

The Zion Lamp



ZION LUTHERAN
CHURCH & SCHOOL
Decatur, Indiana

“Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path..”

Psalm 119:105

October, 2011

WHERE IS YOUR POWER?

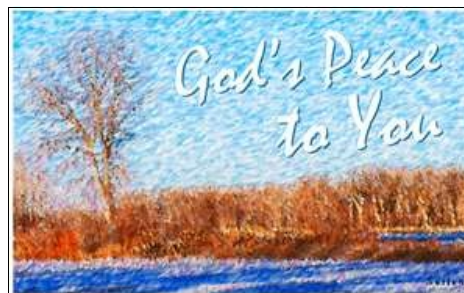
Galatians 3:3 “Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by the flesh?”

Some of you like me probably groaned when you heard the news that electricity rates in the state of Indiana were going to go up by 20% in the near future. The blame game is already starting from the building of new power plants to government regulation and environmental concerns. The problem is that all the electricity that we use to power our lives has to come from somewhere. The wall outlets are not magic sockets that pull power from nowhere. We have to get it from coal, natural gas, wind, water, nuclear power and oil. The power has to come from somewhere. But where is the power that we need to live a Christian life?

It seems that many of us spend most of our time running on empty because we are stressed out, burned out and worn out. Jesus told Nicodemus in John 3, “flesh gives birth to flesh but the Spirit gives birth to Spirit” and “you must be born again by water and the Spirit.” The power to live out our lives of faith does not come from within ourselves and our ability to handle stress, make difficult decisions or push our way through difficult times. The power comes from the Spirit of God given to us and renewed in us as we hear the Word of God, gather in Worship and spend time in prayer. In those moments God refills us and gives us the power to live out our faith in a winsome and loving way. The power that God gives to us is without cost and it is without limit. It is a power that is given completely by grace.

Where is your power coming from? Often we are told by “experts” that we need to “de-stress”, “download” or “decompress” from all the events of our day to day lives. Some of

you may do this by reading, gardening, exercise or just zoning out in front of the TV. Those things can recharge us for a little while but they will never empower us. Eventually the book ends, the garden has to be put up for the winter and TV just gets old. The only power source that is not going to go up in price or run out is the Spirit of God given to you in baptism and renewed in you each day as you call on His name. Sometimes that power will be in knowing the right thing to do or say at the right moment. It might be in finally resisting a temptation that has plagued you all your life. Yet sometimes the power that God gives to us is simply to hold onto Him and be certain that He will not let us go. It is only in the power that the Spirit of God gives that we experience what nothing else can give—lasting peace. Peace that the world and the flesh cannot give. Peace that passes all understanding.



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IMPORTANT CHURCH NEWS

THE LIFESTYLE OF FAITHFUL STEWARDS CALLED TO SERVE

*“Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God’s grace in its various forms.”
(1 Peter 4:10).*

Paul wrote the following to the believers in Ephesus: *“For we are God’s workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do” (Ephesians 2:10).* The instruction is clear that, as sinners saved by grace alone, we are to render service and not sit in idleness.

The Board of Stewardship

QUARTERLY CHARITIES FOR OCTOBER– DECEMBER:

OCTOBER—Diaper Ministry—Diapers of all sizes are always needed. The diapers and wipes can be turned in to the church office or put in the containers in the south hallway by the narthex (under the coat rack). Monetary donations can also be given. The Board of Stewardship will purchase diapers and wipes with the monetary gifts. Please use the MY SPECIAL OFFERING envelope in your giving box of envelopes. Put “Diaper Ministry” on the outside of the envelope. You can put the envelope in the collection plate or drop off at the church office.

NOVEMBER—Paper Products, Toothpaste and Deodorants—Any paper products, especially toilet paper and tissues, are needed along with toothpaste and deodorant. Containers will be provided in the south hallway by the narthex (under the coat rack). Monetary donations will also be accepted, and the Board of Stewardship will purchase these items. If you give a monetary donation, please use the MY SPECIAL OFFERING envelope in your envelope box. You can put the envelope in the offering plate or turn in to the church office. Please put “paper products” on the envelope. All donations will be given to local food banks.

DECEMBER—Food Items—Canned and boxed food will be collected in December. Containers will be provided in the south hallway by the narthex (under the coat rack). If you give a monetary donation for this cause, the Board of Stewardship will purchase items needed. Monetary donations can be given using the MY SPECIAL OFFERING envelope in your envelope box. These can be placed in the offering plate or turned in to the church office. Please mark “food items” on the outside of the envelope. All donations will be given to local food banks.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS.
Zion’s Board of Stewardship**

HOPE CLINIC VOLUNTEER TRAINING

THE HOPE CLINIC WILL BE HOLDING VOLUNTEER TRAINING SESSIONS AT THE DECATUR OFFICE ON THE FOLLOWING MONDAYS: OCTOBER 10, OCTOBER 31, NOVEMBER 14, AND DECEMBER 5. CALL 728-4191 BETWEEN 10 AM AND 5 PM ON MONDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS OR 589-3561 ON TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS FOR INFORMATION AND AN APPLICATION. THE HOPE CLINIC NEEDS VOLUNTEERS LIKE YOU TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE—ONE LIFE AT A TIME!

SCRIP

Do you know about Zion’s Scrip Program? Basically, Scrip is like buying gift cards that may be used to purchase whatever you want at the individual retailers/restaurants and those vendors donate a percentage of the face value of the certificate to Zion. There is a wide variety of vendors and they donate anywhere from 1.5% to 25% back to Zion.

Zion offers certificates from over 100 businesses and restaurants—all names you know: Amazon.com, Bath & Body Shop, Best Buy, Build-A-Bear, The Galley, Heller Nursery, Kroger/Scott’s, Lowes, Land’s End, Gap/Old Navy, Toys-R-Us, Applebee’s, Burger King, Indiana Pancake House, Pizza Hut, Pizza King, Red Lobster/Olive Garden, Richard’s, Spring Garden, Walmart, Wendy’s, etc. (Complete lists are available at glscrip.com and scrippro.com). A new addition to our Scrip family is BEST ONE TIRE (formerly Townsend Tire), giving 5%!

Other than a little preplanning, SCRIP is totally painless and a “no actual cost out of pocket” way to donate to Zion. You pay face value for the certificates and you, or whomever you give them to, redeem them for face value. The vendor gives Zion a percentage of the face value. If significant numbers participate regularly, Zion stands to substantially benefit financially.

How It Works: Plan for anticipated needs for presents, groceries, dinner out, movies, clothes, fast food, gas.

Fill out Scrip forms which are available in the School and Church offices. Please **fill out completely** and decide how you wish to pick it up. You will also need to designate where the percentage will go (such as a school family, Zion Church, etc.) Include **correct cash** or check made out to ZION LUTHERAN SCHOOL. Orders **must** be turned in to the School office by 3 p.m. on Monday to be received the same week.

Kroger cards are reloadable. Once you purchase a Kroger card, you may reload it at the Service desk in the store with any amount you choose.

If even 50 families bought approximately \$100 worth of certificates for things they would be buying and spending on anyway, Zion could potentially average \$500 in donations.

For more information, contact the Scrip Committee as listed on page 6 of this Lamp.

Remember—there are gas stations on the list and everyone needs gas to come to church & school!

STEPHEN MINISTRY AT ZION

Earlier this summer, Pastor Gadbow and Starley Baxter were given the opportunity to spend a week in Florida as trainees for the new Stephen Ministry series. Now at first glance, this may seem like fun in the sun, but let me assure you, it was not. After 50 hours of training, they received certification as Stephen Leaders for this recognized service organization of the LC-MS. Throughout the week they were reminded that all Christians have received God's gifts that are beneficial for the Church. Some are blessed to be teachers, some to be pastors, others evangelists and caregivers, etc.

In Stephen Ministry, members of Zion are trained to be caregivers. Starting in September, Pastor Gadbow and Starley have been offering training through the Stephen Series. The commitment is only one hour a week, and it will bring a wealth of knowledge and confidence to equip you in caring for those you love. Learning how to simply listen to and pray for those who are hurting can make a tremendous difference in someone's life. To become an official Stephen Minister requires 50 hours of training, but you can spend time being a shoulder to lean on, long before that. As a caregiver, you'll nurture and use your God-given abilities for the sake of the Church, and all the while you'll be growing in your Christian faith.

The purpose of the Church is to reach out with the love of Christ to those who are hurting. Through Stephen Ministry, you will see God at work in your life, giving you a renewed purpose of making a difference in the lives of others. Think of the many different people God places in our lives, and imagine how you can be a part of the ministry of the Church bringing healing to those about whom you care the most. As a caregiver, you will simply be the Christian friend that God has already made you to be: someone who listens, cares, prays, supports, and encourages others. Stephen Ministry will make a difference in our community to help Zion become an even warmer, more loving church family.

Jesus tells us in John 13:34, "A new command I give you; Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another." What better way to love one another than to become a Stephen Minister. Helping someone in need is what Christian love is all about. Prayerfully consider joining our sessions, even on a trial basis. Every class you attend will apply towards your certification if you do commit to the full series. Feel free to contact Pastor Gadbow or Starley Baxter for more information.

TREASURER'S REPORT

School registration held in August had a positive impact on our cash position. At the end of July our bank account was \$2000 and we had outstanding accounts payable of \$4800.

The increased revenue has allowed us to defer borrowing at this time. We will monitor the cash position very closely.

Although the Board members continue to use discretion with their spending, the actual cash shortfall at the end of 8 months is \$57,600. The expenditures are \$27,700 LESS than the approved ministry funding plan.

Revenue at the end of 8 months is \$375,000 as compared to \$386,000 at the same time last year.

Funds were transferred from the Krueckeberg bequest to a designated fund for the part-time teacher. The amount transferred is based on the contract negotiated with Mrs. Weber.

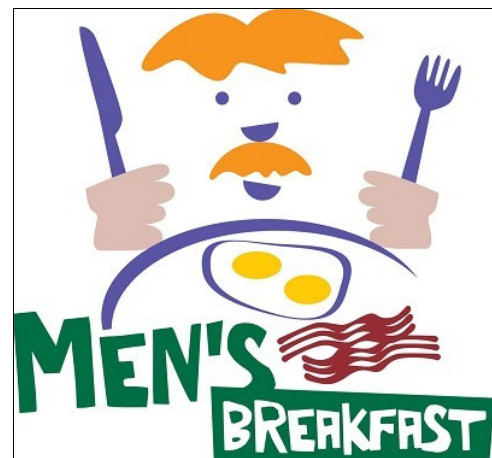
Funds were also transferred from Thrivent Choice Dollars to a designated fund for renovating the nursery as per an estimate prepared by Michael Bluhm.

Thanks to the continued generosity of Zion members, Mitch Hill was able to take a check from Zion in the amount of \$978 to assist with recovery at Joplin, Missouri.

WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN, WHATE'ER THE GIFT MAY BE!

MEN'S BIBLE BREAKFAST

All the men of Zion are invited to join Pastor Phil at the West End Restaurant at 8 a.m. on October 8 for breakfast and the study of "Courageous Fathers". It is a great time of study, fellowship and encouragement for the men of Zion. Hope to see you at breakfast.



CHURCH AND AREA NEWS

LADIES— MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

GRACE BIBLE STUDY is beginning a new season.. We are a light-hearted group that meets every other Thursday night from September through May. Focus of study is the book, "The Power of a Praying Woman" by Stormie Omartin. We hope to gain the power to become all God has made us to be. This does not just happen. Not without prayer. We will also feature short biographies of women in history. . . and we always have a few surprises. Please join us on Thursday evenings, in the FLC at 7:00 p.m. Meeting dates are:

October 6, 20 November 3, 17

December 1-Advent Candlelight Tea— 7 pm Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE

Do you believe that the devil is at work in the world or in your life? Read Ephesians 6! The devil is real and he is at work in this world and we need to be prepared to stand against his lies. Join us on Wednesday nights at 6:00 for the study "Satan's Lies". It is the best Bible study to help you be prepared to live out your faith against the forces that seek to destroy our faith every single day.

DIVINE DESIGN

Ladies, you are invited to join Jennifer Phifer in the new classroom (old youth room) for a Bible study just for you. It is called "Divine Design—Forty Days of Spiritual Make Over". What better way to begin a year of Sunday School and Bible Class than with a make over for your soul. Make plans now to join with Jennifer at 9:15 am on Sundays in a Divine Design.

CRADLE ROLL BREAKS ENROLLMENT RECORD

As long as I have been Cradle Roll secretary, since September, 1993, the total enrollment has never reached 40 or more. This takes in babies when they are baptized, and keeps them on until they reach the age of 3 and are ready to go to Sunday School. Cradle Roll enrollment now stands at 41. Following the initial packet which they receive when baptized, mailings continue to be sent to the parents to their third birthday. This program is intended to be of help to parents in the child's earliest religious training. My cupboard where I keep the packets is bulging at the seams! This year has been especially fruitful at Zion.

Anita M. Steele

Cradle Roll Secretary



Receive The Lamp by EMAIL - We at Zion are trying to reduce the number of newsletters (500) that we mail out each month. We would like to reduce that amount by at least 20-30% because it would not only save us postage, but paper, ink, and wear on our copy machine. If you would like to receive The Lamp by email, please call the church office or contact Pastor Phil at pphifer@ziondecatur.com.

JOIN ZION'S PRAYER GROUP

Do you believe that prayer changes things? Of course we do! Sometimes it seems like there is more than we can pray over by ourselves. The Bible tells us that we can take anything to the Lord in prayer, and if we pray in the name of Jesus we can ask anything and it will be done. Join with our Zion Prayer Group on the first Sunday of every month at 9:15 a.m. in the School Library for a time of prayer for our church, for our ministry and for those in need in our church.

LIVING THE GOSPEL LIFE—DEVOTIONAL

One of the goals of the Board of Elders and both of Zion's pastors is to build a stronger community of faith here at Zion Lutheran Church. In order to accomplish this goal we realize that this does not take place apart from time in the Word of God. Many of the members of Zion already use "Portals of Prayer" on a daily basis to grow their faith, be in the word and spend time in prayer with their Lord. Zion is now taking the step of sending a new devotional put together by LCMS pastors and lay people to members of Zion. It is called "Living the Gospel Life" and it is made up of devotions designed to help you in living out our faith in our world. Portals of Prayer is still available in the church narthex for all who want to continue to use it but we hope that "Living the Gospel Life" will encourage more of our members to be in God's Word, prayer and in a growing relationship with Christ on a daily basis.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS-THE SUNDAY FOUR SHOT

There is a new Adult Bible Class on Sunday mornings in the Parish Hall. Each month we feature one topic. Join us for Bible Study this coming year as we discover the truth of God's Word. Topics include:

October 2011	It's the End of the World
November 2011	Generous
December 2011	Vintage Jesus (The Jesus of the Bible)
January 2012	Renewal in Christ
February 2012	Marriage God's Way
March 2012	Pray Like Jesus
April 2012	On the Roman Road—The Book of Romans
May 2012	People on a Mission

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

1ST SHIRLEY NOLL
LAVANA SEITZ

2ND CAROL AURAND
JOSEPH AZBELL
MATTHEW BLEEKE
DEBORAH GLEDHILL
SAMUEL GRIFFITHS
LINDSY JOHNSON
LORNA KUKELHAN
MEGHAN MARBACH

3RD SAMANTHA HUFFINE

4TH TRACE BAUER
SHERI BRAUN
DANNY HALL
BAYLEN MILLER
KYLE WITTEW

5TH WALTER FINK
KEITH HARVEY
GRACELYN WEILAND
TIMOTHY ZESER

6TH JACOB BLEEKE
MARC BULTEMEIER
BENJAMIN FULLENKAMP
WAYNE KIRCHNER
ALEC MELCHER
SYLVIA SCHEUMANN

7TH CHLOE CHRISTIANER
KEITH GRIFFITHS
ANTHONY OSTERMEYER

8TH MELISSA AVALOS
WINSTON BROWN
FRANKLIN NOLL
DANIELLE STRASBURG
KATHI WEILAND

9TH JAXON BLYTHE
NATHAN BOWERS

10TH KRISTA FREY
HARRISON GUNSETT
CHRISTOPHER PORTER
EMMA REEF
CARY SHAFFER

11TH MARIA MILLINGTON
JACK SCHNEPF

12TH ALIA BOGAN
TERI DANIELS
BARBARA EWELL
ASHLEY LOOMIS
REGINA MILLER
KREIGH SHELTON

13TH JULIE ADKISON
ELIZABETH GADBAW
COURTNEY MCCORD
AMBER ROMAN
KIM SCHULTZ

14TH EDWARD BOHNKE
DENISE BUSSE
DONALD WEIDLER

15TH CAROLYN BROWN
WARD CHAPMAN
IRENE KRUECKEBERG
AMANDA MILLER

16TH TONI FRISINGER
TONYA THOMAS

17TH MAVERICK BECHER
BRITTANY KEPLINGER
MAGEN LENGERICH

18TH NICHOLAS HARTMAN
SCOTT MILLINGTON
BRANDON WITTE

19TH CHERI BIENZ
LYNN FRANZ
EMILY PORTER

20TH GUNNER BUTLER
TONYA CROSWELL
ALYSSA GIROD
STEPHANIE MARCH
TORI MCCULLOUGH
NEIL RHOADES

21ST MARGARET BUSSE
KRISTEN HARVEY
VAN NUERGE
ANGELA TEETER

22ND MEGHANN FARLOW
BENTON GRIFFITHS
DANIEL GUNSETT
EMILY GUNSETT
ARNOLD OSTERMEYER
KORREY SHORT

24TH LAWSON HARTMAN
JOSHUA KNAPKE

24TH STEVEN MOSES

25TH DUSTIN DANIELS
DONNA JOHNSON
ROGER POLLOCK
VICKY SHAFFER

27TH CHRISTINA MENDEZ
JEDIDIAH ROOP

28TH ANTHONY HAMMOND
WANDA HAMRICK
DONNA KLOPFLEISCH

29TH SHELBY BAUMAN
ALYCE BOGAN
LARRY BUTLER, JR
PAUL MILLER
TOBY REEF

30TH VIRGINIA HIGGINS
JOAN HOFFMAN

31ST DONNA BAUMANN
RYAN HARROLD
RANDALL HENDRICKS

ANNIVERSARIES

8TH COLE & CASSANDRA BECHER

9TH MARVIN & BARBARA EWELL
DAVID & LEEANN GIBSON
JACK & BARBARA HARVEY
EDWIN & MARY KRUECKEBERG

10TH JOEL & DEBORAH MISHLER

11TH BUD & BEVERLY CASE

12TH SCOTT & CYNTHIA MILLINGTON

14TH KRISS & KIMBERLY MCCORD

17TH WALTER & EUNICE FINK

20TH DENNIS & JOELLEN MYERS
SEAN & TRACY REBMAN

22ND JOSEPH & TINA MENDEZ

24TH GREGORY & DEBORAH COOK

25TH MARK & TERESA ETZLER
ANDREW & LINDSEY STIMPSON

26TH WILLIAM & SALLY ENDORF

27TH RANDALL & LORETTA HENDRICKS
ROBERT & REGINA MILLER

30TH MARTIN & JENA MENDOZA



ZION LUTHERAN SCHOOL NOTES

"BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST"

Zion Lutheran School exists to offer a Christ-centered, child-focused, quality Lutheran education to all children, empowering them to be bold disciples of Jesus.

WHEN SHOULD WE PRAY?

Is any one of you in trouble? He should pray. Is anyone happy? Let him sing songs of praise. (James 5:13).

James finishes his epistle with a call to prayer along with caring concern for and loving actions toward the community of believers. He encourages his fellow believers to pray during good and bad times, for those who are sick and for those who have fallen from the faith. Why? God has the power to accomplish all things.

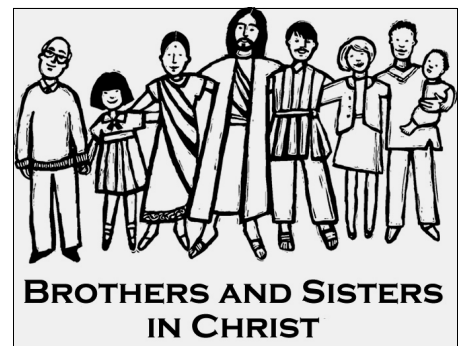
God, of course, does not promise to answer yes to all of our prayers. But God answers every proper prayer in His own way and in His own time. And He does delight in responding to them in love according to His will and to use them to accomplish His good purposes.

Call upon God in times of joy. Call upon Him in times of trouble. Call upon Him at all times and in all situations. (1 Thessalonians 5:18).

YOU REMAIN IN MY PRAYERS AS WE SERVE TOGETHER AN AWESOME GOD.

October Calendar

- 1 Recycling 9:00-11:30 am
- Varsity Volleyball/Central Lutheran 9 am & SPE 11 am at Central Lutheran
- 3 Volleyball Tourney at St. Peter, Ft Wayne at 7 pm
- 7 NWEA Test results go home
- 8 Volleyball Tourney at 9 & 10:30 am—Site TBA
- Zion Country Fair—at Marckels' Farm—12 noon to 6 pm
- 12 Volleyball Tourney 5 & 6 pm—Site TBA
- 14 End of First Quarter
- 15 Volleyball Tourney at Wyneken—Games at 9, 10:30 & championship at 12:30 pm
- 17-18 NO SCHOOL—Teachers' Conference
- 21 Grandparents Day
- 26-28 NO SCHOOL. K-8 Parent-Teacher Conferences on 10/26. Fall vacation days 10/27 & 28.
- 29 Callithumpian Craft Bazaar at Zion
- 31 Trunk or Treat 6 pm



RECYCLING DAY—Zion Students will once again be collecting newspapers, magazines and aluminum cans from 9 am until 11:30 a.m. on *Saturday, October 1* at the Zion Parking lot. Also accepted are empty printer cartridges, old cell phones and pagers, Campbell's Soup Labels, Community Markets/Our Family UPC labels and Box Tops for Education. Proceeds from recycling go toward the Washington, DC trip in May of 2012.

SCRIP- Cari Shaffer (724-7753) or Tina Augsburger (547-4610) are the Scrip contacts. Kroger cards may be reloaded at the store and gift cards purchased there with the Kroger card.

ZION'S SERVANT SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER

Altar Guild	Kayleen Hormann, Starley Baxter				
Offering Cntrs.	Paul Neaderhiser, Barb Neaderhiser, Starr Bell				
First Service – 8:00 AM					
Date	OCTOBER 2	OCTOBER 9	OCTOBER 16	OCTOBER 23	OCTOBER 30
Acolyte	Alexys Norby Makayla Friedt	Daniel Gunsett Emily Gunsett	Jesse Mendez Zach Thomas	Jacob Hall Kole Kelley	Jeremy Razo Conner Bussel
Greeters	Lorraine Kiser Teresa Kiser Starley Baxter Jenny Sprunger	Lorraine Kiser Teresa Kiser Janet Heimann Lisa Crump	Starley Baxter Janet Heimann Lonnie Crump Lisa Crump	Jack Harvey Barb Harvey Randy Hormann Kayleen Hormann	Starley Baxter Jack Harvey Barb Harvey Kayleen Hormann
Elder	Don Brown	Don Brown	Don Brown	Don Brown	Don Brown
Organist	Carl Risch	Carl Risch	Carl Risch	Carl Risch	Carl Risch
PA System	Don Brown	Don Brown	Don Brown	Don Brown	Don Brown
Ushers	Jay Teeter Steve Hill Luke & John Marbach Brian, Matt & Patrick Monroe	Jay Teeter Steve Hill Luke & John Marbach Brian, Matt & Patrick Monroe	Jay Teeter Steve Hill Luke & John Marbach Brian, Matt & Patrick Monroe	Jay Teeter Steve Hill Luke & John Marbach Brian, Matt & Patrick Monroe	Jay Teeter Steve Hill Luke & John Marbach Brian, Matt & Patrick Monroe
Second Service – 10:30 AM					
Acolyte	Jenna Wittwer Kaitlen Geimer	AJ Bienz Ben Fullenkamp	Joel Harvey Cole Walchle	Rebekah Phifer Courtney Schultz	Sydney Williams Taylor Andrews
Greeters	Brian Hill Judy Hill Jason Ellsworth Sheri Ellsworth	Starley Baxter Brian Hill Judy Hill Deb Ungemach	Brian Hill Judy Hill Jason Ellsworth Sheri Ellsworth	Starley Baxter Brian Hill Judy Hill Kayleen Hormann	Brian Hill Judy Hill Jason Ellsworth Sheri Ellsworth
Elder	Steve Baumann	Steve Baumann	Steve Baumann	Steve Baumann	Steve Baumann
Organist	Carl Risch	Carl Risch	Carl Risch	Carl Risch	Carl Risch
PA System	Steve Baumann	Steve Baumann	Steve Baumann	Steve Baumann	Steve Baumann
Ushers	Paul Busse, Jr Ralph, Will & Brad Busse Aaron Thieme Adam Corral Cameron Bienz	Paul Busse, Jr Ralph, Will & Brad Busse Aaron Thieme Adam Corral Cameron Bienz	Paul Busse, Jr Ralph, Will & Brad Busse Aaron Thieme Adam Corral Cameron Bienz	Paul Busse, Jr Ralph, Will & Brad Busse Aaron Thieme Adam Corral Cameron Bienz	Paul Busse, Jr Ralph, Will & Brad Busse Aaron Thieme Adam Corral Cameron Bienz

***Serve
The Lord
With Gladness!***

EVERYONE, EVERYWHERE, SHARING CHRIST

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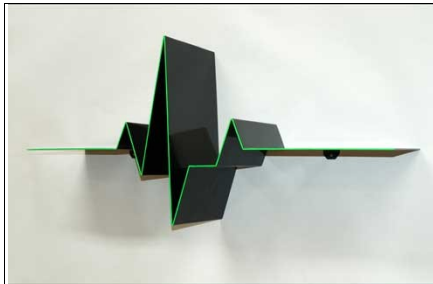
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PULSE MODERN WORSHIP SERVICE



Great things are happening with our PULSE service. In October the PULSE Praise will be on October 8 and October 22 at 7 p.m. Come and hear some great music, sing along and hear the good news of Christ for us.

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RED CROSS BLOODMOBILE COMING TO DECATUR

In October, the bloodmobile will be making two stops in Decatur: The first is on Monday, October 10, from 10:30 am to 5:30 pm at the Riverside Center.

The second bloodmobile visit will be on Friday, October 14, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm at Adams Memorial Hospital.

All blood types are needed. Please help us to save lives!

DINNER AT ST JOHN'S (Bingen) CHURCH

Sunday, October 30, 2011, from 10:30 am to 1:00 pm. Swiss steak and broasted chicken. Adults \$7.50. ages 6-12 \$3.00, age 5 and under free. Bazaar and bake sale. Drive-Thru Carry-out available.

MOPS

Something awesome is happening twice every month at First United Methodist Church here in Decatur! MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers)—a group of 24 young moms from the community are getting together for fellowship, devotions, prayer, crafts and to learn how to be the best mom they can be for their kids. It's a true blessing to see the young women enjoying each others' company and a break from their little ones. Moms leave feeling recharged and refocused on what God has called them to do. We need your help at MOPS! The 24 moms who have joined us so far have brought with them 37 children. That's a lot of kids! Would you be willing to donate 2 hours of your time once or twice a month to watch them? Are you available on the 1st or 3rd Tuesday of each month from 9-11 am? Call Kara Martin at 223-1939 or Annette Gower at 724-6067 to help.