

Spirit @ SCC Newsletter



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2025 Lenten Schedule of Events

4.5.25 Palm Sunday

9:15am Worship Easter EGGstravaganza 2:00 - 4:00pm

4.13.25 Palm Sunday

9:15am Worship

4.17.25 Maundy Thursday

6:30pm Worship

4.18.25 Good Friday Worship

Speedway / West Side Ministerial Association

12 Noon @ St. Andrew's Lutheran Church 6118 Crawfordsville Road Speedway, IN 46224

4.20.25 Easter at SCC

9:15am Worship

11:30am Baptisms—Journey in Faith Class



World Outreach

Thank You for all the ways you made January and February a success helping and loving our neighbors. January, we collected 149 sponges and scrubbing brushes for Church World Service's clean up buckets to go to natural disaster sites. February 9th, a group of 13 of us went down to Wheeler Mission's Men shelter to serve dinner to 187homeless men. We also collected 178 pairs of new men's underware, 10 pairs of socks, travel soap 31 and travel size shampoo/conditioner 16, eating utensils 2, 421, plates 175 bowls 197 cups 140, and bottle water 78 and Storehouse Food Pantry donated 399. March 1st, SCC hosted a community Blood Drive with Virsiti. We had 2 blood mobiles come and set up in the church parking lot. We had a total of 31 people donate blood from the community. March 2nd Zachary Alexander came and spoke to the congregation about the Abby Hunt Bryce Home Morning Light operates providing a home for the terminally ill with limited means. March WOWW project is Easter Bags to be given to 12 residents/patients at the Abby Hunt Bryce Home and one Easter Bag for their hard-working care givers. We are collecting individually wrapped snack food and k cups for the care giver Easter Bag. For the residents we will have 12 Easter Bags in the Hall of Lights with instructions on what items to fill the Easter Bag. All donations must be returned by Sunday, March 30th.

Amy Ostrander World Outreach Chair

Speedway Christian Church Vision

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,

As we continue through this season of Lent, I have been reminded of the importance that bread has had in my life. Maybe, you too have spent some time down memory lane.

One of my earliest memories of bread centers around what we would call *toast*



in the oven. Growing up I remember those wonderful Saturdays that did not require us to be anywhere in the morning. Mom would get out a baking sheet, open a loaf of bread, butter one side of the bread and sprinkle a magical combination of cinnamon and sugar on the buttered side of the bread. This combination would then be placed in the oven and the broiler would be turned on. To this day, I have not actual idea what the broiler setting does, but—I know that it is essential and makes the best toast in the oven. I remember that if you timed it just right, you catch the perfect piece. Not too hot to burn your fingers, but hot enough that the butter had not yet set up. Oh those days. I can still taste that perfect piece.

As I grew up, I began to appreciate the art of making bread in a bread machine. This time, Mom and Grandma would make bread. Meaning, if there was a family gathering—chances were good that homemade bread was there! And just like with my prior experience, if you timed it right, you could make the perfect fresh baked bread slice around. I can still smell that smell and hear my Grandma saying don't touch! It is not ready yet!

And now, Krista makes an amazing homemade bread. I told *Lunch and Learn* this week a little about the process and how we had to wait and let the dough rise. In the middle of winter, that meant putting the container near the fire. It also meant that we had to slow down enough to catch the moment that the bread was done rising... In our busy lives, this was a gift.

Krista recently offered to *make* the bread for the Sunday following Christmas this year. I have to admit, I was looking forward to enjoying the left-over communion bread. However, I soon discovered that there was not any of the bread left!

How about that for an image. The realization that there was enough bread to go around, and that someone else called dibs on the left-overs. I think that this is the way that communion is supposed to be experienced. We look with anticipation to sharing the bread and the cup. We rejoice that all have a place at the table, and if there happens to be any extra, well— someone else has already called *dibs*. May you experience the *bread of life* in a new way during this Lenten season.

Shalom, Rev. Kyle

News and Updates from Reverend Katie

Becoming a **Worship and Wonder storyteller** was one of the best decisions I ever made in ministry. It is a program that is unlike anything else in the church. It is a space where God is experienced, not just learned about. Worship and Wonder *is* worship and all of the elements of worship are experienced, they are just



present in a different way. We are in need of more storytellers, so if you are interested, please let Karen Edmiston or I know You are always welcome to sit-in on a class if you would like or view one of the stories as they are posted in the Weekly Update.

We have **Lent materials** available in the Hall of Light for adults, children, and youth. These materials will help us as a congregation to journey through Lent together, both at church and at home. You can find our resources in the Hall of Light or digitally through our website: www.speedwaychristian.org/devotionals/.

Quest is a program through our Indiana region of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) with the goal of helping families to participate in the Christian education of their children. Quest is achieving this by journeying through the Fruits of the Spirit (from Galatians 5:22-23). Every four months, we move onto another Fruit. In May, we will begin the Fruit of Patience and your kids will receive a box from the region filled with materials you will need for that unit. You will also receive an email with an absolutely amazing collection of activities, devotions, prayers, and so many things to help you and your family grow with God as you grow with the Fruits of the Spirit. AND! If you did not register for the program to receive the LOVE box, you can now register each of your kids (5th grade and under) to enter the program and begin receiving the boxes and those awesome emails. We will pay the \$15 fee, you just have to register here: https://tinyurl.com/indianaguest.

Because quest will be a long-term program for our families, I wanted to create a way for the whole church to participate in this life-giving program. As a result, I made a tree (out of paper and lots and lots of hot glue) that lives on the wall by the chalkboard and across from the bathroom. As our families are exploring love these next two months, the whole church is also invited to visit the tree, take an apple, and write about ways in which you have experienced love and/or ways you have shown love to others, yourself, or the earth. Then, as we begin to learn more about joy in May, our fruits will change as well as the question we will be invited to reflect upon. My prayer is that this tree, in a very real way, will help us all to recognize and reflect on all of the ways in which God's love helps us to bring more of it into the world.

Children and Youth - You are Needed!

On Easter Sunday (April 20) we need as many children as possible to assist our Chancel Choir with the Easter anthem. There will be parts for the young people to sing and to ring chimes. We will rehearse for this special music at the beginning of Sunday School on March 16 – April 13 from 10:30 – 10:45pm.

Paula Nichols



Dear Hyle and Fireends at Speedway Christian Church,
Thank you for being an important partner
in ministry with Week of Compassion. We are
celebrating your generosity as a Top 100 Giving
Congregation in 2024!

Your spiritual and financial gifts are making an incredible impact in hurting communities around the world and close to home. Thank you.

Blessings, Matthew Cabill - Wo C Board of Stewards



Dear Katu? Speedwry Christian Church,
Thanh you for a lways thinking of our
Allison students! Your donations of boys
underwear, wash cloths, hets, gloves
and belts will be well used. We are
extremely blessed to have you all as
our Allison Angel!

MANY THANKS!

Jay Bedwed

Principal

Home School Advisor

Please keep in Prayer

Anita Clark, Jerry Bolinger, Betty Richmond Amber Velikan (friend of Linda Bolinger) Kim Clark (Verna King's sister) Samantha Swan (Verna King's niece)



Sympathy

Our Sympathy to Marilyn Cork and family, on the passing of Joe Cork, on February 28, 2025. A Celebration of Life service will be held on Friday, April 4, 2025 at Wyrk Space, 4910 West 16th Street, Speedway, IN

Our Sympathy to David & Ann Salima and family, on the passing of David's mother, Velda Salima, on February 28, 2025.

Remembering the life of Sandy Ridenour, who passed away on January 13, 2025. Celebration of Life Service will be on Saturday, March 15, 2025 at St. David's Episcopal Church, Bean Blossom, IN





We all need a little Jesus! Extras in the church office and in various places around the church.

Stewardship/Finance—February 2025

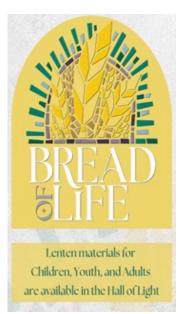
February 2025 Funds Received	\$	29,928
Funds xferred (unbudgeted expenses)	\$	3,218
February 2025 Expenses	\$	38,523
February 2025	\$	(5,377)
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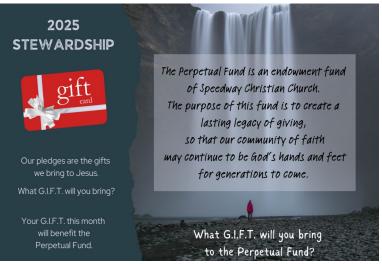
2025 Year to Date (January—February)

2025 YTD Funds Received:	\$ 59,008
Funds xferred (unbudgeted expenses)	\$ 5,340
2025 YTD Expenses:	\$ 73,852
YTD (expenses greater than income)	\$ (9,503)

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Serving at Wheeler Mission





Special thanks to those who gave up their time on Super Bowl Sunday to go and serve at Wheeler Mission's Men's Shelter. Photos courtesy of David