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Looking ahead... Season of Lent

- 2.22.23 Ash Wednesday 5:30pm Pancake Dinner 6:30pm Worship with the Imposition of Ashes
- 3.26.23 Travis Whaley Recital 2:00pm SCC Sanctuary
- Thursday Night Worship through Lent 6:30pm
- **4.2.23 Palm Sunday** 8:15am Worship 10:15am Worship
- **4.6.23 Maundy Thursday** 6:30pm Worship
- 4.8.23 Easter EGGstravanganza 2:00 to 4:00pm
 - 2:30pm Egg Hunt

4.7.23 Good Friday Worship

Speedway / West Side Ministerial Association 7:00pm @ Speedway Baptist Church 2986 Moller Road

4.9.23 Easter at SCC

8:15am Worship 10:15am Worship



Celebrating New SCC Members

On Sunday, February 12,2023 we welcomed Bob & Theresa Richter to Speedway Christian Church by Confession of Faith.





Dear Church Family,

I invite everyone to join me for a Lenten recital on Sunday, March 26 at 2pm. I'll share some traditional organ and piano pieces on Lenten themes, improvisations, and some organ music that I've found through my dissertation research that has not been performed for over 400 years. My research focuses on the music that 16th century German organists created and used for their jobs as church musicians. Many of these pieces have sat untouched because most organists today can't read the notation, called "organ tablature." I'm excited to share a selection of them during this season of Lent.

~ Travis

An Opportunity to Help

At Speedway High School, we have several immigrant students who have superior grades and a burning desire to change their economic status through higher education. Unfortunately, most of these same students have low family incomes, the inability to take out student loans, and are unable to receive federal or state funding. These students rely solely on two economic sources for college: their own personal income as a working teenager and the scholarship(s) they are awarded. Several of these soon to be 2023 graduates will not be able to determine whether they are college bound until a mere week before college courses start which is when they are fully informed of all scholarships they will be awarded and they can count how much money they have accrued with their summer employment.

Here is an introductory paragraph of an essay one of Speedway High School students wrote for her 12th grade English class:

I am a refugee. It is who I am, and I will forever identify with all refugees, as we have a story to tell. Even though I did not understand the plan as an 11 year-old from Eritrea, I knew our destination was to meet my dad, who left us eight years prior "to go to work". As we left in the safety of the darkness in middle of the night, deep down I knew there were three possible outcomes: first, we could be captured by the police and sent to a prison for escapers; second, we could die in our country's forest if our smugglers chose to rob and kill us; or third, we could make it to our destination safely. I had to reconcile all possible end results. The journey was several years in length, and we kept track of where we were by the small villages we found on our way through Sudan and Ethiopia. Meanwhile, we literally survived on our drink powder we added to water for energy as we walked. My immediate family made it ... but many others did not. And this fact especially hurts when I lay awake at night, thinking of the ones that should still be here with me today.

We are raising money to provide scholarships to international Speedway High School students. The application process is simple: the student will write a short essay on the hardship (s)he has endured to get to the United States and how (s)he has overcome obstacles. Every student who applies will receive a portion of the donated funds. Last year Speedway Christian Church awarded six students with a \$500 scholarship. It was truly one of the greatest moments of my life to honor those six students with our scholarships.

Thank you for your consideration! If you have any questions, you can email Mindy Lewis-Hitch at *mlewis@speedwayschools.net*

Church camp season is upon us and we are so excited! This year's theme will be, "FruitFULL Faith"

- Please see the picture for dates. For more
- information, prices, and how to register please see our region's website:

www.indianadisciples.org.

 Speedway Christian Church will pay half of your camp fee, however if you need further assistance, please do not hesitate to ask. Everyone who wants to go to camp will be able to go. Contact Katie for more information at:

kgriffin@speedwaychristian.org.

 Finally, the Indiana region is always looking for more adults to counsel camp, so please also let Katie know if you feel called to spend some time with our incredible young people this summer.

Lent Materials

We have a number of Lent materials available for all of our church family this year. All can be found in the Hall of Light. The devotionals are intergenerational and meant to be shared together as a family.



Other materials are available to help the whole family experience Lent and grow in their faith together.



FruitFULL Faith A Spirit-filled Life!

2023 CAMPS

Geneva

June 12-14	You & Me 1 (age 5+ and an adult)
June 12-17	Explorers (completed grades 4-5)
June 15-17	New Beginnings (completed grades 1-3)
June 19-21	You & Me 2 (age 5+ and an adult)
June 19-24	M.A.D. (Music Art & Drama - completed grades 6-12)
June 26-July 1	High School Traditional (completed grades 9-12)
	Middle School Traditional (completed grades 6-8)
June 26-July 1	C.R.O.S.S. (Christian Recreation and Outdoor
	Sports Skills - completed grades 6-12)
Bedford	
June 19-24	Explorers (completed grades 4-5)
lune 26-28	New Beginnings (completed grades 1-3)

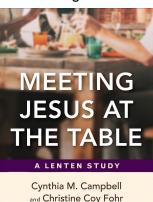
June 26-28	New Beginnings (completed grades 1-3)	
June 29-July 1	You & Me (age 5+ and an adult)	
July 3-8	High School (completed grades 9-12)	
July 10-15	Middle School (completed grades 6-8)	

Lenten Study 2023

Friends, we invite all across the Indiana Region to

gather virtually for a Lenten study led by the regional clergy staff. We will use the resource, <u>Meeting Jesus at the Table</u>, by Cynthia M. Campbell and Christine Coy Fohr.

Obtain a copy of the book from your favorite bookseller/library (options include **Presbyterian Church USA** and **Thrift Books**) and learn alongside us as we share in the time together.



WITH ILLUSTRATIONS BY KEVIN BURNS

There are three opportunities, with each group meeting weekly for 6 weeks via Zoom as listed below. Registration links for the sessions are below. You will be sent a Zoom link in your registration confirmation email. Each session will last around 60 minutes.

We look forward to these conversations. If you have any questions or would like to register, please contact Krista Hunter at krista@indianadisciples.org or one of the ministers below. The study will be offered via zoom as stated below.

> Sunday Evenings with Carolyn Starting February 26h 5:00 pm ET (4:00 pm CT) carolyn@indianadisciples.org

Monday Afternoons with Rick Starting February 27th 4:00 pm ET (3:00 pm CT) rick@indianadisciples.org

Tuesday Mornings with Cheryl Starting February 28th 10:00 am ET (9:00 am CT) cheryl@indianadisciples.org

Next Official Board Meeting Tuesday, March 14, 2023 6:30pm

Please keep in Prayer

Dorothy Webb Mary Day-Roberts Linda Miles Betsy Enerson Sherry Beck (Verna King's sister)



Our Sympathy and Prayers

To the family and friends of **Shirley Casady**, who passed away on February 5, 2023.

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for all your calls, cards and prayers that we received during my sister's illness and passing. They really helped. God was with us and I will always treasure the time I had with her!

With God's love, Andrea and Brad Baetsle



As we trust in God, He directs our steps.

Stewardship/Finance January 2023

January 2023 Funds Received	\$ 37,995
January 2023 Expenses	\$ 33,125
January 2023 Income greater than exp.	\$ 4,870

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Lose, Love, Live; a Lenten Conversation

Lent is a time period that begins with Ash Wednesday and concludes with Maundy Thursday. Typically, this time in the liturgical seasons of the church is a time of introspection, prayer and fasting. We are invited to take our faith seriously and work on things that we know we can be better at. Often this is a time when folks



give something up. For example, if you have a deep love for chocolate, over the next forty days, you would abstain from consuming chocolate. Every time you experienced the craving for chocolate, instead of eating some, you would go to God in prayer.

However, Lent does not have to be only about what you give up. Another take on this practice is to take something on. Perhaps a new spiritual discipline like setting a time every day to ready your bible. Or, promising yourself you will exercise more. It is in this practice that we, as the church, will try and take something else on this Lenten season.

Together, we are going to explore the topic of *loss and change* with the help Rev. Dr. Dan Mosely's book *Live, Loss, Love; The Spiritual Gifts of Loss and Change.* As your staff, we have been working with Rev. Dr. Dan for several session as he has helped us to *learn to live again in the absence of someone or something that was significant.* My prayer, is that this will be a holy conversation for you just as it has been for us. We will learn new things about ourselves and we will be encouraged to have honest moments with our own faith. Let our Lenten journey, begin.

~Shalom, Rev. Kyle

Sunday Family Funday

Family Funday is our monthly opportunity to gather with our church family for fellowship, food, and fun. On the last Sunday of every month, we meet after church for lunch.

All are invited and welcome!

Sunday, February 26, 2023 11:30am—1:30pm MCL Speedway Shopping Center



Storehouse Food Pantry

The Storehouse food pantry hit a new record Saturday, Feb. 11, serving 956 family members from 213 families.

Twenty-eight volunteers packed and repacked, giving out 3,195 cans of food, plus bread and

sweets. It absolutely wiped out the shelves.



As Rich Hoerger said, "We substituted food items, for substituted food items."

Each family received two meat items. Forty-seven clients signed up for the first time.

Thanks and congratulations to the food pantry volunteers. You are a blessing to so many people! The need seems to grow and grow.