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DID YOU KNOW??

The St. John's Women's Guild has an ongoing prayer chain. St. John's members and friends can ask for Guild members to pray for them for specific or general reasons. (If you are asking for a friend, please get their permission.) Just call the church office (872-9121) to leave your requests.

God has a plan for each of us, and all prayers are our lifeline to our Father God!

**WOMEN PARTNERING WITH CHRIST/
 HYMNOLOGY--4:10 p.m.**

The St. John's Women Partnering with Christ study group meets on Wednesdays at 4:10 p.m.. All ladies of the congregation are most welcome! Please call Dolores (362-3665) for more information.



THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

SUNDAY - OCTOBER 7

COMMUNION

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 - OCTOBER 8

Columbus Day (office open)

6:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study
 6:00 p.m. Preschool Board

TUESDAY - OCTOBER 9

6:00 p.m. Public Plaza Input Meeting
 (F. Hall)

WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 10

4:10 p.m. Hymnology
 5:30 Discovery Dinner
 6:30 Handbells

THURSDAY - OCTOBER 11

6:30 p.m. Consistory

SUNDAY - OCTOBER 14

8:30 a.m. Christianity 101
 9:30 Worship
 Coffee Hour
 10:00 Men's Choir
 11:00 Worship
 12:00 p.m. Worship



NEWS-NOTES

Sunday, October 7, 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., 51; 11:00 a.m., 34; 12 p.m., 12; Total: 97
 Sunday School, Adults: 9



**PUBLIC PLAZA COMMUNITY
 INPUT MEETING**

~ Here at St. John's, in Fellowship Hall ~

Tuesday, Oct. 9th

6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Regarding the plaza, the Michigan City community website reads:
"The Plaza is a key component to the revitalization of Michigan City. This effort will be possible with the development of a public assembly space, or plaza, that will be programmed 250 or more days a year with activity that can be enjoyed by ALL residents of Michigan City, regardless of age, gender, income or any other factor. Nearly all activity will be open to the public and free of charge. Some of the plaza options include public restrooms, a 5,000-7,000-square foot splash pad, 8,000-10,000-square foot ice skating rink, a permanent stage, lighting and sound system, abundant seating, raised planters, room for vendors and Farmers Market events, space to host events and much more. This is a monumental project to help create a vibrant city center that can be enjoyed by all."

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

"The one who plants generously will get a generous crop." --2 Cor. 9:6

Stewardship Sunday is October 21st, when our gifts will be dedicated to God at the 11:00 a.m. service. Your generosity is a tribute to the love of Christ residing within you!

NORTHWEST INDIANA
UCC I-K CONFERENCE
~ held here at St. John's ~
Sunday, October 21st, 2018
5:00 p.m. (CST)

HOST FAMILY NEEDED

An International Student attending Marquette Catholic H.S. is in need of a volunteer host family. She has insurance and her own spending money. Please call Lisa at 219-229-8875 or email lisabrowndash@gmail.com.

NURSING HOME GIFTS

We are collecting now for our nursing home residents: Lip balm, small hand creams or lotions, cube boxes of tissues, puzzle books and pencils, coloring books and colored pencils, and calendars. As always, thank you very much for your generosity!

RITTENHOUSE MINISTRY

Thursday, Oct. 18th

~ Come join us! ~

Every third Thursday, 9:15-10:15 am

Next meeting: Thursday, Oct. 18th

1st floor Memory Care,
Rittenhouse, 4300 Cleveland

CHRISTIAN ART

The He Qi Moving Gallery is now displayed in the south, west and north hallways of St. John's. Stop and enjoy these beautiful works of Christian art!



FROM THE UCC:

Through generous donations from people like you, UCC Disaster Ministries is responding to the needs of people affected by 2018 hurricanes. Donate now to deepen the impact of our immediate response and long-term recovery work.

Two weeks ago, Hurricane Florence roared ashore in the US Carolinas. Also, recently Super Typhoon Mangkhut created devastation in the Philippines, Hong Kong, China, and other parts of Asia.

Your donation helps the UCC respond quickly to immediate disaster and long-term recovery needs. One hundred percent of UCC disaster relief funds are used for direct service to individuals and communities, and rehabilitation programming.

You may make a secure online donation, or mail your gift made payable directly to:

The United Church of Christ:
700 Prospect Ave., Cleveland, Ohio 44115
Memo: 2018 Hurricane Relief

GOODTIMERS

Just a reminder, the Goodtimers will be meeting Sunday, October 21st, at 12 noon in the Youth Lounge. Questions, please call Elaine, 872.6164.

TOASTMASTERS

A Toastmasters membership gives you the courage to speak with confidence, improve communication with family and friends, give and get constructive feedback, and thrive in a supportive learning environment. Start your journey today!

Michigan City Toastmasters meet on the first and third Monday of every month at "The Nest," 803 Franklin St., Michigan City. They meet from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.. Please call Valerie Mrak, 773-255-1425 or email mrakulous1@gmail.com for more information.

ST. JOHN'S PRESCHOOL SUPPLIES COLLECTION

Our St. John's Preschool would be most appreciative if you could help them with their supply wish list:

Kleenex, paper towels, 5 oz. cups, glue sticks, 24-count crayons, puzzles, napkins, hand wipes, washable markers, Barbie dolls & clothes, play cars, educational games, baby dolls & clothes. The paper products of Kleenex and paper towels are especially needed all year long!

Thank you very, very much!!



SIMEON SQUARE OPEN HOUSE

Join Simeon Square for an Open House on Sunday, October 14th, 2018, from 1-3 p.m. They are located at 1207 S. Woodland Avenue, Michigan City. Simeon Square Retirement Center is a community for seniors 62 years or older who want to live independently in an affordable, secure, and low-maintenance apartment. Simeon Square is a part of Immanuel Lutheran Church's mission to serve the community. Residency in this complex is non-denominational.



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CHRISTMAS CHILD

Many thanks to those who contribute all year! Especially needed are plain t-shirts and flip flops. *Thank*

TREASURER'S REPORT

The September Treasurer's Report is now available in the office. If you would like a copy mailed to you, please call the office (872.9121) and we will be happy to mail a copy to you.

COOK NEEDED!

Do you like to cook? Can you help out for a mere 9 Wednesdays? We are looking for a team to cook once a month, September to May, on Wednesday night for the Discovery Dinners. Your help would be greatly appreciated! Please contact the church office, 872-9121.