

# ***THE EVANGEL-MAY 2022***

## ***FROM THE PASTOR***



Dear Church,

I am so thankful that the bugs are back!!! Well, the warm weather that brings them is what I mean. This summer should be so fun at both our churches, and we are doing some extra stuff right now that will probably carry through. First of all, worship will have people coming to tell their testimony. Literally, as many as I can get! I will plan to have a message each time as well but want to be open to the spirit's leading. Second, we are seeing wonderful conversation and fellowship at our Bible Studies (Tues. at A.C.C. at 7:30 pm and Wed. at U.C.C. at 9 am). We also have the opportunity to do VBS together again at U.C.C. this summer, from August 8th-12th. I have a challenge this month. Let us look for the places where we see Christ each day and each week. And share those with each other. I will be on the lookout for people who share where they have seen Christ without asking. And I can't wait to let the Light of Christ shine with all of you! I am just so grateful for all the folks who are back in person and all of you who join us online to worship. May God be glorified in what we do.

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**. You may also send an email to the church: [ainsworthchurch@gmail.com](mailto:ainsworthchurch@gmail.com) or to Jan: [templejan@gmail.com](mailto:templejan@gmail.com)



## **SENIOR SUNDAY – MAY 1**



Mark your calendar for May 1! We will honor high school graduates as well as college graduates. Recipient/s of the Colthurst Scholarship will be announced. The high school honorees will receive a gift from the church as they begin their life "after high school".

## **GOLDEN CROSS SUNDAY – MAY 1**

Golden Cross Sunday is observed the first Sunday in May. The purpose is to celebrate health and welfare ministries and their role in spiritual wellbeing. 100 percent of the donations are retained by the Iowa Annual Conference to fund grants to local churches and community groups for health and welfare ministries. A donation jar and envelopes will be on the table at the back of the sanctuary.



## SPECIAL THANKS FOR THE EASTER LILIES



Our heartfelt thanks to Dianna Bruegge for the lovely Easter Lilies on our altar this year. Dianna donated them in honor of her brother, Bob Bruegge, and her parents, Wilma and Bob Bruegge. Thank you for continuing the tradition started by your mother, Wilma. They continue to have special meaning for us.

## WORSHIP: ALWAYS ON FACEBOOK



You may **watch** our worship services on **Facebook** at: "Ainsworth Community Church". You may watch this live or any time that is convenient for you. You may even go back to previous services. Call Jan or Jason if you have any problems finding it.

## ACCW – THURSDAY, MAY 12, 1:30 PM



ACCW is back! The meeting this month will be hosted by Norma White – at her home – NOT at the church. She will also present the program. All women of the church are welcome to participate. Come join in the fellowship!

## ACC FOOD PANTRY

The Ainsworth Community Church Food Pantry continues to serve families in need by contacting those who have previously participated. If you know someone in need of food, contact Kathi at 319.657.2387 or 319.461.1339 to make arrangements or receive confidential answers to eligibility questions.



## BLOOD DRIVE: JUNE 6, 2:30 TO 7:30 PM-UCC



The Crawfordsville Lion's Club in conjunction with Impact Life Regional Blood Center will hold a blood drive on Monday, June 6 from 2:30 to 7:30 PM at the United Church of Crawfordsville. To schedule an appointment, please call Dave Jewell, 319.931.2044 or email [dlifeeds@gmail.com](mailto:dlifeeds@gmail.com). Please eat a full meal within 4 hours of donating, avoiding fried, fatty foods, and whole dairy products. Masks requested. **Bring a photo ID with you.**

## VBS 2022 – AUGUST 9-12

Mark your calendars now for VBS 2022. The current plan is to cooperate with UCC at Crawfordsville for the event which is set for Tuesday, August 9 through Friday, August 12 from 5 to 7:30 PM. Plans are still evolving so keep an eye on the church Facebook page and Website. More will be posted as the date draws nearer.



## MAY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES



1) \*Jason & Christina Collier, 2) Kim Yoder, 3) Dylan Goodwin; 7) Myron Rees, Kristen Anderson, Ted Hahn; 8) Chris Hartzler; 9) Stacy Klinzman; 10) Rebecca Mills; 11) Brian Chalupa; 12) Dakota Longbine; 17) Olivia Kaufman; 18) \*Brian & Colleen Bean; LilyAnn Ward; 19) Sue Frame; 20) James Beemblossom, Craig Edmondson; Maya Lord; 21) \*Wendell & Karen Arduser; 23) Bill Wilson; Jeremy Collier; 25) Brady Hahn; \*Jason & Rachel Longbine; Marissa Chalupa; 27) \*Kim & Jenny Yoder, Kelly Caltvedt ; 28) Jesse Thompson; 30) Brittany Anderson, Linda McNeil, Mindy Wilson.



# PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**Joys:** Confirmands! Graduates! The wonders of Spring! Christian Fellowship and concern for others. **Concerns:** Prayers for healing and comfort to LaDon Cook, Chris and Dick Sieren, Darrell (Buzz) Chalupa; Pat Roberts, Bob Lynde, and Jim and Penny McCreedy. Please include their family and support team. The family and many friends of Bob Duncan. Prayers for faith, strength, and peace to those involved in any way with the war in Ukraine; to families dealing with natural disasters throughout the world. **Serving Our Country:** Our sincere "Thank You!" to members and their families serving our country here and abroad.



## LECTIONARY SCRIPTURE FOR MAY 2022

<b>May 1</b>	<b>Paul's Conversion</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter	<b>Acts 9:1-19a;</b> ( <i>Matthew 6:24</i> ) Paul and Ananias, each called into Christ's service (locally and globally).
<b>May 8</b>	<b>Paul and Silas</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	<b>Acts 16:16-34;</b> ( <i>Luke 6:18-19, 22-23</i> ) Paul and Silas in prison at Philippi, jailor and his family are baptized
<b>May 15</b>	<b>Paul's Sermon at Athens</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	<b>Acts 17:16-31</b> ( <i>John 1:16-18</i> ) Sermon at Athens: What you worship as unknown, I proclaim to you.
<b>May 22</b>	<b>Partnership in the Gospel</b> 6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	<b>Philippians 1:1-18a</b> ( <i>Luke 9:46-48</i> ) Paul in prison, thankful for the Philippians' partnership in the gospel.
<b>May 29</b>	<b>The Christ Hymn</b> 7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	<b>Philippians 2:1-13</b> ( <i>Luke 6:43-45</i> ) Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who became obedient to death.
<b>June 5</b>	<b>Pentecost; Rejoice in the Lord</b> Day of Pentecost	<b>Acts 2:1-21; Philippians 4:4-7</b> ( <i>John 14:16-17</i> ) Gift of the Spirit as miracle of communication (Acts). Rejoice in the Lord always. The peace of God (Phil).

## LECTIONARY SCRIPTURE SUMMER 2022

### **Ten Commandments (4 weeks):**

- 6/12/2022: Exodus 19:1-6; 20:1-2 (*Matthew 22:34-40*)
- 6/19/2022: Exodus 20:3-11 (*Matthew 22:34-40*)
- 6/26/2022: Exodus 20:12-16 (*Matthew 22:34-40*)
- 7/3/2022: Exodus 20:17 (*Matthew 22:34-40*)

### **1 Peter (5 weeks):**

- 7/10/2022: 1 Peter 1:3-23 (*Matthew 5:11-12*)
- 7/17/2022: 1 Peter 2:1-9, 19-25 (*Matthew 16:24-26*)
- 7/24/2022: 1 Peter 3:13-22 (*Matthew 5:3-10*)
- 7/31/2022: 1 Peter 4:1-19 (*Matthew 5:43-48*)
- 8/7/2022: 1 Peter 5:1-14 (*Matthew 20:25-28*)

### **Ruth (4 weeks):**

- 8/14/2022: Ruth 1:1-22 (*Matthew 5:3-9*)
- 8/21/2022: Ruth 2:1-23 (*Luke 6:36-38*)
- 8/28/2022: Ruth 3:1-18 (*Matthew 7:7-8*)
- 9/3/2022: Ruth 4:1-22 (*Luke 1:46-55*)

# PARISH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS


An overview of reports and issues discussed at the March meeting.

**Treasurer's Report:** There was no financial report or bills to share at this time. Colleen assured us there was nothing unusual to report. Jason will be getting a bill to her for about \$75 for a used stove that was installed in the parsonage. The one that had been in use was very old and no longer safe to operate. Marshall Crossett helped Jason with the replacement project.



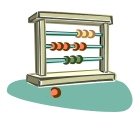
**Pastor's Report** – No report to share at this time. **Worship:** Bibles are ready for Senior Sunday along with the 'party plans.' **Christian Education:** Three youth were confirmed on Easter Sunday: Elizabeth Collier; Jacob Hartzler; and Jesse Thompson. Christian Ed will be meeting soon to make decisions about VBS. Current thoughts are to partner with UCC and hold it in Crawfordsville the first week of August. **Property:** No progress on the parsonage roof. The neighbor to the east of the parsonage has a tree that is in danger of falling onto the parsonage. The owner is open to the idea of removing it, but it could be an expensive project. Jason and Colleen will check prices on tree removal and work with him to resolve the issue. **Mission:** – Distributed food the first weekend in April to 7 families. **Old Business:** - T-shirts have been ordered. The Audit/Fund Balance report was submitted to the district office – Thanks to Sherrie Hansen for preparing the report. **New Business:** - Youth Group has ordered Bibles to be used during Youth Group Meetings. They are moving the time of their meeting to 6:30 PM on Sundays starting April 24. It was agreed to increase the fee paid to Buzz for mowing. He will be paid \$60 rather than \$50 each time because of the extra trimming and spraying work. Jason will be working to submit the "Another Set of Eyes" report. Tina Collier wishes to be replaced as Financial Secretary. Jessica Diers was asked and has accepted the position. Tina and Colleen will work to provide training for her. **Next regular meeting:** The next regular meeting of the ACC Parish Council is tentatively set for Monday, May 9. If there is not much business, it may be done by email and meet again on June 13.

## BUDGET REPORT – 3.31.22

	Offering Income	\$7,630.48	Expenses	\$8,041.68
	General Fund	\$40,561.66	Building Fund	\$11,288.90
	Memorial Fund	\$35,870.33	Need/month for budget	\$7,948.88

2022 Combined Presbytery and Methodist dues/apportionments in ACC budget: \$7450.00

## MARCH AND APRIL ATTENDANCE



Month	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
March	391	320	284	321	112 going online	141	173
April	271	462	413	375	Covid-19	154	290

## MAY 2022 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Sunday, May 1:** ACC Worship, 10:30 AM; Golden Cross Sunday, Senior Sunday honoring graduates and presenting Colthurst Scholarship; Jason at Halcyon House, 2:30 PM; Youth Group, 6:30 PM, North Church

**Tuesday, May 3:** Bible Study, ACC, 7:30 PM

**Wednesday, May 4:** Bible Study at UCC, 9 AM

**May 8: Mother's Day;** ACC Worship, 10:30 AM; 4-H Club Fellowship Hall, 4 PM; Youth Group, 6:30 PM, North Church



**Monday, May 9:** ACC Parish Council, 7 PM via Zoom - tentative  
**Tuesday, May 10:** Bible Study at ACC, 7:30 PM  
**Wednesday, May 11:** Bible Study at UCC, 9 AM  
**Thursday, May 12:** ACCW, 1:30 PM, home of Norma White  
**Saturday, May 14:** Duane Dunbar Memorial Graveside Service, 10 AM  
**Sunday, May 15:** ACC Worship, 10:30 AM; Fogelman Offering; Youth Group, 6:30 PM, North Church  
**Tuesday, May 17:** "Card" Club, Fellowship Hall, 4:30 PM; Bible Study at ACC Sanctuary, 7:30 PM  
**Wednesday, May 18:** Bible Study at UCC, 9 AM  
**Sunday, May 22:** ACC Worship, 10:30 AM; Youth Group, 6:30 PM, North Church  
**Monday, May 23:** Sacha Club, Fellowship Hall, 6:30 PM  
**Tuesday, May 24:** Staff Zoom Meeting, 10 AM; Bible Study at ACC, 7:30 PM  
**Wednesday, May 25:** Bible Study at UCC, 9 AM  
**Sunday, May 29:** ACC Worship, 10:30 AM; Youth Group, 6:30 PM, North Church  
**Tuesday, May 31:** Bible Study at ACC, 7:30 PM  
**Wednesday, June 1:** Bible Study at UCC, 9 AM  
**Friday, June 3 through Sunday, June 5: Iowa Annual Conference**  
**Sunday, June 5:** Pentecost, ACC Worship, 10:30 AM; Camp REECE Offering – tentative; Youth Group, 6:30 PM, North Church  
**Monday, June 6:** Impact Life Blood Drive hosted by Lions Club at United Church of Crawfordsville, 2:30 to 7:30 PM  
**Tuesday, June 7:** Bible Study at ACC, 7:30 PM  
**Wednesday, June 8:** Bible Study at UCC, 9 AM  
**Thursday, June 9:** ACCW Fellowship Hall, 1:30 PM



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WORSHIP TIME

Sunday Worship: 10:30 AM, South Church – Corner of 4<sup>th</sup> & Washington

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319.461.1637; and Ann: 319.330.0348

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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.