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Secular Songs that Speak to the Soul “I Still Haven’t Found What I’m Looking For”



We’re in the third week of the section of our Summer Sermon Series that focuses on songs. We previously looked at books and films that convey a spiritual message without necessarily being religious. The “necessarily” is key because in some cases the focus has clearly been religious as in the book Finding God in the Questions. In others, like the movie Moana, the spiritual message is there but it may take a bit more effort to discover it.

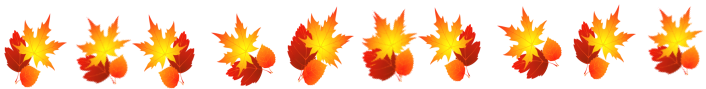
In the songs section of the series, we’ve really chosen a *representative* song for a particular artist. Much of the music of the Beatles (week one) and Stevie Wonder (week two) contain messages that can be interpreted in a spiritual fashion. This week, we’ll discover the same thing. In fact, with the rock band U2, that is more true than for perhaps any other popular secular musical artist(s). That may seem to be a bold statement and yet I think it is clearly a defensible one.

For more than 40 years, U2 has been writing and recording music with a deep Christian and spiritual message. Three of the four members of U2 are outspoken regarding their commitment to faith in Jesus Christ.

That being said, as you look at the title of the song we’ve chosen as representative of the spiritual message of U2’s music, it would appear to be far from religious. That’s part of the beauty of their message. It’s very clear – but not so clear.

Read Philippians 3:10-14 as we explore the words of Bono and U2 and their seemingly contradictory statement of faith that declares “I Still Haven’t Found What I’m Looking For.”

Blessings,
Dennis



Fall Kick-Off September 10

Our Schedule for
Fall Kick-Off!



It is hard to believe it is almost time to begin a new year of study of God’s Word. We have a fantastic year of educational programs lined up for all ages of our church family.

We will kick off our new year of study with a COMBINED OPENING ASSEMBLY for everyone at 9 a.m., in the sanctuary where we will:

- introduce our Sunday School staff,
- promote our children,
- present Bibles to third graders,
- close with prayer and immediately move to our classrooms.

In our Sunday School Classrooms:

- donuts, juice and/or coffee will be served,
- our Sunday School classes begin their courses of study,
- there will be plenty of chairs for new members in each of our classrooms!
- adults will receive an introduction to the 2017-2018 year of study.

Please Join Us For Fall Kick Off!
We’ve Worked Hard to Put Together A Great Program and We Really Want You To Join Us!



Sunday, August 27, 2017

8:00 A.M. SERVICE

LITURGIST **USHER**
John Niehaus Tony McClees

10:30 A.M. SERVICE

LITURGIST **HEAD USHER**
John Niehaus Mel Ellsperman

USHERS & GREETERS

Steve, Suzette, Corey & Addison Fritz
Pat, Jayne & Tracey Manis

ACOLYTE

Lilly Ferguson

CHILDREN’S WORSHIP LEADER

Cheryl Ison

NURSERY WORKER

Caitlyn Hummel

FLOWER DEACONS

Jane Biggs & Anne Stallings

Eastminster Staff

Anna Cantrell - Housekeeper
Dennis R. Davenport - Pastor
Mary Fulkerson - Office Manager
Trey Fulkerson - Youth Director
Marian LaChance - Housekeeper
Dennis Malfatti - Director of Music

Church Office Hours

M - Th: 8:30 –4:00 P.M.
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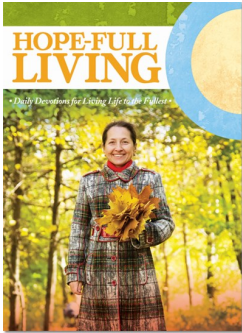
Youth Group Annual Powder Sugar Party



11 Middle Schoolers and High Schoolers enjoyed a Powder Sugar Party. This has been an annual event for several years now and the kids still love it!



Books are available in the Fellowship Hall for anyone to browse and take. Please stop by this Sunday and see if there is anything you would like. Any books left will be donated to EPW for their rummage sale. Thank you!



Hope-Full Living Devotional booklets are now available in the Narthex Welcome Center. Please take one and tell us what you think. If we get enough positive feedback we will continue to receive them!

Prayers & Concer



Please pray for the following:

Sarah Yeager McKee, Barbara, Marilois Barker, Sarah Bitner, Connie Nichols, Tracey Manis, & the Stone Family, Elizabeth, Keith Daughtery, Ken, & Ginny Marvel.

If you have a prayer request, please contact Leslie Webb at epcprayers@gmail.com or contact the Church Office.

Sunday School
Kick-Off
Sept. 10, a.m.
Eastminster Presbyterian Church Sanctuary

Adult Summer Sunday School Leaders

August 27 Dan Engelbrecht
September 3 Mike Lee
September 10 FALL KICK OFF



Children's Summer Sunday School Leaders

August 27 Suzette Fritz
September 3 Kim Weil
September 10 FALL KICK OFF



Children's Summer Worship Leaders

August 27 Cheryl Ison
September 3 _____ need volunteer
September 10 FALL KICK OFF



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY
2017 Interfaith Build

The third Habitat of Evansville Interfaith Build is about to commence. Eastminster is one of very few churches that have been a part of this venture from its onset. We again have the opportunity to work alongside those of other churches and other faith communities to help build a house for a first-time homeowner. See the information below and/or contact Dr. Davenport for more information.

1718 S Governor St. Interfaith Future Homeowner - David & Alexia

TENTATIVE VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

| | | | | |
|---------------------------|---|--|------------------------|----------------------|
| Crawlspace & Floor System | Raise Walls | Siding | Pre-insulation | Paint |
| Sunday, August 13 | Saturday, August 19 Tuesday, August 22 Wednesday, August 23 | Saturday, September 16 Tuesday, September 19 Wednesday, September 20 | Saturday, September 23 | Sunday, October 8 |
| 8 volunteers | 8 volunteers per day | 6 volunteers per day | 6 volunteers 1/2 Day | 8 volunteers 1/2 day |

HOW TO VOLUNTEER & IMPORTANT NOTES

1. Go to www.evansvillehabitat.org
 2. Click on the "Volunteer" button
 3. Click "Click here to Volunteer Now"
 4. First-time volunteers: click "Fill in an application"
Returning Volunteers: click "Log into your account"
 5. Once logged in, click on the "Opportunities" tab
 6. Click on the "Interfaith Build" volunteer event
 7. Click "Sign up"
 8. Confirm your sign up
- All volunteers must fill out a liability waiver prior to volunteering
 - Volunteer days run from 7:30 am until 2 pm at the latest. Lunch break is from 11am-12pm.
 - Volunteers must be at least 16 years of age or older
 - Please remember to wear old clothes and closed-toe shoes
 - Habitat provides tools and materials, but feel free to bring your own tools, labeled with your name.
 - Construction project schedules are very fluid and may change at the last minute. Please check your email for updates on your volunteer day.
 - For safety concerns, we do not build in the rain. If rain is in the forecast, check your email for a cancellation or reschedule notice.



For assistance registering for volunteer opportunities, please contact Andrea Ward, Volunteer Workforce Manager, at 812-423-5623 ext. 33 or at award@evansvillehabitat.org

Thank you for your interest in volunteering with Habitat for Humanity of Evansville. We hope you have a great time!