

# Jimtown OpenLine



## Jamestown United Methodist Church

***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**  
Administrative  
Assistant
- **Geri Angel**  
Custodian
- **Andrea Loft**  
Children's Ministry



### The Lord Is My Shepherd

I enjoy a good pastoral scene. I grew up running through pastures and fields and wooded areas, so some of those scenes feel like home. Seeing God's creation in all its beauty and wonder, even if it is a snowy scene, continues to capture my attention. I like seeing the different scenes on my computer when it first starts up. From desert scenes to seascapes, a great many of them give me pleasure. When I walked to the church this morning it was 56° with a light breeze and low humidity. It was refreshing. I loved it.



I am enjoying our walk through the 23rd Psalm on Sunday mornings. God has been faithful to help me think in ways I have not always thought, as we move through the Psalm phrase by phrase. They could have been divided differently, taking them in larger sections. But I am blessed by the leisurely pace through this familiar portion of God's Word.

It is one of the most well-known parts of the Bible. Many people claim this portion of Scripture as their favorite, and rightfully so. To know the Lord God as our shepherd, guiding us and caring for us through life and death, is an amazing and fulfilling experience.

People may know less and less about farming in general and sheep specifically, but taking time to consider the role of a good shepherd in caring for wayward sheep can teach us a good deal about Jesus, the Good Shepherd, and the way he cares for us, his sheep.

It would be a good time to encourage someone new to join us as we celebrate God's care each week.

Blessings,

Pastor / Shepherd Steve Loft



September  
BIRTHDAYS



September  
ANNIVERSARIES

1	Caitlyn	Wenger
2	Ron	Mahler
4	Sue	Raab
5	Kathy	Eggleston
6	Anna	Farrell
8	Regena	Price
9	Glen	Cook
	Rene	Haitsma
10	Steve	Stout, JR
12	Alec	Remaly
	Faye	Culp
	Jean	Green
13	Jan	Slabaugh
14	Donna	Swoverland
15	Jim	Angel
	Janice	Salmander
16	Brianna	Cook
18	Marilyn	Bender
19	Hannah	Gaugler
	Adam	Remaly
24	Chelsea	Denton
	Stacy	Struble
28	Doug	Cook
29	Lawrence	Young
30	Janice	Bender
	Dave	Polston

**COMMUNITY  
HARVEST  
PARTY  
FREE  
BONFIRE  
HOT DOGS  
DESSERTS  
FAMILY FUN  
FOR ALL  
INVITE YOUR  
NEIGHBORS  
OCTOBER 14TH**

1	Larry & Sue	Struble	1963
4	Steve & Kathleen	Stout, SR	1976
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

**The CROP Hunger Walk Needs You**

What is the crop hunger walk?

- A community –led fundraising event to end hunger
- A source of income for more than 1,500 local food banks and soup kitchens in the U.S.

Why Walk?

- CROP Hunger Walks are interfaith events that build support while raising funds to end hunger in your own community AND also around the world.

What is the impact?

- Support to U.S.-based hunger-fighting organizations
- Water systems and increased access to safe drinking water
- Tools and training to help families grow the food they need

CROP Hunger walks transform communities

- Nutritious food
- Clean water
- Healthy children

How can you help?

- Walk, encourage others to walk with you
- Collect/ask for donations
- Give/support to someone that is walking

To get your envelope or for more information, see Jane Rapp

**Children’s Department**

Are you a regular volunteer in our Children’s Department? Helping in the Nursery or Children’s Church? Or would you like more information concerning this opportunity to help young people grow their love for Jesus Christ?

Join our Children’s Ministry Director, Andrea Loft on Monday the 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. She will be giving information concerning Children’s Church materials, Safety precautions & Nursery attendance & activities.

**Harvest Party - Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup> 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.**

There will be a sign-up sheet to donate needed items. If you would prefer to donate cash to cover non-listed items, please place in the offering plate and mark the envelope “Harvest Party”. If you would like to volunteer an hour of your time, we will have a sign-up sheet for designated jobs. This year we will be offering tours of the church to our visitors.

**HACIENDA**  
MEXICAN RESTAURANTS  
**GIVES BACK**  
**Fiesta**

Group: Crop Walk  
Date: Monday, Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>  
Location: Elkhart

You must receive this token from your organization prior to your event. Distribution of this token on Hacienda property will disqualify the organization from receiving any proceeds. GIFT CARDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED TO MAKE PAYMENT FOR YOUR PURCHASE WITH THIS TOKEN

# SINS

Sometimes a person is known for one sin he or she committed.  
Match each person with the sin he or she committed.

1.	Peter	a. Took another man's wife	2 Samuel 12: 9
2.	Diotrephes	b. Lied about his wife	Genesis 12: 18-19
3.	Saul	c. Persecuted Christians	Acts 9: 1
4.	Saul (Paul)	d. Ate forbidden fruit	Genesis 3: 6
5.	Cain	e. Denied Jesus	Luke 22: 55-60
6.	Ananias	f. Murdered his brother	Genesis 4: 8
7.	David	g. Had too much pride	3 John 9-10
8.	Noah	h. Lied to the Holy Spirit	Acts 5: 3
9.	Abram (Abraham)	i. Took spoils	1 Samuel 15: 9
10.	Woman and her husband (Adam and Eve)	j. Got drunk	Genesis 9: 20-21

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Return Quiz September 23<sup>rd</sup>

Answers for "QUOTES...": 1. Joshua, 2. The Rich man, 3. Jesus, 4. David, 5. Jesus, 6. A would-be follower of Jesus, 7. Jesus, 8. Isaiah, 9. Jesus. Those that were up for a challenge were: Marcia Clark, Marta Clark, Arletah Hochstetler and Jane Lechlitrner.

## SEPTEMBER VOLUNTEERS

	2 <sup>nd</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	16 <sup>th</sup>	23 <sup>rd</sup>	30 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Welcome Center</b>			<i>Irene Cook</i>	<i>Steve &amp; Roberta Mann</i>	
<b>Liturgist</b>	<i>Kristin Farwig</i>	<i>Jeff Clark</i>	<i>LuAnn Pontius</i>	<i>Kristin Farwig</i>	<i>Kristin Farwig</i>
<b>Greeters</b>	<i>Marion Taylor, Sally Franklin, Steve &amp; Kathleen Stout</i>	<i>Nate &amp; Julie Koets, Doug &amp; Clo McIntosh</i>	<i>Ray Hochstetler, Paula LaPlace, Jim &amp; Geri Angel</i>	<i>Becky Metcalf, Tom &amp; Diana Cook</i>	<i>Cheryl Cabanaw, Shannon Sciba, Doug Cook, Maria Moleski</i>
<b>Acolytes</b>	<i>Steve &amp; Kathleen Stout</i>	<i>Julie &amp; Caleb Koets</i>	<i>Jim &amp; Geri Angel</i>	<i>Deb Beehler, Hannah Skibbe</i>	<i>Doug Cook, Maria Moleski</i>
<b>Children's Message</b>	<i>Pastor Steve</i>	<i>Steve Allen</i>	<i>Gail Greenlee</i>	<i>Kristin Farwig</i>	
<b>Cookie Fellowship</b>	<i>Steve &amp; Kathleen Stout, Larry &amp; Sue Struble</i>	<i>Randy &amp; Deb Beehler, Mark &amp; Robin Wrathell</i>	<i>Rita Peat, Randy &amp; Gail Greenlee</i>	<i>Dick &amp; Joan Briggs, Paul &amp; Jan Slabaugh</i>	<i>Cheryl Cabanaw, Clo McIntosh, Bruce &amp; Sandy Clark</i>
<b>Nursery</b>	<i>Marcia Clark</i>	<i>Sharon Hirstein</i>			
<b>Children's Church</b>	<i>LuAnn Pontius</i>	<i>Marcia Clark</i>	<i>Marcia Clark</i>	<i>Andrea Loft</i>	
<b>Ushers</b>	<i>Randy Beehler, Mark Campbell, Dave Pontius &amp; Mark Wrathell</i>				

### TRUSTEES

August 16 6:00 p.m.

**Pew Upholstery:** Fabric backordered; projecting end of September  
**Electronic Sign:** Completed  
**Parking lot resealing:** Lines Completed  
**Parsonage Chimney:** Main is good, Basement has holes in fire box.  
**Sanctuary Lights:** Schwartz will put in LED; All  
**Sidewalk Repair:** Completed  
**Cleaning Tiled floors:** Completed  
**Preschool room Carpeting:** Completed  
**Apart. A:** Completed  
**Stump Grinding:** Completed.  
**Scouts Stone:** Moving to Teen Center  
**Sanctuary Locks:** Partially completed;  
**Stage molding:** Will patch and paint  
**Office AC motor:** Purchased, installed at later date  
**Wiring at Parsonage:** Small room off living room. Evaluating situation

### SEPTEMBER COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Mon	10 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 pm	Nominations & Leadership
Tues	11 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 pm	Missions
Thurs	13 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 pm	Finance
		7:00 pm	S/PPR
Mon	17 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 pm	Child Dept. Volunteers
Wed	19 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 pm	Worship Committee
Thurs	20 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 pm	Trustees
		7:00 pm	Evangelism Committee
Thurs	27 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 pm	Church Council

### 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. You never know what will be on the breakfast menu.

### UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

We are back to our regular meeting times. Our next meeting is Sunday the 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:45 a.m.

### STAFF/PASTOR PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE

is seeking an energetic, fun-loving Youth Director. If you or someone you know is interested, please send your inquiries or resume to Jamestown UMC.

### SENIOR LUNCHEON

Cancelled in September  
Next: October 2<sup>nd</sup> at Noon

### WELCOME CENTER

Please sign up at the Welcome Center to work at the Welcome Center. Instructions are available. Thank You

### MISSIONS COMMITTEE

**Loose Coin:** In response to the powerful message Steve Riikonen brought to us recently regarding human trafficking in Elkhart County and the new program – Girl's Intensive Treatment- added to the Teen Homeless Shelter, the Mission Committee has selected Bashor home for our September Loose Coin offering. Our August offering of \$82.80 went to Indiana UM Children's Home. Thank you for your generosity with these projects.

**In addition** we are asking for personal hygiene items for girls and boys. Also bath towels & wash cloths. We will collect these items thru September.

### SUSANNA'S KITCHEN

We are in need of two volunteers to help once a month. Our week to serve is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month. Please sign the paper when you know you will be able to help. This will help others know the date is filled.

### CHURCH COMMUNITY SERVICES

This month we are encouraging each family to bring **Peanut Butter and Jelly ...**

### 2019 MISSION TRIP

We are all aware of the many "natural" disasters that have occurred across our country in recent times. There is a natural "emergency" response to these situations (UMCOR for one) and much focus is placed on the immediate needs of each one. Other areas appear to continually have needs because of their everyday circumstances. One of these areas is served by RED BIRD MISSION & CLINIC in Beverly KY., an Appalachian area of low employment, few services, inadequate housing and resulting poverty. RED BIRD MISSION & CLINIC is a Methodist agency that strives to meet the needs of their neighbors through education, health and wellness, community outreach, economic opportunity and community housing improvement. To meet these needs, work teams can sponsor a project, send a team and serve one week accomplishing the chosen goal.

JUMC plans to sponsor and send a team in summer of 2019. It takes many hands to accomplish the task...team/project leader, workers, supplies, financial support—to mention a few.

Are you up for the challenge? Will you add RED BIRD MISSION & CLINIC to your "to-do" list? Stay tuned for more information on ways to "JOIN THE JUMC TEAM".

### SCRAPBOOKING/CRAFT NIGHT

If you have projects you can't seem to complete, bring them here. We enjoy being able to work side by side, helping and encouraging each other. Sometimes it is easier to work on a project while you are visiting with other people while working with your hands. Enjoy and stay well. Jane

### *The Role of a Lifetime*

*We grow up when we see our life and our role from God's perspective; when we thank God for the role he has assigned us and begin to see our cup as a gift instead of a cross; when each morning we ask, "God, how can I glorify you today in my given role?"*

—Linda Dillow, *Calm My Anxious Heart*

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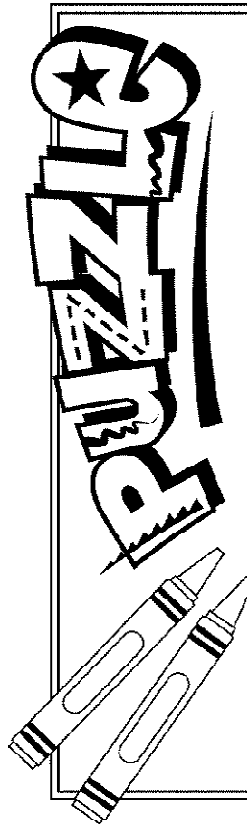
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"The Good Shepherd"



# IT'S A MIRACLE!

Jesus performed many amazing miracles during his earthly ministry.

*Directions: Match the words and pictures of different healings, from one column to the other. Then fit the word pairs in the blanks below to complete Matthew 11:5, NIV.*



blind



leprosy



lame



deaf



dead



hear



walk



raised



sight



cleansed

The \_\_\_\_\_ receive \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_, those  
who have \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_.

MATTHEW 11:5, NIV