## July 2023



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#### The next Wednesday Wonderful is July 12 from 5:30 - 7:15PM. All ages are welcome!

Wednesday Wonderful consists of dinner, stories, songs, crafts, games, and activities. The theme for Wednesday Wonderful is service, but

each month will have a different focus. For July, it's all about helping one another, especially our shut-ins and the homeless. We will be making flowers to give to our shut- ins. Each month, we are asking you to bring items to be donated. For July, we are collecting items that will be given to our shut-ins and the homeless. You may bring the items to church throughout the month of July. Below is a list of donations needed:

- Socks
- Lotion
- **Toiletries**
- **Water Bottles**
- Soft granola bars or cereal
- Fruit snacks or applesauce
- **Crackers with peanut butter** or cheese
- Gift certificate to fast food
- **Hand wipes**
- Small flower vases

prayer

Pack of Kleenex tissue

Small books of poetry or

Registration is available online or paper. The paper version can be found by both sanctuary doors. Registration is not required, but greatly recommended, so we can plan accordingly.

Please let Hannah Braun (hbraun@irvpresby.org) know if you have any questions or comments.

#### **Irvington Arts Collective Update Hello IPC Family!**

I wanted to give you a quick update on the progress of the Irvington Arts Collective (IAC) matching grant. We are over halfway toward the match! As a reminder, an offer has been extended to match up to \$5000 in gifts to help get Irvington Arts Collective off the ground! That's a possibility of \$10,000 toward making this community engagement and arts project happen! Many, many thanks those who have already contributed and to those who have promised gifts! If are you interested in helping, please visit www.irvpresby.org and click on 'Irvington Arts Collective' to donate.

As reminder, IAC is an arm of IPC based on 4 pillars of arts and community engagement: 1) The Irvington Community Chorus - a choir rooted in social and environmental justice open to all, 2) Contemplative Meditation - a service of deep thought, relaxation, and rejuvenation offered to the entire community, 3) The Gallery @ IPC which will be housed right here in our building that will offer space to church and community members to display their original art and artistic creations, and 4) The Studios at IPC - we will be utilizing underused spaces in our building to pair teachers of art, dance, and music with student of all ages who want to learn! The Studios @ IPC will partner with local colleges and universities to offer real-life teaching experiences to art, dance, and music education majors as well as provide teaching spaces for those in our community who are seasoned artists themselves.

Please reach out to me (wparker@irvpresby.org) with any question or if you'd like to be a part of helping to get IAC off the ground!

With much gratitude, Webb

#### DEAR PRESBYTERIANS,

This year the Women's Bible Study focused our time on the topic of Sabbath, the dedicated time of rest prescribed by God for the care and well-being of all people. Sabbath can be time alone or time with family or friends. It can be spent quietly in prayer or with a good book or it can be sharing a laugh and meal with loved ones. Sabbath is the time that we carve out for the Holy and it says "No!" to the culture of Now and More. As we enter into the lazy dayz of summer I hope you can carve out some time for Holy Sabbath this month, to enjoy a breath and a beat, to jump off the ever-turning hamster wheel of work and life demands that can consume our every hour. May you find time for Holy rest and rejuvenation this July.

In Christ.

Manus

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Summer is a busy time with lots of fun activities. Picnics, family reunions and travels have us filling our To Do Lists. As you check items from your list such as stopping the mail, picking up snacks, etc., please remember your financial support of IPC. Wishing you safe travels and fun adventures.



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

Budgeted through April: \$106,667 Received through April: \$89,751 Member Contribution YTD Gap: (\$16,916)

Current YTD gap to eliminate budget deficit: (\$15,156)

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

YOUNG ADULTS
PIZZA CHURCH
Young Adult Pizza
Church meets
Tuesday, July 11th, at
6:00 p.m. at Jockamos.



#### **CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY**

The Christian sympathy of the congregation is extended the family and friends of Gary Fravel who died June 5, 2023.

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The Christian sympathy of the congregation is extended to Toni Morris in the death of her brother, Terry Morris.

#### MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

We will meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the church Parlor. Please join us if you can. If you have questions, please contact Steve Payne.



WOMEN'S LUNCH BUNCH will meet at Lincoln Square in Irvington on Thursday, July 6th at 11 a.m. Please call the church office if you plan to attend.

#### **SUMMER SUNDAYS**

Summer Sundays are now available for children in PreK to 2nd Grade. All children will play together on the playground, weather permitted. If not, then children will play games inside. Sunday School classes will resume in the Fall. Please contact Hannah Braun (hbraun@irvpresby.org) if you have any questions.

# SUMMER CAMP

#### Summer camp is here!

The church pays half of the cost of summer camp. If you or your child are registered for camp, please email Hannah Braun (hbraun@irvpresby.org) to let her know. Please include the camper's name, the name of the camp, the dates they are attending, and the total cost of camp.

# **JULY YOUTH NEWS**

The Youth Group continues to meet on Sunday evenings during the summer. In addition to our weekly meetings in June, we also did a trip to Kings Island. We are looking forward to our mission trip in July. For up-to-date information and pictures follow us on Instagram @irvpresbyyouth.

July Youth Group Schedule: Friends are always welcome!

July 2-8: Kentucky Mission Trip

July 9: NO YOUTH GROUP

July 16: 5:30-7:30 Youth Group July 23: 5:30-7:30 Youth Group

July 30: 5:30-7:30 Youth Group



# CONGRATULATIONS TO THE DEWEY FAMILY!

Beatrice Dewey, daughter of Nelson and Julia and sister of Wilhelmina and Calvin, was received and

blessed during the worship service on Sunday, June 18, 2023.



#### IPC SOFTBALL SCHEDULE 2023

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|-------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------|-------------------|
| <b>DAY/DATE</b>               | <b>OPPONENT</b> | <b>TIME</b> | <b>FIELD</b> | HOME/AWAY         |
| Monday, July 10               | People's Church | 6:15 p.m.   | 1            | Away Doubleheader |
| Monday, July 10               | Common Ground   | 7:30 p.m.   | 1            | Away              |
| Monday. July 17               | Common Ground   | 6:15 p.m.   | 2            | Home              |

Field 1 is next to the playground. Field 2 is closest to German Church Road.



#### INDY PRIDE PARADE

Thank you, IPC for your support. We had a large contingency of IPC members and friends gather to celebrate inclusivity in Indianapolis.

#### From the Justice Advocacy Team:

Kathy Moorhead Sheri Patterson Tom Harton Aeriel Lewis Erika Hinshaw Craig Shaw Kristin Shaw Shirley Sheeks Rev. Maureen Wilson













LIFT will not be gathering in July due to multiple calendar conflicts with our group members. Please mark your calendar for Monday, August 21st for

our next gathering. Bridget Tetak, Financial Advisor with Merrill Lynch Wealth Management will be our speaker. She is currently serving as the financial advisor to the IPC and the **IPC Endowment. Bridget** will be discussing Financial Investments 101. More details will be given in the August newsletter. Please feel free to contact Kathy Moorhead (317-430-3402) if you have any questions.





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L.I.F.T. Painting with Mandy June 19, 2023



# SEAL

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Jack Simpson, IPC member, explores the archives for stories of the church, its past members and other bits of interesting

information and

Back home again in Indiana And it seems that I can see

The gleaming candlelight Still shining bright

Through the sycamores

for me
The new-mown
hay sends all
its fragrance
From the fields
I used to roam
When I dream
about the
moon light on

The sun fills the air with a buzz of energy though no one can explain. When you look at the stands where



many are singing and have tears in their eyes. This is one of the special moments in sports history. This song dates to 1919 when a brass band played. It wasn't until 1946 when this song became a staple of the "greatest spectacle of racing."

the Wabash
Then I long for my Indiana home