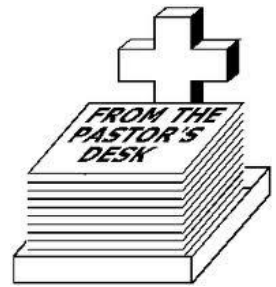


THE EVANGEL – OCTOBER 2016

FROM THE PASTOR

What are the top two reasons you go to church? Go ahead and take a minute, and ask yourself. Next ask yourself why should others go to church. A Gallup poll in 2007 said that 23% of people who go to church, do so for spiritual growth and guidance; 12% of people said they were brought up that way; 20% said that church keeps them grounded or inspired; 15% of people said they went to worship God. The reality is that there were 6 reasons people attend church.



Now, if we look into just one of them, worshipping God, I am wondering what your favorite way of doing that is? Do you like playing music, or singing? Do you like praying or reading scripture? Maybe it's the quiet time you have with God in the silent prayer or the moment you tell God you will work on changing. Or what if you praise God by speaking? That might mean you like the liturgy. The reality is that some people praise God with art, or poetry. Some, with simply a smile or a tap-tap-tap of the shoe. Do you see how different worship is for all of us? Truth is, I often sit and breathe during the prelude and offertory and worship God in that praise time.

I have a prayer for our churches. I pray that we can consistently praise God with as many expressions of faith as possible. My prayer is that we cry together! That we laugh together! And even sit in silence together! And then I pray that we never feel smug (special thanks to Linda Wiltfang for my new favorite word) towards those who do it differently. But that we just spend time together worshipping God!

In Christ


Jason Collier
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NARRATIVE LECTIONARY SCRIPTURE, OCTOBER '16

OCTOBER 2

(20th Sunday after Pentecost)
Exodus 12:1-13; 13:1-8; (Luke 22:14-20)
"The Promise of Passover"

OCTOBER 9

(21st Sunday after Pentecost)
Exodus 32:1-14; (Luke 23:34)
"Golden Calf"

OCTOBER 16

(22nd Sunday after Pentecost)
1 Samuel 1:9-11, 19-20; 2:1-10;
(Luke 1:46-55)
"God Answers Hannah"

OCTOBER 23

(23rd Sunday after Pentecost)
2 Samuel 7:1-17; (Luke 1:30-33)
"God's Promise to David"

OCTOBER 30

(24th Sunday after Pentecost)
1 Kings 17:1-16 [17-24]; (Luke 4:24-26)
"God's Care for the Widow"

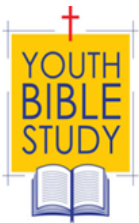


STUDENT AND SISTERS MINISTRIES



Christ Is Alive Youth Group is open to all students in grades 6-12. A Current CIA Waiver is REQUIRED for all students to participate in any event. FMI, Waivers, Registration or other, contact AmySara at the contact information below.

Christ Is Alive Youth Group **Dodgeball** will take place at the Crawfordsville Elementary Gym on **Sunday, October 2nd** from **5:30PM**. Youth Ministry Supper will be served at 5:30PM at The United Church of Crawfordsville.



Bible Study for students happens at the **Fellowship Hall of Ainsworth South Church**. The first study will be "Awaken", a video series from Right Now Media. The time for sleeping is over—no more snooze button, no more pulling the covers over your head. It's time to wake up to the reality of the life we've been called to live in Christ. D.A. Horton calls students to awaken their faith and reach their world. What does the Bible say about the life-giving, soul-awakening message of the gospel and how prayer, study of God's Word, and service equip and empower followers of Christ to overcome sin? Come and be challenged to boldly seek the advancement of God's Kingdom at home and around the world.

Youth Bible study will be every Wednesday from 6-7:30 PM in Ainsworth

Paintball Waivers are now available! Text, Call, or Email AmySara Richardson to get your hands on a waiver and register to go paintballing with CIA Youth Group on **Sunday, October 9th**. We will leave the Crawfordsville church at **1PM** and **return by 6PM**. **Drivers are needed!** Please contact AmySara to volunteer! This event is open to all students in grades 6-12 and the Ainsworth and Crawfordsville Firefighters!



Sunday, October 16th from 4-5:30 PM CIA will do an Amazing Race **CROP Drive**.



This event will be led by Duane Lewis and will support our local food programs. Last summer, we had a food program which provided meals to local families each week and was funded using money from our CROP drive. **Drivers are needed.**



Saturday, October 29th from 4PM to Midnight CIA will go on their 2nd Fright Night. Leaving Crawfordsville at 4PM, we will eat at Bredeaux Pisa in Mt. Pleasant and proceed on to the Old Threshers Grounds to Ride the Midwest Haunted Rails and *those who dare*, can go through the House of Terror. **Drivers are needed.**



The "**Sisters In Spirit**" small group meets on **Monday nights at 6:30 PM** in the **Crawfordsville Fellowship Hall**. "When God Doesn't Fix It" is the current series, **led by Sonya Love-Smith**. All women are welcome to attend. Please call, email, or text AmySara to order your study guide. The Sisters group is open to all women who seek to grow closer in a personal relationship with Jesus, while encouraging other women to do the same.

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Student Ministry: www.facebook.com/groups/ciayg
Sisters Ministry: www.facebook.com/groups/uccsisters



PEACEMAKING/WORLD COMMUNION - OCT. 2

Sunday, October 2, in addition to serving communion in honor of World Communion Sunday, we will also have special offerings: 1 – For the United Methodist Church there will be a collection to enable national and international graduate students to change the world. And 2 – For the Presbyterian Mission there is the Peace & Global Witness Offering (formerly known as Peacemaking Offering) to bring peace to people through Christ. To make a contribution, you will find envelopes next to the “Donation” jar on the table by the South doors into the sanctuary.



CHARGE CONFERENCE – OCTOBER 2, 2 PM



Charge Conference IS a really big deal! At this meeting the budget is voted upon and leaders of our local church are selected. It is scheduled for Sunday, October 2 at Kalona UMC, 302 4th Street, Kalona starting at 2 PM. Any member of the Ainsworth Community Church is welcome to attend.

VICTORY IN PUPPETS/PUPPET MINISTRY

If you are a youth in 6th grade or older and interested in participating in the Puppet Ministry Program at ACC, please Call Janet Rees at 319-430-4730 or 319-657-2272. They will soon start rehearsals and you won't want to miss being a part of the fun!



NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR

If you live in or near Ainsworth, the Neighbor to Neighbor program is your opportunity to meet your neighbors! Come enjoy a delicious brunch and conversation (maybe even a little bingo) on the following Thursdays:



October 6, 2016
November 3, 2016
March 2, 2017
and April 6, 2017

Meet at the ACC South Church (corner of 4th & Washington) from **10:30 AM to 12:30 PM**. All food and fun will be free to participants.

ACC GARAGE SALES: OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER

ACC Garage Sales are scheduled as follows. Winter clothing, fall and Christmas Decorations will be featured in addition to household items. All sales will be held at the North Church, corner of Lincoln and Washington in Ainsworth.



Thursday, October 6: Noon to 4 PM
Friday, October 7: 9 AM to 2 PM
Saturday, October 8: 9 AM to 1 PM
Thursday, November 10: Noon to 4 PM
Friday, November 11: 9 AM to 2 PM
Saturday, November 12: 9 AM to 1 PM



ACCW NEWS

Ainsworth Community Church Women (ACCW) is scheduled to meet Thursday, October 13, 1:30 PM at the Fellowship Hall of the South Church. The program will be presented by Angie Ornduff; Linda McNeil will serve as hostess. EVERYONE is welcome to attend.



PARENT'S NIGHT OUT



Free child care for youth up to age 10 will be available the **first Friday of the month in October through May, 6:30-8:30 PM** at the South Church. Call 319-201-9684 to make reservations. First session is Friday, Oct. 7.

KIDS' CLUB NEWS

Kids' Club is going strong with about 30 youth attending the kick off on September 14th at Marr Park. Kids' Club will meet each Wednesday night at 6:30 through November 9th. (EXCEPTION: October 5th – NO Class – Homecoming Events at Highland that night). At the last Fall Session on the 9th everyone will share a harvest meal to praise God for our bountiful harvest. The students will share with their family what they have been learning while participating in the program. Further details will be sent home with the students.



UCC HARVEST SUPPER AND SALE – OCT. 22



The United Church of Crawfordsville is hosting a Harvest Supper and Sale on Saturday, October 22 between the hours of 4:30 and 6:45 PM. The sale/auction will begin at 7 PM. **Menu:** Creamed Chicken and Biscuits; Beef Burgers; Salads, and Pie. There will be a free will offering for the supper. Auction items will include cakes, pies, crafts, grain, canned goods, etc.

COMEDY, COMRADERY, COMMUNITY DAY: OCT. 15

On Saturday, October 15, "Ainsworth Community Together – A.C.T" is sponsoring a day of Fall fun called, "Comedy, Comradery, Community Day." Here is the schedule:

10 AM to Noon: Kids Games

Noon: Food (Maid-rites, chips, drink, dessert) – small charge

1-2 PM: Whose Line Is It Anyway? (Improv comedy – All Ages)

2-3 PM: Ainsworth's Got Talent – All ages

3-4 PM: Halloween Costume Review

4-7 PM: Food – Goulash, bread, drink, dessert) – small charge

5-7 PM: Hay ride/Buggy rides around town – free will donation

7 PM-???: Community Campfire

FMI: Call Sherrie – 319-657-3782



WALK TO EMMAUS



If you are interested in going to the Walk of Emmaus, please get in touch with Pastor Jason. The church pays your registration fee.

- **Men's Walk: Thursday, October 20 thru Sunday, October 23**
 - **Women's Walk: Thursday, November 3 thru Sunday, November 6**
- Both will be held at Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca (Shueyville, IA).

MISSION COMMITTEE SAYS: THANK YOU!

We received word that the summer clothing and supplies reached Louisiana. The recipients were truly grateful for our effort and generosity. Thank you to all who took time to help sort, pack, load, pray, or assist in anyway the flooding victims of Louisiana.

Thank You!

THANK YOU – FALL FESTIVAL



A big THANK YOU! to everyone who helped with the Fall Festival. Food, fun, and laughter were shared with about 125 people that afternoon! Be sure to check the church website (ainsworthchurch.org) to view snapshots of the day.

INGATHERING KITS – NOV. 5 DEADLINE

The Mission Committee is preparing for a busy October to December. Before we can think of Thanksgiving and Christmas, we must prepare the Ingathering kits for November 5th. We are sending 48 kits this year: 12 Health Kits, 24 School Kits, 12 Sewing Kits and 12 Layettees. If you would like to help with expenses, I will show you what we have spent and what we still need. (All costs are rounded off)



Health Kits – Goal 12 complete kits

Item/# Needed	Est. Cost	Total Cost	Status
12 hand towels	\$2.00 each	\$24.00	Needed
12 bath soaps			Donated by Salem Church of God
12 toothbrushes			Donated by Salem Church of God
12 Sturdy Combs			Needed
12 Nail Clippers w/files			Needed
1 Box ¾" Band-Aids			Needed

School Kits – Goal 24 complete kits

Item/# Needed	Est. Cost	Total Cost	Status
3 Notebooks/kit (72 total)	72 x \$.15	\$ 10.80	Complete
24 rulers	\$.50	\$ 12.00	Complete
24 boxes of 12 crayons	\$.50	\$ 12.00	Complete
12 erasers	\$.50	\$ 12.00	Complete
24 blunt end scissors	\$1.00	\$ 24.00	Complete
24 pencil sharpeners	\$.50	\$ 12.00	Complete
144 pencils (4 boxes)	\$1.00	\$ 4.00	Complete
24 school bags			Donated: United Church Crawfordsville

Sewing Kits – Goal 12 complete kits

Item/# Needed	Est. Cost	Total Cost	Status
3 yards fabric /kit	\$ 7.50	\$ 90.00	Complete
12 spools thread	2.50	30.00	Complete
12 Pkg. needles	1.50		Needed
Buttons			Complete
12 Sewing Scissors	\$7.50	\$ 90.00	Needed

Baby Layettees – Goal 12 complete kits

Item/# Needed	Est. Cost	Total Cost	Status
12 blankets (pkg has 3)	3 in \$4.00	\$24.00	Complete
12 undershirts (pkg has 3)	\$ 4.00	\$9.00	Complete
12 sleepers	??	??	Complete
24 diapers – 3 pkgs	\$7.00	21.00	Complete
12 baby washcloths			Complete
24 diaper pins -4/card	6 at \$1.00	\$6.00	Complete

It also costs us \$1 each for toothpaste (\$12) and \$2 each to ship each kit (\$96). So, as you can see, we have already spent \$302 before you add toothpaste and shipping costs. The grand total is \$410. The Mission Committee will have cards at the back of the church with names of the things we need. If you wish to help reimburse us for what we have already spent, there will be a jar at the back of the church on **October 10, 17, and 24** to collect your cash or check. If you'd like to buy some of the still needed items, take a card and write your name on the paper so we know who is bringing in some items. We think this is a good experience for children, as well as adults, to learn a lesson in giving.

Thanks from the ACC Mission Committee – Brenda, Ann, and Kathi

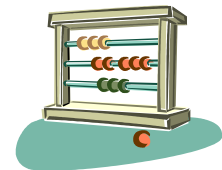
PARISH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS




- Charge Conference reports were reviewed. Suggestions were made for additions and modifications before sharing with the congregation.
- Items which may be included in the WCRF grant were discussed. It was agreed that the Property committee needs to finish gathering bids and present a recommendation to the Council very soon.
- It was agreed to request JoAnn and Dale Torpey share information about the Presbytery 5 Year Capitol Campaign in Washington with the congregation.
- It was agreed to pay one half of our apportionments due to the Presbytery at this time. An equal amount is to be paid the Iowa Annual Conference.

AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER ATTENDANCE

Month	2015	2016
August	359	281
September	347	281



BUDGET REPORT – 8-31-16

	Income	\$12,670.94	Expenses	\$13,638.97
	General Fund	\$16,762.91	Building Fund	\$13,364.79
	Memorial Fund	\$6,593.51	Need/month for budget	\$7,603.00

2016 Combined Presbytery and Methodist dues/apportionments: \$10,062.00.

OCTOBER WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

	Ushers	Greeters	Candles	Refreshments	AV
Oct. 2	Myron Rees, Sam Kruse	Karen/Wendell Arduser	Ellie Anderson	Wynne Steele, Jessica Diers	Dalton Diers, Joey Collier
9	Dave Kaufman, Steve Anderson	Betty/Jerry Bean	Lexi Collier	Wilma Chalupa, Penny McCreedy	Dalton Diers, Joey Collier
16	Jim Hansen, Wendell Arduser	Dan/Stacy Klinzman	Kate Hartzler	Janet Rees, Molly Hartzler	Dalton Diers, Joey Collier
23	Carson Bean, Dennis Bean	Carol Bean Marcia Wilson	Molly Klinzman	Kathi Bean, Pat Jenkins	Dalton Diers, Joey Collier
30	Neil Mills Neal Megchelsen	Oscar & Wynne Steele	Gracyn Bean- Humston	Laura Temple, Jan Temple	Dalton Diers, Joey Collier
Nov. 6	Dave Kaufman, Steve Anderson	Betty/Jerry Bean	Shalyn Kirk	Liz Kaufman, Rita Anderson	Dalton Diers, Joey Collier

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS/*ANNIVERSARIES



1)*Jeff & Bonnie Thomann, Cory Stewart; 2) Brenda Bean;3) Colleen Bean; 4) Bob Lynde; 6) Mary Slemmons, Rob Yoder; 7) Virginia Holmes; 8) Judy Stout; 10) Bonnie Thomann; 11) Pat Roberts, 12) Ron Ornduff; 15) Chelsea Anderson Septer; 17) Haili Hunter, *Josh & Christine Sands, *John & Alison Barnes; 20) Brandyn Beemblossm; Angela Hazelett; 21) Adam (A. J.) Voshell, Jr.; 23) Peg Hunter; Carol Horning; 24) Richard Lord; Wayne Freyenberger; 26) Alice Droll; 27) Geoff Stewart; 29) *Ken & Tammy Kruse, Jr.; 30) Tim Bean; 31) Joyce Lord.



If God is your co-pilot – swap seats!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE



Joys: Several members of our church family have recently completed a successful surgery to repair 'injured or worn body parts'. We give thanks for their improved health and best wishes for speedy recovery! We are grateful for the many students participating in Kids' Club and other Youth Ministry efforts.

Concerns: Prayers for healing and comfort to: Bob Lynde, Marg Colthurst, Sherrie Hazen-Hansen. The safety of our farmers and their families during harvest. Those suffering with poor health, limited resources, or family conflicts. **Serving Our Country:** We say "Thank You!" to members and their families serving our country.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR OCTOBER



Sunday, October 2: World Communion Sunday – Offering and Communion; Charge Conference at Kalona UMC, Kalona, 2-5 PM; CIA Dodgeball, WACO Elementary, 4-5:30 PM; Confirmation Class, 6-7:30 PM, Crawfordsville

Monday, October 3: Sisters Group, Crawfordsville, 6:30 PM

Tuesday, October 4: "Son" Seekers, Herb and Dorothy, 7 PM

Wednesday, October 5: NO CIA Bible Study; NO Kids' Club (Highland Homecoming)

Thurs., Oct. 6: Neighbor to Neighbor, 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM, Fellowship Hall; ACC Garage Sale, North Church – Noon to 4 PM; TKD, 6 PM, Fellowship Hall

Friday, October 7: Breakfast Club at UCC, 9 AM; ACC Garage Sale, 9 AM to 2 PM; Parent's Night Out, 6:30-8:30 PM, Fellowship Hall – Reservation required – call Ann: 319-201-9684

Saturday, October 8: ACC Garage Sale, North Church, 9AM to 1 PM

Sunday, October 9: CIA Paintball, 1-5 PM, Burlington; Highlanders 4-H, 5:30 PM, Fellowship Hall; **NO Confirmation Class**

Monday, October 10: Sisters Group, Crawfordsville, 6:30 PM

Wednesday, October 12: Food Pantry Open, 1:30-3 PM; CIA Bible Study, 6 PM, Fellowship Hall; Kids' Club, 6:30 PM drop off at South Church, Pick up at North Church at 7:30 PM

Thursday, October 13: ACCW, 1:30 PM, Fellowship Hall; TKD, 6 PM, Fellowship Hall; Parish Council, 7 PM, North Church

Saturday, October 15: Comedy, Comradery, Community Day at the Opera House

Sunday, October 16: CIA CROP Drive, 4-6 PM; Confirmation Class, 6 PM, UCC

Monday, October 17: Sisters Group, Crawfordsville, 6:30 PM

Tuesday, October 18: "Card" Club, 5 PM, Fellowship Hall; "Son" Seekers, Mike & Mary Lou Koehler, 7 PM

Wednesday, October 19: Staff Meeting, 8:30 AM, UCC; Bachelors Lunch, 11:30 AM, UCC; CIA Bible Study, 6 PM, Fellowship Hall; Kids' Club, 6:30 PM drop off at South Church, Pick up at North Church at 7:30 PM

Thursday, October 20: TKD, 6 PM, Fellowship Hall

Friday, October 21: Breakfast Club at UCC, 9 AM

Sunday, Oct. 23: CIA Youth Group FUN Run, UCC, 4-6 PM; Confirmation Class, UCC, 6PM

Monday, October 24: Sacha Club, 6 PM, Fellowship Hall; Sisters Group, 6:30 PM, UCC

Wednesday, October 26: CIA Bible Study, 6 PM, Fellowship Hall; Kids' Club, 6:30 PM drop off at South Church, Pick up at North Church at 7:30 PM

Thursday, October 27: TKD, 6 PM, Fellowship Hall

Saturday, October 29: CIA Fright Night, 3-10 PM; Mt. Pleasant

Sunday, October 30: NO CIA

Monday, October 31: Sisters Group, 6:30 PM, UCC

Tuesday, November 1: "Son" Seekers, 7 PM, Jim and Penny McCreedy

Wednesday, November 2: CIA Bible Study, 6 PM, Fellowship Hall; Kids' Club, 6:30 PM drop off at South Church, Pick up at North Church at 7:30 PM; Worship Comm. 7:45 PM at UCC

Thurs., Nov. 3: Neighbor to Neighbor, 10:30 AM, Fellowship Hall; TKD, 6 PM, Fellowship Hall

Fri. Nov. 4: Breakfast Club, 9 AM; UCC; Parent's Night Out, 6:30-8:30 PM, Fellowship Hall

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We are the community church. We hope you will come and join us in one or more of these activities: Morning Worship Service, Youth Fellowship, Bible Studies, Women's Group, and much more.