



MIDWEEK MESSAGE

February 14, 2019

CARMEL CHRISTIAN CHURCH



ON THE CALENDAR THIS WEEK

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14

4 p.m. - IHC

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17

8:30 a.m. - Meditative Chapel Service

9:15 a.m. - Sunday School

10:30 a.m. - Blended Worship Service

Following Service: Luncheon to benefit the Hilton Family Youth Event

2 p.m.- St. Thomas Mar Thoma Service

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18

6:30 p.m. - PAL

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

6:30 p.m. - IHC

7 p.m. - Crafter's Group

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

4 p.m. - IHC

6 p.m. - Girl Scouts 1380

Children & Youth Events

Schedule

February 17th

Bowling: Woodlands Bowl

March - April

Preparing & Practice for Drama: all practices during Sunday school, worship and wonder hours.

May 19th

Ice Skating: Carmel Rink

June 22nd- 23rd

no church Sunday amusement park

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We are so fortunate to have so many gifted people in our church family. Reverend Andrea Martin Boutsellis knocked it out of the park last Sunday reminding us that we need to set aside judgements of others and be about the business of loving others. Thank you, Andrea, for sharing your personal story of learning this lesson as you met the one you now call 'husband'.

I will be preaching this Sunday and then next Tuesday Jerry and I will leave for a week in Norway. I have been watching the weather there and it is in the mid 20's. That doesn't seem so bad after the winter we have had here. I have my fleece lined leggings, boots, hooded puffer coat and the warmest gloves I could find. I think I'm ready! While I am away Reverend Frank Hibbard will lead the service on February 24th. I am thankful for the support Andrea, Frank and so many others have offered as we move through this sabbatical time.

I'll be back to take us into the Lenten season and begin our Explorers class for baptism. I hope you will include our young people in your prayers as they explore what it means to follow the call of Christ for their lives.

Don't forget to register for the MYSTERY trip that will happen on Saturday, March 23rd. There will also be sign up information available on the next two Sundays.

I guess on this Valentine's Day, the only thing left to say is ...



*Blessings,
Diane*

Serving this Sunday
February 17, 2019

Elders:

Judy Gest, Mark Carfagna

Deacons:

Jayma Walters, Carol Young,
Scott Vowels, William Vowels*

Congregational Prayer:

Karl Swain

Scripture Reader:

Tom Scott

Greeter:

Lois Dyball

Nursery:

Maleesa Williams/
Amanda Wray

Worship & Wonder,

Sunday School:

Blanche Wright &
Nancy Crume

*Jr Deacon

Crafter's Group

Feeling Crafty? Plan on joining our
crafter's group upcoming meetings:

Tuesday, Feb. 19th at 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 27th at 1 p.m.

Fun & Fellowship with Music

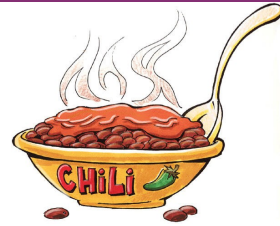
Our next choir practice will be:

Wed., February 27th @ 7:30 pm.

Come join us in lifting our
hearts in song!

Chili Luncheon - This Sunday

Please join us this Sunday, February 17, after service, as your Outreach and Hospitality Teams serve chili (with or without macaroni) with all the fixin's as well as bean and pasta soup. The proceeds will benefit the Hilton Family. You may remember that we made last Christmas memorable for them. They have ongoing needs due to high medical bills for their two youngest children.



How much would you spend for lunch if you go out to eat? This event is not for any specific amount, but is for a "goodwill offering." You can stay at church, fellowship with friends (and maybe make new ones) and enjoy a hot meal complete with dessert while helping this deserving young family (and grandmother). Share this opportunity with friends and neighbors and invite them to join us. *In May we will once again come together for an Outreach picnic!*

The Lunch Bunch

The February Lunch Bunch meeting, scheduled for the 26th at 11:30 a.m., will feature guest speaker Nancy Moore of the Indiana Area on Aging Association (IAAA). She will mainly focus on Medicare and Medicaid scams but will also bring information on other general scams that are currently going around. Everyone is encouraged to bring a dish to share and become familiar with problems that could impact their future. Caregivers are also invited and encouraged to attend. Invite someone to attend with you.



Mystery Trip

Join us Saturday, March 23 from 8:30 am to 5:30 pm



Reverend Jerry wants share a spirit of adventure with you and has arranged for a mystery trip for our congregation. All costs are covered for the day. All we need from you is your registration to confirm that you will be going. To register you can click the link at the end of the Midweek or use the registration form in the bulletin on Sunday.

Please be sure to let us know by Sunday, March 10th so we can finalize plans for the bus and meals.

Message from Pastor Blanche

The 1985 Grammy award winning song recorded, by Tina Turner asks the question, "What's Love got to Do with It?" I wonder if anyone else has had the emotions that beg that question? You tend to ask that question when your kids disrespect you and then turn around and ask you for tangible things. When your child declares that they do not love you. I believe the parent finds themselves shaking their head and saying, "What's love got to Do with It?" How about when your spouse neglects to bring home their check from work, because they spent it all on gambling, drinking, clothes (themselves). Financial burdens grow and become unmanageable, but they still say they love you. It leaves you asking the question, "What's Love got to Do with It?" How are you supposed feel when you find out that your bestie, that professes to love you like a sibling, is sleeping with your partner. Whether the hurt was intentional or not they are hurting themselves as well as they are hurting you. That brings us to the Cross, which bears witness to the greatest love of all. When Jesus hung on the that Cross for all us to carry our cares to Him to bare. That's love and Love has everything to do with it! Ask David when he murdered a man to take his wife did God forgive him for such an egregious sin? Ask The brothers of Joseph when they threw him in a pit and then sold him into slavery. Yet in their time of need Joseph opened his heart and home to them. Ask Paul when he was killing Christians for blood sport and God's love turned him into an Apostle. Love people where they are and God will love you where you are.

Love 4 Kids, Blanche

Special Offering - February 17 & 24



Week of Compassion is the relief, refugee and development mission fund of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in the United States and Canada. We seek to equip and empower disciples to alleviate the suffering of others through disaster response, humanitarian aid, sustainable development and the promotion of mission opportunities. You can learn more by visiting weekofcompassion.org or clicking the link at the end of the Midweek. Special offering envelopes will be available the next two Sundays.

Interfaith Seder

Congregation Shaarey Tefilla invites our religious neighbors to an INTERFAITH SEDER
Monday, April 1, 2019 at 6:30 pm Congregation Shaarey Tefilla, 3085 West 116th St., Carmel
\$18 per adult / \$12 children 12 & under

Please join us to explore the origins of the Passover Seder ritual and to share a traditional Passover meal together. Rabbi Benjamin Sendrow will lead the seder and explain the Passover rituals. There will be ample opportunity for discussion and questions.

Reservations limited to 140. So that you aren't disappointed we strongly suggest early registration well before the March 21 deadline. School-aged children are welcome to attend with an adult family member, teacher or youth leader. To register go to signupgenius.com, <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080A4EA9AB2FA46-interfaith> (link at the end of the Midweek)

Questions? Contact:

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Help Needed



Hello my name is Devyn Sapper and my group and I need your help. We are 6th graders at Carmel Middle School. We are collecting old prescription glasses for the Lions Club. They will give them to people in low income communities. You do not have to worry about prescriptions because the Lions Club will deal with those sorts of things. If you are interested in donating please call 608-628-9271 or email lisa.sapper@att.net (link at the end of the Midweek). Glasses are due in about two weeks. Thanks all!

Prayer Concerns

Please remember these folks and their families in your prayers.

Larry Jackson, Myrna Dowden's brother, has been diagnosed with stage 4 esophageal cancer

Rick Phillips, as he recovers from surgery on his foot

Khloe Hilton (from our Christmas Family)

George Beck

Cindy Wondra

Diane Neely, as she continues her chemo treatment



Keep in Touch

A phone call, card or visit can mean so much!

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