

PUBLIC PLAZA COMMUNITY **INPUT MEETING**

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

Tuesday, Oct. 9th 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Please watch the News Notes and bulletin boards for more information concerning this public meeting regarding the proposed Public Plaza at 7th & Franklin in Michigan City! 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 5,000-7,000square 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."



THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 30 **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

MONDAY - OCTOBER 1

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

TUESDAY - OCTOBER 2

12 - 6 p.m. Bloodmobile

WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 3

4:10 p.m. Hymnology 5:30 Discovery Dinner 6:00 Girl Scouts 6:30 Handbells

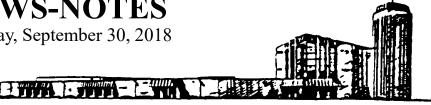
SUNDAY - OCTOBER 7 COMMUNION

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NEWS-NOTES

Sunday, September 30, 2018



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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 sign our guest book in the Narthex and take a "Welcome" brochure. The "Welcome" brochures contain more information about St. John's United Church **All are** of Christ, as does our website, www.stjohnsmc.org. For your convenience, Welcome 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., 63; 11:00 a.m., 33; 12 p.m., 12; Total: 108 Sunday School, Children: 5; Adults: 14; Total: 19

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

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!!



NOISY OFFERING

Since there are 5 Sundays in September, the Noisy Offering is being collected today, Sunday, September 30th. Let's make a joyful noise!!

HOST FAMILY NEEDED

An International Student attending Marquette Catholic H.S. will be in need of a volunteer host family in just a few short weeks. 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. Thank you for your generosity!

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.

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

FROM THE UCC:

Dear Friends in Christ.

Through generous donations from people like you, UCC Disaster Ministries is responding to the needs of people affected by 2018 hurricanes both within the United States and around the world. 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 Avenue Cleveland, Ohio 44115 Memo: 2018 Hurricane Relief

"PEOPLE & SONGS" CONCERT

Nov. 2nd & 3rd, LaPorte Civic Auditorium, 1001 Ridge St., LaPorte

Please see the main bulletin board for more information.

VILLAGE OF HOPE "A Community for the Working Poor"

Come and hear their story:

at First Presbyterian Church and 121 W. 9th St. Mich. City
TODAY, Sunday, Sep. 30th
2:30 p.m.

"Village of Hope:" a village of small, affordable homes that creates a community for those who are struggling to get ahead and who will be able to live comfortably while rebuilding their lives.

CHRISTIAN ART

The He Qi Moving Gallery is now in the library across from the office.

It came to us from 1st Presbyterian Church.

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.

OFFICE HOURS

Our office hours of 9 a.m. to 12 noon will continue indefinitely. We are open from 9 a.m. until 12 noon on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. The office is closed on Wednesdays.

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.

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!

CHRISTMAS CHILD

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

