

North United Methodist Church Spring 2014 Offerings

# A Word from Darren

I hope you will add to your New Year's Resolutions to join us at North for one of our many offerings. 2014 promises to be a great year for celebrating God's love in worship, for serving in the name of Jesus and for listening to the Spirit through one of our many small groups and studies. This year's Lenten focus is on prayer. It is my prayer that your faith will be enriched through the ministries at North Church.

- Pastor Darren Cushman Wood Spring 2014

# Worship

#### **Ash Wednesday**

March 5, 7:30 am, 12:30 pm & 6:30 pm (Chapel)

Pastor Danyelle, preaching

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the season of Lent. Lent is a time when many Christians prepare for Easter by observing a period of fasting, repentance, moderation and spiritual discipline. Through the imposition of ashes, Ash Wednesday emphasizes two themes: our sinfulness before God and our human mortality.

### **Sundays in Lent**

March 9-April 6

The theme of prayer will guide us on the 40-day journey through Lent. For five Sundays, we will explore different aspects of prayer in the Christian life with a sermon and study series entitled *Paths of Prayer*.

### Palm/Passion Sunday

April 13

A service of readings and music celebrates Christ's glorious entry into Jerusalem on Sunday through his Passion on Friday. The service opens with palm branches waving and shouts of "Hosanna" but as the story of the passion unfolds, their shouts of joy turn to

demands for his crucifixion; he receives a crown of thorns as he is handed over to be mocked and killed.

### Maundy Thursday

April 17, 7:00 pm

Maundy Thursday commemorates the day Jesus celebrated the Last Supper with his disciples and washed their feet. Later that night, he went with them to the Garden of Gethsemane to pray. But the disciples fell asleep, leaving Jesus alone in his dark night of the soul. With music, prayers and readings, journey from the Upper Room to the Garden as we remember and experience anew the events of Maundy Thursday.

#### **Good Friday Stations of the Cross**

April 18, 11:00 am

Join us as we walk through the neighborhood in remembrance of the way of Christ to Golgotha. This is an opportunity to learn about the community. The group will depart from the West Entrance at 11:00am and will return in time for the 12:00pm community service.

## **Community Good Friday Service**

April 18, 12:00 pm

In cooperation with the Mid-North Church Council, we will host the annual Community Good Friday Service in the Chapel.

#### **Good Friday**

April 18, 7:00 pm

A Service of Darkness featuring Dubois' Seven Last Word's of Christ.

#### **Easter Sunday**

April 20

Celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ with a joyful and festive worship experience. At 8:30am, we will have Holy Communion. At 11:00am, the Carolers will share special music along with presentations by the Cathedral Singers.

## **Meditation & Contemplative Prayer**

Tuesdays, 5:30 – 6:00 pm (Chapel)

Meditation & Contemplative Prayer is a method of silent prayer that prepares us to receive the gift of experiencing God's presence within us, closer than breathing, closer than thinking, closer than consciousness itself. This method of prayer is both a relationship with God and a discipline to foster that relationship. All are welcome to join this group and experience the voice of God in the power of silence and meditation.

#### **Taize**

4th Sunday of the Month, 5:00 pm (Chapel)

Prayer and silence are at the heart of the Taize experience; there is no sermon. Taize music highlights simple phrases, usually from the Psalms or other pieces of scripture, which are repeated or sung in canon. The repetition is designed to help meditation and prayer during candlelit services.

# All Church Events

### All Church Game Night

February 7, 6:00-9:00 pm (Fellowship Hall)

Celebrate the Lunar New Year with fun and fellowship at an all-church game night. Bring your favorite game to play with others or join in on tournaments. The church will provide sandwiches and drinks, all guests are encouraged to bring a healthy snack or dessert to share. Please RSVP by Wednesday, February 5 to Peter and Daphne Chen (aaaf.geo@yahoo.com).

### Forum: Straight Talk about Gay Marriage

February 9, 9:45 am (Fellowship Hall)

The Discipleship and Formation Team is hosting an all church "forum on understanding" led by Robyn Henderson-Espinoza, from Reconciling Ministries Network, to discover the meaning of Biblical Obedience within the struggle for marriage equality. This follows an optional three-week book study led by Pastor Danyelle on Bishop Gene Robinson's book *God Believe's in Love*, which begins January 19.

#### North Church Goes to the Museum

February 23, following 11:00 am service

Everyone is invited to a fun afternoon at the Children's Museum. The group will meet in the Club Room for a sack lunch before heading over to explore the exhibits at the world's best museum for children. This event is not only for children, but for adults as well. Limited free passes are available and group discount tickets are \$9.50/child and \$14.50/adult. Please RSVP to Becky Wolfe (BeckyW@childrensmuseum.org).

#### Mardi Gras

March 4, 5:30-7:00 pm (Fellowship Hall)

"Mardi Gras" literally means "Fat Tuesday," so named because it is considered a last feast before the 40-day Lenten season of fasting and prayer. At North Church, celebrate Mardi Gras with a pancake dinner prepared and served by our church staff, complete with festive music.

#### **Lenten Prayer Walks**

Wednesdays, March 12-April 9, 4:30-5:30 pm Join Pastor Darren to pray for the neighborhoods surrounding the church. Each Wednesday, the group will walk, visit neighbors and pray. Walks will conclude with a dinner at McDonald's.

# North at Night: Supper, Service, Study

Thursdays, March 13-April 10, 5:30-7:30 pm

Joins us as we observe Lent on Thursday evenings for worship in the Chapel. We will begin with a light supper beginning at 5:30pm, followed by worship at 6:15pm and concluding with a guest speaker or discussion about prayer and faith from 6:45-7:30pm.

## Labyrinth: The Walking Prayer

March 16, 9:45-10:45 am

The labyrinth is a metaphor for the Christian life, which is often described as a pilgrimage or journey with God, a journey in which we can grow closer in relationship with God, and in turn, closer to others. To learn more about and experience labyrinth prayer, join Rev. Warren Lynn during this Lenten workshop.

### **Prayer Stations**

March 30, 9:45-10:45 am

The paths of prayer are many and varied. Gather with the youth to journey through prayer stations to discover new forms of prayer and learn how God is with you even in the most mundane activities of life.

#### Palm Sunday Parade

April 13, 10:30 am

Palm Sunday commemorates Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem a week before his crucifixion. In song, silence, prayer and liturgy, we recall the festival that greeted Jesus and are reminded of what follows just a few days later. Using various stops along our church property, participants will be reminded of Jesus' walk to Good Friday.

### **Holy Week House Blessings**

April 13-19

As part of the church's efforts to connect with the surrounding neighborhoods, Pastor Darren will offer house blessings to our neighbors. House blessings will be scheduled throughout the week.

If you would like to participate in this ritual of hospitality, please contact Pastor Darren.

#### All Church Pitch-in Lunch

April 27, following 11:00 am service (Fellowship Hall) Join friends and families for an all church pitch-in lunch with entertainment provided by the North Church Brass Ensemble. The church will provide meat and drinks. Please RSVP to the church office (events@northchurchindy.com).

#### Mother's Day Musical

May 11, 9:45 am (Fellowship Hall)

In "Firefly Island," this year's children's choir musical, the audience will meet the Big Kahuna, Mama Earth, warriors, worriers, lots of fireflies and a cameo appearance by Jesus. Fireflies are the only source of light on the island. No candles, no torches, no lamps. The people have light, but they won't use it. They keep it under a bushel to keep it safe. Will they finally see the Light? Will they finally share the Light?

# Music

## **Cathedral Ringers**

Rehearsal Wednesdays, 7:00 pm (Room 007)

Director and Contact: Martin Ellis (<a href="mailto:mellis@northchurchindy.com">mellis@northchurchindy.com</a>)

The Cathedral Ringers is the adult handbell ensemble which uses a beautiful five-octave set of Malmark handbells. The Cathedral Ringers offer selections at both morning worship services approximately five weeks apart. Rehearsals begin January 15.

## **Cathedral Singers**

Rehearsal Thursdays, 7:00 pm (Choir Room)

Director and Contact: Mark Gilgallon

(mgilgallon@northchurchindy.com)

With over 50 members, the Cathedral Singers is the largest choral ensemble at North Church and sings weekly at the 11:00 a.m. worship service and on special liturgical holidays. Rehearsals begin January 16.

#### North's Winds Brass

Rehearsal Wednesdays, 6:00 pm

Contact: John S. Hague (<a href="mailto:jshague@gmail.com">jshague@gmail.com</a>)

North's Winds is a devoted brass ensemble which performs periodically throughout the year. North's Winds Brass will resume on January 8.

#### North's Winds Woodwinds

Rehearsal Sundays, 9:45 am

Contact: John S. Hague (jshague@gmail.com)

North's first-ever woodwind choir is composed of a variety of woodwind instruments including flute, oboe, clarinet, saxophone and bassoon. Rehearsals begin January 19.

#### **Youth Ringers**

Rehearsal after 11:00 am worship service (Room 007), January 12-May 4

Directors and Contacts: Jeff and Kelley Warbinton (<u>warbintons@comcast.net</u>)

Youth Ringers is a handbell and hand chime ensemble open to youth in 7th -12th grades. The group rehearses immediately following the 11:00am service until 1:15pm in Room 007. A complete calendar of rehearsals and performances will be distributed at the first rehearsal. The first rehearsal is January 12.

#### Children's Choirs

Rehearsal after 11:00 am worship service

3 year olds - 6th grade

Music ministry is a central part of North Church's culture. Our children's choirs offer kids an opportunity to experience the joy of choral singing to the Glory of God. All rehearsals for Children's Choirs begin January 12.

Joyful Noise (Room 104)
 3-5 year olds

Director: Mark Gilgallon (mgilgallon@northchurchindy.com)

Carolers (Room 106/Conference Room)
 5 years old - 2nd grade
 Director: Denise Page Caraher (<u>jcdpc88@aol.com</u>)

• Choristers (Room 004) 3rd - 6th grader

Director: Rosie Jordan (<a href="mailto:rosiej@phoeniximages.com">rosiej@phoeniximages.com</a>)

# Children & Families

If you have questions or would like to get more involved in ministry with Children and Families, please contact Danyelle Ditmer (<a href="dditmer@northchurchindy.com">dditmer@northchurchindy.com</a>).

#### Younger Children Sunday School (3 years-1st grade)

Sundays, 9:45-10:45 am, January 5 - May 4
During Sunday School, young children use Hands-On Bible curriculum. With this exciting and engaging curriculum, each week children use everyday items to help learn the Bible. Since children experience what they're learning, it sticks with them for a lifetime.

## Older Children Sunday School (2nd grade-5th grade)

Sundays, 9:45-10:45 am, January 5 - May 4

Older children experience something new and wonderful during Sunday School with Godly Play. In an age where we feel the need to meet children in their high-tech world, Godly Play is a unique way to present the beautiful and eloquent truths of the Bible in a very simple, natural form through storytelling. Children engage the stories through wondering and directed discussion.

### Movie & Pizza Night

January 10, 6:00-8:00 pm (Fellowship Hall)

This event is a fun, family-friendly night of pizza and a movie in Fellowship Hall. Pizza and drinks are available for a suggested donation of \$10 per family. Please dress comfortably and bring a comfortable chair to sit in (lawn chairs, blankets, sleeping bags, bean bag chairs, etc) to watch *Turbo*. Please RSVP by January 7 to Rob and Suzanne Aaron (suzanneaaron@yahoo.com).

#### **Alternative Worship**

Non-Communion Sundays, during 11:00 am worship service, January 12 - May 18 (Room 104)

5 year olds - 3rd grade

Children are welcome to stay in worship but North also recognizes that some children may get more out of an experience designed specifically for them. Alternative Worship is an invitation for children to learn more about the Bible by retelling the story through multiple mediums designed specifically to engage groups of multiage children.

#### Children's Retreat

March 8, 9:00 am-1:00 pm

5 year olds - 5th grade

Children are invited to participate in a retreat designed especially for them to learn about Lent through crafts, storytelling, cooking, and service. The goal of the retreat is to help North Church children understand how to prepare and spiritually grow during this season. The retreat will include lunch. Please RSVP by Monday, March 7 to Pastor Danyelle (dditmer@northchurchindy.com).

#### **Mission Possible Families**

April 19, 9:00 am-12:00 pm

Join other families with children for mission projects around the church and to connect with those in need beyond North Church. Childcare is available for small children. Please RSVP by emailing Ange Cahoon (Merciercahoon@mercahnet.com).

## Parents' Night Out

May 17, 4:00-8:00 pm (Childcare Wing)

Kids love this special evening planned just for them. Named Parents Night Out, this event is really Kids Night Out. Children will enjoy a unique, themed program with dependable, qualified and caring staff in age-appropriate groups. They will experience a night filled with activities, group games, crafts and pizza. Preregistration to the church office is required by Wednesday, May 14. The cost is \$10 per child with a \$30 cap for families.

# Youth

If you have questions or would like to get more involved in youth ministries, please contact Anne Moman (amoman@northchurchindy.com). All forms and calendars are available on the church website.

### Middle & High School Sunday School

Sundays, January-May, 9:45-10:45 am Students use FaithWeaver to engage and experience the Bible in fresh, fun and meaningful ways. Each lesson focuses on growing a

relationship with Jesus through Bible study and life application.

#### **UMYF**

Sundays, January-May, 5:30-8:00 pm (Youth Room)
United Methodist Youth Fellowship meets most Sunday evenings
and includes dinner. Each week, UMYF switches focus from
Building Up, discussion on Teen Life, opportunities for Fellowship,
and an experience with Mission.

#### College Retreat

January 3-4, 5:00 pm-5:00 pm

College students home on break are invited to this free retreat for relaxation, renewal and reconnection with your North friends.

#### 6th Grade Welcome Party

January 12, 5:30-8:00 pm (Fellowship Hall) A fun night to welcome 6th graders to UMYF.

#### College Bible Study

Beginning January 12, 12:15-1:30 pm (Room 008)

Each week after the 11:00am service, this group gathers for lunch, discussion and Bible study. All college students are welcome to join.

#### **Ice Skating Party**

January 18, 2:30-4:30 pm (Coliseum)

All youth are invited to the newly renovated Coliseum at the State Fairgrounds for an afternoon of skating. \$10 and forms are due by January 12. Pick up and drop off at the Fairgrounds.

#### 30-Hour Fast

February 14-15, 6:00 pm-6:00 pm (North Church)

Youth and volunteers fast for 30 hours to raise money for Umoja Project. Learn about world hunger issues, serve in the local community, build relationships and have fun. Registration is due February 9.

#### **ASP Supply Sales**

Each Sunday in March (West Entry)

Each participant pays \$310 to attend ASP, however, it takes more than that to send a group of 37 youth and adults to Kentucky for a week of service. All funds raised go directly to the needs of the trip such as van rentals, supplies and meals on the road.

#### **Mother Daughter Group**

Wednesdays, 7:00-8:30 pm (Anne's Home, 1509 Broad Ripple Ave), March 12-April 16

Open to 6th-12th grade girls and their mothers. Join the group for conversation, activities, food and fun.

#### All Youth Lenten Retreat

March 14-16, 5:30 pm-2:00 pm (Camp Allendale)

Every year, our youth gather for this retreat full of fun, fellowship and food. Travel to Camp Allendale for a weekend focused on the relationship with God, self and others. \$95 and forms are due by March 2.

### Youth Sunday Worship

June 1, both services

Youth will lead the congregation in worship through scripture, music and word. Youth Ringers will play in addition to other special music offerings.

# Adults

# Please purchase books or ebooks through your favorite bookstore.

#### Book Study: Straight Talk about Gay Marriage

Sundays, January 19-February 9, 9:45-10:45 am (Room 203)
The Discipleship and Formation Team will host a three-week book study followed by a forum of understanding around the topic of marriage equality. On January 19, the group will begin an all-church book study led by Pastor Danyelle on Bishop Gene Robinson's book *God Believes in Love: Straight Talk about Gay Marriage*. This book makes a case for marriage equality using a common sense, reasoned and religious argument. This three-week book study will provide an introductory foundation for an all-church forum and discussion with special guest Robyn Henderson-Espinoza from Reconciling Ministries Network on February 9.

## **Spanish Conversation**

January 21, 7:00pm

Contact: Jan and Carl Wheater-Cowen

(<u>wheaterjan@alumni.iu.edu</u> / (765) 418-0696)

Interested in chatting in Spanish? This group will meet periodically to discuss all things Spanish - contact Jan at the phone number above for location information as it will change.

#### Invitation to the Old Testament

Wednesdays, January 29-March 19, 7:00-8:30 pm If you have never read the Old Testament or have been perplexed by it, this study will provide you with an excellent overview of the history, literature and theology of the Hebrew scriptures.

#### Invitation to the Gospel of John

Wednesdays, January 29-April 9, 7:00-8:30 pm Contact: Dale Benson (dalebenson@sbcglobal.net) Join us in an exploration of the Gospel of John's view of Jesus and the great theological and spiritual themes of the Gospel through a

DVD series commentary and class discussion.

#### **New Members Class**

Sundays, February 2-March 3, 9:45-10:45 am

Contact: Darren Cushman Wood

(dcushwood@northchurchindy.com)

This class is designed for regular attendees who are interested in exploring membership in the United Methodist Church and for persons wishing to transfer their membership from another United Methodist Church. Pastor Darren will cover the basics of United Methodist history, beliefs and practices and help participants become actively involved in the ministries of North Church.

## Lenten Leader Informational Meeting & Lunch

March 2, following the 11:00 am service (Fellowship Hall)
This is an opportunity to learn more about leading a small group
and the study guide for Lent. Lunch will be served. All small group
leaders are encouraged to attend this informational session hosted
by GroupSync.

## Spring Worship & Study Series: "Paths of Prayer"

March 9-30

Throughout Lent, explore the spiritual practice of prayer thorugh a sermon and study series written by Pastor Darren. The study guide is designed for individuals and small groups. If you would like to study with others, then please join a small group. GroupSync, North Church's small group planning team, will coordinate and distribute a list of small group opportunities by February. For more information about leading a small group or participating in a group, contact groupsync@northchurchindy.com.

# Book Study: Why Did Jesus, Moses, the Buddha and Mohammed Cross the Road?

Wednesdays, April 23-May 14, 6:30-8:30 pm (Library) It's not the start of a bad joke, but rather an insightful book on one of the most important conversations taking place in the world today: Can you be a committed Christian without having to condemn or convert people of other faiths? Is it possible to affirm other religious traditions without watering down your own? To be part of the conversation, join Pastor Danyelle for a four-week book study on Brian McLaren's *Why Did Jesus, Moses, the Buddha and Mohammed Cross the Road?* 

# Book Discussion: *Undiscovered Country: Imagining the World to Come* by Peter Hawkins

Wednesdays, April 30 and May 7, 7:00 pm Join Pastor Darren for this two-part discussion of the personal and theological reflections on heaven and hell (and everything in between) by Dante scholar and Yale professor Peter S. Hawkins.

### **Wednesday Morning Bible Study**

Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 am (Community Room)

Contact: Mary Jo Stinnette (<a href="mailto:smjstinnette@sbcglobal.net">smjstinnette@sbcglobal.net</a>)

This is an ongoing group who welcomes new members to join their exploration of the Bible and what it means for today. Working chapter by chapter through a book of the Bible, this group takes its time for lively (and fun!) discussion led by experienced teachers.

### Mid-North Shepherd's Center

Wednesdays, 9:00 am (Lower Level)

Contacts: Cheryl Fesmire or Debbie Hinderliter

(mnscenter@aol.com)

Adults 55 years of age and older attend Adventures in Learning held each Wednesday with varied programs starting at 10:00 a.m.including choral rehearsals, Bible Sharing, Newstalk, Yoga as well as lectures and interactive programs, meditation, book club all offered free of charge. Day trips are also offered for a minimal charge. Lunch is served each Wednesday for \$6.00. No signup or membership fee is required.

# Adult Sunday School

### Adult Sunday School classes meet weekly, 9:45-10:45 am

### **Affirming Group**

Room: 203

Contacts: Don Childers (donsuechilders@yahoo.com) and Troy

Barker (troy@comcast.net)

The Affirming Group is an adult Sunday School class where all are welcome regardless of sexual orientation (LGBTQ/straight). This group shares an open and supportive exchange of life and church experiences. This group claims the promise that nothing can separate anyone from God's love. For spring, this group will use two books:

- *Voices From the Kingdom* by Beverly Cole. The interviews in this book provide a much-needed clarity and insight about the pain of exclusion experienced by the faithful who happen to be gay.
- God Believes In Love-Straight Talk About Gay Marriage by Bishop Gene Robinson

#### **Amazing Grace**

Room: 106 (Conference Room)

Contacts: Donna Archibald (darchibald@sbcglobal.net)
The focus of this class is to stand in solidarity with the disenfranchised of society. Through study and prayer, the class has been led to support several projects, including the girls/young women in the state detention facility in Madison for the past four years. Help to supply the women with personal hygiene items is always welcome. The need for improved public transportation in Indianapolis is another focus of this group. The spring study will focus on prayer using both the Lenten series booklet and other resources. Amazing Grace is both diverse and inclusive - all are welcome.

#### **Building Foundations**

Room: 004

Contact: Cheryl Guieb (cmguieb@comcast.net)

Looking for a place to connect and discuss issues impacting your kids and your family? This group addresses topics as diverse as today's families in a relaxed and supportive atmosphere.

#### **Contemporary Biblical Forum**

Room: 009

Contact: Austin Ritterspach (aritterspach@aol.com)

Looking to be challenged in how you understand the Bible? This group's explorations involve extra books not in the biblical canon, new meanings for treasured prophecies, latest archaeological discoveries, vexing questions such as the justice of God, and the basic themes of covenant, law and prophecy. Scholars, archaeologists and other specialists in biblical studies are frequent

presenters. This spring, speakers will include Dr. Jack Leonard, Professor Perry Kea, Marti Steussey and Austin Ritterspach.

#### Food for Thought

Room: Club Room

Contact: Alan Archibald (<u>a.archibald@sbcglobal.net</u>)

Bringing together food, playful poems, and discussion, this group is a gathering of college age adults with special needs and friends.

Anyone is welcome to join.

#### **New Corinthians**

Room: Parlor

Contacts: Suzette Mathis (suzette.mathis@att.net); Kevin (kipbernson@aol.com) and Natalie (natdempsey@aol.com) Dempsey; or Marie and Toby Powell (tobmarpowell@yahoo.com) This group devotes itself to understanding the intersection of faith and culture. Topics vary weekly and cover subjects from popular culture in literature (books, magazines, news stories), media (radio, movies, television, online content), and music.

## **Power and Light**

Room: 205

Contact: Kathy Beck (beck305@hotmail.com)

This group is a welcoming, diverse group of individuals united in fellowship, social service, and personal support in the mutual pursuit of spiritual growth.

#### Sojourners

Room: 005

Contacts: Karen Kay (kkbleonard@sbcglobal.net) and Jack Leonard

(indyjel@gmail.com)

Sojourners is an ongoing, intergenerational Sunday School class. Members talk, pray, work and play together. The group selects contemporary books or Bible books to study and class discussion is led by volunteers. At the start of each calendar year, Sojourners creates its plan for service and socials. Two spring service projects generally are serving Friendship Time in the Parlor in February and conducting a clean-up of the church grounds on the Saturday before Easter.

#### **Young Families**

Room: 101

Contacts: James and Miki Hamstra (jhamstra@me.com)

Families with small children may all look different but they often It's goal is to bring young families together in fellowship and study. This spring, this group will read *The 5 Love Languages of Children* by Gary Chapman and Ross Campbell. About the book: *Does your child speak a different language? Sometimes they wager for your attention, and other times they ignore you completely. Sometimes they are filled with gratitude and affection, and other times they seem totally indifferent. Attitude. Behavior. Development. Everything depends on the love relationship between you and your child. When children feel loved, they do their best. But how can you make sure your child feels loved?* 

# United Methodist Women

If you have questions or would like to get more involved in United Methodist Women, please contact Sue Childers (donsuechilders@yahoo.com).

#### Miriam Circle

Fourth Thursday, 12:00 pm (Parlor)

The Miriam Circle is part of United Methodist Women. This circle gathers for lunch, project planning and programs focused on the UMW's mission. Meetings are open to all interested in joining the group.

#### The Women of Lydia

Fourth Wednesday, 7:00-8:30 pm (Club Room)

The Women of Lydia is a circle of United Methodist Women. This circle is open to women of all ages, the group supports each other through discussions of current topics, studies, and mission work.

#### Sunday Supper at Noon

March 9, following 11:00 am worship service (Fellowship Hall) This meal is sponsored by United Methodist Women to raise funds for their ongoing mission to serve women and children locally and globally. There are typically three of these events per year - the first one of the year is scheduled for March 9 with the other two TBD.

# Occasional Gatherings

#### Green Team

Third Sunday, 5:30 pm (Club Room)

Contact: Eric Galloway (ewgalloway@hotmail.com)

The North Church Green Team is a concerned, energized group of North Church attendees interested in caring for God's creation. The Green Team tackles this challenge with 3-fold action: working to change the church, working to change the congregation, and working to change the world. In the past, this group has organized an all-church plant exchange, planned mission and service projects, arranged for free energy assessments for the homes of the people of the church, worked to improve the internal recycling practices of the church, and advocated with groups whose concerns overlap their own. Everyone is invited to join. Childcare available as needed.

#### **GenXY Second Sunday Lunches**

Second Sunday, 12:00 pm (locations vary)

Contacts: Eric Applegate (e\_applegate@hotmail.com) or Anne Moman (amoman@northchurchindy.com)

Meet in the West Entry after the second service on the second Sunday of every month. This group dines at local restaurants while enjoying the company of North's Youth Adults. Children are welcome.

# Wesley Fellowship

Second Sunday, 5:30-7:30 pm (Parlor)

Contact: Jodie Baker (jodiebbaker@yahoo.com)

The Wesley Fellowship gathers for a pitch-in meal and a variety of programs. A \$2 donation is accepted toward the cost of entrées. All are welcome.

# Health Ministries

If you have questions or would like to get more involved in ministry with Health Ministries, please contact Carolyn Cunningham (carolynacu@aol.com).

#### **Lenten Series**

Wednesdays, March 12-April 2, 7:00-8:00 pm This spring we will continue to explore topics in striving towards "Living Fully, Dying Well." These topics include: long term care, palliative care to hospice care, the role of spiritual directors and planning a Christian funeral.

# Complimentary Therapies/Alternative Care

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Join us as we sample various complimentary therapies/alternative care. Come and learn more about these treatment modalities and how you might incorporate them into your own wellness routine.

# Mission & Outreach

### Mid-North Pantry Food Drive

January & June

For many years, North Church has collected canned food during the months of January and June to re-stock the shelves at the Mid-North Food Pantry (MNFP). MNFP strives to enhance the health of the mid-north neighborhoods by providing supplemental food and basic necessities for the neighbors in need. MNFP provides supplemental food/basic necessities, nutritional information, nutritional cooking classes and referrals to service agencies.

#### Kenya Carnival

March 1, 2:00-6:00 pm (Second Presbyterian Church)
The Kenya Carnival supports the Umoja Project to help children and youth in Western Kenya go to school.