



***In Grateful Praise and Much Thanksgiving!!***

Speedway family,

It is with great excitement to announce that the music director/organist search committee has selected, interviewed and is recommending to the Personnel Committee a candidate for our music position!

We have prayed that someone would be sent to us and this has happened. Paula Nichols will begin serving Speedway Christian Church in July. Paula's first Sunday to participate in worship will be Sunday, July 14.

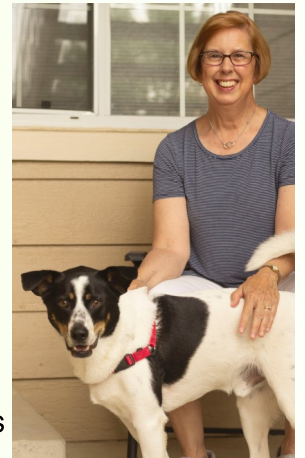
Paula is a lifelong church musician with experience in all aspects of music ministry. She has directed chancel choirs, bell choirs, children's choirs, church orchestras and is also an organist and cellist. For the past 13 years, Paula has served at Atonement Lutheran Church in Boulder, Colorado. Her passion for church and music ministry is obvious and we are anxious for all of our church family to meet her. Paula is moving to Indianapolis from Boulder, CO to live closer to family.

Thank you to those that served on the search committee for your time and commitment to SCC — Bill Carter, Holly Cecil, Reta Kaiser, Tom Smith, Rev. Katie Griffin, Verna King and Karen Edmiston.

It our hope and prayer that our church family joins us in the excitement of what's to come in the continuing music and worship ministry of Speedway Christian Church! If you have specific questions about Paula, I would be happy to visit with you, as I'm sure any members of the committee would also.

Blessings!

Marge Graham, Co-Chair of Musician Search Committee



***Listening to Voices of our Congregation***

Please plan to join one or all of the listening sessions with SCC Moderator, Cheryl Kunkel. All are welcome to attend, we want to hear what you have to say about our church, either currently, going forward or concerns regarding the past. We hope you each will plan to participate in at least one of the listening sessions.

- **Tuesday, June 18 @ 6:00pm (over Zoom call)**
- **Saturday, June 22 @ 10:00am (over Zoom call)**
- **Sunday, June 23 (after 10:15 worship - Bethany Room)**

***2024 Stewardship Full Moon Of Giving***  
***June 21, 2024 - Strawberry Moon***  
***"Ketchup" Giving & Don't take a Vacation from Giving***

If you have any questions or comments regarding our 2024 stewardship campaign, please reach out to Chuck Bennett and/or Kim Bennett, Stewardship Chairs @ 317-441-5678 or [cbennett@speedwayschools.net](mailto:cbennett@speedwayschools.net)

In Service, Chuck and Kim Bennett



## **Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ,**

As we moved past the great and glorious month that is May in Speedway, Indiana, we now move full on into summer. In our house, unless there is a camp, our three children graciously fill our house with the sounds of... well... their presence. Now I know that there will eventually be a time that we will miss all that they bring. And, that this is a precious time, ripe with opportunity for lots of... togetherness. But friends, there are times, when you are in the midst of it all that it seems exhausting and nearly overwhelming.

I have been so thankful to be in midst of this summer sermon series based on Second Corinthians. In a number of different ways, Paul encourages this early Christian community to remember that God is always with them. That God can still work things out in their midst, even if they cannot see them. And perhaps most important of all, that to be a part of the followers of Christ, there are certain expectations that are to be met.

Expectations kind of like trying to live into the reality that is summer at our house. Now, I wish I could tell you that our beloved children do everything that they are asked to do when they are asked to do it. They always use their manners when speaking to each other. That they wake up all sunshine and roses ready to greet the day with an abundance of optimism. The dishes are taken care of, and the laundry is neatly placed in its proper places. Oh, how I wish that was the case.

The reality though, is that they try. And with lots of mostly patient (ha-ha) encouragement from their parents, we find a way to move forward, together. I have great hope that we will figure things out. I have equal hope that we will even make some memories along the way. I am also not naive enough to think that it will all be smooth sailing. But we will stick with it. Because, at the end of the day we do deeply care for and love each other. Even if at times that is not abundantly apparent.

We are entering into a season in the life of SCC where we too are trying to navigate how to move forward. There will most likely be some things that we will miss. There will be some expectations that we do not live up to. There may even be some moments when the chores of life together may get in the way... Regardless of what happens, we will carry with us the encouragement from Paul and from one another. Because, at the end of the day, God's love for us and our love for each other will prevail.

See you in church.

Shalom,  
Rev. KH



## **News and Updates from Reverend Katie**

### **Looking ahead this summer**

- ◆ **Church Camp** – See graphic for more information.
- ◆ **Youth group** (see email for more information)
  - CYF** – July 7, 5:30-7:30 pm – Swimming at Debbie Sunier's house
  - Chi-Rho** – July 21, 5:30-7:30 pm – Swimming at Mindy and Mike Hitch's house
- ◆ **Vacation Bible School** – July 23-25, 6-8pm
- ◆ **Back to School Sunday and Sunday School kickoff** - Sunday, July 28

### **VBS**

We can't wait for Vacation Bible School this year! Let's be Kindom Crafters at VBS, **Tuesday, July 23 - Thursday, July 25, 6-8pm!** Together we will grow in faith as we imagine, build, and discover God's Kindom. **ALL kids 4 years old through 5th grade** are invited, so bring your friends! We will be offering fun activities, Bible stories, and crafts.

There is lots to do to make sure VBS is a fun, faith-filled event, so we need your help, too!

Kids can register and adults/youth can sign up to help at [www.speedwaychristian.org](http://www.speedwaychristian.org).

**Camp** – Church camp season is upon us and we are so excited! This year's theme is, "linked By Love."

### **Letters to Camp**

Write a letter to a camper! In the Hall of Light throughout the summer, you will find two bulletin boards with cards ready for you to send a letter to one of our campers, counselors, or directors who will be at Camp Bedford this summer. The cards are already addressed and stamped – just grab a card or two, write a note, and send it by the date identified on the board. Everyone enjoys getting mail and I'm sure these cards will brighten a campers day!

If you would like to send a letter separately, the address is:

Bedford Christian Camp  
33 Church Camp Road  
Bedford, IN 47421

Rev. Katie





# KINDOM CRAFTERS

tuesday, july 23 -  
thursday, july 25  
6-8 PM

vacation  
bible  
school



speedway  
christian  
church

LET'S BUILD TOWARDS THE KINDOM OF  
GOD AS WE LEARN, CREATE, PLAY,  
AND CELEBRATE TOGETHER

for kids 4 years - 5th grade      register at [www.speedwaychristian.org](http://www.speedwaychristian.org)

## Camp 2024

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| June 10-12 | You & Me 1 ages 5+ w/ adult            |
| June 12-14 | New Beginnings grades 1-3              |
| June 14-17 | You & Me 2 ages 5+ w/ adult            |
| June 17-22 | CROSS sports & recreation, grades 6-12 |
| June 24-29 | Explorers grades 4-5                   |
| July 1-6   | High School grades 9-12                |
| July 8-13  | Middle School grades 6-8               |
| July 15-20 | MAD music, art, & drama, grades 6-12   |
| July 14-20 | Mission as Justice grades 10-12        |

Linked by Love

**Please keep in Prayer**

Dorothy Webb, Andrea Baetsle, Charlie Gossett,  
Judy Swisher, Joan Brown  
Neva Condre (Gunner Condre's mother)  
Becky Parke (Bob & Gayle Parke's daughter-in-law)

Rev. Katie & Rev. Kyle,

**Thank you** so much for meeting with us to plan and ensuring we had "the best ever" Baccalaureate service! You and the Speedway Christian community are wonderful hosts. Please thank all involved for us!

2024 Baccalaureate Planning Committee  
Speedway High School

**Stewardship/Finance  
May 2024**

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|---|-------------------|
| May 2024 Funds Received                   | \$ 26,337         |
| Funds transferred to cover expenses       | \$ 2,625          |
| <b>May 2024 Expenses</b>                  | <b>\$ 30,756</b>  |
| May 2024 <b>Income less than expenses</b> | <b>\$ (1,794)</b> |


2024 Year to Date (January—May)

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| 2024 YTD Funds Received:                     | \$ 209,974        |
| Funds transferred to cover expenses          | \$ 2,873          |
| <b>2024 YTD Expenses:</b>                    | <b>\$ 174,795</b> |
| <b>2024 YTD Income greater than expenses</b> | <b>\$ 38,052</b>  |

**Indy 500 Race Parking @ SCC**

Sunday, May 26 the church parking lot was full of Indy 500 race fans. 55 vehicles were parked, raising \$1,220 for Speedway Christian Church.

**Thank you to Susan Pirtle**, for coordinating the parking, getting up early and just making sure all ran smoothly. Susan has made many friends over the years with the returning fans each year.



Speedway Christian Church  
5110 West 14th Street  
Speedway, Indiana 46224



**Next Official Board Meeting**  
**Tuesday, June 25, 2024**  
**6:30pm**



**JUNE WOWW  
GIVING**  
**SPEEDWAY ANIMAL RESCUE**

GREATEST NEEDS INCLUDE CASH TO PURCHASE FOOD & MEDICATION, LEASHES, COLLARS, FLEECE BLANKETS & CHEW TOYS!

SCAN THE QR CODES BELOW TO VIEW SPEEDWAY ANIMAL RESCUE AMAZON AND CHEWY.COM WISH LISTS.

***Contact Information Need Updated?***  
We are in the process of updating our church directory. Does the church office have your -

- ◆ **Correct address?**
- ◆ **Correct telephone #?**
- ◆ **Correct email address?**

**Please let the church office know by June 21, 2024. Thank you!**