

News From The Rock

February 2013

Solid Rock United Methodist Church • Warren, Indiana

United Methodist Youth Fellowship

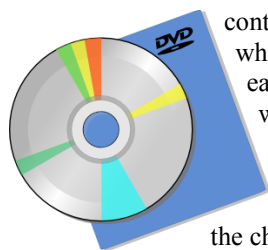
Upcoming UMYF Events:

- February 3: Super Bowl pizzas after church
- February 10: Pizza after church at East of Chicago
- February 17: Meeting, 2:00-3:30
- February 24: Bible study after church
- March 3: Meeting, 2:00-3:30
- March 10: Pizza after church at East of Chicago



Celebration services available on DVD

Solid Rock's celebrations of the ministries of its predecessor congregations will soon be available on DVD. "Celebrate Jefferson Center" and "Celebrate Warren"



contain the services in which the legacy of each congregation was remembered during worship. To order a DVD of one or both, call the church office, 375-3873, or Wanda Spahr, 375-6116. The \$5 cost will be donated to the Solid Rock Building Fund.

Men's Fellowship

The Solid Rock Men's Fellowship met on January 19, 2013, at Heritage Pointe with 13 men in attendance. Dave Spahr opened the meeting with prayer. Breakfast was served by Kim's Katered Affair.

Randy Hensley shared a devotional from *God's Little Devotional Book for Men*.

The group discussed a proposal for a

new fundraising opportunity. Further discussion will take place and a decision made at the February meeting.

Closing prayer was offered by Bill Couch. The next meeting



Men's Fellowship

will be February 9, 2013. Reservations need to be made with Steve Holmes not later than February 7.

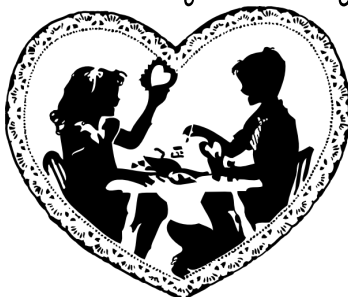
Lenten series to feature Max Lucado study

This year's Lenten Study Series will feature Max Lucado's study *He Chose the Nails*. Participants will gain a better understanding of what the death of Jesus means, identify more intimately with His suffering, and appreciate more fully the unconditional love of God.



The study will take place on the six Sundays in Lent, February 17, 24, March 3, 10, 17, and 24, at 6:30 each evening at the church. Please consider this opportunity to enrich your understanding of the Easter sacrifice of Jesus.

Valentine's Day is coming up!



The Card Ministry has just the card you need!

Just Leaning on the Rock!

by Pastor Kathy Newton



He (being Jesus) said, "The time has come! God's kingdom will soon be here. Turn back to God and believe the good news!" (Mark 1:15 CEV)

I remember in my younger years my catholic counterparts being excused from school on Ash Wednesday. I also remember bumping into one of them and mentioning they had a smudge on their forehead. Little did I know about the ritual shared on this special Wednesday.

This day marks the beginning of Lent. It is 40 days minus Sundays from Easter, which also means it does not have a set date.

We know that Jesus spent 40 days in the wilderness and that during that time endured temptations set before Him by Satan. Ash Wednesday is a day of mourning and repentance. Mourning because of our sinful nature and repenting from those sins committed both known and unknown.

When you come to worship, ashes will be imposed upon your forehead and the pastor will speak something in response to encourage you to repent. These ashes are derived from the previous Palm Sunday palms and mixed either with a little bit of water or olive oil.

I hope that you will join us at 7:30 on February 13 for our Ash Wednesday worship. It's never too soon to repent!

Shalom,
Pastor Kathy

December Financial Update

General Offerings	\$18,856
General Fund Expenses	\$14,042
Building Fund Contributions	\$25,021

Getting Acquainted

by Gina Canady

Penny and Jalee Bowers

Penny has been attending Solid Rock Church since it was formed and the Warren Methodist Church since she was a child.

Penny's hobbies are reading, crossword puzzles, and spending time with Jalee.

Penny has lived in this area for 43 years. Football and the Colts are Penny's favorite sport and team!

Missouri, Wisconsin, Michigan and Wyoming are places Penny has ventured to!

Penny has a daughter, Jalee, and she is five years old!

"Amazing Grace" is Penny's favorite song!

A special, funny memory of church was

being at church camp when Pastor Homer came to visit her and backed up to a pole and said "Sorry," then looked around!

Norm and Jackie Wolfe

Norm and Jackie moved from Marion to Jefferson township in the spring of 1965 when Mark was four and Marlene was 14 months.

Jackie's hobbies are knitting, which Karen Blinn taught her, sewing, painting and her stained glass projects. Norm enjoys his antique tractors and is still water skiing and walking on the beach.

They have traveled many places with our family and friends. Last summer they traveled to Maine, Boston, and New York City, although their special place is Siesta Key, Florida, where they have been going since 1982!

Norm and Jackie have two children, Mark and Marlene, and four grandchildren. Mark's son Ryan is 24 and daughter Casey is 20, and Marlene's son, Zachary is 19 and Rachel is 16. Norm and Jackie thank God every day for such a healthy, happy family!

Jackie's favorite scripture is Luke 2:14 and her favorite hymn is "When We All Get To Heaven," and Norm's favorite scripture is John 3:16 and his favorite song is "Great is Thy Faithfulness."

The Wolfes have wonderful friends from the Solid Rock Church and lots of fun times! They are so blessed and looking forward to being together in our new Church!



Lyvonne Nightenhelser

Lyvonne was a member of the Jefferson Center United Methodist Church and merged with Warren to become Solid Rock! She enjoys reading, watching her grandkids play sports, watching movies and music! Lyvonne has lived in this area for 30 years.



The Indianapolis Colts and the Boston Red Sox are her favorite sports teams! Lyvonne loved New York City when she traveled there and Virginia Beach where her oldest son lives!

Lyvonne has three children and five grandchildren. Her favorite hymn is "Amazing Grace" and her favorite Bible verse is John 3:16.

Watching her grandkids learn and understand about God is her special fondness of being in church.

My Solid Rock Church Family,

I would like to extend my deepest thanks for the scholarship that you made possible for me for my spring semester at Manchester University. I feel truly blessed to have received such a generous gift. As of last semester, I decided that I would work for a double major. My focus is now English Literature as well as Art. I would like to express my gratitude once more to those who made the Scholarship possible so that I may continue to study what I love and become more skilled in the things that I am passionate about doing.

Blessings,
Rachel Decker

An exciting eulogy

Some men were talking about death and dying when this question came up: "What would you want people to say about you at your funeral?"

One replied, "I'd want people to say, 'He was a great and compassionate humanitarian who cared about those in need.'"

A second said, "I'd want people to say, 'He was a good father and husband, whose life was a fine example for others to follow.'"

A third answered, "I'd like them to say, 'Look, he's moving!'"

Keeping love fresh

Harry and Doris Ward, a married couple in England, have been exchanging the same valentine card since 1941. The recycled card makes its way to their mantle every February.

When the couple first met in a café in 1940, a wartime bombing forced them to flee to an air-raid shelter together. Since then, nothing has kept them apart.

The secret to a happy marriage, Doris says, is never going to bed without a kiss goodnight. "We are still as in love as the day he first gave me this card," she says.

News From The Rock

is published each month by

Solid Rock United Methodist Church

P.O. Box 322

Warren, Indiana 46792

www.solidrockumc.com

Worship Schedule

Sunday School at 9:00

Worship at 10:00

at 227 N. Main Street, Warren

Church Phone: 375-3871

Church Office

427 N. Matilda

Office Phone: 375-3873

Hours: 9 a.m. to Noon

Pastor: Rev. Kathy Newton
pastorkathy@solidrockumc.com
Phone: (765) 210-4368

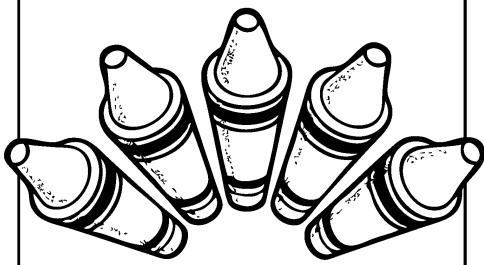
Editor: Gary Walter
gary@solidrockumc.com

Secretary: Norma Smith
norma@solidrockumc.com

Treasurer: Rosalie Walter
rosalie@solidrockumc.com

Financial Secretary: Wanda Spahr
wanda@solidrockumc.com

News deadline for the March
newsletter: February 17



Crayon Heart

Make heart-shaped crayons as a reminder that the things of God should be written on our hearts.

What you need:

- An adult to help
- Oven
- Oven mitt
- Heart-shaped silicon mold (available at craft stores)
- Old crayons

What you do:

1. Heat oven to 230 degrees.
2. Remove paper wrappers from crayons. (This is easier if you soak crayons in cool water first.)
3. Break crayons into small pieces. Place pieces into heart-shaped mold, filling them about two-thirds full.
4. Bake for 15 minutes or until crayons have completely melted.
5. When the heart-shaped crayons are cool, remove them from the mold.

The difference

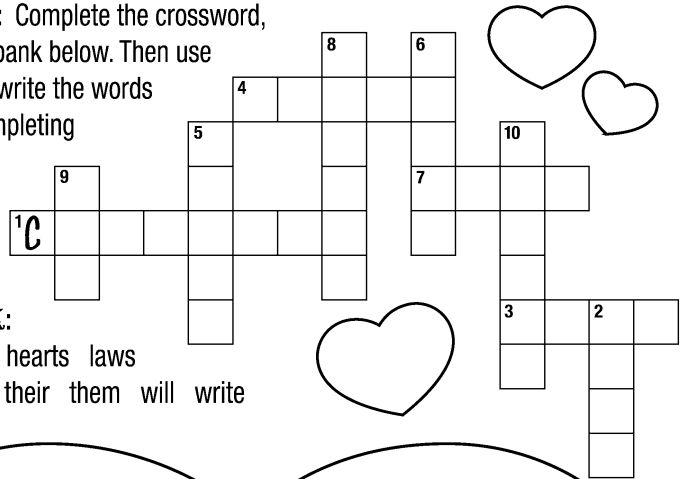
There's a significant difference between having religion and having a relationship with Christ. The key word in religion is do. It



ON THEIR HEARTS

God made a special promise about a relationship he wants to have with people who love him.

DIRECTIONS: Complete the crossword, using the word bank below. Then use the numbers to write the words in the heart, completing God's promise.



WORD BANK:

covenant God hearts laws
minds people their them will write

"This is the 1) _____ ... I 2) _____

put my 3) _____ in 4) _____ 5) _____ and

6) _____ 7) _____ on 4) _____ 8) _____

I 2) _____ be 4) _____ 9) _____,

and they 2) _____ be my

10) _____."

HEBREWS 8:10, NIV

Answer: "This is the covenant ... I will put my laws in their minds and write them on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people." Hebrews 8:10, NIV

is a present-tense verb. Do. Do. Do. You need to be baptized. You need to join the church. You need to learn the catechism. You need to be confirmed. You need to take communion. You need to And the list goes on. Religion is based on the idea that we must do things in order to win the favor of God and receive salvation.

Having a relationship with Christ is not

based on the word do; it is based on the word done. Everything we need for salvation has already been done. We have been accepted by God "through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all" (Hebrews 10:10, NIV).

— Edward G. Dobson, *Simplicity: Finding Order, Freedom, and Fulfillment for Your Life*

Don't you realize that in a race everyone runs, but only one person gets the prize?

SO RUN TO WIN!

1 Corinthians 9:24, NLT



"All you need is love. But a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt."

—Charles M. Schulz

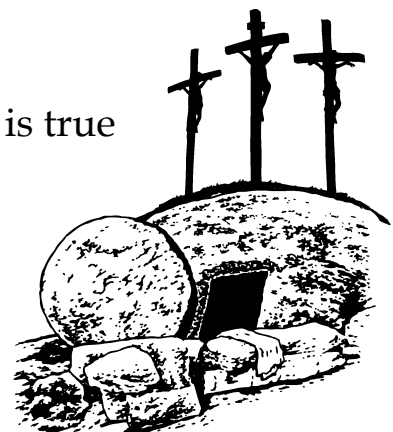
The Least I Can Do

For all that You've done
For all that You do
For all that is beautiful all that is true
For saving my life
The least I can do
Is fall on my knees and
worship You

You gave Your Life that we
might live

Assurance that only You could give
Your glorious death claimed vict'ry
With an empty tomb

The least I can do is worship You



- Mark Roach
CCLI License No. 871788

2013



Address Service Requested

Warren, IN 46792

P.O. Box 322

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



NON PROFIT ORG.
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
WARREN, IN 46792
PERMIT NO. 62