

EVANGEL HEIGHTS UMC BEACON

A Stephen Ministry Congregation June 25, 2017

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What a memorable Sunday! Extraordinary music by Marilyn Ham and Darin Doverspike, and the exuberant voices of our Vacation Bible School children proved highlights not to be forgotten. Thank you.

We also began a powerful new series on *Core Values*. First looking to Jesus and the core values from which He ministers, we gain deep insight into the potential underlying power He provides for the living of our lives. Sample Scriptures to understanding Jesus' core values are Luke 4:16-21, Matthew 25:31-46, and Galatians 5:22-23.

Many were struck by a portion of a poem I read. I first heard the poem at Annual Conference read by Raceleder Trimble, our Bishop's wife. It is called *The Invitation*, by Oriah Mountain Dreamer. Copyright restrictions prevent me from sharing it with you in this format. Simply Google the title and author and you will find it. It struck me that here is one who has done that critical inner work to discern the depth of their own core values. This process of revealing our personal and family core values, in Christ, will occupy us this summer.

This Sunday we will look at the *Core of Listening*, a core value for which we are in desperate need in our world. The experience at the home of Martha and Mary in Luke 10:38-42 forms the basis of this core value.

In Christ, Pastor Pat

NEW SUMMER HOURS

Starting this Friday, June 23, 2017, the church office will not be open on Friday. The regular weekly hours are still 9-3 from Monday until Thursday.



SUMMER INTERGENERATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL

Wear casual clothes this Sunday! We are blessed to welcome Tom Maxwell as the leader of our Intergenerational Sunday School on June 25. Tom has led many church groups in high energy, life-changing intergenerational experiences. He currently holds the position of Missions Pastor at his church in Niles. Tom and Lisa Maxwell and their four daughters served as missionaries in the Philippines for more than seven years. Prior to moving to the Philippines they led short-term multi-generational mission trips for their church in Granger. As part of their ministry with Youth With A Mission, they facilitated team building training to missionary students and outreach teams, as well as governmental departments and school faculties. Tom is currently a full-time student at Bethel College and a volunteer fire fighter.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL ANSWER For those who participated last Sunday, June 18, and took home the packet of 16 Scripture cards, the following cards do not belong: cards #1, #7, #10, and #13. Card 13 is a tricky one, the name of the ruler is Jairus, not Josephus. All other cards contain authentic Scriptures.

REV. CHARLENE ALLEN OUR MUSICAL GUEST

This Sunday, June 25, Charlene Allen will delight us with her gift of music. A frequent guest of the church, we know her in many ways, as former member, daughter of Nancy Harris, sister of Coleen Clear and pastor of Monroe UMC in northeast Indiana. Welcome back, Charlene!

THE PIANO IN THE SANCTUARY

Over the next several weeks we will be experiencing a couple of new pianos for "test driving." For the Piano Committee (chaired by Brian Clear on our Board of Trustees) to make a proper recommendation, certain pianos will be featured so that we can hear how they sound, not just in a showroom, but in our Sanctuary. The Piano Committee is charged with making a recommendation which will then flow through Trustees, Finance and Church Council for a final decision. We seek to make this decision in an attitude of prayer and discernment to bring Glory to God in our worship.





As we move into the summer months, we have received \$118,265.29 in the General Fund. We had expenses of \$122,785.34 leaving a year-to-date deficit of \$4,520.05. Ministry does not take a break during the summer at Evangel Heights. Your faithfulness

allows ministries like Vacation Bible School, Summer Intergenerational Sunday School, Summer of Service, Mission activities and outreach to Hope and Bashor to flourish.

June 25 – July 1

Sunday, June 25

8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Worship Services

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Sunshine Sunday School

12:00 a.m. Healing Service – Chapel

Monday, June 26

11:30 a.m. Ladies Bridge – Lounge

6:30 p.m. Michiana Youth Ministries

Tuesday, June 27

10:00 a.m. Worship Design

11:30 a.m. Intercessory Prayer

11:30 a.m. Mosaic Class

5:00 p.m. MYM Board Meeting

Wednesday, June 28

5:30 p.m. Al-Anon

6:30 p.m. Prayer Group

7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Meeting

Thursday, June 29

4:00 p.m. SOS begins at Bethel College

6:30 p.m. Sunshine Circle

Friday, June 30

6:30 p.m. God Sightings at Deethardt's

July 2, (one service only at 10:00), pianist Dr. Anthony Beer will lead music with operatic guest Anne Fuchs. Don't forget the Ice Cream Social celebration that follows for the Doverspikes!



Last Week's Beacon Follows



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PASTOR'S THOUGHT

Yes, it's official. After 24 years of faithful ministry at Evangel Heights, Dennis Doverspike will be retiring. Many have already heard this news through the music ministry channels of the church. Dennis has been working behind the scenes over the last couple weeks and will continue to do so until the end of June when he officially retires. We will not be saying "goodbye" as Dennis will remain a participant in the music ministry of the church. He will likely remain a conductor of the Evangel Ringers as his therapy sessions promise improvement over the summer months.

There will be an opportunity to personally thank Dennis and Dar for their ministry on July 2 with an **Ice Cream Extravaganza** following our single 10:00 service on that day. They love ice cream! This is not a surprise. It's a heart-felt opportunity for thanksgiving. Join the fun!

This signals a change (hmm, we've been talking about that lately). The Staff Parish Committee has already begun a process of looking for our new vocal/choral director. Please join in prayer that we may find our next God inspired, anointed leader for our music ministry. Perhaps you know someone, who knows someone, who knows....

Please assist us in getting the word out!

Keep your prayers going for Carol Zink, too! As of the latest information, Carol should be heading back home as early as this weekend from therapy at Dujarie House. She may be homebound for a time. Please reach out to Becky Wilson if you are able to supply a meal.

In the meantime, we are blessed in these upcoming weeks to have some extraordinary people visit us.

This Sunday, June 18, concert pianist Marilyn Ham with Darin Doverspike

June 25, Rev. Charlene Allen will return to share her musical gift

July 2 (one service only at 10:00) pianist Dr. Anthony Beer will lead music with operatic guest Anne Fuchs. And, don't forget the ice cream thank you celebration that follows for the Doverspikes!

God is good and He continues to bless,

Pastor Pat

SUMMER FAMILY SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 10:00

This Sunday, June 18th participants in our intergenerational Sunday School will discover the power of words through many activities. The most powerful word of all is God's word. In experiences guided by Pastor Pat and other leaders, whole families will gather in Fellowship Hall for highly interactive experiences engaging parents, youth and children. Grandparents, too! If you will have grandchildren visiting for a Sunday or two, plan to attend Family Sunday School.



POP TARTS FOR SOS!



Bring in your boxes now to support/feed our youth and hundreds more as they serve the Michiana community, proclaiming God's love June 29-July 2nd.

In Christ,
Pastor Carl Hetler

THE NEXT HOPE DINNER IS JUNE 22 SERVING FROM 6 TO 7:30.

The sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board. We need workers there at 5:30. We served over 200 people during our last meal. Please plan accordingly. Thank you so much for your help in the past. We couldn't do it without you.



"**SUNSHINE**" **DISABILITY MINISTRIES** is looking for a volunteer to help move individuals from vans to the classroom during the noon hour on 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. If someone is available at 2:15 to 2:30 as well to reverse the procedure, that would be an added bonus for our program. As a rule, we have 8 to 10 individuals from Mosaic's Meaningful Days program attending a class for spiritual development. They arrive in 2 vans with 1 or 2 staff for each van. Four of our guests use wheelchairs. Our concern is for safety both at the vans and in the classroom as well as the actual movement from one to the other. Please call Carol Robison at 574/291-5951 with your questions or to volunteer. Be a blessing and be blessed! Thank you, Carol



RUMMAGE SALE UPDATE

Jewelry needed. Look through your jewelry and bring us those things you no longer wear – necklaces, bracelets, earrings, etc. You can **now** give them to Marilyn Ehret, Vera Orr or Jan Stinchcomb. They can also be taken to our church office Monday through Thursday from 9-4 and Friday from 9-12. We would appreciate receiving these as soon as possible. We can then have them priced and bagged before other items arrive. Remember, first take-in day for all other items is Wednesday, July 5th.



June 18 - June 24

Sunday, June 18

8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Worship Services

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Sunshine Sunday School

Monday, June 19

6:30 p.m. Finance Committee

6:30 p.m. Michiana Youth Ministries

Tuesday, June 20

10:00 a.m. Worship Design

11:30 a.m. Intercessory Prayer

5:00 p.m. MYM Board Meeting

6:30 p.m. Michiana Youth Ministries

7:00 p.m. God Sightings/Caregivers at Robison's

Wednesday, June 21

5:30 p.m. Al-Anon

6:30 p.m. Prayer Group

6:30 p.m. Staff Parish

Thursday, June 22

6:30 p.m. Friendship Bible Study

Friday, June 23

6:30 p.m. God Sightings at Deethardt's

Saturday June 24

11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Piano Lessons

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