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The Lighted Spire

August, 2025



What a Wonderful Church Family!
Roger and I were blessed to have the help
of all of you. Your prayers, food, cards
and help were deeply appreciated.
Thank you is not enough to tell you how
much we appreciated all of you.
You accepted Roger in all his stages of
change. He was always safe in this church
~ even when I couldn't find him.

Thank you and may God Bless all of you
for your love of one another.

Roger Palmer's Family
Sheila, Shari, Rick,
Abby, Austin, Emmy,
Scott and Stephanie

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Gretchen Schneider, Transitional Pastor

Kim Livingston, Director of Music

Jane Runshe, Office Manager

Sara Roberts, Sunday School Coordinator

Dan Runshe, Sexton

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**INTERGENERATIONAL
BACK TO SCHOOL POOL PARTY
SATURDAY, AUGUST 9
1:00~3:00PM**



ALL GENERATIONS ARE INVITED TO JOIN IN A POOL PARTY AT JANET OREM'S ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 9 FROM 1:00~3:00PM. SNACKS WILL BE PROVIDED. EVEN IF YOU DON'T WANT TO GET WET, COME AND ENJOY THE FELLOWSHIP. IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND, PLEASE CALL JON AT 317-517-1341. RAIN DATE WILL BE SUNDAY, AUGUST 10 AT THE SAME TIME.




**SMALL
GROUP**

Statler Study Group
Beginning Study Breakfast
Wednesday, August 13 8:00am
at Cow Palace

New Study will begin on August 20
Meets in Fellowship Hall Light Breakfast Served
Wednesdays at 8:00am
New members & visitors always welcome!

60TH
DIAMOND WEDDING
ANNIVERSARY
RECEPTION HONORING
WILLIAM & JUDY MITCHELL
AUGUST **23** 2025
2:00 PM - 5:00 PM
AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL
124 W BROADWAY ST., SHELBYVILLE, INDIANA 46176
Questions? Please contact Emily Clayton
989-615-0815 or emclayton72@gmail.com



Please come celebrate
this very special occasion
in the church where they were married in 1965.
The happy couple will receive cards at:
1455 S. Greenview Ct. Shelbyville, IN 46176

Will and Judy will also be available to receive your best wishes during our fellowship time following worship on Sunday, August 24. Special goodies will be available.

Prayer Requests

Betty Alexander	Janet Orem
Shelby Bowers	Sheila Palmer
Marilyn Bushfield	Bill Restall
Harry Campbell	Bill & Joyce Runshe
Burt & Irene Curry	Deloris Sorrell
Hugh Garner	Marilyn VanCleve
Phil Howell	Wilma Weaver
Judy Mitchell	Nancy Wittekind

Church family and friends

Matthew & Michael Berndt, Hunter, Jaxon, Betty Nichols, Darryl Runshe, Shannon Trimnell, Brady Vanes

Those in military service

Rocky Iaria	
Deacon Marshall	Blake McIntire
Adam Smith	Brett Walburn

If the situation for any of these people has changed or someone needs to be added to our list, please let the church office know.



Prayer Shawl Ministry Monday, August 25

1:30pm ~ In the church parlor

Guests are always welcome to come and join this ministry. If you like to knit or crochet, come and check out this group. Even if you don't know how to knit or crochet, they will be glad to teach you and get you started. This group is open to men and women. Even if you don't want to knit or crochet, you can always just come and enjoy the company. Talk to Nancy Wittekind if you have questions.



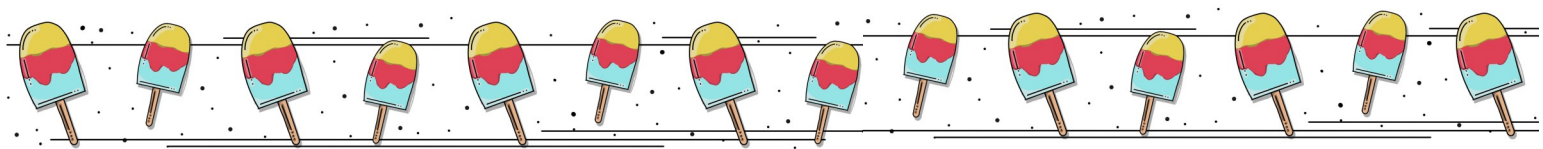
The choir has been on break for the summer, but is getting ready to get started again. Their first Wednesday rehearsal will be on September 3 at 7:00pm in the choir room. There are no auditions! Anyone who has a love for music is welcome to join the choir.

CCC's ~ Fun for Everyone

The CCC's are looking for new leadership. This would involve helping to choose places to go and contacting the restaurant chosen to let them know that a group will be coming there to dine.

The office will gladly help with reminding people of dates, time and places. The shuttle will also be available if traveling out of town.

Please talk to Pastor Gretchen or Jane if you are willing to help with this.





Ways to reach out coming soon:

September 7 — Salvation Army Lunch

September 21 — Day of Caring

September 28 — Pack the Backpacks

Month of October — Dinner Before Bedtime

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday
9:00am to 4:00pm

May be closed during lunch time

Office will be closed on Fridays

Contact Information

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Jane (ext. 1)

Pastor Gretchen (ext. 2)

Email addresses

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Pet Supply Give-away

Thanks to your generosity, over the weekend, 55 pet care items we collected were delivered to Crossroads Church in Westfield. Pastor Gretchen and members of our Youth Group worked Saturday morning to help to distribute these and many other items to families who needed them.



Sunday School

Ages 3-5th grade go with Jon Orem or Sara Roberts for their lessons following the Children's Time in worship. **Our middle and high schoolers** go with Sarah Smith at this same time and meet in the Wall Room upstairs. Nursery care with Aimee Tillison is provided for **infants and toddlers** during worship services.

If you would like to volunteer to help with Sunday School, please talk to Sara, Sarah or Jon.

If you would like to come to worship on Sunday mornings, but don't have a way to get there, Jon and Sharon Orem are offering to pick people up on their way to worship. Please call them by Saturday if you would like a ride so they can make plans.

For more information or to schedule a ride, call Sharon (317-512-1842) or Jon (317-517-1341).



Rides Available

August ~ September Backpack Drive

We have moved our annual backpack drive up a month so that we can get the filled backpacks to those who need them before cold weather arrives.



Our focus for August is to collect backpacks. These need to be large backpacks capable of holding all the items we plan to use to stuff them, plus other items that the recipients might already have.

We are also beginning to collect:



warm~sturdy socks
warm~sturdy gloves
warm~sturdy hats
sweatshirts~XL or XXL,
suitable for male or females
scarves



combs hair brushes
band aids toothpaste
toothbrushes (single or double packs)



There is a table in the hallway
behind the sanctuary for
your donations.

If you have any questions,
please talk to Jon Orem.

**Pack the Backpacks
following worship on
Sunday, September 28!**

