

*All scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness.*

2 Timothy 3:16

### Life Groups at Work!

The Beaman/Atzinger Life Group worked at the Midwest Food Bank bagging over 1,500 lbs. of pasta! IMPACTIndy reached out to the homeless in downtown Indy.



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**Regular Weekly Activities**

**Sundays**  
8:20am Prayer in Chapel  
9:00am Worship, S.S. & Life Groups  
10:00am FaithKidz Rehearsal  
10:30am Worship, Life Groups, & JAM  
4:30pm Jr. High Youth  
5:00pm Beaman/Atzinger Life Group -Rm 204,  
5:30pm Sr. High Youth  
7-9pm Men's Open Gym

**Mondays**

6:15-8pm Boy Scouts -Upper Rooms  
6:00-7:30pm Ruff-1/2 Crts  
6:00-7:30pm Shockley - 1/2 Crts  
7:30-9pm Hammill - 1/2 Crts

**Tuesdays**

9:30am-12pm Women's Bible Study Rm 205  
6-7:30pm Marlin Group—1/2 Crts  
6:30pm Prayer with Rev. Mecwan-Chapel  
7:30-9pm Hammill—1/2 Crts

**Wednesdays**

9:30am-12pm Women's Bible Study Rm 211  
10:00-2:15pm Jerry's Dance Class-CR  
6:00pm Health Counseling—FH  
6:00pm Bells  
6:30-8pm Shockley—1/2 Crts  
6:30pm Women's Bible Study-Rm 210  
7-8:30pm Men's Bible Study-Rm 211  
7:00pm Choir  
7:00pm JAM Rehearsal-CCC

**Thursdays**

9:30am Staff Mtg.—Rm 204  
9:30am Moms N More—Rm 208/26  
6:30-8:00pm Wilson/Thovson LG—Rm 205  
6:30-7:30pm Walking-CCC  
7:00pm Band Rehearsal-The Courts

**Fridays**

6-7:30pm Ruff - 1/2 Crts  
6-7:30pm Wise - 1/2 Crts

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>KEY:</b> S.S.—Sunday School; UR—Upper Rooms; FH—Fellowship Hall; L—Library BS—Boy Scouts; CS—Cub Scouts; GS—Girl Scouts; Chapel—C; OFLC—O'Dell Family Life Center; CR—Community Rm; TH—Trinity Hall; YR—Youth Rm; K— Kitchen; Cts—The Courts; UR—Upper Rms; CCC—Chambers Celebration Center				<b>March 1</b> 1-9pm Blue & Gold Banquet—Crts	<b>March 2</b> 9a-3p BS Leaders— Rm 205
<b>March 3</b>	<b>March 4</b>	<b>March 5</b>	<b>March 6</b>	<b>March 7</b>	<b>March 8</b>	<b>March 9</b>
8:30-Noon Blood Drive—CR  6pm Daisies #2340 -Rm 26	9:30-11am Prayer-C 6:30pm GS 919-CR 7pm Staff Parish-32	5-8pm 1044-CR 6:15pm GS-Rm 11 6:30pm CS-UR 6:30pm GS #31-Rm26		6pm DC staff-FH 6-8:30pm GS Service Unit-CR, Rm 12 7pm BS-Rm 211	6:30pm McNamee LG-YR 6:30pm 4:4 Forum	7:30am Men's Lenten Bkfst-CR
<b>March 10</b>	<b>March 11</b>	<b>March 12</b>	<b>March 13</b>	<b>March 14</b>	<b>March 15</b>	<b>March 16</b>
Daylight Saving Time  1-3pm Cong. Use— CR	6pm Trustee-Rm 11 7pm Shalom-FH 7pm Endowment-CR	9:30am Piecemakers- Rm 204 9:30am Prayer Shawl-TH 6pm Health-Rm 25 6:15-7:45pm GS #176- CR 6:30pm CS-UR	9:30am CYBC-204	6:15pm GS740 -Rm 210 6:00pm GS2335-Rm 211 6:15pm GS1172-CR	6:30-7:30pm GS 1061-CR	7a-9p Emmaus Gathering-CR, Crts, TH, YR, K
<b>March 17</b>	<b>March 18</b>	<b>March 19</b>	<b>March 20</b>	<b>March 21</b>	<b>March 22</b>	<b>March 23</b>
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<b>March 24</b>	<b>March 25</b>	<b>March 26</b>	<b>March 27</b>	<b>March 28</b>	<b>March 29</b>	<b>March 30</b>
1:30pm New Member Class	7pm Ad Bd Mtg-Rm 204	9:30am Piecemakers- Rm 204 6:15pm GS#176-CR 6:30pm CS-Rm 205		6:15pm GS740 -Rm 210 6:15pm GS1172-CR 6:30pm GS2335-Rm 211 7pm Maundy Thurs- day -CCC	7pm Good Friday Service-CCC	11-Noon Egg Hunt & Christian Carnival
<b>March 31- Easter</b>						

## March Birthdays

Mar 1	Carl Allen Katie Bissey Don Chamness Stephanie Embree Ginny Fulmer Tammy Hester Valesa Skaggs	Mar 16	Andrew Wilham
Mar 2	Allison Core Joyce Frank	Mar 17	Rip Byers Linda Canter Joyce Folds Elizabeth Hernandez Josh List Christian Nichols Amy Sullivan Lora Todd
Mar 3	Bill Parten	Mar 18	Carolyn Jacobson Ramona Nicholzen Rosemary Sanders Scott Spurgeon
Mar 4	Tony Gawarecki Doris Janneck	Mar 19	Gary Bruce Blake Davis Bob Dhondt Don Gatlin Geoffrey Hutton Maureen Laraway
Mar 6	Marsha Armenoff Natalie Core Brian Lindblom Sherrri Nicholson Erin Rosebrough	Mar 20	Sarah Bucker Hal Taylor Nancy Zaring
Mar 7	Ed Fears Nancy Long Will Parker	Mar 21	Ruthanne Core Jordan Gawarecki Geoffrey Kroll Pat Nix Robert Sims Bill Stiffler
Mar 8	Sue LaMastus Sam Shockley	Mar 22	John Janneck Michael Klimes Deb Wright
Mar 9	Daniel Francis Mark Silvertooth	Mar 23	Gavin McCabe
Mar 10	Logan Menser Kelli Walsh Tom Wehner	Mar 24	Carolyn Decker Camryn Drane
Mar 11	Danita Forgey Mike Womack	Mar 25	Brent Corey Steve Todd Nancy Van Dyke
Mar 12	Nick Armenoff Ray Carson Davis Carter Sherry Clements	Mar 26	Karen Geaben Marilyn Griesemer Kenzie McPherson Sharon Park Richard Ray Gabriella Rose Mary Tinkle
Mar 13	Jennifer Ader Sage Stanley	Mar 27	Samantha Corey Nathan Fill Bettie Utter Mike Wilham
Mar 14	Amber Core Dan Helton Violet Mull Mary Wehner	Mar 28	Cameron Davis
Mar 15	Gage Lovell Ben Van Dyke Amber Wade		
Mar 16	Michael Clay Robert Herman Robert Jacobson Lillian Mull Pam Siefers Brooke Maciejczyk Garret Wade		

Mar 28	Hailey Sweet Norman Thomas Devon Weidman
Mar 29	Matt Brown Tim Bumps David Carter Catherine Gatlin Frank Morris Miriam Murphy Dalton Musgrave Stacey Zaring
Mar 30	Bill Brown Caitlin Seet Will Todd
Mar 31	Ric Burrous Kimberly Hayes

## March Anniversaries

Mar 1	Matt & Julie Brown
Mar 3	Steve & Vicky Bruce Ed & Joyce Orme Stacey & Nancy Zaring
Mar 10	Richard & Debra McNeely Gary & Winnie McPherson
Mar 11	Brent & Meagan Corey
Mar 15	Chris & Jackie Grider Dean & Bernie Henderson
Mar 18	Scott & Stacy Nichols
Mar 23	Dan & Edna Francis Dave & Heather McNamee
Mar 24	Jeff & Debbie Bryant
Mar 25	Bill & Melody Penish
Mar 26	Sam & Mary Tinkle
Mar 28	Dave & Cathy Morgan Ted & Anne Polk
Mar 29	Don & Catherine Gatlin

My Dear Friends,

In a weekly email from our District Superintendent, Bert Kite, he reminds us that Lent calls us into a time of reflection in preparation for the glory of Easter when Christ will rise again. Then, he provides some suggestions for keeping a holy Lent:

- Take 5 minutes of silence at noon,
- Read Psalm 139,
- Tell someone what you are grateful for, and
- Light an actual candle.

There are actually many more suggestions you can access at the United Methodist Website at: [http://www.umc.org/site/c.lwL4KnN1LtH/b.2514885/k.63E6/Lent\\_and\\_Easter\\_Resources.htm#.US0lhEko671](http://www.umc.org/site/c.lwL4KnN1LtH/b.2514885/k.63E6/Lent_and_Easter_Resources.htm#.US0lhEko671)

We are now well along into the Lenten Season, and I pray you are experiencing a meaningful Lent. Anything we do that helps us to focus on who we are; who God is; what He has done for us on the Cross; and what we are to do about it—will help to keep us centered on those things that really matter in life.

Don't waste your life by letting it slip through your fingers while you nurse some grudge, or focus on lesser things that don't really matter or can actually ruin your life. We have this life—only this life—it's God's gift to us. What we do with this life is our gift to God. I will tell you as honestly as I know, with every fiber of my being, I want to live my life for Christ, because He has given His life for me. Don't you feel the same? I'm sure that you do or at least you want to.

As we turn the calendar toward the month of March, this is the most important month of the year. We'll move from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent to Holy Week, and then end the month with the celebration of Christ's Resurrection on Easter on March 31. This journey is the heart and center of our faith. Take the journey and savor every mile of the way.

Let's **MARCH to CHURCH in MARCH** as we move toward Easter. Frankly, I have been disappointed in our worship attendance so far in 2013. After such a good year last year, and as strong as we ended the year—I was expecting or hoping for more in 2013. So far, it hasn't happened. It's not too late to turn it around, if we will all do our part. Don't miss worship for anything, and reach out to someone you haven't seen to let them know you have missed seeing them in church.

When you stand before God, and He has given you 4,000 Sundays in your life—you don't want to say, "I could only be in church about half the time, because it was the only day I could sleep in. . . I enjoyed morning coffee and reading the Sunday paper more than being in your House to Worship You...I had more important things to do than Worship You." That would not be good.

I'll see you in Church this Sunday. Let's **MARCH to CHURCH in MARCH.**

—Jim Hertel



From the  
Pastor's  
Heart

**Weekly Report of General Giving:**

Week Ending	Budgeted Ministries	Debt Reduction Funds	Capital & Sanctuary Funds	Other Funds	Total Received
2/3/13	\$23,028.40	\$3,848.20	\$0.00	\$169.00	\$27,045.60
2/10/13	\$22,291.81	\$2,756.20	\$0.00	\$144.00	\$25,192.01
2/17/13	\$38,632.44	\$2,620.20	\$0.00	\$396.00	\$41,648.64
2/24/13	\$15,749.94	\$4,893.20	\$0.00	\$680.25	\$21,323.39

Weekly Budgeted 2013 Congregational Giving (does not include Debt Reduction) \$22,942.00;  
 Highlighted Other Funds include: Benevolent, Local Missions and Compassion Ministries \$533.25; Elizabeth Williams Memorial \$100.00.

<b>Mortgage and Debt Reduction Campaign Status:</b>	02/26/2013
Amount contributed last month from Gideon Debt Reduction paid this month	\$15,563.14
Increase in Tithe for Uganda Church Development from last month	\$1,729.24
Loan Balance at IN UMC Loan & Savings Ministry at today's date	\$1,666,338.21
The Gideon Campaign has reduced the mortgage at today's date	\$293,378.90

**Weekly Report of Attendance**

Week Ending	Worship Attendance	S.S. & Life Groups	Participation In Mission
2/3/13	465	264	46
2/10/13	545	276	36
2/17/13	471	257	43
2/24/13	474	267	39



**Sunday, March 3**  
**8:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.**  
**Community Room**  
 Walk-ins Welcome!  
 Those with appointments are given first priority.

**Sign up online at:** [www.donorpoint.org](http://www.donorpoint.org) Use sponsor code: 482

**THANK YOU'S**

To my Mt. Auburn Family, Thanks to everyone who has helped me over the past few months. You've prayed for me, taken me places and cared for me when I was ill. It means a lot and I really appreciate it! —Janet Guest

Thanks to everyone for their donations of oatmeal for the InterChurch Food Pantry of Johnson County. Hundreds of boxes and packages were given. Thank you also for the backpacks and razors that were given to KIC-It. Your generosity is amazing!

A huge thank you to all of the cookie bakers and generous folks who donated items for the college care packages. We prepared 24 boxes for our college students. I appreciate your help!  
 —Kathy Rice Co-chair, Membership Care Ministry Team

**BABY CONGRATULATIONS**

Ryan Danielle Stoner, granddaughter of Sally Brewer and big brother Jordan, was born to Kim and Daniel Stoner on Jan. 13. Congratulations!

**SYMPATHY NOTICES**

Elizabeth Williams, age 100, was buried at Mt. Moriah Cemetery in Cincinnati on Jan. 28. We remember in prayer her son Gary and daughter-in-law Betty Williams.

Please hold in prayer, Barb Martin at the passing of her husband Steve. The funeral was on Monday, Feb. 4, at the Costin Funeral Chapel in Martinsville.

It is for  
 Freedom that  
 Christ  
 has set us free.  
 STAND FIRM.  
 Galatians 5:1

## New Study Beginning

The Howard Life Group is excited to be starting a new study on March 3 entitled *When God's Spirit Moves* written by Jim Cymbala. In this six week DVD led study, you will not only learn about the person of the Holy Spirit, you will also learn how to listen for His voice in prayer, to make room for the Spirit's action in your life, and to live daily in the presence of the Holy Spirit. A study of this nature can give you a fresh sense of His power in your life. If you are not already in a Life Group, why don't you come and join them for this short study? You can meet some caring, friendly people and get the feel of what a Life Group is about. The Howard Life Group meets at 10:30 on Sunday mornings in room 211 in the Upper Rooms.

## From Walk as Jesus Walked: Making Disciples by Ray Vander Laan

"We most clearly understand God's truth when we know the cultural context within which He spoke and acted, and the perception of the people with whom He communicated. This does not mean that God's revelation is unclear if we don't know the cultural context. Rather, by learning how to think and approach life as the people of the Bible did, modern Christians will deepen their appreciation and understanding of God's Word. To fully apply the message of the Bible, we must enter their world and familiarize ourselves with their culture. That is the purpose of this study. The events and people of the Bible are presented in their original settings... My goal is simply to help us better understand God's revealed mission for our lives by enabling us to hear and see His words in their original context."

Interested? Please join the Weddle Life Group at 10:30 on Sundays (Rm. 205).



On Sunday, March 10 we spring ahead 1 hour for Daylight Savings Time. Be sure to set your clocks ahead 1 hour before you go to bed on Saturday.



JAM is designed for children 4 years old through grade 6 as a participatory worship service to help us experience God's presence in our lives. JAM is every Sunday at 10:30 in the Chambers.

In March, the kids will be learning about "The Lord's Prayer."  
Join us this Sunday!

## Getting Ready to Worship!



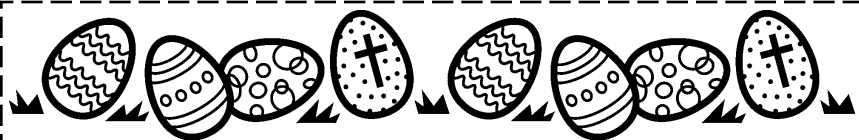
As we journey further into Lent closer to Holy Week, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of Lent, Dr. Hertel will finish the series of messages on the "Temptations of Christ."

- Sunday, March 3 **"The Second Temptation: Recognition"**  
(Matthew 4:1-11) Dr. Hertel preaching
- Sunday, March 10 **"The Third Temptation: Expedience"**  
(Luke 4:1-13) Dr. Hertel preaching
- Sunday, March 17 **"Remember Your Baptism"** Dr. Hertel will be preaching and everyone will be given the opportunity to reaffirm your baptismal covenant.



## HOLY WEEK

- Sunday, March 24 **Palm Sunday**  
**"Ambassador"** Pastor Ben Greenbaum preaching  
(2 Corinthians 5:16-21)
- Thursday, March 28 **Maundy Thursday Holy Communion**  
7 p.m. in The Chambers
- Good Friday, March 29 **Good Friday Worship** 7 p.m. in The Chambers  
**"They Killed the King"**  
(Acts 3:14-15) Dr. Hertel preaching
- Sunday, March 31 **Easter Sunday "What If It's Not So?"**  
(I Corinthians 15:12-19) Dr. Hertel preaching



## Easter Egg Hunt & Christian Carnival!

**Invite Your friends & family  
Saturday, March 30 at 11:00 am**

Ages 2 yrs. —4th grade are welcome  
to join us. The event is rain or shine & it's free!

*\*Registration is recommended but not required.*

**Volunteers are needed. Can you help?**

**I would like to volunteer to:**

- ◆ Oversee a carnival activity: \_\_\_\_\_
- ◆ Chaperone the egg hunt (preferred age group): \_\_\_\_\_
- ◆ Assist with set-up or clean-up: \_\_\_\_\_
- ◆ Work at registration table: \_\_\_\_\_
- ◆ Work at the bake sale table: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

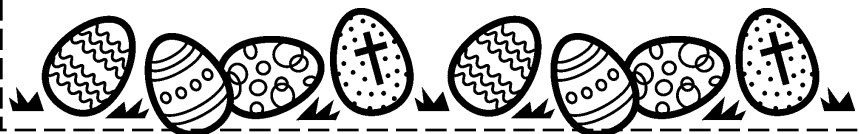
Phone or email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Donations Are Needed (check what you can do):**

- \_\_\_ Provide individually wrapped candy to put in plastic Easter eggs
- \_\_\_ Take eggs and fill with candy (eggs available now!)
- \_\_\_ Monetary donations for purchasing bulk carnival prizes
- \_\_\_ Any toy to be given away
- \_\_\_ Baked goods for the bake sale table

**Volunteer or donate in one of three ways:**

1. Use this as an insert. Turn it in to the office or put it in the offering plate.
2. Sign up during March in Trinity Hall.
3. See Nancy Van Dyke in the Christian Ed. office or call 535-8555 ext. 1319.



### FILL IN THE BLANK...

The organized unit of \_\_\_\_\_ shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ to develop a creative, supportive fellowship and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

The answer is "**United Methodist Women.**" Did you get it correct? The above statement is the *purpose* of United Methodist Women. Interested in knowing more? Stay tuned for more information in future newsletters or in the Sunday bulletins.

### *Believe God Can Do Anything* *God can do anything! —Luke 1:37 NCV*

**What:** Expect the Unexpected! Don't miss the all-new **Women of Faith** Friday night-Saturday event packed with compelling stories, dynamic music, engaging speakers, inspiring worship, Bible-based teaching, and more. Because with the Creator of the universe on our side, just about anything is possible!

<http://www.womenoffaith.com/events/believe-god-can-do-anything-indianapolis-in/>

**When:** Friday August 23, 2013: 7pm – 10pm  
Saturday, August 24, 2013: 9am – 5pm

**Where:** Indianapolis, Indiana – Bankers Life Fieldhouse  
**125 South Pennsylvania Street, Indpls, IN 46204**

**Cost:** \$101 per ticket – cash or check preferred  
Check: Make payable to "Mt. Auburn UMC"  
Credit Card: Contact Dana Plummer

**NOTE:** Mt. Auburn has only 40 seats reserved this year. Get your tickets soon! **Full payment of the tickets is due by May 10<sup>th</sup>!**

**Contact:** Dana Plummer  
Phone: 317-750-4640  
Email: [Dana.Plummer@hotmail.com](mailto:Dana.Plummer@hotmail.com)

## **Women of Faith 2013**

## Events Sponsored by The Senior Moments Ministry

The events listed are open to everyone at Mt Auburn. Of course, guests are more than welcome, too. This fun ministry can be a perfect opportunity to invite and get to know others in a less formal setting. Many friendships have developed through the years in the Senior Moments events. God might be nudging you to meet others through this ministry. Please join us.

— Blessings, *John Skaggs*  
535-8555 or [johns@mtauburnumc.org](mailto:johns@mtauburnumc.org)

### **March 9, 2013, 7:30 am**

Men's Lenten Breakfast at Mt. Auburn

### **April 21, 2013, 3:00 pm**

Joyful Sound Community Handbell Choir Concert at Mt. Auburn

### **April 28, 2013, 3:00 pm**

Culinary College, Indianapolis

### **May 13, 2013, 10:00 am**

James Witcomb Reilly Home Tour and Lunch in Greenfield, Indiana

### **June 5, 2013, 10:00 am**

Lucas Oil Tour & Lunch at the Spaghetti Factory

### **June 17-21, 2013**

VBS Week. (Volunteer and get blessed while blessing others).  
IT'S A WIN, WIN!

### **July 5, 2013, 5:00 PM**

World famous Fish Fry. Featuring *OK* entertainment, Wanamaker, Indiana

### **August 21, 2013, All Day**

Creation Museum Tour

### **Fall Retreat: Date to follow**

### **October 22, 2013, 10:00 am**

Duck Pin Bowling & Lunch in Fountain Square

### **November 13, 10:00 am**

Jingle Rails and Lunch, Indianapolis

**Here's what's  
happening!**

### **BOOKIES TO MEET TUESDAY, March 19**

The Bookies will be meeting on Tuesday, March 19, and we will be discussing "another piece of my heart" by Jane Green. In April we will be reading and discussing "thunder dog" by Michael Hingson. The Bookies meet each month on the third Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in room 25 of the church. If you like to read and talk about books, you are welcome to join us.

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**NEXT NEWSLETTER**—The next newsletter is scheduled for **Wednesday, March 20**. All items to be included in the newsletter should be sent to Amy Shockley by Monday, March 18. Thank you!

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### **2012 EMMAUS WALKS—PLAN NOW TO ATTEND!**

Spring: Men's April 11-14      Women's April 18-21  
Fall:      Men's Oct. 10-13      Women's Oct. 17-20

If you're interested in going or have questions, contact John Burns.



### ***Just Give Me Jesus*** **Anne Graham Lotz** **April 5-6, 2013** **Indiana Convention Center**

Mt. Auburn is organizing a group to attend "Just Give Me Jesus" with Anne Graham Lotz at the Indiana Convention Center on April 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>.

- Good news is that no tickets are necessary!
- More good news is that the event is FREE!
- And the best good news - you will hear THE GOOD NEWS proclaimed and celebrated!

The theme of this weekend is revival: Revival from your weariness, from your busyness, and back towards your First Love. The messages, the music, the prayer time and the Bible study workshops will focus your attention so intently on the Lord Jesus Christ so that your heart will be on fire once again in vibrant faith.



## Church Consultation Weekend

### Date Changed

Our Church Consultation Weekend date had to be changed because the person scheduled to be our lead consultant is no longer available. Doug Anderson worked to get the best consultant he could secure for this important event, and Rev. Jim Ozier, a United Methodist pastor from the North Texas Conference, will now be the lead consultant.

We feel very fortunate that Jim Ozier is going to be with us, but we had to change our date from April 26-28 to August 23-25. This is just a small hiccup that changes nothing. Most of our information and data for the consultation has already been gathered. We still have surveys that the congregation will be asked to take. But, most importantly, this gives us more time to pray for this event. We believe God wants to use this weekend to help us to become better for Him and the Kingdom.

***Please pray and mark the weekend of August 23-25 on your calendar.***



### Refurbishing Almost Complete

The freshening of the classrooms on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor west of fellowship hall with new paint and floor coverings is almost finished. Take a walk through that area of the building and look in to see the new colors in the rooms. It looks great, and it was overdue.

What may well turn out to be the most appreciated improvements are in The Chapel. Richard Ray made some small but important changes to the platform that makes the Chapel much more useable. Thank you, Richard!

Since we don't have a sanctuary, and The Courts and The Chambers are multi-use rooms during the week, we believe it is important to have a place where anyone can come to pray during the week. From now on, The Chapel will only be used as a Chapel. The light will always be on, and you may stop by to pray anytime. We hope you will.



Each month the church has pledged to donate 240 rolls of toilet paper to the Lord's Locker. Next time you are at the store, pick up an extra package. A donation box is available in Trinity Hall.

### "The Apostle Build"

#### Habitat for Humanity of Johnson County

Mt. Auburn is teaming up with area volunteers to help build a home with Habitat for Humanity located at 301 Cincinnati St., in Franklin. We are responsible for 4 build days and need a small crew of volunteers each day from 7:30am-2pm.

Thursday, April 25	(Volunteers Full)
Thursday, May 9	(5 volunteers needed)
Thursday, May 16	(2 volunteers needed)
Saturday, June 1	(3 volunteers needed)

In addition, Mt Auburn is responsible for hospitality (Devotional and Meals) on June 1. This is the last day of the build so depending on the home's progress, we may or may not have this.

If you want to volunteer, see the sign-up sheets at the counter in Trinity Hall. Questions? Contact Jerry McRoberts (412-5932) or Mike Alexa (888-7497)



### Beef & Boards Tickets Available

A group, Mt Auburn UMC & Friends, is going to Beef & Boards to the matinee on **Wednesday, May 1, 2013**. The performance is ***Menopause the Musical***. There are 44 tickets being held for us until **March 20** when the non-refundable deposit is due. We have **15 tickets** still available out of the 44.

Cost is \$42.00 per person and needs to be paid by March 20, if possible, or no later than April 1. Once the March 20 deadline has past, you will be committed to your ticket or will need to find your replacement. Checks will need to be made out to Marge Patton, since she is handling the payments.

One of the church buses will be used to transport people to the theater, if needed, or carpooling can be arranged.

If you would like to join us, please contact Marge Patton by emailing her at [margepatton@att.net](mailto:margepatton@att.net) or calling her at 317-881-3460. The tickets will be reserved in order of calls and emails. Please leave a message if you call/email telling Marge how many tickets you want to reserve.

Performance times: Doors open @ 11:00 AM; Buffet begins @ 11:30 AM; Curtain @ 1:00 PM.



## Welcome to Mt. Auburn!

On January 27, we welcomed several new members. We hope you'll continue to make them feel at home here!

**Chris and Sarah Bonniwell:** Chris is a Geologist for Wilcox Environmental Engineering. He enjoys cooking. Sarah is a Reading Specialist at Pleasant Grove Elementary School. She likes to scrapbook. They are the parents of 8<sup>th</sup> grader Emma and 4<sup>th</sup> grader Grant. They join on profession of faith and reside at: 571 Gainesway Dr. No., Greenwood 46142.

**Dick and Linda Gilkison:** Dick is a retired tool and die maker from General Motors in Anderson. He enjoys woodworking, motorcycles, experimental airplanes, & gardening. Linda is a retired school librarian from the Shenandoah School Corp. She enjoys volunteering, reading, and shopping. They are the parents of 3 children, including Amy Shockley, and the grandparents of 8. They reside at: 15 Al Mar Drive, Bargersville 46106.

**Brenda Greer:** Brenda is a Dental Hygienist. She crochets and loves gardening. She is the mom of 2, including Heather Conrad, and the grandmother of 3. She joins on profession of faith and was baptized. Although a resident of Shelbyville, she is in the process of moving to the Greenwood area.

## Next New Member Class Sunday, March 24, at 1:30pm

Do you want to know more about Mt. Auburn's mission and the opportunities available within the congregation to grow and serve? Or are you thinking about confessing Christ as your Savior and Lord, and becoming a member of the congregation? Then plan to attend the next New Member Orientation Class on Sunday, March 24 at 1:30 p.m. in the Community Room. We will plan to receive this class into membership on Easter Sunday.



### "Body in Motion" Walking Class

Join us Thursdays from 6:30-7:30pm for a "Body in Motion" walking class. Meet in The Chambers. It's good for body and mind!



## Are You Plugged In?

The church wants to reach everyone in the church with timely and efficient communications. Here are ways you can stay plugged in...

### CHURCH NEWSLETTER

Newsletters are sent out on a monthly basis by First Class U.S. mail and over 200 people receive the newsletter by email. All newsletters, including past ones, are available on our website under the RESOURCES tab at: [www.mtauburnumc.org](http://www.mtauburnumc.org)

### EMAILS

The church sends "news" emails to those who have provided their email address. The emails contain brief reminders of that weekend's activities and are generally sent on Thursdays on an as needed basis.

### WWW.MTAUBURNUMC.ORG

Weekly news and calendar items are always available as well as audio files of the sermon, current Life Group studies, and much more!

### FACEBOOK

Like us on Facebook! We are really trying to grow our presence. There are daily postings, so be sure and "Like" us and share our info with your friends.

### SUNDAY BULLETINS & SLIDES

Bulletin inserts are a great way to know what's happening in the life of the church. These are reserved for brief immediate needs & church events. The slides reflect the bulletin inserts.



If you aren't "plugged in" please send your email address to Amy Shockley, Communications Director at [amys@mtauburnumc.org](mailto:amys@mtauburnumc.org).

Be Still  
AND KNOW  
THAT I AM GOD

-PSALM 46:10

## We're Looking for a Few Good People

Do you think you might enjoy tutoring/teaching English to someone for whom English is a 2nd language? We are looking for ways to reach out to the Hispanic and Indian population in our community, and we want to offer classes or tutoring in English. If you are interested, let Marsha know today (535-8555 ext. 1304 or [marshaa@mtauburnumc.org](mailto:marshaa@mtauburnumc.org)). This may be the opportunity to serve for which you've been waiting. We are looking for a few good people.

## Nursery & Toddler Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to work in the toddler (2-3 yrs. olds) and nursery (2 & younger) areas on Sundays. If you have a love of children, please contact Nancy Van Dyke, Director of Children's Ministry for more info at 535-8555 or [nancyva@mtauburnumc.org](mailto:nancyva@mtauburnumc.org).

## MEN—MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

### 2013 United Methodist Men Lenten Breakfasts

Theme: *"Sharing God's Glory" Acts 2:46-47*

Date	Location	Time
Mar 2	Grace UMC	7:30 AM
Mar 9	Mt. Auburn UMC	7:30 AM
Mar 16	Whiteland UMC	7:30 AM
Mar 23	Smith Valley UMC	7:30 AM

## ATTENTION MEN...

Would you like to be part of the men's ministry activities and events? If so, please provide your name and contact information to the church so we can include you in future communications. Please complete the bulletin insert this Sunday or send your name and email to Pastor Ben Greenbaum @ [beng@mtauburnumc.org](mailto:beng@mtauburnumc.org).

I will <sup>live</sup> with them and  
walk among them, and  
I will be their God,  
and <sup>also</sup> they will be  
my people.  
2 Corinthians 6:16

## Join ImpactIndy as we head downtown on March 16th!

Formerly known as the College and Early Career Life Group, we have taken on the name of ImpactIndy to encourage others to join us in our mission to reach homeless people for Christ. Over the past year, we have had several church members and families, college sororities, high school students, friends and relatives join us as we take our monthly trip downtown. Funded through church and community fundraisers, we prepare sack lunches and hit the downtown streets "guerrilla style" to meet and pray with homeless individuals. We work in teams and spread out to cover the downtown. It is a truly eye opening experience each month, as we bless and are blessed by whom we meet. We sincerely ask you to join us in our mission and share our joy in serving. You can jump in at any time that fits your schedule:

- 10:30 a.m. — we meet in the church kitchen to make sack lunches and pray for the outreach
- 11:30 a.m. — we depart for downtown Indy
- 2:30 p.m. — we return to the church

Call or email Myrna Lorenz (535-8555 or [myrnal@mtauburnumc.org](mailto:myrnal@mtauburnumc.org)) for more info or to volunteer!

## Save the Date—Saturday, April 20 @ 1pm

We can no longer keep our heads in the sand. Slavery is still alive and well in our contemporary society. These are the cold facts of modern slavery. Every year, thousands of women and children fall into the hands of traffickers in their own countries and abroad. EVERY country in the world is implicated by this injustice whether as a country of origin, transit, or destination.

On April 20th at 1 pm in The Chambers, you have an opportunity to come and watch a wonderfully produced documentary on human trafficking entitled *"Nefarious: Merchant of Souls."* Hope 61 Director Tom Overton will introduce the movie to our congregation and spend a little time talking about the ministry of Hope61.

This movie has been 4 years in the making. Filmmaker Benjamin Nolot initially set out for a peek at the human trafficking industry. What he discovered led him on a four year journey, which yielded over 800 hours of footage and an incredible view into the closeted and nefarious underworld of human trafficking. You will be challenged and heartened as he covers four continents looking at all aspects of this heinous industry.

This is definitely a movie you will want to have your friends and neighbors see. Its something every mother, father, sister, and brother should know about. Contact Tom Overton for more info at [toverton@onemissionsociety.org](mailto:toverton@onemissionsociety.org). Childcare will be provided.