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Come home

to Speedway Christian Church

All Church Pitch-In

Please join us in fellowship hall for an all- church pitch-in on Sunday, August 27 immediately following the 10:15am SAVE THE worship service. Please bring a side DATE! dish or a dessert and yourself! .00

Sign-up sheet located in the Hall of Light.

Breakfast @ SCC Sunday, September 10

Mark your calendar! Please plan to join us on Sunday, September 10 in fellowship hall, after the 8:15am worship service for breakfast. The staff will be hosting the breakfast.



Welcome back Travis!! We have missed you.

Rehearsals for **Chancel Choir & Joyful Ringers** will resume on Thursday, September 7





The tech team is in search of folks to help produce the live stream for our 10:15am worship service.

Two additional team members would allow for a once a month rotation. Training is free and the system is easy to learn. Interested? Please send an email to apearcy@speedwaychristian.org





Indy 500 Race Parking @ SCC

Sunday, May 28 the church parking lot was full of Indy 500 race fans. 52 + vehicles were parked, raising \$1,170 for Speedway Christian Church.

Thank you to Susan Pirtle who has continued the family tradition passed down from her Uncle Jack, for coordinating the parking, getting up early and just making sure all

ran smoothly. All of us that know Susan know her love of the Indy 500 and her church.



Greetings Brothers and Sister in Christ,

I must admit, I am still trying to process everything that was the 2023 General Assembly (GA). In order to help do that, I want to share a bit of my own reflections and to share a few photos with you. Before the reflections and photos though, please allow me to say a word of thanks. Thank you for allowing Rev. Katie, Krista and I to attend GA 2023. Thank you for gracious covering your pastor's room and registration fees. Thank you for your prayers while we were away. Special thanks to Chuck Bennett for filling in while we were away. If you have not had a chance to watch the service he lead- go and find it! Something that I did not anticipate that I so very much needed, was the gift of reconnecting with some of the formative folks who have helped to shape my pastoral identity. From seminary professors to ministerial colleagues. From the minister who baptized Krista and I to the first minister that I followed at Yorktown. From dear friends from Bethany Evansville, to new friends made in central Indiana. I am telling you, it was a gift to my very spirit. It was so very powerful to reminded again that we are part of *movement* that is far greater than even our local congregation. Although, our local congregation is pretty amazing.

I always love a chance to let people know that there is more than just a race track in Speedway. I equally love reminding folks that it is the proper display of HORSEpower, especially when in Kentucky. It was fun to bump into former SCC ministers, and run into a handful of folks who have been and continue to be associated with SCC. It was fun to hear our own Associate Regional Minister Rev. Cheryl Russell-to-be-Kunkel say to folks that she was now a member at SCC and look- there are my ministers!

And the worship. Friends, it was powerful. When you lead worship regularly like Rev. Katie and I do, at times it can be a challenge to lock-in to the movement of the Holy Spirit because it is far too easy to focus on what is coming up next in the worship service. But at GA, the Spirit was on the move! I pray that we are able to convey that same sense of worship as we lead into the future.

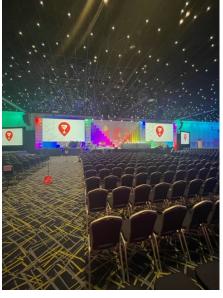
The only downside to it all was the likelihood that I picked up a second round of COVID at some point during the gathering. But, thanks be to God, it was a very mild case. And, it seems as though I kept it mostly to myself.

Thank you again, church, for feeding my spirit in ways that you didn't even know that you were doing. Peace be with you all.

Shalom, Rev. Kyle

Pictures from the 2023 General Assembly ..









Rev. Cheryl Russell, Rev. Kyle, Rev. Katie & Krista Hunter

News and Updates from Reverend Katie

On Sunday, September 10 @ 9:15 am, everyone is

invited to a Sunday School kickoff. Together, we will have breakfast, celebrate the graduations of our kids from the nursery, Worship and Wonder, and Adventures in Faith, thank our teachers for all the ways they serve, talk about what's coming up for Christian Education this year, and more.



We look forward to seeing all of our church family at both events!

Have you ever considered serving your church as a teacher in Sunday School? How about being a storyteller or greeter in Worship and Wonder? If you are interested in volunteering in these activities or in other parts of our Christian Education program, please let Rev. Katie or Holly Cecil know at

kgriffin@speedwaychristian.org or

<u>hcecil75@gmail.com</u>. Helping in these programs for kids, youth, and adults are such an important part of who we are as a church and we would love to have you participate.

Youth group is back and we are excited to be together again. You can find this semester's schedule in the Weekly Update or at youth group. We will having a **meeting for all of our youth families on Sunday, August 27, dinner will be at 5:30pm**, the meeting will follow. Meeting times are as follows:

5:30–6:30pm – Chi-Rho (6-8 grades) 6:30-7:00pm – Dinner together 7:00-8:00pm – CYF (9-12 grades)

Remember, friends are always welcome!

One of the highlights of youth group is our dinners together. We would be so very grateful if you could help provide one of our meals. Christy Morris has graciously volunteered to organize, if interested, please talk to Christy or go to the church's website *www.speedwaychristian.org.* where you will find the link for the meal sign up schedule.

If you have college kids this year (or you are one of those college kids), please send Katie your address at school at <u>kgriffin@speedwaychristian.org</u>. You have the prayers of your church family as you all make this big transition.

Please keep in Prayer

Ken Weiss Marilyn Cork Betsy Enerson Becky Parke (Bob & Gayle Parke's daughter-in-law) Tara Lees & Family (friends of the Oldfather family)

Our Sympathy and Prayers to

Keith & Reta Kaiser and family upon the passing of Keith's sister, Nancy Thompson, who passed away on July 30, 2023.

Mission Trip Planned

We will be going on another mission trip this year! It will be **Sunday, October 15 - Thursday, October 19.**, **2023**. This trip is specifically focused on our youth, but all are welcome (those 6th grade and older).

More information to come, but *Rev Katie needs to know if you are interested by Sunday, August 27.* Questions? Feel free to talk to Rev. Katie or send her an email.

It isn't the size of the gift that matters, but the size of the heart that gives it.

Stewardship/Finance June 2023

June 2023 Funds Received	\$ 28,285
June 2023 Expenses	\$ 37,663
June 2023 Income less than expenses	\$ (9,377)

July 2023

July 2023 F	unds Received	\$ 32,216
July 2023 E	xpenses	\$ 29,485
July 2023 Ind	come greater than expense	\$ 2,732

2023 Year to Date (January—July)

2023 YTD Funds Received:	\$ 255,842
2023 YTD Expenses:	\$ 242,856
2023 YTD Income greater than expenses	\$ 12,986

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Dear SCC Congregation,

Our dear friend and long time SCC member, Pat Devlin will be 90 years young on August 27, 2023.

Please help Pat celebrate her specíal day, cards may be sent to:

> 8616 W. 10th Street, Apt. 206 Indianapolis, Indiana 46234



A card always brings a smile to our hearts.

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Next Official Board Meeting Tuesday, October 10, 2023 6:30pm

No board meeting in September.

2023 Quarterly Giving Statements

2023 Quarterly Giving Statements are available to be picked up in the Hall of Light through Sunday, August 20, and also during the week in the church office. Please help the church save on postage cost by picking up your statement. Thank you for your continued support of our church.

Lunch & Learn

Please join us each Monday at noon in the Bethany Room, as we discuss the scripture for the following week's Worship sermon.



