

Southwest Church of Nazarene

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Safely Through Another Week

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God has brought us on our way;
let us now a blessing seek,
waiting in his courts today;
day of all the week the best,
emblem of eternal rest.

While we pray for pard'ning grace
through the dear Redeemer's name,
show thy reconciled face;
take away our sin and shame;
from our earthly cares set free,
may we rest this day in thee.

Here we come thy name to praise;
let us feel thy presence near;
may thy glory meet our eyes
while we in thy house appear;
here afford us, Lord, a taste
of our everlasting feast.

May thy gospel's joyful sound
conquer sinners, comfort saints;
may the fruits of grace abound,
bring relief for all complaints;
thus may all our Sabbaths prove,
'til we join the church above.

- *John Newton (author of Amazing Grace)*

Church Events

- January 10th & 24th, February 14th & 28th, and March 14th & 28th, Mondays – 6:30pm – 8:00pm – MOPS meeting
- January 14th – 15th, Friday 7:00pm – Saturday 7:00am – Indy District NYI Lock-In at Indy First Church
- January 28th, Friday – R!OT Youth will attend the Winter Jam concert. See Dave/Dana for details.
- February 12th, Saturday – Eat Your Heart Out Fundraiser for R!OT
- February 26th, Saturday – 8:00am – 4:00pm – Indy District NYI Celebrate Life tryouts at Westside COTN
- May 12th - May 14th, Thurs. – Sat. – Regional Celebrate Life at Olivet Nazarene University

Join us on Wednesdays for Midweek
Prayer Meeting at 6:30pm

Praises:

- Praise the Lord for a New Year! Although 2021 had some highlights and blessings, many are thankful to be looking forward to a new beginning. Thank you, Lord, for being the one who “makes all things new.” Let’s celebrate this!
- Praise the Lord for our wonderful Ministers! We appreciate Dr. Thompson and Dave Metcalf for giving excellent messages for our church these last two weeks. Thank you, Lord, for Your ministers, and Your Word!
- Praise the Lord for answered prayer! Many we have been praying for are returning to good health and doing better. One example is Sara Wood’s Dad, who is being released from the hospital and can go home. Let’s remember to give God thanks and praise for how He helps us when we pray!

O God and Father, I repent of my sinful preoccupation with visible things. The world has been too much with me. You have been here and I knew it not. I have been blind to Your presence. Open my eyes that I may behold You in and around me. For Christ’s sake. Amen.

– A.W. Tozer, *the Pursuit of God*

Our Deepest sympathies...

Herbert Westley Froedge, Becky Rackley’s father and Kathleen Lowe’s brother, passed away on Tuesday. Visitation will be Friday, January 7th from 12:00-3:00pm at Family Funeral Care. It is located at 5791 Rockville Road, Indianapolis, IN 46224.

Prayer Needs:

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- Please remember all the family members of our church who are dealing with the COVID virus right now.
- Please pray for our unsaved children, family, and friends.
- Please pray for our country to turn away from their sinful ways and return to the Lord.
- For Personal Prayer Needs, please see the mailed and emailed versions of the church newsletter.

Announcements

Monday, January 10th 6:30pm – 8:00pm



If you are a mother of children Children from birth through Kindergarten, please join us at a MOPS Meeting. Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) connects moms to one another and Jesus through quality, small group gatherings. Crafts, devotions, snacks, and opportunities to socialize with other women in the same stage as you are in right now! Share stories, experiences, and your faith journey! Questions: See Renee Plank.

Friday, January 28th



Winter Jam Concert: R!OT Youth will be going to see performances from Skillet, Tauren Wells, Colton Dixon, and many others! Ticket price is \$10. Bring extra money for any food, drinks or merchandise you'd like to purchase. Don't forget to invite a friend! Concert starts at 7:00pm. We'll meet at the church before and head that way together. See Dave/Dana with questions.

Psalm 5:2-3 NKJV

2 Give heed to the voice of my cry, My King and my God, For to You I will pray. 3 My voice You shall hear in the morning, O Lord; In the morning I will direct it to You, And I will look up.

Christmas decorations have already been taken down and put away! *There is no need to come in and help with that project on Thursday.* Thank you to Brad and Diana Adkins for project done!



Church Board Meeting *NEW*
Date: Tuesday, January 18th at 6:30pm

Fri., Jan. 14th 7:00pm – Sat., Jan. 15th 7:00am



Indy District Youth Lock-In at Indy First COTN: The fun includes basketball, volleyball, ping pong, 9 Square, video games, group games, door prizes, etc.. The cost (including all food, snacks, and activities) is \$25, but bring a friend not part of the R!OT youth group and it is only \$20!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Saturday, February 12th

Eat Your Heart Out Dinner Fundraiser: Enjoy a meal catered by Chef and Terri Greene and served by our R!OT Youth members! The youth chapel becomes a 5-star restaurant for this one night a year! Invite friends, spouses, or family members, make a reservation, and have a great evening together. More details and sign-ups coming soon. This fundraiser will provide funding that will benefit upcoming R!OT Youth activities. Thanks for your support!



Psalm 55:16-18 NKJV

16 As for me, I will call upon God, And the Lord shall save me. 17 Evening and morning and at noon I will pray, and cry aloud, And He shall hear my voice. 18 He has redeemed my soul in peace from the battle that was against me, For there were many against me.

Saturday, February 26th 8:00am – 4:00pm

Indy District Youth Celebrate Life tryouts at Westside COTN. Cost is \$25 each.

Compete in events such as: poetry, painting, photography, singing, playing an instrument, table tennis, chess, basketball, bowling, tennis, volleyball, dodgeball, 5K run, etc. It will be a fun day spending time with teens from all over the district! See Dave/Dana Metcalf for details.



Thursday, May 12th - Saturday, May 14th

Regional Celebrate Life at Olivet Nazarene University – the next step along for Celebrate Life! Those attending will stay a couple days on campus and compete while having a great time! You won't want to miss out on this experience. More details will come out after the Indy District Celebrate Life has taken place. See Dave/Dana Metcalf with any questions.

Miriam Hood's Celebration of Life: Miriam's family would love to invite you to a celebration of the life of their dear wife, mother, sister and friend, Miriam Hood (9/13/41-12/26/21). Lunch will be served following the memorial service. So we have a count for the caterers, please indicate your intent to join us for lunch by checking the "going" option on the Facebook Invite or by contacting Ronda Troyer at 317-416-5529. Thank you to so many of our dear friends and family who have stood by us through this difficult time. We look forward to seeing you there.



28 Day Prayer and Bible Challenge

January 9th - February 6th

Read one chapter in the Book of Acts each day

-and-

Pray each day these in your prayers, that... :

1. Our church would honor and glorify God in all we do.
I would honor and glorify God in all I do.
2. Our church leaders would have the Lord's anointing, protection, and strength to faithfully proclaim the Word.
I would have the Lord's anointing, protection, and strength to faithfully proclaim the Word.
3. Our church would be a hospital for broken humanity.
I would be a Good Samaritan for broken humanity.
4. Our church would be faithful in prayer.
I would be faithful in prayer.
5. Our church would be faithful to share the Gospel.
I would be faithful to share the Gospel.

New Series: Our Helper
When Christ ascended to heaven, his disciples were not left alone. Nor are we. The Father would send the Holy Spirit - our Helper! Jesus said He will Guide Us, Purify and Fill Us, Empower Us, and would ever-shape us in the image of Christ. This is the hidden Power of the Church! Join us this Sunday.