

Delphi Methodist Church
June 2024

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Father's Day

VBS 2024: June 24 — 27

Have you signed up yet?
Details inside!



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Letters to home

VBS, Camp, GMC Annual Conference, and Jamaica Mission trip are part of significant ministry this month. Be in prayer for transformational life change at each of these events. During the summer we will pray, teach, and explore how we can bring the hope of Jesus to our community.



I am excited to connect with other local churches so we can be a part of the greater body of Christ. I believe God is calling us to do more in our community. I firmly believe in seeking spiritual awakening. This awakening will be more than programs offered because it must center in the hearts of people in our community.

I am excited to see us pray and listen to the spirit moving in our midst. A spiritual focus on doing a new thing will happen when we ask Jesus to do the work. We do this by trusting in the Lord to bring children to Jesus through VBS. When we intentionally build connections with teens our Youth will experience the transformation of the Holy Spirit. When Jesus guides every step of the Jamaica Mission trip greater spiritual building will occur beyond building a house. Discovering the new direction of the Global Methodist Church Annual Conference will allow us to make a global impact.

Go in Peace,

Pastor Todd

Closing The Gap: DMC Financial Update



Praise the Lord! Thank you for your commitment in giving toward our goal to meet our budget. We cannot thank you enough for your generous support for our church; however, our giving to date this year is still short of where we need to be. We need your financial consistency and continued prayers to fully achieve our budget needs.

Our Bible tells us that, *"whosoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whosoever sows generously will also reap generously."*

2nd Cor. 9:6

Did you get to experience the Aurora Borealis? I saw snippets of it, but got no pictures. Those who did capture the moment with their cameras caught some amazing colors. I looked at them in awe of the beauty of the lights. God gave us a light show that, for many, was a once in a lifetime experience. One item on my bucket list was to go to Alaska and see the Northern Lights, but God brought them to me. He fulfilled my dream and I never had to leave Delphi.



In the past several weeks we have seen the flowering trees. The bulbs planted in the fall wake up to spring forth at just the right time. The tulips, hyacinths, daffodils, crocus, daylilies and more just know when it is their time to bloom. Nature has given them instinct to just know.

Lately there have been more rainbows than I remember seeing in a long time. Seems like every week someone on my FB list is posting pictures of rainbows they've seen. God's promise is showing up everywhere. If we truly pay attention, nature is showing us small glimpses of Heaven right where we are. If we would only pay attention...

Try something for me. Close your eyes and think of nothing. Let your mind just drift. Then add a beautiful waterfall. Hear the water as it cascades over the rocks down into a cool pool of water. See the lush green plants surrounding the waterfall. Hear the gentle breeze as it rustles through the plants. See them sway back and forth effortlessly. Now add beautiful tropical flowers. Flowers the size of a dinner plate spread out throughout the area. You can't help but smell the sweet scent they share with you. Now close your eyes and let that scene pass away into nothingness. Now imagine Heaven, our eternal Paradise.

Imagine a city filled with glorious light and beauty, streets of gold everywhere. Trees that give off twelve different fruits; all that smell and taste better than we could ever have imagined. See the lion come up to play with a little child. There is no fear, just one creature of heaven playing with another. The water from the streams is crystal clear and tastes so pure. Smells from flowers and bushes that make your senses ache for more. Imagine all this—it's beautiful. But wait, there is more. Jesus is right there with you, walking and talking with you. The angels are singing praises to our Savior. Our God is pleased with His creation and His Son. All is good, all is well. Thank you Father for these small glimpses into Heaven.

Ruth Miller



Blood Pressure Checks

Sunday, June 9th 10:00—10:30AM

Come to the Church office and meet with one of our Parish Nurses. They're here to help keep those numbers in track!

"Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus". 1 Thessalonians 5:18



We give thanks to God Almighty! He has blessed this church with a group of individuals known as the Adult Choir for the traditional service. They gather to learn new music, or sing familiar songs and practice each Thursday and sing on Sunday morning. There are so many churches that no longer have a choir to help lead worship and that is sad. We thank each of you for your encouragement and support through your words and giving to this ministry. The choir will continue to sing through May and then take a break through the summer.

With that being said, there is need for summer special music during the traditional service. If this is something you might consider, please feel free to contact Adult Choir Director Terry Langston at 765/202-1770.

*Psalm 71:23 My lips will shout for joy when I sing praise to you—
I whom you have delivered.*



Kids Hope USA!

Please be in prayer for the return of Kids Hope USA. The church will again be teaming up with the Delphi Elementary School and Kids Hope USA for the 2024-2025 school year.

What specifically can you pray for? Pray for those who want to be *mentors* and pray for those who want to be *prayer partners*. The commitment for mentors is one hour a week with your student. ONE hour a week can make such a difference in the life of a young person. Prayer partners are asked to pray for the student and mentor.

Mentors may help with homework, chat about school, anything in the student's life they want to talk about or simply spend some time together. This is a unique relationship between mentor and student.

Interested? Questions? Contact Lisa Jones @ 765/421-1364 or by email at ljmisslisa@yahoo.com. We hope to get our mentor team ready by the time the school is ready for us.

Thank you to all who participated in the Mission Madness fundraiser!! (Boiler Up!)

Thank you

Because of your efforts, we raised over \$3500 during this event. With the Souper Bowl fundraiser (over \$1500 raised) and other donations, we were able to fully fund one house for a Jamaican family plus have enough to support other Jamaican projects.

THANK YOU for partnering with us to spread God's love!



Please continue to keep the team in your prayers now and throughout their travel, June 8-15: Lois Shoup, Shannon Kelly, Megan Kelly, Becca Kelly, Hannah Ladd, Grace Wenzler (NW Indiana) and Amanda Kessarar (SC).

Thank you! 😊

I would just like to thank this church from the bottom of my heart for supporting me and some of my crazy ideas and all my junk for the past 24 years. Thank you for not putting me in a box, but for letting me think outside the box. Thank you for the countless snacks, food, strange items, money, encouragement, and mostly for your time, friendship, help and many prayers.

I know you will continue to support Sarah Price with encouragement and prayers, and by giving your time and using your abilities to help continue to reach children and for that, I want to say thank you. It's not just me that retired, but my whole family. Trust me when I say I couldn't have done it without them or without all of you, and without the Lord guiding me each and every step of the way.

A huge thank you goes out to the staff Parish committee for the beautiful gifts. And a huge thank you goes out to the staff for their support, help, and their friendships. They've been like a family to me. Thank you so very much church family!

—Nina German

Lost and Found

It's Lost and Found time once again! We have accumulated a lot of your "stuff." We have coats and tumblers (and a Yeti or two). Plus more stuff. *We will hang on to this stuff until the end of June*, at which time it will be donated or thrown away. Look for the Lost and Found table located in the Rotunda. If it's yours, PLEASE take it home. Thanks!



**Congregational Care Ministry:
Caring for mind, body and spirit of all
Deb Mears, Parish Nurse**

You Are What You Eat

I have heard this saying and think, "Well I would certainly look like a big bowl of ice cream" if this were true! So, that being said, I wanted share this list of "superfoods" given to me from the hospital where I received my cancer treatments. I have shared this with family and friends, and this month I want to share it with my church family. Listed below are foods they encouraged me to eat often.



Yogurt with live and active cultures

- ◆ Scientists have found that the active culture of bacteria in yogurt fortify the immune system.
- ◆ Source of conjugated Linoleic Acid, which has been shown to regulate immune function.
- ◆ Contains whey protein, that has a positive effect on immune system.
- ◆ Contains calcium, which may reduce cancer, control B/P, and maintains bones.

Green and orange fruits and vegetables

- ◆ Contains Carotenoids which are powerful antioxidants.
- ◆ Carrots and tomatoes are vegetables that are as good for you cooked as they are raw.
- ◆ Citrus fruits also contain Bioflavonoids, another powerful antioxidant.
- ◆ Cruciferous vegetables have an active ingredient called "indoles" which research suggest are protective against cancer, especially breast.

Legumes – beans

- ◆ Good source of fiber, folic acid, protein and cancer fighting phytochemicals.

Berries – blueberries, blackberries, raspberries, strawberries

- ◆ Good source of Vitamin C, the antioxidant anthocyanidins, and ellagic acid.

Wild caught fish, flax, brazil nuts, and ginger

*Keep in mind that these foods are to nourish the body. The **most** important way of **feeding the mind** is spending time reading the **BIBLE**.
Praying that this summer you will take time from your summer adventures to **dive** into the **Word**.*



In June, we'll dive into Jesus' words about himself to learn how his words can reshape our lives today. Through what Jesus says, we will learn that Jesus is always with us and is our Savior.

Meets Sunday nights, June 2nd and 9th!

No Youth meetings on June 16th (night before camp) and June 23rd (Micah's last Sunday at church).

Youth Summer Camp!

Monday, June 17th (2:30pm)

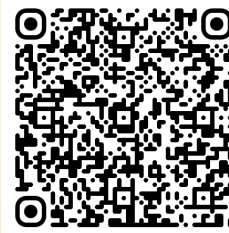
through Friday, June 21st (Noon)

For current 5th through 12th grade students!

Cost is \$300 if registered by May 5th!

(Cost is \$340 after May 5th!)

Camp Scholarship applications available now to provide half (or more) of the cost of camp. Camp is at Shiloh Park in Marion, IN. Register by June 2nd (last day before registration closes).



Here is the QR Code to register your student for camp!

Please give a check for your student's portion of camp by June 2nd, or you can pay online at www.delphimethodist.church/give and select Give to "Delphi Teens."

Sunday, June 23rd, Micah's last day

Serving as Youth Pastor at church

Join us after 2nd service

11:45 to 12:30pm in Rotunda or 211

Say "Goodbye."

Have some pizza.

Talk about what may be next.

What's Happening in Children's Ministry?



For a lot of us, recess is one of our favorite parts of the school day. We get to play dodgeball, hopscotch, or race our friends around the play area. Recess helps us to stay active so we can grow strong, but it also gives us a chance to grow in our relationships. In this five-week series, kids will discover through the stories in the books of Judges, Ruth, and 1 Samuel the unexpected ways God can help them grow. As they do, they'll learn how **God helps us grow stronger, helps us belong, answers our prayers, tells us what is true, and can use anything we give.**

To find out more,
scan this code!



It's Summer!

Beginning in June, we'll be changing to our summer schedule in a few areas. Here's the rundown!

- 9am NO GROWTH POINT. Children will go into the service and then be dismissed for Treehouse Time before the sermon begins. This will be a time for them to play and enjoy each other's company while their families hear the message.
- 10:30 NO CHANGE for Children's Church, but NO GRAPPLE.

S.A.F.E. Training

VBS volunteers—You need to be current in S.A.F.E. training. If you need recertified, go to www.delphimethodist.church under "Ministries," "Kid's Ministries," and scroll to the bottom for instructions. If you have NEVER trained, please contact Ashley Duff.



Prayer Ministry
Debbie Hyman,
Director of Prayer Ministry

The Wonders of God

"Remember the wonders He has done." Psalm 105:5a

I have reflected upon this verse and The Wonder of God this spring. Often my focus needs to look away from myself and turn to God's awesome creation, the wonder of spring, the perfect order of the vast universe, the earth, and sky.

I am in awe of gentle rain while the sun is shining, and plants are glistening.

I stand in awe of the moon, a light, and how it marks off the seasons and how it causes the changing tides in the seas.

I am amazed by the bushes and flowers that survive the winter cold and peak out of the warm earth.

I marvel at the vibrant greens of spring and the colors of many varieties of flowers that rival the brilliance of a rainbow.

I kneel in awe at the intricacy of one flower blossom while I gaze at its color, detail, and fragrance.

I worship the Maker of all these things and I'm grateful and thankful to Him for all of it. In return, thankfulness refreshes my soul, a gift.

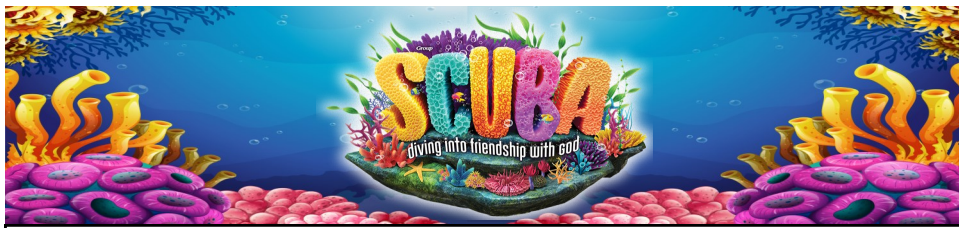
When I talk to the Lord, I am in awe of Him, and I know that I have His full attention. He's never too busy or too distracted to hear my praises and thanks for His many wonders.

Psalm 104:33-34 says, *"I will sing to the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live. May my meditation be pleasing to Him, as I rejoice in the LORD."*

Lord, it's easy to lose focus,
to drift away from You
in the mundane details of my life.
I long to be aware of Your presence
all my days, to find Your fullness
even in small, quiet moments.
Bring me back to my true self,
and bring me back each moment
to You, with each breath.



Prayer by Charles Stanley



Don't miss out on this year's VBS!
June 24 – 27, 6:00pm – 8:30pm
Monday through Thursday

VOLUNTEERS & SNACKS ARE STILL NEEDED

Help kids dive into friendship with God through VBS!
 Whatever your gifts, abilities, and time commitment allows, we've got
 a place for you. All you need is a willing heart.

We STILL need help in the following areas:

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| *Prepare decorations/props | *Snack/Supply/Money donations |
| *Meal Servers/Preparers | *Nursery Workers |
| *Prepare craft items | *Crew Leaders |
| *Set-up/decorating Volunteers | *Tear-down Volunteers |

What's a Crew Leader? Crew Leaders shepherd a small group of
 children through each station and activity. There's no preparation
 and you will also travel with another group! Typically, we like to
 have one adult and one teen per group.

To volunteer for an area, sign up in the Rotunda. *If donating snacks,
 please call the office (765/564-3791) first.

VBS is for children age 4 (& potty-trained)
 through entering 6th grade.

Scan this QR code for quick registering.

Paper Registration forms are
 available at church.

Questions? Contact VBS Coordinator
 Sarah Price at 765/409-5367.



Mobile Food Pantry
Wednesday, June 5th
10:00AM
Church Parking Lot

Food Finders, along with the Delphi Food
 Pantry, will be hosting a Mobile Food pantry
 here in our church parking lot.

As always, this drive-through event is open to anyone who may be in
 need of food. You are free to access as many Mobile Food Pantries as
 you need without penalizing your going to the local Food Pantry.



2024 VBS
Mission Project

Donations will be made to the
Carroll County Food Pantry

Church, will you join us and the children in collecting items
 during this year's VBS?

Items Needed:

- Canned Fruits
- Canned Vegetables
- Cereal

Food insecurity is REAL...and it is scary. Your generous
 donations will help to ensure that there will be enough for
 families in our community.

We will be collecting these all week during our "SCUBA"
VBS here at Delphi Methodist Church!

If donating before VBS starts, you
may place your items in the Food
Pantry cabinet by the front doors
to the church.

