

## THE ECHO... MAY, 2019

The church newsletter of Rossville United Methodist Church - Rossville, IN



# Bob Notes

Later in May, I will be preaching a couple of Sundays on the concept of truth and the blessings which come when truth is lived out, as well as the dangers of spreading falsehoods. I believe God is leading me in this direction because the concept of truth is often used not to affirm and build up, but to tear down when it is said out of anger or frustration. Also, there just seems to be a deft of actual truth-telling more so than at previous points in recent history. We will find some accounts in the Bible where mistruths were told and the results of those. My focus in this column here in May is to remind us that although people often make promises they are unable to keep, or they choose not to keep, God keeps his promises. In fact, our lives are filled with the results of promises that God has kept. I was given a little booklet after working on an Emmaus weekend a few months ago which outlines 199 of these promises. The book was a gift to me. I share seven of these promises contained in this booklet as a gift to you. May they bring encouragement to your soul.

"Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you; I do not give to you as the world gives. Therefore, let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." John 14:27

"I the Lord your God, take hold of your right hand, and say to you, "Do not fear; I will help you." Isaiah 41:13

"In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you." John 14:2

"For the Lord your God is gracious and merciful, and will not turn away his face from you, if you return to him." 2 Chronicles 30:9

"Blessed are the humble, for they shall inherit the earth." Matthew 5:5

"Do not become weary in well doing; for in due season we shall reap, if we do not give up." Galatians 6:9

"In all your ways, acknowledge God, and God shall direct your paths." Proverbs 3:6

Pastor Bob Raschka



## Community Friendship Café

Thursday May 2nd 5:30-7:00 pm

Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Broccoli and Cheese & Dessert will be served. Free and open to everyone!

THE NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER | MAY 2, 2019



Our church will be holding a National Day of Prayer service on Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm. This will be a time when we come together to pray for God's direction in our nation.



Let's come on out to pray on May 2<sup>nd</sup>!

#### **Next Ladies Day Out: May 10th**

Meet in church parking lot to leave promptly at 11am!

We will be carpooling to Bob Evans in Lafayette.

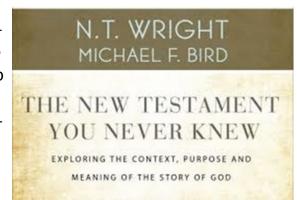
Need a ride call Connie Hinesley at 379-2234 or Jane Emens at 379-3176

Thank you to everyone who attended our event last month. Thirteen ladies attended and had lunch at The South Fork Restaurant in Mulberry. Everyone had good food and good fellowship.

### Late Spring/Early Summer Bible Study Begins May 14th

An eight session Bible Study entitled "The New Testament You Never Knew "will meet on Tuesdays May 14<sup>th</sup> through July 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm. In this study you will discover things you

never knew about Jesus' baptism and journey into the wilderness, the meaning behind his parables and miracles, the significance of his death and resurrection, the incredible expansion of the early church into the Greco-Roman world, and how the transforming mission of Jesus can still turn the world upside down today. Pastor Bob will lead the discussion of this DVD presentation taught by well-known biblical scholars N.T. Wright and Michael F. Bird. All are welcome.





## **Birthdays**

Allena Weida May 7
Jim Unger May 8
Rex Rothenberger May 10
Gail Seest May 13
Brandy Marlow May 17
Velma Leazenby May 20
Carly Disinger May 24
Rita Power May 31

### **Happy Anniversary**

Jeff & Diane Miller May 13th

Barry & Ginny McCabe May 15th

Dan & Jacque Cooper May 22nd

#### Rossville United Methodist Church

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#### Worship and Sermon Themes May 2019

May 5<sup>th</sup> "Longing for Home" Psalm 23:1-6

May 12<sup>th</sup> Mother's Day "Jesus' Family Values" Mark 3:31-35

May 19<sup>th</sup> Aiming for Truth Proverbs 12:17-20

May 26<sup>th</sup> The Truth about Honesty Acts 5:1-11



#### **TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

March 24, 2019 \$1,034.00 March 31, 2019 \$3,898.00



April 7, 2019 \$2,198.00

April 14, 2019 \$7,675.00

Needed Weekly for Budget \$2,333.24

## May, 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1  M&M Ladies' Bible Study 9 am  L.R.E.  Fellowship @ Mary's 6:30pm	Community Café 5:30-7pm  NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER Prayer Service 7pm	Religious Ed 1-3pm	4
5 Sunday School 9 am Worship and Jr. Church 10:15 am -Service @ Milner's 3pm -Prayer Group 5pm -ROCK 6-7:30	6	7	8 M&M Ladies' Bible Study 9 am	9	10  Ladies Day Out 11am Parking lot  Religious Ed 1-3pm	11
Sunday School 9am Worship and Jr. Church 10:15 am Prayer Group 5pm	Worship Team 6pm  Administrative Council 7pm	14  Bible Study 7pm	15  M&M Ladies' Bible Study 9 am  L.R. E.	16	17  Religious Ed 1-3pm	18
19 Sunday School 9am Worship and Jr. Church 10:15 am Mission's Lunch Prayer Group 5pm	20 SPRC 6pm Missions 7pm	21  Bible Study 7pm	22 M&M Ladies' Bible Study 9 am	23	24	25
26 Sunday School 9 am Worship and Jr. Church 10:15 am Prayer Group 5pm	27  ** Happy  ** Memorial  Day	28 Bible Study 7pm	29 M & M Ladies' Bible Study 9am	30	31	