

## Sunday, November 22

### One Worship Service @ 10:00 a.m.

There will be one service on Sunday, November 22 @ 10:00 a.m. with an All Church pitch in meal following the service. Sunday School will be at 9:00 a.m. This will also be Youth Sunday. **Thursday, November 5 service will be as usual @ 6:30 p.m.** and will be lead by the youth.

## Thank You to Opportunity Day Preschool

Opportunity Day recently made a \$10,000 contribution to Speedway Christian Church. Part of this gift will help to pay for the repair of the wooden triple doors at the front of the church. Tom Smith is Board Chair for Opportunity Day. The other members of the Board are: Kayla Carmichael, Kim Chaplin, Melanie Heaviland, Lyndsay Tohill, and Sally Weiss. Interim Director for Opportunity Day is Amy DeLisle. A big thank you to Opportunity Day. They are a good partner with SCC. If you have the chance, please take time to thank as many of these Opportunity Day representatives as you can.



## Great Day for SCC Bazaar!

The bazaar is over, a job well done SCC! The bazaar committee is very grateful for everyone's participation and hard work, it all paid off! Proceeds from the bazaar totaled \$5,102.25, and will be given to the SCC Renovation/Capital fund.

Thank you to everyone who donated items, helped setup, worked at the bazaar and helped clean up after. You each helped to make the bazaar a success. Thank you and God Bless each of you. ~ Bobbi Jones & Sally Henzie

## Zeller Basketball Stars' Mom and Dad Tell How They Raised Their Talented Kids

Steve & Lorri Zeller will share stories of how they raised three basketball stars in their new book [Raising Boys the Zeller Way](#) at Speedway Christian Church, Monday, November 16 @ 7:00 p.m. Admission is free. Attendees are encouraged to purchase a copy of the book, which will be available for the discounted price of \$20 each, including the opportunity to have Steve & Lorri personally sign it. For further information, contact Chuck Bennett @ 244-7238.

## SCC Book Club to begin Second Round

The book that has been chosen for the book club is *The Boys in the Boat*. The first meeting will be Wednesday, November 4, 7:00 p.m. in the Bethany Room. Future dates will be decided at the first gathering.



## Children's Foundation in Church – Our Future Leaders

As we explore various ways that children impact our lives, one of the most important ways is involving them in the worship service. I firmly believe that as Christians, we should actively seek to minister to children in and outside of church. Leaders in the church should make it a priority to teach God's Word to children. They like to participate in many activities, and if we include them in service, they can experience the attitude of servanthood and leadership in the church.

Thinking about my own personal childhood experiences in church, I believe that young children can serve as part of the church. The church my family belonged to went to the local nursing home once a month on a Sunday morning to have church with the residents there. My mom went on these Sundays, and as a six year old, I went with her to help at the nursing home. What a joy it was to be able to help push the residents in their wheelchairs to the activity room where they had their worship service, or sometimes just to sit and hold their hands. If our church wants to reach out to the community, why not include young children to help serve the community?

I have been serving at Speedway Christian Church for three months, and am thrilled to see that we have a vibrant children's program. Just a few weeks ago, the children participated in worship with an anthem, and it was marvelous to see how many were singing. When they can be a part of glorifying Christ with music, they are serving. If the church invites children from the community, this can lead them to learning God's message, which may be their first and only exposure to the path of salvation. We see the importance of children to Jesus in Matthew 19:13-15, "Then little children were brought to Jesus for him to place his hands on them and pray for them. But the disciples rebuked those who brought them. Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.' When he had placed his hands on them, he went on from there."

Nikolai Peek

## Please keep in Prayer

Shirley Shoup  
Kalman King  
David Anderson (Eric Anderson's father)



Our sympathy is extended to the family of Eva Lucid, who passed away on Saturday, October 31, 2015. Viewing will be Wednesday, November 4, 4:00-7:00 p.m. at Flanner & Buchanan Funeral Center, 2706 W. Kessler Blvd. N. Dr., Indianapolis, IN. Graveside services will be held, Thursday, November 5, at 11:00 a.m. Washington Park North.

Sympathy is extended to Joe & Sandy Ridenour and Jeff & Denise Ridenour upon the death of Joe's brother Phillip Ridenour. Services will be held in Wabash, Indiana.

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**Welcome New Baby!** Congratulations to Rose & David Hunter on the birth of **Lily Madison Hunter** on Friday, October 23, 2015. We also congratulate Georgia Stackhouse, maternal grandmother, and Jim & Jean Hunter, paternal great-grandparents.

**Thank you!** Morgan is doing very well. His surgery was a success and he is healing nicely. We want to say thank you to everyone that sent cards, and for all the prayers. Morgan is back at church and school, and looks forward to seeing everyone.  
~ Lou & Carmel Grimes



### Volunteers Needed

Fisher Elementary School, located across from SCC on 14th Street, would like to start an after school tutoring program. They are looking for adults to volunteer one day a week to help students with schoolwork from 2:45-3:30 p.m.

If you are interested in volunteering or want to know more information, please contact Kim Bennett at 481-8315 or [kmchckben@aol.com](mailto:kmchckben@aol.com). It would be a great way to start another partnership with Speedway Schools. ~ Kim Bennett

### Stewardship/Finance

September 2015 Receipts .....	\$ 33,227.14
September 2015 Expenses .....	\$ 45,712.94
	<u>Offering</u> <u>Attendance</u>
October 25, 2015	\$ 12,873.40                      222
November 1, 2015	\$ 10,419.06                      315

### Thinking Out Loud...

"How My Mind Has Changed" is a series of ongoing articles that has appeared in the publication *The Christian Century* for eighty or so years. The articles are usually a few pages long, and they are written with much candor by well-known, great Christian thinkers. They talk about how they "used to think" and how that has evolved through the years. Their minds have changed, because of new insights. These have been prompted by experiences and by exposure to new ways of seeing things, particularly new ways of seeing what it means to be a follower of Jesus Christ.

How has your mind changed? I'm sure that all of us can say, "I used to believe (fill in blank), but now I believe (fill in the blank)." We can say that we have changed, because the Christian life is a process. We never arrive in the Promised Land; we are always journeying toward it. We don't grasp the truth once and for all with no need ever to change. Even Jesus was always in the process of discovering new insights. Luke 2: 52 says, "And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor."

One of the things that strikes me in *The Christian Century* articles is that those who speak of their minds changing have not just had a shift in their thinking. It has been a process of deepening their relationship with God. It has meant a change at the center of their souls. They have been in the process of what the apostle Paul describes as becoming a new creation (2 Corinthians 5:17).

Have you been in the process of becoming a new creation? In John 3, Jesus tells Nicodemus that he needs to be born again or born from above. Some see this as a one time transaction in which a person's life suddenly shifts courses 180°. I tend to think that the Christian life is one of ongoing conversion. There is a sense in which we have to be born again or born from above every day, and even in the course of each day.

I see the Christian life as one of ups and downs, filled with many detours and surprises in the course of the journey. It's an exciting journey, because we travel in the company of God and we travel with others who are also on the journey. We don't travel alone.

Take time to reflect on your life as I reflect on mine. If we haven't been and still aren't evolving in our relationship with God, we need to do some serious evaluating, because God is always trying to nudge us in new directions so that we might become more of the person God wants to continue to create us to be.

Enjoy the journey,  
Scott

**Attention All Department Chairs -**

**Admin Meeting**

**Tuesday, November 10 — 7:00 p.m.**

**Please plan to attend.**

**Catch the Vision: Give so It Lives!**  
**October 25 Congregational Meeting Summary**

More than 60 interested church members met October 25 between services for information and Q and A on the church's proposed 2016 general operating budget of \$499,855.

Moderator David Shank, Stewardship & Finance Chair Alice McColgin and stewardship campaign team member Roy Shoemaker emphasized the importance of increasing overall giving commitments by five percent to fully fund realistic programs, ministries, facility and personnel. (See online special edition of Spirit@SCC for complete presentation handouts, plus details on the proceeds from the sale of the house on 14<sup>th</sup> Street.)

The good news is our giving has increased eight percent over last year, and this is truly something to celebrate!

But if you've followed the stewardship reports this year you know our expenses have continued to outpace our income. Major repairs are being made to the building's stonework and the roof on both the sanctuary and education wing.

During 2015 staff and lay leaders have spent little on programs and ministries but accomplished much by using creative ways to do God's work in our community and beyond:

- Added 26 new members
- Sunday evening Youth Groups have 50 kids participating from nine different schools
- Increased support to St. John's Storehouse programs
- Funded 28 church camp scholarships with a special fundraiser
- Provided strong worship services and activities for our members and the greater community. Pastoral care calls and visitation to homebound members, the hospitalized, grieving and people searching for faith and forgiveness

**It's critical to remember an increase of five percent in giving by our congregation will allow the departments and programs of our church to:**

- Expand outreach programs to provide more food, basic beds and bedding for local families
- Provide additional opportunities for our children and youth ministries
- Buy new study materials and learning tools for Christian education
- Reinstate some personnel benefits

A fully funded budget might provide small raises (See online Special Edition of Spirit@SCC for additional personnel reduction information)

**Youth News**

Congrats to Alex Salima, who was honored as a new Eagle Scout at an Eagle Court of Honor last Sunday. Eagle is the highest rank in

Scouting. Alex did his Eagle Project here at Speedway CC, enhancing the playground area next to the church. Congrats as well to the Speedway High School volleyball team going to State this Saturday, November 7! We have four girls on the team: Billie Jarrett, Mary Sears, Mackenzie and Karly Smith. Thank you to the Bishop, Chaplin and Percy families for feeding our big crowds these past two Sundays!

**Highlights Looking Ahead:**

- **Youth Sunday – November 22** – Work is well under way on Youth Sunday. Two more weeks to prepare!
- **Chili Cookoff – December 6** – The annual Chili Cookoff will be Sunday evening, December 6, following the Children's Advent Program.

**Christmas Poinsettias**

If you would like to order a poinsettia, please **complete** the order form below, *return the completed form along with your check (payable to Speedway Christian Church) by Monday, November 30 - noon.* Any questions, please check with the church office. *Extra order forms available in the Hall of Lights.*



**Order Form for Christmas Poinsettias**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

*I would like to order \_\_\_\_\_ # of poinsettias  
 @ \$11.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total*

**In Honor of:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Or In Memory of:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please return the completed order form along with your check (payable to Speedway Christian Church) to the church office by Monday, November 30, 2015 - noon.**

*Seek God's will in all you do, and he will show you the path to take. Proverbs 3:6*

### Worship Schedule Sunday, November 8

#### 8:15 a.m. Worship Service

**Service Leaders:** Denny Smith, Jane Smith

**Worship Leader:** Hannah McDonald

**Elder:** Bob Oeth

#### 10:15 a.m. Worship Service

**Communion Preparation & Clean Up:** Eunice Circle

**Service Leaders:** Brad Mosier, Lisa Mosier

**Worship Leader:** Hannah McDonald

**Elders:** Art Vermillion (Bread), Jane Lowe (Cup)

**Deacons & Greeters:** Alan Condre, Darren Yochum

**Serving Communion:** Juanita Fox, Ginny Beck, Jack Realy,

Sabrina Straub-Harting, Don Brooks, Susan Hollis

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**Sound Tech:** Tim Davidson

### Thursday, November 12, 2015

**Worship Leader:** Allen Percy

**Elder:** Bill Harting

### Worship Schedule Sunday, November 15

#### 8:15 a.m. Worship Service

**Service Leaders:** Denny Smith, Jane Smith

**Worship Leader:** Allen Percy

**Elder:** Angie Smith

#### 10:15 a.m. Worship Service

**Communion Preparation & Clean Up:** Eunice Circle

**Service Leaders:** Barb Vance

**Worship Leader:** Allen Percy

**Elders:** Alice McColgin (Bread), Christy Morris (Cup)

**Deacons & Greeters:** Mackenzie Smith, Laura Tice

**Serving Communion:** Jerry Oliver, Sarah Richmond, Chuck

Henzie, Ed Hawkins, Joy Rose, Logan Rose

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**Sound Tech:** Joe Edmiston

### Thursday, November 19, 2015

**Worship Leader:** SCC Youth

### Warm Clothing is Needed

SCC will be helping children in area schools with warm clothing that they will need for the colder weather. *Needed items are new or gently used for ages 7-12 years: Coats, Shoes (please attach together), Hats, and Gloves*



Any questions, please contact Linda Walthall. Thank you for your generosity.

### CWF Collecting Food Items

During November, the ladies of CWF (Christian Women's Fellowship) will be collecting food items for the food pantry at Central Christian Church. This has been an annual project for CWF for many years. Central Christian Church is located at 701 N. Delaware Street, and they are always in need of help. This food pantry helps over 90 households each month. Please place donated food items in the bin marked Central Christian Church Food Pantry. The bin will be located at the rear parking entrance near the sanctuary doors.



### Church - Emergency on Call Contact

**Friday, November 6 — Sunday, November 8**

**Randy Kuss (317) 201-7095**

**Friday, November 13 — Sunday, November 15**

**Marge Graham (317) 313-5337**

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