



UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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NEWSLETTER



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Jesus loves us each
and every day!
Praise God for our
many blessings!
**Happy
Valentine's Day!**



Brothers and sisters in Christ,

Observe with great devotion the 40-day season of Lent. From Ash Wednesday to Easter morning observe a Holy Lent. Remember the mercy and forgiveness proclaimed in the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. Let us observe a Holy Lent by self-examination, by repentance, by prayer and fasting, by self-denial, and by reading and meditating on God's Holy Word.

What will you give up or sacrifice during the 40 days of Lent? In addition to giving up something, take up a spiritual discipline to fill the void caused by your sacrifice.

During the season of Lent, we will strive to practice the spiritual disciplines of our faith. John Wesley called them the "Means of Grace." Grace is unearned. However, we are not to sit idly by, waiting to experience Grace. Instead, we are to regularly take every opportunity to avail ourselves of the "Means of Grace" offered freely to all.

God works in and through followers of Christ to strengthen and confirm them in faith through these various means. "Works of Piety" and "Works of Mercy" are the two traditional and historic ways we describe these means.

Works of Piety

Individual practices:

- Reading, studying, & meditating on scripture
- Prayer, fasting, regularly attending worship
- Sharing faith in Christ with others

Communal Practices:

- Regularly attending to Sacraments of the Church
- Regular participation in accountability groups
- Regular attendance in group bible studies

Works of Mercy

Individual practices:

Doing good works

Visiting those who are sick or in prison

Feeding those who are hungry

Giving alms to the poor & to those in need

Giving care to those who are orphans and widows

Communal Practices:

Seeking justice on behalf of others

Seeking to end oppression and discrimination

Addressing the systemic root causes of poverty

The season of Lent is a journey into our own soul. It reveals our true sin nature. It confronts a lost and sinful world around us. Join us on February 22 at 6 pm in the sanctuary for a service of confession and repentance. A beginning of the season of Lent.

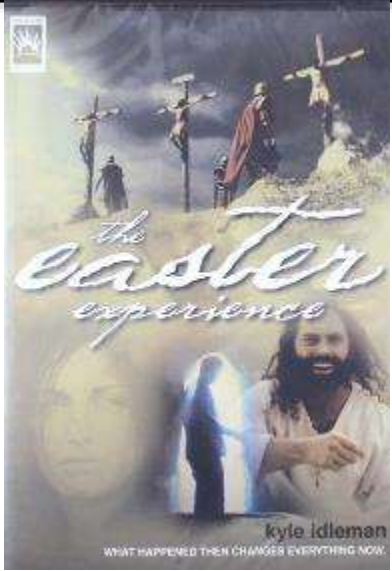
Grace and Peace <><

Pastor Sam



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WEDNESDAY
at DOOR VILLAGE UMC

Please join us for
Ash Wednesday Service
February 22, 2023
6 pm in our sanctuary



the easter experience
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WHAT HAPPENED THEN CHANGES EVERYTHING NOW

Tuesday Evening Lenten Bible Study
“The Easter Experience”
February 28,
March 7, 14, 21, & 28,
April 4
6 to 7 pm in our sanctuary

Prayer Requests

Wes A - hospitalized with infection
Marye - recovery from gallbladder surgery while pregnant
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 lower leg amputation 1/19
Lee - hospitalized in California
Frank H - improved breathing
Tom & Beverly H - pain relief, improved health
Bev - strength and improving health
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 - 4-yr-old friend from Texas with leukemia
Randy K - cancer
Jeff C - healing
John - co-worker with cancer
Brendan - 3-yr-old grandson of Scott & Lynlee M - future cancer treatment following successful tumor removal 10/27
Lois T - heart & relief from chronic internal bleeding
Dory M - kidney health & wrist healing
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
George M - arthritis
Barb - Bob & Marie's aunt
Derek K - 13-yr-old cancer-free - stay in remission
Bill S - Diane's friend with complications following liver transplant
Tonya R - prayers needed
Roger T - Donna C's cousin in KY - prayers to stay cancer-free
Lucas - 5-year-old with cancer in remission
Leroy S - mass on pancreas

Cindy K - Nancy's friend - pneumonia & better health
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
Rhonda - Mike M's sister - keep cancer in remission
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
Beth & Gaelen - B & T's daughter & son-in-law - lupus/cancer
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.
Those living with domestic violence, drug abuse, mourning loss of loved ones, enduring and rebuilding from fires/storms.

PLEASE WRITE IN CHANGES/ADDITIONS.

You're also welcome to call or email the church office with changes/additions. *Thanks!*



February

Sundays

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

Mondays

Mike's Bible Study at Oakwood 10 am

Tuesdays

Pastor Sam's Bible Study 9 am & 6 pm

Wednesdays

Joyce G's Bible Study at Library 10 am
Kids Club at DVUMC 3:45-5:15 pm

Wednesday, Feb 1

Senior Breakfast 8 am
at Christo's

Thursday, Feb 2

Worship Service at Oakwood 9:30 am

Wednesday, Feb 8

Culver's Give-Back Day for UWF

Saturday, Feb 11

Men's Breakfast 8 am
in Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, Feb 14

Valentine's Day

Wednesday, Feb 15

UWF 1 pm

Thursday, Feb 16

Ad Board 7 pm

Wednesday, Feb 22

Ash Wednesday Service 6 pm

Tuesday, Feb 28

Lenten "Easter Experience" 6 pm

OFFICE HOURS

Mon thru Thurs

7 am – 12 noon

219.362.3812

doorvillageumc@gmail.com

Senior Breakfast



February 1, 2023

1st Wednesday
of each month
8 am

Christo's
1462 W State Rd 2
La Porte



MEN'S BREAKFAST & FELLOWSHIP
will meet on
February 11 at 8 am
in Fellowship Hall

Tuesday Bible Studies

Pastor's Tuesday Evening Bible Studies are currently held weekly at 6 pm in Pastor's office. They will be on hiatus during Lent.

UWF Fundraiser 2023

"Give Back" days at LP Culver's

Wednesday, Feb 8

Wednesday, Mar 29

Monday, June 26

Monday, Aug 7

Wednesday, Oct 11

Thursday, Nov 30

10% goes to UWF projects.

Offer applies all day!



United Women in Faith

NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, Feb 15

1 pm at the church



United
Women
in Faith

Kids Club



Wednesdays after school

3:30-5:15

After-school program for Grades K-4
Playground time at the park
Snacks, Games, & Christian Lesson
Contact Carolyn (363-2818) or
Carla (363-9401) with questions.

February 1 –

School E-Learning – No Kids' Club

February 8 –

Valentine's Day Party

February 15 –

Science Experiments

February 22 –

Snow Fun



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

Mondays at 10 am
Public Welcome



**YOUTH
GROUP
BOWLING**

Feb 28
Casey's Lanes
7 pm

Feb 12 Belize forms & deposits due



**Children's
Church**

FEB CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Feb Leader: Tearsa/Laurel

Feb 5 - Mary & Martha

Feb 12 - Lazarus

Feb 19 - The Good Samaritan

Feb 26 - Lost Things

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 **Book of Revelation**



Education Sunday

This Spring, on Education Sunday we will be

recognizing our High School and College Graduates.

We need your help in providing us with the names of those from our church who will be graduating from high school or college. Please contact Lindsay Koselke or the church office with names of graduates.

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

Altar Flowers

The altar flowers each week are graciously provided by the Flower Committee. There is no charge for you to honor someone or commemorate a special event. Please sign up on the 2023 flower sheet on the greeter's table or call the church office to have us fill in your info. Thank you to our Flower Committee for providing this lovely ministry.

**Bible Study for Women & Men
with Joyce Gillock
La Porte Public Library
Wednesday Mornings at 10 am**

**How to find out
if we are CLOSED
due to weather...**

If we need to cancel services due to weather, we will post that information in these 3 locations:

- 1) Our Facebook Page
- 2) La Porte Radio 96.7 FM
- 3) WNDU-TV Closings on television, their website, and their app

Please check any of these to determine if we are open. If we decide not to cancel and go ahead with services/activities, please use caution before making the decision to travel if weather conditions are not favorable.

LENT 2023

February 22

Ash Wednesday Worship
6 pm

April 2

Palm Sunday Worship
10 am

April 6

Maundy Thursday Worship
7 pm

April 7

Good Friday Worship
7 pm

April 8

Saturday Morning
Scipio Township Park
Door Village Lions Easter Egg Hunt
NewDay Resurrection Run

April 9

Easter Sunday Morning
Resurrection Celebration



We have provided these dates for you to be able to mark your calendar. Details and times for these events will be provided in future newsletters as the dates grow closer.

OUR NEWDAY PANTRY IS CLOSED

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to our food pantry over the years. NewDay Foundation has closed out our food pantry and will be providing assistance in other ways.



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.



5K Run/Walk
 10K 'Resurrection' Run

Saturday, April 8th @

Door Village United Methodist Church
 3502 Joliet Road, LaPorte, IN 46350



For more information: www.newdayfoundation.com or
 contact Chris Kiser @ (219)309-0572

Checks can be made payable to

The NewDay Foundation Attn: NewDay Resurrection Run
 % Door Village UMC
 P.O. Box 13
 La Porte, IN 46350

8:00-12:00 Pancake breakfast (included with registration).
 8:00 Same day registration & packet pick up opens.
 9:00 Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by Door Village Lions.
 9:45 10K Chip Timing
 9:55 5K Chip Timing
 Awards to be held inside in the basement of DVUMC (location of pancake breakfast) upon completion of race.

The NewDay Foundation was founded in 2003 by Connie & Scott Marhanka while Connie was in the midst of a seven year battle with cancer. The Mission of the NewDay Foundation is to help cancer patients as they struggle with the everyday challenges of treatments and obstacles they may face.

Trophies for Top Male & Female, Overall & Masters.

Medallions for the top three male & female of each age group including Athena (170#) & Clydesdale (210#).

Age divisions: 8 & UNDER, 9-10, 11-12, 13- 14, 15-18, 19-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75-79, 80+

Registration includes a t-shirt & pancake breakfast.



	5K	10K
1/1 thru 4/6	\$25	\$30
Race Day	\$30	\$35

** Shirts are not guaranteed for those registering after 3/15.**

Name _____
 Address _____
 Email _____ Phone # _____ 5K or 10K _____
 Age _____ Shirt Size (+\$2 XXL/XXXL) _____ Male ___ Female ___
 Athena (170#+ female) _____ Clydesdale (210#+Male) _____



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 Find him on Facebook

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 RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



February Birthdays



February Anniversaries

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|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 02/02 Jack Fenstermaker | 02/11 Chris Kiser | 02/20 Meg Kaiser |
| 02/05 Brad Hindsley | 02/12 Kija Woodcox | 02/21 Alan Good |
| 02/06 Marlee Gakle | 02/14 Kathleen Gault | 02/22 Cade Woodcox |
| 02/06 Kathy Kaufman | 02/14 CC Langford | 02/23 Finley Lancaster |
| 02/06 Matt Kirk | 02/15 Marilyn Vance | 02/24 Tucker Hindsley |
| 02/08 Mary Becker | 02/16 Leslie Bernacchi | 02/25 Mary Beth Lowery |
| 02/08 Dana Butcher | 02/16 Nathan Bernacchi | 02/27 Linda Metzler |
| 02/08 Jack Langford | 02/17 Carol Wort | 02/29 Tom Hill |
| 02/10 Maxwell Unger | | |

- 02/01 Nick & Cassidy Applegarth
- 02/13 Scott & Lynlee Marhanka
- 02/22 Bonnie & Rudy Netzer
- 02/25 Dick & Mauvie Fagg

