautifully written debut novel seduces us into accommodating Isabel's decision to keep this "gift from God." And we are swept into a story about extraordinarily compelling characters seeking to find their North Star in a world where there is no right answer, where justice for one person is another's tragic loss.

If you have any questions, or are interested in joining in on the fun, contact Stephanie Farra at safarra18@gmail.com.



DISBURSEMENTS

- ♦ \$200 to John Burke
- ♦ \$1,000 to Winnie's Kids

HAZELWOOD ANGELS

Thanks to the following volunteers who helped with Clean-Up Day at Christian Ministries on Monday, May 13: Don & Cheryll Crose, Dick & Marcia Miller, and Jim Reece.

NOTE OF APPRECIATION

Dear friends,

Motivate Our Minds, Inc. sincerely thanks you for your generous donation of \$250 in support of our Annual Dinner/Luncheon. We truly appreciate your generous and supportive interest in our children. With all the opportunities you have to support local organizations, we thank you for finding our programs worthy of your investment.

The mission statement of Motivate Our Minds is "Educating children and families to grow and flourish," and your support helps make that possible. You continue to be a vital part of our success, as your contribution goes directly toward the positive work here. We truly welcome your visits anytime.

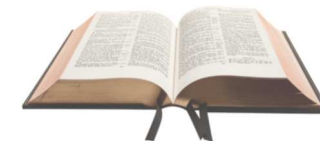
Thank you again,"

~Jonathan M. Jones, Executive Director, Motivate Our Minds, Inc.

~Blessings & Gratitude from the Missions & Benevolence Team

Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'

Matthew 25:40





June Birthdays

3 Louise Maley	18 Glen Sulanke
Amy Stucky	19 Francis Muhiga
4 Erin Ciscell	20 Jack Isenbarger
8 Toni Carter	23 Tiffany Ingles

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.

HAZELWOOD COMMUNITY GARDEN



Congratulations to Don and Cheryll Crose, recipients of the "Golden Cultivator Award" for all the hours devoted to planting, weeding, harvesting, and donating produce from the Hazelwood Community Garden. Well done!

Want to enjoy some fresh air, modest exercise, and convivial conversation while doing a worthwhile task? We are about to start the 3rd year of our Hazelwood Community Garden. We need people to help plant or weed or water or harvest or take produce to non-profit partners that provide food for the hungry. If interested, please see a Garden Team member: Shirley Bookout, Cheryll Crose, Don Crose, Jeff Heavilon, Jason Jones, Glen Sulanke, or Ann Wolfe.

PRESCHOOL NEWS

"It's hard to believe this school year has come to a close. This has been a great year for our preschool ministry. God continues to meet every need our preschool ministry has by sending his shepherds to volunteer their time and talents, by providing monetary donations at just the right time, and through the very special prayers of his people. I am truly humbled as I watch his ministry flourish in his presence!

Thank you to every one of our teachers, members of the Preschool Team, Pastor Jason, our housekeeping staff, our office staff, and Hazelwood Church for being the hands and feet of Jesus to the children and families we serve.

~Angie Lopez

Looking Ahead

May 28 – June 28 Summer Camp Session 1
July 15 – August 30 Summer Camp Session 2



May 26-June 1, 2019

SUNDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary • All-Youth Fellowship, 11:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall
MONDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Memorial Day– Church Office Closed • CWF, 2 p.m., Morrison Woods, Room 101
TUESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NEST Study, 7 p.m., Moser's Home
WEDNESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Praise Band, 11:30 a.m., Sanctuary • Choirs on Summer Break

June 2-8, 2019

SUNDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary
WEDNESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Praise Band, 11:30 a.m., Sanctuary • Elders, 5:30 p.m., Cartwright Hall • MS Support, 7 p.m., Sulanke Commons
THURSDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preschool Team, 1 p.m., Conference Room #108, Downstairs



LOOKING AHEAD...

June 9, 2019

Pentecost Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary

June 13, 2019

Book Club, 7 p.m., Sulanke Commons

June 15, 2019

Fundraiser Dinner for John Burke, 5:30 p.m., Cartwright Hall

June 18, 2019

Trustees, 5:30 p.m., Staff Room
 Epiphany Action Team, 7 p.m., Cartwright Hall

June 21, 2019

Men's Lunch, Noon, Cartwright Hall (Host: Jeff Heavilon)