

Paoli United Methodist Church

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Sunday Schedule:

8:15 AM Worship
9:00 AM Sunday School
10:15 AM Worship



New Office Hours:

Monday & Wednesday – 8 AM-3 PM (closed for lunch 12-1)
Tuesday & Thursday – 9 AM-4 PM (closed for lunch 11-12)

Place label here.

Access church website
using the quick response
code.



paoli-umc.com



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use this quick
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March sermon titles & texts

March 7	Communion Sunday "Zeal" John 2:13-22
March 14	Christian Education Sunday "Be Saved" John 3:14-21
March 21	Food Pantry Sunday "A Troubled Soul" John 12:20-33
March 28	Mission Focus Sunday "Jerusalem" Mark 11:1-11

March Birthdays

2 Margaret Mathers
3 Diane Dillard
4 Lily Hall
5 Matt Bowen
7 Margaret McGiveney
8 Adam Mills
13 Mary LaVerne Boston
16 Rex Hudelson
18 Michael Harmon
21 David Mathers
22 Darek Newkirk
30 Larry Jones
31 Laura Gilmore
Shirley Padgett

March Anniversaries

6 Darlene & Irvin McBride
7 Rhonda & Kevin Mills
26 Brenda & Ryan Eubank

March 2021



March 28, 2021

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Prayer Blankets

If you would like your
prayer blanket re-blessed,
contact
Annabelle Rominger
(812) 865-0927
(812) 723-3190 or
annrobert@frontier.com

Please keep our
church coconut oil
and peanut free for
members who are
allergic.



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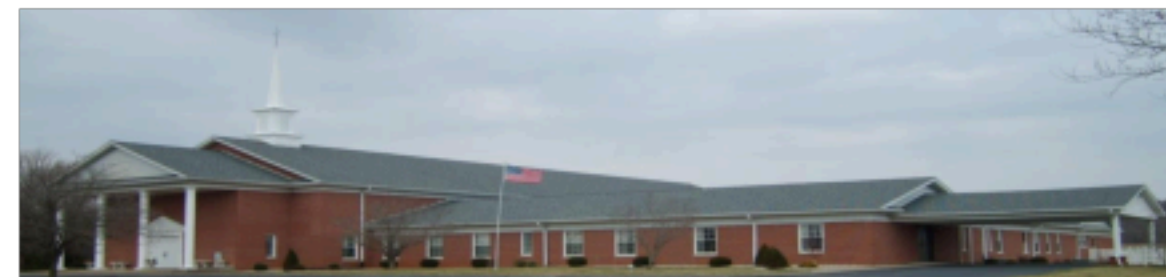


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LaMont's Lines March 2021

Money as a Spiritual Challenge
pg. 45 Seneca

Money is a spiritual challenge because it arouses deep passion in us and requires the best of us in moral reasoning and courage. The greatest acts of charity and the heinous acts of cruelty have this in common—money is the frequent medium through which these acts occur.

Money is a medium of power through which we act and are acted upon. A spiritual life that does not concern itself with money can have little effect on our daily lives, especially in a culture as saturated by financial forces such as ours. Strong feelings about money threaten to preoccupy us: shame at lacking it, pride in having it, fear of losing it, compulsive eagerness to spend it, gluttonous delight in hoarding it. Each of these feelings has a moral and spiritual dimension: At worst, shame can render us unconscious of our kinship with God's family; pride can make us feel like gods ourselves. Fear can take away the courage for moral action. Compulsive spending, like compulsive hoarding, turns our attention toward ourselves and away from the well-being of others. At its best money can be a spiritual plus. Money earned for useful work is an encouraging symbol of our worthiness and value. The thoughtful use of money—spending, saving, investing, giving—is an effective way to care for others and realize our visions of a better world.

Money may possess or haunt you an entire life time! Let go of the ghost of money past. Take the first step to see yourself as a competent wage earner. To calculate a number you may find astounding it is your total lifetime earnings. Visit the Social Security Administration Web site at www.ssa.gov, and request a copy of your social security statement. (You can also ask for it by phone from your local social security office.) The SSA contains a list of the earnings on which you paid social security tax each year, and an estimate of the benefit you will be likely to receive if you retire or are disabled. If you are 40 or 50 years old and have worked steadily since you graduated from college, you very likely have received between \$500,000 and \$1 million in your lifetime. Adding up your lifetime earnings probably won't change your image of yourself quite that much, but it might!

Work with the Holy Spirit to accept the gift of your relationship with money. What you own (assets), what you owe (liabilities), what's left (net worth). We now have key facts for a reality check on your lifelong relationship with money. Next open up a conversation with God about the prophecies for your money's future. Financial numbers can't tell you how much you should spend, save or borrow. What financial number can tell you is what will happen if you make certain choices.

Sunday Service Times

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9:00 A.M. Sunday School/Adult Bible Study

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March

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Ad Council 7 PM Via zoom	2	3	4 Endowment Meeting 11 AM via zoom	5	6
7 8:15 Worship 10:15 Worship Sanctuary Communion	8	9	10	11 Staff Parish Meeting 7 PM via zoom	12	13
14 8:15 Worship 10:15 Worship Sanctuary District Conference 2 PM via zoom Christian Education	15	16 Trustees Meeting 7 PM	17	18	19	20
21 8:15 Worship 10:15 Worship Sanctuary Food Pantry	22 Spring Break	23	24	25	26	27 Passover
28 8:15 Worship 10:15 Worship Sanctuary Palm Sunday Mission Focus	29	30	31 Remember Paoli United Methodist Church in you will. Contact Skip Lambdin, endowment chair, skip11963@gmail.com or 812-345-3873. Church WiFi password - PUMC WiFi: 8127232965			

I alone cannot change the world, but I can
cast a stone across the waters to create
many ripples. - Mother Teresa


Particular Sunday Emphasizes1st Sunday of the month -
Communion2nd Sunday of the month -
Christian Education/Jr. Church3rd Sunday of the month -
Food Pantry/Altar Call4th Sunday of the month -
Mission Moment/Jr. Church5th Sunday of the month -
Stewardship Moment/Altar Call**Local AA meetings**

Paoli
Mondays, 10 A.M.; New Hope
Christian Church
Tuesdays, 8 P.M.; Paoli Wesleyan
Church
Orleans
Wednesdays, 8 P.M.; American
Legion Post 69
French Lick
Sundays, 7 P.M.; Springs Valley
Wesleyan Church
Wednesdays 7 P.M. Beechwood
Christian Church

For up-to-date changes on AA
meetings visit:
<http://www.district10.area23aa.org>

Members in nursing & retirement facilities

Martha Denny Rm. 119
Bliss House, 3008 S. Shawnee Dr.
Bedford, Indiana 47421
Rosemary Noble Rm. 307B
Garden Villa, 2111 Norton Ln.
Bedford, Indiana 47421
Marilyn Rutherford Bivins Rm. 210,
Bill Cromwell Rm. 306
Paoli Health & Living, 559 W. Longest St.
Paoli, Indiana 47454

Home bound -

Charlotte Lane
312 Fair St.
Paoli, IN 47454

Pastor visits the home bound & retirement
facilities once a month.

Pastor's Emergency Contact Information**Pastor LaMont's contact information -**E-mail: paoli793umc@gmail.com

Cell & parsonage: (812) 653-5677
(text available)

Ivy's contact information -Email: secretary.paoli1umc@hotmail.com

Cell (use for emergencies): (812) 653-4306

Drug Take-Back Program

A reminder that IU Health has a drug
take-back program as a safe and easy
way to dispose of leftover or expired
medication. The disposable box is
located on the first floor or IU Health
Paoli hospital.



American Red Cross

**BLOOD
DRIVE**

Upcoming Blood Drive
Thursday, April 15th

Sign up in Secretary Office or by email

**Local Suicide
Prevention Line**

(812) 422-1100

www.southwestern.org

Help is available
24 hours a day,
7 days a week

**Unspoken
Prayer Requests**

1/31-

8:15- 3

10:15- 3

2/7-

8:15- 1

10:15- 4

2/14- NA

8:15-

10:15-

2/21- NA

8:15-

10:15-

The purpose of this
page is to help
congregational
members locate
resources or
information which
may be helpful.

★ **Tax Exemption**
Saves us 7% of
purchase price!

If you are making a
purchase on behalf of
the church, please
remember to use our
tax-exempt number. If
you do not have that
information, stop by the
church office to pick up
the needed documents.




Celebrations & Member Care

Lifting up others in prayer and giving thanks

The earnest, heartfelt, continued prayer of a righteous man makes tremendous power available – dynamic in it working. James 5:16 AMP

Our Church's Prayer List-

Brenda Allen	Diane Dillard	Clarence Martin	Matt & Dawson Wright
Jennifer Austin	Deegan Epperson	Connie McBride	
Ann Babcock	Larry Evans	Irvin McBride	
Rex Babcock	Dennie Followell	Tony McKeighen	
Marilyn Rutherford Bivins	Denise Hamilton	Chet Messengale	updated 2/24/2021
Billy Bostock	Matt Henderson	John & Mary Ruth Miley	
LeRoy Boyer	Anna Hudelson	Rosemary Noble	
Angie Basinger-Breeden	Roxanne Kemple	Paulette Purkhiser	
Denise Bruner	Ali King	Hilma Rutherford	
Mike Burton	Steve & Sheryl Kingston	Scott Stemle	
Pat Carroll	Payton Krider	Paige Tow	
Brenda R Cooper	Charlotte Lane	Melanie Trinkle	
Sharron Cousineau	Joyce Lewis & Family	Rex & Valerie Tuell	
Bill Cromwell	Sandra Lily Family	Sarann Weeks	

Seen in the newspaper- Honor Roll

Michael Hannon	Libby Newkirk	Willson Windhorst
Tyler Hannon	Max Newkirk	
Clara Henderson	Lily Stroud	
Connor Henderson	Maggie Vincent	
Andrew Kumpf	Stella Windhorst	



THE REAL DISCIPLESHIP SURVEY

The Real Discipleship Survey is an instrument designed to support the development of maturing disciples at both the personal and congregational levels. It measures the level of maturity in each of six dimensions of discipleship:

- A Life of Worship
- A Life of Hospitality
- A Life Open to Jesus
- A Life Obeying Jesus
- A Life of Service
- A Life of Generosity

Church Access Code: INDIANAJOY

(all uppercase, no spaces)

If you have questions,
contact R.C. Muhlbauer
(robert.muhlbauer@inumc.org).

At the personal level, each participant receives a report indicating the level of maturity for each dimension, possible next steps for growth, and suggested resources for personal development. It is a powerful tool, particularly when used in a discipleship coaching relationship, for supporting the development of growing disciples.

At the church level, each participant receives the report as described previously. In addition, the church administrator receives a matrix giving the percentage of persons identifying themselves in each of the levels of maturity for each dimension. This is an invaluable resource for discipleship teams in planning for the support of an intentional discipleship process.

The Indiana Conference has purchased a conference-wide license which makes the survey free for all INUMC churches and congregants! Below are links to instructions for churches to "claim their profile" and for individuals to take the survey.

The Lenten Season

Historical Development

Lent is rooted in the historical practices of the first century church. Originally, Lent lasted only forty hours, representing the forty hours Jesus' body lay in the tomb. In the third century the church in Jerusalem extended the season to six days and dubbed it Holy Week. Each day of Holy Week worship services would be conducted in the proper geographic location—Pilate's Hall, the Upper Room and so forth. When the western church celebrated Holy Week, they substituted the stations of the cross for the geographic locations. Special emphasis was accorded to the so-called tridium—Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter.

Next the six days of Holy Week were extended to 36 days, a tithe of the 365-day calendar. Charlemagne rounded this period off to forty days in 731 A.D. The number "40" had biblical precedent. Jesus fasted for forty days in the wilderness at the onset of his public ministry. Moses communed with God for forty days atop Mount Sinai in order to receive the Ten Commandments. The Israelites wandered for forty years in the wilderness. Thus, forty is a nice round number indicating a long time.

Lent is actually 46, not forty, days since Sundays are not considered as part of Lent. That's why we speak of Sundays "in" Lent, not Sundays "of" Lent. Nevertheless, observance of the season has spilled over into the Sunday observance. We see indications of this with the liturgical color of purple in the paraments and the absence of the "Alleluia" and the "Glory to God".

The Significance Of Lent For The Believer

In the fourth century, Lent was a six-week period of catechesis for those who were preparing to become members of the church through Holy Baptism. It was an intense period of examination, prayer, repentance, and education to prepare the candidate for initiation into the mysteries of the faith, the sacraments. The candidate took on a new identity and became a new person in Christ. Those deemed ready to be admitted into the mysteries were baptized very early Easter morning to demonstrate that they were dying and rising with Christ. After Christianity became legalized in 325 A.D., Lent gradually became a general period of penitence for all believers. It remains a time when the church holds high the sufferings of Christ and his death on the cross. This observation should not be a macabre attempt to inflict personal suffering on ourselves. Rather, grasping the enormity of Christ's sacrifice and sufferings on our behalf, we are to respond with renewed repentance and faith.

Theological Themes Of Lent

Sacrifice—The First Lesson for The First Sunday In Lent is the story of God's testing of Abraham by asking him to sacrifice his son Isaac. Of course, the sacrifice of Christ on the cross permeates every aspect of our Lenten observance.

Repentance—The church opens Lent with a call to repentance on Ash Wednesday. Joel 2:12 dramatically introduces this theme in these words: "Yet even now", says the Lord, "return to me with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your hearts and not your garments."

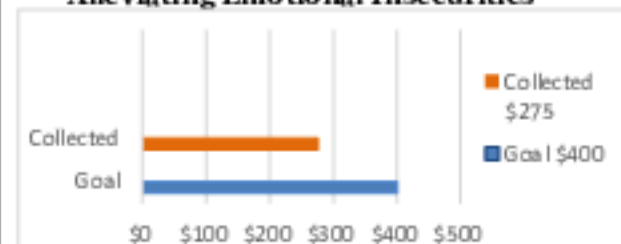
Suffering and death—Lent addresses the most troubling issue of mankind since the fall; What is the meaning of suffering and death? No philosophical answers are forthcoming. Rather, the Lenten texts confront us with the bold assertion that God himself suffers with us, redeeming our suffering and death.

The disciplines of Lent—These are prayer, fasting and almsgiving. These disciplines are held up for us in the Ash Wednesday Gospel (Matthew 6). These are the tools with which we can draw closer to Christ and experience a renewal of our spirit. Jesus prayed and fasted for forty days in the wilderness at the beginning of his public ministry. When Lent draws to a close, we find Jesus praying passionately in the Garden of Gethsemane. Abundant opportunities and encouragements to pray should be offered during the Lenten season. Fasting remains a solidly biblical practice that is largely ignored by Protestants. The Roman Church has also lessened the requirements for fasting. From the earliest times of the church, fasting was practiced on Fridays and on the Friday and Saturday of Holy Week. Fasting is a means of subordinating our physical needs to the spiritual. Also, fasting has been employed as a means of identifying with the sufferings of Christ. Lent provides us with a wonderful rationale for engaging in the third discipline of Lent, almsgiving. God has given himself to us in Christ; we show our appreciation by giving to God and others. Many congregations have special projects to which they contribute during Lent and provide special offering envelopes, folders and the like. Church members respond more favorably to giving more during Lent than they do to an appeal for increased prayer and fasting. It's easier to open our pocketbooks than it is to rend our hearts.

Mission Section

II. Blankets of Love January-March

Alleviating Emotional Insecurities



Essentials Project

organized by the Becomer's Class

*Donations can be dropped off in the Sanctuary

Items Needed:

hair conditioner
face wash
shampoo and conditioner for men
deodorant
chap stick
nail clippers
mini hand sanitizer
hair brushes
body wipes

Any personal items are appreciated!

Alleviating Food Insecurities

I. Food Pantry

If you are bringing items for the food pantry, please take them to the sanctuary foyer and place them in the designated area.

Donate recyclable bags

Outside Security Camera

Please help me

Whenever you ring the security camera door bell, remain standing in front of the camera. You can find the security camera on the right side of the east church doors. When you remain standing in front of the camera it helps your church secretary recognize you. It may take a few moments to respond. Once you are recognized, you will hear a click allowing you to enter the right-hand door. The security camera was added as a protection for church staff during these turbulent times. Ivy



Promoting Our Church in the Community

Monday-Friday
Faith Break
WUME

Weekly - the Paoli News Republican church section - worship schedule

24/7
www.paoli-umc.com
Google Reviews

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III. Blood Drives

Alleviating Blood Insecurities

Upcoming Drives
April 15th
3 PM-7PM



A Helping Hand To Others
"If your heart be as my heart, give me your hand"
-John Wesley

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Phishing Information

What are the different types of phishing attacks?

Phishing attack have a great range of targets depending on the attacker. They could be the generic email phishing that is looking for anyone who has a PayPal account. These are probably recognizable as phishing though. Phishing can go to the other extreme where the email is targeted at literally one person. The attacker will spend time and take great care to craft an email for one person, usually because of the access that they have. If the email is at this end of the spectrum it is very difficult for even the most paranoid to not fall prey to it. Statistics show that 91% of information security breaches begins with a phishing scheme of some kind.

What is spear fishing?

Spear fishing targets a specific group or type or individuals such as the company's system administrators. If you are going fishing you could pull in an old boot, a tuna or a flounder, any kind of fish. If you are going fishing with a spear you are picking a specific fish to go after, hence the name. The targets are just that, targets.

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Instagram

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Check out the updates we've made to our social media sites!

Palm Sunday: March 28th
Easter Sunday: April 4th

Expense Vouchers

Approved and initiated by the finance committee, the purpose of the expense vouchers is to have specific people be able to sign off on certain expenses. The committee chairperson is the only one signing off on an expense. This allows for a clearer picture of the budget amount still available to be used in any calendar year. It also makes the checking of expenses easier on the church auditor and treasurer. Below is a list of the categories for vouchers.

Christian Education, Endowment, Evangelism/Member Care, Mission & Faith Promise, Funeral Dinners, Funeral cards/flowers, Office Expenses, Staff-Parish & Finance, Trustees, and Worship

Expense vouchers can be found on secretary's desk.

COVID-19 Vaccine Updates & Resources

New quarantine guidance after 2nd dose

You are no longer required to quarantine following an exposure to someone with COVID-19 if fully vaccinated (you've had both doses) and you meet specific criteria:

- Are fully vaccinated (2 weeks after getting final dose)
- Are within 3 months after getting the last dose
- No COVID-19 symptoms

Anyone who doesn't meet all three of the above criteria should continue to follow current quarantine guidance after exposure to someone with suspected or confirmed COVID-19.

Helpful Resources

- Register for a vaccination appointment and stay up to date at [OurShot.IN.gov](https://ourshot.in.gov). Call Indiana 211 or 1-866-211-9966 if you have difficulty registering online.
- Learn about V-Safe COVID-19 after-vaccination health check at [v-safe \(cdc.gov\)](https://v-safe.cdc.gov)

★ To date, **356,204** Hoosiers have been fully vaccinated!



Phishing Information Continued

What is whaling?

Whaling is an even more targeted type of phishing than just spear phishing as it goes after the whales, the BIG fish. These attacks target the CEO, CFO or any Cxx within industry or even a specific business. A whaling email might state that their company is getting sued and they need to click on the link in order to get more info. The link then takes them to a page where they enter all of the critical data about their company such as Tax ID# and bank account #s. It is an unfortunate collision of names since whales are actually not fish.

What is Smishing?

Smishing is an attack that uses our text messaging or SMS (short message service) to get our attention. A message that comes into your cell phone through SMS that contains a link to click through or a phone number to call would result in a smishing attack. A likely scenario that has played out many times is an SMS that looks like it is coming from your bank that tells you that your account has been compromised and you need to call (or respond) immediately. Then the attacker asks you to verify your bank account number, SSN, etc. Then just like that the attacker has control of your bank account.

What is vishing?

Vishing carries the same theme as all of these phishing attacks, the attackers are still after the user's personal information, or sensitive corporate info. This attack is done through a voice call. Hence the "v" rather than "ph" on the name.

What has become a classic attack here is the call that has been received by so many that says they are calling from Microsoft and are worried about you because you appear to have a virus on your computer. Long story short the user turns over their credit card details to get a better version of anti-virus software installed on their computer. The attacker now has your credit card info and they have gotten you to install what is likely to be malware on your computer. The malware could contain anything from a banking trojan to a bot. The banking trojan will watch your online activity to steal more details from you, this time your bank account info, to include your password. A bot (short for robot) is a piece of software that will do whatever the hacker wants it to do. A bot is controlled by command and control (CnC) to mine for bit coins, send spam, launch an attack as part of a DDoS (distributed denial of service) attack.

What is email phishing?

Email phishing is probably the most common type of phishing that has been seen since the 90's. These are the emails that are sent to any and all email addresses that a hacker can obtain. The email usually tells the recipient that there has been a compromise to their account and they need to respond immediately by clicking on "this" link. These attacks are usually easy to spot as the English is not clear. It often has the feeling that someone used a translation program and went through 5 different languages and then landed in English.

Some emails are much harder to recognize as phishing. When the email is more carefully crafted the way the language and grammar is constructed may not give it away as a phishing email. If you check the email source and the actual link that you are being directed to then it is easier to detect the source is suspicious.

Another phishing scam, referred to as sextortion, is accomplished by sending someone an email that appears to come from themselves. In the email the hacker claims to have hacked into your email account and from there into your computer. They claim to have two critical things: your password and a recorded video of you. The recorded video is where the sextortion part comes in. The claim is that you have been watching adult content videos from your computer and the camera was on at that time and recording. The demand is that you pay them, usually in bitcoin, or they will release that video to family or colleagues.

What is search engine phishing?

Search engine phishing, also known as SEO poisoning or SEO trojans, is where the hackers work to become the top hit on a search using google or other engines. If they are successful and can get someone to click on their link it takes them to their (hacker) website. Then when you interact with it and enter sensitive data, they got you. The types of websites this could be is really anything; prime candidates are banks, PayPal, social media, shopping to name a few.

