



UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

APRIL 2023
NEWSLETTER



When you think about being loved, what memories come to mind? I think of my mom hugging me. I recall my dad saying that he was proud of me. But right up there with these is when someone told me about Jesus. They told me in a way that I finally got it. I understood. I... believed!

I remember how it all happened. I remember that they cared enough about me to tell me that I could never be good enough to deserve heaven. That's why Jesus died on the cross. **He** paid the price for **my** sin. And that is why heaven is open to me. Before they told me that Jesus loved me, they loved me. And I believed them.

One trip to Dairy Queen at a time.

One ride to church at a time.

One song we sang together at a time.

I learned about Christian love.

I remember trips to the nursing home when I first learned to play guitar. I learned to play "Victory in Jesus" and "Amazing Grace". I loved to play "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" and "The Old Rugged Cross". And always, always a favorite with those in the nursing home:

***I've Got a mansion just over the hilltop
In that bright land where we'll never grow old.
And some day yonder, we will never more wander
But walk on streets that are purest gold.***

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Door Village
Holy Week 2023



4/2 Palm Sunday Service 10 am
4/4 Lenten Video 6 pm
4/5 Wednesday Online 6 pm
4/6 Maundy Thursday 7pm
4/7 Good Friday 7 pm
4/8 NewDay Breakfast 8 am
Lions Egg Hunt 9 am
Resurrection Run 10 am
4/9 Son-Rise Service 8:30 am
Breakfast 9 am
Easter Celebration 10 am

And now, as your pastor, I am blessed to share Jesus every day with others. And so are you. Blessed to share Jesus. To love them as you have been loved. So I say to you: Love the people you know enough, to tell them about Jesus. Invite them to church. Share a meal with them. Share your story with them. Share time with them. And listen, listen carefully to their heart.

I can remember one of the loneliest days of my life. That day, God sent someone to just sit with me. To talk with me. Even sing to me. Is it any wonder why I love to sing? That visit made everything alright. That was the person who later led me to Jesus. How about you? Who will you share yourself with this Holy Easter Season? Who will you invite to Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, or Easter Morning services. More than that. Even better than that. Who will you love enough to tell them about Jesus?

Grace and Peace <><
Pastor Sam Polito

LOVE

each other as I have loved

YOU.



- John 15:12, NIV

Prayer Requests

Gaelen - B & T's son-in-law - cancer - in hospice
Renee - prayers for results of biopsy
Melissa - Jan M's niece - blessings for this family
Sharon - prayers for son and grandson
Earl W - prayers for improved health
Beverly B - hospitalized - improved health
Rhonda - Mike M's sister - cancer & arm paralysis
Jan M - recovery from Feb foot surgery
Carolyn - recovery from Feb shoulder surgery
Gina - Lana's friend making health problem decisions
Elsie - strength and improved health
Sue K - neck injection to improve arm mobility
Sheryl E - recovery from knee surgery
Bob - Della's brother with stomach/liver cancer
Brian A - Nancy's friend with cancer
Katie C - recovery from recent amputation
Brian - recovery from a stroke
Beth - B & T's daughter - lupus
Sean - Jeffers' friend in Marine boot camp
Frank H - improved breathing and health
Tom & Beverly H - pain relief, improved health
Bev - improvement healing of incision
Iris - cancer
Maria - cancer
Jim C - home recovering from stroke
Violet & Vivi - healing
Mark - depression
Chris P - healing and strength
Karen R - in Miller's - health, strength & happiness
Loved ones & friends with Covid, flu, and illness
Addie - toddler friend from Texas with leukemia
Randy K - cancer
Jeff C - healing
John - co-worker with cancer
Brendan - toddler grandson of Scott & Lynlee M - cancer treatment following successful tumor removal Oct 2022
Lois T - heart & relief from chronic internal bleeding
Dory M - kidney health & wrist healing
George M - arthritis
Joyce - heart arrhythmia
Mike G - back pain relief
Wendy - needs prayers
Wade B - needs prayers
Prayers for 2 family members and 1 neighbor
Bob W - health & strength
Marie's sister - health issues
Bill S - medical treatment at Mayo

Lloyd V - heart health
Don C - Shawntel's dad with heart issues
Barb - Bob & Marie's aunt
Derek K - cancer-free teenager - stay in remission
Tonya R - prayers needed
Roger T - Donna C's cousin in KY - prayers to stay cancer-free
Lucas - little boy with cancer in remission
Bill S - Diane's friend with complications following liver transplant
Cindy K - Nancy's friend - improved health
Leroy S - mass on pancreas
Jan - Friend of G & D - prayers to stay cancer-free
Scott - leukemia
Deb W & Paula - both with breast cancer
Tammy R - Nancy's friend undergoing cancer treatment
David - Anne D's son undergoing cancer treatment
Barbara - Anne D's sister
Judy D - liver cancer
Sherry H - cell treatment
Cindy - Twila's daughter with colon cancer
Alexandra K - MDS, leukemia, needs stem cell surgery
Whitney - eating disorder
Madison - lupus
Dana B's dad - health and strength
Tawnya - ongoing COPD
Pat O - renewed health
Susan - stroke recovery
Andrew C - ongoing medical condition
Duane E - ongoing medical condition
Paul and Renetta - ongoing medical conditions
Kathy K - health and strength
Brian T - ongoing medical condition
Chris K - ongoing medical condition
Cheryl K - ongoing medical condition
Ukraine situation and our world's people and leaders.
Refugees from war-torn countries.
Youth & leaders who will be traveling to Belize for mission work this summer as well as others serving in missions locally and throughout the world.
Those living with domestic violence, drug abuse, mourning loss of loved ones, enduring and rebuilding from fires/storms/earthquake.

If you know of any updates for our prayer list, please let us know in the church office. Thanks!

April



Sundays

Worship & Children's Church 10 am
Communion Service First Sunday

Mondays

Oak Wood Bible Study 10 am

Tuesdays

Pastor's Bible Study 9 am / 6 pm
(resumes Apr 18)

Wednesdays

Online Worship 6 pm
Choir Practice 6:30 pm

Saturday, April 1

April Fools' Day

Palm Sunday, April 2

Palm Sunday 10 am

Tuesday, April 4

DVUMC Missions Give-Back Day
at LP Culver's 11a-10p
"The Easter Experience" Video 6-7 pm

Wednesday, April 5

Senior Breakfast at Christos 8 am

Maundy Thursday, April 6

Oak Wood Communion 9:30 am
Maundy Thursday Service 7 pm

Good Friday, April 7

GF Service at Oak Wood 12:30 pm
Good Friday Service 7 pm

Saturday, April 8

NewDay Pancake Breakfast 8am-noon
DV Lions Easter Egg Hunt 9 am
NewDay Resurrection Run 10 am

Easter Sunday, April 9

Son-Rise Service 8:30 am
Easter Breakfast 9 am
Easter Worship 10 am

Monday, April 10

Trustee Meeting 6 pm

Wednesday, April 19

UWF 1 pm

Saturday, April 22

Earth Day
UWF Spring Bake Sale at Kabelin's 10-2

Saturday, April 29

NewDay Concert 5:30-10 pm
at Civic Auditorium





MEN'S BREAKFAST & FELLOWSHIP
will host the breakfast
April 8 from 8 to 12 noon
in Fellowship Hall

OFFICE HOURS

Mon thru Thurs
7 am – 12 noon
219.362.3812

doorvillageumc@gmail.com

Senior
Breakfast



April 5, 2023

1st Wednesday
of each month

8 am

Christo's

1462 W State Rd 2

La Porte

**SPRING
BAKE SALE**

UWF • Kabelin's • April 22 • 10a-2p



BAKERS ARE NEEDED

Bakers are needed for the
UWF Spring Bake Sale.

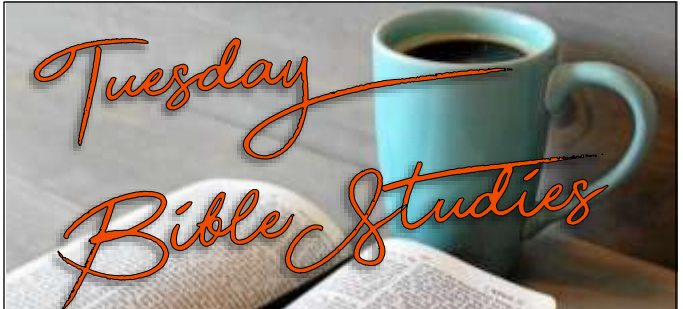
Baked goods will need to
be to the church on

Friday, April 21, or to

Kabelin's by 9:30 on April 22.



Tuesday
Bible Studies



Pastor Sam's Tuesday Bible Studies are held each Tuesday at 9 am and 6 pm in Pastor's office and on Zoom. *(These will resume on April 18.)* Please let us know in the church office if you'd like the link and password to join in via Zoom.

United Women in Faith

NEXT MEETING:

Wed, April 19

1 pm at the church



United
Women
in Faith

Program: Carolyn • Snack: Nancy A



**Bible Study
with Mike Martin
at Oak Woods Manor**
1211 Longwood Dr
(Hwy 39 South) La Porte

Mondays at 10 am
Public Welcome

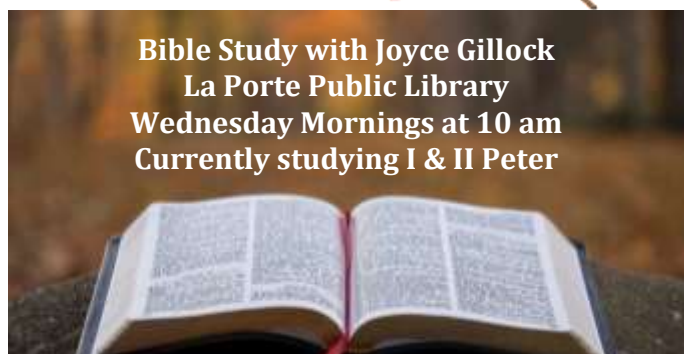


You're invited to
Adult Sunday School



- **Two class options:**
- **Parlor 9-9:20** with Pastor Sam & Devotion Team sharing **Scripture & Prayer** before choir
- **Fellowship Hall 9-9:45** with Mike Martin studying the books of the Bible

Bible Study with Joyce Gillock
La Porte Public Library
Wednesday Mornings at 10 am
Currently studying I & II Peter



SUNDAY MORNINGS!
AGE 4 THRU 4TH GRADE
Children's Church
DURING WORSHIP

APRIL CHILDREN'S CHURCH
 April Leader: Lindsay

April 2 - Jesus' Final Instructions
 April 9 - The Holy Spirit Comes
 April 16 - The Early Church
 April 23 - Set Free from Sin
 April 30 - The Body of Christ



Help is needed with this year's Easter breakfast. Please sign up on the sheet on the greeter's table to provide food/beverages or help with the breakfast.

GRADUATES



If you know of anyone from our church family who will be graduating from high school or college this year, please let us know in the church office or notify Lindsay Koselke so they can be included in our Education Sunday celebration on May 21. The Youth Group's Senior Banquet will also be held that day.

College Care Packages

At the end of April, we will be sending college care packages for finals week to our college students.



Donations of snack items, fun stuff, and contributions are being accepted thru Apr 23.

20TH ANNIVERSARY
NewDay Foundation
 of La Porte, Indiana

APRIL 29TH 2023

LIGHT UP THE NIGHT
 CIVIC AUDITORIUM | 1001 RIDGE ST. 46350

TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED MARCH 1ST
 GENERAL ADMISSION 10 | VIP TABLES AVAILABLE
WWW.NEWDAYLAPORTE.ORG

LIVE MUSIC

- GATO
- CRIPPLE CREEK
- 350 WEST

• RAFFLES & AUCTIONS
 • FOOD VENDORS • CASH BAR

DOORS OPEN AT 5:30PM FOR SOCIAL HOUR
 MUSIC STARTS AT 7:00PM

NewDay Concert April 29th

Doors open at 5:30pm

Donations of These Items Needed

- RAFFLE PRIZES
- AUCTION ITEMS
- GIFT CARDS

Contact Jordan 219-363-7853

DVUMC Give Back Days at LP Culver's for 2023

Missions

Tues, Apr 4

Tues, June 6

Tues, Aug 15

Tues, Oct 24

Tues, Nov 14



UWF

Mon, June 26

Mon, Aug 7

Wed, Oct 11

Thurs, Nov 30

10% goes to DVUMC projects.
Offer applies all day!

Monday, April 10

Trustees Meeting at 6 pm



In celebration of
Bashor Children's Home
celebrating 100 years of service,
please bring donations of school supplies
to church anytime between now and
April 23 when they will be delivered to Bashor.
See info and list of requested items
on the bulletin board.



Westville Lions Club Medical Equipment Loan Closet



The Westville Lions Club has four semi trailers filled with medical equipment. The club has hospital beds, wheelchairs, walkers, and other equipment which is loaned for free. If you have an equipment need, please call Richard Fagg at 219-733-0713.



If you have a prayer concern, if you are hospitalized and would like our prayers or to be visited, or if you would like to become a new member of the prayer chain, please call or text Pastor (812-380-1589) or notify the church office.

2023 Holy Week at Door Village

Sunday, April 2

Bring the children

10 am Palm Sunday Service

Tuesday, April 4

Join us for "The Easter Experience"

6 pm In-Person Lenten Video

Wednesday, April 5

Watch with a friend

6 pm Wednesday Online Service

Thursday, April 6

Holy Communion & Last Supper

7 pm Maundy Thursday Service

Friday, April 7

"Nails of the Cross" Litany

7 pm Good Friday Service

Saturday, April 8

Join in the fellowship & festivities

7 am NewDay Pancake Breakfast

9 am Door Village Lions Easter Egg Hunt

10 am NewDay Resurrection Run

Easter Sunday, April 9

Invite family, friends, & guests

8:30 am Easter Son-Rise Service

9 am Breakfast between services

10 am Easter Morning Worship

Electronic Giving

For your convenience, offerings can be made from a mobile device or computer through a secure site by visiting our church website, doorvillagechurch.org, and clicking the electronic offering button:

My Offering



How to contact Pastor Sam:
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 Find him on Facebook!

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 RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

April Birthdays

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|-------|-------------------|-------|--------------------|-------|----------------|
| 04/01 | Cathy Dye | 04/13 | Jim Kaufman | 04/22 | Rob Schable |
| 04/01 | Jay Sittig | 04/13 | Joe Killingbeck | 04/23 | Sheryl Elliott |
| 04/01 | Olivia Voelker | 04/14 | Preston Curtis | 04/23 | Donn Kelper |
| 04/02 | Norah Gault | 04/14 | Carolyn Eyrick | 04/24 | Lauren Gakle |
| 04/02 | Greg Kelper | 04/14 | Brett Luther | 04/24 | Nancy Weaver |
| 04/04 | Gary Wirebaugh | 04/15 | Amber Fenstermaker | 04/25 | Donna Council |
| 04/05 | Cindy Polito | 04/15 | Jenny Kiever | 04/26 | Linda Bond |
| 04/08 | Ryker Hindsley | 04/16 | Amber Arciniega | 04/26 | Katie Fagg |
| 04/09 | Craig Marcum | 04/17 | Lou Voelker | 04/28 | Becky Jeffers |
| 04/10 | Renee Applegarth | 04/19 | Deb Kuta | 04/28 | Mandy Martin |
| 04/10 | Larry Curtis | 04/20 | Jeff Hubner | 04/28 | Lloyd Vance |
| 04/11 | Bradley Kiser | 04/20 | Tessa Tracey | 04/29 | Kendall Troy |
| 04/12 | Ryan Fenstermaker | 04/21 | Diane Plotner | 04/30 | Liberty White |

April Anniversaries

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| 04/03 | Matt & Liz Kirk |
| 04/05 | Paul & Karen Lindeman |
| 04/07 | Jeff & Jane Hubner |
| 04/10 | Evan & Laurel Noll |
| 04/12 | Dan & Marlette Bernacchi |
| 04/25 | Bud & Mary Forbes |
| 04/26 | Bill & Carly Troy |
| 04/27 | Mitch & Amanda Hubner |
| 04/28 | John & Celeste Dysard |
| 04/30 | Ryan & Whitney Kelley |

