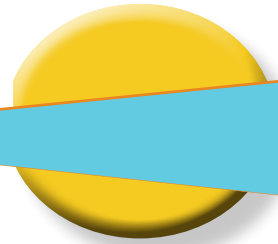




# First Wayne Street

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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February 2019

## GOOD NEWS

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### SERMONS ONLINE

Our Sunday sermons are posted on our website every week. Go to [FWSUMC.org](http://FWSUMC.org) and click on the "Sermons" tab on the home page. Contact the church office if you would like a DVD of a worship service or a printed copy of a particular sermon.

## A HEART FOR HELPING

*Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ (Galatians 6:2, NRSV).*

First Wayne Street has a rich history in so many areas. It has been a delight to serve with you this past year. As we look toward the future together, Stephen Ministers and Care Team members at First Wayne Street continue to meet the needs of the congregation in the midst of struggles and transitions.

Some of you may ask what is Stephen Ministries? It is a group of laypeople trained to provide one-to-one Christ-centered care.

At First Wayne Street there are 15 trained Stephen Ministers. A Stephen Minister typically has one person (care receiver) at a time and meets with that person once a week to listen, care, pray, encourage, and offer emotional and spiritual support. Stephen Ministers meet once a month to provide prayer support and encouragement to each other.

Stephen Ministry is also about leadership. At First Wayne Street, leadership started when Pat Lee and Sarah Phillips went to leadership training. Training takes place throughout the year in more than 13,000 congregations with the

program. This represents over 170 denominations, all 50 states, all 10 Canadian provinces and 30 other countries. Training is completed in a week. God might be calling you to take a week of vacation from your job to attend training and serve Him.

Currently Stephen Ministers are rotating leadership among themselves.

Look in the bulletin for who is leading each month. Be sure you pray for this person and ask them about their faith journey.

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By Pastor  
Jan Funk

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First Wayne currently has an opportunity for new leaders. This leadership training allows you to serve Christ, our church and be a leader in your work setting and community. For information, go to [Stephenministries.org](http://Stephenministries.org) or call Pastor Jan.

Stephen Ministry and Care Team are about a presence in the community. We often provide care for people in the broader community, enhancing and expanding our congregation's outreach in powerful ways. We care for neighbors, regularly tutor students, and provide Christian leadership to friends and family.

This unique call from God allows each to witness to the people they meet each day.

# Adult Sunday school class tackles issue of race

Koinonia is a Sunday School Class for adults who enjoy a variety of topics and outreach ministry. They have shared leadership with discussions on a variety of topics ranging from Scripture to current events to religious humor.

Seeking to live up to the meaning of the word “Koinonia,” this class strives

for both an inner goodness – through studying the Scriptures, for example – and an outer goodness – by reaching out in fellowship to one another and others, and by serving our church, our community, and beyond

Beginning February 3, Marilyn Moran-Townsend will lead the class for several

Sundays.

*“This is not a topic I can talk about!”*

The Koinonia class is going to talk about the Christian response to racism. First and foremost, this will be a safe environment, with the help of two wonderful Christian authors. Our goal will be to care for each other’s emotions

as we learn together.

Topics for this study include:

Race is a story  
America’s Original Sin, Repentance, The New Jim Crow and Bearing Witness.

Resource Books:  
“Anxious to Talk About It” by Carolyn Helsel  
“America’s Original Sin” by Jim Wallis

## BIBLE READING CHALLENGE SCHEDULE

MARCH 1	MARCH 9	MARCH 17	MARCH 25
Morning: Numbers 26, 27 Evening: Mark 8:22-38	Morning: Deut. 8-10 Evening: Mark 12:28-44	Morning: Deut. 29, 30 Evening: Mark 16	Morning: Joshua 14, 15 Evening: Luke 4:33-44
MARCH 2	MARCH 10	MARCH 18	MARCH 26
Morning: Numbers 28, 29 Evening: Mark 9:1-29	Morning: Deut. 11-13 Evening: Mark 13:1-13	Morning: Deut. 31, 32 Evening: Luke 1:1-23	Morning: Joshua 16-18 Evening: Luke 5:1-16
MARCH 3	MARCH 11	MARCH 19	MARCH 27
Morning: Numbers 30, 21 Evening: Mark 9:30-50	Morning: Deut. 14-16 Evening: Mark 13:14-37	Morning: Deut. 33, 34 Evening: Luke 1:24-56	Morning: Joshua 19, 20 Evening: Luke 5:17-39
MARCH 4	MARCH 12	MARCH 20	MARCH 28
Morning: Numbers 32, 33 Evening: Mark 10:1-31	Morning: Deut. 17-19 Evening: Mark 14:1-25	Morning: Joshua 1-3 Evening: Luke 1:57-80	Morning: Joshua 21, 22 Evening: Luke 6:1-26
MARCH 5	MARCH 13	MARCH 21	MARCH 29
Morning: Numbers 34-36 Evening: Mark 10:32-52	Morning: Deut. 20-22 Evening: Mark 14:26-50	Morning: Joshua 4-6 Evening: Luke 2:1-24	Morning: Joshua 23, 24 Evening: Luke 6:27-49
MARCH 6	MARCH 14	MARCH 22	MARCH 30
Morning: Deut. 1, 2 Evening: Mark 11:1-19	Morning: Deut. 23-25 Evening: Mark 14:51-72	Morning: Joshua 7, 8 Evening: Luke 2:25-52	Morning: Judges 1, 2 Evening: Luke 7:1-30
MARCH 7	MARCH 15	MARCH 23	MARCH 31
Morning: Deut. 3, 4 Evening: Mark 11:20-33	Morning: Deut. 26, 27 Evening: Mark 15:1-26	Morning: Joshua 9, 10 Evening: Luke 3	Morning: Judges 3-5 Evening: Luke 7:31-50
MARCH 8	MARCH 16	MARCH 24	
Morning: Deut. 5-7 Evening: Mark 12:1-27	Morning: Deut. 28 Evening: Mark 15:27-47	Morning: Joshua 11 - 13 Evening: Luke 4:1-32	

# IS GOD CALLING YOU TO SERVE?

*Zartman set to retire; employment opportunity at First Wayne Street*

Our Director of Congregational Life and Nurture, Anna Zartman, will be retiring at the end of March after many faithful years of service.

We are now looking for that special person who has a heart for Jesus Christ, a passion for making disciples of all ages, and love for people. Maybe God is calling YOU to join our wonderful

ministry team! A copy of the job description is available in the church office and on the church website ([www.fwsumc.org](http://www.fwsumc.org)) and resumes should be submitted to Rev. Cheryl Garbe ([cheryl.garbe@inumc.org](mailto:cheryl.garbe@inumc.org)).

P.S. The good news is that Anna is not going anywhere and we will be planning a celebration of her ministry!



## To the congregation ...

Retirement, when I say the word it is hard to believe that it is happening but Roger said he is retiring with or without me so I better get up and go with him. I hear from church members that you better do it while you're able. Katie and Eric haven't started a family yet so Roger

and I can gallivant around the country for a while, maybe even the world. Dream your dreams they say. I am ready to pass the baton to someone else to lead and nurture this loving congregation. March 31 will be my last day officially orchestrating this flock. You know I will be around though. One time Pastor Greg asked why I was at a certain funeral

because I had been at the church for so many hours, and I said these are my people. You aren't losing me completely, I am just going to support the next person who will seek the will of God in leading and loving you all. New Chapter in the life of Anna. I am getting a little teary eyed. Better sign off now.

*Love, Anna*

## New member class

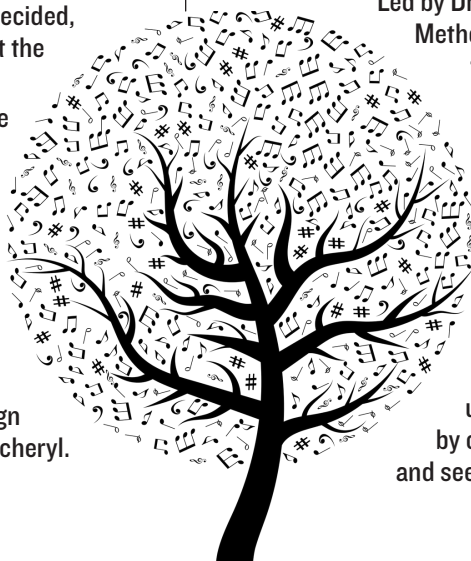
Maybe you have decided that First Wayne Street UMC is the place you want to put down your roots.

Or maybe you haven't decided, but have questions about the church.

Or maybe you would like to meet some folks that are new, too!

Pastor Cheryl will be leading a new member class on Feb. 9. This class will be in a single session, and it will be from 8:30 a.m. noon.

For information or to sign up, email Pastor Cheryl ([cheryl.garbe@inumc.org](mailto:cheryl.garbe@inumc.org)).



## Sanctuary, Chamber choirs prepare for spring presentation

Led by Dr. Geoff North, members of the First Wayne Street United Methodist Church's choirs will perform in a special concert.

The event will be like none other put on in the sanctuary, with the Sanctuary and Chamber choirs being joined by the Trine University Choir, the Purdue Fort Wayne University Singers and a professional chamber orchestra.

The free concert will be at 4 p.m. Sunday, March 31.

The choirs will present individual works and mass numbers, including a presentation of Dan Forrest's masterwork, "Requiem for the Living."

Dan Forrest's piece speaks to the longing for rest, not only for those who have died but for those who are living. The usual Requiem texts are transformed, re-ordered, and framed by other texts that speak to those seeking answers to questions and seeking relief from grief and sadness.

# Save the date for youth mission fundraiser

The youth ministry at First Wayne Street is excitedly preparing for a summer mission trip to Chicago.

The week of June 9, the youth will build relationships with urban ministries in the city as well as with each other.

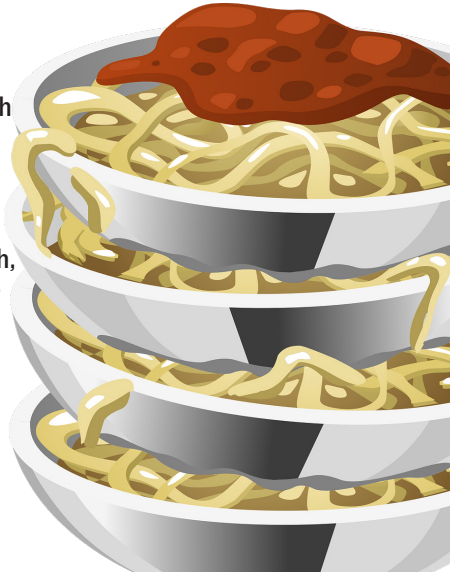
The week-long trip will challenge the youth to experience the thrill of following Christ.

To help offset the cost of the trip, which is \$449 per youth, the ministry will host a Noodles & Doodles fundraiser after service on Sunday, Feb. 24.

A family-style meal will be served, including spaghetti, salad and garlic bread.

Art created by the youth will be available for auction.

For more information, contact Kim Truesdell at [kmtruesdell@gmail.com](mailto:kmtruesdell@gmail.com)



## IF YOU GO

**WHAT:** Noodles & Doodles fundraiser

**WHEN:** Sunday, Feb. 24, after service

**BENEFITTING:** Youth mission trip to Chicago

**INFORMATION:**  
Contact Kim Truesdell, [kmtruesdell@gmail.com](mailto:kmtruesdell@gmail.com)

## Camp for kids

It's not too early to start thinking about summer camp! Give your children an opportunity to explore nature, discover their faith, overcome challenges and realize their potential at camp this summer. Registration opens at [BeACamper.com](http://BeACamper.com) in January. Camp fills up fast! First Wayne Street pays 50% of the cost; use iCash code Wayne437 (the code is case sensitive). Please take advantage of this faith-building experience. We have 100 percent scholarships available upon request. See Anna for the special code to be used.

If you have any questions about camp for your younger kids through 5th grade, ask Anna Zartman.

Kim Truesdell, our youth leader, can answer questions about middle and high school students. Senior high students will go to

camp the week of June 23, and share accommodations with Covenant. Youth will be staying at Embury, a lodge on the campus of Epworth Forest.

## Mission Possible Kids

MPKids is a national non-profit that empowers kids to change the world by helping others.

Our kids get to be "special agents doing God's work," an experience that will help open their hearts and minds to the world and their place in it. We are showing kids how to answer God's call, to prove they can change the world no matter their age.

If you are in Kindergarten through 5th grade, please join us on the 3rd floor for our next secret mission (comfort pillows for breast cancer patients). Mark your calendar for February 17. Bring your lunch and drinks will be

provided. If you forget your lunch there are always peanut butter sandwiches on hand to make. Hope to see you there!

## Families on Wayne Street

On February 10, our families will go tobogganing! Bring a lunch and eat in Fellowship Hall right after church, then head up to Pokagon State Park for tobogganing. This activity is paid for by our annual rummage sale proceeds. It is always a good time. We hope to have a truck to take the toboggans back up the hill so you can have more times coming down the hill. If you have a truck you can offer, let Anna know. Sign up at the Information Table.

## Upcoming youth activities

February 3: The youth will

gather at the home of Caroline Lutz to enjoy pizza and a movie.

Arrive at 5 p.m. and feel free to bring snacks to share.

The movie, "Queen of Katwe," is about a Ugandan girl who sees her world rapidly change after being introduced to the game of chess.

Please RSVP to Kim Truesdell so we know how much pizza to order!

4 p.m. March 10: Mission trip/youth group team building event. Details to be announced at a later date.

2 p.m. March 23: Hiking at Fox Island

## Mission trip payment

For youth participating in the mission trip to Chicago, the second payment of \$50 will be due March 1. If you have questions or need financial assistance, contact Kim.

# Making the Connection Spring Session

## 'Give It Up!'

Our Lenten Study will be based on the book, "Give It Up!"

The author, a United Methodist pastor, asks questions about our priorities to explore and to reflect on what we may be willing to give up. What holds your attention and occupies your mind? If your answer was your cell phone, TV, online gaming or Facebook, you could give it up for a week if you wanted to, right? But if challenged to do so, would you? What if saying "yes" to this challenge of letting go brought you closer to God?

Join us on Wednesdays for a journey of self-discovery and learn how the power of "giving up" brings great gain in this five-week adult study for Lent. Each chapter offers questions for reflection and discussion, a brief prayer, and a focus for the week.

*Leader: Pastor Denise Lapsley*

### FINANCIAL QUESTIONS?

Here is an opportunity to find some answers to your

questions. When signing up please indicate what area of interest you have and we can better tailor the classes to your needs.

These offerings will be presented by our own Robin K. Tribbett, Vice President of Investment with the Zweig Tribbett Financial Group

Potential topics include:

- Education Savings Alternatives
- Estate Planning Basics for Everyone
- Weathering Market Volatility

• "Can I Retire?"

- Nine Big Mistakes When Saving for Retirement

• Social Security

- Medicare Seminar
- Tax Planning Resources

– details of the new tax law changes of 2018 that will still be relevant.

### HEALING SCHOOL

*"For with God nothing shall be impossible."*

Wednesdays,

March 13 – April 17

*Luke 1:37*

Does Jesus still heal, today? Will Jesus heal me? Come join us as we review the healing ministry of Jesus as recorded in the NT Gospels. You will discover that healing belongs to everyone who comes to Jesus with a believing heart. This group will offer support and encouragement as you make your healing journey.

*Leader: Cookye Rutledge  
Forgiven Church, Associate Pastor*

### CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

5:45 – 6:15 p.m. Children's Choir

6:15 – 7 p.m. Crafts/Gym

7 – 7:30 p.m. Bells

*Leaders: Phyllis Boester, music; Linda Elliott, crafts; Linda Sackman Leader, crafts*

### YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Fellowship, worship, service and study!

*Leader: Kim Truesdell*

## If you go

4 – 5:30 p.m.

"Give It Up!"

4 – 5:30 p.m.

"New Copernicans" study continues

Led by Pastor Cheryl

5 – 6 p.m.

Shared Meal Fellowship Fellowship Hall

6 – 7:30 p.m.

Healing School

6 – 7:30 p.m.

"Give It Up!"

6 – 7:30 p.m.

Financial Questions

6 – 7:30 p.m.

Children's activities

6 – 7:30 p.m.

Youth Fellowship

## Questions

Email Anna Zartman, director of Congregational Life and Nurture, at [amzchurch@yahoo.com](mailto:amzchurch@yahoo.com).

### FIRST WAYNE STREET STAFF

Senior Minister: Rev. Cheryl Garbe

Visitation Pastor: Rev. Jan Funk

### Ministry Staff

Director of Music & Organist: Dr. Geoffrey North

Director of Congregational Life & Nurture: Anna Zartman

Children's Choir Director: Phyllis Boester

Youth Director: Kim Truesdell

### Support Staff

Office Manager/Bookkeeper: Connie Boren

Head Custodian: Cesar Anzaldua

Security Officer: Kenneth "Bart" Bartholomew

Communications Coordinator: Kim Truesdell

### Childcare Providers

Amanda Bailey, Jane Daniels, Greta Hall, Erika Hall,

Angi Reinking, Shelby Reinking, Katie Nau

### Mission offering

It's an open month.

### Food cart

During 2018 FWSUMC collected 1,048 pounds of food pantry items for our East Wayne Street Center neighbors. This does not include the 100 soup cans collected on Souper Bowl Sunday. It also does not include the 94 cans of fish and 21 boxes of crackers given during our "Loaves & Fishes" Lenten campaign. THANK YOU to all that donated during this past year.

In December, 74.98 pounds of food in December. Canned vegetables or fruits, peanut butter and cereal are always needed.

Souper Bowl of Caring — On Sunday, February 3, we ask that you bring in cans of soup as the food collection. Let's see how many we can collect for the food pantry at East Wayne Street Center!

### UMW news

Thank you to the members and friends who recently supported the United Methodist Women's bazaar. We are thrilled that the sales from the three Sundays were a whopping \$1,700.25! All of these funds will be used in 2019 for mission work. We so appreciate your support.

### Prayer concerns

Our sympathies to Roger Zartman and family on the death of his sister, Rhonda Richards, who passed away on Saturday, December 15.

Our sympathies to the family of Rev. Dr. John Wolf who passed away on Wednesday, January 9.

Our sympathies to Mike and Mary Musson and family on the death of Mary's mother, Lois Raber, who passed away on Tuesday, January 15. There will be no service here — a later date will be planned for a family internment in Chicago.

### Praises

Congratulations to Adam and Jamie Daniels on the birth of their daughter, Jordan Elizabeth, who was born on Friday, December 28. Proud grandparents are Dan and Jane Daniels.

Congratulations to Devany Reinking and Devon Johnson on the birth of her son, Kaisen Lee Johnson, who was born on Saturday, December 29. Proud grandparent is Angi Reinking; proud aunt is Shelby Reinking.

### Thanks

Dear Church Family, I thank you so much for your kind words, cards, and other forms of love and support I received at the time of my brother's passing. Your support during this sad time was a great comfort to me. I love my church family!

*Marilyn Auriti*

Dear First Wayne Street United Methodist Church,

We want to thank you for the year-end gift. With your support and prayers, we have

had 207 baptisms. Your gifts help us to continue to be able to minister in the jail.

Serving Christ together,  
*Dick Sievers, Allen County Jail Chaplaincy*

Please thank everyone at First Wayne Street UMC for your recent gift to Campus Ministry . . . as well as their generous support all year long (and for many years before that). We are a stronger ministry thanks to local partnerships with wonderful congregations like yours.

Thank you from Campus Ministry,

*Dr. Ben Gates*

### Address changes

Vivian Bickley; vbickley@live.com

Andy & Peg Candor; winter address thru March; 409 Villas Drive; Venice, FL 34285

Joan Ewing; P. O. Box 210; Waters, MI 49797-0210

John & Diane Kinnaley; no longer have a land line

Pat Lee; winter address thru March: Ivanhoe, Unit 101; 26868 Wedgewood Drive; Bonita Springs, FL 34134

Richard & Marilyn Moon; winter address thru March; 15040Meadow Circle; Fort Myers, FL 33908-5149

Joe & Pam Reese; Apt. 9 (correction)

Devany Reinking; 18429 Lincoln Hwy. E.; Monroeville, IN 46773-9794

Stan & Connie Phillips; winter address thru March; 21 S. Forest Beach, #437; Hilton Head, SC 29928

Brenda Potter; 5209 Arrowhead Pass; Fort Wayne,

IN 46804-4912

Anne Scofield; add Unit 706  
Elizabeth Sidell;  
elizabethsi.1225@gmail.com  
Jamie & Miranda Wilkins;  
5350 Hollopeter Road; Leo, IN  
46765-0030

### Stephen Ministry

Stephen Leadership Training Available for 2019:

April 28 – May 4 in St. Louis, Missouri

June 9 – 15 in Orlando, Florida

July 21 – 27 in Dallas, Texas

August 4 – 10 in Pittsburgh, PA

Please contact Pastor Jan for more information.

Leader for February 26 Meeting: Denise Lapsley

### Good News

DEADLINE for the MARCH Good News is February 15. E-mail items to Kim Truesdell at kmtruesdell@gmail.com or dropped off in the office.

### Lost and found

Below is a list of items in our Lost and Found drawer which is in the bottom drawer of the credenza in the front office (where the coffee maker is). Please check to see if any of these items are yours:

Car scraper/brush, kid's size 18 purple coat, blue gloves, Large (14/16) black jacket w/checkered lining, black Velcro holder, white 2W infant tennis shoe (fancy top), (1) black sock, cell phone (found in men's restroom), glasses (have had since May) and a small purple case.

# WEEKLY EVENTS

## SUNDAY

8:30 a.m.  
Preschool Child Care  
Praise Team Rehearsal

9 a.m.

Sunday School

9:30 a.m.  
Sanctuary Choir  
Rehearsal

10 a.m.  
Worship

11:15 a.m.  
Sanctuary Bells  
Rehearsal

## WEDNESDAY

4p.m.  
Making the Connection  
Early Shift Class

5 p.m.  
Meal

5:45 p.m.  
Children's Rehearsal

6 p.m.  
Healing School  
Youth Fellowship  
Late Shift Class

6:30 p.m.  
Praise Team Rehearsal

7 p.m.  
Gloria Ringers

7:30 p.m.  
Sanctuary Choir Re-  
hearsal

8:30 p.m.  
Chamber Choir Re-  
hearsal

# MONTHLY CALENDAR

## FEBRUARY 3

5 pm  
Youth Movie Night  
B: Norma Bloom

## FEBRUARY 4

5:30 pm  
Worship Planning Meeting  
A: David & Sandra Billingslea

## FEBRUARY 5

B: Dale Stahl

## FEBRUARY 6

B: Macie Ireland

## FEBRUARY 7

B: Jim McKay, Cayla Walchle

## FEBRUARY 8

B: Kathy Abraham

## FEBRUARY 9

8:30 am  
New Member Class  
7:30 pm  
Fort Wayne Philharmonic  
Concert  
B: Aubree Leuthold

## FEBRUARY 10

11:30 am  
Families Go Tobogganning  
B: Aubree Leuthold

## FEBRUARY 11

B: Art Boester, John Lee, Angi  
Reinking

## FEBRUARY 12

B: Ray Doyle, Becky Norton

## FEBRUARY 13

B: Adam Coffman

## FEBRUARY 14

9:15 am  
Staff Meeting  
B: Miranda Wilkins

## FEBRUARY 15

Good News Deadline  
B: Mary Michalak, Becky  
Schmidt

## FEBRUARY 16

B: Mary Hufford

## FEBRUARY 17

11 am  
MP Kids  
B: Janet Holloway, Danielle  
(Burch) Vaccaro

## FEBRUARY 18

6 pm  
Trustees Committee Meeting  
Staff Parish Meeting  
B: Grace Gamble, Mike Mus-  
son

A: Jeff & Jennifer Green

## FEBRUARY 21

B: Seth Schiffl

## FEBRUARY 22

B; Gabby Gamble

## FEBRUARY 23

B: Mark Redding  
A: Tim & Connie Boren

## FEBRUARY 24

11:30 a.m.  
Noodles & Doodles Fundraiser

## FEBRUARY 25

5:30 pm  
Outreach Committee Meeting  
B: Jonas Coffman

## FEBRUARY 26

Good News Folders (pm)  
1 pm  
Stephen Ministry  
B: Lynne Gilmore

## FEBRUARY 27

Good News Mailers (am)  
B: Noelle Knight

## FEBRUARY 28

9:15 am  
Staff Meeting

## First Wayne Street UMC weather policy

Sunday morning Sunday School and worship services will only be cancelled when city officials order that only emergency vehicles are

authorized to be on city streets. Cancellation of weekday programming is automatic with the closing of Fort Wayne Community Schools.

# GOOD NEWS

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FEBRUARY 2019 ISSUE

### MAKING THE CONNECTION

Financial questions  
answered

Lenten book study

Children and youth  
activities

*see page 5*

## Smile big!

Our congregation is growing —and growing up!  
On February 10, we will have a pizza party after church and our childcare provider Angi Reinking will take updated pictures of First Wayne Street families with preschoolers.

To RSVP, email Anna ([amzchurch@yahoo.com](mailto:amzchurch@yahoo.com)) with the number of people in your family who will attend. We hope to see you there.