



News From The Rock

February 2014

Solid Rock United Methodist Church • Warren, Indiana

SOS

Meeting highlights from January 9, 2014:

- A devotion based upon Revelations 21:4-5 was given by Cindy Boxell.
- Minutes from previous meeting were approved.
- Joys and Concerns were shared.
- A lesson about how God carries us was led by Brenda Conner. It was discussed that you never know what a kind word or act of kindness can do for a person.
- Love offering collected and given to a community member to aid with utilities.
- Old Business:
 - Washington DC retreat date set for Oct 16-19, 2014.
 - Minutes are ready for new officers to take to the bank.
- New Business:
 - If you are interested in volunteering for the church-wide mixed gender retreat, contact Tamara Spahr.
 - Planning for the summer festival has begun.
 - 2014 SOS by-laws, committees, and membership list distributed. Member dues are also being collected for 2014.
- Prayer partners were assigned and the meeting was adjourned with prayer and a sung benediction.
- Attendance: 8 members

Mission budget designated for 2014

The Solid Rock Mission Team has designated budgeted 2014 mission funds for the following organizations and projects.

General Church Advance Specials

World

Water & Sanitation..... \$300

Feed My Starving Children 300

National

Henderson Settlement..... 500

Society of St. Andrew 200

UMCOR

International.....200

National200

Operation Classroom.....200

Africa University500

Conference Advance Specials

District Ministries

College Connection Ball State....200

Bashor Children's Home400

Missionary Salary Support.....1025

Other Missions (non-UMC)

Local Missions

Bread of Life Food Pantry200

Associated Churches.....300

A Friends House300

Love, INC200

Other

Wycliffe Bible Translators

Crystal Lucas.....400

(Additional \$400 to be designated later)

The Mission Team will be providing monthly updates regarding these ministries in the newsletter.

December Financial Update

General Offerings.....\$19,821

General Fund Expenses.....\$12,512

Youth Fellowship

The youth had a great lock-in the beginning of January Thanks to Cindy for providing a great meal for the youth! There was a Nerf gun battle that rocked the church and an awesome ping-pong tourney. They also watched a movie on the "big big screen" and enjoyed playing games. At our second January meeting the youth went to Heritage Pointe to visit residents.

Coming up in February is the Super Bowl pizza Sunday where they will be making pizzas. Our regular schedule of meetings resumes after that.

If you have any questions about youth related events, please contact Marie at 228-0070. Remember that UMYF is for all youth in grades 6-12. Come join us and bring a friend!

Just Leaning
on the Rock!

by Pastor Kathy Newton



Valentine's Day came to be as a day to honor martyrs by the name of Valentine, in particular two Valentines. First is Valentin of Rome who was martyred about AD 496.

"... don't forget to celebrate the 'Greatest Lover of your life,' Jesus Christ"

Second was Valentine of Terni who was persecuted during the reign of Emperor Aurelian. This holiday is celebrated

by various Christian denominations such as the Anglican Church, the Lutheran Church and of course the Roman Catholic Church. Thanks to "Hallmark," February 14th has become a nationally recognized day to express our love.

As we celebrate our love for one another and recall that "Greater love hath no man than to lay down his life for his/her friends," (Paraphrase of John 15:13) how can we not celebrate the love Jesus expressed on the cross for each of us? His love was so great that indeed He laid His life down for us! Now I know we can't send Jesus a valentine, but we can give praise and honor to Him by thanking Him in prayer, worshiping Him in worship and honoring Him with our actions. So as we celebrate Valentine's Day, don't forget to celebrate the "Greatest Lover of your life," Jesus Christ.

Shalom,
Kathy

Upcoming UMYF Events

- February 2: Make pizzas after church
- February 16: Meeting, 6:45-8:15
- March 2: Meeting, 6:45-8:15
- March 9: Pizza after church
- March 16: Meeting, 6:45-8:15
- April 13: Meeting, 6:45-8:15

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O Lord, the author and persuader of peace,
love and goodwill, soften our hard and steely
hearts, warm our icy and frozen hearts, that



we may wish one
another well, and
may be the true
disciples of Jesus
Christ. And give us
grace even now to
begin to display that
heavenly life in which
there is no disagreement or
hatred, but peace and love on all hands,
one towards another.

Ludovicus Vives (1492-1540)



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