

News From The Rock

Solid Rock United Methodist Church • Warren, Indiana

October 2016

Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

“Feasting on the Word” Bible Study

“Intentional Spiritual Development” is an area of growth being encouraged for the Solid Rock community, and Bible study is one of those places where most of us can use some growth. The following scripture passages will be used in our Monday evening sessions at 7:00 p.m. in the church kitchen. If your schedule calls for a different time and place, you may still join in the readings and study, praying for Pastor Paul, as we look forward to Sunday morning worship. Grow in your time with God, becoming a better disciple of Jesus, and allowing the Holy Spirit to lead you in avenues of service. Let us wear out our Bibles together!

- October 3: Ephesians 2:4-10 (Joe Haney, leader)
- October 10: Ruth 1:1-22 (Mike Heath, leader)
- October 17: 1 Samuel 20:1-18 (Charles Ternet, leader)
- October 24: John 11:17-44 (Joe Haney, leader)
- October 31: 2 Timothy 1:1-6, 2:1-7 (Mike Heath, leader)

Solid Rock’s “Veterans’ Homecoming Celebration”

Please pray for the Homecoming Celebration for Veterans on November 13! We are inviting all veterans and their families to our 10:00 a.m. church service and a complimentary dinner at 5:30 p.m. with entertainment to follow.

Please pray about sharing your talent on Sunday evening, by reading a favorite scripture, performing a skit, playing an in-

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Fall Bazaar

Please join us at Solid Rock’s Fall Bazaar on Saturday, October 22, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. There will be a variety of artists displaying and promoting their creative works and delicious homemade baked goods for sale.

Some of the featured artists are Porter Sewing & Custom Creations, Ardella Silk Creations, Liz Bolinger/Mandy Bordeaux, Perfectly Posh, Cindy Boxell, Martina Cocklin, 31 Gifts, and Kat & Rose! Lunch will be served!

Please call the church office at 375-3873 if you have any questions.



Kids Club

Solid Rock Kids Club will begin on October 12 and continue each Wednesday for six weeks. There will be a light meal served at 5:00 p.m. Lessons will be from 5:30-6:30. Kids Club is for children pre-school through fifth grade.

For more information, call the church office (375-3873) or Jenifer Myers (224-7807). In the event that Huntington County schools are closed for the day, Kids club will be canceled for that evening.

Directory update

The Solid Rock family is growing! Our directory is in need of updates. If any of your directory information has changed, or if you would like a new photo, please contact the church office. If you are new to Solid Rock, we want your picture and family information! Contact the office (375-3871) with your information or to arrange to have a photo taken.



from
Pastor Paul

Hard things. What makes them bearable? Doable? Where do you find the inner strength that you need to endure them?

I decided recently that I can put up with almost anything, endure tough things, stretch my comfort zone, and deal with hurts and disappointments. If they are for the Lord. I mean if my attitude ultimately impacts someone for the Lord, then it’s worth it. If I sacrifice something for the Lord, it’s worth it. If I’m hurting but I know that ultimately that hurt will be worth it because I’m giving it over to the Lord and He will use that situation or hurt for His greater good then it’s so worth it. But things just don’t seem very bearable or doable without being able to lean on the Lord or knowing that He will use them.

I think that is where hope is so valuable. In my life, I have hope because I know I can turn to God and He can bring good from what I am going through or use it in a mighty way. If I couldn’t turn to Him, things would just feel so very lonely, hopeless and empty.

Hard things come into our lives all of the time. It’s hard to forgive someone who has hurt us deeply. It’s hard to sacrifice our desires, dreams, and wishes, especially if other people benefit who may not deserve them. It’s hard to feel like we are forgotten or “shafted” not noticed. It’s hard to do the right thing when the wrong thing feels so good at the moment! It’s hard to swallow our pride, let go of our bitterness, or squelch our anger. It’s hard.

Doing something hard is worth it though. It’s worth it if you do it for the

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*Our Vision: Sharing and experiencing the life-giving message of Jesus,
to restore wholeness and build an intentional community of hope, relationship, and purpose for everyone.*

United Methodist Women

The United Methodist Women met on September 1, 2016, in the Calico Room at Heritage Pointe. Barbara Hart opened with prayer followed by a devotional entitled "Inspire United Methodist Women." The United Methodist Women's Purpose was recited by all.

The prayer calendar included a mission focus: Victor Tasyor, missionary, Ganta U.M. Hospital, Ganta, Liberia. The birthday for September was Carolyn Anderson, Deaconess, Waldorf, Maryland.

Joys and concerns were taken by Carolyn Winters and this was followed by prayer by Carolyn.



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News deadline for the November newsletter: October 23

Mick McNany shared a meaningful story by Barbara Johnson entitled "Irrepressible Hope" for our Mission Moment.

Roll call was taken, and this was followed by the reading of the minutes. Barbara Hart gave the treasurer's report.

A motion was made and passed to give \$50 to Lucille Raines.

A very interesting program was given by Bernie Garrett about Habitat for Humanity, which is in partnership with homeowners. It is a Christian organization in which all are welcome regardless of race or creed. Bernie and her husband paid their own way to work there because it was a blessing to do so.

In October, an election of officers will be held.

Barbara closed the meeting with prayer. The next meeting will be held October 6.

Administrative Council

The Solid Rock Administrative Council met on September 20, 2016. The proposed 2017 budget was presented to Council and approved. The budget, totaling \$186,010, will be funded by weekly offerings averaging at least \$3,577.

Trustees reported that the steps for the outdoor worship area have been installed. They still need additional rocks to fill in. They will get a quote for a metal cross for this worship area. Roof and window replacement have been completed at the parsonage.

The Lay Leadership team presented a list of proposed officers for 2017, which was then approved by the Council.

Missionaries Nathan and Jade Metz will speak at Solid Rock on January 15 regarding their work.

The WAMA breakfast on September 3 was a great success, serving about 100 people. Young people who attend The WAY (WAMA's community youth group) cleaned the Knight-Bergman Center grounds following their meeting on September 18.

Veterans will be honored at Solid Rock's worship service on November 13 and with a meal and entertainment that evening at the church.

Flu Shots

Walgreens will be at Solid Rock on October 11 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. to give flu shots.

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Fifth Sunday Sing

The next Fifth Sunday Sing will be October 30 at 6:30 p.m. at Heritage Pointe. All are invited for this time of song, fellowship, and refreshment. Heritage Pointe residents appreciate your attendance!

CROP Walk

The CROP Walk will start at Solid Rock at 2:00 p.m. on October 2. Walkers are needed. The CROP Walk fights hunger globally and in the local community.

Charge Conference

Charge Conference will be October 27 at Decatur St. Mark's United Methodist Church. The District Superintendent would like for at least five to six members from each church to attend.

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right reasons. Do it for the Lord and not yourself. If you do it for yourself, that only keeps the focus on yourself and you don't really benefit in the long run. But if you do it for the Lord, then you have a greater cause and something that motivates you to be better, stronger, wiser.

Yes, doing something hard is worth it if it's for the Lord. I know that I can do anything if it's for my God. You can too. Find the inner strength you seek by giving those hard things over to God today.

See you Sunday,
Pastor Paul

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strument or singing a song...talents that are shared to show your love and to honor our veterans during their Homecoming Celebration will be appreciated!

Please contact Gina Canady to be scheduled for your talent at the Celebration, via email, gina@wssbps.com, or calling 375-2556. A banner will be placed out beside State Road 5 to invite veterans and their families to this event!

Officially, Veterans Day is Friday, November 11. Our goal is to show all veterans our love and support on this Sunday, November 13, in order to bring awareness to Friday the 11th.

Please stay tuned for more information in future church bulletins and November's newsletter. Volunteers will be appreciated for cooking, serving, singing and entertaining! Please help us join in the appreciation of our veterans on Sunday, November 13.

Youth Fellowship

Come join us for discussion on Intentional Faith Development! This will take place during our "Lunch and Discussion" times during October and November. Also look for information about the next community WAY meeting. Solid Rock UMYF is open to any youth from grade 6 through college. Come join us and bring a friend! If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Paul or Marie Deweese at 260-228-0070.



Upcoming Events

- October 9: Lunch and discussion after church
- November 13: Lunch and discussion after church

Food Pantry Needs

- Cereal
- Chicken Noodle Soup
- Snack Crackers
- Peanut Butter
- Canned Spaghetti
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Pudding Snack Packs
- Ramen Noodles



Also needed: plastic bags, books and magazines (6 months through adult)

Please leave your items in the wooden boxes in the narthex.

Upcoming Sunday morning studies in the "kitchen" class

October: "Bonhoeffer—pastor, martyr, prophet, spy. A Righteous Gentile vs. the



Third Reich." We'll discover the major themes of Dietrich Bonhoeffer's writing and speaking and how he not only helped transform an entire faith community in Germany during World War II, but how his beliefs continue to impact the Christian

faith of people throughout the world today. "True grace comes by costly sacrifice."

November: "Why in the World" by Andy Stanley. Christians believe a lot of crazy things—including that God showed up in a human body and lived among humankind. Why would God want to become one of us and live in a world of anxiety, chaos, and heartache? Why would God leave the comfort of heaven to live in this world?

Which leads us to **December:** "Because of Bethlehem: Love is Born, Hope is Here" by Max Lucado. A remarkable gift can arrive in an unremarkable package. One did in Bethlehem more than 2,000 years ago. No one expected God to come the way He did. Yet the way He came was every bit as important as the coming itself. The manger is the message.

All adults are invited to join us in the kitchen on Sunday mornings at 9:00!

Solid Rock Mission Giving

Solid Rock supports a number of local, national, and international missions projects. Over the next few issues, we will highlight some of these projects.

General Church Advance Specials: World

The Advance is an official program of The United Methodist Church for voluntary, designated, second-mile giving. Through The Advance, United Methodist annual conferences, districts, local churches, and organizations, as well as individuals and families, may choose to support mission programs or mission personnel with their financial gifts. Each Advance project has been vetted and approved by Global Ministries and Advance staff. One hundred percent of all Advance giving goes to the chosen mission project or ministry. Since its founding in 1948, The Advance has helped channel over three million gifts totaling over one billion dollars to thousands of projects and ministries around the world.

Solid Rock currently supports this and other international ministries through The Advance:

Homes for Haitians

Homes for Haitians is a program to create self-sustaining communities by teaching Haitians to build earthquake and hurricane resistant structures. The program works in conjunction with mission teams to build homes, clinics, hospitals, and commercial structures using the latest technology. This includes teaching electricity, internet connectivity, plumbing, and insulated concrete form technology. In the four year history of Homes for Haitians, this ministry, based in Churubusco, Indiana, has completed 15 homes, a maternity clinic, a women's business center, two schools, and two orphanages.

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Solid Rock Bazaar

Saturday, October 22

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

485 Bennett Drive

- Food
- Crafts
- Baked Goods



Men's Fellowship Fundraiser

East of Chicago
Pizza

October 18
5:00-8:30 p.m.



Autumn Prayer

God of all seasons, we thank you for Autumn.

We thank you

for the touch of coolness in the air that gives us a new burst of energy,

for the coloring of trees that shows the creativity of the Divine Artist,

for the falling leaves that reveal the strength of the branches,

for the hues of fields that bring peace to our souls,

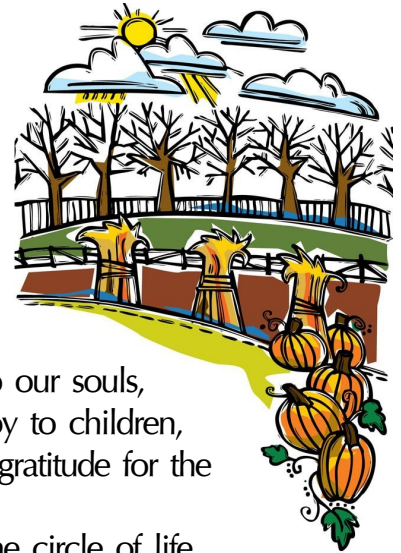
for the smiles on pumpkins that bring joy to children,

for the fall harvest which that brings us gratitude for the bounty of our land,

for this change of seasons that reveals the circle of life.

God of all seasons, as you transform the earth, transform us by your Spirit.

Amen



—Doug Leonhardt, S.J.

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