



THE ECHO... JANUARY 2020

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



Bob Notes

A new year always brings new goals, new chances, and new opportunities. I am told the only month of the year when Fitness Centers turn any kind of significant profit is in January. There is something about a new year. Many people use it as a chance to start over. Goals are set, or resolutions are made. One of the most common goals for people is to become healthier in their diet and nutrition, with the hope of losing some weight. And therefore, they will join a club or a fitness center, or start going to the YMCA . Other goals might involve finances, or trying to reconcile broken relationships, or maybe just simply being nicer to people. However, by the time February and the Super Bowl and Valentine's Day roll around, it appears that most people have either forgotten the resolutions they set; or they tried for a few days and gave up after a while. As followers of Christ, we might have other goals even beyond some of these common ones I have mentioned. Maybe we will read the Bible more consistently, or pray more often. Maybe we will make it a goal to go deeper in our faith. Some people decide they are going to read the Bible all the way through in a year. There are a plethora of daily reading programs that can guide them. My prayer for all of us is that we won't easily give up, that we won't be easily distracted and we will remain focused on our goals so that when we come to the end of 2020 and move into 2021, we will be able to look back with satisfaction on the growth we have experienced in our lives and in our relationship with Christ this year.

Pastor Bob Raschka

Next Ladies Day Out: January 10th



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

We will be carpooling to Cheddars in Lafayette unless weather is bad then we will eat at Treece's here in town.

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

Ten ladies met for lunch on Friday, Dec. 13th at the Stone House in Delphi.

Everyone enjoyed their lunch and many enjoyed a homemade piece of pie.

Sunday, January 12th is the celebration of the Baptism of the Lord. Pastor Bob will be preaching about the meaning of baptism and the beliefs and practices related to baptism on this Sunday. This is a perfect opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Baptism for those who have never been baptized. It is also a good time for those who have been baptized to have their baptism "reaffirmed". Anyone who is interested in baptism or reaffirmation of baptism on January 12th, should let Pastor Bob know by Wednesday, January 8th.



Winter Bible Study Begins January 14th

Our winter Bible Study this year is based on the book Get Their Name. This book provides practical ideas of how we as Christ-followers can live so that *GOD WITH US* becomes *GOD THROUGH US*. It makes invitation and witness approachable, doable, and natural. The class will cover two chapters each week.

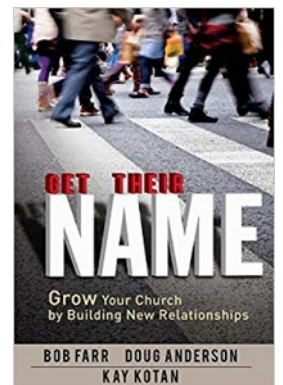
If you are interested, please sign up at church, or let the office know so we have the needed materials. Pastor Bob will lead our discussion. The schedule for the Winter Bible Study is as follows:

Tuesday, January 14th & 21st 7:00 pm

Wednesday, January 29th 7:00 pm

Tuesday February 4th 6:00 pm

Tuesday February 11th 7:00 pm



Rossville UMC Missions

This past year was an excellent year for missions here at Rossville United Methodist Church. Because of the generosity of many through the missions collection on Sunday mornings, as well as support through our mission dinners, and individual donations, we were able to give to several different missions causes. They are listed below.

International

- H.I.S. Eyes Honduras
- Felipe and Valerie Colby in Honduras
- Evangelist Sam Naik of India
- Tim & Marcia Eller- Life's Heart ministry in Kenya, Africa

National

- Red Bird Mission (Beverly, Kentucky)

Indiana

- Indiana United Methodist Children's Home (Lebanon, IN.)

Local

- Pregnancy Resource Center of Frankfort
- Rossville Community Outreach
- Clinton County Community Thanksgiving Day Dinner

Our local church

- Good Samaritan Fund
- Friendship Café

Rossville ROCK youth going to Winter Jam

The Rossville Rock Community Youth Group is going to the Winter Jam Christian Music event at Banker's Life Fieldhouse in Indianapolis on Saturday, January 18th. They will meet at the Rock building on Ramey Street at 3:00 pm to travel down to Indy for the concert. This year's Winter Jam is head-lined by David Crowder. Other groups are rap singer Andy Mineo, Passion, Newsong, Riley Clemmons, Austin French, and Red. The keynote speaker is Zane Black. The cost is \$15 plus money for concessions and souvenirs. Please contact or text Ryan Pritchett at 574-339-2597 if you have any questions.

2020 TWENTYTWO WINTER JAM

ONLY \$15 AT THE DOOR! NO TICKETS REQUIRED

CROWDER, PASSION, ANDY MINEO, RED, AUSTIN FRENCH, HOSTED BY NEWSONG, ZANE BLACK, RILEY CLEMMONS, PREJAM, JAM NATION 2020, EXPERIENCE

JAMTOUR.COM

BANKERS LIFE FIELDHOUSE - INDIANAPOLIS, IN
SATURDAY, JANUARY 18, 2020
 DOORS OPEN/PRE-JAM: 5 PM | MAIN SHOW: 6 PM
 INFO: JAMTOUR.COM OR 317-917-2500

January Birthdays

- Don Hinesley Jan 5th
- Connie Hinesley 5th
- Carolyn Bushfield 6th
- Emmeline Seest 18th
- Miles Green 19th
- Sue Milner 20th
- Rob Cooper 20th
- Mary Brown 25th
- Gary Hathaway 26th
- Wilma Graves 27th



Rossville United Methodist Church

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

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 Pastor: Rev. Bob Raschka
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Thank You

Special thanks to everyone for the gift from the congregation for Christmas as well as the many cards and gift cards. We so appreciate the love and support you have shown us as we do ministry together. Thanks again!

*Love,
 Pastor Bob and Ruth*



Worship Themes

- January 5th "Vision 2020" Matthew 2:1-12; Ephesians 3:8-12
- January 12th "The Baptism" Matthew 3:13-17
- January 19th "What Do You Really Want?" Mark 10:46-52
- January 26th "R.S.V.P" Luke 14:16-24



*Gary & Elaine
 Hathaway 16th
 &
 Jim & Wilma
 Graves 27th*

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

December 1, 2019 \$2,065.00

December 8, 2019 \$1,366.80



Needed Weekly for Budget \$2,333.24

December 15, 2019 \$2,247.98

December 22, 2019 \$1,692.57

December 29, 2019 \$2,691.00

Rossville United Methodist Church

2020 Officers, Committee, and Team Personnel

Underline new in position

Pastor: Robert A. Raschka

(date term ends on Dec. 31)

The Administrative Council

Lay Leader:	<u>David Bushfield Jr.</u> (2022)
Lay Delegate to Annual Conference:	<u>Elaine Hathaway</u> (2024)
Chairperson:	<u>Virginia McCabe</u> (2020)
Asst. Chairperson:	<u>Phil Burkle</u> (2022)
Secretary:	<u>Elaine Hathaway</u> (2022)
Treasurer:	Brad Nelson (2021)
Trustees Chairperson:	Kenneth Disinger (2021)
Staff-Parish Chairperson:	<u>Jacque Cooper</u> (2020)
Missions Chairperson:	Lyn Burkle (2020)
Finance Chairperson:	Phil Burkle (2022)
Adventure Club Coordinator:	Linda Ostler
LRE Coordinator:	Connie Hinesley
Prayer Coordinator:	Vicki Rabanus
Membership Secretary:	Vicki Rabanus (2021)

At Large Members

Class of 2020

Virginia McCabe
Margo Oren

Class of 2021

Dave Need
Heather Wiggins

Class of 2022

Nancy Disinger
Diane Miller

The Board of Trustees

Chairperson: Kenneth Disinger (2021)

Class of 2020

Dave Bushfield
Phil Emens
Gary Hathaway

Class of 2021

Kenneth Disinger
Joann Rothenberger

Class of 2022

Darrin Disinger
Jane Emens
Jeff Miller

Staff Parish Relations Committee

Chairperson: Jacque Cooper (2020)

Class of 2020

Jacque Cooper
Brad Nelson

Class of 2021

Connie Hinesley
Vicki Rabanus

Class of 2022

Tonya Bushfield
Dustin Green

Worship Team

Chairperson: Pastor Bob Raschka

Class of 2020

Brandy Marlow
Nancy Neidigh

Class of 2021

Virginia McCabe

Class of 2022

Lily Halcomb

Chancel Area Coordinator: Jacque Cooper

Communion Stewards: Linda Ostler & Ainura Nametullavyeva

Sound Technicians: Phil Emens & Brad Nelson

Finance Committee

Chairperson: Phil Burkle

Church Treasurer: Brad Nelson

Class of 2020

Debbie Pollard

Class of 2021

Mary Gray

Class of 2022

Phil Burkle

Financial Secretaries (count, record, and deposit offerings): Lyn Burkle, Jane Emens, Virginia McCabe

Missions Team

Chairperson: Lyn Burkle (2020)

Class of 2020

Lyn Burkle

Lisa Jensen

Class of 2021

Jane Emens

Diane Miller

Class of 2022

Phyllis Patterson

Joann Rothenberger

Rita Rothenberger

Church Camp Coordinator:

Brandy Marlow

Backpack Buddies Coordinator:

Dave Need

Nursery Coordinator:

Church office

Prayer Chain Coordinator:

Church office

Church Historian:

Audit Committee:

Nancy Disinger, Jacque Cooper, Debbie Pollard,
Brandy Marlow

Adventure Club Team

Coordinator: Linda Ostler

Teacher: Susan Zufall

Shepherds: Phyllis Patterson

Debbie Pollard

Crystal Dillingham

Connie Hinesley

Nikki Knox

Greeter: Vern Leslie

Music: Brandy Marlow

Activities and Games: Laura Pritchard

Sound and Video Screen: Pastor Bob Raschka

Snacks: Lyn Burkle

Committee on Lay Leadership (Nominations)

Chairperson: Bob Raschka

Lay Leader: Dave Bushfield

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Debbie Pollard

Class of 2021

Virginia McCabe

Class of 2022

Nancy Disinger

Nancy Neidigh

Margo Oren

January, 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 M&M Ladies' Bible Study 9 am LRE	2	3 No Religious Ed Christmas Break	4
5 Sunday School 9 am Worship and Jr. Church 10:15 am Unhang the Greens after church Service @ Milner's 3pm Prayer Group 5pm	6	7	8 M&M Ladies' Bible Study 9 am	9	10 Ladies Day Out 11am Parking lot  Religious Ed 1-3pm	11
12 Sunday School 9am Worship and Jr. Church 10:15 am Prayer Group 5pm R.O.C.K. Youth 6-7:30pm	13 Ad Council 7pm	14 7pm Bible Study 	15 M&M Ladies' Bible Study 9 am LRE	16	17 Religious Ed 1-3pm	18 Youth ROCK Trip to Winter Jam meet @ rock building 3pm
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