



With the month of May underway, our thoughts turn to our moms.

***"Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord,
the fruit of the womb a reward." ~ Psalm 127:3***

Mother's Day can be bittersweet, at least it is for me. My mom passed away when she was just about my current age. That is something that stays with you. I love and miss her every day. She is always with me. I am who I am because of the traits I have inherited because of who she was. I strive to be loving, creative, goofy at times, and give lots of hugs. I get all of that and more, from... my mom.

In the bible there are wonderful examples of moms who cared deeply....

Hannah prayed so passionately for a son. And God blessed her with a boy and named him Samuel. My mom named me after Hannah's son. From Hannah, we learn to pray earnestly and fervently.

Sarah prayed for a child because she was unable to conceive. Isaac was born to Sarah and Abraham. Truly a gift from God. We learn here that trusting God and believing His promises is a way we can celebrate moms.

Jochebed saved baby Moses when Pharaoh ordered the Hebrew infants to be killed. Pharaoh's daughter found Moses hidden in a basket in the reeds along the Nile River. His mother Jochebed's resourcefulness led her to become the nursemaid of her own son. God can and will give you the strength in trying times to survive and thrive.

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Elizabeth was much too old to have a baby. And yet, God blessed her with a son. The Angel of the Lord. They said to call him John. Through Elizabeth's son, we hear a clear word to repent and be baptized for the forgiveness of sin.

And finally, **Mary**, mother of Jesus. Her devotion to God is a shining example for all of us to follow. God used Mary's willingness to bring forth a son. Many hardships and heartaches followed. But, oh, the mother's pride when Jesus proved that He is the Son of God! Through miracles and life-changing parables, Jesus warmed Mary's heart.

For all the mothers that are still with us, know that God is with you. For all those women who have lost children, my sincere hope is that the love that God shows you leads you to a place of peace. And for all those like me who remember their moms who are now with the Lord in heaven, give thanks to God for the life you have that has come through the miracle of childbirth.

Grace and Peace <><

Pastor Sam Polito



Prayer Requests

A friend with stage 4 cancer - comfort and peace
Sandy - Bonnie's sister - heart
Mike - Cancer
Barbara R - Toni & Paul's sister-in-law - cancer
Dan B - Cancer
Gill & Lynn F - Bud's relatives with health concerns
Joe P - cancer & shoulder pain
Diane P - chronic weakness and blood concerns
Jerry H - respiratory struggle, pneumonia, bronchitis
Bette P - doctoring for heart
Marcia J - heart rhythm
Chuck G - comfort & peace
Sally - Jan M's friend recuperating from knee replacement
Ann S - chemo
Debbie C - chemo
B & R's son - heart health
Bev W - healing from injuries sustained 2/24/25
Julie R - healing broken bones after a serious fall
Jackie's cousin Julie - blood clots & surgery recovery
Jon D - cancer treatment
Pat D - healing and mobility after hip surgery
Fred - heart health
Suzanne - Pam S's daughter - ongoing medical condition - auto-immune AS (spinal arthritis)
Phil & Linda's daughter-in-law Kathleen - colon cancer
Spitzmesser's son-in-law Wes - prayers for successful bone marrow transplant recovery
Kevin - Joni C's son - foot infection and circulation
Cheryl G - ongoing medical condition
Alaina - improved health
Stanley E - heart
Netzer's granddaughter - ovarian cyst
Aunt Tina - prayers for healthy pregnancy and birth
Marlene K - health and strength
Rick K - mission travels
Annie's sis-in-law Annette - recovering from stroke
Lynn - recovering from back surgery
Julie - improved breathing
Sheri - medical condition
Polly - lymphoma
Terry - health & strength
Connie's friends Bill and Diane - improved health
Beverly's friend Carolyn - improved health
Karen R - health, strength & happiness
Alex - 96+-yr-old friend - health & strength
Joy - Neil W's sister in hospice
Kathy - Donna C's mother-in-law - healing & strength
Tom & Beverly H - pain relief, improved strength
Sheryl E - cancer treatment
Charlie C - stroke recovery
Lea Ann Heims - heart health
Garry & Tina - asking for prayers
Richard M - improved health & strength
Hanna - Bonnie's great-grandniece - tumor on spine
Janet U - prayers to stay cancer-free & heart health
Wendy - health & strength
Wade - health & strength
Kate M - friend of Diane P
John P - cancer
Mark - colon cancer
Willie - cancer
Elsie - health & strength

Beverly B - improved health
John - co-worker with cancer
Dory M - kidney health
George M - arthritis
Judy D - liver cancer
Scott - leukemia
Dana's dad Jim B - health & strength
Keith - Anne D's companion with cancer
David - Anne D's son with cancer
Barbara - Anne D's sister with cancer
Tawnya - ongoing COPD
Renetta - ongoing medical conditions
Brian T - ongoing medical condition
Chris K - ongoing medical condition
Cheryl K - ongoing medical condition
Beth - B & T's daughter - ongoing medical condition
Prayers for those battling addiction

PLEASE WRITE IN CHANGES/ADDITIONS.

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



**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.**



**Salvation Army
Food Pantry
Suggested items for May:
Tuna, Mac-n-Cheese, Soup**



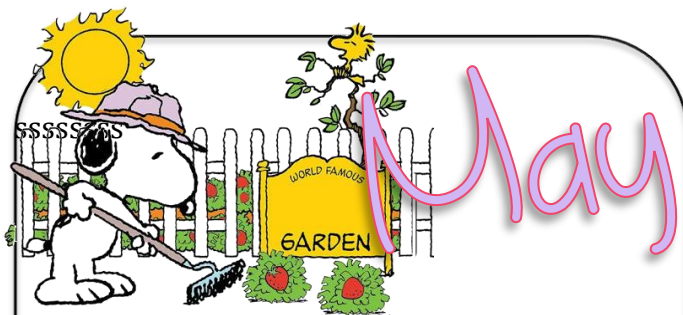
**Our UWF is accepting donations
of good quality, clean items for
the garage sale planned for
Aug 1 and 2. Bring items on
Sunday mornings, during office hours Mon-Thurs
from 7 to noon, or call Pastor Sam to arrange
other hours. Please place items in youth room.**

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

My Offering

electronic offering button:



Sundays

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

Mondays

Oak Wood Bible Study 10 am

Tuesdays

Pastor's Bible Study 6 pm

Wednesdays

Online Worship 6 pm
Choir Practice 6:30 pm thru May 14

Thursday, May 1

Oak Wood Communion 9:30 pm

Wednesday, May 7

Senior Breakfast at Christos 8 am

Saturday, May 10

Men's Breakfast 8 am

Sunday, May 11

Mother's Day

Wednesday, May 14

UWF 1 pm

Sunday, May 18

Last Choir til fall

Monday, May 26

Memorial Day

June 1 after worship
Let's get together for
lunch! Please bring a dish
to share and we'll enjoy
a lot of GOOD FOOD
and fellowship.



OFFICE HOURS Mon thru Thurs
7 am – 12 noon
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Monday Bible Study at Oak Woods Manor

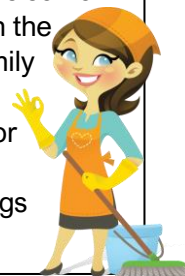
1211 Longwood Dr
(Hwy 39 South) La Porte

Mondays at 10 am
Public Welcome



NEW CUSTODIAN NEEDED

Our wonderful, hard-working custodial staff, Cindy and Alaina, will be stepping down in August to pursue other interests - retirement and higher education! That means the church will be looking to hire someone by June or July, which allows some overlap for on-the-job training. If anyone in the congregation is interested (or knows a family member or friend who might be), please contact Pastor Sam or Connie Clougher for more information. We will miss Cindy and Alaina but wish them many, many blessings in their new ventures! ~ DVUMC SPRC



Fellowship & Refreshments

Thank you to those who provide refreshments in the parlor after worship.
Please sign up on the greeter's table if you'd like to host a future Sunday fellowship time.



Finance Committee 2025 1st Quarter Recap

Here is a brief update on our 2025 first quarter and year-to-date financials.

2025 1st Quarter & Year-to-Date

Total Revenue = \$50,057.94

Total Expenses = \$44,926.59

Net Change in Cash = \$5,131.35

We are grateful for your faithful giving, which enables us to fulfill our mission here at Door Village UMC. Your generosity enables us to continue spreading love, faith, and compassion within our church community and beyond.

God's Blessings, DV Finance Committee

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

MAY CHILDREN'S CHURCH
 May Leader: Lindsay

May 4 - Samuel Listens
 May 11 - David & Samuel
 May 18 - David Plays the Harp
 May 25 - David & Jonathan



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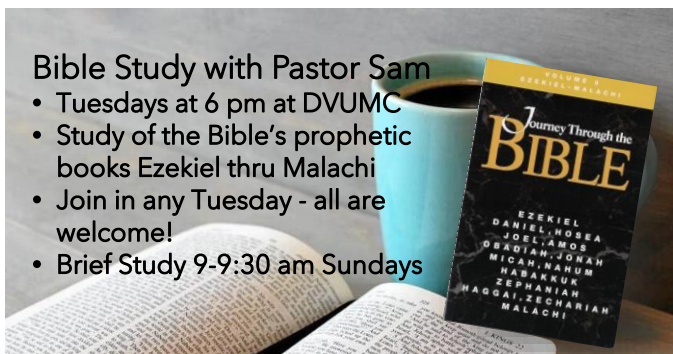


Our Healthier Eating group at DVUMC is reading the book "Spirit-Filled & Sugar-Free." All are welcome. Wednesdays at 11 am at church. Please contact Lana Fenstermaker for more info.



Bible Study with Pastor Sam

- Tuesdays at 6 pm at DVUMC
- Study of the Bible's prophetic books Ezekiel thru Malachi
- Join in any Tuesday - all are welcome!
- Brief Study 9-9:30 am Sundays



College Care Packages

At the end of April, we sent care packages to our college students. Thank you to those who donated and made this ministry possible.



Senior Breakfast



May 7, 2025

1st Wednesday
 of each month
 8 am

Christo's
 1462 W State Rd 2
 La Porte



MEN'S BREAKFAST & FELLOWSHIP

will meet on
May 10 at 8 am
 in Fellowship Hall

United Women in Faith

NEXT MEETING:

Wed, May 14
1 pm at the church



United
 Women
 in Faith

Program: Carolyn Eyrick • Snack: Judy Talk

GRADUATES

Education Sunday is June 1, and we will honor our graduating students during the worship service.

Afterwards, we will join together in fellowship with a church family potluck for everyone in Fellowship Hall. Please plan to stay for lunch and bring a dish to share.



3rd Grade

Wes Lancaster
 Liberty White
 High School
 Conner Chapple
 Alaina Jeffers
 CC Langford
 College
 Ella Schable



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

May Birthdays

May Anniversaries

05/01	Tiffany Bernacchi	05/11	Richard Barnes	05/17	James Martin
05/02	Brentley Antrim	05/11	Pat Gault	05/19	Joel Galvas
05/02	Randy Eggert	05/12	Nicole Bernacchi	05/22	Isabella Applegarth
05/02	Naomi Lopez	05/12	Ella Schable	05/24	Dan Council
05/02	Jack Schable	05/13	Kehlin Woodcox	05/24	Mike Gillock
05/03	Bette Pointon	05/14	Robbie Gault	05/24	Beverly Hill
05/05	Penny Flick	05/14	Marley Schable	05/25	Penny Tracey
05/06	Dick Fagg	05/15	Abigail Tracey	05/26	Luke Kiser
05/08	Joel Bernacchi	05/15	Catherine Veach	05/29	Mitch Marhanka
05/09	Jenna Bradley	05/16	Jacob Applegarth	05/31	Pat Warfield
05/09	Shelly Fischer	05/17	Austin Butcher		

05/01	Craig & Kjia Woodcox
05/12	Todd & Kathy Hindsley
05/12	Dan & Becky Jeffers
05/21	Omar & Kelle Guillen
05/25	Mike & Joyce Gillock
05/26	Ron & Sheryl Elliot
05/29	Dennis & Cindy Fischer