

The Sixth Street Messenger – April 2021

A publication of the Sixth Street Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

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Good Friday Worship

The Middletown United Methodist Church will be hosting a Good Friday Worship service April 2nd at 7:00 p.m. and all are invited. Please consider attending this service to honor Jesus' sacrifice on our behalf. And offering will be taken to support the Ministerial Assistance Fund, a ministry of the Shenandoah Ministerial Association that supports low-income families in need of utility and housing payment assistance.

Bible Study – 04/08/2021

Next week's reading assignment is Genesis 20:1-22:24, and discussion questions will be available online <http://www.sixthstreetchristian.org/online-bible-study.html> and by email by Monday, April 5th. We will be meeting in-person in the upstairs adult Sunday school room at 9:00 a.m. on Thursdays. Michelle will also continue the Zoom meeting for those who choose to participate from home. Please email Michelle at revmichellebrown@gmail.com if you'd like the link.

Offering – All the Way to the Altar

This week's scripture, Psalm 118, is one used frequently on Palm Sunday. The Common English Bible version of Psalm 118, verse 27 reads, "The Lord is God! He has shined a light on us! So lead the festival offering with ropes all the way to the horns of the altar." I've been confused by this verse, imagining the crowds greeting Jesus at the gate of Jerusalem and waving ropes around as their offering of praise. That turned out to be completely off base. What do you lead with a rope? Not a worship service or a parade. You lead animal like a calf or lamb – in this case all the way to the altar to be sacrificed. The author of Psalm 118 invites those who listen to his song to lead their own offerings in this way. Most of us don't have animals to sacrifice, but the offerings we do make serve the same purpose. Our savior, the lamb of God, was led to be the ultimate sacrifice and because of this we were included in God's plan of salvation. As you prepare your offering this week, consider how your sacrifice might result in extending God's salvation even further into the world.

CWF Meeting

The CWF will meet on April 7th at 1:00 p.m. We will wear mask and practice social distancing. We hope you will join us!

Church Vision Survey

Sixth Street Christian Church is in the process of planning for its future ministry, and it needs your help to become the church God wants it to be today. Some of you have already received a survey designed to capture your ideas. If you have not received a survey and would like us to include your input during this visioning process, please email Michelle at revmichellebrown@gmail.com or Andrea at office@sixthstreetchristian.org. We will be collecting responses throughout the month of April.

Offering Alternatives

Online

Visit the "Church Online" page of our website and click on the Givelify Button. You will be given the option to make a payment either once or on a recurring basis. You can also send an online offering by downloading the "Givelify" app on your phone.

By mail

Sixth Street Christian Church
P.O. Box 26
Middletown, IN 47356

Worship With Us Online!

Sixth Street Christian Church's online worship service video will be available each week by Wednesday. Hopefully we will soon be going "live" – stay tuned! Each worship video is uploaded to the church's YouTube channel (<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1tsz7oTaV-PJ-G1sM3UnmDw>), links to the video and sermon text are included on the "Church Online" page of the church website (www.sixthstreetchristian.org), and the video link will be posted on the church's Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/sixthstreetchristian/>) as well.

Michelle's Availability

Pastor Michelle is doing visitation via phone and video call. If you would like her to contact you, please either let our church secretary, Andrea, know (office hours 9a-12p M-F), text or call Michelle at 317-372-3926, or email Michelle at revmichellebrown@gmail.com.

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Dates to Remember!

- 1st April Fool's Day
Maudy Thursday
Bible Study – 9:00 a.m. (*)
- 2nd Good Friday (Church Office Closed)
Good Friday Service, 7:00 p.m.
Methodist Church
- 4th Easter Sunday
- 7th CWF Meeting 1:00 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)
- 8th Bible Study – 9:00 a.m. (*)
- 15th Bible Study – 9:00 a.m. (*)
- 17th Family Game Night – 6:00 p.m.
- 18th Earth Sunday
- 22nd Earth Day
Bible Study – 9:00 a.m. (*)
- 29th Bible Study – 9:00 a.m. (*)
- 30th Arbor Day
Church Vision Surveys Due
- (* Adult Sunday School Room upstairs)



- 12th Derick (DJ) Shumaker
- 15th Debbie Garner
- 20th Jim Kendall
- 21st Ed Shaw
- 24th Fran Tedrow
- 27th Jake Smith
- 28th Bill Hale
- 30th Justin Helman
- 30th Buster Johnson

Prayer List

(April 3, 2021)

LONG-TERM LIST

Dick Benfield	Don Hersberger
Carrie Darling	David Lester
Anna B. Emswiler	Marilyn Riley
Carolyn Fattic	Steve Solomon
Cindy Fox	Michelle Stephens
Aimee Fuller	Rena Vandergrift

CURRENT LIST

Paul Aitchison	Perry Poston
Pat Dick	Maynard Powell
Doug Dulin	Deenia Robertson
Courtney Fellers	Ed Shaw
Dorothy Gettle	Deidre Shumaker
Steve Graddy	Danny Sims
Jim Hanson	Faith Sims
Tim Kelley	Lori Sims
Susan Kendall	April Spitz
Dana Lohrey	Kathy Williams
Don & Mary Lou McCoy	Jeanette Wrin
Diana Mosier	Bethanne Zirkle
Jerri Peters	

To add or remove a name from the Prayer List contact the church secretary Andrea Smith at (765) 354-2171, or email at office@sixthstreetchristian.org, or mail the form to:
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