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ASSEMBLIES OF THE CHURCH

Sunday Morning
Bible Study:
9:30 a.m.

Sunday Morning
Worship:
10:30 a.m.

Sunday Evening
Worship:
6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Evening
Bible Study:
7:00 p.m.

Bible Study at other
times by appointment

SPRING

Norman Vincent Peale

During late March, spring is supposed to appear, at least tentatively. Officially, March 20 is the first day of spring, but it just could be that, on this date, the great March winds are blowing and sighing around the house and snow is in the air. Actually, long experience indicates that spring comes when it comes and only then.

Crocuses are usually up by late March. On our place, we have planted them around the base of our huge and ancient maples as well as along the driveway. They are optimistic, as flowers go, for they will push up from the ground in what seems a most inauspicious climate, and, if the cold is as sometimes occurs, more January-like, they hang their heads disconsolately. But, at the first opportunity, they are sprightly again and add great charm to springtime over the several weeks that they are in bloom.

Then along come hyacinths, jonquils, and daffodils. I like them because they are not only optimistic that spring has really come but they also reveal an indomitability that humans might well emulate.

One spring, all was bright and beautiful. The balmy air, so definitely associated with springlike days, was softly engaging. The flowers exuded the confidence that finally they had it made. Spring was here at last. But, during an April night, someone must have gotten the calendar mixed up. There was a throwback to the wild and gusty winds of March. Then the snow began falling thick and fast. Big winter flakes they were and, when chilly morning came, a real winter snow lay six inches deep upon the ground, including the flower beds. The hyacinths stood pretty straight, considering the weight of the snow, but the jonquils and daffodils bent over as if it was all too much for them.

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Welcome

A kindly welcome to one and all! Let us attentively wait upon God, learn of God's word for us, and greet one another in a genuine spirit of Christian fellowship. This is a sacred and joyous occasion for each of us.

Please take the time to fill out an attendance card and place it in the offering tray at the appropriate time.

Please remember to silence all pagers and cell phones during worship.

There is an attended nursery for ages 2 and under and Bible classes offered for ages 3 thru 4th grade during the lesson.

To our members: Please take the time to fill out an Event Card and place it in the offering tray. We would like a record of how often we, as a congregation, have reached out to our brethren each week. Thank you.

-The Elders



The Watering Hole

Gospel Minutes
Apostle Paul and King Agrippa

Sunday Morning Worship Schedule

Greeting the Assembly: Bob Moorman
Song Service led by: Jim Harrison

867-*To Canaan's Land I'm on My Way*

801-*Where No One Stands Alone*

Prayer: Barry King

354-*I Gave My Life for Thee*

Contribution

176-*Lamb of God*

The Lord's Supper

1st Prayer- Ryan Cox

2nd Prayer- Jay Allison

238-*You Are the Song That I Sing*
(Children 3 years-4th grade dismissed to classes)

23-*Our God, He Is Alive*

Scripture Reading: 2 Timothy 4:1-2

Jim Watters

Congregation: Psalms 118:24

*"This is the day that the Lord has made;
I will rejoice and be glad in it!"*

Lesson: Gary Meeker

852-*When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder*

Announcements: Gary Meeker

871-*Beautiful*

Prayer: James Hughes

Sunday Morning Sermon: Getting More Out Of The Preaching

Text: 2 Timothy 4:1-2

1) In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I give you this charge: 2) Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage-with great patience and careful instruction.

I. Preaching In Our Assemblies

A. The benefits of preaching

B. Different kinds of listeners

II. Getting More Out Of The Preaching

A. Make listening an act of worship

B. Listen from first to last

C. Look at the preacher

D. Read along in your Bible

E. Listen with faith

F. Listen with a mind to act

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But, having lived through many a springtime in our part of the country, we were not too much concerned. And, sure enough, the next day came a warm wind, the snow melted and, behold, the flowers perked up, took a wondering look around, then stood tall and straight and went about their business of blooming and being beautiful. All of which was a reminder of the rebound quality into nature. I wonder if it is not also built into human nature. Perhaps one function of flowers and trees is to remind us that we, too, have a comeback quality.

I've seen trees devastated by winter storms— branches broken and hurled to the ground, tops apparently ruined. Then comes spring with God's healing touch; a multitude of leaves hides the hurt and, after a couple of springtimes, it is hard to find the damage, so great is a tree's repair power. Similarly, people are hurt. Some never recover but perhaps most do for they, like the trees, have an astounding ability to repair their hurts. They do, after all, have the same Healer.

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O Lord my God, I called to you for help and you healed me.—Psalm 30:2

He heals the broken hearted and binds up their wounds.— Psalm 147:3





Those in Need of Prayer:

Ron Johnson is having chest pains again and had a heart catheterization and a CT Scan done last week.

Katie Wade will have gall bladder surgery this Thursday.

With Sympathy:

Vinita Cockman passed away last Sunday morning. Her funeral was last Thursday. Please keep the families of Ms. Cockman in your prayers.

May you always be doing those good, kind things which show that you are a child of God, for this will bring much praise and glory to the Lord.

With sincere thanks, The Hopper Family

Thanks so very much for all the prayers and beautiful cards on behalf of our grandson, Ryan Phillips. God bless all. In Christ, Woody & Grace

FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WITH ON-GOING HEALTH CONCERNS: Bill Beck, Ron Johnson, Jerry Johnston, Dennis Keener, Don & Debbie Archer, Debbie Bair, Wayne & Wilda Bryan, Della Stalcup, Harriet Hobbs, Jean & Jerry Weir, Jean Kendall, Luther Hodges, Lois Montgomery, Mary Anne Watters

OUR HOMEBOUND: Bessie Coppock, Mattye Gum, Laura Oliver, Laverne Toombs, Thelma Smith, Phyllis Fraser, Nina McIntyre, Robbie Dickerson, Garnet McKinney, Becky Adkins, Chalus Masters

OUR NURSING HOME RESIDENTS:

Community Northview: Margie Tompkins

Manor Care: Selbert & Jewell Braden

Rawlins House, Pendleton: Betty Wunder

Meadowbrook Rehab Center: Hubert Oliver, Anna Norris, LaTheda Hathcoat

Miller's Merry Manor, Chesterfield: Mary Janes, Gladys Sanders, Wendell Parson

Miller's Merry Manor, Middletown: Gladys Boles, Bob & Betty Hathcoat

OUR MISSION WORKERS: Jody Apple (PA), Vito & Antonietta Ligorio (Italy), Ned Isonguyo (Nigeria)

Primrose: Charlie Callendar

Summitville Convalescent Center: Lola Conner

Community Parkview, Elwood: Albert Burton

New Members

Bill & Rosemary Beals have expressed their desire to work with the congregation here at Columbus Ave.! Please add their information to your directories:

3923 Hoosier Woods Ct., Anderson 46013
643-0981

*Ph. # was incorrect in last Wednesday's Bulletin

Please add **Chuck Eytchison's** information as well:

7765 S. 250 E., Markleville 46056
533-3033

Help Needed

Jimmy Hodges needs transportation to his physical therapy appointments. If you can help, please sign up on the Fellowship & Involvement Bulletin Board.

Parenting Class

If you are interested in attending a parenting class, please let one of the Elders know in writing what day of the week & time is convenient for you.

MARCH

Dates to Remember...

Today Birthday/Anniversary
Pitch-in



Mar. 17 Ladies Lunch

Mar. 27 Grades 3-6 Lock-in

Mar. 29 Building Reserved

Ladies Lunch

Who: all women of the congregation
Where: Ponderosa Steakhouse
When: Tuesday, March 17 at 11:30 a.m.

Sign up TODAY to attend!



Happy Birthday to:

Diana Shelton.....TODAY!
Nick Allison.....TODAY!
Josh Johnson.....Mar. 16
Dan Smith.....Mar. 16
Debbie Boles.....Mar. 21
Caleb Long.....Mar. 21



Happy Anniversary to:

Mike & Becky Wade-(25th)Mar. 16
Jim & Jean Kendall.....Mar. 17

Birthday/Anniversary Pitch-in

TONIGHT!!!

Immediately after our worship in song.

Theme:
Soup & Sandwiches



YOUTH

LTC: Puppet practice– **TODAY** @ 5:00 pm. LTC is just 4 weeks away!
Jesus is the Light, Life, Word

Monthly Devotionals: There are sign-up sheets on the Youth Bulletin Board for monthly devotionals for both age groups (grades 3-6, 7-12). If you can open your home to our young people, please sign up.
Ryan is begging for help!



Lock-in: There will be a lock-in here at the church building for grades 3-6 on Friday, March 27th. Parents, drop off kids at 9pm and pick up at 9am on Saturday. Kids, please sign up if you plan to attend on the sheet provided on the Youth Bulletin Board. This will help the hosts in preparing food and activities.

Funeral Meals: Verla Wright will be our congregation's coordinator for funeral meals. If you can help when the need for food arises, please let her know.

APRIL



Spring Egg-stravaganza

The Shelton's & Alexander's will be hosting the Annual Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 4 at 1:00 pm. Please start bringing in candy donations to fill the eggs. Ask your friends to come! Invites are available in the Family Room.

Upcoming Gospel Meeting

The Eagle Valley Church of Christ, Indianapolis, has invited the congregation to their Gospel Meeting, April 5-8. Information is posted on the Gospel Meetings, Lectureships and Seminars Bulletin Board.



Upon The Rock Lectureship

The Westside Church of Christ in Yorktown will be hosting the annual Upon The Rock Lectureship on April 18-19. More information is posted on the Gospel Meetings, Lectureships & Seminars Bulletin Board.

DONATIONS NEEDED

- * Pantry Needs: Shampoo & Conditioner, Cooking Oil/Spray, Sugar
- * Candy for the Annual Egg Hunt
- * Clean, empty medicine & vitamin bottles (labels removed) for the African Christian Hospital
- * Cake Mixes for Shults-Lewis Children's Home. Place all donations in the box provided in the Family Room by April 19.



TODAY'S SERVANTS

DOOR GREETERS:

SOUTH: Angy Hughes

MIDDLE: Caleb & Jared Hughes

NORTH: James Hughes

ALTERNATE SCRIPTURE READER: Josh Johnson

NURSERY ATTENDANT: Jama Sottong

EVENING WORSHIP LEADERS

SONG LEADER: Ryan Cox

OPENING PRAYER: Jim Harrison

LESSON: *singing*

CLOSING PRAYER: Norman Alexander

SERVING NEXT LORD'S DAY- MARCH 22, 2009

DOOR GREETERS:

SOUTH: Dan Smith

MIDDLE: Drew Smith

NORTH: Mariah Smith

GREETING THE ASSEMBLY: Ryan Cox

SONG LEADERS:

A.M. Jay Allison **P.M.** Ryan Cox

THE LORD'S TABLE:

1ST PRAYER: Bob Moorman

2ND PRAYER: Charles Buckner

SCRIPTURE READING:

PRIMARY: Dan Smith

ALTERNATE: James Hughes

LEADING IN PRAYER:

A.M. OPENING: Gary Meeker

A.M. CLOSING: Philip Johnson

P.M. OPENING: Richard Shelton

P.M. CLOSING: Ray Smith

NURSERY ATTENDANT: DeAnna Flowers

WEDNESDAY EVENING- MARCH 18, 2009

SONG LEADER: Gary Meeker

DEVOTIONAL: Ryan Cox

CLOSING PRAYER: Miles Gooding

Goals & Achievements

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
Sunday Bible Class	88
Sunday A.M. Worship	171
Sunday P.M. Worship	106
Wednesday Bible Class	106

<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>
\$3,716.78	\$3,683.38	(-\$33.40)

MARCH ASSIGNMENTS

ASSISTING ON THE LORD'S TABLE:

Nick Allison	Jim Kendall	Joe Wolf
David Archer	Millard Hogue	Colin Zachary

BAPTISMAL CLOTHING: Lois Gaw

COMMUNION: Mike & Becky Wade

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Gary Meeker

CHILDREN'S BIBLE HOUR TEACHER

Ages 3-5: Becky King & Heather Wolf

Grades K-4: Richard Shelton

SHEPHERDS OF THE FLOCK

Norman Alexander	378-6420
Robert Allison, Sr.	534-3569
Barry King	778-4624
Gary Meeker	778-2868

PREACHING MINISTER

Gary Meeker	778-2868
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YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTER

Ryan Cox	643-5152
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SERVANTS OF THE CHURCH

BENEVOLENCE, Dale Wiles	644-5387
COMMUNICATIONS, James Hughes	(317) 747-9158
EDUCATION/YOUTH, Richard Shelton	378-3945
FACILITIES, Ray Smith	649-7279
FELLOWSHIP, Gary Johnson	378-7179
FINANCES/BUDGET, Dan Smith	642-4819
HEAT/AIR SYSTEMS, Jim Hodges	649-5143
INVOLVEMENT, Jim Harrison	642-8668
MISSIONS, Jay Allison	649-5607
SAFETY SYSTEMS, Charles Buckner	642-6991
SUPPORT/SPECIAL SERVICES, Mark Gooding	724-9428
WORSHIP, Jim Morris	534-4448