



Meridian Street
Weekly

March 9, 2018

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Don't forget to Spring Forward with the time change Sunday at 2 a.m!

Worship Service Times

9:15 a.m. in the Chapel
10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Going God's Way

Sunday we continue our look at how we can experience God through the Psalms. If there is one thing that I have learned in my studying and meditating on the Psalms it is that the Psalms invite you to live life a different way.

This week our focus is on: how do we live a life that is embedded in the way of God? That question seems fairly straightforward, but as I have been working on my message I find that I am being pulled in a number of different ways. Take for example v. 9 of Psalm 119. The Psalmist writes: "How can young people keep their way pure?" I like the idea of telling others how to live an appropriate life without having to do it myself. Or what does the 23rd Psalm (words we are all very familiar with) have to do with living a life in tune with God?

We are in need of drawing closer to God. We are in need of seeking God, not just when it is convenient, but with our "whole heart." Sunday, I will use Psalm 119:9-16 as my primary text, but I encourage you to read the whole Psalm. It is long but well worth it.

Pastor Steve

Prayer: Lord God, when the hungry are fed, the sick healed, the lonely made family, the outcast brought in, the sinner forgiven, the tyrant transformed, and the enemy reconciled, we know your work by the fruit it produces. May our lives bear fruit worthy of your name. Amen.

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IHN - Interfaith Hospitality Network - March 18-25 We need you!

The volunteer grid is not quite full and we're at almost a week away. Please consider signing up for one of the following volunteer needs for our March rotation:

1. Dinner host - Saturday night
2. Evening Quiet Time/Play Hosts - Tues, Wed, Friday
3. Overnight Host - Sunday
4. Van Drivers - lots of openings
5. Sunday Clean Up (March 25) - no one is currently signed up

[Sign-Up to serve for IHN in March](#)

Please contact Keisha Boger at keishaboger@gmail.com with any questions or hesitations about signing up.

Thanks for all you do to support the outreach ministries here at
Meridian Street!

Coming Events!

Gathering of Men: Power of One; Power of You

Saturday, March 10

The ability to change the world seems daunting, even overwhelming, well beyond our power to do something, anything. But we know of many great organizations that have launched and grown to worldwide scope that started with a simple question or two: Why isn't someone doing something about that need? Why not

me?

Click [here](#) for more details.

Please RSVP for headcount purposes to Bob Greising at rgreising@kdlegal.com or Marvin Miller at marv1127@aol.com. All men are welcome! Consider yourself invited! See you there!



Holy Week Schedule at Meridian Street

March 25

PALM SUNDAY with waving of the psalms
9:15 a.m. Chapel & 10:30 a.m. Sanctuary
Celebrating Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem
and preparing for the week of suffering

March 29

MAUNDY THURSDAY with Holy Communion
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary
We sit with Jesus and the disciples at the
table of the Last Supper before Jesus
makes his way to the cross.



March 30

GOOD FRIDAY
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary W
We remember the crucifixion and death of Jesus.

April 1

EASTER SUNDAY
9:15 and 10:30 a.m. Sanctuary Services with Holy Communion
Celebrating the Resurrection of Jesus

EASTER FLOWERS

Each year on Easter Sunday our Sanctuary is decorated with beautiful spring flowers purchased in honor of or in memory of someone. If you would like to donate flowers, [please click here](#) or use an envelope found in Sunday's bulletin. You may donate any amount for the flowers, and the donation should be delivered to the church office with a note that it is for Easter flowers. You may take home a flower pot following the 10:30 a.m. worship service on Easter morning.

Breakfast with the Bunny!



BREAKFAST with the BUNNY

Saturday, March 31 9 - 11 a.m.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

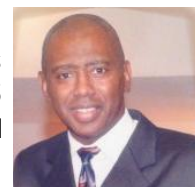
Egg Hunt! Balloon Twister! Pictures with the Bunny!

Bring the kids and grandkids to Breakfast with the Bunny. All are welcome!

We need lots of candy-filled eggs, and you can help! We will collect wrapped candy and pre-filled eggs throughout March; please deposit in the large basket in the Welcome Center. Volunteers are also needed to help with set-up, clean-up, and hosting. Please let Bethany or Mary Sue know if you can help.

Butler Tarkington Faith Community Meal and Speaker Series

The next program is Sunday, March 25 at North UMC. Rev. Charles Harrison will be speaking on Ten Point Coalition. The meal is at 5 p.m. and the program begins at 5:45 p.m. The evening is free and all are welcome.



Serving our Community and the World



Next Work Day is March 24

The next NeighborLink Work Day is Saturday, March 24. This project will be scraping and if enough time and volunteers, painting a 1 car garage and 1 story house near the MLK Community Center. The homeowner is a disabled woman who grew up in the neighborhood and has lived in this house for 15 years. The board of Health cited her for the house painting. Service time will be 1 - 4 p.m. Note that this is a change from the usual morning work time.

All supplies and water drinks provided. Volunteers should wear closed toe shoes, long pants, and long sleeved shirts. More information and specific location will be shared closer to the service date. If you have any questions, please contact Jeanette Jeffries with questions: j11jefferis@gmail.com. [Sign up to serve today!](#)

Because We Care

Our Joys and Concerns

In addition to their pastoral care for these persons, the pastors ask for your prayers and personal support for:

NEW CONCERNS

- **Rosemary Beck and family**, on the death of Richard Beck
- The family of **Officer Jason Pickett**, who died in the line of duty last week

JOYS

- We celebrate that **Faith Friends** had 16 kids stay last week for fun in the Youth Game Room. Their next activity will be on March 18, helping to set up for IHN.

News You Can Use

Pacers Faith and Family Night

Deadline to order tickets is today!

Friday, March 23. Tickets \$18 and includes a hotdog, chips, drink and a pacer hat.

And, the chance to go on the court after the game, shoot a free throw and meet a Pacers Player.

If interested, contact Mary Sue in the church office. at mmcalister@meridianstreet.org or 317-253-3237 ext. 15



Meridian Street UMC Night!

Indiana Pacers vs. L.A. Clippers

Friday, March 23rd, 2018 | Tipoff 7:00pm | Doors Open 6:00pm*
* Subject to Change



ORDER DEADLINE:

Friday, March 9th

You are invited to participate in a Lucas Oil Faith and Family Night with the Indiana Pacers. Join us after the game in courtside seats, to hear a Pacers player talk about his faith and how it has helped him in his life and in basketball!

Tickets purchased through this offer also include:

- ✓ Free Pacers hat
- ✓ Hot dog
- ✓ Chips
- ✓ Small Pepsi product

The Pastor is In - Pastor Matt's Coffee House Office Hours

Stop by the Illinois Street Food Emporium on the first Tuesday morning of each month. Say hello, share a prayer request, or just talk with Pastor Matt. Contact Matt at mlandry@meridianstreet.org for more information.

Upcoming Schedule:

Tuesday, April 3 8-9:30 a.m.
Tuesday, May 1 8-9:30 a.m.



This Week at Meridian Street

Saturday, March 10, 2018

8:15 AM Gathering of Men

8:30 AM Circle 7

Library

Welcome Center

Sunday, March 11, 2018

8:45 AM	Celebration Bells	Rm 301
9:00 AM	Coffee and Donuts	Parlor & Welc. Ctr.
9:00 AM	Nursery (Birth - age 3)	Rm 103
9:00 AM	Truth Seekers Class	Conf. RM.
9:15 AM	Lenten Study Series	Library (N)
9:15 AM	Worship	Chapel
9:30 AM	Gospel Ringers	Rm 301
10:00 AM	Mission Breakfast	Fellowship Hall
10:30 AM	2nd and 3rd grades	Rm 111
10:30 AM	4th and 5th Grade	Rm 302
10:30 AM	Middle School & High School Youth	Rm 308
10:30 AM	Kindergarten - 1st Grade	Rm 107
10:30 AM	Preschool	Rm 108
10:30 AM	Worship	Sanctuary
11:00 AM	Bible Presentation Reception	Parlor
11:45 AM	Chancel Bells	Rm 301

Monday, March 12, 2018

10:00 AM	Bible Study	Welcome Center
10:00 AM	Women in Neighborhood Services Meeting	Parlor
11:30 AM	Yoga	Library
7:00 PM	Trustees	Conf. Rm.

Tuesday, March 13, 2018

9:00 AM	CDI In Session	Lower Level
10:00 AM	Worship Program Staff	Conf. Rm.
10:30 AM	Staff Meeting	Conf. RM.
6:30 PM	Indianapolis Arts Chorale Rehearsal	Fellowship Hall (W)
6:30 PM	Children's Education Committee	Conf. Rm.
7:00 PM	Indianapolis Knitting Guild	2nd Fl Mtng Rm
7:00 PM	Meridian Street Foundation	Library

Wednesday, March 14, 2018

7:30 AM	Morning @ Meridian	Chapel
9:00 AM	CDI In Session	Lower Level
6:00 PM	Lenten Study Series	Chapel
7:15 PM	Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

Thursday, March 15, 2018

9:00 AM	CDI In Session	Lower Level
1:00 PM	Needlework Group	Welcome Center
3:00 PM	Neighborlink Monthly Board Meeting	2nd Fl Mtng Rm

Friday, March 16, 2018

9:00 AM	CDI In Session	Lower Level
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Saturday, March 17, 2018

No Events Scheduled

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

March 18-25	Host families through Interfaith Hospitality Network
March 24	Neighbor to Neighbor
March 25 - April 1	Holy Week
March 31	Breakfast with the Bunny
April 7 - 15	Mission Guatemala
April 24	Emmet Cahill Concert
April 29	Serve Indy

Daily Scripture Readings

March 11

Numbers 15:17-16:40

Mark 15:1-47

Psalms 54:1-7

Proverbs 11:5-6

March 12

Numbers 16:41-18:32

Mark 16:1-20

Psalms 55:1-23

Proverbs 11:7

March 13

Numbers 19:1-20:29

Luke 1:1-25

Psalms 56:1-13

Proverbs 11:8

March 14

Numbers 21:1-22:20

Luke 1:26-56

Psalms 57:1-11

Proverbs 11:9-11

March 15

Numbers 22:21-23:30

Luke 1:57-80

Psalms 58:1-11

Proverbs 11:12-13

March 16

Numbers 24:1-25:18

Luke 2:1-35

Psalms 59:1-17

Proverbs 11:14

March 17

Numbers 26:1-51

Luke 2:36-52

Psalms 60:1-12

Proverbs 11:15

March 18

Numbers 26:52-28:15

Luke 3:1-22

Psalms 61:1-8

Proverbs 11:16-17

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