



AUGUST 2019



Communion
August 4th



Carroll
Returns
August 7th



August 18th



Stewardship
Mission & Finance
August 12th
5:30PM



Rummage
Sale
Fundraiser
At Delphi
August 10th
8-2PM

WE ARE FAMILY



Greetings to my sisters and brothers in Christ. I am truly blessed to have such a wonderful and diverse family. Not only are you my church family, you are my relatives through the blood of Christ.

In August I will begin a six week series on Jesus relatives. Through Mary and His adopted father, Joseph, Jesus had very colorful ancestors. Some of us know what that is like. I've spoken before about our need to forgive members of our family.

In some families such characters are forever shunned and not spoken of. Yet God listed His Son's lineage in full. No one was left out.

In the family of God, no one is shunned or left out. Some may take a break from family events for a time but they are welcomed back with open arms.

During this series I encourage us all to open our hearts to forgive those relatives who have hurt us and to accept their apologies as they repent. Make a list for your daily prayers of those for whom you are thankful and for those who need to know that God loves them unconditionally.

Your sister in Christ,
Pastor Grace



Bible Study RESUMES
Sundays 4PM Delphi Church Office
Walk through the Gospels

Thursdays 5:30PM Pastor Grace's Home
Study of OT-Deuteronomy

Christian Education

by Barbara Pearce

VBS "In the Wild"

Our shared Vacation Bible School with First Christian Church and Cutler Presbyterian Church ended on July 11th, 2019 with a VBS Presentation at First Christian Church on July 14th during their morning Worship Service. VBS averaged 30 – 33 children nightly. There were also around 27 adults nightly, leading the children towards God.



OASIS

Oasis will start its 18th year in September. Our first planning meeting will be August 5th, 2019 at 6:30 PM. Anyone interested in volunteering or just curious about Oasis is welcome to attend. We hope to see you there! Members from the First Christian Church and Cutler Presbyterian Church will also be there since they also have volunteers helping us with this ministry.

RUMMAGE SALE FUNDRAISER

Our first Rummage Sale Fund Raiser for Adult Christian Education Conferences brought around \$400.00. We will be planning a second Fund Raiser on Saturday, August 10th (during Old Settlers).

WOMEN OF JOY



Women's Conference

The Current Conference we are raising money to attend is "Women of Joy" which will be held on August 16th

and 17th, 2019. Religious Speakers will be:

Margaret Feinberg, Angela Thomas Pharr, Karen Kingsbury and Jennie Allen. Musicians will include: Charles Billingsley and MercyMe.

Genda 3rd annual Back to School Block Party

Flora Presbyterian Church has been invited to set up a booth at Genda's Block Party July 31st from 5-8PM. We will have some games, activities and registration for Oasis set up. Any Volunteers are welcome.

MISSION FAIR:

PRESBYTERY OF WABASH VALLEY

Flora Presbyterian Church has been invited to set up a booth at a local Mission Fair located at Central Presbyterian Church, 31 North 7th Street, Lafayette, Indiana. The Fair will be on Saturday, August 10th, 2019 and will start at 10:30 and will run through early afternoon. Keynote speakers will be: Charles and Mellissa Johnson (Mission Co-workers in Zambia).

GREAT BANQUET

The Great Banquet focuses on renewal of the church. The Great Banquet is a 72 hour experience beginning on Thursday evening and ending on Sunday evening. The guests live and study together in a worshipful time of singing, prayer, sharing and discussion. The next Men's Dates are from Thursday, October 13th -Sunday 17th. There are two upcoming dates for women: the first is Thursday, October 17 – Sunday 20th, or Thursday, October 24 – Sunday 27. The Lafayette Great Banquet is located at 1058 West Freeman, Frankfort, Indiana, 46041.

The Voice of the Martyrs Conference

Speaker: Dan Baumann

Dan's belief (no his faith) in God is so strong, he is willing to die for his faith. He told his story of his 9 weeks imprisoned in Iran. He was beaten for hours on end, imprisoned, put in a solitary cell with a toilet and a sink yet his heart is for God. Part of Dan's story included telling the judge that imprisoned him that he came to Iran to tell him (the judge) about Jesus. Dan also spoke about the man that beat him every day. God told Dan to love this man. When the man came to beat him again, Dan put his hand out and said let's be friends and we can start by telling each other our names and shaking hands. Dan told him his name and the man eventually shook his hand and shared his name. This happened right before Dan was released you can also watch a video of RezWeek Ut 2016 with Dan Bauman: Night 2 at:

https://video.search.yahoo.com/yhs/search?fr=yhs-pty-pty_maps&hsimp=yhs-pty_maps&hspart=pty&p=dan+baumann#id=15&vid=550e84d35c116b1165eb1b6162716b31&action=view

Speaker: Gracia Burnham

Gracia and her husband (Martin) were captured in May of 2001 by Militant Muslims associated with the Al-Queda. They were held captive for over a year her husband was shot in the chest the day of their release. Martin went to be with the Lord that day. Gracia did tell her story but she related it to our ever day trials and the trials of the martyrs in the bible. She did not speak of herself as having a special trial that was harder to endure than other's. You can watch her testimony at:

https://video.search.yahoo.com/yhs/search?fr=yhs-pty-pty_maps&hsimp=yhs-pty_maps&hspart=pty&p=video+on+gracia+bumharum+speaking+about+yourself#id=2&vid=57a2a9b828e4afff1f848c397daa0cbd&action=view

Please watch. This will make you feel very small!



Presbyterian Women

by Jane Bishop

The Mary-Martha Circle will meet in the Church Basement on August 20 at 6:00 pm.

Hostess will be Sally &

Kathy; Year Book of Prayer, Libby; Horizon, Jane Bishop; Bible Study, Sally.

AUGUST Thrift Shop Schedule

The Schedule is not available as of yet. When it is you will be contacted.



Stewardship, Mission, Finance

By Tammy Moss

A big THANK YOU to Marshall McCammack and Libby Sparks for completing our financial records review. They verified all of the church financial assets and reviewed bank statements. They also reviewed and confirmed the financial section of the 2018 annual report. We appreciate all of their time and efforts.

We will be meeting again soon to discuss possible mission projects over the next few months. Please contact any of us with suggestions.

Marshall McCammack, Kent King, Joe Moss, Barbara Pearce, Laraine MacLauchlan, Tammy Moss.



We are in need of ushers for September 8th and throughout the month of October if you would be able to help PLEASE contact Beth in the office. If you would like to read scripture let us know so we can add you to the rotation as well.

NOTES OF THANKS

In the words of Haylee Randolph

This is Haylee Randolph. Thank You all for sending us to camp. I am so grateful and thankful to have you guys. Camp is sooo fun.

On Monday we had a theme about Aloha, and Tuesday was Oumbunto and Wednesday was shalom. I have also made new friends and memories.

Thanks Again

The Office received a call of gratitude from Paul Davis on behalf of Jackie Davis.

They are very grateful for the well wishes and Birthday greetings Jackie received. She loves hearing from her Flora Church Family.

A SIDE NOTE!!!!

Many ways to give

As a hen and a pig walked down the road, they noticed a church sign advertising a breakfast of “Ham and Eggs!”

“That’s nice,” said the hen. “A chance for us to serve the congregation.”

“Easy for you to say,” replied the pig. “For you, it’s a contribution; for me, it’s a sacrifice!”

Versions of this story appear on inspirational websites, with comments about the chicken being *involved* in breakfast, while the pig is *committed*. Opinions differ, however, about which animal has the right idea. Some people warn against being the pig, sacrificing yourself for success; others say the chicken isn’t all-in.

“People who give themselves to Jesus with a trusting abandon” are like pigs, says Rick Lawrence in *The Jesus-Centered Life* (Group). That total, “without reservation” commitment, he says, shows a willingness to give your life to Jesus — as he gave his for you.

On the other hand, giving consistently, day in and day out, even in what might seem to be small ways, also is valuable. Maybe the moral is not to judge others’ stewardship because we all give differently.



August Ushers

August 4 Kent and Kathy King

August 11 Kent and Kathy King

August 18 Laraine MacLauchlan, Heather Mauer

August 25

Scripture Readers for August

August 4 Joe Moss, Kathy King

August 11 Laurie Brower, Jane Kearns

August 18 Kent King, Autumn Mauer

August 25 Bill Kearns, Michelle Matos

Audio/ Visual Schedule for August

August 4 Matt Matos

August 11 Kevin Clark

August 18 Martha Clark

August 25 Barbara Pearce

Acolytes for August

August 4 Gabe Mauer, Haylee Randolph

August 11 Aden Mauer, Kolton Pitts

August 18 Autumn Mauer, Janessa Pitts

August 25 Shawn Ross Pitts, Judah Pitts

Communion

Session Leaders

Laraine MacLauchlan- Clerk

Barbara Pearce – Christian Ed.

Tammy Moss- Stewardship/Mission

Martha Clark- Worship

Kent King-Bldg and Grounds

Doug MacLauchlan-Personnel

Joan Moss-Cong. Life



Faith is the assurance
of things hoped for,
the conviction
of things not seen.

Hebrews 11:1, NRSV

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 8:30 Choir 9:30 B. Bells
4 Communion Bible Study 4PM B=Denise Good B=Marlene Smith	5 Oasis Planning Mtg. 6:30	6	7 Carroll Returns to School	8 Bible Study 5:30 Delphi Returns to School	9 B=Dick N Bishop	10 Rummage Sale Delphi 8-2
11 Bible Study 4PM	12 S/M/F Meeting 5:30 B=Myra Compton	13	14 Delphi Senior Lunch/Bingo 12PM	15 Bible Study 5:30	16	17 8:30 Choir 9:30 B. Bells
18 Nom. Committee Session Mtg. Bible Study 4PM	19	20	21	22 Bible Study 5:30	23	24 8:30 Choir 9:30 B. Bells
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