April 2023



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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

PALM SUNDAY SERVICE April 2nd--10:00 a.m.

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE April 6th--7:00 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY April 9th 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast 11:00 a.m. Worship

PNC UPDATE

What in the world has the PNC been up to? That's a very good question. The PNC meets weekly to discuss their "weekly homework". What does that entail? The PNC continues to receive and review Personal Information Forms (PIF's) from potential candidates. The PNC members not only review past experiences of ministry, but also review the answers given by each candidate regarding the Presbytery narrative questions, and each individual's Statement of Faith. The committee is also busy reviewing, and listening to numerous sermons via YouTube, Facebook, and individual church websites. The committee has also been conducting interviews with potential candidates. The PNC continues to pray for guidance, and discernment as they walk this challenging, yet rewarding path to our new called pastor.



The PNC is committed to finding the right individual to lead IPC, and to join the congregation in the important work of ministry. Although there may not be much to share at this time, you can rest assured that the PNC continues to work diligently. Is there anything that I can do? So glad you asked. Yes, your continued prayers for the PNC, and the candidates are essential in this time of discernment. Also, be confident that God is walking with us in the season of discernment and our new pastor is also searching for us.

SCAM ALERT

IF YOU RECEIVE ANY EMAILS from the church staff asking for money or gift cards or anything else out of the ordinary. please contact the church office, 317-356-7225 or email me at lchapman@irvpresby.org before you reply to such requests.

Thank you, Lori Chapman Church Administrator



OFFERING ENVELOPES

All please let me know if you are giving eletronically through VANCO and would no longer like to receive the offering envelopes. If you are not receiving

offering envelopes and would like them please let me know as well. Either email me at lchapman@irvpreaby.org or call the church office, 317-356-7225.

Thank you, Lori Chapman

YACHT CLUB CALLOUT!

We have started a fellowship group of families (with or without kids) at IPC called Yacht Club. This cohort succeeds the Anchors and Mariners fellowship groups. Our goal is to get together outside of Sunday mornings to share food and fellowship.

- April no date set
- May Friday the 5th Cinco de Mayo celebration at the Brozan's.
- June Saturday the 10th Wooden house, hopefully outdoor gathering.
- July Friday the 1st Lewis house, 4th of July Celebration with kiddy pools and water activities.

**Please email Lori Chapman to be added to the email distribution list @ lchapman@irvpresby.org.

Meryl Stuckey and Katie Butler



SAVE THE DATE:

Guest speaker and preacher Colby Martin will be at IPC May 6th and May 7th . Time and details to be determined. More information about Colby can be found at https://www.colbymartinonline.com/

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Mary Alice Eckert

The Christian sympathy of the congregation is extended to the family and friends of Mary Eckert who died March 4, 2023

Kathy Jester

The Christian sympathy of the congregation is extended to Erin, Melissa, and Conner Jester on the death of Kathy Jester who died on March 18, 2023.

SANCTUARY FLOWER OPENINGS AVAILABLE



If you would like to donate Sanctuary flowers on any of the following available Sundays, please let me know, lchapman@irvpresby.org or call the church office at 317-356-7225

DATES OPEN

- April 30
- June 4

SPRING IS BLOOMING Monday, April 17th

Are you ready for spring? LIFT will be gathering on Monday, April 17th at 6:30 p.m. at the Post Road English Garden (1105 N. Post Road, Indianapolis 46219.) The Post Road English Garden will be opening the doors to a couple of their cottages for us to tour and enjoy their festive décor for the season. They will also be leading us in a spring craft.

Women of all ages are welcome, and please feel free to invite a friend to join us. Mark this date on your calendar for a fun evening of fellowship together. Please bring a snack or beverage to share. We will also be collecting feminine hygiene products for Westminster. Contact Janet Wilzbacher (317-459-2400) or Kathy Moorhead (317-430-3402) if you have any questions.





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Summer camp is coming soon! The church pays half of the cost of summer camp. If your child is registered for camp, please email Hannah Braun (hbraun@ irvpresby.org) to let her know. Please include vour child's name, the name of the camp, when they are attending, and the total cost of the camp.



Young Adults Pizza Church will meet on April 18th at Jockamo's at 6:00 p.m.

DANCE FITNESS! Every Tuesday from 5:45 to 6:30 p.m. join Aeriel Lewis in the Rambler Room on the second floor for some dance fitness! All fitness levels welcome. The class fee is donation only. See you there for some fun and laughter and a little exercise.

KENTUCKY MISSION TRIP

This year the Irvington Ecumenical Mission group will be returning to Kentucky to clean up and rebuild after the 2021 tornado damage. This mission trip is open to ALL AGES! There is a job available for every person at every skill level.

When: July 2- July 8, 2023 Where: Madisonville, KY (We will be sleeping at a local Rentucky host church) Cost: \$200 per person

Transportation: IPC

bus/ Rented Vans

For more information contact Mandy or Steve Holzhausen.

MARCH YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE

Friends are always welcome!

- Sunday April 2nd: 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- Sunday April 9th Easter: NO YOUTH GROUP
- Sunday April 16th: 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- Friday April 21st: Spring Lock-In drop off at 7 p.m. pick up at 8 a.m.
- Sunday April 23rd: NO YOUTH GROUP
- Sunday April 30th: 5:30-7:30 p.m.

IT'S BACK! FUNDRAISER AUCTION MAY 7

The on-line silent auction to raise money for camp scholarships for IPC youth is set for May 7, but we need your donations now! The auction will consist soley of donated items/services, which we need by APRIL 21. Need some ideas? Here's just a few to get your brain rolling:

• gift cards

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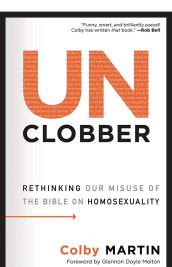
- basket of new kitchen gadgets
- a few hours of yard work
- home-baked goods

Please e-mail DAVID HANSEN at david.susan.9686@sbcglobal. net the detailed description of your donation by APRIL 21.

Items may be dropped off at the church up until then. Wonder if your idea is appropriate or need more ideas? Ask any Christian Education committee member:

Hannah Braun, Lavonne Mitchell, Debbie Hoke, Julia Stauffer, Catherine Stauffer, David Hansen, or Martha McDonald.

Thank you in advance for your support!



BOOK STUDY: Unclobber: Rethinking Our Misuse of the Bible on Homosexuality by Colby Martin

April 16th, 23rd, and 30th after worship in Fellowship Hall IPC's Justice Advocates will be hosting a conversation-based study on Colby Martin's book, *Unclobber*, in advance of his May 6th workshop. If you have ever wondered what the Bible says--and doesn't say--about homosexuality, please pick up a copy of this book in the IPC office, read it, and join us for some or all of the study sessions . This quick-reading book intertwines Rev. Martin's personal journey from orthodox fundamentalist beliefs to those that are more progressive along with theological interpretation of the six scriptural "clobber" passages that are often used to ambush and attack members of the LGBTQ+ community and their advocates.

MAKE AN ONLINE CONTRIBUTION

You are now able to scan the QR code and contribute to IPC by credit card.

Or text the word assist to 844-422-1386 and give this way too.



Finance Committee update on member contributions needed to support the work and ministry of IPC:

Budgeted through January: \$26,667 Received through January: \$19,565

Member Contribution YTD Gap: (\$7,102)

Current YTD gap to eliminate budget deficit: (\$2,170)

Please prayerfully consider what you are able to do to help us close the gap. Thank you for all you do for IPC!



3B will continue to meet the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of each month at 11 a.m., April 4th, and April 18th.

Exercise not only changes your body. It changes your mind, your attitude and your mood.

Three benefits of chair yoga:

- Promotes Relaxation
- Reduces Stress
- Improves Mental Clarity

Beloved, I pray that all may go well with you and that you may be in good health, as it goes well with your soul. --3 John 1:2

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

The Alzheimer's Support Groups is now inperson at 1:00 pm on the 2nd Tuesday of each month in the Parlor. These meetings support caregivers of persons with a cognitive impairment diagnosis. The support groups are open to the public. Please check with Denise Harrington at dharringtonipc@gmail.com for the latest update. Give all your worries and cares to God, for he cares about you. 1 Peter 5:7, Check out the following resources on Dementia and Alzheimer's. https://www. dementiafriendsindiana.org/ resources/ And https://www.alz. org/

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SLICE OF LIFE

Come join us over a Slice of Life! On the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month in the parlor at 12 p.m., April 4th & April 18th the topics provide open discussions. Each session

will have a different contemporary topic for discussion, and how it relates to our faith. The topics are rich and thought provoking. Please call

the office if you plan to attend at 317-356-7225. Pizza will be provided by Jockamo Pizza. We will provide drinks. We are looking forward to seeing you for a Slice of Life!

HAVE QUESTIONS? Need to have a conversation on Medicare, Caregiving,

Need to have a conversation on Medicare, Caregiving, Retirement Planning, Special Medical or Mental Health Needs. Feel free to contact Denise at dharringtonipc@gmail.com or 317-509-7085.

MOVE MORE MONTH!

Every April, the American Heart Association promotes Move More Month. It's aim is to encourage all Americans to take part in more physical

activity, and to endeavor to do so on a more regular basis by incorporating it into your daily routines. https://www. awarenessdays.com



BIBLE STUDIES

WOMEN'S

Please join us the 3rd Thursday of each month at 10:30 a.m. in the Parlor for the Women's Bible study which is led by Rev. Wilson. All Are Welcome!

MEN'S

The Men's Bible Study meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month in the parlor at 10 a.m. If you would like to know more about this group, please contact Steve Payne. All Are Welcome!



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JACK'S O R N E R Jack Simpson, IPC member, explores the archives for stories of the church, its past members and other bits

of interesting

information and

lore.

New York City is one of the world's largest and busiest train stations in the world. In 1913 the doors first opened by the New York Central Railroad. In the early 1970's a redevelopment project was planned, but First Lady Jaqueline Kennedy, along with the U.S. Supreme *Court stopped this project.* On January 25, 2023, the terminal expanses five-fold, bringing the Long Island Railroad into the terminal. There are approximately 768 metro trains operating in, and out of this station daily. There are 40 tracks in the terminal, 27 on the upper, and 13 on the lower level. The terminal covers 35,000 square feet. At the center of the concourse is an information booth topped with a four-sided brass clock. This Tiffany clock was installed in 1914,

Grand Central Terminal in

and at the time was the largest Tiffany clock in the world at around 14 feet in diameter. Also inside the terminal were several shops, and The Historic Oyster Bar and Restaurant. There are also 8 tracks for subways. You ask, "What is the busiest train station in the world"? It's the Shinjuku Station in Tokyo, Japan with 3.5 million passengers daily. Grand Central Terminal serves 750,000 passengers daily.

