

June 2018



# News & Views

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2018 Habitat Build Volunteers - pg 2



## On the cover

Our **Habitat for Humanity** volunteer workday was Saturday, April 28th.

We worked alongside the future homeowner, engaged with others in the community, and had fun installing siding.

Thank you to the following volunteers: Bo Walker, Tom Stayton, Jerry Gray, Ruth Moore, Tony Dzwonar, Jim Aelick, Gabe Goncalves, John Brooks, Craig Hittle.

## Worship in June

**Sunday, June 3.** Today we will start a six week journey through the Book of Samuel. We meet Samuel and Saul and David. It is like reality TV with deceit, violence, power grabbing, and suspense. This is communion Sunday.

**Sunday, June 10.** Last week God called. This week God responds. How these ancient people experienced God can help us understand our own faith.

**Sunday, June 17.** No primary or midterm elections in this story. Samuel and God pick a king. What does God see in a person that we may miss? What kind of leadership is God seeking?

**Sunday, June 24.** This week God leads little David into a fight with big, ol' Goliath. Is that fair? What is the point? We know the story but why is it here?



## Church School in June

We have entered ordinary time. Our Preschool and Church School use the curriculum of Seasons of the Spirit. The following prayer comes from our Preschool curriculum for June 3rd:

*God of ordinary time, God of extraordinary presence, we come into your presence today, open to hear your call, to wonder at your knowledge, ready to proclaim your message. Help us to discern the heart of your message and give us the courage to proclaim that love. Amen.*

**June 3, 2018** - Focus Scripture: 1 Samuel 3:1-10. Our preschool will listen and wonder about God's call in the story of Samuel. How has God called you to help others and to share God's love?

**June 10, 2018** - Focus Scripture: 1 Samuel 8:4-11 (12-15), 16-20 (11:14-15). This week our church school class will explore listening and leadership in a story about Samuel. What special skill for leadership do you think God has given you?

**June 17, 2018** - Focus Scripture: 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13. Our lesson this week teaches our children through a story about David that God knows us deep inside. What do you think it means that God "looks on the heart"?

**June 24, 2018** - Focus Scripture: 1 Samuel 17: (1a, 4-11, 19-23), 32-49. Our church school class will focus this week on the story of David and Goliath, exploring how David trusted in God to help him. What "tools" do we have to help us face our challenges?

## Goodbye and Godspeed to Preschool Director Haley Holdaway

It is with sadness that we say goodbye to our Northminster Preschool Director, Haley Sauer Holdaway. Haley grew up in this church and has been our director for three years. She is leaving to pursue full time teaching hopefully as a Developmental Preschool teacher. Haley has a degree in Elementary Education and a Master's Degree in Special Education so she is looking at many options.

Haley loved getting to know the families in the preschool and helping guide the parents through the early years of parenting. She liked starting her career as a director at a smaller school and felt comfortable here at Northminster where she grew up and was confirmed. She followed in the tradition of other church members who directed the Preschool – Jinny Bork, Janet West and Judy Nelson. The church staff loved working with her too because of her commitment to the children



and families, and her dedication to the play-based philosophy our preschool is known for. We will miss you Haley and wish you only the best in the future.

*(A new director has been hired and she will begin her work amongst us this summer. )*

## Back To School Extravaganza – by Jerry Gray

It is that time of year again when we start processing Lost and Found clothing retrieved from the Carmel Clay and Washington Township schools.

We partner every year with St. Luke's Methodist Church, Second Presbyterian Church and the North Mennonite Church to provide school supplies, new shoes, new blue jeans and all the clothing that we process. We care for approximately 1,200 children in the northern portion of Marion County. All

this and more services are provided on July 28th.

Here is what we need from you. Starting in the first week of June bags of dirty laundry will be in the laundry tote located in the Gathering Place. As in other years please take as many bags as you can, launder, and return the clothing to the church. We like to complete this process by the end of June.

During the first part of July we will sort, hang and categorize the

clothing in order to prepare for the main event. On July 28th, we will man and operate the Northminster Clothing Store at St. Luke's. More details to come soon!



## Northminster Missions

*Photo: Mission Team member Kaitlyn Boller (right) presents Northminster check to Wheeler Mission. For a list of our Mission partners, go to: [northminster-indy.org/ministries/missions/](http://northminster-indy.org/ministries/missions/)*



## What Do Deacons Do?

The Deacons held their School 55 Honor Role banquet for children and their families on Wednesday, May 30th. We had over 80 attendees including teachers and administrators. Thank you to Judy Nelson and Sara Neitzel for planning and implementing this event with their Deacon team.

## Summer Camp Scholarships for Children

If your child is planning on attending a faith based camp, retreat or conference this summer the church has scholarships and other resources available. If you are interested

## Curious Conversations

Want to learn more about Northminster? Join us for some Curious Conversations on June 3 and 10 at 10 am, or June 3 at 12:15 pm in the Conference Room. Contact Associate Pastor Ruth Moore for more information: 317-251-9489 or [ruthmoore@northminster-indy.org](mailto:ruthmoore@northminster-indy.org).

in applying, or would like to know more about camps such as PYO-CA, Geneva Center or Montreat contact Mo Wilson ([mwilson@northminster-indy.org](mailto:mwilson@northminster-indy.org)) for more information.

## What is IHN / Family Promise?

IHN Family Promise is a way for volunteers and congregations to address the challenge of family homelessness. Each participating congregation provides overnight lodging and meals for four families (up to 14 people) for one week at a time. Congregations typically host families 3 or 4 times per year.

Watch for upcoming opportunities to participate!

*Photo, below: We found this chalkboard note in one of our Northminster classrooms, written by a recent IHN/Family Promise guest.*



## June Youth Group

**June 3** - Adventure to Broad Ripple Park, 5:30 - 7:30 pm, meet at NPC.

**June 15** - Family Night – Game Night, 5:00 – 7:30 pm, at NPC.

**June 24** - Youth Group, 5:30 - 7:30 pm, at NPC.

## June Calendar Highlights

6/3	10:00 AM	Curious Conversations
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6/3	5:30 PM	Youth - Adventure to Broad Ripple Park
6/5	7:00 PM	Team Meeting Night
6/10	10:00 AM	Curious Conversations
6/11	6 & 7 PM	Stephen Ministers
6/12	4:00 PM	Finance Committee Meeting
6/15	5:00 PM	Family Friday Night - Game Night
6/19	7:00 PM	Session Meeting
6/20	Wed-Sun	Massanetta Springs Middle School Conf.
6/25	10:30 AM	Stephen Ministers Leaders
6/26	9:00 AM	Newsletter Stuffers

## Typical Sunday Morning Schedule

9:00 AM	Worship
9:00 AM	Nursery, Toddler, Preschool/Church School & Care
9:20 AM	Church School
10:00 AM	Fellowship & NPC Kid's Club
11:00 AM	Worship
11:20 AM	Church School

For a full listing of events go to [www.northminster-indy.org](http://www.northminster-indy.org), click **Menu** and then **Calendar**.

## Family Friday Nights

Please join the Christian Education team this summer for Friday evening fellowship activities. Hoping for lovely summer weather we will share a pitch-in style fellowship picnic outdoors with a theme for

the evening from 5:00 – 7:30pm. Bring your family and something to share. All are welcome!  
 June 15th – Game Night.  
 July 13th - Mission Night.  
 August 24th – Open Mic Night.

Questions? Contact Maureen Wilson (317-251-9489 or [mwilson@northminster-indy.org](mailto:mwilson@northminster-indy.org)).



## June Birthdays

Mike Bensi	6/1	Loretta Olivier	6/13	Robin Alexander	6/23
Melinda Butler	6/1	Denny Phegley Jr	6/14	Chris Palladino	6/23
Suzanne Gaidoo	6/1	Sarah Oldham	6/15	Tony Dzwonar	6/24
Norman Best Jr	6/2	Barb Weber	6/16	Victor Mercer	6/24
Nathan Kinney	6/4	Morgan Boone	6/18	William Rodenbeck	6/25
Patricia McVey	6/4	Jeff Hunter	6/18	Marilyn Baumgardt	6/26
Colleen Hooper	6/6	Peter Johnson Jr.	6/18	Barbara Morris	6/26
Leona Morack	6/6	Janice Bilby	6/19	Terry Brooks	6/27
Jennifer Skeels	6/6	Elizabeth Eckert	6/19	Bonnie Fulnecky	6/27
Ian Clarke	6/7	Craig Hittle	6/19	Meredith Brase	6/28
Stephanie Mansell	6/7	Robert Nation	6/19	Kevin Clayton	6/28
Sharon Parsley	6/7	Amy Stults	6/19	Leona Melton	6/28
Mimi Davis	6/8	Rebecca Haag	6/20	Joan Carr	6/29
Jim Dougans	6/9	Nancy Flamme	6/21	Shannon Lyst	6/30
Deb Goodchild	6/9	Christina Call	6/22	Sharon Lyst	6/30
Joyce Hall	6/10	Lori Mail	6/22	Kathryn Runge	6/30

## NorthStars: Matt Roush Concert

Please join us for part of the summer Indy Parks Concert series. On **Thursday, July 19th**, we will meet at Holliday Park, 6363 Spring Mill Road, to listen to Matt Roush.

Matt is billed as "Indiana's One Man Band". He sings popular cover songs and writes some of his own music.

Bring your own picnic dinner (a variety of food truck vendors will also be available), a blanket or chairs to sit on, and join us at 6:15 pm. We will have an area reserved for our group.

The concert begins at 7:00 and is free! (Also, be aware of weather conditions.)

Contact Marty or John Brooks at 317-848-6995 or email us at

n9kyc@yahoo.com by Tuesday, July 17th to let us know who is coming.

Come and share some fellowship with Northminster members or better yet, bring a friend. Hope to see you there!



## Feed the Kitty

Did you know that it costs about \$60 per Sunday for that hot coffee you enjoy and the donuts your kids look forward to? Will you feed the kitty to offset the costs so the Congregational Life team can plan new activities? Look for the kitty on the coffee bar – she'll welcome your contributions!

