

THE ECHO...



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





How often have we heard the phrase mentioned in popular culture, "do not go to bed angry?" Are you aware this phrase has at its root the words of Paul—written from prison—to the church at Ephesus? If someone had a reason to be angry, it was probably Paul as he was in chains for doing nothing more than preaching the gospel. Anyway, he writes in Ephesians 4:26-27, "do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, do not give the devil a foothold."

It seems to me a lot of people have become so consumed by their anger at everything that they have forgotten these words. Don't go to bed angry. Don't let the sun go down while you are still angry.

Basically, come to a point in which you have allowed God to calm your spirit enough about whatever has angered you that you might sleep well, and wake up the next morning with perhaps a different perspective on the issue. This doesn't mean we forget about those things which anger us. This doesn't mean we just forget about all the injustices going on in the world. This doesn't mean we turn a blind eye to sin and misdeeds. But it does mean we do not stay angry about it. It does mean we shouldn't get all riled up and out of control to the point that we can't calm down about something and start taking it out on those we love or on that unsuspecting person who is driving too slowly. The truth of the matter is that when we go to bed and are "stewing" about something, our physical and emotional health is affected. And as Paul warns, the devil gains a foothold.

Let's work this through for a minute. No one just randomly wakes us one day and decides to go to school or work or a concert or mall or movie theatre or marathon and start shooting everybody. Usually, the shooting is a carrying out of a detailed plan to get back at those people the shooter has perceived to have brought injury to him or her. Sometimes, they believe the whole society has hurt them, and in their anger and rage, they plot and plan to produce as much mayhem and violence on as many people as possible. Maybe it all started with a tragic incident or abuse or bullying somewhere along the way. And instead of dealing with their anger, they let it stew. Satan used it as a foothold, and as time went on more incidents were heaped upon the pile and soon the anger turned to rage which turned to carrying out mass violence on a bunch of innocent people. This is a worst-case scenario.

We see this in daily life too. Unresolved anger can end marriages. Unresolved anger can end friendships. Unresolved anger can cause a person's relationship with Christ to diminish. When we decide to hold onto anger and not let God guide us through it, then we can end up lashing out at people and situations in ungodly manners.

Therefore, Paul reminds us, "do not let the sun go down while you are angry, and do not give evil a foothold."

Purposely decide to let God have your anger. Tell God how angry you are about an issue and allow God to carry you through it. As a result, perhaps you can take heed and not let the sun go down while you are angry.

Be Encouraged.

Pastor Bob Raschka



Community Friendship Café

Thursday June 6th 5:30—7:00 pm Chicken & Noodles with Mashed Potatoes & Dessert will be served. Free and open to everyone!

Retirement Celebration honoring Chris Newman-Jacobs

Sunday June 9, 2019 at 3pm

Rochester Grace United Methodist Church 201 W 7th Street | Rochester, IN

Please plan to attend a retirement celebration honoring the ministry of Rev. Christine Newman-Jacobs. The event will be held Sunday, June 9, 2019 at Grace UMC in Rochester, IN. Each congregation is invited to bring a

large rock signed by the people of their church to be placed in Chris' garden. Chris was our superintendent until a year and a half ago when she was diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia. Her treatments have been successful, and it is now in remission.

INDIANA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

June 12th-15th



The Indiana Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church will meet Wednesday June 12th-Saturday June 15th at the Indiana Convention Center in Indianapolis. The theme of this year's conference is "From Water to Witness" and is based on Ephesians 4:4-5 which says, "There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called: one Lord, one faith, one baptism."

The Conference begins on Wednesday evening the 12th at 7:00 pm with a Worship service of Praise and Celebration. Pastor Rudy Rasmus, the pastor of St. John's United Methodist Church in Houston, Texas will bring his powerful style of preaching to this service. The Service of Ordination and Commissioning is Thursday evening at 7:00.

This year's Annual Conference is the first since the special General Conference held in St Louis this past February in which the UMC's traditional understanding of marriage and ordination was upheld. Our annual conference will include an election of delegates to the 2020 General Conference. The 2020 General Conference could be key as to how the denomination decides to continue. Some of the petitions at this year's annual conference deal with issues that could come up at the 2020 General Conference.

The Annual Conference will also vote on the 2020 Conference Budget, celebrate the ministries of those who are retiring, hear how God is moving through the churches of Indiana as well as our many varied outreaches and ministries throughout the state. Dave Need and Pastor Bob are our delegates from Rossville for this year's annual conference. Please pray as United Methodists from throughout the state gather for Annual Conference.

Next Ladies Day Out: June 14th

Meet in church parking lot to leave promptly at 11am or meet us at Monicals 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.

Twelve ladies enjoyed lunch and fellowship at the Bob Evans in Lafayette.

Rossville Community Vacation Bible School June 19th-21st



The churches of Rossville have teamed up once again for our annual Vacation Bible School(VBS). This year, VBS will be three nights and is scheduled Wednesday June 19th-Friday June 21st at Rossville Bible Fellowship Church 16 E. Cason St. Rossville. It is open to everyone ages 4 through the 5th grade. The theme of this year's VBS is "IN THE WILD—AMAZING ENCOUNTERS WITH JESUS" So, throw on your camera strap and buckle your seatbelt. VBS 2019 will take you on a wild adventure—with elephants and egrets, polar bears and penguins, cockatoos and crocodiles. As you seek out exotic animals, you'll also find snapshots of real-life encounters with Jesus in Scripture. Bring your children and grandchildren to Rossville's 2019 VBS.

The purpose of the Rossville United Methodist Church is to love the Lord and our neighbors, teach one another to obey the commands of God, and proclaim Jesus Christ as Savior to all.

Scriptural Foundations: Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 12:29-31



Adult Sunday School 9:00-10:00 a.m

Sunday Worship and

Jr. Church 10:15 a.m.

ADULT

SUNDAY

SCHOOL

Come in to learn... Go out to Live

June Birthdays

Carl Seest 1st
Bob Hinesley 6th
Dominique Cassamajor 15th
James Graves 21st
Caleb Disinger 23rd
Carson Disinger 23rd
Mary Gray 26th

Happy Anniversary

Glenn & Brandy Marlow 5th
Phil & Lyn Burkle 22nd
Larry & Margo Oren 23rd

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Adult Sunday School: 9:00 am Worship and Jr. Church: 10:15 am

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June 2019 Worship and Sermon Themes

June 2nd Ascension Sunday

"Now What?" Acts 1:1-11

June 9th Pentecost

"The Rushing Wind of Change" Acts 2:1-8 & 12-21

June 16th Father's Day

"God Stoops Down" Psalm 113, Luke 15:8-10

June 23rd "Power in Grief" Psalm 6:1-4, 2 Corinthians 4:7-9

June 30th "Total Transformation" Romans 12:1-2



TITHES AND OFFERINGS

April 21, 2019 \$2,134.00

April 28, 2019 \$1,373.00

May 5, 2019 \$1,500.00



May 12, 2019 \$3,554.00

May 19, 2019 \$1,306.73

Needed Weekly for Budget \$2,333.24 May 26, 2019 \$1,729.00

June, 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Sunday School 9 am Worship and Jr. Church 10:15 am Service @ Milner's 3pm Prayer Group 5pm	3 Trustees 7pm	Bible Study 7pm	5 M&M Ladies' Bible Study 9 am L.R. E.	Community Café 5:30-7pm	7	8
9 Sunday School 9am Worship and Jr. Church 10:15 am Prayer Group	10 Worship Team 6pm	11	12 M&M Ladies' Bible Study 9 am	13	14 Ladies Day Out 11am Parking lot	15
<i>5pm</i>	Administrative Council 7pm	Bible Study 7pm	Indiana Annual Conference 7pm	Indiana Annual Conference	Indiana Annual Conference	Indiana Annual Conference
Happy Father's Day	17	18	19 M&M Ladies' Bible Study 9 am L.R.E.	20 BackPack Buddies Meeting 2:30pm	21	22
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