

Logansport Main Street  
United Methodist Church  
19 E. Main Street  
Logansport, IN 46947

Services Every Sunday at  
10:45AM



Hello Main Street UMC family. I pray that all is well with your soul. This may sound like an odd introduction but asking about someone's soul is a familiar question to me. It is first question I am asked by UMC conference leadership. If you have joy in your heart because of the love of Christ, your soul is well. If you are still bound by this world, your soul is bound as well. We desire to be set free, to declare our Independence from sin and bondage. Can we do that? Not on our own. The Apostle Paul writes: "All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ by grace you have been saved" (Ephesians 2:3-6).

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NIV

Honestly, we can never be Independent and expect to have true freedom. We can only have true freedom through the Cross, the Resurrection, and the giving of the Holy Spirit.

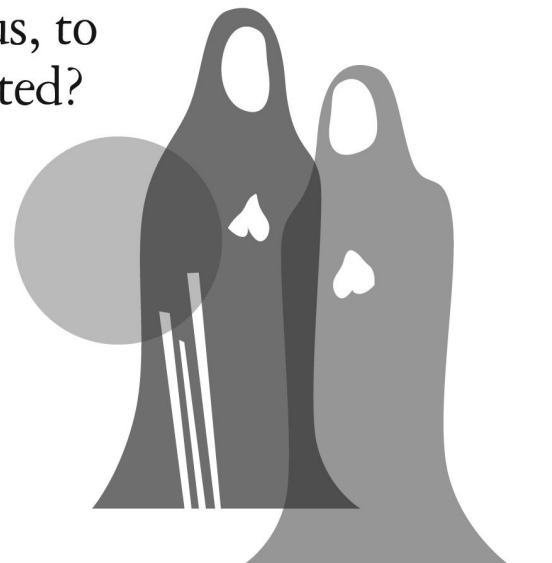
As you gather this year for 4th of July celebrations, celebrate Independence Day as I will with my family. I will also give thanks that my true freedom lies in being bound by the Love, Mercy and Grace of our loving God through Jesus Christ. Be a blessing to those you meet church family, and I pray all is well with your soul.

Pastor, Doug


## Bible Quiz

In Matthew's genealogy of Jesus, to what two women is Boaz connected?

- A. Rahab and Ruth
- B. Tamar and Rahab
- C. Ruth and Bathsheba
- D. Bathsheba and Mary



Answer: A (See Matthew 1:5.)



### GOD'S WINK

“Let Light Shine Out of Darkness”

“Grace is when God gives us good things that we don’t deserve,  
Mercy is when He spares us from bad things we deserve,  
Blessings are when He is generous with both.  
God is good all the time!”- Corrie Ten Boom

Cornelia Arnolda Johanna– Corrie Ten Boom was a Dutch Christian watchmaker and later a writer who worked with her father Casper Ten Boom and family members to help many Jews escape from the Nazis during the Holocaust in World War II by hiding them in her home. Corrie wrote man inspirational tidbits. On 9/23/1913 at the age of 21 she knew that God loved her so she should love the people she hated. What courage and determination!  
“Forgiveness is the key that unlocks the door of resentment and the handcuffs of hatred. It is a power that breaks the chains of bitterness and the shackles of selfishness.”  
“When a train goes through a tunnel and it gets dark, you don’t throw away the ticket and jump off, you sit still and trust the engineer.”  
“The measure of a life, after all, is not its duration, but its donation.”  
“Worry does not empty tomorrow of its sorrow; it empties today of its strength.”  
“It is not my ability, but my response to God’s ability, that counts.”  
“Worry is a cycle of inefficient thoughts whirling around a center of fear.”  
Corrie wrote the book The Hiding Place, the story of her life. This was the secret place where Jewish people hid in her home and Corrie’s story of her life. The title was based on Psalm 119:114, “ You are my hiding place and my shield; I hope in your word.”  
“You can never learn that Christ is all you need, until Christ is all you have.”

Dear Father God,  
Oh how I love you. Let me count the ways. You are magnificent. You are so loving to the unlovable. You are powerful. You are gentle and teach me through consequences when I stray. You are always with me through the Holy Spirit. You do not use partiality. You bring joy through tears. You are my comforter. You never fail, your will is always best. A simple thank you for loving me, a sinner is not enough. All you ask in return is my love for you and others. Open my eyes and my heart Lord so that I may see your total Glory. Help me to understand and to change for your delight. “I can only imagine.” Amen.


-Judybeth Smith

We served 56 meals at our drive up Loaves and Fishes meal on June 19th. The meal consisted of ham sandwiches, baked beans, chips, celery and carrot sticks with ranch dressing, with cake for dessert. I want to thank Jerry Ann Chomko, Nancy Gaby, Cheryl Jones, Phyllis Bird, and Dale and Lorraine Bowman for helping get the meals ready and handing them out. Also thanks to Myra Altice for making the cake before she left on vacation.



Our next Loaves and Fishes meal will be on August 21st. Hopefully we will be able to have this meal inside the church.

-Eloise Sanders



**Loose Coins will go towards Weekday Religious**

Bringing God’s Word to Students in Cass and Fulton Counties.  
4th grade WRE classes are offered at Caston, Lewis Cass, and Pioneer.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 UMW-6pm	5	6	7 J. O. Y. Class 11:30 am
8	9 Prayer Summit 12 pm	10	11	12	13	14
15 Chase Crossing Service 2pm	16 Prayer Summit 12 pm	17	18	19	20	21 Loaves and Fishes
22	23 Prayer Summit 12 pm	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 Prayer Summit 12 pm	31	God beyond time ... teach us to pause in this moment, to tuck ourselves into the curve of your slow arm, that we may know the miracle of now, the gift of this moment: you beside and beyond us, welcoming us outside of all we measure, and standing with us in it. May we see the goodness of our still hours and days, sunrises, sunsets, and the darkness where our rest is found.  —Micha Boyett in A Rhythm of Prayer (edited by Sarah Bessey)			

\* Please confirm all church dates with the Church Office so we don’t have any conflicts.



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Rachel Edward 8/5  
 Marie Scott 8/6  
 Candice Collins 8/7  
 Lillian Hammond 8/20  
 Donna Sands 8/21  
 Tanner Edwards 8/22  
 Sandra Barrett 8/24  
 Patty Carter 8/24  
 Eli Chomko 8/24  
 Kelly Ruhl 8/26  
 Bianca Smith 8/29



## ANNIVERSARIES THIS MONTH

Dale & Lorraine Bowman 8/1  
 Todd & Susan Fields 8/19  
 Patrick & Erica Chomko 8/31



Wed. August 4th will be our next meeting at the church at 6:00pm. Our Sept 1st meeting will be the White Elephant Auction. Always fun! If you are a lady of the church, you are invited. Always learning something new, always fun, help spread the work of the church and refreshments. Come join us! - Jerry Ann Chomko

### Living out scripture

When Texas suffered an uncharacteristic winter storm in February, one couple's act of kindness toward a stranger demonstrated the power of living by the Golden Rule. Chelsea Timmons, a grocery store delivery driver, got stuck in the ice-covered driveway of customers Doug Condon and Nina Richardson. Because towing companies were inundated, the couple invited her to stay with them — which she ended up doing for five nights! The three shared meals and conversation, and Chelsea baked them a cake and befriended their dogs. In short, Nina and Doug say, she became "part of the family."

"Do to others what you would have them do to you," says Jesus (Matthew 7:12, NIV). Doug echoes Jesus closely when he explains one reason behind their actions: "We have daughters, and we hope if they were ever in a situation like this that there would be someone who would open their house and help them."

Perhaps Doug and Nina also experienced the delight of another Bible verse: "Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares" (Hebrews 13:2, ESV).

—Heidi Hyland Mann

### Questions & Answers

By Winfred O. Neely

Vice President and Dean of Moody Theological Seminary

#### *Q: Will some people (souls) live forever in heaven?*

A: Yes, regenerate believers in Christ will, but more must be said here. Physical death is not the end of existence, but a door that the regenerate human soul and spirit goes through to enter the greater experience of life in God's immediate presence (John 11:25).

Today, in this physical world, the regenerate follower of Christ is away from his or her true home (2Chor. 5:6). When a Christ follower dies, that person (soul and spirit) immediately goes home, to be in the presence of God and Christ. Even though disembodied, the believer will be in full conscious fellowship and enjoyment of the triune God (Phil 1:23).

However, at the resurrection, the Lord Jesus will reunite the soul and spirit of His departed saints with their glorified physical bodies (1Cor. 15:50-58; Rom. 8:23; Phil. 3:20-21). The glorification and reuniting of the soul and spirit with the physical body will occur simultaneously, in a time span that the Bible calls "the twinkling of an eye" (1Cor. 15:52).

We will be set free from the presence of indwelling sin forever! The follower of Christ will then live in the unhindered power of the Spirit with a sinless glorified body for all eternity. To that I say, "Hallelujah!"

#### *Q: Will some people (souls) live forever in hell?*

A: Sadly, when an unsaved person dies that person's soul and spirit goes immediately to Hades (Luke 16:23; Matt. 11:23). Please note, dear reader that I take no pleasure in writing about this. Hades is a place of torment, a kind of jail where the unsaved dead are kept until the resurrection and the judgement (John 5:27-29).

At the Great White Throne judgment (Rev. 20:11-15), the Lord Jesus will summon the dead, the lost from every period of human history, the small and great, the rich and poor, the powerful and weak. This judicial summons will raise them back to life with bodies suited for eternal punishment (John 5:28-29). As resurrected embodied persons, they will give accounts of themselves before the judgement throne. With the eternal horror of their names being absent from the Book of Life, they will receive their eternal sentence and they will be cast literally and bodily into the lake of fire (Hell) forever.

Dear Church Family,

Just want to encourage you to be sure you're on your way to the right place! As believers, we will meet God in heaven! This is a powerful, prayerful witnessing tool!

Love you

Sincerely In Christ's Love

Becky Brewer



Planning on having a one day VBS. If you can help please let me know. We will have a Bible story, games, craft, lunch, a snack, and singing. Need "help" in all areas especially singing. LOL. Looking at the dates of Saturday July 31st or August 7th from 9am - 2pm. To Volunteer please contact Jerry Ann Chomko at 732-0367 or 574-355-9060

Riley Swafford 7/5  
Sheldon Slusser 7/6  
Helen Brutcher 7/6  
Lane Collins 7/8  
Chris Howard 7/12  
Sue Richason 7/16  
Gloria Snider 7/17  
Briana Ulery 7/21  
Jessica Ulery 7/23  
Pastor Doug Thomas 7/26



Max & Gloria Snider 7/1  
Brian & Jessica Ulery 7/16  
Jim & Phyllis Bird 7/19  
Rex & Toni Slusser 7/23  
Dave & Barb Burk 7/25

We are having a **“Basement” Rummage Sale**. Weekend of July 16-17 or July 23-24. We need help before to sort items and semi-organize. This is needed to cleanout the basement items.

We will still have one in September when you can donate items.

Again, this is just for the things the church has accumulated. The sale will be held downstairs using Montgomery door entrance. On days of sale we need money takers and people helpers and before that we just need help. Please contact Jerry Ann Chomko or Myra Altice. Work schedule to follow. Lets get out church looking good.

As it does this year, July 4 fell on Sunday in 1937. While Pastor Eldred Johnston led worship that morning in Paulding, Ohio, local kids set off firecrackers nearby (restrictions were rare back then). Realizing he needed to act, the pastor slipped outside during a hymn and found the revelers.

But instead of scolding or shouting, Johnston stayed calm. “I used to enjoy shooting fireworks too,” he said, adding that he knew it was a fun way to celebrate. “But many in this town are gathered in worship, and the noise is very distracting. All I’m asking is that you wait until church services are over — about noon — and then shoot firecrackers all you want.” The pastor smiled at each youth and returned to church.

Recounting that experience in Liberty magazine, Johnston said he half-expected to hear defiant explosions. Instead, the kids waited respectfully until worship was over. When conflicts loom, may we heed that example — and this advice from Proverbs: “A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger” (15:1, NIV).

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**Loose Coins will go towards Wesley Manor**

Wesley Manor is a faith-based community, founded on the principles and mission of the United Methodist Church. We strive to express an attitude of God’s love and compassion by providing the Church’s ministry to and with the aging. We affirm the authority of the Book of Discipline of the United

Methodist Church and commit ourselves to honoring its standards and principles. While welcoming people of all faiths, we believe in honoring and glorifying God and continuing to build relationship and accountability with God’s people through our affiliation with the United Methodist Church.

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