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The Linwood Lindy



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National Day of Prayer is Thursday, May 1st Join us for Service in the Chapel, 6 p.m.

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." - Romans 15:13

The theme text for the National Day of Prayer comes from a longer text that begins in chapter 14 of Romans, in which Paul is making his case for common ground between those whose faith is "strong" and those whose faith is "weak." Paul's personal faith was so utterly transformed by his experience of the risen Christ that the old categories of Jew or Gentile, "clean" or "unclean" no longer offered any real relevance.

Instead, this new world, for those who confess Christ, is the focus of Paul's attention. For Paul "whatever was written in former days" is now a new story, a story of God's "steadfastness" and "encouragement" that brings new "hope" to all those within the community of faith in Christ. His final appeal – (which forms the theme of this year's National Day of prayer) – is made in Romans 15:13. Out of that common "hope" all the faithful within the diverse faith community may participate together in "joy and peace in believing", Jew or Gentile, "strong" or "weak," all find their "hope" in Christ's mercy and grace. Welcoming acceptance binds them together "by the power of the Holy Spirit". Unity in Christ, a common faith in Christ's inclusion and embrace, is the new world created by the Incarnation.

This spirit of unity and inclusion is a well needed message in our time. There are signs of a shift from "tolerance, understanding, and cooperation" between different faith groups, political parties, and any other label that defines us as a people, that is seemingly taking hold and focuses on what divides us rather than what unites us. If ever there was a time to focus on what unites us, it is now. Please join with us for a time of prayer on Thursday, May 1, 6 p.m. in the Chapel.

Pastor Frank

Special Events ... (find details within this issue)

April 16	6 th Week of Lent	Fellowship Hall 6p Supper provided; Culmination of Lent, Maundy Thursday, and Good Friday Pastor Frank Meditation at 6:30p
April 20	Easter Sunday	Sunrise Service in the Sanctuary at 7:00a Breakfast in Fellowship Hall at 8:30a He Is Risen Easter Service in the Sanctuary at 10:30a
April 26	ISO 5:30p	Music of Strauss
May 1	Natl Day of Prayer	There will be a service in the Chapel at 6p
May 9	ISO 7:00p	Music of "Time for Three"
May 11	Family Day	Come celebrate the Christian Family with us this Sunday. Our families are as alike and as different as can be, but we still call them family! If you would like to purchase a Family Posey Pot, or Individual Posey Pots for special people in your Tree, contact Mary Ruth at mrclouse47@gmail.com by May 4 th . They are \$10 each.
May 21	Spanish Worship Culto en español	3 rd Wednesday of each month 7:30p in the Sanctuary el tercer miércoles de cada mes a las 7:30 p. m. en el Santuario



The Book Nook

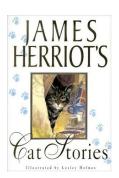
Take a break from the lawn and garden and enjoy a good book!



<u>The Seven Secrets</u> by John Hagee is guidebook to achieving your full potential. It helps you to •Identify the true meaning of success. •Follow the right goals. •Submit to divine authority. •Break free from circumstances. •Give life your all. •Use attitude, perseverance, communication, prosperity, and prayer to lead you into success.



<u>Jerusalem Countdown</u> by John Hagee warns of a war between Iran and Israel. He supports it with reasons the radical Islam and Israel cannot dwell peacefully together. He paints a convincing picture explaining why Christians must support the State of Israel.



<u>Cat Stories</u> by James Herriot (one of the world's most recognized veterinarians) provides heart warming, witty, and compassionate stories about cats who have lived with him. Here are Buster, the kitten who arrived on Christmas; Alfred, the cat at the sweet shop; little Emily, who lived with the gentleman tramp; and Olly and Ginny, (the kittens who charmed readers when they first appeared at the Herriots' bestseller <u>Every Living Thing</u>).

Joan Woodruff *Church Librarian*





We are continuing our verse by verse journey through the Acts of the Apostles with the help of the movie *The 12 Apostles after Jesus*. This Sunday we will witness and discuss Acts 21: 1 – Acts 22: 24 and will be continuing for the following two Sundays, after which we will return to Ed Urban's study of Psalms beginning at Psalm 50. For this movie we will be meeting in the large classroom across the hall from the library.

Thoughts & Prayers

Health Issues:

Martha Etheridge, Marilyn Henegen, Judy Mecher, John Schenck, Dana Crapo



Prayers have been asked for:

Jerry & Sue Meyers, Brian Slowinski, Aaron Cepeda, Tobby Parson, Jake Marshall, Jessie Patton, Sheila Patton, Rob Welch, Billie Carson, Karen Raub, Doug Engle, Jenn Streyckmans, Margie Wilson, Louise Scrougham, Nancy Schoen, George Hill, Charlotte Schumaker, Christopher Ignaut, Dan Rau, Tom Chisholm, Lana Tekulve, John Franke, Jennifer Kelly, Tim Hurst, Fay Walker-Wells, Anne Brower, Joann Engero, Robert Shelton, Roger Schumaker, Jodi Martin, Teresa Daugherity, Berni Laugle, Jackie Robbins, Joyce Peterson, Ed Hofer

We join with God's loving concerns for those facing life's difficult times:

Faye Carson, John McMillan, Debbie Ignaut, James Neubauer, Dee Miller, Nancy Pottorff, Joyce Franke, Jason Kropp, Doug Wickham, Mark Merriman, Leana Wright, Laurelle Zarins

Our prayers of Joy are offered for: Billie Carson who had his final surgery and is able to eat again but please continue prayers for complete healing; Laurelle Zarins is home from the hospital but still needs prayers for her well-being; Levi Truitt who has had his deployment put on hold.

Prayers of Condolences offered for the family and friends of: Charles Weaver who passed away on March 21st, Nathan Merritt who passed away on April 2nd, and Jo Carolyn Koenig on her passing April 6th.

From the Pews ...

Be my Guest at the Symphony!

Once again I am offering a free night at the Symphony (downtown Indy at the Hilbert Circle Theater) by virtue of vouchers I earn as a volunteer usher at the ISO. I have circled two programs coming up soon that I thought might be of interest.

- Saturday, April 26 5:30 PM Features the music of Strauss (the "Waltz King") with the ISO.
- Friday, May 9 7:00 PM "Time for 3" features a Grammy Award winning threesome (all former ISO musicians) along with the ISO. The evening is part of the "Pops" series as it merges Classical with American Pop music for a unique sound.

I am setting aside 10 tickets for each performance. So, if interested, please call or text me to reserve your spot: 317-832-2172 - FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED!

Pastor Frank

Sharing Our Church ...

Spanish congregation to use Linwood for monthly Bible Studies and Worship

Iglesia Christianna Casa del Alfarero (Potter's House Christian Church) has requested and been granted permission by the Board to use the church sanctuary for a monthly Bible study and worship time. Meetings are set for the third Wednesday of each month beginning May 21st at 7:30p and should last about 1 11/2 hours.

Congregación hispana usará Linwood para estudios bíblicos y cultos mensuales.

La Iglesia Cristiana Casa del Alfarero ha solicitado y recibido permiso de la Junta Directiva para usar el santuario de la iglesia para un estudio bíblico y culto mensual. Las reuniones se programan para el tercer miércoles de cada mes a partir del 21 de mayo a las 7:30 p. m. y deberían durar aproximadamente 1 hora y media.

Live and archived service streams are available at: YouTube.com/@LinwoodCC Visit our Web Page at www.linwoodchristian.org to learn what is going on at Linwood.

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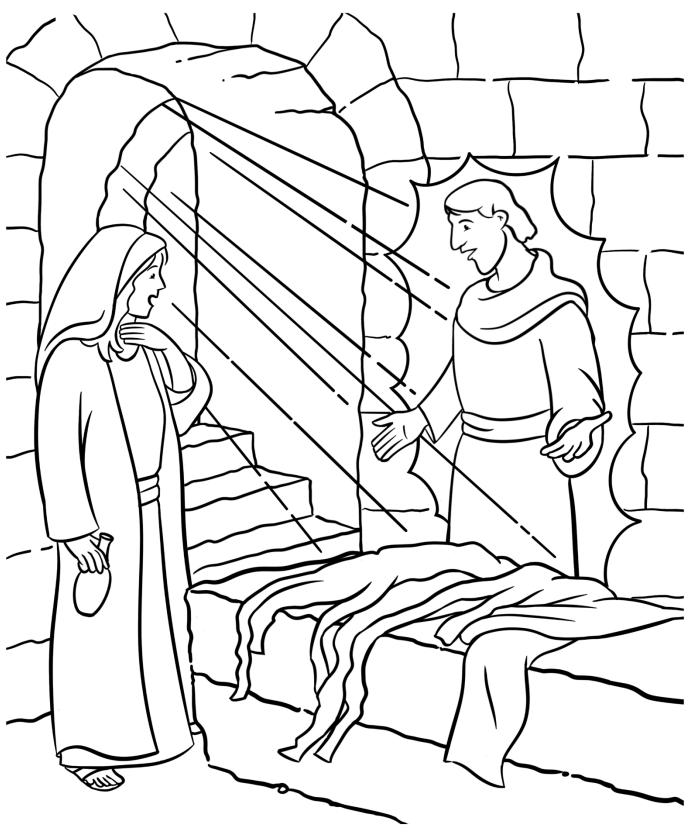
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Your Lindy Crew

Entries for next Lindy by: May 19, 4p

He Is Risen



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