



NORTH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Fall Offerings 2016

A Word From Darren

If you are as excited about the many wonderful ministries and events at North as I am, then help us spread the word. Here are 10 ways you can let everyone know what is going so they too can have “the North Experience”:

1. Share a Post—Share North Church Facebook & Twitter posts on your social media pages (Facebook: facebook.com/NorthChurchIndy Twitter: @NorthChurchIndy)
2. Reply—Respond to emails from staff members when asked to help spread news about upcoming events
3. Give the Card—Share a special worship service card with a friend or family member and ask them to come to worship with you
4. Post the Card—Put a special worship service card on bulletin boards and on your desk or area at work
5. Mix Your Friends—Invite a non-church member to a small gathering of church

- members (e.g. a Sunday School class party) and mingle your friends
6. Help Create the Buzz—Tell others about the events and ministries taking place at North Church (you do not need to invite them, just tell them what is going on)
 7. Forward the News—Share links to news reports about events related to and happening at North Church on social media and in emails
 8. Wear It—Wear your North Church T-Shirt in public and at all church-related outings (We have them for sale at the church)
 9. Evites—Send a social media invitation to friends for church events
 10. Special Signatures—Add to your email signature graphics and information about the next special worship service

I look forward to seeing you this fall!

-Pastor Darren
Fall 2016

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Worship & Arts

Alternative Worship

Non-Communion Sundays, during 11:00am
worship service (Room 104)

K-3rd Grades

During Alternative Worship this semester we will be learning about the Parables of Jesus. Through crafts, games, songs, and more, we will learn about the stories that Jesus taught.

“Reclaiming the Name: Christian” Fall Sermon Series

Sundays, September 11-October 9

The label “Christian” has so many negative connotations attached to it in our society today. This fall we will explore the many ways we can reclaim this name in positive ways that show the world the love and acceptance of Jesus Christ. Our witness is in what we do, and you can discover these opportunities during our “Season of Service” (unlike previous years, there is no companion study guide).

“A Season of Service”

Sundays, September 11—October 9

Each Sunday we will feature one of our ministry areas and invite you to get involved in the different ways in a positive witness for Christ:

- September 11—Ministries of Welcoming (Discipleship & Formation, Reconciling Ministries, and Hospitality, Evangelism & Ministry)
- September 18—Ministries of Servanthood (Mission & Outreach)
- September 25—Ministries of Prayer and Care (Care & Nurture)
- October 2—Ministries of Celebration (Worship & the Arts)
- October 9—Ministries of Advocacy (Green Team, Justice & Advocacy, and United Methodist Women)

Whether it is helping with one of our ministries for members or serving in one of our outreach programs, there is a place for you at North. These activities are the companion to the sermon series, “Reclaim the Name: Christian.”

World Communion Sunday

October 2

World Communion Sunday is an annual ecumenical observance that began in 1940. Join us this Sunday as we celebrate the diversity of North's congregation and our spiritual connection with churches around the world.

Stewardship Sunday

October 30

This year's stewardship campaign theme is "Generous God | Generous People." On this special day we will renew our membership vows to one another by dedicating our financial pledges for 2017. This Sunday's special music will focus on *Hymns of Our Faith*, featuring movements from Diane Bish's "A Symphony of Hymns."

All Saints Sunday

November 6

Each year we remember our loved ones and all the faithful who have died and are a part of "the church triumphant." In remembrance of our members who died in the past 12 months,

their names will be read during the liturgy for communion. In addition, you will be invited to light a candle in remembrance of your loved ones during this special Sunday.

Health & Healing Sunday

November 13

We worship the Great Physician and we invite you to join us for Health and Healing Sunday. As a community, we will remember through worship and special events that God is close to those who are sick and those who care for the sick and calls us to self-care. Through this celebration, we seek to learn how we can be good stewards of our bodies. You will have the opportunity for anointing and laying on of hands during the worship.

Indianapolis Children's Choir Thanksgiving Service

November 23, 7:00 pm

Celebrate the season and gift of Thanksgiving with worship framed around special music from the Indianapolis Children's Choir. In the

spirit of the season, a special offering is taken up to support the Mid-North Food Pantry.

“The Sounds of Advent” Sermon Series

Sundays, November 27-December 18

Prepare for Christmas by listening for the special sounds of Advent that remind us of the Christmas story.

The Longest Night Service

December 18, 5:00pm (Chapel)

For many of us holidays are difficult, even painful, times. There are many personal reasons why we may have a lonely carol to sing before the holy places: grief for those whom we have loved and lost, sadness for broken relationships, failing health, financial turmoil to name a few. This simple service of silence and song, scripture and prayer will acknowledge the gift of letting go and celebrate the gift of holding fast to hope.

Christmas Eve Worship

December 24

Throughout Advent we look forward to God's breaking into the world in the birth of Jesus Christ, and together as the people of God, we gather on the night before Christmas day to anticipate the birth of Christ, our incarnate Savior. During this special evening, we invite you to come and experience the drama, joy, and hope we claim in the birth of the incarnate Jesus. Join us for worship, singing, and prayer at one of any of our three services on this holy night:

- Children and Family Service, 5:00pm- Special music by children's choirs and the meaning of Christmas re-imagined through a North Church original drama production performed by children and youth
- Celebration of Holy Communion, 7:30pm Childcare is provided for infants - 4 years old (Pastor Darren preaching)
- Festival of Lessons and Carols, 11:00pm- Prelude music begins at 10:30pm (Pastor Darren preaching)

Christmas Day Service

December 25, 11:00am

We will be celebrating the birth of Christ with one combined service on Christmas Day. Join us for a special morning of Christmas carols and blessings.

New Year's Day Service

January 1, 11:00am

There will be one combined service at 11:00am. In keeping with Methodist tradition, it will be a covenant service that renews our commitment to Christ for the New Year.

Taize Worship

Fourth Sunday of the Month, 5:00pm (Chapel)

Taize is a service of song and silence that originated from the ecumenical community in Taize, France after World War II. For more information on the Taize tradition of worship visit www.taize.fr

All-Church Events

Fall Festival

October 2, 5:30-7:30pm (Fellowship Hall)

*Contacts: Galloways (ewgalloway@hotmail.com)
and Warbintons (warbinton@comcast.net)*

We're rounding up the whole church for a fun night of fellowship! Bring a pot of chili, side or dessert to share with a large group for a pitch-in meal. There will be games and crafts for all ages! Please RSVP to the Hospitality Desk by September 25.

Advent Festival

December 4, 5:30-7:30 pm (Fellowship Hall)

Contact: Eric Galloway (ewgalloway@hotmail.com)

Join us for a beautiful all church celebration of tradition and music complete with a pitch-in dinner. Meat and drinks are provided by the church and we ask that all guests bring a dessert or side dish to share. Please RSVP by December 2 to the Hospitality Desk.

Care & Nurture

Caring Conversations

Thursdays, October 6-27, 7:00-8:30pm (Room 202)

This series will be facilitated by Lynn Pike.

Lynn received her Masters at the University of Arizona and her doctorate at Ohio State University. She is currently a professor in Sociology at IUPUI where she teaches a course on the Sociology of Death and Dying.

Previously she taught at the universities of Missouri and Tennessee, as well as Mississippi State. She is on the Indiana Board of the National Organization for Compassion and Choices.

Topics will include:

- Cultural and social beliefs about death and dying
- Current political trends and issues related to death and dying
- End of life choices and decisions

Harmony for the Holidays – Healthy Minds, Healthy Hearts

November 13, 9:45-10:45am (Fellowship Hall)

This program, facilitated by Carole Wills, will offer dialogue about ways to ward off, or at least manage, stress and depression during what should be "the most beautiful time of year". We'll ponder the meaning of a simple principle, one that is adaptable to everyone's life. Come and find out what it is and how it can help you and your family. Carole has worked with NAMI for many years offering professional seminars and family groups throughout the Indianapolis area.

If you have questions or would like to get more involved in Care & Nurture ministries, contact Pat Thorlton (pthorlton@northchurchindy.com) or Nicci George (niccigeorgelwi@gmail.com).

Children & Families

Childcare

Sundays, 8:15am-12:15pm

Infants-5 year olds

We love children and provide care you can trust on Sunday mornings during worship and Sunday school. All caregivers are CPR/First Aid certified, background checked, and experienced working with children.

ELEVATION

1st and 3rd Sundays, 5:30-7:30pm (Room 203)

4th-6th Grades

The definition of the word ELEVATION is: the height to which something is elevated or to which it rises. Some others include: the act of elevating or the state of being elevated. That is what this group is about. It is a place for your kid to continue climbing on their faith journey. As a mountain climber, it is always easier to tackle the elements with someone else, together. It is the same with our faith. We will climb together. We will experience the highs,

lows, rain, wind, and sun on our journey, together. We will have snacks, food, “climbing exercises,” and a lot more fun.

Parents’ Night In/Kids’ Sock Hop

September 9, 5:00-8:00pm (Education Wing)

Parents, this night is for you all to hang out and spend some quality time with each other.

The kids will be off working on their fall mission project: Share a Pair. Come for dinner and stay for fun. Bring a package of socks, any size or color, to help with the event. Register to the Hospitality Desk by September 7.

Indiana Fever Family Night

September 16, 6:30pm (Banker’s Life Fieldhouse)

Come out and join us as we take in an Indiana Fever game. The cost of each ticket includes a meal voucher, a Fever ball cap, and a free throw attempt on the court after the game.

Register by August 28 at the Hospitality Desk. Cost is \$14, due when you sign up.

Movie & Pizza Night

October 14, 5:00-8:00pm (Fellowship Hall)

Join us for a fun family friendly night of pizza and a movie in the Fellowship Hall. We encourage everyone to dress comfortably and bring along a lawn chair, blankets, sleeping bag, or whatever makes you comfortable.

Register by October 12 at the Hospitality Desk.

Game Night and Thanksgiving Feast

November 11, 5:00-8:00pm (Game Room & Club Room)

Join us as we celebrate Thanksgiving this year with a feast. We will have the turkey and drinks. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. After we partake in a great meal we will have board and card games the rest of the evening. Pastor Darren will be there to organize a Euchre tournament. Register to the Hospitality Desk by November 6.

Parents' Night Out

December 10, 4:00-8:00pm (Education Wing)

Kids love this night, a night just for them.

While you enjoy Christmas shopping or

wrapping or a quiet evening dinner, the kids will be enjoying a night filled with Christmas activities, games, crafts, and pizza.

Registration at the Hospitality Desk by
December 4.

Children's Sunday School

We offer age appropriate Bible lessons, games, songs, crafts, and activities each week. You can read more about it in the Sunday school section.

All of our events are open to the whole church family. If you have any questions or would like to get involved in ministry with Children and Families, contact Amy Sell (asell@northchurchindy.com).

Discipleship & Formation

Luke Bible Study

Wednesdays, September 7-October 26, 7:00pm
(Library)

*Facilitators: Darren Cushman Wood
(dcushwood@northchurchindy.com)*

Explore the story of Jesus and the disciples in this in-depth Bible study based on *Luke's Gospel from Scratch* by Donald Griggs and Paul Walasky.

Second Sunday Lunches

September 11, October 9, November 13 and December 11 after 11:00am service (various locations)

Contact: Jenni Jordan (jennijordan@hotmail.com)

Young Adults and families are invited to lunch once a month for fellowship. The locations are as follows:

- September 11: Canal Bistro (6349 Guilford Ave)
- October 9: Fire by the Monon (6523 Ferguson St)

- November 13: La Piedad (6524 Cornell Ave)
- December 11: Aristocrat (5212 N College Ave)

New Members Class

Sundays, September 11-October 9, 9:45-10:45am (Club Room)

Contact: Darren Cushman Wood

*(dcushwood@northchurchindy.com) & Amy Sell
(asell@northchurchindy.com)*

This class is designed for regular attendees who are interested in exploring membership in the United Methodist Church and for persons wishing to deepen their understanding and practice of membership. Pastor Darren will cover the basics of United Methodist history, beliefs and practices and help participants become actively involved in the ministries of North Church.

Covenant Conversation on Church Finances

October 16, 9:45am (Fellowship Hall)

The finance and stewardship committees invite you to hear this important update on our

financial situation. We will review projections and answer questions about proposals for the 2017 budget. You will not want to miss this important update in preparation for Stewardship Sunday.

Women's Retreat

November 4-6, 2016 (Waycross Conference Center)

Contact: Nora Binney (norachoate@msn.com)

Women of North will gather at Waycross Conference Center (Brown County) for a time of fellowship, worship, relaxation, and personal growth. The retreat begins on Friday evening and concludes with worship and lunch on Sunday. God is the ultimate artist and we are the canvas; so this year's theme will be 'The Ultimate Artist' where we will discuss and explore what inner and outer beauty means. You may register in October at the Hospitality Desk or one of the tables in the West Entry.

Special Friends Christmas Party

December 3, 6:30-8:30pm (Fellowship Hall)

Contact: Alan Archibald

(a.archibald@sbcglobal.net)

For a special night of dancing, caroling, cookies, music, and celebrating, North hosts the Special Friends Party for a group of cognitively challenged adults from the greater Indianapolis area as well as their caregivers/parents. This event takes around 75 volunteers to greet, host, serve, and bake cookies for this special tradition that has been around for over 45 years.

Missing Mary: Advent Small Group Study (Updated Version)

Tuesdays, December 6, 13 & 20, 9:30-11:00am
(Parlor)

Overlooked by Protestants for too long, this small group experience explores the spiritual insights of the Mother of Jesus. The study guide was written by our own Jane Sweet.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00am (Community Room)

Contact: *Mary Jo Stinnette*

(smjstinnette@sbcglobal.net)

We pick a book of the Bible, read a chapter together to begin, then discuss. Our discussions wander wildly to include a myriad of topics! Everyone is welcome to join us.

Mid-North Shepherd's Center

Wednesdays, 9:30am (Lower Level)

Contact: *Jeff Linnan (info@mnscenter.org)*

Adults 55 years of age and older attend Adventures in Learning held each Wednesday with varied programs starting at 10:00am including choral rehearsals, Bible Sharing, News Talk, as well as lectures and interactive programs, meditation, and book clubs all offered free of charge. Day trips are also offered for a minimal charge. Lunch is served each Wednesday for \$7.00. No signup or membership fee is required.

If you have questions or would like to get more involved in Discipleship & Formation Ministries, contact Amy Sell (asell@northchurchindy.com) or Nora Binney (norachoate@msn.com).

Mission & Outreach

Farmer's Market

September 1 & 15, 4:00-6:30pm (Parking Lot)

Contact: Jessica Linder

(jlinder@northchurchindy.com) or Ronnie Bell

(rbell@northchurchindy.com)

This is your last chance for the season to stock up on fresh fruits, vegetables, meats and other items. Find a list of all vendors scheduled to attend here: www.meridianfarmersmarket.org

Interfaith Hospitality Network

September 4-11

Contact: Lydia Shaw (enrshaw@gmail.com)

Join us for our fall installment of IHN. Through the Interfaith Hospitality Network, North hosts local families who are in housing transition.

Volunteers are needed to provide meals/games and help to supervise the overnight stays.

Inter-Church Prayer Service of Blessing For School 43 & The Neighborhood

September 18, following 11:00am service
After Sunday service on September 18th, North will march from the church building to School 43. Upon arriving at School 43, people from North will join with other community members and partnering churches (Fairview Presbyterian, Common Ground, Meridian Street) to pray and bless the school under its new leadership of Principal Bakari Posey.

Education Forum Part 2: Charters, Vouchers & Student Success

September 28, 6:00-8:00pm (Fellowship Hall)
Last Spring the Justice & Advocacy Team hosted a presentation which raised issues such as “Where are our tax dollars going for education in Indiana?”, “What is the impact to public education if the Choice Scholarship Program (school vouchers) continues?” and “Are State laws working to the disadvantage of the public school systems?” Join us for part two of this forum to hear a different perspective on these topics. Presenters work in

charter schools and for agencies trying to expand school options for student success.

Update on Mass Transit

October 19, 6:30-8:30pm (Fellowship Hall)

The Justice and Advocacy Team at North has partnered with IndyCAN (Congregational Action Network) for justice efforts in the city of Indianapolis. IndyCan's main focus of summer and fall has been support for a referendum on mass transit, to eventually expand the reach of our city's bus lines to more neighborhoods, especially those with high low-income populations. All are welcome to this educational forum which will include a speaker from IndyGo and Pastor Ronnie, leading a time of discussion and education.

Jubilee Christmas

Friday, December 9 and Saturday, December 10, 8:30-11:00am (Fellowship Hall)

Contact: Daphne Chen (hsiaohan@yahoo.com)

Once again we will open a special "Christmas Store" in Fellowship Hall for our neighbors at Coburn Place. Coburn Place is a safe haven for

women and their children affected by domestic violence.

Beyond The Bridges

First Saturday of the month, 9:00am (Club Room)

*Contact: Edward Matthews
(beyondthebridges@att.net)*

Beyond the Bridges is a men's ministry which seeks to provide guidance to re-entering life after imprisonment.

Journey Beyond Redemption

Third Saturday of the Month, 9:00am (Parlor)

*Contact: Jan Wheeler-Cowen
(wheaterjan@alumni.iu.edu)*

Journey Beyond Redemption is a women's ministry which seeks to provide guidance to women re-entering life after imprisonment. Advocates are always welcome.

Bread & Bowl

Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, 11:00am-12:00pm (Community Room)

Contact: Lydia Shaw (enrshaw@gmail.com)

Bread & Bowl is a soup kitchen that feeds 100-300 individuals each week. Visitors receive a hot meal in addition to taking home bags that include salad, bread, and dessert. This ministry is supported in part through a partnership with Second Helpings, Inc., which provides hot meals and a culinary school for people living at or below the poverty line. To volunteer, please contact Lydia.

IPS School #43

Contact: Kathy Beck (beck305@hotmail.com)

There are many opportunities this fall to partner with IPS School #43, North Church's neighborhood elementary and middle school.

- **Tutors**
Ongoing throughout academic year, volunteers work with specific students and/or classrooms to help children with academic success.
- **Field Trip Chaperones**
As available, volunteers will be called on to assist teachers and school officials

as chaperones on planned school field trips.

If you have questions or would like to get more involved in Mission & Outreach Ministries, contact Ronnie Bell (rbell@northchurchindy.com) or Lydia Shaw (enrshaw@gmail.com).

Music

Cathedral Ringers

Rehearsals: Sundays, September 11-May 21,
After the 11:00am service (Room 007)

*Director and Contact: Mark Gilgallon
(mgilgallon@northchurchindy.com)*

The Cathedral Ringers is an adult and youth handbell ensemble using a beautiful five-octave set of Malmark handbells and handchimes. The Cathedral Ringers offer selections at both morning worship services approximately six weeks apart.

Cathedral Singers

Rehearsals: Thursdays, September 8-June 1,
7:00pm (Choir Room)

*Director and Contact: Mark Gilgallon
(mgilgallon@northchurchindy.com)*

With over 50 members, the Cathedral Singers is the largest choral ensemble at North Church and sings weekly at our 11:00 am worship service and on special liturgical holidays.

Children's Choirs

Rehearsals: Sundays, after 11:00am worship service

Kindergarten - 6th grade

Music ministry is a central part of North Church's culture. Our children's choirs offer kids an opportunity to experience the joy of choral singing to the Glory of God.

- **Carolers**

September 11 - May 14 (Room 106/Conference Room)

Kindergarten - 2nd grade

Director: Denise Page Caraher
(jcdpc88@aol.com)

- **Choristers**

September 11-May 14 (Room 004)

3rd - 6th grade

Director: Rosie Jordan
(rosiej@phoeniximages.com)

North's Horns

Rehearsals: Begin Wednesday, September 7
from 7:00-8:30pm

A French Horn ensemble; if you are interested
in playing, please contact Jim Stroh
at JimStroh48@hotmail.com

North's Winds

Rehearsals: Begin Wednesday, September 7 at
6:00pm (Room 005)

*Director & Contact: John Hague (317) 340-0519 or
jshague@gmail.com*

If you play the Trumpet, Trombone, French
Horn, Euphonium, Baritone or Tuba, are in 8th
Grade or older (there's really no upper limit!)
and have at least 3 years playing experience,
consider getting involved. Contact John for
more information.

North's Woodwinds

Rehearsals: Begin September 11 at 9:45am
(Chapel)

*Director & Contact: John Hague (317) 340-0519 or
jshague@gmail.com*

If you play the Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, Bass Clarinet, Bassoon, or any kind of Saxophone, are in 8th grade or older (there's really no upper limit!) and have at least 3 years playing experience, consider getting involved. Contact John for more information.

If you have questions or would like to get more involved in Music Ministries, contact Mark Gilgallon (mgilgallon@northchurchindy.com).

Sunday School Offerings

Sundays, 9:45-10:45am

Children:

Pre-School Sunday school

Toddlers-Pre-K

The Toddlers and preschoolers are engaged in the Bible at their appropriate level. With fun stories, crafts, songs, and games the kids learn about God's love.

Elementary Sunday School

K-4th grades

Room 101, 104 & 204

Each Sunday we begin with a large group assembly in the chapel at 9:45, where we will learn as a group, sing songs, catch up, and celebrate. At 10am the kids will split into their age appropriate classes to learn a new story from the Old Testament. Each lesson is engaging and offers a variety of activities and learning points to help the kids better understand God's love for them and their responsibility to love their neighbors.

5th-6th grades

Room 203

This group will be learning about the story of Jesus. Through short videos and activities the kids will really enjoy this new format.

Youth:

Confirmation

Sundays, September 11 – February 19, 9:45 - 10:45 am (Room 202)

Contact: Darren Cushman Wood

(dcushwood@northchurchindy.com)

Confirmation is an opportunity to explore faith and what it means to be a Christian. Open to youth in 7th grade and older. At the end of confirmation, if they so choose, youth will become members of the United Methodist Church.

High School Sunday School

Room 008

Contact: Josh Beach, edgefan98@yahoo.com

Our 9th-12th grade youth will explore God's story and how it intertwines with our own stories. Through conversations and small

group activities, our high school youth will take what they've learned in middle school and apply it personally as they begin to think about their future.

Adult:

The Affirming Group

Room 207

Contact: Don Childers (affirming-group@googlegroups.com)

The Affirming Group is a place where all are welcome regardless of sexual orientation (LGBT/Straight); we claim the promise that nothing can separate us from God's love. Our fall study will be spiritual meditations related to the fall season and then meditations for the winter season.

Amazing Grace

Room 106 (Conference Room)

Contact: Donna Archibald (darchibald@sbcglobal.net)

The focus of this class is to stand in solidarity with the disenfranchised of society. The goal of this class is to follow the servanthood

example of Jesus through study, prayer, and service. This fall our book study is “If God is Love” by Phillip Gulley. Amazing Grace is diverse and inclusive. Everyone is welcome!

Contemporary Biblical Forum

Room 009

Contact: Becky Richardson (merlebecky@att.net)

Scholars, skeptics, and seekers alike will find a place in this class. Focused on offering quality presentations to help participants learn together, this class dives deep into a variety of topics and questions. Presenters come from a variety of backgrounds including many from local universities and Christian Theological Seminary, but also from within North Church’s congregation. Everyone is welcome to join this class weekly or as a topic strikes your interest.

“On Being”

Library

Contact: Ellen Daniels-Howell

(ellenrdh@sbcglobal.net)

Join our group as we talk about NPRs weekly broadcast of “On Being.” This class is open to

anyone who would like to join us this fall. “On Being” is a broadcast that talks about various topics from business, being in community, emotions, and spirituality.

Power and Light

Room 205

Contact: Kathy Beck (beck305@hotmail.com)

This group is a welcoming, diverse group of individuals united in fellowship, social service, and personal support in the mutual pursuit of spiritual growth.

Sojourners

Room 005

*Contacts: Karen Kay (kkbleonard@sbcglobal.net)
and Eric Galloway (ewgalloway@hotmail.com)*

Sojourners is a year-round, intergenerational Sunday School class that works, plays, and studies together. Participants share lesson leadership on a volunteer basis, studying stand-alone topics, contemporary works, or books of the Bible.

Usual Suspects

Room 006

Contacts: James and Miki Hamstra

(james.hamstra@gmail.com)

Have a younger child? This group of parents blends general discussions of raising children and building families with time to talk freely about specific challenges and joys. From prayer to potty-training to play dates, we cover it all. We seek to find God's direction to grow as individuals, spouses/partners, and parents as well as create friendships between those sharing this journey. Come as you are and when you can, we know life can be unexpected and we welcome you. Participants share in facilitating the class and sharing stories and support.

If you would like to learn more about our different Sunday School offerings, contact Amy Sell (asell@northchurchindy.com).

United Methodist Women

Miriam Circle*

Fourth Tuesday, 12:00pm (Parlor)

Contact: Margaret Mayo (mayo5910@comcast.net)

The Miriam Circle is part of United Methodist Women. This circle gathers for lunch, project planning, and programs focused on the UMW's mission. Meetings are open to all interested in joining the group.

The Women of Lydia*

Fourth Wednesday, 7:00pm (Club Room)

Contact: Sue Childers (donsuechilders@yahoo.com)

The Women of Lydia is a circle of United Methodist Women. This circle is open to women of all ages, the group supports each other through discussions of current topics, studies, and mission work.

Sunday Supper & Craft Fair

October 23, 10:00am-2:00pm (Fellowship Hall)

This meal is sponsored by United Methodist Women to raise funds for their ongoing

mission to serve women and children locally and globally. Crafts created by congregation members will be sold during the lunch; if you are interested in being a vendor for a \$10 fee, please contact Margaret Mayo at (317) 299-8566 or email mayo5910@comcast.net.

*Both groups will study the following three themes: The Bible and Human Sexuality, Latin America, and Climate Change. Both groups will also focus on the following advocacy issues: Human Trafficking, Eco-Justice-Climate Change, Global Migration (Immigration/Emigration), Domestic Violence

If you have questions or would like to get more involved in UMW, contact Sue Childers (donsuechilders@yahoo.com).

Youth

Youth Group Kick Off

August 21, 5:30-7:30pm (Fellowship Hall)

Join us as we kick off the new school year together! You're guaranteed a fun night when your friends, food, and faith are involved!

Parent Meeting

August 21, 6:00-7:00pm (Parlor)

All parents are encouraged to attend this meeting! We'll go over plans for the fall semester and have sign-up sheets to help with programming.

High School Retreat

August 26-28, 5:00pm–12:00pm (Offsite)

Contact: Anne Brock

(abrock@northchurchindy.com)

Join us at Happy Hollow in Nashville, IN for a weekend of fellowship, team building, and relaxation! The theme is Enough – God loves you just as you are. You are enough! All high school youth are encouraged to attend!

Youth Group

Most Sunday evenings, 5:30-7:30pm

(Fellowship Hall & Room 008)

Contact: Josh Beach (edgefan98@yahoo.com) and

Jeff Eggert (dime30@comcast.net)

Youth group meets most Sunday evenings for dinner and program. For the fall, all 7th-12th graders are welcome to attend. Each week we focus on a different aspect of ministry: fellowship, building up, mission and teen life.

Middle School Overnight

September 23-24, 5:00pm–9:00am (Room 008)

Contact: Josh Beach (edgefan98@yahoo.com) and

Dana Williams (danabuttercup@aol.com)

All 7th-8th grade youth are invited to a fun overnight at North Church! We'll eat, play games, and get to know each other better.

Don't worry – sardines will be involved! RSVP

Deadline: September 11

Youth Hayride

October 29, 6:00–9:00pm (Pick up and drop off at Eagle Creek Park)

*Contact: Angela Ockerman-Jones
(aockerma@butler.edu)*

All youth are invited to a fun fall evening at Eagle Creek Park. We'll roast hot dogs over the fire, toast marshmallows for delicious s'mores, and take a hayride around the park. RSVP

Deadline: October 16

Cookie Project

December 3, various shifts (Off site)

*Contact: Cheryl Guieb (cmguieb@comcast.net) and
Beth Galloway (bgallo@aol.com)*

Our biggest fundraiser of the year involves many pounds of flour, butter, and chocolate chips! We bake over 8,000 cookies in a day to help support our summer mission trips.

Our Youth Minister, Anne Brock, is on sabbatical this fall. If you have questions or would like to get more involved in Youth Ministries, contact Josh Beach (edgfan98@yahoo.com). All forms and calendars are available on the church website.

Stay Connected!

There are many ways to stay up-to-date on what's happening at North Church. Be sure to connect with us in the following ways:

- Sign up for our weekly general eNews, Youth Ministry eNews and/or Children's Ministry eNews: northchurchindy.com/staying-connected-at-north/
- Social Media:
 - Facebook: [facebook.com/NorthChurchIndy](https://www.facebook.com/NorthChurchIndy)
 - Twitter: [@NorthChurchIndy](https://twitter.com/NorthChurchIndy)
- NorthNet:
<http://nn.northchurchindy.com/mailman/listinfo/northnet>

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