

Southwest

Church of the Nazarene

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PSALM 145:13
YOUR KINGDOM
IS AN
EVERLASTING
KINGDOM,
AND YOUR
DOMINION
ENDURES
THROUGHOUT
ALL
GENERATIONS.

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Church Events

- September 5th, Sunday – Sunday School for all ages starts back up. Welcome back!
- September 11th, Saturday – Motorcycle Ride Fundraiser for R!OT Youth
- September 18th, Saturday – R!OT Youth Park/Hike Day
- September 19th, Sunday – Back to Church Sunday Plan to invite someone to join you for service and a picnic on the grounds.
- September 25th, Saturday – 10:00am – 2:00pm – Indy District Ladies Day at Shepherd Community with Speaker Dr. Carla Sunberg
- October 2nd, Saturday – Car Show Fundraiser for R!OT Youth
- October 3rd – 6th, Sunday - Wednesday Revival with Rev. Ron Richmond
- October 30th, Saturday from 5:00pm – 7:00pm Trunk or Treat (Decorate vehicles, dress up, pass out treats)
- October 31st, Sunday – 5:00pm – R!OT Youth Harvest Party
- November 5th – 7th, Friday – Sunday R!OT Youth Refresh Retreat in Amelia, OH
- November 21st, Sunday – Thanksgiving Service – Divinity Trio Concert

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

A mighty fortress is our God
A bulwark never failing
Our helper He amid the flood
Of mortal ills prevailing
For still our ancient foe
Does seek to work us woe
His craft and pow'r are great and
Armed with cruel hate
On earth is not his equal

Did we in our own strength confide
Our striving would be losing
Were not the right Man on our side
The Man of God's own choosing
You ask who that may be
Christ Jesus it is He
Lord Sabaoth His name
From age to age the same
And He must win the battle

And tho' this world with devils filled
Should threaten to undo us
We will not fear for God has willed
His truth to triumph thru us
The prince of darkness grim
We tremble not for him
His rage we can endure
For lo his doom is sure
One little word shall fell him

That word above all earthly pow'rs
No thanks to them abideth
The Spirit and the gifts are ours
Thru Him who with us sideth
Let goods and kindred go
This mortal life also
The body they may kill
God's truth abideth still
His kingdom is forever

Frederick Henry Hedge | Martin Luther

**God's Covenant with
Man Series Continues:
Murder, adultery,
stealing, lying, lusting...
nothing new to our
society.**

**But what does the Bible
say about these?
Is there a better way?
Tune in to our livestream
or attend the services
the next few weeks.**

August Emphasis: Praying for the Lost

August 1st:
Praying for the Lost in our World
(Missions)

August 8th:
Praying for our Neighborhood

August 15th:
Praying for our Schools

August 22nd:
Praying for our Homes

August 29th:
Praying to be a Soul-Winning
Church

Praises:

- ❖ Praise the Lord for a beautiful spirit in the service Sunday! The Presence of the Lord was near as the Praise Team sang with anointing "We are standing on holy ground." Thank you to those leading our worship in song and instruments, we are blessed to have you!
- ❖ Praise the Lord for a wonderful 50th anniversary celebration for Pastor Keith and Teresa Grove. It was a joy to see old and new friends who came from near and far to wish them well. We are so thankful for the Lord's healing touch on Teresa!
- ❖ Praise the Lord for those who gave towards the Drake Family due to their house fire! We are collecting donations one more Sunday if you would like to give. The scripture is true quoting Jesus, "it is better to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35).

Psalm 145:14-16

¹⁴ The Lord upholds all who fall and raises up all who are bowed down. ¹⁵ The eyes of all look expectantly to You, and You give them their food in due season. ¹⁶ You open Your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

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Prayer Needs:

- ❖ Pray for those affected by the new surge of COVID: schools, hospital staff, and families.
- ❖ Pray for Samaritan's Purse Disaster Relief heading to Mississippi, where the state averaged nearly 2,700 new COVID-19 cases per day over the past week. Over 200 patients in the state are being held in emergency room beds, waiting for ICU beds to open up.
- ❖ For personal prayer needs, please see the mailed or emailed versions of the church newsletter.

Our World's Needs:

Haiti

Pray for Haiti – suffering from a massive 7.2 magnitude earthquake. There are 1,300 who have perished from this so far. There is a Tropical Depression also expected to reach land and create more hardship for rescue efforts. Here is a brief note about our Nazarene friends in Haiti.

"The Church of the Nazarene has four districts in the area near the epicenter, two of which are known to have sustained significant damage and one that has not been able to make a report. At least four churches were destroyed in a southern district, and one pastor has lost his house. One district superintendent says that the quake killed one church member..." As God's people do these Nazarenes, 'hope to use churches as shelters for neighbors who have nowhere to go...' Our Nazarene Compassionate Ministries, along with local Nazarene churches, and other partner organizations are working on plans to bring relief and help the area.

What we can do:

1. Pray – for the people, the rescue workers, and those making plans to bring relief and help to this devastated area.
2. Donate – we can help provide support through the **Haiti Earthquake 2021 Fund** (<https://give.nazarene.org/donate/f/136361>).

Or you can send checks payable to "General Treasurer" by mail:

Global Treasury Services
Church of the Nazarene
P.O. Box 843116
Kansas City, MO 64184-3116

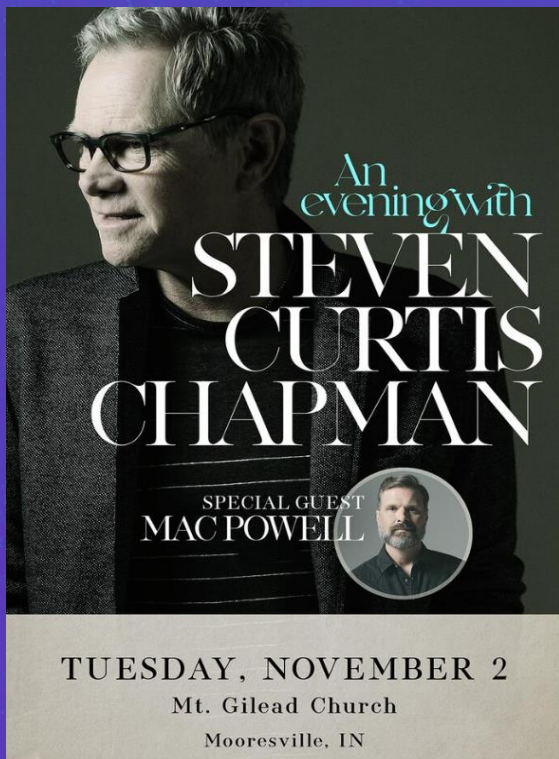
Be sure to put **136361** in the Memo area.

The People of Afghanistan:

Pray for the Afghans as their country is going through upheaval and uncertainty as the Taliban have taken over and their country is in a time of unrest. Pray the Lord will intervene on the people's behalf, especially the believers, who are facing difficult days ahead. Missionary work for the most part, is prohibited in this country and having a Bible is dangerous.

However, the Lord is still working according to Hedieh Mirahmadi, Columnist, who noted on Thursday, July 15, 2021, "there are mullahs who have come to Christ through supernatural means who have hundreds of followers. Some former Taliban members who have found forgiveness and new life in Christ are staring death in the face and sharing the Lord with other Taliban fighters and leaders." She shares that the most effective way of communicating the Gospel is through the internet and social media. (Hedieh Mirahmadi, *Afghanistan withdrawal: There's hope yet in these remaining forces*, Christian Post.com)

ANNOUNCEMENTS



An evening with
STEVEN CURTIS CHAPMAN
SPECIAL GUEST
MAC POWELL

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2
Mt. Gilead Church
Mooresville, IN

An Evening with Steven Curtis Chapman & Special Guest: Mac Powell at Mt. Gilead Church in Mooresville on November 2, 2021, at 7:30PM. General Admission tickets are available for about \$31 to \$34 each at

www.awakeningevents.com/scc

See Pastor Scott and Cindy if you are interested in going! *You'll need to purchase your ticket on your own.* Hurry up! They are going fast!

Celebration of Life

Banquet to benefit

 Life Centers

This event benefits Life Centers in our ministry of saving babies and transforming the lives of their mothers.

Tuesday, September 28, 2021

6:30 p.m., doors open at 6 p.m. • JW Marriott Hotel, Indianapolis

Sponsored by:



Keynote Speaker:
Abby Johnson

Register today: visit LifeCenters.com or call (317) 280-2635

Tim (TJ) & Rose Drake and their 4 boys tragically lost their home and all belongings in a house fire this week. They have a connection to Southwest church through Summer Wilson. They are her uncle, aunt and cousins. If you would like to bless them financially during this very difficult time, please bring



Don't forget! We are still collecting Bibles, reference books, concordances, and other Biblical literature to be sent to Africa to help pastors there. The last day to bring those in will be August 29th. If you have questions, see Reta Steely! Remember: Goodwill gives Bibles away for free!

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Join us for Ladies Day on Sept. 25th. Sign up for free event by Sept. 11th to receive a free t-shirt.

Spots are limited. Register at

<https://tithe.ly/event-registration/#/1698177>.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR WEEKEND FOOD BAGS for Shepherd Community

The following items are packed in large brown lunch bags to send home with children so they will have meals for the weekend.

- 2 drink boxes 100% juice
- 2 individual fruit cups or applesauce cups
- 2 granola bars or cheese and peanut butter crackers
- 2 single serving mac'n'cheese, stew, soup, etc.
- 2 single serving cereal

We will be packing bags at Ladies Day. Start collecting items and bring them with you on September 25th 2021. Bring one item or 100 - all of the same items or you can bring enough items to complete each bag. We will be packing as many complete bags as we have supplies.



INDY DISTRICT Ladies Day

September 25th 2021 10AM - 2PM

"SEASONS"

Shepherd Community Center

4107 E Washington St, Indianapolis, IN 46201

ACTIVITIES:

- Shepherd Community - please bring donations listed
- Coffee/smoothie bar
- Lunch- Chick-fil-A
- Photo Booth



Speaker - Dr Carla Sunberg

SPONSORED BY INDIANAPOLIS DISTRICT WOMEN'S MINISTRY "SALT" (Serving And Learning Together)

Register at <https://tithe.ly/event-registration/#/1698177>

TICKETS ARE FREE, BUT SPACE IS LIMITED - FREE T-SHIRT TO ANYONE WHO SIGNS UP BY SEPTEMBER 11TH
Questions, email Rachel Southerland at indsalt@gmail.com or call 317-563-7258

Sunday School is back on September 5th at 9:30am!

Southwest Nazarene Sunday School Classes and Teachers

CLASS

- ✓ Nursery and Pre School
- ✓ Kindergarten - Grade 2
- ✓ Grade 3 - 5
- ✓ Middle School (Grade 6-8)
- ✓ College & Career
- ✓ Bound & Determined (Young Adult)
- ✓ Sojourners (55 & up)
- ✓ Senior Adults

TEACHER

Renee Plank
Diane Adkins
Terri Greene
Adam & Heather Strain
Rachel Greene
Mark Vawter

Steve Miller
Stephen Bechdol

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Thanks to Ema DeRosia

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ADAM PREPARES FOR THE HUMAN RACE

Attn: Church Board - Board Review will be rescheduled again. We'll keep you posted!