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Notes for the Journey

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Fall Kids Mall

Sunday, July 10 is designated as "Sock Sunday"

Shopping day for underprivileged children in Richland County at the "Fall Kids Mall" will be on Saturday, August 13. Children will receive new school clothes, new socks and underwear, new shoes, essential toiletry items and even dental check-ups by the Dental Safari.

Your donations of new children's underwear or socks along with toiletry items will be needed. Please drop items in the containers available in the foyer at any time.

You can get involved with Fall Kids Mall by donating underwear and/or socks, toiletries, volunteering on shopping day, financial support and especially praying for the program.

175th Anniversary of Olney

The City of Olney will celebrate its 175th anniversary July 22-24. Among other activities, there will be a community picnic (catered by Niemergs of Effingham) on Sunday, the 24th from 10:30 to approximately 2pm.

At 1:00pm there will be a community service led by the Richland County Ministerial Association, featuring a concert by Brian Free and Assurance. The concert is free. Both of these events are held at the City Park. Bring lawn chairs/blankets for the picnic and the community service.

Tickets for the meal are \$3.00 with children under 2 free. These are available at City Hall, Chamber of Commerce and the main branches of our local banks.

We hope you will take advantage of all the exciting activities that are available to everyone as we celebrate our special anniversary.

For more information about the weekend events, go to www.olney175.com.

Opportunities to Serve

» **Sound System Operators**—We are hoping to find someone who would be willing to learn to operate the sound board during worship service. This would be on a rotating basis. We will train you. Please contact Perry Balding or Pastor Steve.

» **Van Drivers**—One or two more people to become certified to drive our church van are needed. You would pick up passengers for Sunday AM services on a rotating basis and occasionally assist with transportation to Youth and Children's events. See Pastor Steve.

Baptismal Service Sunday

This Sunday, July 10, a baptismal service will be held during the morning worship time.

If you are interested in being baptized, please contact Pastor Steve.

Family Camp 2016 Coming Soon

Wabash Conference Family Camp—2016 is July 17-23. The theme is "**Our Place in the Cosmos.**" Wally Fleming is the Camp Pastor.

John Lane, our new superintendent, will be teaching during the morning seminars.

Camp brochures are available on the tables in the foyer. Registration information, the schedule, activities for the week, fellowship events, seminars, etc. are listed for your information. Pick one up and consider attending Family Camp this year.

Lectionary Scripture

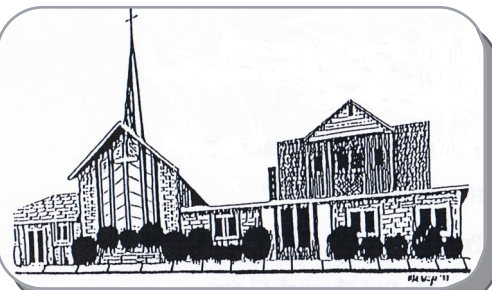
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Amos 7:7-17

Psalms 82

Colossians 1:1-4

Luke 10:25-37



Mission

*A community of believers
endeavoring to live and love
as Jesus taught.
Come—Experience
Community!*

Church Calendar

Sunday, July 10

Morning Worship 9:30am
 Sunday School 10:40am
 Youth Group 6:00-7:30pm

Monday—Saturday

Men's Coffee

Friday, July 8

Narcotics Anonymous 7:00pm

Happy Birthday



Jeremy Taylor..... July 11
 Kim Smith..... July 11
 Perry Balding..... July 11
 Scott Dowty..... July 11
 Jake Shryock..... July 12
 Barb Ernst..... July 12
 Ksenia Suddeth..... July 12
 Barb Johnson..... July 12
 Deborah Tracy..... July 13
 Tanner Wingert..... July 14
 Flossie Constable..... July 15
 Cole Storment..... July 15

Happy Anniversary



Andy & Amanda Thomann..... July 14

Thank You Note

Dear Olney Church Family

We would like to thank all of you for the "Fellowship Desert Coffee" you served to our family and friends after Gerry's gravesite service. Thank you all who made this possible, the cooks and servers.

What a blessed time it was enjoying the homemade desserts offered and remembering Gerry and our years we worshiped our God with you there at the church.

Dear Pastor Steve, again I thank you for the service and words spoken to comfort us.

With love,
 Gerry Miller's Family

Statistics for June 26

Morning Service	119
Offering (weekly need—\$4,050)	not available
UMC-Kay Stotts Godoy, Michael & Maria Long, Mark & Lena, Russ & Sherrie Cole (goal \$8,000) YTD	\$ 4,483.00
UMC-Home Missions (goal \$6,118) YTD	\$ 1,516.00

Prayer Needs

Woodrow Hinkle—health
 Lisa Nixon—health
 Clella Rottinghaus—health
 John Means—health
 Please continue to pray for needs previously listed



Thank You Note

I want to thank you and my "Church Family" for all the prayers, calls, cards, visits and flowers while in the hospital and long-term care and physical therapy at Dawn and Rogers. She's my daughter but she still knows her physical therapy!

Walk, walk, walk. I'm doing better but slow and soon be back to my good old self. Again thanks for everything and your prayers. They sure help and God bless each one.

Phyllis Slunaker

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School will begin on Sunday evening, July 31 and run through Thursday, August 5 here at our church. Kristi Nosek is the director along with Stacy Bare, who will be working with her. We always need volunteers—please let them know if you can help.

The VBS will follow the theme "CAVE QUEST, Following Jesus, the Light of the World." What an exciting journey this will be for all those attending. Invite your friends!

Franklin Graham Prayer Tour

Several of you have inquired about the Franklin Graham Prayer (every state in the US) tour. If you look at the website decisionamericatour.com you will find information about upcoming dates.

Although the tour stop in Illinois was June 14—GOOD NEWS—the tour stop in Indiana is in Indianapolis on Wednesday, October 5 on the south lawn of the Capitol building at 12:00pm. Maybe some of you could find out more about this tour stop and drive to Indy for that day.