

NEWS-NOTES

ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, March 7, 2021

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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 visit our website, www.stjohnsmc.org for more information about our church and our activities.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

SUNDAY - MARCH 7

Third Sunday of Lent

8:30 Christianity 101

9:30 Worship (F. Hall)

10:30 Lendell Hood's Youth group

11:00 Worship (Sanctuary)

12:00 Worship (chapel)

MONDAY - MARCH 8

1:00 p.m. Preschool Board

WEDNESDAY - MARCH 10

6:00 p.m. Scouts

THURSDAY - MARCH 11

6:30 p.m. Board meeting

SUNDAY - MARCH 14

Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:30 Christianity 101

9:30 Worship (F. Hall)

10:30 Lendell Hood's Youth group

11:00 Worship (Sanctuary)

12:00 Worship (chapel)

BLOODMOBILE

The next Bloodmobile at St. John's will be Tuesday, April 6th, from 12 - 6 p.m. Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS to schedule your donation.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS! Sunday, March 14th, 2021

UCC WEEKLY PRAYER

During this uncertain time, it is important that we stayed tied together as a people of prayer and support. Weekly the IK-UCC will send out a prayer for the world and our conference churches on Wednesdays. They encourage each of you to stop what you are doing at noon on Wednesdays and pray wherever you are. Their staff will be praying wherever they are and together we will offer prayers for our world at this time. *O God of Awakening, in this time of Lent we deepen our awareness of You and of the life that is before us. We pray for our capacity to hear a neighbor in need, to listen to our bodies when enough work has been done for the day, and to embrace a holy pause in our week long enough to listen for Your Spirit. We pray for the lenses to be able to see the pain and struggles of our siblings across the street, across the city, across denominations and religions, across political lines and know that our shared pain reminds us that we are each created in Your very image. Open our hearts, O God, so that we may notice Your whisperings, that we may become aware of Your call to ministry in each of us, and that we may live into the art of paying attention because we know that step by step, moment by moment, You greet us in the every day. And for Your loving presence that meets us there, we are profoundly grateful. May we tend to Your presence through awareness just as a gardener tends to her flowers and herbs and vegetables. We tend to You with delight. We are awake, God. Let us not fall asleep this Lent. Amen.*

Peace, Blessings, and Compassion, Rev. Chad R. Abbott, Conference Minister, Indiana-Kentucky Conference of the United Church of Christ.