

Down by the River

News from River of Life Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Pastor's Pen:

Friends,

On Sunday, February 25th, I announced to the congregation that me, Jeremy and our children would be moving closer to our family. The decision was made after much prayer and discernment. The simple and only reason is that for the health and happiness of our family unit, we need to be closer to our extended family during this season in our lives. I know that many of you are parents and grandparents, even great-grandparents and can empathize with our situation.

When I was called to the congregation in July of 2016 we made the decision to move to Logansport in good faith that we would be living here for several years. We did not take lightly what it meant to move our children out of the only home and school they had known, but we believed it was a necessary move in order to follow God's call. We do not regret the decision because it has given me the opportunity to get to know the Logansport area, schools and various community organizations. However, we realized that our time is short to have our children be surrounded by the love and support of family, and their physical presence is the one thing that has been missing from our lives for the past year and a half.

I brought this decision to the Pastoral Relations Committee on February 5th, then to the Broad Chairman and Chair of the Elders of February 11th. A commuter situation, where I am present in Logansport two days during the week plus Sundays was discussed and agreed upon by those who make up the Personnel Committee (Chair of the Trustees, Chair of the Elders, and Broad Chair). This information was then presented during the

March 2018

TUESDAYS

Bible Study: Disciples Fast Track study, 10:00 a.m.

THURSDAYS

Coloring Group: 11:00 a.m.

March 12th

Board Meeting: 6:30 p.m.

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Looking Ahead:

Prayer Group:

1st Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Bell Choir Practice

Resuming Sunday, March 4th at 9:00 a.m. in preparation for Easter

Children

March 4, 11, 18, 25 please stay after church to practice singing for Sunday, April 8th

Baked Potato & Salad Bar – Saturday, March 17th @ 4:30p.m.-6:30p.m.

Sign up sheets in Narthex

February 12th Board Meeting. One of the questions that was raised was “will my family still be attending church and participating”? Yes! We love the congregation and want to continue to be a part of the church.

While I know this will be a change, I don’t believe it has to be a negative change. The specifics of what exactly this will look like are still being determined, but the truth is, we won’t know until we try it. If anyone has questions or concerns, please bring them to me or one of the people mentioned above who have been involved in this process. Each one of us wants the life and ministry at River of Life to be healthy and vibrant.

In Grace and Peace,
Paula

Church Women United remaining Lenten Breakfast

Breakfast will be served each Saturday of the Lenten season at 8:00 a.m. We are happy to have wonderful host churches and look forward to fellowship, prayer, music and inspirational speakers. The service will begin after breakfast at 8:29 a.m.

March 3	First Baptist Church of Galveston 207 S. Sycamore Galveston Speaker: Karen Troutman	March 10	Royal Center United Methodist Family Life Center 204 S. Market St. Royal Center Speaker: Edye Barber
March 17	First United Methodist Church 800 E. Broadway, Logansport Speaker: Pam Hines	March 24	River of Life Christian Church 130 Mall Rd. Logansport Music Program: Michelle Mangum
March 31	Shiloh Luther Church 404 E. Bishop St. Walton Speaker: Pastor Sharon Walker Stations of the Cross: Through His Mother’s Eyes		

2018 Men’s Remaining Lenten Breakfast Schedule

March 3	Webb Chapel 2550 W CR 100 N. Logansport	March 10	Main Street United Methodist Church 19 E. Main St. Logansport
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March 24	All Saints 112 E. Market St. Logansport	March 31	Calvary Presbyterian 701 Spencer St.

A note from Marsha;

I hope everyone is excited about our Annual Baked Potato and Salad Bar, We are in need of large salads, desserts and helpers. Signup sheets are in the Narthex, please help we cannot do this without each other! Everyone please dress in green and come celebrate St. Patrick's Day!

Exciting Events coming up;

Come and join in this time of fun and fellowship!

March 17th Baked Potato & Salad Bar, 4:30 p.m.- 6:30 p.m.



April 22nd Carousel Sunday, 12:00 p.m. – 2:00p.m.



May 5th Progressive Dinner



@ Huston Park, June 24th @ 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Just for your info; Do you have trouble sleeping? Daystar TV channel (#140) has a show call "REFLECTIONS" that airs during the night. It pairs soft music with scripture and beautiful nature scenes – very relaxing! Check daystar.com for details

Don't forget: Bell practice starts up March 4th @ 9:00 a.m. and will be every Sunday leading up to Easter Sunday, when Bell Choir will perform. Please think about joining!

Children will start practice March 4th, after Sunday service and will be singing on Sunday, April 8th!

Serving in March.....

Elders

Prayers at the Table

- 4 Ken Uchida
Tom Blackford
- 11 Julie & Ted Jones
- 18 Melissa Closson
Betsy Logan
- 25 Jane & Dennis Kollmar

Deacons

Offering & Communion

- Terry & Betsy Logan
Mary Ann McIntire
Jackson Neibert
- Clean up:
Mary Ann McIntire

Worship

Leaders

- 4 Chloe Iles
- 11 Dennis Kollmar
- 18 Jim Brown
- 25 Connie Kiesling

Offering Meditation

- 4 Cindy Dalton
- 11 Rev. Paula Neibert
- 18 Dennis Kollmar
- 25 Rev. Paula Neibert

Coffee Closet

- 4 Bonnie Uchida
- 11 Dennis Kollmar
- 18 Martha Brown
- 25 Yvette Sims

Greeters

- 4 Ken Uchida
Bonnie Uchida
- 11 Marlene Moore
Ella Neibert
- 21 Mac Martin
Lucy Martin
- 25 Howard Lhamon
Toni Lhamon

Security Check:
Skip Perry

March Birthdays

- 3 Kelly Kollmar
- 7 Donna Troxell
- 10 MaryAnn McIntire
- 16 Melissa Closson
- 17 John Minglin
- 21 Chuck Erickson
- 24 Bob Minnick
- 28 Bonnie Minglin
Gavin Morgan

March Anniversaries

- 3 William & Joan Hipsher
- 28 David & Pamela Herd

February Attendance

- 4th - 60
- 11th - 36
- 14th - 33
- 18th - 61
- 25th - 60