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The Spire



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Join Us for the Black Voices of Inspiration In Concert Palm Sunday

Join us Palm Sunday March 25th at 10:45 am as we welcome the Black Voices of Inspiration from Purdue University. BVOI is an exceptional choir dedicated to the performance of spirituals, gospels and contemporary songs of inspiration by African American composers. Your heart will be touched by the inspirational music of these young men and women. This is a single service Concert Worship at 10:45 am. Everyone welcome!



The Case for Christ: Examining the Evidence

Join us as we continue to examine the evidence of "The Case for Christ" Palm Sunday MAR 25 Examining the Medical Evidence Easter APR 1 Examining the Evidence for the Resurrection APR 8 Examining the Evidence: Jesus-Human or Divine?

Join us for Special Holy Week Services

Make this Holy week a time to renew your faith. Beginning with Palm Sunday we remember Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem as a welcomed messiah, even though Jesus knew he would shortly give his life in agony on the cross. We will have a special concert worship with our very special guests, The Black Voices of Inspiration with a single service Palm Sunday Concert at 10:45 am.

On Maundy Thursday, we recall Jesus' Last Supper with a special Seder Meal in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00 PM, which will close with a special Last Supper Communion Service.

On Good Friday we remember, Jesus agonizing in prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane, his betrayal, then his trial and his path to the crucifixion as he gave his life for our forgiveness and reconciliation. Our Good Friday Service is at 7:00 PM, which will be a Tenebrae Service with readings and music as we walk with Jesus from the Upper Room to Gethsemane and all the way to Calva- March 30: Good Friday Service of Tenebrae ry.

Easter Sunday join us for our very special Easter services, as Easter Sunday April 1

we celebrate the good news of Christ's resurrection with a Sunrise Service at 7:30 AM, followed by Easter breakfast, and then our Resurrection Service at 10:45 AM with a special Easter Cantata entitled "Then Came Sunday—Easter is Forever!" Join us for a season of renewal!



Holy Week

March 29: Seder Meal on Maundy Thursday 6:00pm

7:00pm

Sunrise Service 7:30am

Breakfast 8:30am

Sunday School 9:20am

Easter Egg Hunt 10:20am

Resurrection Service 10:45am with Cantata



Single Service Concert Worship Sunday April 15th at 10:45am Featuring The Lafayette Children's Choir





Breakfast with the Easter Bunny March 31st from 9am –12pm

Please join us for this fun community event. We will have breakfast, games, crafts and pictures with the Easter Bunny. Mark your calendars so you don't miss this fun event. Bring a friend everyone is welcome. We will need a lot of volunteers to make this event a success. If you are able to help with this please see Tari Seeger or Amy Russell.



Breakfast with the Easter Bunny- Help Needed

We are in need of volunteers and donations for our Community Breakfast with the Easter Bunny.

If you are able to help please sign up in the gathering space or see Tari Seeger or Amy Russell.

If you would like to make a donation please grab a ticket from the gathering Space. If you prefer not to shop, monetary donations are always welcome.

Needed Items VOLUNTEERS

Sausage Pancake on a stick

Hard Boiled Eggs

Mini Donuts & Mini Muffins

Cookies

Bags of Easter Candy

Gallons of Milk & Orange flavored drink mix

Please consider helping to make this event a huge success.







Victory Lane Homework Club

Ty Lane Meets every Monday and Wednesday from 4:30-5:30pm - Free Tutoring
Homework Club Snacks-Quality Adult Supervisor For more information see Marcy Ritchie or Amy Russell.

Youth Activities

Apr 14 JY Wabash & Erie Canal Tour 1:30-4:30pm

Apr 27 SY Bowling at Purdue Union 6:30-9pm May 6 SY Purdue Baseball game 1:00pm May 19th JY Wolf Park 1:30-4:30p

Jun 24-29 VBS

Jul 18-20 Sports Camp



VBS Volunteer meeting



The next VBS meeting will be held on March 20th at 6:30pm in the Library. If you are able to help please come. If you are not able to come you can still help with VBS. Please see Tari Seeger or Amy Russell. VBS is scheduled for June 24-29.











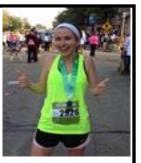


Maple Syrup Tour





Join us for the 2nd annual Laces for Lisa Walk/ run 5k April 7, 2018 at McCutcheon



Registration Information

Late Reg. up to race day 4/7/18 \$40.00 Register at www.lacesforlisa.com

Race Day: Information

8:00-9:00AM Registration/Check-in 9:00-9:30AM Prayer and Balloon Release 9:30AM Run/Walk 11:00 AM Lunch

Proceed from the race go to charities that Lisa supported.—Merom Camp— MADD—Lisa's Fitness Trail at Immanuel.

Grant's House



"I'm Happy and I'm Alive" 2018 Celebration Friday, May 4, 2018,6:00-10:30pm Tippecanoe County Fair Grounds Featuring the Band The Flying Toasters

Meal/ Concert-25.00

Meal/ Concert/ Drinks -50.00

Child Under 12-10.00

VIP Table of 10 -1000.00

Ticket available at www.wabashcenter.com



2018

Live Band

Beer Garden

Dan's Fish/Chicken Fry

Donor/Live Auction

2016 2017

\$168,229.80 \$332,398.78 "Keep the total rising ...

NEW YEAR, BIG GOAL"

Fellowship Activities

Ladies Fellowship, will meet on March 26th at 6:30pm Every Sunday, 9:45 am. at the home of Janice Partlow.

Dorcas Circle, Will meet on April 10th at 1:00pm in the Parlor.

Book Club, will meet on April 10th to discuss The Magic Strings of Frankie Presto by Mitch Albom. A story of a war orphan's extraordinary talent and his journey around the world as he discovers what truly matters.

The book for the month of May will be The Things We Keep by Sally Hepworth.

Men's Brotherhood, will meet on April 17th at 11:45 at **MCL**

Mary and Martha Circle, will meet Wed., April 25th at 9:00am for breakfast in fellowship hall.

Hand Quilting Group, meets Wednesday's from 10-2 on the stage in Fellowship Hall. Bring a sack lunch.

Extension Homemakers, will meet on April 3rd in fellowship hall for a Luncheon at noon followed by a program Aprons Galore. Learn the history of aprons.

MOMS, meet the 2nd Wednesday of each month in the HOBO classroom.

Baby Quilters, meet the 1st &3rd Monday's from 9:30-2:30 in the HOBO classroom to make quilts for local NICUs.

Prayer Shawl Ministry, Meets the 2nd Saturday of each month from 10-11:30am in the Parlor. Everyone is welcome.

Health Ministry, Please call the office or Marilyn, 474-6487, for appointments. Home visits are also available upon request.

Christian Education:

The Hobo's Class, led by Gary & Cathie Gangwer, to discuss the sermon and scripture lesson for that Sunday.

Livin' Life 21-41 Class, led by Clay & Sue Huenemann, where you can RECHARGE your spiritual batteries for the week ahead.

The Seekers Class, led by Don & Janice Partlow, is beginning a one year study of the New Testament.

Small Groups

Women's Group, led by Ruth Smith. Meet for dinner and discussion.

Young Adult/Student Group, meets Thursdays at 7:30 pm at Vienna Cafe in West Lafayette. Led by Brooke Flesher

Saturday Morning

Group, meets every other Saturday at the Panera at the mall at 9 am. We will be studying Ecclesiastes, Wisdom for Living Well. Led by Annie Buckles

Adult Bible Study, Led by Pastor TJ. Meets on Wednesday's at 6:30 pm, in the Library.

Don't see a group for you? Contact Ruth Smith at ruthmcsmith1987@gmail.com for resources to start one for yourself.

April Special Offerings

April 1 One Great Hour of Sharing April 8 Laces for Lisa

Births at Immanuel

Congratulations to Cierra Richardson and Great Grandparents Bill & Rachel Richardson on the birth of Baby Carter Matthew Dale Richardson.

Congratulations to Jackson & Dannielle Timmons on the birth of their son Colton Lee Timmons. Also congratulations to Grandparents Robert & Sarah Timmons, Sandy Timmons and Lloyd & Pat Shoemaker- Wells.

Congratulations to Charity Foley & Derek Bixenman and Grandma Penny Kasten on the birth of their son Jameson Eugene Bixenman.

Congratulations to Kendra Ryerson on the Birth of her Daughter Elizabeth Jolene Ryerson

Congratulations to Melissa & Brian Adams and Grandparents Paul & Ellen House on the birth of Emerson Rose Adams.



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Western Association Meeting

There will be a combined association meeting with the Western Association, Northwestern Association and Northeastern Association on Sunday May 6th, at 4 pm EST (3 pm CST) at Salem United Church of Christ, 302 Main St, Wanatah, IN to discuss proposed changes to the constitution of the Indiana-Kentucky Conference as well as the future of the associations and the possibility of a merger of the associations.

Inter Faith Leaders

Our next event is on **Sunday, April 29 from 2 to 4 pm at Grace UMC**. We will be hosting a panel and discussion on addiction. Please check out the <u>Facebook event</u>, share it with your friends and communities, and plan to attend this important conversation. Link: https://www.facebook.com/events/178878759372257/



SPRING HAS SPRUNG!!

...... And that means it is time to start thinking about our Foods Resource Bank growing project for 2018. Watch for a display for information and sponsor sign-up sheets coming soon.

We will be planting corn this year and hope to have a great growing season so we can have a good harvest in the fall. Let's make this another super year for our FRB project.

For more information about Foods Resource Bank and the projects it supports go to www.foodsresourcebank.org

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Branden/Ashley Wil- liams	4/12		
Dennis/Brenda O'Brien	4/12		
C.J./Jill Collins	4/16		
Gary/Cathie Gangwer	4/16		
Jay/Tamara House	4/16		
John/Linda Gilmore	4/25		
Matt/Julie Koehler	4/26		
Mike/Shirley Babb	4/27		











Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 7:30am Sunrise Service 8:30am Breakfast 9:20am Sunday School 10:20am Easter Egg Hunt 10:45amm Resurrection Service	9:30am Baby Quilters 4:30pm Home- work Club	3 12:00pm Extension Homemakers 6:30pm Worship & Music	4 10:00am Quilters 4:30pm Home- work Club 5:45pm Neigh- borhood Dinner 6:30pm Bible Study 7:30pm Choir Rehearsal	5	6	7 Clean Up Day 8:00pm Band Rehearsal
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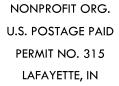
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Uniting in Christ Listening to God





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Breakfast with the Easter Bunny March 31



Black Voices of Inspiration Concert
Palm Sunday 10:45am



Holy Week Services

Come join us and bring someone with you

Every Sunday:

Contemporary Service 8:30 am Sunday School 9:45 am Traditional Service 10:45 am

Wednesdays:

Everyone is welcome to attend Wednesday Night Dinner 5:45p and Adult Bible Study at 6:30pm

Grant's House

Fundraiser

GRANT'S HOUSE

May 4th



Lisa 5K

April 7th