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The Linwood Lindy



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October - A Season of Trust

October arrives with cooler mornings, lengthening shadows, and trees releasing what they can no longer carry. In this changing season, creation quietly preaches the faithfulness of God. “For everything there is a season,” Ecclesiastes 3 reminds us, and autumn invites us to trust the Lord with every transition.

As leaves fall, we are reminded to release fear, hurry, resentment, and anything that keeps us from walking freely with Christ. As fields rest after harvest, we are called to gratitude for God’s provision, both seen and unseen. This month gives us space to notice small mercies: the warmth of fellowship, the beauty of worship, the comfort of Scripture, and the steady presence of the Holy Spirit. And as the earth prepares for winter, we remember that stillness is not emptiness; it is holy preparation.

We pray that our God might meet us in this October season and teach us to let go with faith, give thanks with joy, and welcome the Lord's renewing work in our hearts. As the world changes around us, may we be anchored in God's unchanging love.

Pastor Frank



Many thanks to Pastor Corey Lowery from Light of the World Christian Church who filled the pulpit while Pastor Frank was on vacation. Many of his followers attended their downtown service and then came to see him again at Linwood. What an uplifting sermon.

Thoughts and Prayers (e-mail: prayer@linwoodchristian.org)



Health Issues:

Marilyn Henegen, Judy Mecher, Martha Etheridge, Vickie Pastrick, Margie Wilson, Mattie Horne, Beth Meyer, John Jones, Mark Merriman, Lewis Glady

Prayers have been asked for:

Brian Slowinski, Doug Engle, Jenn Streyckmans, Kristin Helms, Elijah Smith, Chanin Russell, Harold Scrougham, Garry Smith, Adam Boyer, Dan Sinclair, Deb Miller, Karen Plemons, Kim Edwards, Jessie Patton, Sheila Thomas, Lane Lynch, Debbie Hatley, Anna Kemmel, Sue Fugitt, Tia Knese, Deswan Valentine, Shari Lewis & family, Lewis Glady, Emily Budano, Emily Matthews, Cody Saylor, Margaret Carnes, Daniel and his mother

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

Julie Bickel, Lauren Jones, Joyce Franke, Andy Meyer, Sylvester Truitt & family, Berella Dillard & family, Greg Caine

We offer prayers of Condolences to the family and friends of: Helen Grigsby who passed away on August 29th.

We offer prayers of Joy for: seeing Vickie Pastrick back in her pew, and for our neighbor Mark who is clean and out of rehab, KUDOS!

A Special prayer for: the people of Nepal, Hawaii, and all affected by the recent multiple natural disasters, also the homeless and the hungry.



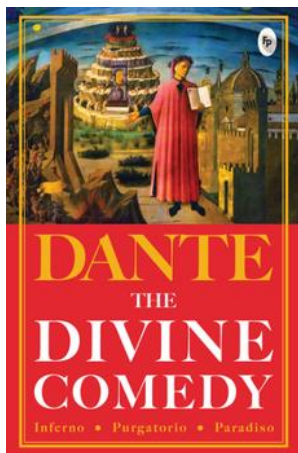
In Memory of September 11, 2001:

- **Virgil (Roman Poet):** "No day shall erase you from the memory of time." (Inscribed at the [National September 11 Memorial & Museum](#))
- **George W. Bush:** Noted that the attacks "shattered steel, but they cannot dent the steel of America's resolve," and later emphasized, "We're not about what happened on 9/11. We're about what happened on 9/12."
- **Barack Obama:** Noted that simple acts of service and kindness honor the victims and reclaim the post-9/11 spirit of unity.

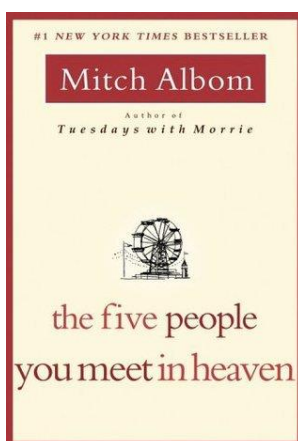


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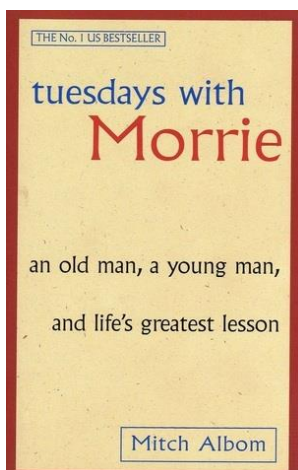
As we bid summer goodbye (and for some of us good riddance) why not relax with a good book while the days are still fairly long.



The Divine Comedy by Dante Alighieri was written as three poems in Italian (*Inferno*, *Purgatorio*, and *Paradiso*) in the early 1300s. The translation of these epic poems follows the poet on an imagined journey through Hell, up the mountain of Purgatory and into the highest reaches of Heaven. Guided first by the Roman poet Virgil and later by his beloved Beatrice, Dante confronts sin, repentance and redemption in vivid, unforgettable detail. Along the way he encounters popes, kings, philosophers and monsters, all rendered with a moral clarity and imaginative power that few works of literature have ever matched.



The Five People You Meet in Heaven by Mitch Albom tells the story of Eddie who is a wounded war veteran, an old man who has lived, in his mind, an uninspired life. His job is fixing rides at a seaside amusement park. On his 83rd birthday, a tragic accident kills him as he tries to save a little girl from a falling cart. He awakes in the afterlife, where he learns that heaven is not a destination. It's a place where your life is explained to you by five people, some of whom you knew, others who may have been strangers. One by one, from childhood to soldier to old age, Eddie's five people revisit their connections to him on earth, illuminating the mysteries of his "meaningless" life, and revealing the haunting secret behind the eternal question: "Why was I here?"



Tuesdays with Morrie: An Old Man, a Young Man, and Life's Greatest Lesson by Mitch Albom is about the author's meetings with a college professor (Morrie) who understood him when he was young and searching, helped him see the world as a more profound place, and gave sound advice to help him with life.

Mitch rediscovered Morrie in the last months of the older man's life. Knowing he was dying, Morrie visited with Mitch in his study every Tuesday, just as they used to back in college. Their rekindled relationship turned into one final class: "lessons in how to live". "The truth is, Mitch," he said, "once you learn how to die, you learn how to live."

Joan Woodruff – Librarian



Ed Urban will probably wrap up our study of the Book of Psalms sometime in October. Come and join us at 9:20 am each Sunday morning in the church library. Stop by the parlor first, and bring your coffee and snack with you. If anyone has an idea for this class after that, please come and make the suggestion.

News from the Pews

We want to know... Do we need to change?

We love our Christmas Eve Service, but starting at 11p may be too late in the evening due to children, weather, night driving, etc. Maybe you would rather go to a 6p or 7p service? Think about it and please give your feedback to Vickie Pastrick by October 15th at belladonna944@gmail.com We'll announce any change in the next Lindy.

Welcome sights ...

Barbara, daughter of longtime member, Ruth Smith visited this past Sunday, 9/13. Barbara said she was married at Linwood 40 years ago. Also, prayers for Barbara as she heals from an arm/shoulder injury.

Bring your favor side dish, dessert(s), and/or just your appetite!

Deviled eggs Green Bean Casserole Home-grown Veggies
Cakes Cookies and more

Back-to-Church Sunday is being celebrated at Linwood this Sunday, September 20th with a wonderful Fried Chicken dinner after the Service. Bring the entire family to hear what Pastor Frank has to say and share with us a great variety of foods and fellowship.

A little humor to brighten your day...

What do you call a bear with no teeth?

Why did the banana go to the doctor?

What do you call an alligator wearing a vest?

What is fast and crunchy?

A gummy bear!

It wasn't peeling well!

An in-VEST-igator!

A rocket CHIP!

Get ready to order your Christmas poinsettias for the Sanctuary in October.

Live and archived service streams are available at: [YouTube.com/@LinwoodCC](https://www.youtube.com/@LinwoodCC)

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Next Lindy articles due October 19th, 4p

Your Lindy Crew

The Workers in the Vineyard

'These men who were hired last worked only one hour,' they said, 'and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day.' Matthew 20:12 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 20:1-16



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