

Auburn Presbyterian Church
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Rev. Dr. David Lawrence

JUNE NEWSLETTER -- 2024

HELPING WITH OUR WORSHIP FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE:

Ushers:

2: Norm & Peg Yoder
9: Stan & Mary Wilson

Liturgist: Peggy Jones

Flowers: Jim & Julia Nixon & Ed Benbow

COMMUNION WILL TAKE PLACE ON SUNDAY, JUNE 2ND

Graduation Congregation Invitation:

Please join The Smith Family in celebrating Aidan's High School Graduation.

When: Saturday June 8th. 11am-3pm
Where: Auburn Presbyterian Church in the Fellowship Hall

**Aidan is heading to Purdue Fort Wayne in the fall to study Music Technology and Studio Engineering.



FROM THE PASTOR:

Brothers and Sisters,

Have you noticed that the paraments, those pieces of cloth that are on the pulpit and lectern, have been changing. Marjorie, who changes the paraments, has been busy! First, there are multiple changes during Holy Week, and then we have a short stretch of white. The white was interrupted last week with Pentecost red, but only for a week. We jump back to white the week after Pentecost, which is Trinity Sunday. Then there's a long time that the paraments are green for Ordinary Time.

This month I wanted to write about Ordinary Time. I guess I was aware of the changing seasons in the church before I went to seminary, but I didn't know much about why or when or what it meant to talk about church seasons. I think I was especially confused about Ordinary Time and thought it was just that – ordinary.

Ordinary Time in the church has nothing to do with being common or everyday. Ordinary Time is called that because the Sundays are ordered – first, second, third, and so on. It is also thought that the Bible passages and teachings during this time are useful for giving order to our lives. This time in the church calendar is focused on how we live out our faith, rather than festivals and feast days.

The church calendar is helpful in our life of faith. It directs our attention to the mighty works of God and our response to God's presence in our lives. It's in Ephesians 5:15-17 that Paul writes, "Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is." Let's make the most of Ordinary Time. Let's treat these weeks as an opportunity to grow in faith and discern what God is up to with Auburn Presbyterian Church.

Shalom, Pastor David

JUNE'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.....

WORSHIPPING IN THE BIBLICAL GARDEN WILL BEGIN ON JUNE 16TH.

Beginning Sunday, June 16, the worship service will take place in the Biblical Garden, weather permitting. Please bring your lawn chairs!

Don't forget your commitment to get involved with "In As Much Ministry" as soon as possible. Training is available. For questions talk to Pastor David.

It's not too late to sign up for "Dinners for Eight". Call the church office for more information or to sign up.

Presbyterian Women have decided to hold another Rummage Sale in the Fall (date to be determined). Start saving your items now and if you want to bring them to the church you may do so at any time. They are storing items in the same room where they did last year (in the basement of the church) . If you have any questions, call the church office.



UPCOMING SMOCK SENIOR MINISTRIES PROGRAMS FOR NE INDIANA CLUSTER:

Thursday, June 20, 2024: Quilt Garden Tour, Day Trip



Join us Thursday, June 20th for a day trip to Das Dutchman Essenhaus in Middlebury to see its gigantic, almost 3,000 square foot quilt inspired garden. The day includes stops at various quilt gardens along the way, ending with lunch and shopping at Das Dutchman Essenhaus.

The annual, award-winning Quilt Gardens along the Heritage Trail joins quilting, gardening and art into a one-of-a-kind event featuring super-sized hand-painted Quilt Murals and more than one million vibrant blooms in gigantic Quilt Gardens. This colorful patchwork of quilt-

inspired gardens and hand-painted, quilt-themed, super-sized murals deliver dazzling views in the communities of Bristol, Elkhart, Goshen, Middlebury, Nappanee, and Wakarusa. It's the only experience of its kind in the world!

Cost for participants is **\$15.00** each, which includes bus trip, lunch and possible buggy ride at Das Essenhaus if weather permits. **Sign up deadline is June 10th.**



The Smock Senior Adult Cluster Ministry of NE Indiana would like to invite you to a theatre outing on Thursday, July, 11, 2024 to the Round Barn Theater (formerly Amish Acres) in Nappanee.

1. Arrive at the Nappanee Center approximately 10:30 AM for a group huddle and a leisurely walk through the Evelyn Lehman Club Heritage Museum, relax and visit with one another.
2. Leave about 11:30 AM for the 5 to 10 minute drive to The Round Barn Theater and Restaurant, and take a few minutes to survey the farm, barns, shops and restaurant, etc.
3. Enjoy a Noon Buffet.
4. Attend the 2:00 PM professional performance of "The Music Man" the Round Barn Theater.
5. After the performance, relax in the shops and leave by our travel groups for the trip back home.

Sign Up by Monday, June 10, 2024. COST: \$15.00 per person.



Meredith Willson's six-time, Tony Award-winning musical comedy has been entertaining audiences since 1957 and is a family-friendly story to be shared with every generation. The Music Man follows fast-talking traveling salesman, Harold Hill, as he cons the people of River City, Iowa, into buying instruments and uniforms for a boys' band that he vows to organize – this, despite the fact that he doesn't know a trombone from a treble clef. His plans to skip town with the cash are foiled when he falls for Marian, the librarian, who transforms him into a respectable citizen by curtain's fall.