THE PRAISE PULSE

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Set your clocks back on Sat., Nov. 4th at bedtime!

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NOVEMBER

MEET SOME OF OUR NEW MEMBERS

By Sandy Wright

Loretta (Laurie) Burns

Laurie was born on April 17, 1948 in Fort Wayne, where she was also raised. She enjoys spending time with her family and doing ceramics. She was employed with State Developmental Center for 39 years until they closed. She now works for Easter Seal Arc.

Laurie is a widow with five children, ten grandchildren and three great grandchildren. About Praise, she says she loves it and feels so welcome; they're her family.

Dale and Joyce Ehlerding

Dale was born and raised in Decatur, Indiana. His birth date is July 29, 1956. He enjoys motorcycle riding. He has been an elder and was on the Childcare Board at his former church. He is employed with Ehlerding Motor Sports and River City Harley Davidson.

Joyce was born in Lafayette, Indiana on April 13, 1960 and was raised outside Delphi Indiana. At IU Bloomington she received an associate degree in optometic technology. She received a bachelor's degree in general studies at IPFW. She likes music, watching movies and reading, and she plays at Kingston Rehab. She is employed with Little Praisers.

Dale and Joyce were married at North Christian Church in Fort Wayne on March 21, 1992. They have two sons, Aaron, 22 and Alex, 20. They are happy to be back at Praise and enjoy being a part of the Praise Team.

Dennis (Denny) and Karen Hart

Born on September 19, 1950 in Auburn, Indiana, Denny was raised in St. Joe, Indiana. He was in the Air Force and the International Guard. He likes bowling, playing cards and board games. He was an assistant leader with the Boy Scouts. He is retired and self-employed.

Karen was born in Fort Wayne on February 3, 1952 and was raised in New Haven. She likes reading, going to the movies, eating out and board games. She teaches dog obedience training classes. She is employed with Vulcraft.

Denny and Karen were married in DeKalb County on January 6, 1999. They have two children and three grandchildren. They say they are happy the way everybody tries to interact with other people here at Praise.

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Our new Sermon Series and Adult Bible Class begins Sunday November 5th.

It is hard to believe that 500 years have passed by since a man by the name of Martin Luther stood in the strength of the Spirit and opposed the abuses of Church of his time. In many ways, the Church and its leaders had veered off-course and away from the heart of God's Word for His people. What was needed was a Reformation of the Church. Its leaders. Its practices. Its heart. Today, through the working of the Holy Spirit and the Word, God calls out to His Church and to each one of us: be reformed daily into God's image, His plan, and His purposes for life!

Thanksgiving Eve Service
Wednesday, November 22nd
7:00 p.m.

Sunday Mornings
9:00 a.m.

Community Clubhouse

November 7th - SunRise Café

November 21st - Praise

Please join us for lunch/snacks, card and games. We hope to see you there! For more information you can check our website at www.praiselutheran.org or contact Becky Stiefel at (260) 489-7553 or (260) 416-9197.

Open Mic Night

Friday, November 10th
7:00 - 10:00 p.m.

Snacks, beverages and prizes included

This is the 3rd of 4 Open Mics in the season, with a grand prize at the end of the season.

RSVP online at www.praiselutheran.org
Contact Josh Gumbert for questions at (260) 494-6463 or joshuagumbert@gmail.com

Women's Fall Luncheon
By Sandy Wright

The Women's Fall Luncheon will be held on Saturday, November 11, 2017 at noon here at Praise. All women of Praise are invited to attend. Please see the sign-up sheet on the East wall of the Fellowship area. You are asked to bring a dish to pass; meat and beverages will be provided.

We will be supporting Shepherd's House. If you choose to participate, please bring something from the list below to the luncheon. Items do not need to be wrapped. Here is what is needed:

- Regular coffee (No flavored and no decaf)
- Flavored creamers
- Plain sugar
- Powdered laundry soap --- must be **HE**
- Bath towels
- Grooming kits (with fingernail clippers, etc)
- Clorox wipes
- Twin size blankets
- Fast food gift cards ($5.00 or more)

For questions or more information, please contact Natalie Simmons at 489-5468 or Sandy Wright at 637-1132.

Calling ALL 6th-12th Grade Youth:

Quake 2018 is here!

Cincinnati, Ohio February 16-18th

Quake regional events partner with youth leaders in local churches to encourage teens (grades 6-12) to become established in their faith, empowered for Christian living and enabled to live a life of ministry and leadership. This year's theme is "Overcome." This theme offers us Jesus' trumpet call of hope, help, health and holiness in a trouble-filled world.

This year, Praise Youth will be venturing to Cincinnati, Ohio for the latest Quake installment that features dynamic speakers, meaningful break-out sessions, group worship, nighttime activities, and opportunities for building relationships with one another AND other youth from across the country!

To ensure that Praise Youth are prepared for this exciting weekend event and able to meet the Early Bird Registration Deadline (Sunday December 3) **Pastor Seth will be holding an informational meeting for all Parents and Youth (grades 6-12) on Sunday November 5, immediately following Worship.**

Information for the Cincinnati, Ohio Quake can be found here: http://quakeevent.com/events/cincinnati/

Promotional Video: Go to Youtube.com and enter "Quake 2018 for website" (look for the name Bob Lenz in connection with the video)

Save the Date!

Sunday, December 10, 2017

5:30 p.m. Christmas Dinner

7:00 p.m. Choral Presentation

Watch the bulletins and December Pulse for reservation information.

Bob and Deb Kennedy

Bob was born July 2, 1953 in Fort Wayne, where he was also raised. He majored in Natural Resources at Ball State. He likes playing guitar and he's volunteered at the VA Hospital. He is now retired.

Deb was born in Lima Ohio on May 10, 1952 and was raised in Ottoville, Ohio. She attended Lima School of Practical Nursing where she became an LPN. She enjoys sewing, flowers and plants. She has volunteered in after school youth programs. She is retired.

Bob and Deb were married at Holy Cross in Fort Wayne on February 6, 1987. They have three children and four grandchildren. They like the friendliness of the people at Praise and the fellowship.

Marilyn Renbarger

Marilyn says she was born "a long time ago" in Erie Pennsylvania, where she was also raised. She served three years in the United States Army, where she was sent to Paris to work for General Eisenhauer. She said it was a great experience. She has done volunteer work at hospitals and day care centers. She and Richard (Dick) were married on February 23, 1998 in Fort Wayne. They have 6 children.

Steven (Steve) and Linda Shoup

On February 6, 1946 Steve was born at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne. He was also raised in Fort Wayne. He served in the Army National Guard. He likes classic cars, coin collecting, and he's in a car club. He works part time for Indiana Auto Auction.

Linda was born August 17, 1948 at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne and was raised on a dairy farm in Whitley County. She graduated from International Business College in 1968. She likes baking, cooking, gardening and playing golf.

Steve and Linda were married on August 28, 1971 in Dunfee Christian Church in Whitley County. They have three children and six grandchildren. They feel that God lead them to Praise. It's a wonderful church with an outgoing community feeling.

Cris and Anna Stout

Cris was born March 7, 1962 in Fort Walton Beach, Florida and he was raised in Kendallville. He went to truck driving school and he served in the Army for three years. He enjoys kayaking, hiking, camping, bike riding and swimming. He has been a Cub Scout leader. He is employed with Federal Express Freight.

Anna was born in Omaha, Nebraska on October 23, 1965 and was raised in Kendallville. She majored in engineering at IPFW, where she was the only female in her class. Her hobbies are music, cooking and bike riding. She sings with the praise team.

Cris and Anna were married on May 20, 1989 in Fort Wayne. They have two sons.

Greg and Kay Sutter

Greg was born and raised in Fort Wayne. His birth date is September 15,1968. He likes to play golf. He is retired from UPS and works part time at K & F Pallets.

Kay was born in Kendallville on September 19, 1969 and was raised in Fort Wayne. She took a one year course in dental assistance. She enjoys cooking and spending time with her grandchildren. She works for a dentist in Fort Wayne.

Greg and Kay were married in Mount Calvary Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne on May 22, 1981. They have three children and four grandchildren. They are very happy with Praise and are glad to be members.

We are very happy to welcome these new members to Praise and we hope they will feel blessed every time they come through the doors. Next month you will meet more new members of Praise. Until then.

Operation Christmas Child

The shoeboxes and information are in the narthex. Won't you take one, two or more boxes to fill? Make it a family activity or an individual project.

Include age appropriate fun toys, school supplies, crafts/ activities , hygiene items, as well as a $9 donation for shipping costs.

For additional gift ideas, visit samaritanspurse.org/occ and select "gift suggestions"

We will be collecting shoeboxes through November 14th.

See Barb Bailey 433-1009 or Susan Burnworth 437-9589 if you have questions.

PRAYER CHAIN

Our Prayer Chain will gladly offer prayers for you or a loved one who is suffering a crisis in their life.

Requests should be directed to:
Lois Gumbert at 637-3010
or loisigumbert@gmail.com

"Keep praying earnestly for all Christians everywhere."
Ephesians 6:18 TLB

Become our friend on Facebook.

Worship for Shut-Ins 50 1965 – 2015 FIFTY YEARS OF SHARING CHRIST'S LOVE

November 5th – All Saints' Day Observed

November 12th – Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

November 19th – Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

November 26th – Last Sunday of the Church Year

Visit www.worshipforshutins.org for more details.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

November Birthdays

2 Peter Dager
Kathy Skurzewski
9 Deb Wenk
10 Tony Freiburger
Mary Whitehead
12 Josh Firestine
16 Diann Cawvey
18 Fred Schroeder
21 Steve Bennett
23 Mary Wilson
24 Becky Stiefel
28 Larry Coss
29 Chris Klopfenstein

November Anniversaries

6 Bob & Karen McLellan
7 James & Michele Prachar
14 Tony & Tracey Freiburger

Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study meets on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room. Our current study is "In His Eyes: Becoming the Woman God Made You to Be".

All women of Praise, friends of Praise and/or relatives are invited to attend. Contact Sandy Wright at 637-1132 for questions or more information.

E-mail your articles for the December Pulse by **November 15th** to:
office@praiselutheran.org
or call Karen
in the church office.

Thanksgiving is quickly approaching. The families and staff of Little Praisers give thanks for many things including:

We thank God for a successful Fundraiser—Final results of funds raised is $667.55.
We give thanks for the generous donations and volunteers for the Fall Festival.
We are thankful for ALL the Little Praiser's families.
We give thanks to God that He has blessed Little Praisers' families with new babies, and more to come.
We give thanks for new employees and faithful employees who worked long hours, while we found the new employees.
We thank God for those who are part of the Childcare Board. It is always good to count your blessings.

Just a quick reminder Little Praisers will be closed November 23 and 24 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

God's blessings to you always.

Karen Bilger & Joyce Wolfe

Little Praisers New Playground

By Mary Voorhees

On Saturday, September 30th, congregation members and Little Praisers families and staff worked to prepare the youngest Little Praiser play-area for the new playground. Rather than plastic play pieces and shredded tire turf, the children now have a natural area with mounds to climb, a tube to crawl through, and natural mulch to run around on. There are two activity tables for the children, a ladderless hill-mounted slide and tires to roll around. Another addition is trees to eventually provide much needed shade for the area.

The project was made possible through a matching-fund grant from The Lutheran Foundation and the workers were served lunch provided by a Thrivent Action Grant.

As you go to The Edge area of church, look out the last outside door to see this new play area. The children really enjoy it. Parents and teachers are excited about the creative opportunities provided for the youngest Little Praisers.

November 2017

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 10:00 AM Chapel 6:45 PM Praise Team	2 7:00 PM Women's Bible Study	3	4
5 9:00 AM Bible Class Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 11:45 AM Quake 2018 Parents/Youth Meeting	6 6:30 PM Child Care Board	7 12:00 PM Community Clubhouse at SunRise 6:00 PM Spiritual Care 6:15 PM Praise Team 7:00 PM VIP	8 10:00 AM Chapel	9 7:00 PM Women's Bible Study	10 7:00 PM Open Mic Night	11 12:00 PM Women's Fall Luncheon
12 9:00 AM Bible Class Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 11:45 AM Confirmation	13 7:00 PM Council	14 6:15 PM Praise Team 7:00 PM VIP	15 10:00 AM Chapel	16 7:00 PM Women's Bible Study	17	18
19 9:00 AM Bible Class Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 11:45 AM Confirmation	20	21 11:30 AM Thanksgiving Feast 12:30 PM Community Clubhouse at Praise 6:15 PM Praise Team 7:00 PM VIP	22 10:00 AM Chapel 7:00 PM Thanksgiving Worship	23 Thanksgiving Church Office & Little Praisers Closed	24 Church Office & Little Praisers Closed	25
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Praising God in vibrant Worship
Reaching out with Christ-centered witness
Anchored in God's Word and Sacraments
Interceding for others
Stewards of God's varied gifts for the building up of His Kingdom
Equipping the saints for works of service

PRAISE LUTHERAN CHURCH VISION STATEMENT

"Praise Lutheran Church, empowered by the Holy Spirit, strives to be a joyous body of Christ-followers, united by God's grace to P.R.A.I.S.E. Him; equipped to passionately serve and witness."

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OUR WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9:00 Worship Team Practice
(Sanctuary)
Children/Youth Sunday School
(Daycare Classrooms)
Adult Bible Class
(The Edge—near Door #4)

10:00 Fellowship Time
(Fellowship Area)

10:30 Worship

11:45 Confirmation (6th-8th Grade)
(The Edge—near Door #4)