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How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God when I in awesome wonder Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made I see the stars; I hear the rolling thunder Thy pow'r thru'out the universe displayed

When through the woods and forest glades I wander • And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze •

And when I think that God His Son not sparing Sent Him to die I scarce can take it in That on the cross my burden gladly bearing He bled and died to take away my sin

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation And take me home what joy shall fill my heart Then I shall bow in humble adoration And there proclaim my God how great Thou art

Then sings my soul My Savior God to Thee How great Thou art How great Thou art Then sings my soul My Savior God to Thee How great Thou art How great Thou art

Words & Music: Stuart Wesley Keene Hine

Church Events

- Saturday, Feb. 3rd 8:00am 3:00pm Indy Dist. Celebrate Life at Westside COTN
- Saturday, Feb. 3rd WinterJam Concert at Gainbridge Fieldhouse at 5:00pm – R!OT Youth activity (Cost \$15 per ticket)
- Sunday, Feb. 4th Children's Ministry Valentine's Bake Sale – immediately after morning worship
- Wednesday, Feb. 7th 6:30pm Discipleship Study – Generational Differences & the Church – Led by Dr. Houston Thompson
- Saturday, Feb. 10th R!OT Youth Pizza & Duckpin Bowling with ONU Ambassadors
- Sunday, Feb. 11th ONU Ambassadors will be preaching and leading worship during our morning worship service. Following service, it'll be our Southwest Annual Chili Cook-Off!
- Sunday, Feb. 11th 5:00pm R!OT Youth Super Bowl watch party at Parsonage
- Monday, Feb. 12th 6:30pm 8:00pm Mom Squad meets with Renee Plank
- Wednesday, Feb. 14th 6:30pm Children's Valentine's Day Party
- Saturday, Feb. 17th 10:00am 12:00pm Children's Quiz at Southside COTN
- Sunday, Feb. 18th Annual Church Elections during morning worship service and our Volunteer Fair!

Please see the announcements for more info.

Praises:

- Praise the Lord for Lara Hoaglan's young adult class! They had 11 in attendance and have already moved into a larger room. Let's pray they keep growing!
- Praise the Lord for how God is working! We have three people who want to be baptized. We will have a baptism service on February 25th.
- Praise the Lord for a great board meeting last Sunday night! We looked at some future goals and ways to strengthen our church. We also adopted a new mission statement, along with some core values, that we will introduce on Sunday, February 18th, our Annual Church Meeting and Election Day.

Psalm 73:26 NKJV

My flesh and my heart fail; But God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

To send your condolences or cards to Michael Ward's family, please find their addresses here.

- Christian & Heather Hambrick 7879 E Anderson Rd Unionville, IN 47468
- Mike & Sandy Ward 1061 Iris Ave Greenwood, IN 46143

Celebration of Life for Michael Ward II Saturday, February 10th 1:00pm – 2:30pm Southwest Church of the Nazarene

If you would like to send your condolences or cards to Carrie Fuller and the boys, please find their address here.

Carrie Fuller & sons (Jhaden, Kristopher, Isaiah) 5311 W. Mooresville Rd Indianapolis, IN 46221

Prayer Needs:

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- Please pray for the many parents who have children away from the Lord. Sin is great, but the grace and love of our Savior is much greater! May the Lord draw each of them to Himself.
- For personal prayer needs, please see the emailed or mailed versions of the church newsletter.

Announcements

SIDEWALK HELP

Would you be able to help remove snow from our church sidewalks and put down salt? We have several sidewalks that need to be done each time it snows. The church has a snowblower, salt, and 2 shovels. Let Katrina know in the church office, and we will notify you when there is an accumulation on the walks. Thank you for supporting your church!



Saturday, February 10th, we'll get together and welcome to our ONU preaching and music ambassadors for

a fun night of pizza and duckpin bowling! Meet at the church at 5:00pm for pizza. Then, we'll head to Foutain Square for duckpin bowling. See Pastor Aaron with any questions!





375 Our children's quiz teams will next compete at Southside COTN on Saturday, Feb. 17th at 10am. If you

would like to go out and cheer them on and see how quizzing is helping children to keep the Lord's Word in their hearts, be at their next quiz meet at Southside COTN!





Questions? Ask Lisa Nichols!

Chili Cook Off Sunday February 11th after morning worship Sign up for our Chili Cook Off. Please sign up with what you are bringing, even if you will not enter the contest. You can bring crackers, sour cream, shredded cheese, small sandwiches, desserts, etc. If you plan on entering a chili in the cook off, please mark it down on the sign up. We will award the winning chili!!



Logan Stine ONU Preaching Ambassador



Julieta Herrarte ONU Music Ambassador

Sunday, February 11th during morning worship service, we will be blessed with a visit from the ONU Ambassadors who will be preaching and leading us in worship. Be here to support this part of their ministry... and the next generation of church leaders!

> SUPER BOWL SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH RIOT YOUTH SUPER BOWL WATCH PARTY AT THE PARSONAGE! ARRIVE AT 5:00Pm, WEAR YOUR FAVORITE TEAM'S JERSEY, \$ PREPARE TO HAVE SOME FOOD AND FUN!

Announcements:



It's that time of year again! Sunday, February 25th will be the day for our Alabaster Offering! Bring in those

boxes, jars, etc. of change, dollar bills, and checks you want to give to help build and repair churches and related buildings around the world! All this helps to spread the Good News!

Biggest Loser Event!

If you didn't have a chance to start on the health journey with our group, it's not too late to join us! A group of folks would like to come together and hold a Biggest Loser event. This event is FREE and open to everyone! Participants will weigh in every week through March 17th after morning worship service is over on Sundays. Again, this is just a way to support one another on a health journey while helping us be

accountable to each other. The woman and man who have lost the largest percentage of their starting weight after the eight weeks is up will be the declared winners!



Children's Ministry Valentine's Bake Sale

Bring cash to buy some yummy cookies, breads, and more at this sale to help raise funds for



the Children's Dept. Your tummy will thank you for the delicious goodies... and so will the kids!

We'll be set up for the sale right after morning worship service. Don't worry!



We'll have two lines so you can get your hands on those treats quickly! THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR CHILDREN!



Meeting 6:30-8:00pm, Mon., Feb.12th Moms of all ages are invited to

participate in Southwest's **MOM SQUAD** group. We meet the 2nd & 4th Mondays of

the month from 6:30pm-8:00pm for snacks and fellowship. Please see Renee Plank if interested!

Sunday, February 18th will be our Annual Church Meeting and Elections during the morning service. We also will have our first Volunteer Fair! Be sure to

be here this important day! See more information below regarding the Volunteer Fair. Elections will be for open church board positions, NDI



board, NMI council, and NYI council, and delegates for NDI, NYI, and NMI Conventions and District Assembly.

VOLUNTEER FAIR – Sun., Feb. 18th

Are you thinking about taking a next step? Feel like God is leading you to be more involved? We are planning a "Volunteer Fair" to share opportunities to be involved at Southwest Church. You can make a difference... there is a place for you to serve!

Why Volunteer?

Every member of Christ's Church should be involved in Christ's Mission. Everyone who attends Southwest Church can contribute to create a healthy, organized, and caring church.

Areas in Which to Volunteer

NYI, NMI, NDI, Children's Ministry (including Nursery), Safety Team, Security, Food Pantry, Media Team (Sound, Power Point, Livesteam)

What to Expect

Following morning worship service, we'll have tables lining the foyer. Each table will represent an area in which you can learn more about the ministries and opportunities to utilize your skills to serve. Representatives will share with you about the ministry.

Exciting News! We will now have a youth group newsletter. If you are interested in signing up for

the newsletter, please see Pastor Aaron. Also, be sure to follow R!OT Youth Ministries on Facebook!



ANNOUNCEMENTS



I MISSED IT ... WHICH ONE CAME FIRST?

Come join us for the **Discipleship Study** led by Dr. Houston Thompson on Wednesdays at 6:30pm

Generational Differences & the Church

Every generation has their own perspectives of the Church. There are different expectations for worship. There are diverse opinions about conducting ministry. This Bible Study looks at generational differences to better understand worship, engagement, & ministry in the church.

- February 7th Who are Generation X?
- February 14th Who are the Millennials?
- February 21st Who are Generation Z?
- February 28th How does the church engage all the generations?



Teens: Join us for Winter Jam '24! Check out the great artists that will be there! Cost is \$15 at the door. It's at Gainbridge Fieldhouse, and we'll leave the church at 4:30pm on Saturday, Feb. 3rd. Please arrive before then. (Tacos at the parsonage at 3:45pm)



For Celebrate Life, meet at Westside COTN at 8:15am. Afterward CL, it's tacos at the parsonage at 3:45pm and then stick around and go to Winter Jam (see above for info).

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH AT 6:30PM Children's Valentine's Party Valentine's will be a fun time for those

ages 3 through 5th grade. There will be games, food, and fun. Stay turned for more information!

Rise & Shine Breakfast Club Schedule (9:00am Tuesdays) *Men's & Women's Breakfasts Come be a part of the fellowship!*

2/6 - Cracker Barrel (6256 Cambridge Way, Plainfield, IN 46168) 2/13 - Bob Evans (25 S High School Rd, Indianapolis, IN 46241) 2/20 - Flapjacks Pancake House (414 W Main St, Plainfield, IN 46168) 2/27 - Metro Diner (302 Dan Jones Rd, Plainfield, IN 46168) Food Pantry Fridays 10:00 am -12:00 pm Can visit once per calendar month. Donations accepted, too. Thanks !