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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

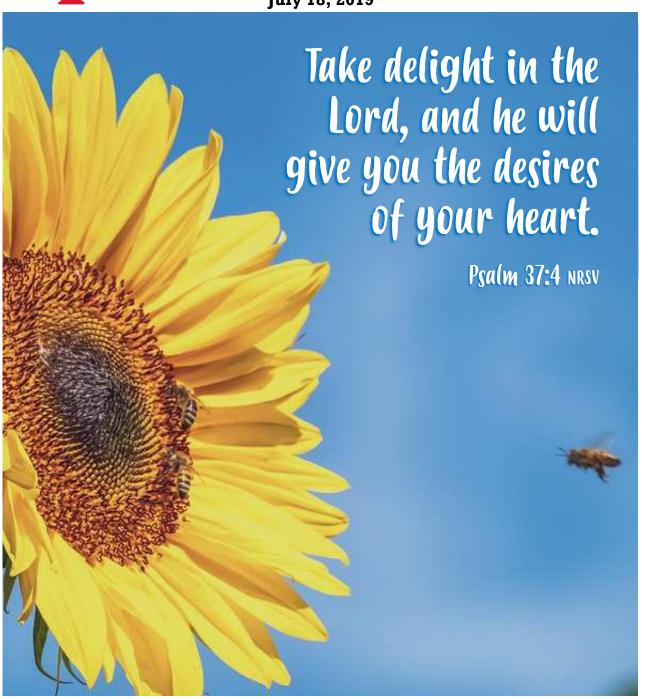
through the Website. Check out the home page.

## **NEWSLETTER SCHEDULE**

August 1, 15, & 29

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





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#### **BUDGET UPDATE**

Offerings Received for Week Ending 7/9/19: \$4,584.50 Offerings Received for Week Ending 7/16/19: \$2,464.50

**Average Offering for Last Five Weeks: \$3,463.22** 

Average Weekly Need: \$5,151

Jan.-Jun. 2019 Offerings Compared to Budget: (\$4,773.47)\*

\*Reflects the amount received UNDER Budget



As a part of my job as Worship Coordinator, I attend worship conferences to learn things that apply to my ministry. Something that's always been lifted up in almost every conference is that the job of the Praise Team/Band is to be as invisible as possible while leading their congregation in worship. In other words, we try to lead people to God, and then get out of the way.

When we blended our two worship services together into one service in 2015, there was some discussion as to where to put the Praise Team. One idea was putting them on the chancel, but sometimes too much change all at once can be detrimental to the purpose of the change. Four years later, we've changed the whole look of the Sanctuary by refreshing the seating. Again, the question was asked by some congregation members about putting the Praise Team on the chancel. And, once again, the thought was it would be too much change at one time.

We're now in summertime, which is often viewed as a time to try new things. In that regard, starting this Sunday, the Praise Team will be up on the chancel in the corner. By moving them, it will make the Sanctuary floor less crowded during communion, and hopefully the Praise Team will be more effective in leading by being up higher.

I encourage your thoughts and comments as we try this for a few weeks. It may not be a permanent change. It will be evaluated, and then a decision will be made as to the next step to take. Henry Seeley, a worship leader from Nashville, Tennessee, once said that "praise is not a style—praise is an expression of the heart." Let us come together Sunday morning and give our praise as an expression of our heart. God bless.

~Marianna Gill, Worship Coordinator



I love being a Disciple of Christ. By that I mean I love being a follower of Jesus, and I love following Jesus as a part of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Our church is part of a larger fellowship of believers often just referred to as "the Disciples," and starting on Saturday, July 20, Disciples will gather in Des Moines, Iowa for our General Assembly. Once every two years we gather for this, and I've attended the last ten of these, and going to Des Moines will make eleven in a row for me. Most of the time, we Disciples work away in our little corner of our communities, and we're not always aware of other Disciple churches. Disciple churches followed the westward expansion of the country, and many are based in small towns in rural places. We're not used to being around a lot of Disciples at once. At General Assembly, though, thousands of Disciples gather. When I look out at the thousands joined in worship and meeting, I think, "These are my people." I know I'm the only one from our church who will be there in Des Moines, but I ask that you'd keep our denomination in prayer as we gather to be Church among a larger fellowship in Iowa.

> Grace & peace, Jason Jones

## August Birthdays

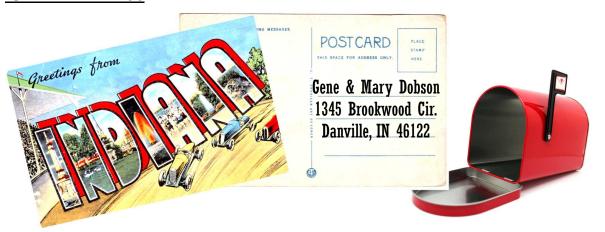


- 3 Judy Van Fleet
- 4 George Ingles
- 14 Woody Wantz
- 21 Nlandu Matuka
- 22 Larry Rees
- 23 Laura Brant David Rowe

- 25 Winnie Muhiga
- 27 Hannah Thomas
  - Ron Thomas
- 29 Cleo Haney
- 31 Suzanne Tucker

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.

#### **NEW ADDRESS**



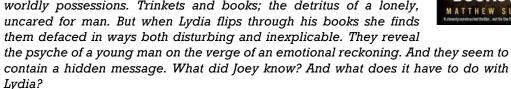
## **BOOK CLUB**

The next meeting of the Hazelwood Book Club will be in Sulanke Commons at 7 p.m. on Thursday, August 8. We will be discussing *Midnight at the Bright Ideas Bookstore* by Matthew Sullivan. Childcare will be provided.

## From goodreads.com:

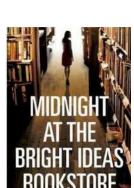
When a bookshop patron commits suicide, his favorite store clerk must unravel the puzzle he left behind. Lydia Smith lives her life hiding in plain sight. A clerk at the Bright Ideas bookstore, she keeps a meticulously crafted existence among her beloved books, eccentric colleagues, and the BookFrogs—the lost and lonely regulars who spend every day marauding the store's overwhelmed shelves.

But when Joey Molina, a young, beguiling BookFrog, kills himself in the bookstore's upper room, Lydia's life comes unglued. Always Joey's favorite bookseller, Lydia has been bequeathed his meager worldly possessions. Trinkets and books; the detritus of a lonely, uncared for man. But when Lydia flips through his books she finds them defaced in ways both disturbing and inexplicable. They reveal



As Lydia untangles the mystery of Joey's suicide, she unearths a long-buried memory from her own violent childhood. Details from that one bloody night begin to circle back. Her distant father returns to the fold, along with an obsessive local cop, and the Hammerman, a murderer who came into Lydia's life long ago and, as she soon discovers, never completely left.

If you have any questions, or are interested in joining in on the fun, contact Shirley Bookout at (765) 744-1207.





## **CHRISTMAS IN JULY**

During the month of July, we are collecting non-perishable items for Christian Ministries' Food Pantry. Please bring items to place under the Christmas Tree in Sulanke Commons.

Some of the most-needed items: Toilet Tissue, Canned Fruit, Cereal, and Boxed Complete Dinners.

## **HEARTS & HANDS UNITED GIVEAWAY**

Saturday, July 27, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Fairgrounds Memorial Building

We're nearly to our goal!

This Sunday, July 21, is the last day to bring shoe donations- NEW BOY'S/ MEN'S SIZE 5 ATHLETIC SHOES— for the Back-to-School Distribution on Saturday, July 27. Our goal is 50 pair and we have 42 pair now!! Please prayerfully consider helping in this worthwhile community project. Thanks!

For more information, contact Shirley Bookout at (765) 744-1207.

## **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 August 28, 29, & 30. Volunteers are needed. Please contact Shirley Bookout at (765) 744-1207 to sign up or for more information.

And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

Hebrews 13:16

~Blessings & Gratitude from the Missions & Benevolence Team

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## PRESCHOOL NEWS

## Looking Ahead

**July 15 – August 30** Summer Camp Session 2

**August 19** Teacher Work Day

**August 21** Orientation, 2-3 & 4-5 Year-Old Classes

August 22 Orientation, 3-4 Year-Old Classes

September 3 First Day of Class, 2-3 Tuesday & 3-4 Year-Old Classes
September 4 First Day of Class, 2-3 Wednesday & 4-5 Year-Old Classes



## BACK-TO-SCHOOL POOL PARTY

This summer has gone by so fast! With the start of the new school year approaching, plans for our regular All-Youth Fellowship meetings are in the works, and what better way to kick things off than a pool party!

Shirley Bookout has graciously invited the Hazelwood Youth to her home for All-Youth Fellowship and a Pool Party! So mark your calendars for August 11 from Noon-3 p.m. We will talk about upcoming AYF events and plans, then it's all about the food and fun! Hot dogs and drinks will be provided. Please bring a snack to share and anything you need for swimming (don't forget the sunscreen!). RSVP to Rev. Jason if you are planning on attending, so he can be sure there is plenty of food to go around!



## July 21-27, 2019

SUNDAY • Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary

TUESDAY • CWF, 2 p.m., Morrison Woods, Room #101

WEDNESDAY • Praise Band, 11:30 a.m., Sanctuary

## July 28-August 3, 2019

• Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary

MONDAY • Area Ministers, 10:30 a.m., Conference Room #108

WEDNESDAY • Praise Band, 11:30 a.m., Sanctuary



#### **August 7, 2019**

Elders, 5:30 p.m., Cartwright Hall MS Support, 7 p.m., Sulanke Commons

## **August 8, 2019**

Preschool Team, 1 p.m., Conference Room #108 Book Club, 7 p.m., Sulanke Commons

## <u>August 11, 2019</u>

All-Youth Fellowship & Pool Party, Noon, Shirley Bookout's Home

## **August 16, 2019**

Men's Lunch, Noon, Cartwright Hall (Host: Dick Miller)

## **August 20, 2019**

Trustees, 5:30 p.m., Conference Room #108 Epiphany Action Team, 7 p.m., Cartwright Hall

## **August 21, 2019**

Choir Rehearsal, 7:15 p.m., Choir Room

## **August 25, 2019**

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

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