

Cultivating a diverse community of disciples through mission and acts of love



Robinson Chapel United Methodist Church
12707 Tonkel Road
Fort Wayne, IN 46845
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DATED MATERIAL
PLEASE RUSH

Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Nursery care available at 10:00 a.m.
Wednesday worship 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study—7:00 p.m..

God is Good...All the Time

A CONGREGATION COMMITTED TO NURTURE, OUTREACH, AND WORSHIP (NOW)



**It was the Season
for Giving and
we helped so
many!**

Our goal this year for our Advent Conspiracy offering was to build two fresh water wells at a cost of \$3,000. We raise \$5,999 as of December 31 and collected an additional \$52 on January 1, 2012, so we met our goal! Thank you to all who contributed so generously. Triple Pointe Church also collected money and we have not yet received their check, but will be nearly \$750.00. Way to go churches! We will continue to collect money throughout the year for water wells, as well as take donations this summer when we provide free water to our soccer/t-ball/football families. What a great mission-hearted church. We also provided many gifts to Christmas in Hometown. Our hearts are not only for those nearby but those in foreign lands. We are the church!



Don't forget to support the Associated Churches Food Bank!

Our focus for January is staples in a family's pantry including: Macaroni and Cheese, Spaghetti and Spaghetti Sauce, Rice (regular and mixes like Rice-a-Roni), Cereal, and/or pancake mix/syrup, Soup & canned chili, canned fruits and vegetables. Also, don't forget baby food/cereal. That is always needed. Bring your items and place them on the cart in the narthex. This is an important outreach ministry of Robinson Chapel. It's an easy way to get involved and to help others.

News from Robinson Chapel

VOLUME IV, ISSUE I

JANUARY 2012



**Join Us
January 22
To See
Our New
Building Plans**

Your Building Committee invites you to attend the unveiling of the concept drawings of the new building on January 22.

This will be an opportunity for you to ask lots of questions, provide formal input and feedback to our building committee and to Church Growth Services. After a light lunch at 11:30ish, we will present the drawings and then have a time for feedback.

Note: An identical meeting will be held on January 23rd at 6:30 p.m. for those who cannot attend the meeting on January 22.

Please make reservations with the church office. Please sign up in the hospitality room, or by calling the church. Please RSVP by January 19th.

News from Hallelujah Corner is for the members and constituents of Robinson Chapel United Methodist Church located at the corner of Tonkel and Union Chapel Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46845 260-484-1163

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United Methodist Women (UMW)

January 2012

A delightful evening was enjoyed by all who attended the annual Christmas Tea held on Dec 5th. The night was filled with reminiscing over the past year and enjoying the meal provided by Linda Cochran and Norma Niedermeyer. What a beautiful Body of Christ Robinson Chapel has in this group of ladies!

There will be no formal UMW meeting in the months of January and February. Watch the UMW board for dates of mission work occurring in those months. If you have any questions concerning this, please call Sue Rick at 627-7247.

As we look toward missions in 2012, this is the time to plan for the mission of giving books to the soccer families. Any new or used books will be greatly appreciated and accepted. These can be placed on the bottom shelf of the UMW bookcase. Over 100 books were given last year and many hearts were touched by this ministry. Thank you for your support.

Please join us in the exciting missions God has planned for us at Robinson Chapel in 2012!

Upcoming: Cedars 1:45 Jan 2,9,16,30
Assoc Churches 9-11 Jan 25
Sorting of canned goods

"God's timing does not always coincide with our immediate plans. Sometimes His timing requires that we wait and hope." Beverly LaHaye

Blessings Sue Rick
President UMW

Nurture & Outreach



JUST UP

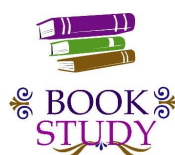
Just Up, Robinson Chapel's Youth group, has gotten off to a great start. We helped wrap presents in December at Glenbrook to help Habitat for Humanity. We also did some random acts of kindness that day. On December 18, we watched the movie, "The Help" at the Jeffries house and enjoyed fried chicken provided by Mr. Jeffries. It was great! Over Christmas break we played laser tag and finished the year with a lock-in on December 31/January 1. We are having a great time and as our name suggests Just Up is the direction we look for answers, where our prayers go, and what we do for each other at youth group -- we lift you up!

We meet from 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. on the dates listed. Please use the East door to enter the church. The evening will include fun activities, discussions and dinner.

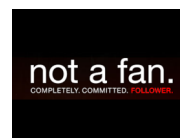
January 15 -- Field Trip: Mystery trip-- meet at the church

January 29 -- TBD

All youth are encouraged to join the confirmation class which will meet on the same Sunday's as youth group. If you have questions, contact Emily Jeffries at 637-7039.



Join Us for our Next Book Study!



On January 23, at 6:30 p.m. at the Agnews

920 Taline Ct. FW 46825

We will be discussing the book, "Not a Fan" by Kyle Idleman

Join us for a lively discussion. The book offers some challenges to all of us. The author wants us to consider our commitment to Jesus—are we a fan or a follower? Join us on the 23rd. Books are available for \$9.00 in the church office.

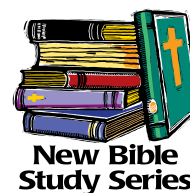
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Church Closing Procedures



Although we never like to close the church because of weather, there are times when we need to do that. So, if there is too much snow or ice and you are wondering if the church is going to have service there are three ways to find out.

1. We will be listed on WANE (Channel 15) at the bottom of the screen with other closings or on their website at www.wane.com.
2. You can call the church and listen to the answering machine. If church is being cancelled, the answering machine will be updated by no later than 8:00 a.m.
3. You will receive a phone call. If your family is listed on the current directory (please check it and make sure we have a correct phone number for you), you will receive a phone call on the morning that church is cancelled. If you are not listed on the directory and would like to be listed, please make a note on the attendance sheet on Sunday. If you would like to help make phone calls by calling one or two families, please contact Sue Rick at 627-7247.



New Bible Study Series

Please join Sue Rick as she leads a new Bible study series, using Luci Swindoll's book, "Choosing Simplicity" beginning on Thursday, January 26th at 9:30 a.m. The Bible Study meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursday mornings in the hospitality room at the church. Please call Sue at 627-7247 in you have further questions.



fort wayne rescue mission

As we enter the new year, we can take time to reflect upon God's gifts that He has given us this last year and how He is calling us in His service for the coming year. Acts 1:8 tells us, "...you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth." I interpret that as God calling me to step outside my comfort zone to do some things that I normally wouldn't do. Eight years ago when Pastor Randy suggested that I speak at the Rescue Mission, my first thought was that he must be crazy; I'm not a preacher. Now, I think of these men as my brothers and enjoy spending time with them sharing how God has touched my life. As we spend time together, God teaches me more about His desire for my life and touches me in ways I can't even begin to describe. I invite you to join us at the Rescue Mission the first Thursday of each month. We meet at the church at 6:30 then carpool to the Mission.

Mike Rick



Congregational Meeting

January 29, 2012
11:15 a.m.
Mark Your Calendars

At our regular quarterly congregational meeting, we have many important items to discuss. Your attendance is very important, so please plan to be in worship and stay for this meeting.

Items on the agenda

- **Trustee projects for 2012**
The trustees will present a list of options for building upgrades or renovations in 2012. These projects will be in addition to our building project.
- **Financial Results from 2011**
The finance ministry will present the preliminary results for 2011 and present the 2012 budget

Nurture, Outreach, Worship



We are all in need of prayer, so each month will focus our prayer on different members and constituents. Please lift up the following

people in prayer throughout January

William and Susie Collins

Val Drake

Lloyd and Donna Easterday

Willie Figgs

All visitors who came in December

Remember—More Prayer, More Power

Consider dropping them a note of care as you pray for them throughout the month.



If your birthday or anniversary is in January or February, and is not listed here, please contact the church office so we can update our records. Thanks for your

help.

January

1/02 Sue Rick

1/09 Vanessa McComb

1/09 Amelia Sweet (Happy 1st)

1/10 Tom Cochran

1/13 Joe Baldwin

1/15 Susie Collins

1/19 Marilyn Baumgartner

February

2/03 Patty Becker

2/11 Annalynn Wolf (Happy #3)

2/11 Teresa Walls

2/11 Avery Ziembo (Happy #4)

2/14 Val Drake

2/14 Joe Mansfield

2/21 Dale and Lisa Baldwin

2/27 Megan Wright (Happy #16)

Servants' schedule



Liturgists

January 8 Jamie Ziegler

January 15 Sharon Baker

January 22 Chris Reed

January 29 Phil Clark

Greeters



January 8 Kolvoord Family

January 15 Reed Family

January 22 Sheri McComb Family

January 29 Clark Family

Cookies



January 8 Stacy Reed

January 15 Dean McComb

January 22 Sandy & Corky

January 29 NEED VOLUNTEER

Please sign up on the sheet in the hospitality room for February and beyond

Nursery workers (two are needed each Sunday)



January 8 Emily Jeffries

January 15 Lisa Baldwin

January 22 Julie Martin

January 29 Linda Cochran

NURSERY WORKERS

Please contact Julie Martin if you can help with this important ministry

This is part of radical hospitality!



Removing of the Greens

We Need Your Help on Sunday, January 8

On Sunday, January 8, after our worship service we will be removing all the Christmas decorations from the church and storing them for next year. If everyone helps a little, the job can be done quickly. Please plan to stay and help in this important task as we ready the church for other events this month. Thanks in advance for your help

January 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:00 Sunday School and Praise Team 10:00 Worship	2 1:45 Cedars	3 10:00 OHOP 6:30 Boy Scouts	4 6:30 Worship 7:00 Acts Bible Study	5 7:00 Rescue Mission	6 Office Closed	7 9:00 a.m. Praise Team
8 9:00 SS and Praise Team 10:00 Worship 11:15 Unhanging the Greens 4:00 Cub Scts 6:30 Disciple II	9 9:00 Alzheimer's Support Group 1:45 Cedars	10 10:00 OHOP 6:30 Trustees 6:30 Boy Scouts	11 6:30 Worship 7:00 Acts Bible Study	12 9:30 Bible Study 7:00 PPR	13 Office Closed 6:30 Movie Night (Cars 2)	14 9:00 Men's Group
15 9:00 Sunday School and Praise Team 10:00 Worship 4:00 Cub Scout 4:30 Just Up	16 1:45 Cedars 6:30 Boy Scouts Martin Luther King Birthday	17 10:00 OHOP 6:30 Boy Scouts	18 6:30 Worship 7:00 Acts Bible Study	19 6:30 Church Council	20 Office Closed 6:30 game night	21 9:00 a.m. Praise Team
22 9:00 Sunday School and Praise Team 10:00 Worship 11:15 Cong. Mtg with lunch 6:30 Disciple II	23 1:45 Cedars 6:30 Congregational Meeting (make-up)	24 10:00 OHOP Boy Scouts 6:30 Cub Scout Pack Mtg 7:00	25 6:30 Worship 7:00 Acts Bible Study	26 9:30 Bible Study	27 6:30 -9:00 Leadership Training	28 9:00-3:00 Leadership Training
29 9:00 SS & Praise Team 10:00 Worship w/Officer Install 11:15 Cong Mtg 4:00 CS 4:30 Just Up	30 1:45 Cedars 6:30 Holy Land Trip Information Meeting	31 10:00 OHOP 6:30 Boy Scouts	1 6:30 Worship 7:00 Acts Bible Study	2 7:00 Rescue Mission	3 Office Closed	4 9:00 a.m. Praise Team

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Confirmation Classes Are Starting!

HEY YOUTH! Are you ready to take the next step in your faith journey? Consider joining our confirmation class, which will begin on February 5 at 1:00. We will meet each Sunday from 2:30 to 4:30, with breaks for Palm Sunday and Easter. Confirmation Sunday is currently planned for May 27—Pentecost Sunday. Classes are designed for youth who are 12 and older, but if you would like to join the class and are not yet 12, please contact Pastor Jill. Adults...if you are interested in mentoring one of our youth, please contact Pastor Jill and if you are interested in helping with the confirmation class in any way, please let her know.



Let's have Family Movie and Game Nights

January is a long month. So, let's have fun together on Friday, January 13th and 20th. On the 14th, we'll show a movie (Cars 2?) and on the 20th, we'll play games or cards. Bring a snack to share and we'll have some fun watching a movie and playing different kinds of games and cards. All ages are welcome. We'll



Postage Rates are going Up

To help save the church money, consider receiving your newsletter by email. Please email to Robinsonchapelumc@frontier.com

with newsletter in the subject line and you will begin receiving a PDF version of our newsletter in your email box. Do your part to help us be green!



Thanks for the Gifts

Bruce, Michael, Megan and I want to thank each of you for all of the Christmas cards and gifts.

Many of you made a special effort to make our Christmas special with gift cards and other gifts. Thank you so much. Because of busy schedules, we were unable to have our annual open house, but we are looking forward to welcoming each of you next year. We are honored to serve you and thank you for all you do for us throughout the year, but especially this year at Christmas.

In Christ's Love

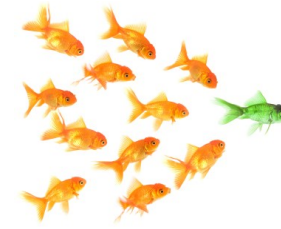
Pastor Jill, Bruce
Michael & Megan



Informational Meeting On 2013 Holy Land Trip

Pastor Jill and Bruce will be hosting a trip to the Holy Land in February, 2013. We want to encourage as many of you as possible to join us on a trip that will bring the Bible alive to you in ways that no other teaching can do. We will be traveling with Bishop Mike and his wife Marsha on this trip as well as other United Methodists throughout Indiana. Come on Monday, January 30, at 6:30 to see a video and get all your questions answered about this trip. We hope to see everyone on the 30th!

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Leadership Training for All Ministry Chairpersons January 27 6:30—9:00 p.m. January 28, 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

If you are a part of a ministry team or a ministry team leader, this training is for you. Or, if you are interested in becoming more involved, this training is for you! Roberta Agnew and Pastor Jill will be presenting information from Annual Conference in 2010, as well as information that is vital to our continued growth. You will be equipped with information for making your ministry more fruitful. We need all team leaders to be a part of this training. Food will be provided. Please let Pastor Jill know if childcare is required. On Sunday, January 29, all ministry leaders will be installed and we will celebrate our ministry together. Don't miss these important dates!



2011 Annual Giving Statements Your 2011 giving statements will be available for pickup in the hospitality room by the middle of January. If they are not picked up by the end of January, we will send them to you. Please help us save postage costs by picking up your statements by the end of the month. The finance committee thanks each of you for your contributions to our operating and capital budgets in 2010, plus all of your additional giving to special projects. You are an awesome congregation and your extravagant generosity is apparent in all that we are able to accomplish. Thank you! If you have questions about your statements, when they are available, please contact Richard Burk or Norma Niedermeyer.

2012 Offering Envelopes Available



The 2012 offering envelopes are now available. When you pick up your envelopes, please indicate what envelope number you have selected on the sheet provided. Also, we would appreciate a small donation to offset the cost of the envelopes with your first offering of the year. Thank you!!



On Palm Sunday (April 1) this year, we will once again be having a coat drive. While we have the procession of palms we will be laying coats on the altar during the procession of palms. "Most of the crowd spread their garments on the road ahead of him, and other cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road" Matthew 21:8 Plan to bring coats that you are no longer using to donate to those who will be able to use them next winter, or keep your eye open for end-of-the season sale and pick up much reduced coats that other might be able to use. Now, we'll be able to spread our garments and our palms and also spread our love while worshipping God!