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High Street United Methodist Church

Worship Times

Tradition Service:
Sanctuary 8:30 - 9:30 AM

Relaxed Traditional:
Chapel 9:45 - 10:30 AM

Faith Growing Praise Service:
Sanctuary 11:00 - 12:00 PM

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Connection Points



Faith Growing Guide, Winter 2010



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Our faith is always growing! There are times when we feel so alive that we are bursting with new energy and excitement. There are other moments when we are dry and parched and long for nourishment. God is with us each step of the way, nurturing us, making us stronger, and moving us towards greater faithfulness, service, and joy.

There are many opportunities at High Street Church through which God can make this faith growth happen. This faith growing guide highlights many of those ministries so that you might discover the place that will inspire growth in you. You are invited to grow, to share, to connect, and be blessed.

Connection Questions

Who Do I Contact if...

I would like to find out about the church's vision and purpose.
I would like to know if your church is a Bible centered church.
Someone in my family is sick or in the hospital.

Pastor Jack Hartman - jackwhartman@sbcglobal.net



I would like to find out how to become more involved.
I would like to hear about service and outreach opportunities.
I would like to be contacted about my visit to the church.

Pastor David Neuen - davidneuen@sbcglobal.net

I would like to know more about your Older Adult ministries.
I would like to attend a grief group.

Pastor Charlotte Overmyer - cbovermyer@sbcglobal.net



I would like to be part of a new study group.
I would like to know more about your
Children’s Ministries.

Pastor Marti Troyer - revmtroyer@sbcglobal.net

I would like to be added to the Tower Topics mailing list.
I would like to be added to the email prayer group.

Lori Gibson - rebelnomo@sbcglobal.net



I would like to schedule a wedding.
I would like to hear about ways to receive assistance.
I would like to update my address, phone #, email, etc.
I would like to sign up my child for Kids Night Out or Play Day

Casey Headland - cheadland@sbcglobal.net

I would like to know about child-care events.
I would like to know if your nursery has a trained staff.

Arline Morrow - starngait@ameritech.net



I would like to know how
to get church offering
envelops.

Barbara Ballard - bjballard@sbcglobal.net

I would like to know
more about your
Youth Ministries.

**Sharyn Abbott
[Sharynabbott](mailto:Sharynabbott@sbcglobal.net)**

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Special Lenten Study

24 Hours that Changed the World

No single event in human history has received more attention than the suffering and crucifixion of Jesus of Nazareth. The last 24 hours of Jesus' life are explored in with new insight and depth in Adam Hamilton's book "24 Hours that Changed the World."

During the season of Lent (a special time from February 17 - April 3 to prepare for Easter) our congregation will be exploring this new book together. For six weeks we will be reflecting on the last 24 hours of Jesus' life through Sunday morning worship and sermons. Small groups will be formed on various nights of the week and in various locations to sit to raise questions and discuss the last hours of Christ's life. Individuals will be invited to read the book as we move through the season with the goal of experiencing and understanding the significance of Jesus' suffering and death in a way we have never felt before. Copies of the book will be available for purchase in January of 2010.

Walk with Jesus on his final day.
Sit beside him at the Last Supper.
Pray with him in Gethsemane.
Follow him to the cross.
Desert him. Deny him.
Experience the Resurrection



Building Blocks of Faith

New Sermon Series coming January 2010

There are so many uncertainties and questions about the Christian faith; it is hard to put all the parts together. Sometimes we think we should already have the answers and we are afraid to ask the spiritual questions that puzzle us. It is time to wrestle with those questions and find the building blocks that we can grow upon.

**What Does it mean to be saved By grace?
What is the Trinity?
Can God really be present in my life?
Can I believe the Bible?
How can I put Christ first in my life?
Why should I participate in a Church?
Can God really use me to serve others?**



Starting January 3, 2009, join us for the new sermon series "Building Blocks of Faith" where we take time to ask the tough faith questions. Together we will discover the answers and build a faith that makes a difference!



A Place to Start

Lunch Connection

Newcomers are invited to a free lunch after worship on selected Sundays to hear information about the church's vision, meet the staff, receive a tour, and have questions answered. Come, eat, relax, and share in what God is doing at High Street Church.

Dates: Sunday February 21 @ 12:15 PM

Connect 4 Series

Interested in taking the next faith step? Curious about how to join in? Wanting to get connected? Become part of the **Connect 4** series of classes, your starting point for a deeper walk with Christ and greater connection with High Street Church. *After completion of Connect 101 and 201, participants are offered the opportunity to join the church in membership.*

Connect 101: Connecting with Christ

Step into this introduction to the Christian faith designed to answer faith questions and stimulate a deeper search for God's love.

Meets: Sunday February 28 & March 7, 2010 @ 4:30 PM

Location: 204

Childcare: Yes **Contact:** Pastor David Neuen (747-8500)

Connect 201: Connecting with the Church

Get to know High Street Church and its history and vision as a United Methodist congregation.

Meets: Sunday March 14 & March 21, 2010 @ 4:30 PM

Location: 204

Childcare: Yes **Contact:** Pastor David Neuen (747-8500)

Connect 301: Connecting with the Christian Walk

Learn to understand and live out the marks of a Christian life.

Meets: Summer 2010

Location: 305

Childcare: Yes **Contact:** Pastor David Neuen (747-8500)

Connect 401: Connecting with a Call

Connect with God's gifts and dreams in your life and get plugged into a place of ministry.

Meets: Summer 2010 **Location:** 305

Childcare: Yes **Contact:** Pastor David Neuen (747-8500)

Wednesday Re-Unite

February 17– March 24

5:15—7:30 PM

WEDNESDAY RE-U-NITE is a multilayered event. It is a time for food, community, study, relaxing, fun, connecting and reuniting with other Christians. For any one person on any given Wednesdays it can be one or more of these things or all these things.

Delicious Hot meal

A meal is served from 5:15 to 6:15 pm. Some may want to come just to eat. It will be a family friendly meal with hearty food and also something kids will enjoy, like hot dogs, chicken nuggets, or mac & cheese. The meals are offered for a donation (\$3 suggested) and groups that offer the meals give the money to various missions and such.

Wide Range of Learning Opportunities

At 6:30 pm you could go to **Parent's Chat**, a place for parents' with younger children to relax, unwind, and have an adult conversation. Or you could learn about **Digital Photography** and how to better use the new camera you get for Christmas. You could go to **"Christianity and World Religions: Wrestling With Questions People Ask"**, to better understand your neighbor or why things are the way they are in the world today. Or you could go to the Lenten Study called **"24 Hours That Changed the World"** to help you experience and understand Christ's crucifixion. You could join with a group that simply plays **board and card games** together for fun. There is a possibility you could go to a **woodworking class**. Plus there is a special center of **activities, games, and crafts for children!** As you can see, there will be lots of choices.

Those opportunities are in addition to several rehearsals: a Bell Choir (5:30), Children's Choirs (5:45 and 6:15), Chancel Choir (7:00 or 7:30), and Faith Growing Praise Team (7:00).

A Special Beginning on Ash Wednesday

On February 17, Ash Wednesday, there will be a meal and an Ash Wednesday worship service only. That evening we will be celebrating Shrove Tuesday (just a little late) by having a pancake supper. Then join us for a special service in the Sanctuary to begin the season of Lent.

For any questions or more information, please contact Pastor Marti (747-8500 or revmtroyer@sbcglobal.net).



Older Adult Ministries

Thursday Luncheon

Special program, well-balanced meal, and great fellowship.

Meets: Thursdays - 11:30 AM **Location:** Parish Hall

Cost: \$3.00

Contact: Pastor Charlotte Overmyer (747-8500)

Update Learning

Continuing education program with over 30 different courses taught by well-qualified volunteer instructors.

Meets: Mondays from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Next Session: September 21 - October 26

Location: Register through Church Office

Cost: \$8.00

Contact: Pastor Charlotte Overmyer (747-8500)

High Street Travelers

Monthly trips ranging from day trips to cruises and trips of several days.

Contact: Debbie Heeter (747-8500)

Senior Suppers

Meets: First Monday of each month at 5:00 PM

Location: MCL Cafeteria

Contact: Pastor Charlotte Overmyer (747-8500)

Senior Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)

Provides insurance counselors at no charge.

Meets: Thursday morning from 8:30—11:30 AM

Location: Church Office

Contact: Casey Headland (747-8500)

Elder Law Counseling

Provides an attorney at no cost

Meets: Second Wednesday of the month
9:00 - 11:00AM by appointment

Location: Library

Contact: Casey Headland (747-8500)

Grief Recovery

Workshop providing healing and growth through grief. Combines both pastoral and lay leadership, a quality video series and an informal time of sharing.

Next Session: beginning February 16, 2010

Vital Worship

Sunday Worship

Traditional Service: Sanctuary 8:30 - 9:30 AM

Relaxed Traditional: Chapel 9:45 - 10:30 AM

Contemporary Service: Sanctuary 11:00 - 12:00 PM

Children's Church

Children leave the adult worship service just before the message to participate in a service designed just for them.

Meets: 8:30 and 11:00 services **Location:** Room 305

Sanctuary Choir

Provides music for the 8:30 AM Service

Meets: Rehearsals are Wednesdays from 7:00—8:30 PM

Location: G-1

Childcare: Yes

Contact: Andrew Crow (747-8500)

The Chapel Handbell Ringers

Meets: Rehearsal on Wednesdays from 5:30– 6:30 PM

Location: G-6

Childcare: Yes

Contact: Kristen Turner (282-7640)

Faith Growing Praise Team

Meets: Rehearsal on Wednesdays from 6:00– 7:30 PM

Location: Sanctuary

Childcare: Yes

Contact: Eric Wuertemberger (765-860-4941)

Cherub Children's Choir

Meets: Rehearsal on Wednesdays from 6:00– 7:00 PM

Ages: 4 years old - 1st Grade **Location:** G-2

Childcare: Yes

Contact: Andrew Crow (747-8500)

Praise Kids Children's Choir

Meets: Rehearsal on Wednesdays from 6:00– 7:00 PM

Ages: 2nd Grade - 6th Grade **Location:** G-1

Childcare: Yes

Contact: Andrew Crow (747-8500)

Nursery Care

Professional, paid staff, paging system used to notify parents

Ages: Up to 3 years old

Location: G-4

Meets: During all worship times

Contact: Arline Morrow (759-5408)



Transformational Learning

Adult Sunday School **Meets: 9:50—10:50**

Bethany Class

Focus: Faith, relationships and rearing a family
Ages: 40's—60's **Location:** Room 205

Seekers & Servers

Focus: Application of Scripture to everyday issues
Ages: 20's—40's **Location:** Room 204

Epworth

Focus: Lecture formatted Bible Study
Ages: 50's + **Location:** Parish Hall

Koinonia

Focus: Contemporary issues, hands-on service
Ages: 30's—50's **Meets:** 307

FaithLink

Focus: Book study on issues and applications of the Christian Faith
Ages: 40's—70's **Location:** Library

FOCUS

Focus: Connecting faith with the life issues of this generation.
Ages: 20's—30's **Location:** G-6

Wednesday Morning Study Group

Focus: Women's Interests
Meets: Wednesdays - 9:15 AM **Location:** Room 204
Childcare: No
Contact: Marti Troyer (747-8500)

Renovare

Focus: Men's Interests
Meets: Tuesdays - 6:45 AM **Location:** Church Parlor
Childcare: No
Contact: Dwight Ferris (289-9835)

Youth Ministry

Contact: Sharyn Abbott (747-8500)

Youth Sunday School **Meets: 9:45—10:45**

Middle School Location: Mezzanine
High School Location: Youth Lounge

Youth Fellowship

Meets: Sunday Evenings 6:00—8:00
Location: Youth Lounge and Parish Hall
Ages: 6th - 12th Grade

IHOP

A chance to hang out and eat as many pancakes as possible.
Meets: 3rd Friday of the month from 9:30—11:00 PM

Muncie Youth Community Worship Service

High Street Youth fellowship combines with several other local churches to participate in fellowship and worship together
Meets: 1st Sunday of each month 5:00—8:00 PM
Location: Riverside United Methodist Church

Summer Senior High Institute

It's a five day experience packed full of hundreds of senior high students, lots of activities for groups to enjoy, and an amazing journey through worship that really puts your hands onto faith.
Next Meeting: Summer 2010

Youth Mission Trip

Youth will travel to Washington D.C. to assist with home repair, city clean-up, and help lead a local Vacation Bible School program.
Dates: June 6-12, 2010

Confirmation Class

A 14 week class on United Methodist beliefs and the Christian life that leads into a opportunity for young people to join the church.
Meets: Next Class Winter 2010



Children's Ministries

Sunday School

Sundays 9:45-10:45

0-2 year olds: Room G-4

3-5 years olds: Room G-2

K-Grade 5: Room 307

Contact: Pastor Marti

Kids Night Out

Children's activities provide for an adult night out.

Ages: 6 weeks-10 years old

Meets: (usually) First and Third Fridays from 6:00-9:00 PM

Location: G-4

Cost: 1 child \$8, 2-3 \$10, 4 or more \$12

For Information Contact: Arline Morrow (759-5408)

To Register your Child Contact: Casey Headland (747-8500)

Tween Time

Youth activities provide for an adult night out.

Grades: 5 and 6

Meets: (usually) First and Third Fridays from 6:00-9:00 PM

Location: Parish Hall

Cost: 1 child \$8, 2-3 \$10, 4 or more \$12

For Information Contact: Arline Morrow (759-5408)

To Register your Child Contact: Casey Headland (747-8500)

Play Day

Crafts, snacks, games, and time with friends.

Ages: Infants-5 year olds

Meets: Monday and Friday from 9:00 AM-Noon

Location: G-4

Cost: 1 child \$8, 2-3 \$10, 4 or more \$12

For Information Contact: Arline Morrow (759-5408)

To Register your Child Contact: Casey Headland (747-8500)

Vacation Bible School

Music, crafts, science, play, Bible stories and snacks.

Ages: 4 year olds to Grade 5

Meets: Summer 2010

Location: Meets in the sanctuary and through out the church

Contact: Pastor Marti (747-8500)

Inclusive Fellowship

United Methodist Women (UMW)

High Street's UMW actively engage in learning more about our faith, ourselves, and our place in the global community. We organize the annual May Breakfast and Christmas Bazaar (two of the longest running activities in Muncie) to raise funds for our mission projects. General meetings and Circles meet monthly for fun, fellowship, encouragement and expanding our horizons!

Contact: Donna McNary (789-6409)

Church Softball Team

Coed team competes with other area churches

Season: May - August

Contact: Jerall Ross (284-9546)

Coffee Bar

Includes flavored coffee, tea, hot chocolate, juice and water.

There is also a table of light snacks.

Hours: Sundays from 9:30—11:00 AM

Location: Parlor

Men's Breakfast

Meets: 3rd Tuesday 7:00AM

Location: Richards

Contact: Pastor Jack Hartman (747-8500)

Mommy and Me

Meets: 1st Three Wednesdays of the month - 9:00 AM

Location: G-6 **Contact:** Katy Williams (759-9456)

Childcare: Yes

Women's Spiritual Friendship Group

Meets: Sunday - 6:00 PM **Location:** Church Parlor

Contact: Pastor Charlotte Overmyer (747-8500)

Young Adult Fellowship

A variety of outings and fun events for folks in their 20's and 30's and their families.

Contact: Katy Williams (759-9456) Joy Bricker (717-0516)

Childcare: Yes



Risk-Taking Outreach

At High Street Church, we believe that we are the hands and feet of Christ. The for our mission and outreach is to proclaim Christ inside and outside the Church, to support God's work around our community, nation, and world. The core values of our service include mentoring, providing adequate healthcare, sustaining a healthy planet, fostering economic opportunity, and supporting ministries of nourishment and justice. Here is a minor sampling of those projects.

Rebuild Delaware County

Helping maintain and repair homes for the poor and elderly.

Contact: Larry Besser (282-1163)

Slidell Mission Trip

A seasonal work trip to continue clean up and rebuilding efforts in the Gulf Coast

Dates: March 6-13, 2010

Contact: Mary Ruble (748-5768)

Kids Hope

An afterschool mentoring and tutoring program which gives hope and encouragement to area elementary school students.

Contact: Denise Smith (284-5713)

Summer Lunch Program

A volunteer cook team that prepares lunches for the participants of the summer program at the Boys and Girls Club.

Contact: Shirley Hochstetler (289-3116)

Dates: Summer 2010

"Tools for Schools" Back Pack Project

A collection of school supplies for nearly 2000 area students. Volunteers distribute the bags and provide a warm breakfast to children and their families.

Date: August 2010

Contact: Pastor David (747-8500)

Mission and Outreach Book Study

Come and discuss a book that relates to the monthly mission and outreach focus of the church.

Meets: Last Tuesday of the Month

Time: 6:00 - 7:00 PM

Childcare: Yes

Contact: Pastor David (747-8500)

"Angels on High" Preschool

The Preschool is an outreach of the educational program at High Street Church. The program provides loving, learning experiences for 2-5 year olds with teachers who are sensitive to each stage of the child's development.

In the High Street Preschool, children will find an atmosphere that promotes an interest in learning by discovering new ideas, investigating the surrounding world, experimenting with a variety of materials, feeling rhythm and making sounds, developing security and self-esteem, becoming familiar with a group setting, and gaining independence by making a successful transition from home to school.

The daily schedule includes:

Arts and crafts, games, story time, songs, pre-reading, pre-math, snack time, dramatic play, finger plays, and more

For a further description of the program or discuss enrollment contact :

Julie Marshall - Preschool Director (768-1444)

Two Year Old Class

Meets: Tuesdays OR Fridays

9:00 - 11:30 AM

Location: Room G-2

Teacher: Desire' Wuertemberger, Bethany Cooper

3&4 Year Old Class (2 Classes)

Meets: Tuesday, Thursday

9:00 - 11:30 AM

Location: Rooms 303

Teachers: Cortney Jones and Margaret Railey

4&5 Year Old Class

Meets: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00 - 11:30 AM

Location: Room 301 and 303

Teachers: Julie Marshal and Margaret Railey

Jill Thomas and Shannon Donnell-Cline