

1548 South Hart St Road Vincennes, IN 47591 812-882-2220

Sunday Worship 9:30am Sunday School Classes 10:45am

Check out the Church Calendar on our website.



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by Pastor Darren

A weekly video devotional designed to challenge and encourage believers in their daily walk with the Lord.

Thanks for stopping in and may the Spirit of God be with you as you seek his face and grow in the Spirit.

Click here to watch this weeks Word.

If you have missed any previous "Word for the Week", you can find them on

our church website, under the tab "Word for the Week".



THIS SUNDAY, May 19 is Pentecost Sunday. Our President Pro Tem Rev. Dr. Scott Pattison will be our guest speaker. Please wear your church shirts.





CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SENIORS!

HIGH SCHOOL:

JOSTEN CARDINAL: graduate of North Knox H.S. Attending Ivy Tech/Sonography

BAXTER DELLINGER: graduate of South Knox H.S. Attending Purdue University/Major in Engineering

BRUCE DONALDSON (bonus kid of Angie & David Halter): graduate of Lincoln H.S. and member of Lincoln ROTC. Will enter the work force.

JUSTIN HANES: graduate of Lincoln H.S. and Core College from VU. Attending VU/Associates in Robotics

NOAH HAYDEN: graduate of South Knox H.S. Attending Indiana Wesleyan University/Major in English

MEREDITH HAYS: graduate of South Knox H.S. Attending Indiana Wesleyan University/Major in Psychology and Minor in Theater

COLLEGE:

ELLA HAYS: graduate of Liberty University/Bachelor's in Elementary Education. Student Teaching in a 3rd Grade Classroom at North Knox this fall and ready to start her Teaching Career wherever God leads her in January 2025.

ISAAK HUNCKLER: graduate of Indiana State University/Bachelor's in Cyber Criminology & Security Studies. Now employed by the Lebanon School System as a Technology Support Specialist Level 3.



IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER OF OUR CHURCH OR BEING BAPTIZED, PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE SO WE CAN MOVE FORWARD WITH THESE SPECIAL EVENTS. WE HAVE HAD SOME ALREADY REACH OUT, AND WE WANT TO MAKE SURE WE INCLUDE EVERYONE THAT DESIRES TO PARTICIPATE.

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WE STILL HAVE NOODLES!!! IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN PURCHASING A BAG OR TWO...OR MORE, PLEASE SEE SUE SEITZINGER, CHERYL MARVEL, ALICE CARRIE, ROSANNA STUBBLEFIELD, OR PATTY DREIMAN. OR YOU CAN CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE. THE NOODLES ARE \$8 A BAG.





The Mountain Mission Truck will be here for pick-up on <u>Tuesday May 21st</u>.

The Pavilion will be open Monday-Friday 8 am until 2 pm May 6-May 20.

They have requested the following items that they have a very low inventory of:

Bed Sheets, comforters, blankets, pillows, towels, wash cloths, bedspreads, quilts, Knickknacks, collectibles, socks and underwear (for all ages), purses, swimwear, crafting supplies, pots & pans.

UPDATED CAMP INFORMATION SEE FLIER BELOW!!!



Click on the following links:

Camper Registration Camper Scholarship

Volunteer Registration





VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JUNE 10-14, 2024 6-8 PM

It's time to register your kids, grandkids, and neighbor kids and/or sign up to volunteer for 2024 Vacation Bible School!!!

Click on the link below to register or pick up a paper registration copy at the Welcome Center. Volunteer signup sheet will also be at the Welcome Center!

MONETARY DONATIONS FOR VBS ARE WELCOME. PLEASE PUT THE DONATIONS IN THE OFFERING PLATE AND DESIGNATE VBS. WE WILL BE PROVIDING TSHIRTS FOR ALL OUR CHILDREN AS WELL AS SPECIAL VISITORS ON THE LAST EVENING OF VBS.

https://forms.gle/JknkyZoHrGqeVHXb7

Children need to be pre-registered by THIS SUNDAY May 19 in order to receive their VBS t-shirt!







NEW Bottles & Sippy Cups

Drop spots: Sunsational Tans all locations, Community Church Vincennes, Dot's, Wild Rose Boutique, Zip n Sip/I♥Icecream, South Knox HS, Living Gateway Church, Nicole's Restaurant in Bicknell, Monroe City RV



Acolyte Volunteer Schedule

May 19: Lee Emma Dellinger & Alivia Flaningam May 26: Sophia Magruder & Maddux VanMeter June 2: Daisy DeWitt & Jesse Watts



Prayer & Praise Volunteer Schedule

May 19: Marcy Hays May 26: Rachel Hayden & Letha Jane Dellinger June 2: Connie Harrington

Donut Ministry Volunteer Schedule

May 19: Lori Graham/Youth May 26: Herschel & Fran Biehl June 2: Rex & Sue Seitzinger





Church Bus Ministry

May 19: Driver: Bruce Brown; Chaperone: Bonnie Brown May 26: Driver: Scott Goodman; Chaperone: Jim Wyant



Volunteer Nursery Attendant Schedule

May 19: Christine Flaningam May 26: Val Goodman June 2: Delaney Benock

Rev. James F. Bítner Pastoral Counselor

Appointment: call or text 715-581-1981 email: jfbcounselor@yahoo.com

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For guides to help you in your time of prayer

click here

For online giving click the Vanco link

You are welcome to mail contributions to the church at: 1548 S Hart St Rd, Vincennes, IN 47591 Atten: Cindy

Pivot Point for the

Wesleyan Covenant Association

May 14, 2024 By Rev. Dr. Scott Field

After the UMC General Conference...

In the aftermath of seismic changes approved at the recent United Methodist



General Conference, our email inbox is overflowing. The phone calls, texts, and WhatsApp chats are surging. For the most part, these all seem to settle into four types of inquiries.

What happened at the United Methodist General Conference?

Secular and religious media have all reported that the UMC has lifted its ban on same-sex marriage, removed requirements of "celibacy in singleness and fidelity in marriage" for clergy, and will provide training for local churches who, in support of open itineracy for clergy, should anticipate that the bishop will appoint pastors without regard to gender, gender identity, or sexual orientation to lead their congregation. The denominational reorganization plan, called "regionalization", shelters the declining and progressive US region of the UMC from the votes and voices of the growing and more traditionalists regions of the UMC outside the USA...all while the General Conference rightly denounced institutional racism. Though this just a small slice of the all the legislation approved at the 10-day international gathering in Charlotte, NC, these are the headlines. A search engine hunt for "United Methodist General Conference 2024" will provide resources for summaries, critique, and perspective. A summary piece from Religion News Service may be a good place to begin if you are just beginning to engage the news. Over the next several weeks the WCA Outlook will highlight some of the ways the General Conference decisions have an impact on local churches.

Now that the General Conference has approved such dramatic changes, do local churches have any option to leave the United Methodist Church in response?

You may be aware that over 25% of the United Methodist congregations in the USA have separated from the UMC. Most utilized a time-limited option (paragraph 2553 of *The United Methodist Book of Discipline*) which lapsed at the close of 2023. That pathway to disaffiliation is no longer available. Some UM leaders who counseled local churches to "wait and see what the General Conference might do" are now, as a result, suggesting that they will offer a fair and simple process for congregations to leave the UMC and retain their property if certain requirements are met. The existing paragraph 2549 in *The United Methodist Book of Discipline*provides for a local church to close and the annual conference to release the property.

If your congregation is deciding/has decided, after the changes approved at the UM General Conference, that it can no longer in good conscience remain within the United Methodist Church, a respectful letter of inquiry could be sent to your District Superintendent, Bishop, and Annual Conference Board of Trustees asking if a process for separation will now be available to you. The General Conference rejected any further congregational exits in either the USA or the Central Conferences (Africa, the Philippines, and Europe) under paragraph 2553. The options for separation in areas outside the USA are uncertain, but still developing.

What about congregations who have disaffiliated, are no longer part of the UMC, and are seeking their way forward?

I am glad to announce that WCA's *Revive Consultancy Series* is launching this week. Our *Revive* initiative is intended to provide practical resources for congregations who have disaffiliated from the UMC engage with "where they are" on the journey to a faithful and fruitful future.

The challenge of the disaffiliation itself has been, for many congregations, completely exhausting. A time for healing and re-connecting relationships may be needed. A fresh experience of God's calling and the Holy Spirit's empowering is almost always needed. There are financial and legal matters. You might be left wondering, after leaving your former denomination, how, in reality, the Christian gospel intersects with the contemporary concerns about sexuality and gender identity. And then there is the expectation that now, set free to pursue a new future, your congregation needs to learn how to be and how to help others become fully devoted disciples of the Lord. Jesus. The WCA's Coordinator of Congregational Resources, Rev. Jan Dillard, has assembled a team of consultants. Each will make one or more Zoom presentations. You are welcome to watch LIVE or access them when they are uploaded to the WCA YouTube Channel. A link to the live Zoom presentation will be sent to out to our WCA email contact list several days before each consultant's presentation. Each week in the WCA Outlook, you will find a link to our YouTube Channel for you to find the presentations which may be particularly pertinent to you and/or your congregation.

In addition, our *Revive* landing page, preparing to launch next week, will also include background documents that may be helpful to you in charting your course forward. Finally, if you would like to make personal contact with a WCA coordinator in your area, we'll have a way to get connected.

ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICE :

May 12, 2024 Worship Service May 5, 2024 Worship Service

To view past Worship Services and Sermons, go to Community Church web page.

e-mail addresses and contact information

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Prayer Requests: prayer@communitychurchofvincennes.org