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The Olympic Games have always been a source of excitement and joy for me. I like watching the sports that I am more familiar with and am fascinated with those events that seem different or exotic.

Unity

While world cup level athletic events are available often, there is something special about these games that are held only every four years. It can sound cliché, and is certainly a sensationalistic comment used by network sportscasters, but those rare "Olympic moments" are inspirational to me. Sometimes there are moments or outcomes that come to wider consciousness and give us something positive to talk about.

The Olympics are certainly a competition - there are winners and losers. However, part of their expressed purpose is to bring people together. As a follower of Jesus, of course, I think of his desire to bring people together. In John 17 Jesus prays for the unity of his followers, and even the world. I hope and pray that whether it is Jesus' prayer, the Olympics, or other common ground, that God will guide us to more togetherness in the world. Maybe we could even step closer to a concept of unity. May you find some of this common ground with folks in your neighborhood and the communityat-large.

Peace be with you. JT



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LITURGIST SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST

Sunday, August 1: Karla Horrell Sunday, August 8: Pam Doerter Sunday, August 15: John Niehaus Sunday, August 22: Patti Garcia Sunday, August 29: Gary Van Zandt

New 2 & 3 Year Old Sunday School Class

A big thank you to Anslee LaChance for agreeing to teach our 2 & 3 year olds this year.

Materials have been purchased and the class is ready. The CE committee hopes to see our kiddos here on Sundav!





Blessings for Back to School August 8, 10:30 a.m.

On Sunday, August 8, during our 10:30 a.m. worship service, we will hold our annual blessing of the backpacks.

We will be asking for God's blessing on and protection for all students, teachers. teacher's aides. administrators. bus drivers and other workers with our schools.

All children are invited to bring their backpacks for this service of blessing and to place them around the Communion Table.

Bring Your Backpack





Below is more information about the Teacher's Locker and how your donations impact the entire EVSC district. Please see a member of the CE committee if you would like more information.

Supporting Teachers = Supporting Students

The Teacher Locker is a place where EVSC teachers grades Pre-K-12 can receive FREE school supplies for their classroom at no cost to the teacher. The goal is to reduce what teachers spend out of their own pockets for their classrooms. Please note this will not be a substitute for parents buying annual supplies as required by the EVSC or a location where parents receive free supplies for the year.

This is a six way collaborative partnership between the EVSC; EVSC Foundation; Public Education Foundation of Evansville; Evansville Area Council PTA: Evansville Teachers Association and Evansville Retired Teachers Association.

MISSION STATEMENT

Teacher Locker is a place where the community can come together to provide free classroom supplies in order to support teaching, promote student achievement and drive school success.

VISION

EVSC Teachers will never have to worry about purchasing classroom supplies and materials out of their own pockets.



Christian Education News

This year the Christian Education Committee will be donating school supplies to The Teacher's Locker.

Supplies that are needed are: Composition notebooks - college rule Loose Leaf Paper - college rule Spiral Notebooks-College rule Crayola Markers - 10ct pack Color Pencils - 12ct pack #2 Wood Pencils Water Colors - Crayola brand 8 or 16 ct ***Paper Clips - HIGHLY NEEDED

