

THE EVANGEL-MAY 2019

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



What are the effects of praying for peace? Following our Palm Sunday, I asked each person to not throw away their palm branch until they prayed a prayer of peace for each leaf.

So, this morning as I found a curled up and dry palm branch on our kitchen table, I was stuck. "Practice what you preach," a voice in my head told me. "There is no time; the kids need to get to school," the other voice told me. As my thoughts spun into action, I informed the kids (currently eating breakfast), I will be praying for peace, but this time you can pray with me and keep your eyes open. So I rip a leaf off of the branch and I am praying, global peace and personal peace, and then a prayer for each member of the Collier family by name. And then it happened, "Dad... what is peace?" asked Jessup. If you know me, words are not my weakness. So, we started with, 'what is the opposite of peace--war and fighting'. Now we are not getting these dried up leaves off my table and we are not getting kids to school, and we are stuck in a discussion about definitions, and Jeremy says, "You mean it's like being nice and not fighting?"

So, I find myself wishing we had another palm branch so we could do this each morning. It was so precious to spend time this morning praying for our family, friends, and church family. And this attitude of peace brings hope. As May rolls in, let's celebrate by encouraging peace in our lives and the lives of those around us. In Christ

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jason Collier'.

Pastor Jason Collier

PASTOR VISITS AND PRAYER LIST

Please let the church know if you would like Pastor Jason to call on you or if you need to be on our prayer list. You may call **Pastor Jason's cell 563.343.3390** at any time; leave a message on the **church answering machine: 319-657-3020** or call **Jan's cell 319.330-6175**.



WORSHIP – "LIVESTREAMED" ON FACEBOOK



facebook

You are invited to join our worship every Sunday via our Facebook page. If you can't join us live at 10:30 AM on Sunday, you may still view the service on the Facebook page at any time – "Ainsworth Community Church". Also, take note of the following:

- 1 – You will **NOT** be able to hear the **music** because of **copyright rules** – sorry.
- 2 – If you wish to receive a copy of the bulletin to follow along with worship, send an email to the church and Jan will send you a copy via email: ainsworthchurch@gmail.com
- 3 – We have established a method for you to participate in the offering/donate online if this is easier for you than using the mail. Following are directions for contributing online.

DONATING ELECTRONICALLY TO ACC

Here is a step by step guide for how to use the online donation option:

1. Go to the AINSWORTH COMMUNITY CHURCH Facebook Page
2. Click on the "Donate" button.
3. Click on the "Continue" button. You will be redirected to a different page.
4. Select one of the dollar amount options, or an amount of your choice.
5. Choose a use from the dropdown box: Youth Group; Tithe/Offering; or Missions
6. If you wish, click "Make this a monthly donation". It is just fine to leave it blank.
7. Select payment choice: PayPal or Debit/Credit Card. Complete requested info.
8. Click the "Donate Now" button.
9. That's it! If you clicked "Monthly Donation", you are done for the year. The specified amount will go the church each month. If you prefer, donate when and as often is best for your situation.



UPPER ROOM – MAY-JUNE 2019 - OPPS!



My apologies! Your May/June 2019 issue of Upper Room is at the church waiting for you. I attached name labels and have them in a box with alphabetical tabs sitting on the table under the 'announcement' bulletin board, but I failed to contact anyone to tell you to "self-serve"

in my absence. Help me to help you get your copy ASAP! So sorry – Jan

NEW FAMILY RENTING PARSONAGE

We extend a warm welcome to the family who is now renting the ACC Parsonage as of mid-April. They are John and AnnaMarie Ward. They have moved here from Tiffin with their daughters Shirley (7) and LilyAnn (6). John manages a window washing business and Anna Marie is a cook at Wedgewood in Halcyon House. They are active participants at City Point Church in Washington. Please welcome them to our community!



VOLLEYBALL – THURSDAY'S IN AINSWORTH



Pastor Jason has been 'hosting' a weekly volleyball game in Ainsworth at the elementary school gym. They play from 6-7:30 PM with the goal of fun and a little exercise. Check with him before heading out as there may be last minute changes. Example, as the weather warms, they may move the game to the park or elsewhere. Also – he would entertain changing the day of the week to Tuesday instead of Thursday. PLEASE let him know if you are interested in the change. Have fun!

CROOKED CREEK CAMP JOB OPPORTUNITY

Crooked Creek Camp is seeking a part-time housekeeper. As a part-time housekeeper you assist the Head Housekeeper with providing clean, well-kept facilities. Some weekend and evening hours required.

FMI -heather@crookedcreekcamp.org or 319-653-3611



THANK YOU FOR THE EASTER LILIES



A sincere "Thank You" to the following for providing Easter Lilies to decorate the sanctuary this Easter: Ann and Wayne Freyenberger and Diana Bruegge (in memory of her mother, father, and brother). Your gesture provided added meaning to everyone attending worship.

HIGHLAND OUTREACH – WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

Plan to attend the Wednesday, May 8 Highland Outreach program held at Townview Village. Not sure what the program will be at this time, but it is always fascinating to listen to the students share about projects and activities going on at the school. It's a great way to stay connected with the school. The program begins at 11 AM. A free light lunch will follow. this month, the lunch is being prepared by Sherrie Hansen and Chris Sieren. The event concludes by 1 PM.



ACCW MAY 9, 1:30 PM FELLOWSHIP HALL



The next meeting of ACCW is set for Thursday, May 9 at 1:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Marcia Wilson is responsible for the program; Wynne Steele is hostess for the day.

ACC FOOD PANTRY – WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

The Ainsworth Community Church Mission Committee Food Pantry will be open May 15 from 3-6 PM in the Fellowship Hall. If these times don't work for you and you need food, call Kathi at 319-657-2387.



MARRIAGE NIGHT – FRIDAY, MAY 17, UCC



Healthy marriages do not happen by accident. Like anything else, relationships require fuel. God wants our marriages to flourish, which is what happens when we realize their greater purpose – to glorify him and advance the gospel. Hear from marriage experts and discover how to honor God in your marriage. The event will start at 7 p.m. at the United

Church of Crawfordsville with snacks and lots of good learning, laughing, and loving.

OFFERING TO SUPPORT FOGELMAN'S – MAY 19

Sunday, May 19, ACC will have a special collection to support the mission work of Lynn and Sharon Fogelman (Goodwin). You may donate on the 19th OR donate online at: www.tms-global/give - #3017



FOG SUP You may write to them: sharonlynnfog@gmail.com or 185 Emerald St., Broomfield, CO 80020. They will be living in the states for the next few years as their family situation is stabilizing. They will travel for both TMS Global and their new partner, Global Refuge International (GRI) based in Denver. They will make shorter, but more frequent, overseas trips each year focusing on health and wellness (requiring more funds that previously). Two letters from them with all the details are posted on the message board at the back of the sanctuary.

HAPPY 25TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY!!

Wendell and Karen Arduser invite the Ainsworth Community Church Family to join them at their anniversary celebration on **Sunday, May 19** in the **ACC Fellowship Hall** from **1-5 PM**. The couple requests no gifts.



CAMP REECE OFFERING – JUNE 2



Camp REECE is July 29-August 2, 2019. The camp provides a safe outdoor camping experience to persons with disabilities ages 5-80 years of age one week out of the year. Donations-large or small, will be collected Sunday, June 5 in the donation jar at back of church – small brown envelopes will be available. (FYI – Cost per camper for the week is about \$300.)

OUTDOOR WORSHIP – JUNE 16, MARR PARK

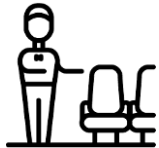
Plan now to attend the “2019 Worship in the Park” and family potluck on Sunday, June 16 at Marr Park. Worship will begin at 10:30 AM in the Conservation Education Center. Persons from the United Church of Crawfordsville will join us. ACC will provide beverage and table service. Please bring a dish to share. It’s a great location to celebrate Father’s Day!



FUND RAISING/USHER OPPORTUNITIES

FOR YOUTH GROUP AND FIRE STATION

We are in a unique position to earn money for our Youth Group and the Ainsworth Fire Station by ushering concerts at the Riverside Casino and Golf Resort Event Center. You get to watch a show for free while earning money for a great cause. A ‘win-win’. Here are some upcoming usher opportunities:



- June 15 (Saturday) - Cheap Trick
- July 5 (Friday) - Billy Idol (outside concert)
- Aug 24 (Saturday) - Taylor Dayne
- Oct 25 (Friday) - Jay and Silent Bob (comedy)

If interested in ushering at any of these concerts, please contact Kristi Bean at beankristi@hotmail.com or 319-330-5463. The inside shows need 15-20 ushers. The outside show is going to need 30, but we will also receive a larger donation. Thanks!

VBS 2019 – JUNE 23-27 AT ACC

Mark the dates now on your calendar for Ainsworth Community Church VBS 2019. It will be from Sunday, June 23 through Thursday, June 27. We will need volunteers, teachers AND participants! More details will be posted on the church website, Facebook and in the June newsletter.



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE



Joys: Returning ‘Snow Birds’ – Welcome Home! Our risen Savior! The wonders of Spring! Weddings! Babies! Graduation. New beginnings.
Concerns: Those dealing with health issues: Sandy Stout; Jim McCreedy; Nancy Stewart; and Jim Thompson. Our farmers as they plant the fields. Those facing and recovering from surgery; those mourning the loss of friends, family, neighbors; those suffering with an illness; those dealing with difficult family situations. **Serving Our Country:** Our sincere “Thank You!” to members and their families serving our country here and abroad.

MAY BIRTHDAYS/*ANNIVERSARIES

1)*Jason/Christina Collier;
2) Kim Yoder,
3) Dylan Goodwin;
6) Mary Louise Meeks;
7) Myron Rees,
Kristen Anderson,
Ted Hahn;
8) Chris Hartzler;
9) Stacy Klinzman;
10) Rebecca Mills;

11) Brian Chalupa;
12) Dakota Longbine;
18) *Brian/Colleen Bean;
LilyAnn Ward;
19) Sue Frame;
20) James Beemblossom,
Craig Edmondson;
21) *Wendell/Karen
Arduser;
23) Bill Wilson;

Jeremy Collier;
25) Brady Hahn;
*Jason/Rachel
Longbine;
27) *Kim/Jenny Yoder,
Kelly Caldwell;
30) Brittany Anderson,
Linda McNeil,
Mindy Wilson




MARCH AND APRIL ATTENDANCE



Month	2016	2017	2018	2019
March	391	320	284	321
April	271	462	413	375

BUDGET REPORT – 3.31.19

	Offering Income	\$6,513.42	Expenses	\$6,831.14
	General Fund	8,422.43	Building Fund	\$6,606.54
	Memorial Fund	\$37,932.65	Need/month for budget	\$8,477.08

2019 Combined Presbytery and Methodist dues/apportionments in ACC budget: \$8,400.00

PARISH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

An overview of some reports and issues discussed at the April meeting.

Youth Group Report: The retreat was replaced with a lock-in on Friday night April 5th that was most successful. **Christian Education:** Dates for future events. VBS 2019 will be June 23 through 27. Kids' Club will resume September 18 with the hayride/kickoff and run through November 6. They are considering holding the Harvest Meal later in November. The Youth Christmas Program is tentatively scheduled for December 15 with rehearsals on November 24 and December 8. The Committee will accept applications for camperships through April 20. **Membership/Nurture** – Cards have been sent to those in the hospital and suffering from illness. **Worship** – Invitations have been sent to graduating HS seniors who have been active at ACC to be recognized on May 5 during worship. Others in the Ainsworth area who are graduating will receive cards of congratulations from the church. Gift certificates from Dairy Mart will be purchased for Mother's Day and Father's Day. Worship in the Park will be on Father's Day, June 16. **Property** – Jason and several volunteers cleaned the yard and driveways at both churches and the parsonage. Jason replaced another exterior bulb at the church. There were repairs completed to the plumbing and bathroom at the parsonage as well. Tim Elliott has renters chosen for the parsonage. **Mission** – In March the Mission Committee food pantry served 13 families for a total of 57 people. **SPPRC** The group met with representatives from UCC on Tuesday, April 2 to complete the "Another Set of Eyes" Report and thus met the May 1 deadline. **Old Business:** We received a letter from Presbytery. They are correcting an error and will reduce our apportionment amount accordingly. Parsonage – We will continue to work with Tim Elliott on the new renter and settling any unpaid accounts from the previous renter. **New Business:** Mowing at ACC for summer of 2019. Jan will contact Darrell (Buzz) Chalupa about having his brother Carl do the mowing and trimming for \$40 a time at the two church yards. There are problems with the drains in kitchen sink at South Church – keep backing up. Jan should contact Wilson's to see if this is a job they can do. Assessor statement came; will be placed on file. We now have charitable status with PayPal so we are charged less for each transaction. They charge us 30 cents per transaction plus a percentage of each transaction. It was agreed that donors should be given credit for the full amount of their donation.



The next Parish Council meeting will be Monday, May 13, 2019

LECTIONARY SCRIPTURE FOR MAY 2019



May 5	Peter's Vision 3 rd Sunday of Easter	Acts 10:1-17, 34-48 ; Peter's vision shows how God cleanses people of every nation; (<i>Matthew 9:36-37</i>)
May 12	Paul's Mission 4 th Sunday of Easter	Acts 13:1-3; 14:8-18 ; Beginning of Paul's mission. Healing at Lystra, gospel to the Gentile world; (<i>Matthew 10:40-42</i>)
May 19	Gospel as Salvation 5 th Sunday of Easter	Romans 1:1-17 ; Gospel as power of God for salvation to all, both Jews and Greeks; (<i>Matthew 9:10-13</i>)
May 26	God's Love Poured Out 6 th Sunday of Easter	Romans [3:28-30] 5:1-11 ; God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Spirit; Christ died for the ungodly; (<i>Matthew 11:28-30</i>)
June 2	Hope of Resurrection 7 th Sunday of Easter	Romans 6:1-14 ; We were buried with him by baptism into death, so that we might walk in newness of life. Hope of resurrection. (<i>Matthew 6:24</i>)

MAY 2019 WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

	Ushers	Greeters	Candles	Snacks	AV
May 5	Neal Megchelsen Steve Anderson	Jan Temple Juanita Dawley	Lexi Collier	Liz Kaufman Rita Anderson	Nick Yoder Joey Collier
13	Jim Hansen Wendell Arduser	Steve Miller Linda Hagist	Jacob Hartzler	Ann Freyenberger Marcia Wilson	Nick Yoder Joey Collier
19	Roger Boyer Dave Kaufman	Jennifer & Marshall Crossett	Drew Diers	Janet Rees Molly Hartzler	Nick Yoder Joey Collier
26	Joe Skubal Dennis Bean	Karen & Wendell Arduser	Gabrielle Dawley	Sherri Hazen Chris Sieren	Nick Yoder Joey Collier
June 2	Neal Megchelsen Steve Anderson	Carol Bean Bertie Miller	Ellie Anderson	Jan Temple Tim Anding	Nick Yoder Joey Collier

CALENDAR OF EVENTS MAY 2019

Sunday, May 5: Senior Reception and Worship with Communion, 10:30 AM; Washington Against Hunger, 3-4 PM (Youth Group); Halcyon House Worship, 2:30 PM

Monday, May 6: Pastor Jason ACC Office hours 1-3:30 PM

Tuesday, May 7: "Son" Seekers, Betty and Jerry Bean, 7 PM

Wednesday, May 8: Highland Outreach, Townview Village, 11 AM to 1 PM

Thursday, May 9: ACCW, Fellowship Hall, 1:30 PM; Program: Marcia Wilson; TKD, 6 PM, North Church Sanctuary; Volleyball at Ainsworth Gym, 6 PM

Sunday, May 12: Happy Mother's Day! Worship, 10:30 AM

Monday, May 13: Pastor Jason ACC Office hours 1-3:30 PM; ACC Parish Council, 7 PM, North Church Office

Tuesday, May 14: HACAP Milk Delivery to Food Pantry

Wednesday, May 15: ACC Food Pantry open, 3-6 PM

Thursday, May 16: TKD, 6 PM, North Church Sanctuary; Volleyball in Ainsworth, 6 to 7:30 PM (FMI – Pastor Jason)

Friday, May 17: Marriage Night, hosted at United Church of Crawfordsville



Saturday, May 18 through Friday, June 7: Pastor Jason and family on vacation

Sunday, May 19: Worship 10:30 AM; Pulpit supply: Parnell Davis, Exec. Dir. For Youth for Christ SE Iowa; Children's Sermon: Heather Bender, Exec. Dir., Crooked Creek Christian Camp; Special offering for Lynn and Sharon Fogelman (local missionaries); Youth Group, 5:30 PM, North Church

Tuesday, May 21: "Card" Club, 5 PM, Fellowship Hall; "Son" Seekers, Betty/Jerry Bean, 7 PM;

Thursday, May 23: TKD, 6 PM, North Church Sanctuary; Volleyball in Ainsworth, 6 to 7:30 PM (FMI – Pastor Jason)

Sunday, May 26: Worship, 10:30 AM with Ilene Schnicker providing Pulpit Supply; Wendell and Karen Arduser Anniversary Celebration, Fellowship Hall, 1-5 PM, everyone invited; Youth Group, 5:30 PM, North Church

Thursday, May 30: TKD, 6 PM, North Church Sanctuary; Volleyball in Ainsworth, 6 to 7:30 PM (FMI – Pastor Jason)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS JUNE 2019



Sunday, June 2: Worship, 10:30 AM with Pulpit Supply by Scott Johnson; Camp REECE Offering, Youth Group, 5:30 PM, North Church

Monday, June 3: Blood Drive at UCC, 2:30-7:30 PM

Tuesday, June 4: "Son" Seekers, 7 PM, Linda McNeil hostess

Thursday, June 6: TKD, 6 PM, North Church Sanctuary; Volleyball in Ainsworth, 6 to 7:30 PM (FMI – Pastor Jason)

Saturday, June 8 through Tuesday, June 11: Iowa Annual Conference, Des Moines

Sunday, June 9: Worship, 10:30 AM with Pulpit Supply by Scott Johnson; Highlanders 4-H Club Meeting, Fellowship Hall, 4:30 PM; Youth Group, 5:30 PM, North Church

Monday, June 10: ACC Parish Council – tentative - date may change

Thursday, June 13: ACCW, 1:30 PM, Fellowship Hall, Kathi Bean, Hostess and Program; TKD, 6 PM, North Church Sanctuary; Volleyball in Ainsworth, 6 to 7:30 PM (FMI – Pastor Jason)

Sunday, June 16: Happy Father's Day! Worship and Potluck in the Park, Washington County Conservation Center at Marr Park, 10:30 AM (UCC invited to worship and potluck)

Monday, June 17: Pastor Jason ACC Office hours 1-3:30 PM

Tuesday, June 18: HACAP Milk Delivery; "Card" Club, 5 PM, ACC Fellowship Hall; "Son" Seekers, 7 PM, Gene and Pat Miller, UCC

Wednesday, June 19: ACC Food Pantry Open, 3-6 PM, Fellowship Hall

Thursday, June 20: TKD, 6 PM, North Church Sanctuary; Volleyball in Ainsworth, 6 to 7:30 PM (FMI – Pastor Jason)

Sunday, June 23: Worship, 10:30 AM;

Sunday, June 23 through Thursday, June 27: VBS at Ainsworth Community Church, North Building, time to be announced

Thursday, June 27: NO TKD or Volleyball this week

Sunday, June 30: Worship, 10:30 AM

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WORSHIP TIME

Sunday Worship: 10:30 AM

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Ainsworth Community Church is a United Methodist/Presbyterian Church (USA) union congregation, together since 1973. Aligned with United Church of Crawfordsville since April 1, 2013.

We are the community church. We hope you will come and join us in one or more of these activities: Morning Worship Service, Youth Fellowship, Bible Studies, Women's Group, and much more.