

Mt. Auburn United Methodist Church—9/25/2013

*“Commit to the Lord whatever you do,
and your plans will succeed.”* Proverbs 16:3

What's Happening...

- Rev. M. Bert Kite, District Superintendent, Preaching Sunday, Sept. 29
- Church Conference to Vote on 5 Prescriptions, Sept. 29 after 2nd service
- Moe Dean's "Gone Fishin' Sept. 29, 2pm
- Finally Free Women's Conference Ticket Deadline Sept. 29
- Men's Bible Study Begins Oct. 3
- "Blessing of Animals" in JAM, Oct. 6
- CYBC Coming to Mt. Auburn's Daycare
- A Way Forward —Mt. Auburn & Trafalgar UMC
- "Act Like Men" Conference Nov. 8-9

All this and more ...



Mt. Auburn
United Methodist Church
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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Regular Weekly Activities

Sundays

8:10am Prayer in Chapel
 9:00am Worship, S.S. & Life Groups
 10:00am FaithKidz Rehearsal
 10:30am Worship, Life Groups, & JAM
 7-9pm Men's Open Gym

Mondays

9:30-11:30am Moms n More -Rm 210
 6:00-7:30pm Marlin Group-1/2 Crts
 6:00-7:30 Hammill - 1/2 Crts
 7-8:30pm Boy Scouts -Upper Rooms
 7:30-9pm Shockley - 1/2 Crts

Tuesdays

9:30-11:30am Ladies Bible Study --Rm 205
 6-7:30pm Ruff - Crts
 7pm Prayer with Rev. Mecwan-Chapel
 7:30-9pm Marlin - Cts

Wednesdays

9:30-11:30am Ladies Bible Study--Rm 211
 10:00-2:15pm Jerry's Dance Class-CR
 6:00pm Health Counseling,
 6:00pm Handbells
 6:00-7:30pm Hammill - 1/2 Crts.
 6:30pm Ladies Bible Study--Rm 210
 6:30-8pm Youth LG-YR, Rm 206, 207
 7:00pm JAM Rehearsal-CCC,
 7:00pm Chancel Choir

Thursdays

9:30am Staff Mtg.—Rm 204
 6:30-8:00pm Wilson/Thovson LG—Rm 205
 6:30-7:30pm Walking-CCC
 7:00pm Band Rehearsal-The Courts
 7:00pm Men's Bible Study (begins 10/3)
 Rm 211

Saturday

4:25pm Youth Band Practice - CCC
 5:30-7pm SNL Worship - CCC

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 6-7:30 GS#2703- Rm 26 6:00 GS1044—CR 7pm Women's Ret- Rm 204 7pm CS -UR	2	3 6-8 GS Service -CR/ Rm 12 6pm Jr GS #879-cafe 6pm DC Staff-FH 7pm Men's BS -Rm211	4 Church Reserved	5 Women's Retreat 9-2:30pm
6 Reception for John Skaggs between services	7 9:30am Pr Shawl -TH 7pm Staff Parish-Rm 32	8 9:30 Piecemakers-Rm204 6pm Health-Rm 25 7pm CS- UR 7pm Ambassadors-CR	9 6pm MDA-TH	10 6-8:30pm GS#1172 -CR 6pm GS#879-café 6:30pm Bod 4 God-204	11 6:30 4:4 Forum	12 4pm Thompson Wedding -TH
13 4pm Interchurch Food Pantry Chili Cook-off	14 9:30-11 Prayer—Ch 6pm Trustees-CCC 7pm Shalom—Rm 25	15 6:30pm Ashwood HOA- CR 7pm CS -FH	16	17 7pm Ambassadors-Rm 210	18	19
20	21 7pm Finance-CR	22 9:30 Piecemakers- Rm 204 7pm Bookies--Rm25 7pm CS-Rm 205	23	24 6:30 Bod for God- Rm 204 6-8:30 GS#1172-CR	25 6:30pm Legacy Celebration-TH,CR 7pm-Church Planting Conf.-Rm 211	26 8:30-3:00pm-Church Planting Conf.-CR
27 1pm Health Team's Long Term Care Tall-CR	28 7pm Ad Brd—Rm 204	29	30	31 Daycare Spaghetti Dinner -CR	KEY: 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	

October Birthdays

Oct 1	Abbi Patton Millie Stinson	Oct 8	Kirstin Lindblom	Oct 16	Joyce Applegate Darleene Galyean
Oct 2	Molly Allison Michael Bozarth Kaela Fromknecht Kevin Grider Raegan Lawson Brennan Mullins Dale Tumey Linda Webber David Wethington	Oct 9	Jamie Hawkins- Jacobson	Oct 17	Martha Hertel Patty Heselbarth Dianne Riley
Oct 3	Matthew McPherson Amanda Musgrave	Oct 9	Phyllis Reeves Sharon Wilson John Wortinger	Oct 18	John Burns Jessica Lawson Mary Pack Joe Parker Liana Windhorst
Oct 4	Hope Brumbaugh Janice O'Brien Barbara Voris	Oct 10	Fred Shockley	Oct 19	Chris Bonniwell Dale Harris (FL) James Hertel
Oct 5	Sarah Brown Susan Davis Kylie Deese Brittany Dougherty Heather Heckler	Oct 11	Ray Irvin Dan Rice Sabrina Schiller	Oct 20	Justin Gawarecki Nancy Weimer
Oct 6	Bonnie Parker	Oct 12	Dava Walsh Chris Wise	Oct 21	Gabrielle Hennessy Wilma LaMastus Anita McCarrel Carol Onyett Lloyd Scaggs
Oct 7	Susan Hessman Pam Ogden	Oct 13	Linda Moore Eric Phillips Greg Rosebrough Denise Speer	Oct 22	Roseann Kelly-Falls
		Oct 14	Nicole Irvin Michael Mannen Bev Marshall Larry Miller Stacy Nichols Brian Wheeler	Oct 23	Vicki Allen Carole Bland Taylor Elkins Rob Forgey Taylor Hammill Lindsey Kossick James Weimer
		Oct 15	Eleanor Falls Jay Hanner	Oct 24	Peter Lorenz Brian Ruff

October Anniversaries

Oct 1	Barney & Betty Crouse		
Oct 4	Patrick & Janice O'Brien	Oct 24	Peter Lorenz
Oct 5	Carl & Vicki Allen, Tom & Konita Dougherty Jason & Kristine Morris	Oct 25	Bill Heselbarth Lori Rifkind
Oct 6	Jeremy & Amber Rose	Oct 26	Owen Andres Kiki Willsey
Oct 7	Greg & Denise Rosebrough	Oct 27	Linda Nordholt Annie Rodriguez Erv Thovson Ryan Wiseman
Oct 8	Scott & Beth Coffey	Oct 28	Ben Greenbaum Nolan Hernandez Alexander Pearson
Oct 9	Hal & Kathy Taylor	Oct 29	Dot Laraway
Oct 10	Joe & Tina Surface	Oct 30	Emma Hoffman
Oct 12	Shawn & Clay Wade	Oct 31	Shawn Maurizio Morgan Sweet
Oct 14	Jeff & Kelly Kruse		
Oct 15	Rudy & Deb Hampton		
Oct 16	Matt & Jennie Maciejczyk		
Oct 19	Brett & Dionna Harrell		
Oct 20	Don & Anne Atzinger		
Oct 24	David & Patricia Mickel, Brian & Mary Pack Daryl & Jan Siedelmann, Dale & Carol Tumey		
Oct 25	Michael & Kay Mannen		
Oct 27	David & Janet Mobley		
Oct 28	Jason & Holly Marlin		
Oct 29	Brent & Susan Hubbard		
Oct 30	John & Alice Burdsall Bill & Rita Collins		

My Dear Friends,

I'm ashamed to admit it, but I spent a good portion of my life thinking that God didn't move fast enough. I wondered why He didn't see things my way and do things quicker. But God is a Heavenly Father, not a Heavenly Bulldozer.

Actually, I now see that I wasted a lot of time being in a hurry instead of waiting on God. Just as a Father must wait for the child to grow, and for a small mind to catch up with his mind, our Heavenly Father must wait and strive with the stubborn heart of people – waiting for the free cooperation of the human will. God is someone like a father – not a monarch sitting on his throne outside the world, ruling over it, but a living, loving Spirit working within it and perpetually creating it.

But, then God surprises us when we least expect it. There are moments in life that come so unexpectedly and are so pregnant with possibilities that it is impossible not to be surprised. I think we are in one of those times at Mt. Auburn when we are in awe of what God is doing. Things are unfolding so fast and are so big that we know these are not ordinary times, but a divine moment that God has given to us.

One of the doors God is opening wide for Mt. Auburn is our partnership with Trafalgar UMC. Just a matter of a few months ago, this was nothing more than a thought in our minds. Our Staff Parish Committee decided to let Ben go down there for two or three months to see if anything would happen – and it did! Today, we are on the verge of entering a formal partnership with this congregation for making disciples of Jesus and building His Kingdom.

The cooperation and acceptance of the Sikhs in Greenwood to our offer to sponsor a "Health Fair" was an open door that I never saw coming. That health fair will happen on November 9, and I have been invited to speak at the Sikh Temple. Pray for me, because I want to honor Christ in everything that I do and I know we serve a God who doesn't want anyone to be lost. These people are not far from the kingdom, they just need Jesus.

Billy Graham's "My Hope America" campaign is another place God is moving mightily and powerfully in our congregation and world today. This one event has the potential to be the greatest evangelistic outreach that Mt. Auburn has ever been part of. Get out of your comfort zone and have a party for Jesus. People will come, and lives will be changed.

We can never ultimately fulfill God's purpose without Him, yet we will never know God's power until we begin to move in His purpose. There may not be anything more thrilling than embracing the God-given opportunity, knowing you're in over your head and then watching God come through.

—Jim Hertel



Weekly Report of General Giving:

Week Ending	Budgeted Ministries	Debt Reduction Funds	Capital & Sanctuary Funds	Other Funds	Total Received
8/25/13	\$14,270.21	\$1,557.00	-0-	\$472.50	\$16,299.71
9/1/13	\$23,974.35	\$2,902.00	-0-	\$983.00	\$27,859.35
9/8/13	\$21,451.74	\$3,377.80	\$50.00	\$269.27	\$25,148.81
9/15/13	\$21,440.92	\$2,534.50	-0-	\$1,148.05	\$25,123.47

Weekly Budgeted 2013 Congregational Giving (does not include Debt Reduction) \$22,942.00; Highlighted Other Funds include: Benevolent, Local Missions and Compassion Ministries \$941.77; Minister's Education Fund \$380; Memorial Brick Fund \$200

Weekly Report of Attendance

Week Ending	Worship Attendance	S.S. & Life Groups	Participation In Mission
9/1/13	464	217	36
9/8/13	552	279	31
9/15/13	498	284	48



**Rev. M. Bert Kite, District Superintendent,
Preaching Sunday**

It will be our joy to welcome our District Superintendent, Bert Kite, to Mt. Auburn this Sunday, Sept. 29. He will be preaching in both services and presiding over our Church Conference after the 2nd service at 11:45 a.m.



We received 40 “yellow cards” last Sunday from people willing to host a party in their home for their friends, family, and neighbors to hear Billy Graham’s message of hope on the occasion of his 95th birthday. We are praying for at least 100 homes in Mt. Auburn to host this event – maybe even more!

Here are the answers to commonly heard questions last Sunday:

1. Billy Graham’s birthday is November 7, but you may host your party on a date of your own choosing and that is best for you. The message will be available on DVD and live streaming, so you are not confined to a particular date or time.
2. There will be training given by Pastor Jim from the Billy Graham Evangelical Association to assist you in hosting your party.
3. You will be responsible for hosting a party (like Matthew did for Jesus after he followed Him), and inviting your friends, family, and neighbors.



This is probably Billy’s last message and campaign in America. He desires to preach one more time to America. Pray for this event that God will use it to turn America back to God. This could be Mt. Auburn’s greatest evangelistic outreach event ever.

BLESSING/ FILL LIFE GROUP TO OFFER A MARRIAGE STUDY

The way you spend your time not only defines yourself as a person, it also defines your marriage and reveals the value of your relationship. Ouch! If that makes you or your spouse think, maybe this is the opportunity for you to come together and grow as a couple. No judgment here, the members of this life group want to spend the next few months concentrating on their marriages and improving their communication with each other as well. The study guide they will be using is Your Time Starved Marriage by Drs. Les and Leslie Parrott. Here you will learn practical tools to dramatically reclaim the times you’ve been missing and make every moment with your spouse count!

The Blessing/ Fill Life Group meets at 10:30 am on Sunday mornings, in Room 204. The study will begin on Sunday, October 6. If you have any questions about this study or the group please contact Duane or Susan Sjoquist at 535-2423.

THANK YOUs

It would be impossible to express to all of the Mt. Auburn family my gratitude for your farwell messages, prayers and love offering. Most of you know that I only had arrived to my new home in Syracuse for five hours before receiving a phone call from Dad telling me that my Mom's heart had stopped for eight minutes and to get to North Dakota as quickly as possible. She fought for weeks and we are filled with joy that she is recovering so very well. This is due to God's grace and the power of prayer. Thank you for praying for her and for Don and me. Your notes, texts, cards and love have carried us through. Mt. Auburn is strong with Christian love and action. It has been such a blessing to have had the privelege to have served you for over twenty-two years and to have been part of such a wonderful congregation. If you ever feel inclined to email us you can contact us at lahdch@gmail.com.
With love and thanksgiving, Leigh Ann

Dear Mt Auburn Family,
Thank you for your many words of kindness and encouragement as well as your love offerings upon my retirement. It was such a pleasure serving God with you. Mt. Auburn has always been a loving and giving congregation, and David and I feel blessed that we will continue to worship with our friends there.
With love, Marsha Armenoff

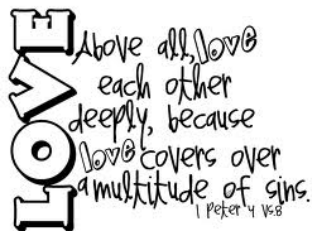
I want to thank all of the friends at Mt. Auburn United Methodist Church for their prayers and their cards. They were really appreciated. —Don Mull

SYMPATHY NOTICES

We remember in prayer the family of Phyllis Kidd who passed away on Sept. 18. Services were held in Indianapolis on Sept. 20.

We remember Judy Shockley and family at the passing of her mother, JoAnne Pfeifer on Sunday, Sept. 22. A memorial service will be held at Kindred Transitional Care and Rehabilitation on Sept. 29, at 2pm.

Ken Matthews passed away on Sept. 23. Funeral services are pending. Please keep the family in your prayers.



CHURCH CONFERENCE THIS SUNDAY, SEPT. 29 11:45 A.M. IN THE COURTS

Our District Superintendent, Rev. M. Bert Kite, will be preaching in both services this Sunday, and following the 10:30 a.m. service, there will be a short Church Conference in The Courts. The purpose for this meeting is to vote on the prescriptions given by the team that conducted our consultation weekend August 23-25.

The five prescriptions are:

1. Design an Intentional Leadership Development Process
2. Initiate Outwardly Focused Ministry
3. Complete Newcomer Connections
4. Expand and Enhance Children and Youth Ministry
5. Enhance Internal and External Communication

These prescriptions have been discussed by the congregation in 3 scheduled forums. A paper answering the most asked questions is available at The Welcome Center. The Church Conference will be a short meeting as no further discussion of these prescriptions will be planned. As a congregation, we will vote by secret ballot to adopt all 5 prescriptions or none at all. Please plan to stay for this important meeting on Sunday.

Looking Forward to October Worship

October 6



WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

"God So Loved the World" (John 3:16)
Dr. Hertel preaching

October 13

"Let's Go Fishing" (Matthew 4:19)
Dr. Hertel preaching

October 20

Pastor Ben Greenbaum preaching

October 27

Rev. Bruce Bennett from South Africa preaching

Children's East Wing Now Open!

Now that our east wing is open from the remodel, please check to see the current Sunday school room assignments...

Church Nursery..... Room 23 (next to choir room)
Toddlers..... Room 2 (purple)
PreK/Kindergarten..... Room 12 (blue-same room)
1st & 2nd grade..... Room 20 (green-same room)
3rd & 4th grade..... Room 22 (purple)
5th grade..... Room 26 (red)



Volunteers are invited to help...

As you know by now, a portion of our Consultation Report addressed enhancing our children and youth ministries. Each Sunday morning, we have children in nursery care, toddler care, Sunday school classes and JAM. We minister to around 85 of our smallest disciples each week! It is an important, rewarding and fun job

—I promise. The teachers that we have in place now are a huge blessing. We have an intentional and reliable group of children's ministry helpers and they are very dedicated to teaching the gospel to your children. However, this small group of volunteers is overburdened with this huge responsibility. I would love to have new people get involved and enjoy the blessing of sharing Jesus with children! Won't you please prayerfully consider the opportunities offered below?

- **Nursery**- Includes ages 0 through 2. Cuddling skills are mandatory. Caregivers needed during both the 9:00 and 10:30 service.
- **Toddler Room**- The toddler set includes ages 2 and 3. Fun teaching materials provided, sense of humor appreciated. Opportunities are available during the first and fourth Sunday of each month at 9:00.
- **Preschool/Kindergarten Sunday school class**- A Fun curriculum is provided and this group is learning so much, they are a huge blessing. Teacher(s) needed on an every other month basis.
- **Fourth grade Sunday school class**- Again, an engaging curriculum is provided, and this class is eager to learn. Teacher(s) needed on an every other month basis.

Contact me for more information, with any questions you may have or to get plugged in!

God Bless, Nancy Van Dyke, Director of Children's Ministry
nancyv@mtauburnumc.org or 317-535-8555 ext. 1319

John Skaggs Resigns Reception to be Held Sunday, October 6

Our Director of Music Evangelism for over 12 years, John Skaggs, has resigned. His last Sunday at Mt. Auburn will be October 6. There will be a reception for John between services in Trinity Hall where everyone will have the opportunity to thank John for his ministry here and to wish him well in his future endeavors. You may leave cards and love gifts in the "church" at the Welcome Center.

attention men...

Fall Men's Bible Study: NEW START DATE—Thursday, Oct. 3

The Hole in our Holiness is that we don't seem to care much about holiness. Or, at the very least, we don't understand it. And we all have our reasons too: Maybe the pursuit of holiness seems legalistic. Maybe it feels like one more thing to worry about in your already overwhelming life. Maybe the emphasis on effort in the Christian life appears unspiritual. Or maybe you've been trying really hard to be holy and it's just not working! Are you ready to live in light of the grace that produces godliness? This study will focus on God's power to help us grow in personal holiness and to enjoy the process of transformation. Ben Greenbaum will lead this 10-week study beginning **Thursday, October 3, from 7:00– 8:30 pm** in Room 211. Purchase books on Sunday.

"Act Like Men" MEN'S CONFERENCE: Nov. 8-9

Initially, we had planned for a Weekend Men's Retreat in Bedford (we will move this to late winter), but then God provided an awesome opportunity right here in Indianapolis. **Mark Driscoll, Matt Chandler, James McDonald and others will be speaking at the Act Like Men Conference.** I've purchased **20 tickets** (to start, and to create some urgency to purchase), let me know if you'd like a ticket reserved. The cost is \$69 (doesn't include meals); if you'd like to go, but can't pay we'll scholarship you. Also, for **guys with High School Age boys** this would be an excellent opportunity to bring your sons along; these speakers will resonate with them (and Lecrae will be there as well). If you'd like more info on the conference visit the website:

<http://actlikemen.com/>

Here's what's happening!

BOOKIES TO MEET—Tuesday, October 22

The Bookies will be meeting on October 22 this month. We will be reading and discussing "The Language of Flowers" by Vanessa Diffenbaugh. In November, we will be reading "Murder on the Orient Express" by Agatha Christie. The Bookies traditionally meet each month on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. The only requirement is to read the book of the month and be ready to talk.

Technology Tuesdays

Beginning in early November, Duane Jeager will make himself available for the technical needs of congregation members. If you need a little technical help (computer problems, software questions, reprogramming a garage door or even changing a light bulb!), Duane is willing to assist you in between the hours of 9am-3pm on Tuesdays. You may contact him at: duanej@mtauburnumc.org or 535-8555 ext. 1353.

NEXT NEWSLETTER—The next newsletter is scheduled for **Wednesday, October 30**. All items to be included in the newsletter should be sent to Amy Shockley (amys@mtauburnumc.org) by Friday, October 25. Thank you!



MT. AUBURN TO HOST CHURCH PLANTING CONFERENCE—OCT. 25-26

Rev. Bruce Bennett from South Africa will be conducting a Church Planting Conference here at Mt. Auburn October 25 and 26. Rev. Bennett will be giving an overview of the work being done in Uganda and Mt. Auburn's partnership with the United Methodist Church there. This conference will begin Friday evening at 7 p.m. and resume Saturday at 8:30 a.m. The cost is \$10. Lunch will be served on Saturday and your registration must be in by Sunday, October 20. Rev. Bennett will be preaching in both services on Sunday, October 27. To register, contact Dr. Hertel at 317-535-8555 ext. 1305 or jwesleyhertel@msn.com. Anyone interested is invited!



At Mt. Auburn

We wanted to let you know about an exciting new program for school age children at the daycare. Mt. Auburn has recently formed a Christ Youth Bible Club group (CYBC). This is a non-denominational Christian Bible study program that is being implemented here in the daycare. CYBC is designed to be led by adult volunteers to teach elementary school aged children how to use and study their Bible, pray together and live out Christian values. Mt. Auburn CYBC will be participating in service projects as well beginning with Operation Christmas Child in November. Our goal is to equip each child with a firm foundation in the Word of God, while developing leadership skills and instilling a confidence in living out their faith. This will teach them as they move up through middle and high school to rely on God and His Word as a lamp unto their feet and a light unto their path (Psalm 119:105). It is our hope that these students will build lasting and godly friendships that will help them stand strong together and even step out as leaders during their more challenging middle and high school years.

At the daycare, CYBC will meet each Wednesday from 3:30 to 4:30 beginning October 2 and ending May 23. This year we will be studying the Fruit of the Spirit. We ask for your prayers as we move forward with this exciting program!

God Bless,
Beth Carter, Daycare Director
Nancy Van Dyke, Director of Children's Ministries
Travis Taylor, Director of Youth Ministries

Mission of Christ Youth Bible Club (CYBC)

CYBC's mission is to glorify God while equipping each child with a foundational knowledge of the Word of God, developing leadership skills, and building Christian relationships within the community that will enable students to live out their values among their peer groups and lead others by example.

**JACOBSON/ SIEDELMANN LIFE GROUP OPENS DOORS
AS THEY BEGIN A NEW STUDY**

What Promises can you believe? In this world there are very few certainties. But God – the one true Promise Keeper - always keeps his promises and always does what He says He will. We call those promises Covenants. Come and learn about the promises God has put in writing to us his people. The group will use the study book, The Promises of God by R.C.Sproul. The Jacobson/ Siedelmann Life Group meets at 9 am on Sunday mornings in Room 211. If you would like to learn more about the group or the study – contact Bob Jacobson at 888-6155 or Daryl Siedelmann at 535-8722.

**The Interchurch Food Pantry of Johnson County
4th Annual Chili Cook-Off**



Sunday, October 13, 2013
4–7pm
Mt. Auburn Methodist Church

Silent Auction – Door Prizes – Live Music
Chili – Desserts – Drinks

Tickets - \$8.00
Tickets at the door - \$10.00
Children 5 & under – FREE!

See Bob Jacobson to get your ticket!!
(Bring a non-perishable food item and receive a surprise!)

Vote for your favorite chili donated by: Ann's Restaurant, Arni's Greenwood, Aunt Judy's Country Kitchen, Chili's Grill & Bar, Don & Dona's Restaurant, Max & Erma's, Richard's Kitchen and Market, Steak 'n Shake, Texas Roadhouse

Ticket Deadline Sept. 29! Get your ticket NOW!

**finally
free
Women's Conference**

Saturday, October 5
9am-2:30pm
Mt. Auburn UMC
\$30 per person*
Lunch & refreshments provided.

**Tickets on sale for a limited time! Tickets must be purchased in advance on Sundays or M-F/10am-5pm) in the church office.*

God has given us freedom—freedom to live our lives in peace and joy. As believers, we know about it, we sing about it, and we talk about it, but are we actually free? Just knowing we can be free doesn't make us free. Many continue to be bound by fear, anxiety, depression, addictions, or damaging emotions—perhaps this is you or someone you know.

Please join us for "Finally Free" a special women's conference presented by Kim Tabor and friends of Tabor Ministries. The conference is biblically focused and is full of testimonies, music, prayer and communion time.

**Save
the
Date!**

**Trust those with
a proven track record!**

Over 18 years of flu knowledge and
vaccination experience!



Flu & Pneumonia Shots
Sunday, Oct. 13 from 8:30-10:30 a.m.
At Mt. Auburn, Community Room

*All influenza vaccines are the newest 4-strain Quadrivalent vaccine.
The old 3-strain trivalent vaccine will not be offered.*

Flu Vaccination 1/2 dose for 6 months-35 mo., Thimerosal-free: \$35
Flu Vaccination full dose for 3 yrs, and older, Thimerosal-free: \$35
FluMist 2-49 yrs., Thimerosal-free: \$35
Pneumonia Vaccination (19 yrs & up): \$80

From Health Ministries...

4 BOD GOD

Learn how you can change your life forever by committing your body to God's glory. Join "Bod 4 God" on **Thursday, Sept. 26**. The class will take place every 2 weeks on Thursday evenings from 6:30-7:30 (Rm 204). This is not an exercise program but a motivational scripture-based program to improve your health and fitness. Join us!



"Gone Cruisin"

Hear about Moe Dean's amazing travelogue of 7 years on a sailboat and trawler. Free will offering taken for the Alzheimer's Association.
Sunday, September 29
2-5pm
Mt. Auburn — Community Room
Contact Marge Patton with questions:
m spatton@aol.com

GET EDUCATED. GET HELP.

Long Term Care Facilities 101

Sunday, October 27

1-2:30PM @ Mt. Auburn Community Room

Free and open to public.

Come and learn about: nursing homes, licenses assisted living and unlicensed assisted living options; about the care and services each type of facility is allowed to provide; how licensed facilities are regulated; what to look for when choosing a facility; and how to find information about facilities.. Presented by Kim Rhoades, Director of the Division of Long Term Care of the Indiana State Dept. of Health.



Mt. Auburn to Sponsor Health Fair with Sikh Temple
The Health Ministry Team at Mt. Auburn, and Parish Nurse Lisa Stiffler will conduct a Health Fair with the Sikh Temple at 1050 S. Graham Rd., Greenwood, Indiana on **Saturday, November 9**.



Join us for **JAM**
Where the Bible Comes Alive for Children!
Sundays at 10:30 a.m.

Jacob is currently our JAM guest!

October 6 "The Blessing of the Animals"

Kids are invited to bring a picture or drawing of their favorite pet. St. Francis of Assisi (1182-1226) is well known for his love of animals and The Blessing of Animals is celebrated in early October all over the world. It is a celebration of God's love for us in creation and His creating animals that bless our lives. Do not miss this one!

Beginning October 20—The Prophets

Oct. 20 "Jeremiah"

Oct. 27 "Micah"

Nov. 3 "Ezekiel"

Nov. 10 "Amos"

OPERATION *Bundle Up*

It's time for Operation Bundle Up at Mt. Auburn! Please bring new or gently used coats to help the children of Johnson County stay warm this winter. Coats will be collected NOW through October 25. Please put your coats (new hats, mittens or scarves are welcome too!) in the large box marked "Operation Bundle Up" in Trinity Hall.

Be Still
AND KNOW
THAT I AM GOD
-PSALM 46:10

Administrative Board Unanimously Approves “A Way Forward” for Partnering with Trafalgar UMC

At the regular monthly meeting of the Administrative Board in September, the members of the Board approved unanimously the following plan titled: A Way Forward. It is a plan to formalize our partnership with the Trafalgar congregation where Trafalgar would become Mt. Auburn’s second ministry site.

Please read and pray about this plan as we move forward. Our Administrative Board has approved this plan, but we await word from the Trafalgar congregation and what the next steps might be from our District Superintendent.

Mt. Auburn and Trafalgar United Methodist Churches *A Way Forward*

I. Trafalgar United Methodist Church will become an extension campus of Mt. Auburn United Methodist Church. This will create a formal partnership between churches to see disciples made for Jesus Christ. The partnership will offer the opportunity for...

- A. Greater unity and love within the body of Christ, as these two long standing United Methodist Churches partner together for the glory of God.
- B. Mt. Auburn UMC to humbly support, encourage and guide Trafalgar toward spiritual and evangelistic growth.
- C. Renewal at Trafalgar United Methodist Church.

II. Preliminary Vision (Should Partnership Move Forward):

- A. Mt. Auburn UMC and Trafalgar UMC will form a joint ministry team, made up of four people from each church to see the vision carried out.
- B. Trafalgar United Methodist Church will adopt Mt. Auburn UMC’s mission statement: **The purpose of the church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ. The primary tasks of Trafalgar United Methodist Church are to INVITE people into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, NURTURE them in the faith and SEND them into the world to live and serve as Christian disciples. All this we do in the context of enthusiastic WORSHIP. Trafalgar United Methodist Church is a church that WINS – Worships, Invites, Nurtures and Sends!**
- C. Mt. Auburn will commission congregational members in January of 2014 (or sooner) to assist Trafalgar in carrying out the joint mission:
 1. Mt. Auburn will commission two trained Life Groups leaders to implement Life Groups at Trafalgar UMC. These leaders will assist Pastor Ben in training leaders from the Trafalgar congregation.
 2. Mt. Auburn will commission someone (or multiple people) with a passion for children’s/ youth ministry to develop a vision for this ministry. They will also be responsible for implementing the vision for children’s/ youth ministry at Trafalgar UMC.
 3. Mt. Auburn will commission someone with a passion for outreach to develop a vision and implement the vision for community outreach in Trafalgar.
 4. Trafalgar UMC will be agreeable to the influx of Mt. Auburn’s leadership.
- D. Mt. Auburn UMC will manage Trafalgar’s website, Facebook page and all outgoing communication.
- E. For the remainder of 2013, Trafalgar will continue to pay Mt. Auburn \$300 a week toward Ben’s salary. Trafalgar’s responsibility toward Ben’s salary will yearly be reevaluated by the District Superintendent.

F. Trafalgar will adopt a more formalized budget process:

1. Each year Trafalgar will adopt a formal budget in October for the coming year.
2. In November of each year, Trafalgar will hold a stewardship campaign that will include:
 - a. A dinner where we will present the coming year’s budget and answer any questions concerning the budget. At the dinner we will also survey opportunities to serve in the coming year.
 - b. A consecration Sunday, where we will lay our financial commitment, as well as our service commitment upon the altar for the coming year.
 - c. Mt. Auburn will back Trafalgar’s loan through the United Methodist Loan Foundation. If needed, this loan will also include the necessary amount for the land adjacent to Trafalgar United Methodist Church.
 - d. In January 2015, Trafalgar UMC will begin a 5 year capital campaign to pay down all remaining dept.
 - e. Trafalgar UMC will change their worship time from 10:00 AM to 10:30 AM. This will allow Pastor Ben an opportunity to worship at Mt. Auburn’s first service.

III. Along with Mt. Auburn and Trafalgar agreeing to a shared vision, the conference must also agree to this vision, including not moving Pastor Ben in the summer of 2014.

