

# Jimtown OpenLine



**Building Bridges To The  
Families Of Our Community!**

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## CHURCH STAFF

- **Steve Loft**  
Pastor
- **Steve Allen**  
Choir Director  
Music Director
- **Pam Allen**  
Organist
- **Sharon Shinn**  
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Assistant
- **Geri Angel**  
Custodian
- **Andrea Loft**  
Children's Ministry



## Jamestown United Methodist Church

### "Reformation and All Saints"



Martin Luther  
Painted by  
Lucas Cranach

Reformation Day is one of the days that does not get a lot of attention as a holiday in the United States. On the 31<sup>st</sup> of October 1517, German monk, Martin Luther wrote to Albrecht, Archbishop of Mainz and Magdeburg, protesting against the sale of indulgences. He enclosed in his letter a copy of a document that later became known as *The 95 Theses* which he posted on the door of the All Saints Church. The *95 Theses* were quickly translated from Latin into German and printed by the aid of the printing press invented about 75 years earlier.

Luther objected to the saying, "As soon as the coin in the coffer rings, the soul from purgatory springs." The saying basically says that a person could be bought out of purgatory and into heaven.

The Scriptures say...

"For *by grace* you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the *gift of God*; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast" (Ephesians 2:8-9).

Luther rightly insisted that those who claimed, indulgences absolved buyers from all punishments and granted them salvation, were in error. God used Martin Luther's actions to reform the church and spark the Protestant Reformation. This year is the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of that spark.

One of the ways we can celebrate the Reformation is to thank God for the Scriptures that lead us into all truth and thank God for the Church that God reforms by the truth of God's Word through the power of the Holy Spirit. The last Sunday of October and the first Sunday of November, we will celebrate the Good News (Gospel) of Jesus Christ revealed through the Scriptures and the blessing of the fellowship of the saints through the Body of Christ, His Church.

All Saints Sunday is the first Sunday of November. We celebrate All Saints Sunday by remembering the saints (Christians) who have gone on before us and thank God for the way He has led others to impact our lives for the Kingdom.

We will need to *prepare* for All Saints' Sunday in two ways. First, we will need to remember to set our clocks back one hour the night before as Daylight Savings Time ends 2:00 a.m. Sunday, November 5. Second, we will be preparing for a time of remembering the saints during worship. We will recall the names of members or attenders who have passed in the last twelve months and we will also include others for whom I have provided pastoral ministry through funerals or memorial services.

Let's encourage others to join us in this special service and be prepared to share our love with those who have experienced grief in significant ways over the past year.

In His Service,

*Pastor Steve*

2	Pam	Jackson
	Vernice	Ward
	Helen	Wernicke
3	Amy	Berens
5	Tanner	Clark
	Hailey	Crampton
6	Kelly	Wright
	Don	Wilson
7	Jeremy	Greenlee
	Wayne	Dunker
	Caleb	Koets
8	Maiah	Ullery
9	Jeff	Clark
11	Tom	Cook
12	Linda	Miller
	Beth	Stacy
	Margaret	Miller
	Randy	Beehler
	Margaret	Wenger
13	Tom	Green
	Tiffany	Weesner
14	Mark	Cook
	Wade	Miller
	Jerry	Stahl
	Al	Stealy, JR
15	Grace	Sciba
17	RB	Mahler
18	Morgan	Weesner
	Braden	Ullery
19	Dustin	Cabanaw
	Rob	Wirt
20	Betty	McCuddy
	Bronson	Metcalf
	Rita	Peat
	Judi	Shoemaker
23	Nina	Heminger
	Myah	Gordy
24	Angela	Cook
25	Stewart	Hill
	Jason	Vest
	Robin	Wrathell
26	Diana	Beck
28	Zach	Clark
	Marti	Stickel
31	Larry	Pappas



Harvest/Bonfire  
2016



**FINANCE COMMITTEE**  
Fund Balances as of August 2017

Air/Heat Replacement	\$14,170.79
Building & Improvements	\$ 1,711.04
Club 52	\$ 120.12
Evangelism & Growth	\$ 770.92
Electronic Sign	\$ 6,411.01
Missions/Families in Need	\$ 1,177.58
Church Music Dept	\$ 682.00
Audio/Video	\$ 1,058.46
Carpet - Sanctuary	\$ 6,791.52



Trunk or Treat 2016  
At Jimtown Intermediate

1	Larry & Sue	Struble	1963
4	Steve & Kathleen	Stout, SR	1976
6	RB & Anna	Mahler	1953
17	Adam & Erin	Kennedy	2011
20	Greg & Melanie	Clark	1980
	Jim & Nina	Heminger	1951
21	Steve & Roberta	Mann	1968
	David & LuAnn	Pontius	1974
22	Tylor & Brittany	Saunders	2012
25	Steve & Betty	Stout, JR	2010
30	Kirk & Celeste	Weesner	2000

**Church Women United of Elkhart**

At: Elkhart 1<sup>st</sup> Brethren Church  
24197 C.R. 16 E

4 week October Bible Study  
Beginning Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:30 a.m.

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Pastor Jeff Estep	New Paris 1 <sup>st</sup> Brethren
9 <sup>th</sup>	Judy Lininger	Hillcrest UMC
16 <sup>th</sup>	Jody	Elk. YWCA Women's Shelter
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Audrey Shaffer	World Community Day

# ACTIONS

Everything in the world has a function. Match each action with the correct object.

1.	The Earth	a. "is an unruly evil"	James 3:8
2.	The Heavens	b. "consumeth the chaff"	Isaiah 5:24
3.	The Firmament	c. "is a wellspring of life"	Prov. 16:22
4.	The Lord	d. "is the Lord's"	Psalms 24:1
5.	The Lilies	e. "declare the glory of God"	Psalms 19:1
6.	The Ravens	f. "sheweth his handiwork"	Psalms 19:1
7.	The Ant	g. "boasteth of his heart's desire"	Psalms 10:3
8.	The Wicked	h. "provideth her meat in the summer"	Prov. 6:8
9.	The Eye	i. "is my light"	Psalms 27:1
10.	The Tongue	j. "neither sow nor reap"	Luke 12:24
11.	The Fire	k. "(is) the light of the body"	Matt. 6:22
12.	Understanding	l. "toil not, neither ... spin"	Matt. 6:28

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Return Quiz by October 24th

Answers for "Strippings": 1 Aaron, 2 David, 3 Joseph, 4 Moses, 5 Jonathan, 6 Saul, 7 Saul, 8 Jehoshaphat, 9 Job, 10 Micah, 11 Jesus, 12 The good Samaritan. Those that were up for a challenge were: Marcia Clark, Marta Clark, Doug Cook, Arletah Hochstetler, Jane Lechlitrer.



## Kroger Community Rewards Program

An easy way to assist Indiana United Methodist Children's Home is to enroll in the Kroger Community Rewards Program. When you shop and use your Kroger PLUS card, the Home will receive a percentage of what you spend. At the end of each quarter, Kroger totals up dollars spent by enrolled customers and distributes funds to the Home.



- Register online at [krogercommunityrewards.com](http://krogercommunityrewards.com)
- Be sure to have your Kroger Plus card handy and register your card with Indiana United Methodist Children's Home.
- Click on Sign/In Register.
- If you are a new on-line customer, you must click on SIGN UP TODAY in the "New Customer" box.
- Sign up for a Kroger Rewards Account by entering the zip code, clicking on favorite store, entering your email address and creating a password, agreeing to the terms/conditions.
- You will then get a message to check your email inbox and click on the link within the body of the email.
- Click on My Account and use your email address and password to proceed to the next step.
- Click on Edit Kroger Community Rewards information and input your Kroger Plus card number.
- Update or confirm your information.
- Enter the name of the organization (Indiana United Methodist Children's Home).
- Members must swipe their registered Kroger Plus card or use the phone number that is related to their registered Kroger Plus card when shopping for each purchase to count.

## OCTOBER VOLUNTEERS

	1 <sup>st</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	15 <sup>th</sup>	22 <sup>nd</sup>	29 <sup>th</sup>
Welcome Center	Roberta Mann	Marti Stickel	Larry Stickel	Becky Buss	Sharon Hirstein
Liturgist	Steve Squibb				
Greeters	Connie Howard, Pat Seigler, Mark & Angela Cook	Anita Hoffman, Paula LaPlace, Tom & Diana Cook	Joyce Cook, Marcia Cook, Nate & Julie Koets	Ray & Arletah Hochstetler, Mike & Vici Vogel	Sandy Metcalf, Don Wilson, Mark & Cindy Campbell
Acolytes	Mark & Jackson Cook	Julie Caleb Koets	Randy & Gail Greenlee	Dave & LuAnn Pontius	
Children's Message	Pastor Steve	Steve Allen	Gary Buss	LuAnn Pontius	Marta Clark
Cookie Fellowship	Steve & Roberta Mann, Dave & Joyce Polston	Doug Cook, Maria Moleski, Warren & Susi Allender	Marcia Cook, Larry & Sue Struble	Sandra Metcalf, Don Wilson, Nate & Julie Koets	Connie Howard, Pat Seigler, Larry Stickel
Nursery	Andrea Loft	Becky Buss			
Children's Church	<del>                    </del>	Andrea Loft	Marta Clark	LuAnn Pontius	LuAnn Pontius
Ushers	Tanner Clark, Mark Cook, Jim Starkey & Larry Stickel				

### Women of the Reformation

Although the names most often associated with the Reformation are male, women also played key roles in maintaining the integrity of the church. "Most were wives and mothers," professor Justin Holcomb writes. "Some were also authors, apologists, ex-nuns and queens. All were faithful servants of Jesus."

Women who made notable contributions include:

- Katherine von Bora, the former nun who married former-priest Martin Luther
- Argula von Grumbach, a Bavarian noblewoman who published letters and debated with university faculty
- Olympia Fulvia Morata, an Italian scholar who lectured on the teachings of Luther and Calvin — and was persecuted and imprisoned
- Jeanne d'Albret, queen of Navarre and a leader in France's Huguenot movement, who tried to peacefully resolve tensions between Catholics and Protestants
- Marie Dentièrre, an aristocrat who left an Augustinian monastery to speak in public — even on street corners! — about church reform

### Fall Festival at Jimtown Intermediate

October 27<sup>th</sup> 5:30 – 6:30 pm

Activities: Games, Trunk or Treat, Basket Raffle and food in this family-friendly environment. Children must be accompanied by their parents. Last year JUMC participated by handing out treats at the Trunk or Treat area. We will be doing this again. If you want to donate wrapped candies, glow sticks, small toys; Deb Beehler has put a basket in the Fellowship Hall for your donations. Or, if you want to give Deb a monetary donation, she will purchase more goodies for you. If you would like to take your own vehicle to hand out goodies, you may do that also.

You must call the school by October 17<sup>th</sup> to reserve your spot, 574-294-2158. For more information see the bulletin board or Deb Beehler, 596-7624.



## TRUSTEES

September 21<sup>st</sup> , 6:00 p.m.

**Playground:** Remove straw in October.

**Security for church:** Still in planning stages.

**Sound System:** Recommendation to update to digital board.

**Electronic sign:** Still planning stage. Approx. pledges of \$13,000.

**Parking Lot Lights:** Waiting for \$300 rebate.

**Sanctuary carpet:** Approved Mitch Smith's floor service clean carpets only.

**Parsonage Tree:** Tree fell behind Parsonage. Clean up done.

**Apartment A:** Need to remove trash.

**Charge Conf Reports:** Need radon, air quality/mold test done at Parsonage.

**AED:** Purchasing set of pediatric pads.

**Request** to have craft show here; profits to Cancer Research.

**Incorporation:** Looking into process for JUMC. Next meeting Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup>.

## SEPTEMBER COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Wed's		7:00 pm	Emergency Team
Mon	9 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 pm	Nom/Ldrship Team
Thurs	12 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 pm	Evangelism
Thurs	19 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 pm	Trustees
Wed	25 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 pm	Worship Committee

## SENIOR LUNCHEON

Our next meeting will be October 3<sup>rd</sup> at Noon. Bring a dish to share and enjoy some good fellowship time.

## UNITED METHODIST MEN'S BREAKFAST

Men you are all cordially invited to come and enjoy a wonderful breakfast and male bonding experience prior to the uplifting worship service. We meet the First Sunday of every month at 7:00 a.m.

## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Our next meeting is October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:45 a.m.



## King of Kings, Word of words

When Jesus Christ utters a word, he opens his mouth so wide that it embraces all heaven and earth, even though that word be but in a whisper. The word of the emperor is powerful, but that of Jesus Christ governs the whole universe.

## MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Our October loose coin offering will go to C.R.O.P. Walk. The offering of \$109.84 went to Habitat for Humanity. Thank you for your generosity with these projects.

**Susanna's Kitchen:** We are in need of two volunteers to help once a month. Our week to help is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every month. Some of the duties are serving meals, cutting desserts or other minor things to prepare for the meal. You would need to arrive at 10:20 a.m. The meal is served from 11:00 am – 12:00 pm. Then possibly help wipe tables afterwards. You would be done about 12:30 pm. Susanna's Kitchen is located inside First Congregational Church, 431 S. Third St. If you can help, please call **Kathleen Stout at 584-4130**.

Here are the dates for the rest of 2017:

October 16<sup>th</sup>

November 20<sup>th</sup>

December 18<sup>th</sup>

Thank you to everyone that has volunteered this year!

**Feed the Firemen:** We need people to sign up to provide a meal for our Baugo Firefighters the night of their training session. We usually feed about 15 people. You can sign up for Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> or Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>. Take your course to the Fire station by 6:30 p.m. Thanks for all you do.

## CHURCH COMMUNITY SERVICES

It's been a long standing tradition at JUMC to collect non-perishable food for Church Community Services on the first Sunday of each month. Collections have dwindled to very low levels recently. For the next few months, Missions will try a new approach to hopefully improve our contributions. Each month a designated product will be chosen and each family will be asked to bring one of that item sometime during the month which will be taken to CCS at the end of the month. For October, bring CEREAL (COLD OR HOT); In November, CANNED VEGETABLES OR FRUIT will be our focus and for December, PASTA, SAUCE, or MACARONI and CHEESE. Remember, we will take any non-perishable food item you bring. Let's work together to show God's love to our community.



Be well-rounded.  
Get plenty of sunshine.  
Give thanks for life's bounty.  
Have a thick skin.  
Keep growing.  
Be outstanding in your field.  
Think big!  
—Ilan Shamir

**Jamestown  
United Methodist Church Members,**



Thank you so much for the many ways you have supported and blessed the preschool. I cannot express how much I appreciate all that you do and have done.

The playground is amazing! The children LOVE their park (playground). It is definitely the highlight of the day for many! I thought the playground was great before, and now – PERFECT!

The parents and I were very thankful for the school supplies. We use the crayons almost daily, and have already added a lot of work into their binders. All of this will get a lot of use.

Thank you so much to those that helped with childcare at preschool orientation. I do not believe we have ever had so much help! It certainly made it much easier for parents.

Thank you for the Loose coin donation! That was a nice surprise. This extra money helps to keep the cost down for parents. I never want a child to miss out on preschool because of the cost to attend.

Thank you for all of the donations for the ice cream social. We raised enough money to cover all field trips for the year! All of the baked items were appreciated, too! There was plenty for Sunday and to add to snack all week.

Finally, I just want to thank you all for supporting the preschool in general. I appreciate seeing you at preschool events like our programs. On behalf of the preschool, I feel truly blessed to be a part of Jamestown United Methodist Church through the preschool. Thank you so much for all the ways you support the children and myself.

**Kathy – Jamestown Preschool**

(Original note on bulletin board)



**ELKHART KITCHEN, INC.**

dba: *Susanna's Kitchen*

431 South Third Street

P.O. Box 2402

Elkhart, Indiana 46515

Founded in 1982 by several United Methodist Churches

August 31, 2017

To contributors for Susanna's Kitchen,

Would you believe that the Kitchen has been around for over 35 years?

This accomplishment could not have been possible without you, whether you donated funds, contributed food or clothing or volunteered your time, it all made a difference.

Looking back over that last 5 years, serving over 22,000 servings each year on a budget of around \$36,000 certainly shows that we continually strive to make the most of whatever we receive. Our outreach ministry was set up in 1982 to provide help to those individuals that were having a rough time just trying to keep up with their daily living expense. Having a hot meal 5 days a week 52 weeks a year really does help. We are currently serving between 80 and 100 individuals each day plus providing clothing 2 days a week which again is handled by volunteers.

The enclosed brochure shows where our funds generally come from and who currently is on the Board of Directors. It does not show that are over 20 churches, of various denominations, that send volunteers to help serve the daily meal.

We invite you to visit our soup kitchen any week day and observe our operation to see how your support is helping so many individuals get by each day. If you would like to view a 2 minute video showing our outreach ministry we can mail one to you on your request. Another option would be to have someone from our kitchen speak at your church or organization and show the video.

When facing each day without much to look forward to is when our kitchen steps up and shows that there is someone that does care, without questions or requirements.

Your past, current and continuous support has certainly kept many individuals from just giving up. For every \$100.00 donated 65 individuals will receive a hot meal.

Sincerely yours,

Richard Osborne, Board Chairperson.



# Home News

a publication of Indiana United Methodist Children's Home, Inc.

## Evidence-Based Teaching Family Model Changes Lives

Indiana United Methodist Children's Home began utilizing the Teaching Family Model in 2011 and earned accreditation in the model by the Teaching Family Association in 2013. This level of implementation is the highest form of practice and provides support for youth across a broad spectrum of environments. In fact, the American Psychological Association has recognized the model as evidence-based and suggests that it has "given hope that youth with even the most difficult problems or behaviors can improve the quality of their lives and make contributions to society."

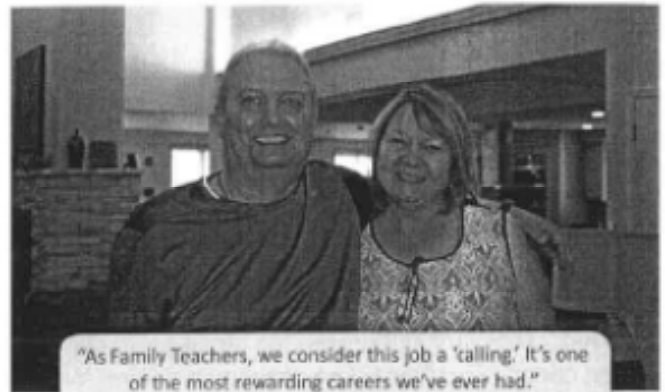
Married couples hired as Family Teachers provide daily care and supervision while teaching important social skills and functional alternatives to behaviors that caused youth to be placed out of the home environment. They help facilitate and accelerate family reunification by teaching youth ways to interact successfully with adults and other children in their schools, communities and homes. Youth learn responsibility and age appropriate independent living skills along with academic skills to help them perform better in school and prepare for a career.

At the Children's Home, eight youth live in each home with the Family Teachers. The Family Teachers work closely with parents, therapists, social workers, probation officers and others who refer youth for services. The goal of placement is family reunification or transition to a permanent living arrangement such as adoption, foster care or independent living.

Youth at the Home range in age from 14-19 and are placed primarily through the Indiana Department of Child Services and juvenile court systems. To learn more about the Home's services, schedule a tour of the campus by contacting Susan Bennett, Director of Public Relations at 765-482-5900 or email inquiries to [susanb@lumch.org](mailto:susanb@lumch.org)



The Teaching Family Homes provide state of the art living space for our youth.



"As Family Teachers, we consider this job a 'calling.' It's one of the most rewarding careers we've ever had."  
- Mike and Lisa Brock, Family Teachers in Wesley Home

Married couples live in each of the four Teaching Family Homes. They are vitally important to the wellbeing of each resident. Mike and Lisa Brock are the Family Teachers in Wesley Home. They are responsible for 8 girls.

### On The Road Again - Summer '17

Thanks to our donors, friends and Auxiliary, the youth had a great summer. Check out some of their activities and trips during the summer of '17!

- Hillsong Concert at Murat Theatre, Indianapolis
- Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre, Indianapolis
- Indianapolis Indians Game
- Indiana Fever Game
- Wright Patterson Air Force Museum, Dayton, Ohio
- The Ark Encounter, Williamstown, Kentucky
- NASCAR Practice Session, Speedway
- Indianapolis Colts preseason game
- Tank Museum, Crawfordsville, IN
- Holiday World, Santa Claus, IN
- Various fishing trips
- Swimming at the Lebanon pool
- Hiking at State Parks







# The gift of grace

God's grace is a free gift, not something we can earn on our own. How do we have this gift?

*Directions: Complete the Bible verse by placing the capital letters from the gifts on the blanks below.*



“ \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ was \_\_\_\_\_  
through \_\_\_\_\_ ; \_\_\_\_\_ and  
\_\_\_\_\_ came \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ .”

\_\_\_\_\_ 1:17, NIV