



**Elkhart Christian Church  
(Disciples of Christ)**

**February Newsletter**

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## Come and Worship

Chancel Choir: 8:00 am - September through May

Sunday School: 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Labor Day until last Sunday before  
Memorial Day

Gathering: 9:15 am-Sunday School Classes:9:30 am

Worship Service 10:30 am

Handchime Rehearsal: 4:00 pm - September through May

Men's Breakfast: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month-Sept. through June: 7:30 am

Fellowship: Immediately after worship

## Worship Attendance and Offering

	<u>Offering</u>	<u>S.S. Offering</u>
12/25	1,040.09	no ss
1/01	1,354.56	no ss
1/08	1,194.00	14.32
1/15	1,283.27	14.66
1/22	1,050.25	9.25
1/29	1,093.98	13.03
2/05	1,894.99	16.19
2/12	1,099.06	14.00

Christmas Offering:	\$	165.00
Week of Compassion:	\$	45.00
Pentecost:	\$	45.00

## Mission Statement

Elkhart Christian Church is a family of faithful Christians actively caring for the needs of others; sharing our faith through worship, education, and outreach; and providing fellowship that represents Christ's love and presence in our community and our world. Our mission is to nurture and prepare everyone God entrusts to us to become mature and dedicated Disciples for the glory of God.

If you have information for the weekly church bulletin or monthly newsletter, or if you would like to have your birthday printed and it is not already on the list, please place it in the secretary's mailbox, email it to [ecsecretary@windstream.net](mailto:ecsecretary@windstream.net) or contact Mary Jo at the church office. (515) 367-5125. **Please note new email address.**

**Note:** Elkhart Christian Church has a Website:  
<http://elkhart-christianchurch.com>

## CYF NEWS!

Mark your calendars and plan to attend the Spaghetti Dinner sponsored by the CYF! This is a fundraiser for them to help with camps, outings, conferences and other activities.

This will be a sit down dinner on Saturday, March 3, 2012 serving between 5:00 pm and 7:00 pm. The menu consists of a Salad, Spaghetti, with your choice of white or red sauce or a little of both, Bread, Sherbet, and a drink. The cost for the meal is Adults: \$7.00; Youth-ages 4-12: \$5.00; and children 3 and under are free.

On Friday, February 17, 14 youth and adults attended a concert at the West Des Moines Christian Church. The group enjoyed music and entertainment from Lightswitch, a Christian Rock Band made up of 4 brothers. They were a very enjoyable group. After their performance the kids bought t-shirts and had them autographed, and also had their pictures taken with them.

Due to bad weather, their Game night that was scheduled for Saturday, February 4, had to be postponed. The new date is Sunday, February 26, immediately following worship. It will be concluded at around 3:00 pm. Friends are welcome, and they should bring games and or movies, snacks to share and their own beverage. Pizza will be provided.

### 60+ Group

The next meeting of the 60+ group will be on Thursday, March 8, at 2:00 pm. If you are not over 60, but are free in the afternoon, please feel free to come and join the fellowship. Bring a friend as well.

### New Address

After celebrating her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday in December, Irline Capehart decided to make a change. She moved from her home in Elkhart to Sunnyview Care Center in Ankeny. You may write her or send her a card at 410 NW Ash Dr., Room 13L, Ankeny, IA 50032. She would love to hear from you.

## Thank You

I would like to thank everyone for their kindness during the past several months during the illness and loss of our mothers/grandmothers, Gail Myers and Doris Gaulke. Your thoughtfulness was greatly appreciated. Those who worked tirelessly during the Fall Dinner and the recent funerals have made it easier to be with our loved ones when we were needed. Thank you, one and all.

Sandi & Kevin Gaulke  
Connie Carney

I would like to say thank you to the church members for the thoughtfulness at Christmas time. The gift card to Chili's will not go unused. Thank you very much for your kindness.

Mary Jo Ward,

## Easter Mums and Oil Candles

We will again be selling Easter Mums and Oil for the candles that you can purchase in Honor or in Memory of a loved one. The cost for them will be \$7.50 and they go on sale beginning Sunday, March 11.

## Easter Schedule

Ash Wednesday service: February 22,

7:00 pm in Alleman at the Salem United Church of Christ

Palm Sunday- Sunday, April 1

Maundy Thursday- Thursday, April 5 – 7:00 pm

Good Friday - Friday, April 6 – 7:00 pm

Easter Sunday – Sunday, April 8

Sunrise Service – 6:30 am

Pancake Breakfast immediately following Sunrise Service

Regular Worship: 10:30 am

## February Birthdays

- 01 Troy Cory  
Noah Snyder
- 02 Roy Parmenter
- 04 Mary Herman
- 06 Chelsi Birchmier  
Wayne Gilbert
- 07 Roger McHone  
Mark Sorenson
- 09 David Risvold
- 10 Marva Johnson  
Cindy Kirschbaum
- 11 Tiffany Van Gorp
- 12 Bea Brazelton
- 13 Tom Owen  
Jon Struthers
- 15 Keith Van Gorp  
Ken Howard  
Newt Mathis
- 18 Nancy Johnson
- 19 Ethan Ward
- 20 Lynnette Schmetzer
- 21 Gabrielle Butler
- 22 Robin Luke  
Trevor Hall
- 23 Christine Cunningham
- 25 Rob Albaugh
- 27 Andrew Owen
- 28 Matt Owen  
Ruth Morris
- 29 Nadine Zimmer

## March Birthdays

- 02 Nathan Fitzgerald
- 07 Randy Franzen
- 13 Greg Cory  
Jean Bean  
Earl Parsons  
Paul Reinke

- 14 Peggy Ault  
Dave Kalsem
- 16 Vickie Swartout
- 18 Rusty Cory
- 19 Chip Mathis
- 20 Drew Owen
- 24 Connie Passmore  
Brian Edwards
- 25 Jonann Cornelius  
Derek Carney
- 27 Ron Meeker
- 29 Karen Vos  
Davis Albaugh

## April Birthdays

- 2 Mary Ann Mathis
- 3 Arlys Hall
- 4 Coral Sorenson
- 5 Rob Owen  
Tate Owen
- 8 Austin Albaugh
- 9 Lindsey Elmore  
Ron Adams
- 11 Elaine Cory  
Rachel Reinke
- 12 Dennis Kaltenheuser  
Mary Bevington Ralls
- 13 Johanna Hill
- 14 Zach Mihalovich
- 15 Shannon Snyder  
Audrey Miller
- 16 Courtney Parsons
- 17 Adam Bean
- 18 Nancy Schweiger
- 19 Janice Cory
- 20 George Butler  
Luke Cory
- 21 Dani Cartwright  
Anne Gregory

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### Church Staff

Ministers: The Congregation  
Pastor: Rev. Anne E. Gregory  
Board Chair: Dave Kalsem  
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Robin Luke  
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