



### CROP Walk

Speedway Christian Church is participating in the annual CROP Walk to end hunger. Please help us meet our goal of raising \$1,500 and join us Saturday, October 6th for a (hopefully) beautiful afternoon of fellowship as we walk together. If you are unable to join the walk, please consider making a donation toward the cause. Contact Melanie Heaviland with questions or to join the team!

**Date: Sunday, October 6, 2024**

**Time: 2 :00pm**

**Location: InterChurch Center 1100 W. 42<sup>nd</sup> Street near CTS and Butler University**

Ways to Donate: Online at <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/cropwalks/team/speedway-christian-church-2> or with check made payable to Speedway Christian with CROP Walk in the memo

Questions?: Contact Melanie Heaviland at 317-509-6537 or [heavilandm@yahoo.com](mailto:heavilandm@yahoo.com)

### Celebrating SCC Member

Welcome home  
**Jane Hayden**  
to Speedway Christian Church.

### 2024 Stewardship Full Moon Of Giving Corn/Harvest Moon September 17, 2024

Our September special giving initiative will support the work of **Reconciliation Ministry**.

This ministry promotes the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) identity as a Pro-Reconciling movement. Your gifts help our congregations and ministry partners worship, serve, and fund missional programs that promote healing from the brokenness that divides us.

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



### SEPTEMBER WOWW

## BOARD BOOK DRIVE

Collecting books for  
Peyton Manning Children's Hospital  
Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU)

ONLY NEW / UNUSED BOOKS CAN BE ACCEPTED



### Speedway Christian Church Our Mission Statement

Believing that Jesus is the Christ, Speedway Christian Church's mission is to celebrate that God has given us unique gifts to serve our congregation, our community and the world.

## Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This last week while in Washington DC, I had the opportunity to listen to Victoria Atkinson White speak about her book *Holy Friendships, Nurturing Relationships that Sustain Pastors and Leaders*. She identified several things that I believe are worth sharing with you all. Here is just a few of them.

- ◇ According to the Surgeon General, we are in the midst of a loneliness epidemic
- ◇ We fail to remember that not even Jesus Christ did his work alone
- ◇ The healthiest people have *their* people they can lean on and trust, no matter what
- ◇ We all need *Holy Friendships*



What are *Holy Friendships (HF)*? White defines them as mutually accountable sacred relationships deeply formed in God's love. HF validate each other's past. HF are story editors in our life's story. HF hold space for us in the present. HF midwife a vision for the future. HF are the anthesis to the way to world works. The world screams at us that if we don't figure things out on our own, we are somehow broken and less than. Here is the thing friends, we are not created to be in isolation. We are created to be in community.

In the middle of her comments, White asked us all to send a message to the people that we would identify as our HF. It seemed simple at the time. But, let me tell you it was powerful. The message was simple:

"Hey I am at a clergy retreat and we are talking about friendship so naturally I thought of you. Just want you to know I am grateful for you. Let's talk soon."

Sending the message out was simple. The experience of receiving the replies was profound. I want to encourage you this month, to send the message above to those that you would count as your *Holy Friends* so that you might get a chance to experience what I did that morning in the sanctuary at National City Christian Church. I promise you, you will be glad that you did.

If perhaps no one comes to mind, that is okay, too. I would love to have a conversation about identifying just who your *Holy Friends* might be.

White ends her book with these words. "My hope and prayer is that you know the love of a holy friend, that you give love to a holy friend, and that you model holy friendship to others so the light and love of God shine through each of you and you all flourish in beloved community. Amen."

May it be so, church. Shalom, Rev. Kyle

## News and Updates from Reverend Katie

Do you have a youth (in grades 8-12) who would like to be baptized, but didn't get a chance to be in our Journey in Faith class? Rev Katie will be leading a class for this group of youth. Together, we will learn about God, grow in our faith, explore the history of the church, and look forward to its future.

The day and time this class begins will be dependent on those who are interested. Contact Rev Katie at [kgriffin@speedwaychristian.org](mailto:kgriffin@speedwaychristian.org) by **September 15**.

Youth group is back and we are excited to be together again after a summer away. Let Rev. Katie know if you would like to be added to the email list or if you need the schedule.

### Our meeting times are:

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!

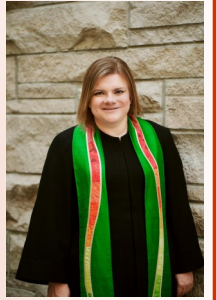
We need some help from our church to make youth group a success, particularly folks who can help out with our youth during our time together and to provide meals. The expectation of sponsors is to simply engage with the kids (participating in activities/discussions, etc.) with the youth. Rev. Katie will plan and lead all of the activities; we just need adults who will be present with the group.

For more information and a calendar enter this web address into any browser:

<https://www.bit.ly/2024sccyouth>

If you have college kids this year (or you are one of those college kids), please send Katie your address while at school to: [kgriffin@speedwaychristian.org](mailto:kgriffin@speedwaychristian.org). You have the prayers of your church family as you prepare for another school year.

Rev. Katie





**The Indiana Women’s Council Invites all Disciples Women to the Annual Women’s Event**

**When:** Saturday, September 21, 2024; 10am-5pm

**Where:** Turkey Run State Park – Lodge

**Keynoter:** Rev. Sylvia Mill.

**Cost:** \$45 (includes lunch, snack, and entry to park)

**Registration link:** <https://indianadisciples.org/.../disciples-women-fall-event/>

If you are a Disciple and you are a woman, you are a Disciples Woman!

75 years ago, Disciples Women from around the country gathered at Turkey Run State Park here in Indiana to dream about the future of women’s ministry. This fall, we will follow in their footsteps.

Join other Disciples Women from around the Indiana Region for a day to “Rejoice & Renew.” Together we will Honor our Heritage and Embrace the Future of Women’s Ministry in Indiana. Keynoter, Rev. Sylvia Mill, will offer reflections on where we have been followed by an afternoon of dreaming and visioning into the future.

There will be plenty of time for fellowship, exploring the trails of Turkey Run State Park (or just enjoying some time outside), lunch, and worship. (Women’s groups are invited to bring their Blessing Box money to this event.)

**Next Official Board Meeting**  
**Tuesday, October 8, 2024**  
**6:30pm**

**Please keep in Prayer**

Travis Whaley, Nancy Greer, Joan Gossett  
 Dorothy Webb, Andrea Baetsle,  
 Kim Clark (Verna King’s sister)  
 Samantha Swan (Verna King’s niece)  
 Mike Petercheff (Christina Young’s father)  
 Delores Beeson (Marcia Hodges’ mother)  
 Carol Angel (Christy Morris’ aunt)  
 Becky Parke (Bob & Gayle Parke’s daughter-in-law)  
 Ignatius “Iggy” Murphy  
 (Ed and Chris Hawkins’ great-grandson)

**Our Sympathy**  
**to the family and friends of**  
**Regina Parson,**

who passed away on September 8, 2024.

**Save the date**

You’re invited to the installation of  
 Rev. Dr. Christal Williams as our Regional Minister!

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD**

@ Light of the World Christian Church  
 (4646 N. Michigan Rd., Indianapolis)

Worship service at 3 pm,  
 with Rev. R. Janae Pitts-Murdock  
 preaching



The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Indiana



**Stewardship/Finance**  
**August 2024**

<b>August 2024 Funds Received</b>	\$	<b>19,578</b>
<i>Funds xferred to unbudgeted expenses</i>	\$	<b>0</b>
<b>August 2024 Expenses</b>	\$	<b>31,850</b>
<b>August 2024 Income less than expenses</b>	\$	<b>(12,271)</b>

**2024 Year to Date (January—August)**

<b>2024 YTD Funds Received:</b>	\$	<b>282,461</b>
<i>Funds xferred to unbudgeted expenses</i>	\$	<b>9,232</b>
<b>2024 YTD Expenses:</b>	\$	<b>278,040</b>
<b>2024 YTD Income greater than expenses</b>	\$	<b>13,653</b>



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### **Adult Sunday School Class**

Chuck Bennett is leading the adult Sunday School class in room B1 (lower level), **10:30-11:30 am**.

The topic for September is **"Harmony" in the Gospel**

#### **September 15**

The only "miracle" to appear in all four = Fish/Loaves

#### **September 22**

Jesus' Crucifixion - one of the few accounts of Jesus' life that appear in all four

#### **September 29**

Jesus' Resurrection - one of the few accounts of Jesus' life that appear in all four

Please join us!

Disciples Mission Fund

September 12, 2024

# DMF DAY

*"Make room for more"*  
Luke 6:38

disciplesmissionfund.org

Beginning August 1 - mid November  
Wednesday evenings, 6:30 - 8 pm

## The CHOSEN BIBLE STUDY

We will watch an episode and then discuss it the next week.  
More information will be coming soon!

**RA 2024** | save the date  
**INDIANA REGIONAL ASSEMBLY**  
october 12  
LIGHT OF THE WORLD CHRISTIAN CHURCH

**2024 Indiana Regional Assembly  
Registration is now open!**

To register go to:  
[IndianaDisciples.org](https://IndianaDisciples.org)