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Notes for the Journey

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Relay for Life Rummage Sale Thank You!!

\$1,371,98

A great big Thank You from the Relay for Life Team for the many people who helped in any way to make our Rummage Sale a remarkable success.

The whole process was so smooth because of the dedication of all of you—including all who donated the treasures.

It is so special to have so many help in this effort to raise funds for the American Cancer Society. Thanks.

Lawn Mower Day



Do you need your lawn mower serviced for the summer season? If you do, call Dennis Wilson and he and men from our church will pick it up and service it. This will all be happening on Saturday, APRIL 13. This is a wonderful service offered for folks at our church.

They will sharpen blades, steam clean, change oil and filters and make minor adjustments—all FREE. (can't do major overhauls or repairs.) If they can serve you, please let Dennis Wilson know as soon as possible.

Workers Needed: Let Dennis know if you will be able to help that day—618-562-8161.

Holy Week Services

- 6:00pm—April 18—Maundy Thursday Services
- 7:00pm—April 19—Good Friday Services
Elm Street Christian Church
- 9:00am—April 21—Coffee and donuts
- 9:30am—April 21—Easter Worship Service
- No other services that day

Wabash Conference Staff Retreat

Pastor Steve, Liesl and Stacy will be leaving Sunday afternoon, April 7 to attend the Wabash Conference Staff Retreat in Indiana. There will be no activities at our church on Sunday evening.

They will return Tuesday evening.

Lock-In for 3rd—6th Graders

The Annual Wabash Conference Children's Lock-In for 3rd-6th graders is coming Friday—Saturday, April 26-27. Kids, are you registered?

Registration Forms for the Lock-In are due on April 7. See Stacy Soon to register.

Roof Update

We currently have \$9,296.41 in our roof fund—on our way to the meet that \$21,000 goal.

Thank you so much for your prayerful consideration of a special donation for this urgent need.

Lectionary Scripture

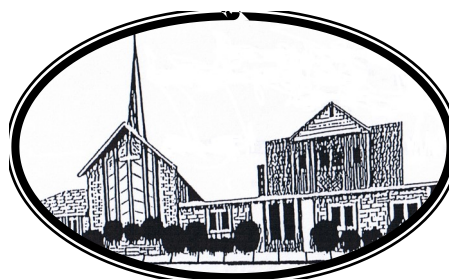
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Isaiah 43:16-21

Psalms 126

Philippians 3:4b-14

John 12:1-8



Mission

*A community of believers
endeavoring to live and love
as Jesus taught.*

***Come—Experience
Community!***

Church Calendar

Sunday, April 7

Morning Worship 9:30am
 Sunday School 10:40am
 No FMSM

Wednesday, April 10

Ladies' Bible Study in the Library 10:00am

Friday, April 12

Narcotics Anonymous 7:00pm

Saturday, April 13

Lawnmower Saturday morning
 Kids Easter Egg Hunt 3:30pm
 All-Church "Pitch-In" Picnic around 4:00 or 4:15pm

Statistics for March 31

Morning Service	112
Offering (weekly need—\$4,200)	\$ 3,250.24
UMC-Kay Stotts Godoy, Michael & Maria Long, Mark & Lena, Russ & Sherrie Cole (goal \$8,500) YTD	\$ 2,012.00
UMC-Home Missions (goal \$7,299) YTD	\$ 317.00
Total Offering for Roof Project	\$ 9,296.41
Love Care Offering	\$ 514.60

Prayer Needs

*Evan Nicholas—surgery
 Our Church Family serving in the
 Armed Forces
 Please continue to pray for needs
 previously listed*



Happy Birthday



- J.T. Taylor.....April 7
- Seth HahnApril 8
- Todd AarnesApril 9
- Brad Shryock.....April 10
- Jennifer Shryock.....April 11
- Taylor Ahlfield.....April 11
- John KramerApril 12
- Kyler HouchinApril 13
- Ember KellerApril 13
- Doug Wilson.....April 13

Memorial Easter Lilies

Easter Lilies are a very special part of our Easter Sunday services at our church.

If you would like to place a lily in the church this season, please fill out an order form that is available on the tables in the front foyer.

Make checks to Free Methodist Church for \$15 each and leave in the church office.

Thanks for all who donate a lily in memory of or in honor of a loved one.

Thank You Note

To Our Church Family,
 Thank you for your prayers, concern and beautiful cards during my recent surgery and recovery. I am doing well and appreciate your support and encouragement.
 Kay Conour

Easter Extravaganza!!

The Annual "All-Church Easter Extravaganza" will be held on Saturday afternoon, April 13 here at the church in the Pavilion Area. We will have our ever-popular "Kids Easter Egg Hunt" around 3:30pm in the grassy area of the park and a "pitch-in" picnic to begin about 4:00-4:15pm.

Main dish and beverages will be furnished—bring sides to share. We hope you will come and enjoy the afternoon.

***We need lots of individually wrapped candy that can be placed inside the small plastic eggs. Please make sure there's **NO CHOCOLATE OR PEANUTS IN THE CANDY**. A container is in the foyer for your donations.

Thanks.

52 Weeks of Prayer

The prayer focus for this week is: *"Pray that our Christian relationships that extend to other churches are edifying. Pray for unity within the Kingdom. Pray that we will always treat our brothers and sisters in Christ as family."*

Children's Bible Verse

Our children's Bible Verse Challenge for this week is: *"In all your ways submit to him and he will make your paths straight. Proverbs 3:56"*

Pastor's Vacation

Pastor Steve will be taking a few vacation days: Monday, April 1 to Saturday, April 6. In the event of an emergency, he can be reached on his cell phone.