## AINSWORTH COMMUNITY CHURCH, MARCH 6, 2016, 10:30 AM

WORD OF WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, OPENING PRAYER
LIGHTING OF CHRIST CANDLE
PASTOR JASON

## \*\*CALL TO WORSHIP: (CONGREGATION SPEAKS RESPONSES IN BOLD PRINT)

What do we expect to happen here today? Same old, same old-nothing really new? Do we remember that Christ has promised to return? Do we expect him to be with us today? Are we ready for when he does? As we come to worship God of our lives, we rekindle the flame of optimistic expectation that Christ will return to be with us, in the here and now and every day.

HYMN: "THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE"

WORDS ON SCREEN

CHILDREN'S SERMON

ANN BALLARD

CALL TO OFFERING\*\*\*\* ACC PUPPET MINISTRY

\*HYMN: "PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW" BLUE HYMNAL #95
\*\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

Dear God, Where the church in the past has closed doors, may we open them. Where prejudice and fear have narrowed the gospel, may we broaden it again. Where culture has told us who is acceptable and who is not, may we live by the culture of your kingdom instead. May we open doors, may we broaden your kingdom, may we live in a different culture, where all are welcome. When doors close on generous living, may we be door keepers and live generously towards each other. Bless this offering to open many doors. May we open doors, may we broaden your kingdom, may we live in a different culture, where all are welcome. Amen.

JOYS, CONCERNS, LORD'S PRAYER (BELOW) USING 'SINS'

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen RESPONSE: "SANCTUARY" ACC PRAISE TEAM

REFLECTIVE PRAYER

Loving God, for that flame to burn within us, ever ready to step out, journey on, and proclaim truth. May you speak in us that we are loved. And in that

truth that settles on our souls, we know the greater truth is that you are ready to give everything for us. With that gift of a love that is ever ready may we know we are ready to follow and speak the truth about love. And as we hesitate, may we hear that whisper in us. As we find excuses, may we hear your word that we may turn with new confidence toward the world, ready to live as love fully alive in this place. May the spark that set the flame alight be your word in us that whispers constantly 'we are loved'.

SCRIPTURE: MATTHEW 25:1-13 (14-30)

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PSALM 43:3-4

MESSAGE: "LENT 4: MISSING THE MOMENTS"

PASTOR JASON COLLIER

CALL TO RESPONSE: A SACRED CANDLE SERVICE!

\*\*HYMN: "GIVE ME OIL IN MY LAMP"

WORDS ON SCREEN

(While this is sung, the light from the Christ candle is carried out into the world.)

\*\*\*\*\*If you are a new attendee please complete one of the orange "Connecting with ACC" cards in the pews. Place the completed card in the offering plate as it passes. We look forward to seeing you again! (Extra Orange Cards at Snack Table – leave completed card with Sound Booth Operator). Thank you, The ACC Worship and Membership Committees

Restrooms, water fountain, nursery area, and baby changing table are all located in the Fellowship Hall which can be found downstairs through the front and back entryways.

For a hearing assistance device, check with persons in the sound booth at the rear of the sanctuary.

Sources: Liturgy and prayers provided by website "Ministry Matters"

PARISH COUNCIL FOR 2016: Dwight Miller, Jenny Yoder, Kris Anderson, Laura Temple, Wendell Arduser, Wayne Freyenberger. Youth Representative: Kylen Anderson STAFF/PASTOR PARISH RELATIONS: Steve Anderson, Dave Kaufman, Marg Colthurst.

BIRTHDAYS/\*ANNIVERSARIES: 8) Stephanie Laverman; 9) Ed White, \*Dave & Karolyn Skubal; 17) Rita Anderson; Noah Hartzler; 19) Emma Beemblosson; Dawn Stewart; 21) Jonathan Kruse; Erin Mills; 24) Jason Collier; Janet Stafford; 26) Janene Kirk; 27) Ruth Miller, Dorothy Jacobs; 29) Elizabeth (Izie) Collier; Kurt Stewart; 30) Rich Riggan; 31) Jim McCreedy

# GARAGE SALE: MARCH 10, 11, AND 12

The annual Winter Clearance Mission Committee Garage Sale is ready for your business. It will be at the Ainsworth North Church. All proceeds will support Missions and Youth Ministry.

Thursday, March 10: 2 to 5 PM FRIDAY, MARCH 11: 1 to 6 PM SATURDAY, MARCH 12: 9 AM to NOON



<sup>\*\*</sup>THE BENEDICTION

<sup>\*\*</sup>A REQUEST TO STAND, IF YOU ARE ABLE.

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Sunday, March 6**: 4th Sunday in Lent, One Great Hour of Sharing Offering, Worship, 10:30 AM; CIA Youth Group. 4-5:30 PM. Crawfordsville

Monday, March 7: Spirit Sisters, Crawfordsville, 8 PM

**Wednesday, March 9**: Final spring session for Kids' Club, North Church; Youth Bible Study, South Church, BOTH - 6:30-7:30 PM; Kids' Club will resume in September 2016

Thursday, March 10: Mission Committee Winter Clearance Garage Sale, 2-5 PM, North Church; TKD,

Fellowship Hall, 6 PM; Spirit Sisters, 6:30 PM, Ainsworth; Parish Council, 7 PM, North Church

**Friday, March 11:** Mission Committee Winter Clearance Garage Sale, 1-6 PM, North Church; Praise Team Rehearsal, 4-5 PM. South Church Sanctuary

Saturday, March 12: Mission Committee Winter Clearance Garage Sale, 9 AM to 1 PM, North Church

**Sunday, March 13**: <u>Daylight Saving Time Begins!</u> 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent; Worship, 10:30 AM; CIA Youth Group, 4-5:30 PM, Crawfordsville

Monday, March 14: Spirit Sisters, Crawfordsville, 8 PM

Tuesday, March 15: "Card" Club, 5 PM, ACC Fellowship Hall; "Son" Seekers, Gene and Pat Miller, host, 7 PM

Wednesday, March 16: Bachelors Lunch, 11:30 AM, Crawfordsville Church

Thursday, March 17: TKD, Fellowship Hall, 6 PM; Spirit Sisters, 6:30 PM, Ainsworth

Friday, March 18: Praise Team Rehearsal, 4-5 PM, South Church Sanctuary

Sat., Mar. 19: New London 17th Annual Women's Spring Conference, 8:30 AM to 2 PM

Sunday, March 20: Palm Sunday, Worship 10:30 AM (Using "The Story" Chapter 26: The Hour of Darkness;

CIA Youth Group, 4-5:30 PM, Crawfordsville

Monday, March 21: Spirit Sisters, Crawfordsville, 8 PM

Tues., March 22: Ainsworth Church – Future Planning Group (Adapt to Thrive), 6:30-8:30 PM, Fellowship Hall

	Ushers	Greeters	Candles	Snacks	Liturgist	Youth Sermon	Music	AV
Mar	Joe Skubal,	Ruth Miller,	Molly	Judy Skubal,	Neal	Ann	Pup-	Dalton Diers,
6	Rob Yoder	Angie Ornduff	Klinzman	Jenny Yoder	Megchelsen	Ballard	pets	Joey Collier
13	Dale Holmes, Bill Wilson	Steve and Rita Anderson	Shalyn Kirk	Kathi Bean, Pat Jenkins	Pat Jenkins	???	Dalton Diers	Dalton Diers, Joey Collier

SUNDAY WORSHIP: 10:30 AM

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### **AINSWORTH COMMUNITY CHURCH**

United Methodist & Presbyterian Church (USA) United together in fellowship, love, and service since 1973



Our Mission is to share the saving love of Christ and to help persons grow as joyful disciples in ministry to all the world.

> 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent – March 6, 2016 10:30 AM

**JASON W. COLLIER, PASTOR**