

Indian Lake Community Church has a variety of ways members can do God’s work by serving their church and community.



Prayer Chain

The Prayer Chain Ministry is a group of volunteers who offer prayers for members and friends during times of illness, death, or any other personal crisis.

Good Samaritans

The Good Samaritans mission is to assist Indian Lake Community residents in their time of need with rent, utilities, prescriptions, etc. Funeral luncheons for members and Our Daily Bread are also part of this mission.

Community Dinner

ILCC Community Dinner is a community effort to serve those less fortunate with a hot meal at no charge.

Christian Women’s Fellowship (CWF)

The CWF is a group of dedicated women of Indian Lake.

Ladies Aid

The Ladies Aid is a group of Christian women who assist and support many of the church functions.

Summer Women’s Bible Study

Women meet to discover how they can grow and give back to others while following Jesus’ example.

Day Care

The ILCC Day Care provides a safe, nurturing and educational environment for the children of the area.

Children’s Hour

Following the children’s message during the 10am regular worship service, children 2 years old through 10 years old are invited to the children’s hour.

Youth Group

The Youth Group organization has been founded to develop and bond the youth of the church together to learn, provide service, fellowship and offer community outreach to the Indian Lake community.

Nursery Services

During the regular worship service, we offer a nursery for infants through toddlers.

Outreach

The Outreach mission is to assist the Indian Lake community residents in their time of need with products they cannot get with food stamps.

Men’s Club

The Men’s Club annual events include the pancake breakfast, the chicken BBQ, the fish fry, and support of the semi-annual rummage sales.

Music Programs

The goal of the music program at Indian Lake Church is to provide an uplifting music ministry through Chancel Choir and Bells.

Library

Indian Lake Community Church has a wide range of books and video selections.



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As I get older I am hoping that I am getting smarter. (As a disclaimer I feel I should point out that I said smarter, not more mature. Being smarter is realizing what not to say and do, being wiser or mature is actually heeding that knowledge – I am working on the wiser / mature part....).

In the past when the New Year rolled around and I would set my goals for the coming year, I bought into the belief that January 1st is the day, the time, where I will magically transform myself into the near perfect being I imagine I should be. That is the approach many of us take. This is the time we will be thinner, healthier, happier, more prosperous, more organized, and the list goes on and on. This year I am trying to be smarter by setting goals with a faith based approach rather than a “Jim based” approach. I am setting reasonable goals that focus on contentment rather than achievement.

You see, in years past I wanted to be an ideal weight according to some outdated health chart. I wanted to get straight A’s in my classes and graduate as quickly as possible. I tried to be uber organized and efficient. I set multiple goals all of which went against my nature and which quickly become overwhelming and frustrating resulting in failure and frustration.

I am not doing that any more. Yes, I am setting goals; however, I have set a goal for my health that centers more around my exercise and health rather than my weight on the scale. I have set a goal to enjoy the learning process in classes and absorb the knowledge rather than stressing about the grade at the end. I have set a goal that I will make good use of my time and do better at tracking appointments and “to do items” in part just to be more respectful of other’s time and needs as much as me being more efficient for myself.

What I will try not do is obsess about a number on the scale, a number in my bank account, a grade on a paper, or things that I do not have. This is my goal: to be more like the Apostle Paul. The scripture that has spoken to me more than any other in the last year is Philippians 4. I don’t have room to write the whole chapter here, but I urge you to read it before you set your goals for the coming year. I want to live a life where I “Rejoice in the Lord always!”. I want to live a life where I am content in all circumstances, where I take every need and petition to God, where I give thanks no matter what and I accept the peace of Christ, the peace transcends all human understanding. I no longer want to strive for perfection which I can’t achieve; I merely want to embrace the presence and peace of the one who is perfect in every circumstance in my life.

There are many exciting challenges and opportunities that lie ahead for us as individuals, as a church, as a community, and as the Body of Christ in this entire world. There will be many struggles as well, for every year as the Body of Christ we experience joy mixed with loss, happiness mixed with sorrow, prosperity mixed with need; in short, we experience the ups and downs of life. No life is perfect therefore to find contentment and peace only in life’s perfect moments is to be unhappy for a large part of our lives. I invite you to join in me in reading Philippians 4, pray over it, meditate on it, and set a goal that this year, in all things good and bad we accept the reality that we can do everything, not by our own will or perfection, but through him who gives us strength.

Happy New Year!

Peace and Blessings, Pastor Jim



Leadership Team (left to right):
Pastor Jim Ellington,
Pastor Karen Blackburn and
Reverend John Ellington

Sunday Services 10am



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ILCC Quilt Diva Classes

All Classes are Beginner Level

2015 Class Schedule:

ILCC members are free. 2015 Guests are \$15.00.

Sat., Feb. 21st has two options:

(1) Gem Stones

(2) By The Sea

Sat., May 9 & May 23rd Kaleidoscope 8

>May 9 is a cutting class 9-11:00 AM only

>May 23rd is the class

Aug. 1 Island Chain

Nov. 15 has two options

(1) Flowers for Nana

(2) Dresden Coins



BIG NEWS!!! We now have 3 loaner machines for ILCC Members to use.

Do you have a PhD (project half done) from one of our previous classes? Let's get-r-done!

Come finish it during one of the above classes. Deposit required to hold your spot.

Time frame is the same for all classes:unless noted.

7:30 AM-8:00 AM Machine set up time

8:00 AM- 2:30 PM Class time starts promptly at 8:00 AM

2:30 PM-3:00 PM Machine tear down time/clean up by all

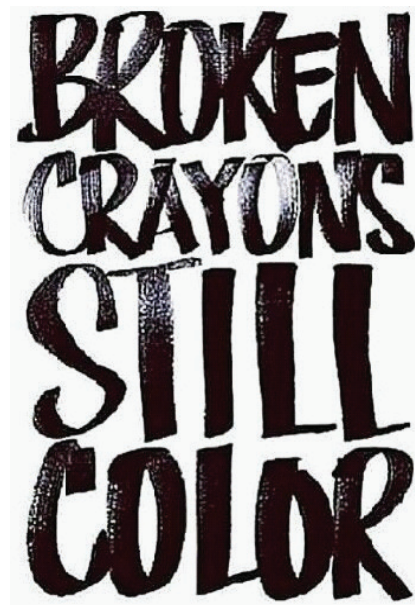
Lunch- bring your own or pick it up at McDonald's or Burger King.

No previous experience is needed. Classes are limited to 12 people (members & guests). Only one requirement: You must have a sewing machine and know how to operate it. I am unable to trouble shoot your machine problems during class. A good faith deposit of 15.00 is required to hold your spot.

Come join us- cooking & cleaning can wait until tomorrow! :)

Tidbit from your Secretary

January can be somewhat of a letdown after all the December festivities. Perhaps we should concentrate on celebrating these not-so-well-known events: 1/3= Festival of Sleep Day, 1/6=Bean Day, 1/8=Bubble Bath Day, 1/11=Step in a Puddle & Splash Your Friends Day,1/15=National Hat Day, 1/19=National Popcorn Day, 1/20=Penguin Awareness Day, 1/21=National Hugging Day,1/23= National Pie Day, 1/27=Chocolate Cake Day, 1/28= National Kazoo Day, 1/29 National Corn Chip Day, and 1/31=Inspire Your Heart with Art Day. The entire month is National Hobby Month, Hot Tea Month, National Oatmeal Month, and National Soup Month. Many more bizarre and unusual holidays can be found online....but this is enough keep us busy! Let's share soup recipes this month at the very least and enjoy!



Charitable Giving from the Heart

Recently we have received several inquiries regarding how one would go about gifting money to ILCC either in the near term or as part of a planned estate. As a not-for-profit, Indian Lake Community Church does at times receive generous philanthropic support from individuals and families in this manner above their normal tithing or giving. These gifts are much appreciated as they come from the Christian heart of the donor and are received in-kind by our church and are used to enrich the lives of many through Jesus Christ.

Our church leadership: pastors, finance committee, and church board strives to be good stewards of these gifts and wisely appropriate them as needed to support worthy initiatives.

Here are several ways one can designate donations:

1.Give to our general fund

2.Give to particular fund(s) such as the Elders Endowment, Linda and Stu Hollanshead Care Fund (ILCC Daycare), or the Memorial Fund

3.Start your own designated fund with your donation

4.Give to a specific purpose. In the past those have included facility improvements, service expansion, choir robes, musical equipment, and community activities such as the Outreach Center

5.The choice is yours to make. You can give in your name or your family name or we'll certainly respect your request for anonymity.

You can contribute in a variety of ways including:

1.Personal Contributions - a gift of cash is the easiest way to give. Your gift to the ILCC is tax-deductible, as allowed by law. We will send you an acknowledgment letter for your tax records.

2.Planned Giving - many individuals provide for the long-term support through a will bequest, trust, charitable gift annuity, life insurance policy, or retirement account.

3.Tribute Gifts - gifts to ILCC in memory of a loved one to honor someone's life is a very personal and loving tribute. We will send an acknowledgement card to those you have named, and you will receive a letter confirming your gift. The acknowledgement card will not include the amount of your gift.

4.Stock Donations - gifts of stock—especially long-term appreciated stocks—provide benefits to the ILCC while providing tax benefits which also benefits you.

6.In-Kind Gifts - Indian Lake Community Church accepts gifts for specific needs. Examples of these in the past are choir robes, bells, hymnals, and facility additions to name a few.

7.Special Events - several special events are held each year that serve as fund raisers for ILCC. These offer wonderful opportunities to provide one-time or ongoing giving.

8.Giving circles - these are small and informal groups with a few people pooling their money and giving it to a chosen charity venue such as ILCC.

9.Volunteer - take an active role in enhancing ILCC through volunteering. There is no greater gift than to give of one's time.

In some cases, these gifts require a professional financial planner's or accountant's assistance. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact Frank Dietz of Edward Jones who is our church financial planner. Frank is a long-term local resident and has his office in Lakeview. Frank can be reached at (937) 843-4729 or www.frank.dietz@edwardjones.com

(Please consult a professional tax advisor regarding specific tax ramifications).



Bible Trivia

1) When Jesus was on earth, on what two occasions did God speak directly from heaven?

2) What hostile army, pursuing the people of Israel, was completely destroyed in the middle of the Red Sea?

Answers to December's Trivia:

1) Bless them - Luke 6:20,28

2) The Holy Spirit - Luke 11:11-13

3) Three - John 19:19-20



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ILCC CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS

What a wonderful Christmas shopping experience for ten families, including 32 children, from the Indian Lake elementary school! The ILCC congregation gave these children a very Special Christmas that they may not have had without the amazing contributions. Thank you to those who contributed!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year,
Bonnie Coleman



ILCC CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS SHOPPERS

A Huge Thank You to Kathy Brink, Cheryl Schrader, Mary Bailey, and Susan Ogden for helping with the Christmas shopping for Indian Lake Children!

Bonnie Coleman

An excerpt from **Rev. Karen’s post Christmas Sunday sermon** on just 7 things we can do to make this a better year!

- FIRST** IS **WAKE UP**--BEGIN THE DAY WITH THE LORD. IT IS HIS DAY. REJOICE IN IT.
- SECOND** IS **DRESS-UP**--PUT ON A SMILE. IT IMPROVES OUR LOOKS. IT SAYS SOMETHING ABOUT OUR ATTITUDE.
- THIRD** IS **SHUT-UP**--WATCH OUR TONGUE. DON'T GOSSIP. SAY NICE THINGS. LEARN TO LISTEN.
- FOURTH** IS **STAND-UP**--TAKE A STAND FOR WHAT WE BELIEVE. RESIST EVIL. DO GOOD.
- FIVE**, **LOOK-UP**--OPEN OUR EYES TO THE LORD. AFTER ALL, HE IS OUR ONLY SAVIOR.
- SIX**, **REACH-UP**--SPEND TIME IN PRAYER WITH OUR ADORATIONS, CONFESSIONS, THANKSGIVINGS, AND SUPPLICATIONS TO THE LORD.
- AND FINALLY**, **LIFT-UP**--BE AVAILABLE TO HELP THOSE IN NEED--SERVING, SUPPORTING, AND SHARING.



OUTREACH Needs Help

Thank you to all of you who have volunteered to work Outreach on Thursdays. We are open every Thursday from 10:00-2:00. We sell the clothing YOU donate to make money to buy the personal hygiene items we give out to those in need. Good Samaritan is also there every Thursday helping those who need help with rent and utilities and prescriptions. Right now, due to YOUR generous donations, we are able to offer \$50 twice a year to those local residents who have a need.

Unfortunately, with winter here, many of our volunteers head south and we lose our workers and our donations just as our neighbors need us the most. Please remember this important ministry of our church. Barb Croutwater will be doing the scheduling from December until May. Please call her at 599-2194 if you are able to volunteer on a Thursday from 10-2:00 or if you need to change the day you are scheduled.

See you in the spring, Susan Zack

ILCC Ladies Aid

ILCC Ladies Aid members met December 4th at La Pizzaria to celebrate with “Gifts of love”. Each of our 2014 monthly meetings revolved around Bible teachings of God’s gifts to us. Small tokens of each lesson were given to members to remind us of God’s ultimate gift and the expectation that we follow in His footsteps by showing the same love to others, sometimes publically and sometimes in ways that may be very personal to each of us.

It was a “feel good” luncheon with guests, Pastor Jim and church secretary, Becky, joining us.

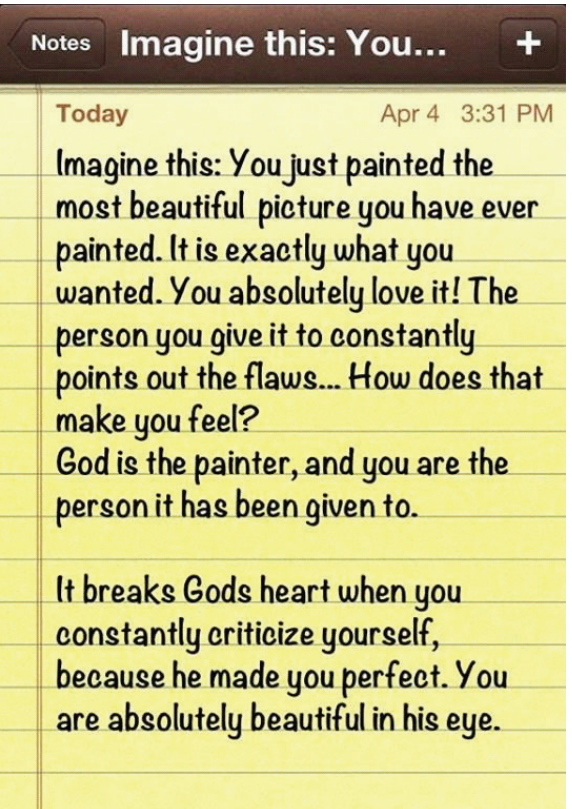
A suggestion by Patty Howell sparked a discussion about making a contribution to UCS for the purchase of hams this Christmas for local families. \$400 will be forwarded to United Christian Services for that purpose.

Our unique Christmas Gift exchange concluded with the disclosure of charitable acts that were done to honor fellow members. It was revealed that two of our members were honored with contributions of needed supplies to the Logan County Humane Society, one member received news of a monetary contribution in her name to the Shriner’s Children’s Hospital and the Logan County Library will be sporting five new books as a result of our exchange. But it didn’t stop there.

Members were given an empty cup and an empty paper bag at the last meeting to symbolically fill as they saw fit and show their love by passing their gift along to brighten someone’s day. We learned that at least one local family may have a little more sparkle in the upcoming Christmas season. A few members shared what they had done and a few more remained guarded about sharing their gifts. It was very heartwarming to experience the joy at this year’s luncheon. The proverbial “a good time was had by all” couldn’t be be any more true.

“**First Sunday**” refreshments were provided January 4th by Patty Howell and Pat Allen will be providing them on February 1st. Ladies Aid will next meet the 1st Thursday in March in the Holy Grounds room. We would like to invite all ladies to join us at that time for fellowship. If interested in more information contact the church office 843-5636.

Respectfully submitted, Joan Maxwell



Cantata Appreciation

Thanks to Chuck and all the folks who gaciously contributed the 2015 Cantata. It was the highLIGHT of the seacon.



JANUARY 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 New Year's Day Office Closed	2	3 AA Meeting
4 Elders & Trustee Meetings 8:30am Service at 10:00am	5	6	7 Men's Prayer Breakfast	8	9	10 AA Meeting
11 Worship 10:00am	12		14 Men's Prayer Breakfast	15 CWF Meeting	16	17 AA Meeting
18 Board Meeting at 8:30am Worship 10:00am	19 Office Closed - Martin Luther King Day	20	21 Men's Prayer Breakfast	22	23	24 AA Meeting
25 Coffee Perk Worship 10:00am	26	27	28 Men's Prayer Breakfast	29	30	31 AA Meeting

Flower Calendar

- 01/04 - In Honor of the New Year from Chris Morris
- 01/11 - In Honor of the 50th Anniversary of Larry & Jean James from James'
- 01/18 - From Phyllis Sewell
- 01/25 - Rev. Jim and Char

Coffee Perk
January 25th
coffee flavor is
Hazelnut



January Calendar

- 01/01 Office Closed – New Year's Day
- 01/03 AA meeting
- 01/04 Elder's meeting
- 01/04 Trustee's meeting
- 01/07 Men's Prayer Breakfast
- 01/10 AA meeting
- 01/14 Men's prayer breakfast
- 01/15 CWF meeting
- 01/17 AA meeting
- 01/18 Board meeting – Please Attend
- 01/19 Office Closed – Martin Luther King Jr Day
- 01/21 Men's prayer breakfast
- 01/24 AA meeting
- 01/28 Men's prayer breakfast
- 01/31 AA meeting

No Community Meal in January or February due to remodeling in the Fellowship Hall!



"On one occassion, while He was eating with them, He gave them this command. Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

Acts 1:4-5



January Birthdays

Jack Woods	4
Cindee Kratzenberg	10
Joan Maxwell	11
Aubree Jeffrey	15
Tia Wallace	15
Jean Kirk	16
Margie Von Stein	18
Tom Magoto	20
Jeanie Clark	20
Jackie Woods	20
Rosemary Woods	20
Ron Kratzenberg	21
Bill Goslee	22
Shirley Kuaile	22
Keith Merrill	22
Bill Lewis	23
Laura Magoto	23
Dave Hafenbrack	27
Steve Petty	29
Shirley Gildow	29
Ray Kenney	30



January Anniversaries

Bill & Carol Rapp	7
Gary & Donna Lewis	14
Larry & Jean James	16
Jim & Judie Herring	17
John & Rhonda Ellington	21
Tom & Bonnie Loper	30



Beware....coming to a location near you!

