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# May 2024

Peacefully, Simply, Together



We welcome all who are on the journey to know Jesus, who share in his love and who choose to embrace the diversity within this community of believers. As individuals we may be at different places along the path, but as a community, we are all traveling together in faith, trusting God to show us the way.

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## Words From the Pastor

Over the last month, as Tasha and I continue to prepare for our departure, we've spent a fair bit of time working on our home here in Wabash getting it ready to sell. A large part of this has been working on long-deferred projects. These are things that we had always intended to do to the house, but that we had simply never gotten around to actually working on.

Some years ago, we had pulled down wood paneling in our bedroom, only to find that the previous owners had put that up to cover up the mess that the walls were in that bedroom. First off, the walls were painted a hideous pink color. But the bigger problem was that there were a number of large holes cut in the walls – holes that would need to be fixed before we could move forward on addressing the paint color. So, for a number of years, we simply lived with the walls in this condition – always intending to do something about them, yet just never really finding the time to do something about it.

Finally, as it became clearer that we would be moving earlier this year, we began to move forward on doing something about the walls. We started off by painting two of the walls that did not have large holes in them – and the change in the room just with two walls painted a decent color was amazing. Then, in my week off in April, I spent a good bit of time finishing up the hole repairs, and repainting. I also put up baseboard trim and crown molding, and finished up by putting casing around the two windows in the bedroom. Now, when I walk in the room, it feels like a finished room. It took some time, but the finished room is much nicer. And I thought, I should have worked on this a lot sooner, so that we'd have had a nice place to live in for a number of years, instead of the month and half we've got left in this house at this point.

As I thought about that, I realized that often, we learn to live with things that, with just a bit of work to change, would make our lives and our faith stronger and better. For example, perhaps you've always had the idea that you would like to pray on a more regular basis, or would like to add to the time of prayer that you do already. But often, we get caught up with other activities, other habits, and this change gets pushed to the back burner. Yet, when we take the time to really implement such a change, we realize that the difference it makes is well worth the extra time and effort required to do it.

I want to invite you to think about something that you've been meaning to do in your life of faith that, for whatever reason, has gotten side-tracked or put on the back burner of your life. When you do, take time this month to make that change, to follow after whatever spiritual practice or discipline or activities that you've been meaning to do. And see what God will do with that change – I suspect that you'll find it has been well worth the extra effort!

In Christ,

*Pastor Doug*



# Church Board

The Executive Committee met on May 3, at 7:00pm.

Commissions and Church Board will meet on May 8, at 6:30pm.

## Nurture/Witness Commission

### Lunch with Pastor Doug and Tasha:

There will be a sign-up sheet on the back table for lunch with Pastor Doug and Tasha after worship. We are especially interested in having lunch with church folks on those dates, but are also open on other Sundays. Please feel free to chat with us about this. We look forward to having opportunities to connect over lunch with any who is interested!

### Special Offering Reminders:

Each month, we have a special offering to support various ministries outside of our congregation. This month's special offering will be collected throughout **May** and will go to our church **Global Woman's Project**. Previous months' special offerings may be found in the directory. If you would like to give cash, provide a note with the amount you are donating to the offering so that it may be properly directed.

### May - Global Women's Project

Rooted in the Church of the Brethren, GWP seeks to educate about wealth, power and oppression, encouraging one another to live more simply, being mindful of our luxuries, and join in empowerment with women around the world, sharing resources with women's initiatives. Read more about GWP and our founding in 1978.

### *Celebrate Mother's Day by Honoring Women*

Global Women's Project invites you to honor your mother and other women who have nurtured you through the Mother's Day Gratitude Project. Instead of buying more stuff, express your gratitude as you support women's empowerment throughout the world. Your chosen recipients receive lovely, hand-written cards indicating that gifts have been made in their honor, with a brief description of GWP.

Locally, GWP partners with Growing Grounds to help provide transportation, housing, education, and employment for women exiting incarceration. It has been shown that if a person has access to these, they are able to become more stable and live healthier lives. Growing Grounds is the only US-based operation that GWP works alongside.

**June: Church World Service** - The mission: Feed the hungry, clothe the naked, heal the sick, comfort the aged, shelter the homeless.

### Altar and Sanctuary Decorations

We are always looking for people to help with **altar/sanctuary decorating each month**, and **worship leading**. If you are interested, the worship schedule sheet is outside the office door,

If you are interested in participating in the service, the worship schedule sheet is outside the office door, please contact the office, or talk to **Tasha or Pastor Doug**.



## Messenger Subscriptions

It is time to renew or subscribe to Messenger, the magazine of the Church of the Brethren.

Read, respond, learn, connect with this inspirational and informative monthly resource.

How about gifting someone else with this ongoing blessing? It could be your children, other relatives, or friends.

**Contact** our church representative, **Laurie Kieffaber Cornett**, NOW with your interest at **260-578-1933 for calling or text, or email at [mikisaunt@gmail.com](mailto:mikisaunt@gmail.com)**.

The payment can be made later by writing a check to the Wabash Church of the Brethren and designating it as Messenger payment.

## Sunday School

Sunday School is paused until further notice



## Worship Schedule – May

If you are interested in participating in the service, please contact the office.

	Pulpit	Worship Leader	Song Leader	Head Usher	Children's Church	Musician
5	Pastor Doug Veal 1 John 4:7-21 "God is Love"	Carol Horn	Stan Miller	Larry Jamerson	Laurie Kieffaber Cornett	Audrey Hahn
12	Pastor Doug Veal Romans 8:28-39 "Always loved, never alone"		Stan Miller	Larry Jamerson	Carol Horn	Bonnie Haughn
19	Pastor Doug Veal 1 Corinthians 12:1-13 "Spiritual Gifts"	Laurie Kieffaber Cornett	Stan Miller	Larry Jamerson	Laurie Kieffaber Cornett	Deanna Unger
26	Pastor Doug off, Anchor Singing Group	—	—	Larry Jamerson	Carol Horn	Laurie Kieffaber Cornett

## Devotionals - Devotionals and Upper Room

**Devotionals and The Upper Room** is available in the sanctuary. If you would like a copy mailed to you, please contact the office and please specify regular or large print. If you would like to pick one up the next time you are here, they are on the back table in the sanctuary.



# Reading through the Bible in a year - May

1	Exodus 17-20	9	2 Samuel 10-14	17	Psalms 57-59	25	Job 41-42
2	2 Samuel 5-9	10	Psalms 54-56	18	Job 39-40	26	Jer. 42-46
3	Psalms 51-53	11	Job 37-38	19	Jeremiah 37-41	27	Luke 5-6
4	Job 35-36	12	Jeremiah 32-36	20	Luke 3-4	28	Galatians 1-3
5	Jeremiah 27-31	13	Luke 1-2	21	2 Corinthians 11-13	29	Exodus 33-36
6	Mark 15-16	14	2 Corinthians 9-10	22	Exodus 29-32	30	1 Kings 1-4
7	2 Corinthians 6-8	15	Exodus 25-28	23	2 Samuel 20-24	31	Psalms 63-65
8	Exodus 21-24	16	2 Samuel 15-19	24	Psalms 60-62		

## Stewards Commission

Looking at a new and exciting way you can help the church? We are in need of a volunteer (or two or three) to help run the video streaming. A very positive outcome to sheltering in place is that we've been able to improve our ability to include family members who aren't normally able to worship with us, as well as reach beyond our community.

If you are interested, or know someone who would be, please contact Pastor Doug at [pastordoug@wabashcob.org](mailto:pastordoug@wabashcob.org) or Mikayla at [office@wabashcob.org](mailto:office@wabashcob.org)

## Little Free Pantry

Our local pantry is looking to supplement what we get from Milford each month. Additional items needed are:

Mac and Cheese boxes  
Bread  
Hamburger  
Soups  
Baked beans  
Canned fruits and veggies  
Hamburger /Tuna/Chicken Helper  
Peanut butter  
Canned meat (tuna, chicken, etc.)  
Jelly  
Personal Hygiene items



Pasta  
Saltines  
Cleaning Supplies  
TP/Tissue





### ONLINE REGISTRATION—NEW IN 2024

Camp Mack has changed to using UltraCamp for registration software. Follow the instructions below to retrieve your account information. Contact the camp office at (574) 658-4831 or [info@campmack.org](mailto:info@campmack.org) if you need assistance.

### ACCOUNT SETUP

Go to [www.campmack.org](http://www.campmack.org). Click the “Register” button at the top right of the page.

Existing accounts, 1) Click “Forgot your login information.” 2) Choose “I need to reset my password.” Your login will not change.

Need an account? 1) Click “New User.”

- If the participant is an adult, create the account under the participant name. If the participant is a minor, create an account with the parent/guardian information.
- Follow the instructions to create your profile.

### ONLINE REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

- Click “Register” next to the name of the participant.
- Select the program you wish to attend. Click on the “Info” button for more information. Click “Register.”
- If registering another family member for an event, click “Yes.” If not, click “No, continue registration.”
- Confirm participant information and emergency contacts, and choose session options (if applicable).
- Fill out the required form(s) and sign the waiver, then click “Next.”
- Click “Proceed to Payment.” If you have a sponsorship code from your church, school, or other organization, click “+Add sponsorship/promotional code” and enter the code.
- A \$75 deposit is required for all summer camps in order to be registered. Full payment is required by June 1st. Enter payment information, then click “Submit Payment.”



## South/Central Indiana District

### MAY 2024 - DISTRICT CALENDAR DATES

**May 2** - Ministry Credentialing Committee -  
7:00 pm—District Office

**May 4** - Calling the Called - 11:30 am—Camp  
Mack

**May 9** - Ministry Credentialing Committee -  
7:00 pm—District Office

**May 11**—District Board Meeting - 9:00—  
Pleasant Dale CoB

**May 30 - June 1** - Women’s Camp - Camp  
Mack



ROMANS 16:2 (CEB)

**WELCOME+  
WORTHY**

2024 CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN ANNUAL CONFERENCE

### ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2024

DeVos Place Convention Center  
Grand Rapids, Michigan  
July 3-7

Registration is now open at: <https://www.brethren.org/ac2024/registration/>

