

**ON TRINITY SUNDAY, MAY 31, AT 10:30 AM**, we worship simultaneously in the sanctuary and online. Worship at this [LINK](#) on our website and Faith Presbyterian Church Indianapolis on [Facebook](#). Worship will also be available on the online locations throughout the week.

You can find a simplified order of worship [HERE](#).

**LOVE OUR NEIGHBORS WITH SCENT FREE WORSHIP.** Fragrances can be a serious barrier for people with asthma, allergies, migraines, and chemical sensitivities, so we invite all worshippers to refrain from wearing scented products to worship.



Flowers in the sanctuary on Trinity Sunday, May 31, are given to the glory of God by Judith Allen in honor of her birthday.

The flowers will be delivered to a worshippers' room or home, with the following message:

“These flowers come to you from our sanctuary,  
where they’ve been part of our worship,  
surrounded by prayer, song, and the Word of God.  
May they bring a reminder of our care, our shared faith,  
and the presence of Christ, whose love holds us all.  
—With blessings from your Faith Presbyterian family”

**A CHILDREN’S BULLETIN** can be found [HERE](#).

**ON TRINITY SUNDAY, MAY 31, VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR** will begin within ten minutes after the service ends.

**JOIN VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR**

[Click Here to start](#)

Meeting ID: 849 7106 9416  
Passcode: 540307

**WORSHIP THROUGH CREATIVITY.** Our next art Installation will be featured in the Sanctuary during the month of June. Two corresponding spectrums of colors will be displayed, showcased by fabric bands and beads. All are invited to participate in creation of multiple eight-foot ribbons, by the adding of an assortment of beads and objects to the fabric strips this Sunday, May 31, beginning fifteen minutes after worship in the sanctuary. Once decorated bands are completed, they will be attached to boards and hung on the front panels behind the organ and band areas. No special skills are required, and you can stay as little or as long as you wish. Please consider adding your touch to this project by stopping in on Sunday following morning worship.



## **The Welcome Table** a space for uncommon worship

**THE WELCOME TABLE** gathers on **Sunday, June 7, at 4 PM in W3.** “The Welcome Table” conveys the radical hospitality we offer in Jesus Christ’s name. It describes a time of worship accessible to those who have trouble with “traditional church” and those who are deeply committed to delving into the Word of God. Strawberry shortcake will be on the table.

**Use the image above, and copy and paste this text to Nextdoor:**

We invite you to The Welcome Table at Faith Presbyterian (8170 Hague Rd) on Sunday, June 7, at 4 PM. We gather for practices both ancient and modern: lectio divina, community singing, and shared refreshment. Strawberry shortcake will be on the table. Come and be refreshed. For details, visit [indianapolisfaith.org/faq](http://indianapolisfaith.org/faq).

# Monthly Service of Wholeness & Healing

June 28 and each fourth Sunday  
Following morning worship



**MONTHLY SERVICES OF WHOLENESS AND HEALING** are offered in the sanctuary following morning worship on the fourth Sunday of each month. Led by the Rev. David Berry, these brief but meaningful services create space to pray for healing — your own, the healing of someone you love, or the healing of the world. They include the opportunity to receive the laying on of hands (if desired) and to share in the Lord's Supper. All are welcome. The next service is Sunday, June 28.

## HOW WE SERVE

**BE THE FACE OF WELCOME.** Our outdoor banners are often the first thing neighbors notice about Faith, and we want that first impression to reflect the care and hospitality we bring to everything we do. Neighbors regularly tell us they appreciate these visible signs of welcome. Our banners are also one of the most common ways people learn about events at Faith.

The Evangelism and Outreach Team is looking for one or two volunteers to:

- do a brief weekly walk-around,
- make sure banners are secure and in good condition,
- and swap them out as directed by staff.

If you would be willing to help with this simple but important ministry of welcome, please contact the [church office](#) to sign up.

**WELCOME WORSHIPPERS ONLINE — FROM THE SANCTUARY, HOME, OR ON THE ROAD.** Our online greeters already serve from many places — including the sanctuary, home, New Jersey, and even Congo.

As more people worship through our website, in addition to Facebook, we would like to expand this ministry of welcome so everyone who joins us online is greeted with warmth and care.

Online greeters welcome worshippers in the chat, answer simple questions, and help people feel connected to the congregation. You can serve from home with a phone or computer — and many online greeters also serve while attending worship in person. You do not need to be a regular virtual worshipper to provide welcome to those who are.

Full training is provided. Contact the [church office](#) to sign up.

# Stock the Shelves

June 7-14

Need:  
Peanut Butter



**GET READY TO STOCK THE SHELVES!** It is already time for our third Stock the Shelves collection for 2026 for Westminster Neighborhood Services' food pantry. We will collect non-perishable items every other month-- June, August, and October. In July, we will begin our collection of items for the Christmas Basket Program, and we will conclude with clothing and gift shopping in November for delivery the first week of December.

The June collection will be from Sunday, June 7, through Sunday, June 14. Delivery to Westminster is planned for the week of June 14. **For this collection, we will be focusing on peanut butter.** Westminster's stock of peanut butter is quite low, but they also welcome other shelf-stable foods. You may deliver your items to the narthex when you come for worship or

during the week during office hours. The Mission Team is grateful for all that you do to care for your neighbors in need. Who doesn't enjoy a good peanut butter sandwich from time to time?



**WE ARE THE CHURCH: SHARING WHAT MATTERS.** During the 50 days of Easter, we collected items especially needed by our neighbors through the Sharing Place, which serves Lawrence Township. We received a Catalyst Grant of \$500 from Whitewater Valley which be used to increase our contributions of feminine pads, tampons, tuna, chicken and cereal.

Thank you for helping us share care, dignity, and practical support with our community this Easter season.



**GET READY TO WEAR YOUR RAINBOW COLORS AND JOIN US FOR THE INDY PRIDE PARADE!**

Faith Presbyterian Church will once again join with other congregations from Whitewater Valley Presbytery to share the good news that God's love is for everyone—and that LGBTQIA+ people are fully welcomed and affirmed.

**Date:** Saturday, June 13, 10 AM

**Location:** The parade will begin at Mass Ave. The route is usually about one mile. Contact Kristie Nave at [kristie.nave@gmail.com](mailto:kristie.nave@gmail.com) if you would like to join us!

**UNDERSTANDING OUR PLEDGES AND GIVING.** When you make a pledge to Faith Presbyterian Church, you are making a commitment to support the **general operating budget** of the church. That shared pool of giving is what makes all of our ministry possible.

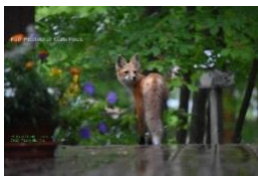
Your pledge supports the staff who lead worship, provide care, and keep our ministries organized and running. It keeps the lights on, the building maintained, and the space ready for worship and community. It provides for things like communion, hospitality, and the day-to-day life of the church.

It also funds the work of our ministry teams—worship, mission, and others—through budgets that are supported by these pledges.

In addition to pledges, many of you also give to special offerings and designated purposes—such as flowers, The Sharing Place, or denominational offerings like One Great Hour of Sharing. These gifts are important and appreciated, and they are tracked separately from your pledge to the general operating budget.

We're grateful for all the ways you give. This shared understanding helps us plan responsibly and carry out our ministry together.

**TUESDAY CRAFT GROUP MEETS EACH WEEK AT 9:30 AM.** We make many kinds of items to sell at our Holiday Boutique in November, and all the proceeds from the sale are used for mission. All are welcome!



**GET CRAFTY WITH FAITH'S CRAFTY FOXES ON SATURDAY, JUNE 6, AT 9:30 AM IN W6.** Crafty Foxes is a group of Faith members and friends who give of their time, talent, and supplies to create items such as afghans, lap blankets, scarves, and hats which we donate to various organizations. We meet on the first Saturday of the month from 9:30 AM – 12 noon to knit, crochet, knifty-knit, and fellowship! We continue to work on our various projects for the coming year. We happily accept donations of tools and supplies.

\*\*Park at the west end and come to the southwest door to help follow security guidelines; text or call us if we don't hear you knocking! Contact Jane Evans 317-997-1404 or Stefane Townsend 317-417-6949 with Foxes questions.

Upcoming Dates:

2026: July 11, August 1, September 5, October 3, November 7, December 5





**SANCTUARY FLOWERS ARE A SIMPLE WAY TO BLESS OTHERS.** Flowers are more than beauty on a Sunday morning — they are part of our worship and a tangible reminder to our homebound members that they remain deeply connected to their church family.

The cost to sponsor Sanctuary flowers is **\$40**, and after worship the arrangements are delivered to members who are unable to be with us in person. You may also give a smaller or larger gift to support the flower fund at any time.

**To participate:**

You can sign up to donate flowers in the narthex or [on SignUp Genius](#).

You can contribute through the office or [online](#).

Your gift brings beauty to worship and care to our community. Thank you for considering it.



**FOLLOW US ON BLUESKY** to stay connected, get updates, and join the conversation in a new space. Find us [@faithpcindy.bsky.social](#) — we'd love to see you there!



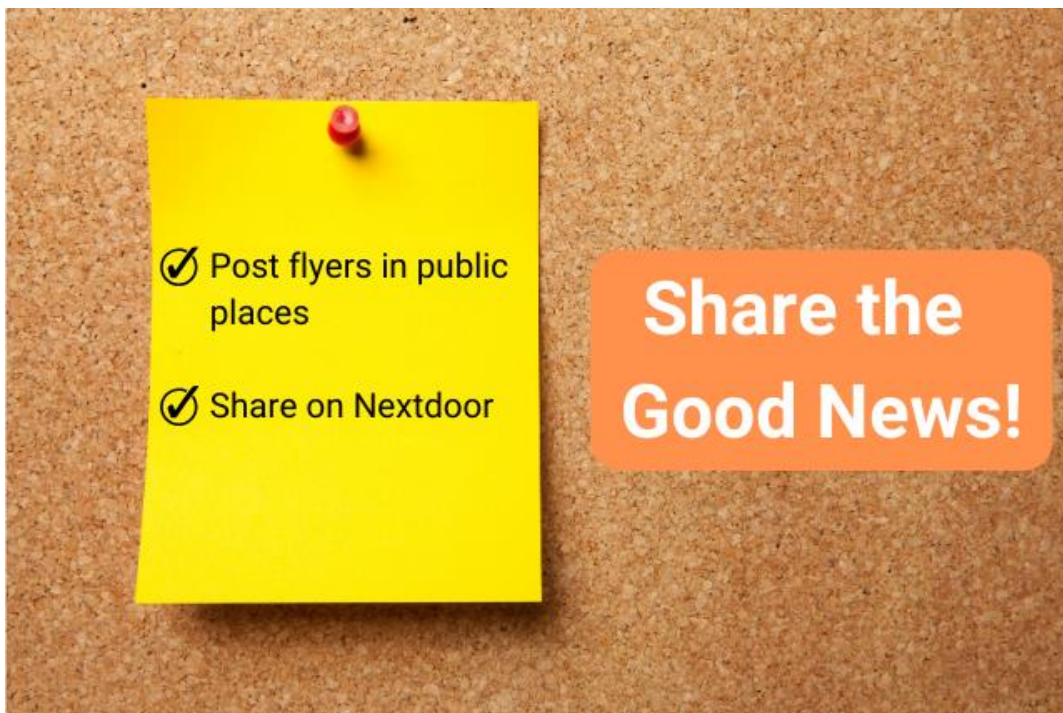
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**SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS.** The most common ways for people to hear about Faith’s programs and ministries are: 1) the physical banner on 82<sup>nd</sup> Street, 2) NextDoor shared by worshippers, and 3) flyers posted in public places.

Help us share information about Faith. You don’t necessarily have to attend the activity. Just share the news.

**CONTRIBUTE TO OUR CONGREGATION**—Give faithfully and generously to ensure the church's mission and ministry continue. You can mail in your offering or [give electronically through the church's website](#).

**THE SUNDAY SIGNUP SCHEDULE** is available [here](#) for you to easily see when you are scheduled for a Sunday task. This schedule is updated monthly.

### **HOW WE GROW**

**NEW THIS SUMMER: BEDTIME STORIES & PRAYERS** - Looking for a gentle way to end the day with faith, story, and prayer?

Beginning Thursday, June 4 at 7:00 PM, children and families are invited to gather on Zoom each week for a short bedtime story connected to a Bible story, followed by a brief prayer together.

Parents, grandparents, and caregivers may enjoy sharing this with children and grandchildren — whether they live in your home or across the miles.

Simple. Short. Cozy. Faith-filled.

Bedtime Stories & Prayers will be led by Pastor Charlotte and CRE Stephanie Davidsen.

We hope this becomes a joyful summer rhythm for families connected to Faith Presbyterian Church.

**Zoom link:**

[CLICK HERE TO JOIN](#)

Meeting ID: 910 163 0503

Passcode: 131262

**PLEASE JOIN US AT THE NEXT STEPHEN MINISTRY EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY IN JUNE.** On Tuesday, June 16, at 2 PM, we will host Kevin Davis from the Purdue Extension Service, who will present updates on the opioid crisis and provide Naloxone training. Friends and family welcome.

**YOU KNOW THE STORIES—BUT WHAT DO THEY MEAN? Tuesdays at 11:30 AM,** join us for an 8-week exploration of the New Testament that connects the familiar stories into a larger, meaningful whole. Together we'll consider who Jesus is, how the early church took shape, and what it means for how we live today.

We'll use a simple guide and short BibleProject videos to spark conversation. A short weekly reading is available for those who want to go deeper, but no prior preparation is required to participate.

The upcoming meeting dates are:

- June 2

- June 9
- June 16
- July 7

If you are interested, contact the [church office](#) or join us this Tuesday. We'll meet inperson and on Zoom.



## Embrace Mental Wellness

**EMBRACE MENTAL WELLNESS** is an initiative led by members of Faith. Each month, we offer information about Mental Wellness for individuals, families, church, and the community. We address reducing the stigma, connecting to resources, encouraging openness, being supportive, taking care of ourselves, and promoting mental wellness. Find resources and read the articles [here!](#)



### Love One Another: RECOGNIZING RACIAL HISTORY



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**THE CONTRABAND RELIEF ASSOCIATION.** As the Civil War broke out and White southern men left for the front lines, many enslaved people saw their chance for freedom and fled north. The laws of the time considered them property, and one Union general began to refer to them as contraband of war. This designation, intentionally or not, allowed the Union army to claim they were seized property and therefore not subject to any requirement, such as the Fugitive Slave Act, to return them into slavery.

Over the course of the war, those who had escaped from slavery could be found in [contraband camps](#), centered around Union forces, and in Northern cities. Whether in camps or in cities, they faced hunger, poverty, poor sanitation, and little aid from governments stretched thin from war. In 1862, [Elizabeth Keckly](#) – herself a former slave, and popular dressmaker for those in society including Mary Todd Lincoln – formed the [Contraband Relief Association](#) to provide aid to the people referred to as contraband and to advocate on their behalf. Though not the only relief organization, some credit it as the one with the [greatest impact](#) on the well-being of the Black people who escaped to the North during the time of the war.



**PROMISE: CONGO UPDATE, MAY 27, 2026.** Congo is a sick country – and THAT’S NOT REFERRING TO THE CURRENT EBOLA VIRUS DISEASE OUTBREAK. You know when you are sick, you don’t feel right. Whatever is sick can slow the slow the whole body down.

Sunday night, I arrived in Kinshasa and went to the Methodist Presbyterian Hotel. Afterwards, I made reservations and purchased my airline ticket for Kananga. The flight was scheduled for 8 AM Tuesday. Next, I contacted the transportation service for the pickup time to go to the

airport. The pickup time was 5 AM. But Monday morning, the airline emailed me with a new scheduled departure time at 3 PM Tuesday afternoon. I contacted the transportation service with new departure time, and they rescheduled my pickup time to 10 AM. More travel time to the airport is needed during the day.

But the chauffeur arrived early, and we left at 9:30 AM. Thanks be to God, we arrived in less than two hours. We were scheduled to depart Kinshasa at 3:00 PM and arrive in Kananga at 5:30 PM. But we departed Kinshasa almost an hour late. Therefore, I lost the entire day to travel activities.

Both Kinshasa and Kananga appear to be operating normally. In Kinshasa, I saw health officials check incoming passengers with their touchless thermometers. And in Kananga, health officials required me to rinse my hands (because there was no soap at the hand-washing station). I BROUGHT MY OWN TOUCHLESS THERMOMETER, HAND SANITIZER, AND SANITIZING WIPES.

FYI, the epicenter of the current Ebola Virus Outbreak is the Ituri Province. The air distance between Kananga, Kasai-Central and Bunia, Ituri Province is approximately 745 miles (1,200 kilometers). The straight-line (aerial) distance from Kinshasa to Ituri province is approximately 1,213 air miles (1,953 kilometers). That's another hemisphere by foot or vehicle. **by Woody Collins**

### HOW WE CARE

**LYNN BOONE JOINED THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT ON MONDAY, MAY 25, 2026.** Lynn was a member of Faith Presbyterian Church for over 30 years. He served as a ruling elder, leader and member of Evangelism and Outreach for decades and member of Charlotte Lohrenz's Pastor Nominating Committee.

A Service of Witness to the Resurrection will be held at Faith Presbyterian Church in the near future.

Our prayers surround Eunice, Lynn's wife, and their son, Stephen, and Lynn's twin sister, Leslie.



### **BIRTHDAYS**

|                    |         |
|--------------------|---------|
| Ron Pritchard      | June 01 |
| Terry Curran       | June 01 |
| Jennie Lawyer      | June 02 |
| Stephanie Davidsen | June 03 |
| Julia Zhao         | June 09 |
| Bill Powell        | June 11 |
| Carol Robinson     | June 11 |
| Jane Evans         | June 18 |
| Alexandra Olsen    | June 20 |
| Lee Meyers         | June 20 |
| Rita Clark         | June 26 |
| Andrea Scroggin    | June 27 |

### **ANNIVERSARIES**

|                            |         |
|----------------------------|---------|
| Margaret & Shawn Gilliland | June 08 |
| Delmar & Beth Kinslow      | June 17 |
| Jeff & Ruthanne Sullivan   | June 20 |

**A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO JENNIE LAWYER**, who is turning 95! There will be cards in the sanctuary so we can shower Jennie with birthday blessings. You can find a copy of the card [HERE](#). You can print the card and return it to the office. You could also comment on the web page with a greeting; your message will be passed on to Jennie.

**WHAT NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONNECTION MIGHT TRANSPORTATION CREATE?** For many of us, getting to church, a doctor's appointment, the grocery store, or even seeing friends can be as simple as getting in the car. For others, transportation can become one of the biggest barriers to connection, care, and community. Faith's Board of Deacons is exploring whether investing in a more comfortable and accessible church van could help us better serve our congregation and neighbors, not only by providing rides to church, but potentially to medical appointments, senior living communities, and other important destinations that support wellbeing and connection.

Before moving forward, we want to hear from you. Would you, a family member, friend, or neighbor, use this kind of transportation support? Do you know of older adults or others in our community who might benefit?

Your feedback will help us understand whether this ministry could meet a real need. If you weren't able to do so last week, you're invited to complete a short survey about the van [here](#). Thank you in advance for taking a moment to help us "steer" this conversation.

**NEED A WORSHIPPER'S CONTACT INFORMATION?** Please, first, check the directory that is linked to the email that includes these announcements. Many people who are not members are in the directory. If you cannot find the information in the directory, contact the church office during office hours or check with another worshipper. The office can provide you with a printed copy of the directory if you need one.

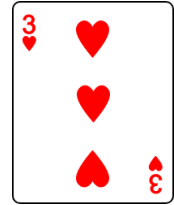
**THANK YOU FROM ANDREA CAPERELL-GRANT:** *My room is filled with the Holy Spirit coming from you in the shape of exquisite fire red flowers. Wow, so beautiful and deeply appreciated. I especially enjoyed my time with Julie; we had a fun and loving conversation. Thank you so much.*



**MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR SATURDAY, JULY 11, FOR THE NEXT GATHERING OF FAITH'S CARD SHARKS IN ROOM W3.** Come to the WEST END to park and come to the southwest doors to help follow security guidelines; text or call us if we don't hear you knocking!

We fellowship, eat, and play cards at 11:45 AM. Our hosts will provide picnic hot dogs and hamburgers. If you are able, bring a side, salad, or dessert!

We welcome those who know how to play Canasta as well as those who are there to learn. Depending on how many attendees we have, we will play 6 handed or 4 handed Canasta.



If you have any questions about this Card Sharks event, please feel free to contact Andrea Caperell-Grant (317.270.7354), Mike Meltzer (317.737.7693), or Stefanee Townsend (317.417.6949).

Upcoming dates:

2026: August 8, September 12, October 10, November 14, December 12

**PRAYER REQUESTS** – Here is a [link to make a prayer request](#). You can also “reply” to this email to share good news and/or concerns.

**SHARING GOOD NEWS** – We give thanks to God for the blessings worshippers have shared with us:

- Effective treatments for pain
- For those who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country, exercising duty and courage despite the great cost to themselves and their loved ones
- Nathan Davidsen graduated from the Wake Forest School of Medicine’s Physician Assistant Program with a Master of Medical Science on May 15.
- A lovely time in the extraordinary city of New Orleans (Visit before it goes underwater forever)
- Charlotte Lohrenz and Gene Shipman’s granddaughters’ graduations from Old Dominion University and Southern University Law Center
- Mike Meltzer was released from hospital exactly three months after his accident and will be staying with Woody Collins
- Annette Roddy’s granddaughter graduates from high school tomorrow
- Annette Roddy’s family has a new male baby to carry on the Throop family name
- A variety of birds and birdsong; watching them through windows and when out for a walk; hearing them through screen doors and while working in the yard; gifts from God.
- Time to have caring conversations with others; appreciate the art of listening!
- Liz, an expert in Native Plants, who shared her passion with Mike and Stefanee.
- The enormous desk that was clogging up E4 was finally broken down and disposed of (Thank you, Dick Rhodes!)
- Piano music from Pat, sometimes uplifting and energizing, other times reflective and soothing.
- Appreciation from Angela Stefanski for prayers, flowers, and notes following the passing of her mother
- Appreciation from Michael and Sherrie Sells for giving young pastors such wonderful opportunities to preach
- Jacob Ombaka graduated from Heritage High School

**SHARING CONCERNS** – We join in praying for needs and concerns shared by Faith worshippers:

- Those grieving Lynn Boone, who died on May 25, especially his wife, Eunice, and their son, Stephen, his twin sister, Leslie, and all his friends at Faith
- Joyce King, following gall bladder removal on May 24
- Janet Daniel's husband, Bill, who is having cornea replacement surgery on June 1
- For all those suffering from hunger and unemployment.
- Ongoing civil rights concerns in our country
- Margaret Gilliland, following the death of her sister and a close friend on May 11
- Andrea Caperell-Grant, who is recovering from knee replacement surgery on Wednesday, May 20
- Woody Collins, as he returns to the Congo for work with Congo Helping Hands, for his safety and effectiveness
- Those sickened by the worsening Ebola outbreak in the Congo
- Those who grieve the loss of loved ones and community members to wars fought for our country and for all who are still in harm's way
- Continued healing for Stefanee from her fall and eye surgery, and patience for that healing
- Alex Dintaman, who seriously injured his finger, and expects to need surgery
- Continued prayers for Julie Lisek's son-in-law, Craig, as he continues his treatment
- Julie Lisek's friend who is dealing with serious health issues
- Mothers who have lost a child
- Bev Hiles and her family, following the death of Bev's mother on May 3
- Medy Myers' daughter, as she struggles with some auto immunity problems
- Tim Trigg, Nancy Davis' cousin, and others who are being deployed
- Julie Hampton, Angela Stefanki's cousin, who had a stroke in January and is making very slow progress
- For the special intentions of: Sasi K., Darryl E., Cullen C., Manny W., Darryl, Phil C., and for those needs only known to God.

*Faith invites prayer joy and concerns to be shared online, [here](#), or you can email the church office. We do not include names of those who have not given their permission for publication.*

*We receive requests from people near us and around the world. We pray with these children of God for their specific requests. When a request includes the names of others, is highly personal, or perhaps difficult for us to interpret, we simply join with the person's special intentions.*

*We ordinarily include prayers for four weeks. Let us know of continuing needs.*

## **SUMMER OFFICE HOURS BEGINNING JUNE 1**

Monday– 8:30 AM- 2:00 PM

Tuesday– 8:00 AM- 2:00 PM

Wednesday– 8:00 AM- 4:00 PM

Thursday – 8:30 AM- 2:00 PM

Friday– 8:00 AM- 2:00 PM

Pastor Charlotte keeps sabbath on Mondays.

Beginning Monday, June 8, the office will be open remotely on Mondays through July 27. You will be able to reach the church office during the normal office hours by phone and email.

### **Sunday, May 31**

10:30 AM – Worship (in the Sanctuary and livestreamed on our website and Facebook page)  
Immediately following worship – Fellowship Time in the narthex and Virtual Coffee Hour on Zoom

### **Monday, June 1**

4:30 PM – Centering Prayer (Sycamore Reserve Senior Living, 8275 Craig St, Indianapolis, IN)

6:45 PM – Hugs Not Drugs (E5)

7:00 PM – Centering Prayer (Zoom)

### **Tuesday, June 2**

9:30 AM – Tuesday Craft Group (W4)

11:30 AM – New Testament Bible Study (Library and Zoom)

6:30 PM – Worship Team Meeting (Zoom)

7:00 PM – Toastmasters Turning Point Club (Library)

7:30 PM – Rebel Basketball (Fellowship Hall)

### **Wednesday, June 3**

10:00 AM - White Water Valley Presbytery (Boggestown Presbyterian Church and Zoom)

6:30 PM – Evangelism and Outreach Team Meeting (Zoom)

### **Thursday, June 4**

7:00 PM – Choir Rehearsal (W5)

7:00 PM – Bedtime Stories and Prayers (Zoom)

### **Friday, June 5**

7:30 PM – Rebel Basketball (Fellowship Hall)

**Saturday, June 6**

9:30 AM – Crafty Foxes (W6)

**Sunday, June 7**

10:30 AM – Worship (in the Sanctuary and livestreamed on our website and Facebook page)

Immediately following worship – Fellowship Time in the narthex and Virtual Coffee Hour on Zoom

4:00 PM – The Welcome Table (W3)