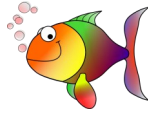




FISH FRY COMING SOON!
June 1, 2018



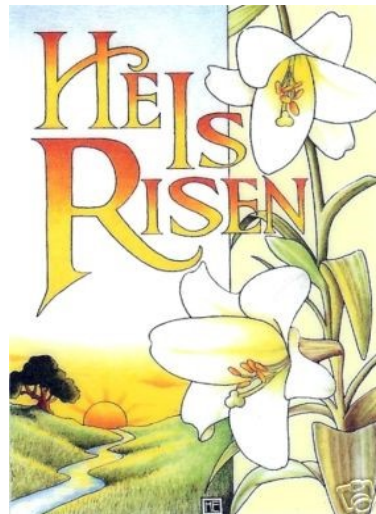
2018 SOUP KITCHEN CALENDAR

At St. Paul's, we will serve on the following Sundays: July 1st, Aug. 26th, Sep. 30th, and Dec. 23rd.



FAMILY MATTERS GROUP COUNSELING

Do you have a family member or a loved one struggling with addiction? Frontline offers support and hope through interactive and spiritually-led discussions and education for those coping with a loved one facing addiction. Where: Frontline Foundations
 605 Michigan Ave., LaPorte, or
 1008 Broadway, Chesterton
 Pre-registration is required as group size is limited. Please call 219-728-1638 to register or for more information.



THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

SUNDAY - APRIL 22
FOOD BANK
 8:30 a.m. Christianity 101
 9:30 Worship
 Coffee Hour
 10:00 Men's Choir
 11:00 Worship
 12:00 p.m. Worship

MONDAY - APRIL 23
 6:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study

WEDNESDAY - APRIL 25
 4:10 p.m. Hymnology
 5:30 Discovery Dinner
 5:30 Boy Scouts
 6:30 Handbell practice
 6:30 Girl Scouts (F. Hall)

SUNDAY - APRIL 29
NOISY OFFERING
 8:30 a.m. Christianity 101
 9:30 Worship
 Coffee Hour
 10:00 Men's Choir
 11:00 Worship
 12:00 p.m. Worship



REVISED HANDBELL SCHEDULE

Practice: April 25;
 May 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30
Play: May 6th, 11:00 service
 (Sanctuary)
Play: June 3rd, 11:00 service
 (Sanctuary)

NEWS-NOTES

Sunday, April 22, 2018



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All are Welcome

As we unite in worship today, we extend a warm welcome to each one present. We are glad to have you sharing in our celebration of worship. We invite you to sign our guest book in the Narthex and take a "Welcome" brochure. The "Welcome" brochures contain more information about St. John's United Church of Christ, as does our website, www.stjohnsmc.org. **For your convenience, childcare is provided each Sunday beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the preschool playroom.** Please join us for refreshments between services in the Fellowship Hall. A church member will be happy to show you the way.

ATTENDANCE: Last Sunday: 9:30 a.m., 55; 11:00 a.m., 23; 12 noon, 10; Total: 88
 Sunday School: Adults: 14



NOISY OFFERING

Since there are 5 Sundays in April, the Noisy Offering will be collected next Sunday, April 29th. Let's make a joyful noise!!

MOTHER-DAUGHTER BANQUET

Tuesday, May 8, 2018; 6:00 p.m.



Please see one of the Women's Guild members after both the 9:30 and 11:00 service to purchase your tickets to the Mother-Daughter Banquet. The Banquet will be held on May 8th, 2018. Tickets will be available through next Sunday, April 29th. Cost is \$10 for adults, ages 12 & over; children, 5-11, are \$5.00; children 4 and under are free.



FUNDRAISING EVENTS FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!

Upcoming opportunities to support our Community-Wide VBS are:

- ◆ Saturday, May 26th (rain date June 2nd): 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Trunk Sale & Car Wash, here at St. John's
- ◆ Saturday, June 30th: Bake Sale at Farmer's Market
- ◆ Saturday, July 7th: Bake Sale at Farmer's Market

Please come out and support our VBS!

ST. STANISLAUS FARMERS' MARKET OF MICHIGAN CITY

The St. Stanislaus of Michigan City Farmers' Market will open beginning May 5th and will operate every Saturday from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. through October 27th. They are located on the lot south of the tennis courts in the 1500 block between Franklin and Pine Streets. If you are interested in setting up a booth to sell produce, crafts, or other wares, now is the time to sign up! Please call Brother Shaun, 219-898-8625, or email him at ssfmmc2016@gmail.com

PRESCHOOL ENROLLING

The St. John's Preschool is enrolling for the 2018-2019 year. There is still availability in the Pre-Kindergarten (age 4+) afternoon class. (There is a wait list for 3-year-olds.) Cost is \$110/month for Pre-Kindergarten. The registration fee is \$40.

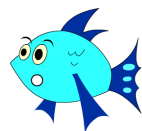


"FROM MAO TO MARY"

As a part of First Friday events, May 4, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., the public is invited to First Presbyterian Church, 121 W. 9th Street, for a showing of Biblical works of renowned Chinese artist He Qi (pronounced Huh Chee). He Qi is an internationally-recognized artist whose distinctive style blends traditional Chinese material and methods with unique interpretations of classic Christian stories.

He Qi came of age during the Cultural Revolution of 1970's China and learned to paint by copying portraits of Chairman Mao. He later began copying Raphael's "Madonna and Child," but in secret. Such diversity of influences remains evident in his work, which has been described as "Chagall meets Matisse meets Picasso meets the East." His art has been displayed throughout Europe, Asia, and North America.

Join us in viewing sixteen of He Qi's paintings—a reinterpretation of sacred art within an ancient Chinese art idiom. (There is a poster outside St. John's main office which shows one of He Qi's works.)



8TH ANNUAL JONAH FISH FRY
ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
818 Franklin Sq., Mich. City
Friday, April 27th, 4 - 7 p.m.
Cost: \$9.00 (Children under 5, Free)
Children's hot dog meal: \$5.00
Desserts: \$1.00
(Curb-side pickup on Pine St.)

ST. JOHN'S WOMEN'S GUILD PRESENTS:

"Healthcare Decisions, from Home Health to Hospice"

St. John's Women's Guild will be hosting a speaker from Trail Creek Place Senior Living, 1400 E Cool-spring Ave., who will be presenting "Healthcare decisions, from Home Health to Hospice." Please join the Women's Guild on June 21st, at 12:30pm. in the Youth Lounge to hear this informative talk. All ladies of the congregation are most welcome!

"WILL SING FOR SHELTER"

Saturday, May 26th; 7:00 p.m.

LaPorte Little Theatre,
217 'A' St., LaPorte

Tickets: \$15 per person

This event will feature five musical talents working to raise monies for Homeward Bound's "Village of Hope." The five acts perform four songs each. Homeward Bound's vision is to create a village, "Village of Hope" which provides affordable housing and job opportunities for the homeless in our community. Please call John at 873-4559 for more information, or check the main bulletin board. Tickets can be obtained at: www.willsing4.com

FROM THE MICHIGAN CITY CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL:

Dear St. John's United Church of Christ, Michigan City Chamber Music Festival, Aug. 4-12 held at First Presbyterian Church here in Michigan City is approaching. As part of your community outreach, we are asking you to partner with us once again in providing home baked cookies for the five Festival Receptions. We have asked St. John's to partner with us for the last two years and we have appreciated it so much. If each person, just commits to donate 2 dozen cookies, they soon mount up. It takes approximately 20 dozen cookies per reception. Cookie delivery dates will be Friday Aug. 3 and Friday, Aug. 10 here at First Presbyterian Church from 9:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m. Donna Mitchell will once again be your contact person. Her phone number is 1-219-575-1905, her email is: dmm8635@mac.com

We always welcome new bakers! Thank you so much for considering serving the community in this way!

Thankfully yours, Donna M. Mitchell
<https://www.mccmf.org>

RITTENHOUSE MINISTRY — JOIN US!

Every third Thursday at 1 p.m.
Next meeting: Thursday, May 17th
2nd floor of Rittenhouse, 4300 Cleveland
Our St. John's Rittenhouse Ministry meets on the third Thursday of each month.
Sue Allison coordinates and Pastor Dennis Carrol preaches. We pray, sing,