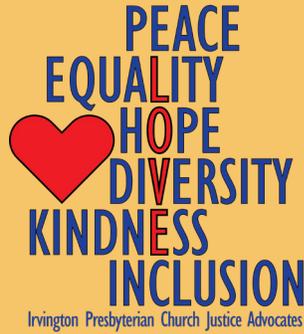


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## PASTOR SEARCH UPDATE

The Mission Study Task Force (MSTF) has completed their work and the report was submitted to the IPC Session and was approved on August 7, 2022. The report has been submitted to the Committee of Ministry (COM) of Presbytery for approval. The COM will be meeting in August and approval is expected. Session would like to thank the following people for serving on the MSTF: Pam Brozan, Deanna Byrd, Joe Dial, David Hansen, TJ Hengst, Melissa Jester, Chuck Marion, Kathy Moorhead, Joanna Morse, Craig Shaw, Shirley Sheeks, and Rev. Melton.

The Presbytery has assigned a liaison to the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) and will be meeting with the committee in the near future to begin the next steps in calling a new Senior Pastor. Please hold in prayer the PNC. The PNC consists of Emily Digos, Lynda Dunlevy, David Hansen, Frank Hurdis, Melissa Jester, Kathy Moorhead, Sheri Patterson, Justin Stauffer, Patrick Wooden, and Lloyd Crain and Mandy Holzhausen as alternates. The PNC will work to keep the congregation advised of their progress throughout the search process.

## INTRODUCING IPC'S NEW YOUTH DIRECTOR!

Hi Everyone,

I'm so excited to step into the role of Youth Director, honestly, it has been on my heart for the last year and I'm finally accepting God's call. I've been a member of IPC for about 14 years. I think most people probably know me from singing in the choir, Messy Church or the amazing theater productions we've had over the years. You probably already know I'm married to the incredible Steve Holzhausen (who will be the lovely assistant and bus driver for all youth functions) and have two college age kids, Caleb and Emma.



Mandy Holzhausen

Instead of telling you more things you already know, let me tell you my hopes and beliefs about the youth of the church. I believe that the youth are one of the most important parts of the church and I want to give them a place where they feel important and valued. I want to create a space for them to ask the hard questions about faith and theology, where they can develop their own personal relationship with God. I believe that food, fun and faith go hand in hand, no matter what your age, so we are going to have some fun and there will always be food.

I can't wait to get started working with these amazing kids!

## RALLY DAY 2022

Rally Day is September 11, 2022. We will be showcasing the different ministries here at IPC. There will also be a pitch-in lunch after worship. We ask that everyone brings a side, salad, or dessert, based on the first letter of your last name. The main dish will be provided. More details about the pitch-in lunch will be coming soon. We hope to see you at Rally Day!

## SUNDAY SCHOOL IS BACK!

We are excited to announce that Sunday School starts on September 18, 2022! This year, Sunday School will be during worship. Children will start in the sanctuary and then go to their classes after Sacred Space. Adults will pick up their children after the worship service ends.

The classes and ages are:

- Nursery - Infants up to age 2.5/3 years old.
- Pre-School/Kindergarten (Rambler) Sunday School-Age 3 to age 5/6 (end of kindergarten)
- Elementary Sunday School - Grades 1 through 5

## SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

For Sunday School to be successful, we need volunteers to lead or assist. If you are interested,

please contact  
Hannah Braun  
athbraun@  
irvpresby.org.



**SUNDAY  
SCHOOL**

## YOUNG ADULTS

Young Adults Pizza Church will meet at 6:00 at Jockamo's on September 13th. Contract Rev. Wilson before September 6th to request childcare.

## BEAR'S BARNYARD UPDATE

The Youth Group trip to Bear's Barnyard has been rescheduled for Sunday, September 18th. Watch for more details!

## CONFIRMATION

Confirmation classes for grades 6-12th begin September 11th from 11:30 – 1:00 pm, each Sunday until November 13th. We will celebrate the confirmation class in Worship on November 20th.

The Irvington Presbyterian Church Mission Committee invites you to

# ? Trivia at WNS



**SATURDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup>  
AT 10:00 A.M.**

Westminster Neighborhood Services  
is located at  
2325 E New York St,  
Indianapolis, IN 46201.

Westminster Neighborhood Services  
provides education support, access  
to basic needs, and community  
connections to empower neighbors  
and strengthen youth and  
families on the Near Eastside of  
Indianapolis.



A goodwill offering will be collected for each participant with team sizes limited to 5. Food and drinks will be available for purchase. All funds raised will go to benefit WNS programs!

Please sign up by  
Wednesday, September 14th  
at [www.irvpresby.org](http://www.irvpresby.org)



## JUSTICE ADVOCACY TEAM AND THE IRVINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Justice Advocacy Team and the Irvington Public Library partnered again to host a Community Read event in August. The Justice Advocacy Team distributed 55 copies of the book, Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City, written by Matthew Desmond. This Pulitzer Prize

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winning book was discussed over the course of three evenings in August and discussion was led by Kristin Shaw. Kristin navigated through a difficult subject and led the lively discussions on housing and what the term "eviction" really means in America. At the time of this newsletter deadline, the final discussion had not occurred. The third evening's discussion will include a panel of local experts with insight to the housing concerns

of Indianapolis.

If you are interested in learning more about the Justice Advocacy Team and how you can become involved, please contact Kathy Moorhead.



## BUS DRIVERS ARE NEEDED!



Bus Drivers are needed on Sundays to drive our Westminster folks to and from worship. No special license is needed just a valid driver's license.

If you would like to do a ride along one Sunday with one of our current bus drivers, please let Lori Chapman in the church office know or one of our current drivers: Steve Holzhausen, Steve Lewis, Chuck Marion, or Scott Stroud.

Congratulations to The IPC softball team on a great season. Finishing league Co-Champions and overall, most enjoyable to team root for! Contact Coach Matt Harris for information for next season.



## MISSION TRIP 2022 WRAP-UP

This past July a group of 14 people, ages 2 and up, spent 5 days helping with Tornado Recovery in Princeton Kentucky. Here are a few highlights and reflections from the team ....

- Insulation, Drywall, Insulation, Drywall...repeat
- Being around teens and seeing their work ethic on the job site and their antics and fellowship in the evenings.
- Hot, dirty work and the best week of my life.
- Hearing the homeowner, Ashley, tell her story of not just the damage the tornado did to her home, but also losing her son just before the tornado.
- Seeing the resilience of our fellow humans. Either in the laughter of someone that has lost nearly all of their worldly possessions to the way a teen can run and play in the evenings after working themselves to the bone the same day.
- Our contribution of “work” no matter how big or how small, is received in the spirit it is freely given.
- When working all day you should plan a morning banana break. Yeah you should!
- Sharing stories of faith and service with each other during devotionals.
- Meeting, working with and becoming friends with people from different walks of faith.
- Sunday road trip is the awkward silence of strangers, Saturday is hugs and goodbyes from friends.
- Our team ranged from blue hair to no hair, 65 to 17.
- From the sponsoring institution we stay, eat and sleep at, the organizers of the volunteer help to the government supply of bathing facilities and supplies on the job site, to the homeowners/ victims themselves we are treated with respect and appreciation of our time and talents humbly given.
- Driving an hour and a half for dinner with two past mission trip participants for hugs and laughter.
- DingDongs should always be frozen, ice pops can be microwaved, and you should try butter on a pop tart.
- Gratitude and pride for being able to help.
- There is always a desire to do more.
- There is a job for EVERYONE! You should come next year.



## LEARNING TREE UPDATE

Another successful year for The Learning Tree. Thank you to all who donated to School #57. Many items were brought to the church and the money donated was used to purchase more items. The students and teachers will be able to start the new year with brand new supplies because your generosity. A big thank you to Diane Roudebush for delivering all the items to the school.



George W. Julian  
School 57  
5435 E. Washington St.  
Indianapolis, IN 46219  
317.226.4257  
Ms. Chanté R. Campbell  
Principal

August 3rd, 2022

Dear Irvington Presbyterian Church neighbors,

Thank you so much for the generous donation of school supplies! It is always so helpful to be able to distribute to every George W. Julian student the supplies they need to start the year on equal footing.

You are a blessing to us in so many ways; we treasure the relationship we have with you.

May you all have a beautiful year and we thank you once again for supporting our students!

With deep regards,

Chanté Campbell  
Principal

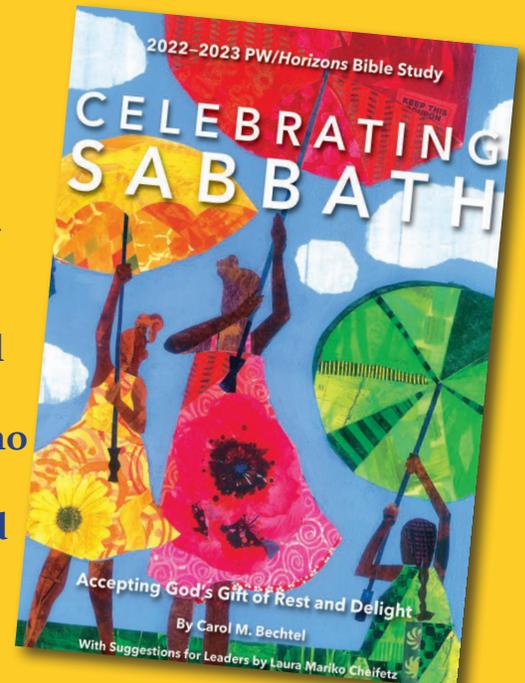


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## WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

IPC Women's Bible Study begins Thursday, Sept. 15, 10:30 a.m. in the parlor. The study book, Celebrating Sabbath, is nine monthly lessons with such themes as service, Sunday, hospitality, self-care, community. Rev. Maureen Wilson will lead the study. Contact Gail McNierney to reserve a book (\$10.00) --317-861-3967. Please make your check payable to IPC and in the memo of your check note Women's Bible Study book. All women are welcome for learning and fellowship....and maybe "doing lunch" afterward.





## REPURPOSING CRAFTS FOR CHRISTMAS

LIFT will be gathering at the IPC parlor to repurpose Christmas cards into gift tags and more. Please bring your old cards, scissors, and cookie cutters for some crafting fun.

Mark your calendar for a fun evening of fellowship! We will gather on Monday, September 19th at 6:30 pm. Women of all ages are welcome and please feel free to invite a friend to join us - the more the merrier! Also, please bring a snack to share. We will be collecting feminine hygiene products for Westminster. Please contact Kathy Moorhead (317-430-3402) if you have any questions.

The Presbyterian Coffee Project works with Equal Exchange to bring you high

quality coffee, tea and cocoa products. Each purchase made earns credit for the Presbyterian Hunger Program. Help IPC



to remain in the top 5% of congregational sales by purchasing from our Equal Exchange cart or ordering by the case.

Please contact me if you'd like to be added to the email list for bulk Equal Exchange orders.

Merylstuckey@icloud.com

<https://shop.equalexchange.coop/>



**Sunday,  
October 2<sup>nd</sup>  
12:00-1:30**

In partnership with the Indy Humane Society IPC will host its second Blessing of the Animals on June 12th from 12-1:30 pm

**LOCATION:**

IPC playground and parking lot

Bring your furry friends for a blessing, with activities and treats for all ages and sizes. We will also include a rainbow bridge remembrance area for those who have said goodbye to their pets this year.

## BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



**indyhumane**

7929 North Michigan Road  
Indianapolis, IN 46268  
[indyhumane.org](http://indyhumane.org)

**Donation Wish List:**

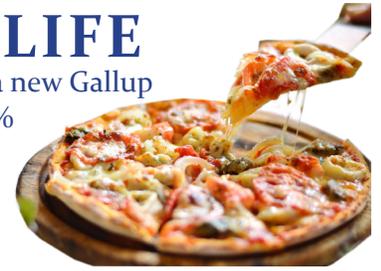
- Squeeze cheese, hot dogs
- Large nylon martingale collars, medium/large EasyWalk harnesses
- Small chewy, soft treats for dogs and cats
- High-quality canned food, especially cat, kitten, and puppy food



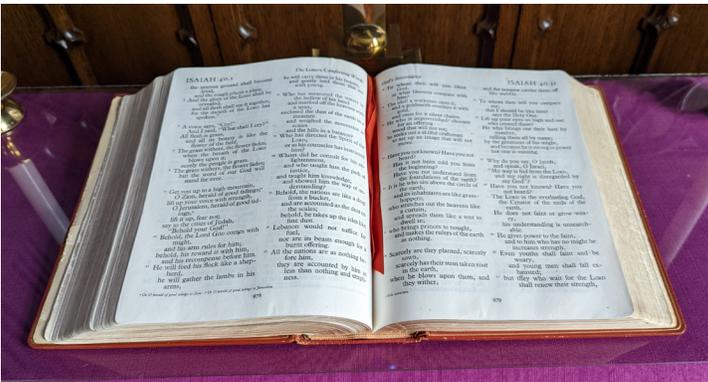
**3B exercise Brian, Body & Belief will resume on Tuesday, September 6th at 11 am. Regular physical activity is an important part of a healthy lifestyle. Not only is it good for your muscles and bones, it can keep your brain healthy, too. Physical activity can improve your cognitive health—helping you think, learn, problem-solve, and enjoy an emotional balance. It can improve memory and reduce anxiety or depression. May 21, 2021 According to the CDC. Come out and join us for 3B and a little for Slice of Life!**

## SLICE OF LIFE

A recently released report from a new Gallup poll revealed that only about 20% of Americans consider the Bible to be the literal word of God, but 49% indicated that they consider the Bible to be inspired by God, but not all of it to be taken literally. This news gives us an opportunity to think about how we approach the Bible and how our view of it influences the way we live our faith. We will discuss the results of this poll and challenge it with scripture. What does the Bible say in 2 Timothy 3:16-17? Come join the likely discussion at Slice of Life on Tuesday, September 6th at 12:30 pm in the parlor.



**A huge thanks to Steve and Neil Lewis for installing new permanent TV monitor in the Sanctuary!**



### MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Men's Bible Study that meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m. in the Parlor. All men are invited to attend.



### ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

The Alzheimer's Support Groups is now in-person at 1:00 pm on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. These meetings support caregivers of person with a cognitive diagnosis. The support groups are open to the public. Please check with Denise Harrington at dharringtonipc@gmail.com for the latest update.

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## JACK'S C 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.

### *Have Any of These Happened to You?*

#### THESE ARE UNIVERSAL LAWS

1. *After your hands get covered with grease, your nose begins to itch.*
2. *Any small part like a screw when dropped, will roll to the least accessible place in the universe.*
3. *If you dial a wrong number, you never get a busy signal; someone always answers.*
4. *If you change traffic lanes because of heavy traffic, the one you were in always moves faster than the one you are now in.*
5. *When you are in the bath tub the phone will ring.*
6. *The probability of someone you know increases dramatically when you are with someone you don't want to be seen with.*
7. *The severity of the itch is inversely proportional to the reach.*
8. *The chances of an open face sandwich landing face down on the floor are directly correlated to the newness and cost of the carpet.*
9. *Whenever there is a 50-50 chance of getting something right, there is a 90% probability that you will get it wrong.*
10. *As soon as you find a product that you really like, they will stop making it or the store will stop caring it.*
11. *If you don't feel well, make an appointment to go to the doctor, by the time you get there you will feel better. But don't make an appointment and you'll stay sick.*