#### THE PLEASANT TRAVELER May 2019

Pleasant Chapel 880 E 1100 N Roanoke, IN 46783 260-519-5324 www.pleasantchapel.org Sunday School 9:00 am Joel Yeager, pastor 260-229-4994 joelyeager@embarqmail.com Worship 10:00am

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, 1 am making all things new." Revelation 21:5a (NRSV)



May 1	Matt Law
May 3	Roger Colclesser
May 3	Emily DelReal
May 4	Hannah Henline
May 8	Jeremy Paul
May 8	Jason Hunter
May 9	David Morris
May 9	Florence Morris
May10	Tom Thornburg
May 15	Vicki Giordano
May 16	Austin Amick
May 18	Rev. Marvin Grooms
May 19	Audree Johnson
May 25	Jamie Bernardin
May 25	Josie McClure
May 29	Jillian Parsons
May 31	Dennis Sherbahn



May 24 Jason and Jillian Parsons May 31 John and Fran Morris

<u>May Greeters</u> May 5 - Jim and Cynthia May 12 - Dale and Sue May 19 - Larry and Joyce May 26 - Roger and Ellen

> <u>May Acolytes</u> May 5 - Magnusons May 12- Amicks May 17 - Hands May 26 - Ayers

<u>June Greeters</u> Griffin and Kendall Aaron and Austin Ryon and Gavin Heather and Sarah Reece and Lizzie

> June Acolytes Hands Wisels Amicks Colclessers Magnusons

May 2019									
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#### **Events**

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- May 5-11 GO 175 Huntington County Right to Life Mother's Day Carnation Sale May 6 – Bible Study at Par-
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  - Study 6:30
- May 12 Mother's Day
- May 13 –Bible Study at Parsons 6:30
- May 15 –Brofest 7:00am
- May 17 Women's day out (see details below)
- May 20– Bible Study at Parsons 6:30 - *SouthSide* Bible Study 6:30
- May 27 No Bible Study
- May 27 Memorial Day
- May 29 -Brofest 7:00am
- June 10-14 VBS at Pleasant Chapel 9-11:30
- July 25 26, GO 175 at Love In the Name of Christ

**Sign up papers** for the coffee/cookie table snacks and also children's church are on the table in front of the mailboxes. Everyone's help is appreciated!

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**Bible Studies** - All are invited to Parson's home each Monday at 6:30 (unless otherwise announced) for an hour of study and discussion. The Southside Bible Study is planning on meeting the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of each month. See Magnusons for details.

**Thank you** to each one who has furnished snacks for the coffee/cookie table. Everyone enjoys this!

**Thank you** to each one who has been leading the children's church during the worship service.



Vector Verse: Glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by his power at work within us - Ephesians 3:20

## June 10 - June 14

9:00 to 11:30

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**Senior Dinners** are every Thursday at noon at the St. Joe Church in Roanoke. Cost is \$4.00. Call Gretchen at 260-403-0365 for reservations.

### **United Methodist Women**

The Pleasant Chapel UMW met on Wednesday, April 10 at 1:00 pm. at the Heritage of Huntington.

President Jill Law opened the meeting by reading a devotion titled "Accepting Help".

Roll call was answered by eight ladies telling their favorite Spring Flower.

Minutes were read and approved. Correspondence: A thank you from Church World Service for our \$60.00 donation sent to the Blanket Fund/Tools of Hope. Thank you cards were received from Betty Rogers and June Swing.

Treasurer's report was given. We will buy lilies to deliver to shut—ins and others. Cards were signed to send for birthdays, to shut—ins and others.

Unfinished business: Jill is the hostess for our May meeting. She is planning an outing trip to the City of Wabash on Friday, May 17. We will meet at the church at 10:00 am. See Jill for more details or call her at 672—3536.

Offerings were taken.

Joyce had a craft for us. She gave us recipe cards decorated with a flower and ring clasp in the corner of the card. She had additional recipe cards for us. We can copy our favorite recipes on the cards and have them handy to find.

Delicious refreshments were served by Ilo Jane, Julie, and Joyce.

**Thank You** - Beautiful Easter lilies and palm branches adorned the church during Palm Sunday and Easter. Thank you to the Pleasant Chapel UMW for these. The lilies were delivered to shut-ins and others.

**A Thank You** was received from Red Bird Mission in Kentucky for our mission offering of \$85.00 to them on February 7th, 2019.

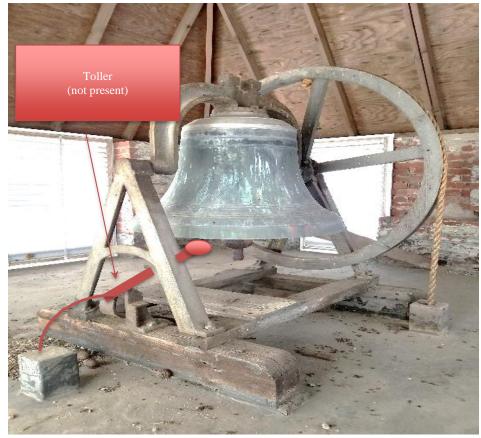
**Tenderloin supper** on April 13th results: 287 people were served and \$2,400 was turned over to the Pleasant Chapel trustees. A big, big thank you to each and every one that helped in any way to make the supper a success.

**An Easter party** was held at Pleasant Chapel on Saturday morning, April 20<sup>th</sup>. 14 boys and girls color dozens of eggs to be hidden for the egg hunt. After an Easter story and a snack of cookies and Kool-Aid, the egg hunt began. Since it was a very rainy day, the eggs were hidden inside the church. It was fun anyway. A big thank you to everyone that furnished eggs, all of those that hid the eggs, and those that helped in any way. On Friday, May 17th, all the ladies of the church are invited to our **ladies day out**. Meet at the church at 10 AM. We will go to Wabash and visit the Doctor James Ford home (admission is \$4). Then have lunch out and have an afternoon shopping adventure. Please tell our call Jill (672 – 3536) if you plan to go.

I (Joel) had the opportunity to prepare a sermon from our belfry. I became fascinated by the history of the bell, its age, its purpose throughout the years (unfortunately, the video didn't play correctly the Sunday it was to be used – you can watch it on the website however).

When I was photographing the bell, I noticed that there was some additional mechanisms that were attached to the bell. After I did a little looking into to this, I found that this other system was used to "toll" the bell. The main rope (the one we pull on Sunday mornings) causes the whole bell to swing and consequently come in contact with the clapper producing the "ringing" sound of the bell.

There used to be a secondary rope attached to a "toller" that would hammer the stationary bell probably with a muffled sound to produce a different sound – one that was created with more time in between each strikes or tolls. The bell was tolled primarily to signify death. When the community would hear the bell being tolled, they would know that death for someone Death was prevalent and needed to be communicated to a caring community and it was made known by the haunting, slow, tolling of this



was near, or that it had just happened, or that a funeral was taking place.

Remember that when the bell was placed in the church, it was during the time when there were no telephones, text messaging, social media or other means by which important information regarding the community could be communicated. Couple that with the death rate during the 19th century and the first part of the 20<sup>th</sup> century (just take a walk in our cemetery and notice the number of "infant" deaths or those who died very young).

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John Dunne (1572-1631) wrote a poem "For Whom the Bells Toll" (which was quoted later in Ernest Hemmingway's book by the same title in 1939). Dunne's poem:

"No man is an island, entire of itself; every man is a piece of the continent, a part of the main. If a clod be washed away by the sea, Europe is the less, as well as if a promontory<sup>1</sup> were, as well as if a manor of thy friend's or of thine own were: any man's death diminishes me, because I am involved in mankind, and therefore

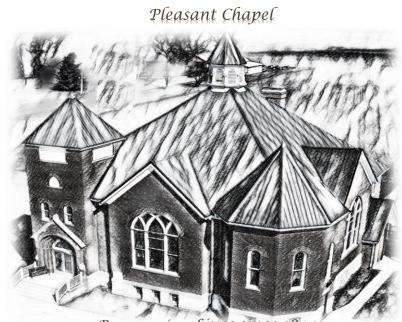
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> a point of high land that juts out into a large body of water; a headland.

never send to know for whom the bells tolls; it tolls for thee."

Dunne wrote the poem after suffering a serious illness. While lying in his bed, he heard the local church bells being tolled often. The bells were signaling the death of people in his neighborhood. It caused him to think deeply about mortality, his mortality, and how death relates to the overall community. He concludes in the end of his poem that the answer to the question, "For who does the bell toll" is "you." The bell tolls for you. When there is death, there is a part of you that dies too.

<sup>1</sup> Corinthians 12:24-27 says
<sup>24</sup> ... But God has so arranged the body... <sup>25</sup> that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another.
<sup>26</sup> If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. <sup>27</sup> Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

We have been created with a *wiring* that draws us to each other. We are made to be dependent upon each other. Within the Church, the community takes on a special meaning. Jesus Christ is the



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head and center of our community. We are joined together for the purpose of bringing him glory in all we do and in all aspects of life. Sharing the good times together in this church as well as comforting each other in difficult times are some ways we honor God.

Bells were used to signify both joy and sorrow within an interdependent community.

Whether the *bell of life* rings of joy or tolls in sorrow, there is community, there is one body, and there is one sharing in Christ.

May Pleasant Chapel always remain one in Him!

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## Go 175!

Part of PC's 175<sup>th</sup> celebrations is to be especially focused on the "going" and "serving" components of being *church*.

Several went to **Place of Grace** to help with some work projects in the facility including some general maintenance, landscaping work, and painting. *Place of Grace* is a local ministry centered on helping and empowering women in our community break destructive habits and be productive members of our community.

On July 25 and 26, we will be looking for volunteers to help at *Love In the Name of Christ.* Volunteers will be

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working to help with their "Back to School Shop". Other volunteering opportunities throughout the year include working in the resale shop to sort donations, tag, and place in the shop, run register, etc. on Tuesday and Thursday 9 to 4:30, and Saturday mornings. They could also use 1-2 people to conduct family-in-need interviews in the Clearing House.

There are opportunities to help with the **Huntington County Right to Life** with their annual Mother's Day Carnation Sale. This is from Sunday May 5th to Saturday May 11th, 2019. We are also working to schedule volunteering opportunities with **By** 

the Book Bible Trailer, Habitat for Humanity, and the Roanoke Food Pantry. It is our intention to join in these existing ministries where God is already at work in our community. We hope to help meet the needs of our neighbors. We hope, too, that in doing this, we will make connections with people, people who perhaps are far from God and need to be brought near. To participate in any of these events contact **Tammy Lickey.** 



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But Whom Do You Say That I AM?

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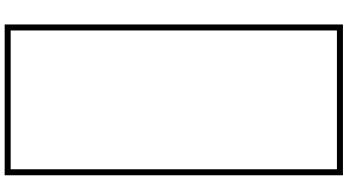


Sitting on the side of the highway waiting to catch speeding drivers, a State Police Officer sees a car puttering along at 22 MPH. He thinks to himself, "This driver is just as dangerous as a speeder!" So he turns on his lights and pulls the driver over. Approaching the car, he notices that there are five old ladies — two in the front seat and three in the back – eyes wide and white as ghosts. The driver, obviously confused, says to him, "Officer, I don't understand, I was doing exactly the speed limit! What stems to be the problem?" 'Ma'am," the officer replies, "You weren't speeding, but you should know that driving slower than the speed limit can also be a danger to other drivers." "Slower than the speed limit?" she asked. No sir, I was doing the speed limit exactly... Twenty-Two miles an hour!" the old woman says a bit proudly. The State Police officer, trying to contain a chuckle explains to her that "22" was the route number, not the speed limit. A bit embarrassed, the woman grinned and thanked the officer for pointing out her

"But before I let you go, Ma'am, I have to ask... Is everyone in this car ok? These women seem awfully shaken and they haven't muttered a single peep this whole time." the officer asks.

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"Oh, they'll be alright in a minute officer. We just got



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