



The Reminder

Indian Head Church of God



October, 2023

Mission Statement

The Indian Head Church of God exists to glorify God with Christ centered worship, Biblically oriented discipleship and Holy Spirit directed evangelism and mission.



We are collecting items each month for the ICV Food Pantry. The items can be placed in the container in the Normalville side foyer. For the month of **October, we will be collecting Baking Supplies.**

We appreciate your help in donating these monthly items for the ICV Food Pantry.



**Wednesday, October 11
11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

The Indian Head Church of God Community Luncheon Ministry will be offering

FREE HOMEMADE SOUP

by drive thru only, while supplies last. Soup will be packaged cold in containers and distributed here in the church parking lot. This event is held the second Wednesday of every month. If you would like to help, contact Bonnie Kimmel or Amy Grimm. Everyone is welcome to come and get some soup!



Everyone is invited to attend our **Saturday Evening Worship Services**

7 p.m. each Saturday night, especially if you are unable to come to church on Sunday mornings.



We will be having Baptism on Sunday, **November 5**, during the 11:00 a.m. worship service. If you would like to be baptized, please contact Pastor Doug.



There will be a Membership Class on Sunday, **November 5**, for anyone interested in becoming a member of our church. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Doug.



On Sunday evening, **November 5**, at 7:00 p.m., we will have our **Ordinance Service of Holy Communion and Feet Washing.**

Everyone is welcome to attend.



**To Welcome
Pastor Ben and Sherri**

Sunday, October 29

in the Social Room, Immediately following the late worship service. Please bring a covered dish.



We will be celebrating World Communion Sunday on Saturday and Sunday, **Sept. 30 and Oct. 1** during our worship services. Those on the live stream may wish to use food items from home (crackers, bread, juice, water) to join in on the Communion.



We extend our most heartfelt and deepest sympathy to...

*The family of Andrew Stickman, son of Bill and Leanne Stickman, and grandson of Jim and Audrey Hutchison.

*For the family of Betty Freed, mother of Ronnie Freed and wife Crystal.

*For the family of Robby Grove, friend of Mark and Karen White.

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints."
Psalm 115:16



Bill and Leanne Stickman, along with children Will, Anna, and Peter, and grandparents Jim and Audrey Hutchison, would like to thank everyone for the cards, prayers, phone calls, and any other acts of kindnesses we received since the death of our son, brother, and grandson, Andrew Stickman. You have touched our hearts in so many ways, and we sincerely appreciate your sympathy and thoughtfulness.

From our hearts,
Bill, Leanne, Will, Anna, and Peter Stickman, Jim and Audrey Hutchison

Dear Church family,
We are thankful for you! Your beautiful cards, texts, phone calls, prayers and concern are appreciated during Jeff's latest setback. We know God is in control and can use it for His glory. We are so blessed to see your love in action.

With Sincere Gratitude,
Jeff and Elaine White

Right Now Media Kids

If you would like access, please send your email address to the church office...
ihcog@lhtot.com



Notes on the Ad Council meeting on September 18...

- *Pastor Ben officially begins Oct. 1.
- *Baptism on Sunday, Nov. 5, during the late worship service.
- *World communion being held during worship services Sept. 30 and Oct. 1.
- *Fifth Sunday Fellowship Meal will be held on Oct. 29 following the late worship service. We will be welcoming Pastor Ben & Sherri.
- *Installation Service for Pastor Ben during the worship services on Sunday, Oct. 29.
- *Annual Ordinance Service on Sunday, Nov. 5 at 7 p.m. with communion and feet washing.
- *We will be hosting the District 14 Sunday School Rally on Monday, Nov. 6 at 7 p.m.
- *For the Youth Retreat at Camp Sunrise Mountain, Oct. 20-22, and Nov. 3-5, cost is \$35.00 per youth and the church pays \$65.00 per youth.
- *The adult choir Christmas Cantata will be held on Sunday, Dec. 10 at 7 p.m.
- *We are in need of a teacher(s) for a new young adult Sunday school class.
- *Trunk or Treat, Oct. 28, 12-2 p.m. at Resh's Park.
- *We will be purchasing IHCOG "Servant" T-shirts to use for various events held at the church. More information to follow.



You can give online through the Vanco app called the...
Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement app. (with the app picture above)

We have three options available for your convenience.

1. Text your donation to:
888-788-2914
2. Give online via our webpage and follow the **Donate** link.
3. Donate through the **VANCO Mobile Faith Engagement app** at the [Google Play Store](#) or [Apple App Store](#).

Thank you to all who are supporting the church through these difficult times with your generous donations. Donations can also be mailed to the church office at:

Indian Head Church of God
PO Box 488
Indian Head PA 15446



The **Technology Committee** is looking for volunteers to join our committee. Some needs are:
*sound operator
*camera operator
*people to help with creating and advancing the slides used during the service
*network upgrade & maintenance
*computer support, etc.
If interested, contact Jim Foor or the church office. The mission of the Technology Committee is to support and enhance the ministries of the church through the use of technology and media.



"Autumn ... the year's last, loveliest smile."

—William Cullen Bryant

Basket Auction



October 7 - 15, 2023

Outreach and Missions will again be sponsoring a Basket Auction for shoebox postage.

Planning ahead, If you would like to donate a gift basket or a service, please have the basket or service information to the church by Sunday, October 1. **The auction will be held in the Social Room, October 7-15**, and the next paragraph outlines the new format instead of the one night online auction...

The items will be on display in the Social Room the week of October 7-15, and you will be able to go into the Social Room and check out the items during that week. If there is something you would like to bid on, you can go to the church's Facebook page and place your bid. Keep checking back on the Facebook page if someone outbid you, and you can update your bid. For those who don't have Facebook, there will be papers in the Social Room where you can place your bid and your phone number to be contacted. They will be checked daily and the bids will be put on our Facebook page. Denise Pritts will contact you if someone outbids you, and she will post your new bid if you wish to raise it. On Saturday, October 15 at 6:00 p.m. the bidding will end and the winners will be posted on our Facebook page. For those without Facebook, Denise will notify you if you have won.

If you have any questions, please see Denise Pritts.



Annual
Congregational
Meeting

Tuesday, November 14
7:00 p.m.

In the Social Room.

This meeting to approve the 2024 proposed budget, have election of officers, and any other church business.



Everyone is invited to join Mary Bowser on Sunday, Oct. 15 for her presentation of her mission trip to Kenya, Africa.

After the second worship service, we will gather in the social room to share a carry-in meal together. At 1:00 p.m., Mary will begin her presentation. We hope you will come and hear how God is working in Kenya.



The District 14 Sunday School Rally will be held here at our church on Monday evening, November 6 at 7:00. Everyone is welcome to attend.



“O Holy Light”
Sunday, December 10
7:00 p.m.
In the Sanctuary



Your packed Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes will be due here to the church by **Sunday, November 12.**

National Collection Week is
November 13-20

This year, our church is going to be a drop off point all that week for churches in our area to drop off their shoeboxes.

Susan Shepler will be the organizer for our church being a drop off point. There will be a set time each day for those dropping off their shoeboxes. Help will be needed only a couple of hours each day during that week to assist those bringing boxes. If you would be interested in helping, even if it's for only one day, please see Susan.



Greetings from Ben and Sherri Tobias

Hello, Indian Head! It is so good to be back after 17 years. It's amazing to see how the Lord directs our path and guides our steps. When we left Indian Head back in 2006, we had no idea we'd return. (We still have the farewell quilt you made for us!) But God's ways are beyond ours, and His plan takes priority over ours.

To catch everyone up on where we've been and where we are, here's a brief rundown. Pastor Ben served as Sr. Pastor at the Mt. Pleasant Church of God 2006-2011. At that time, God called us to Findlay, OH where Pastor Ben served as Associate Director of Global Reach until 2016, then full Director after Don Dennison's retirement. Sherri has pursued several jobs over the years: writing coach, technical writer, and author. Soon after moving to Findlay, she was diagnosed with Young Onset Parkinson's Disease, which progressed until 2021, when Sherri underwent a life-changing surgery in Switzerland. The "focused ultrasound" procedure eliminated her tremor on the left side of her body, then in 2022 she returned for the second surgery that eliminated the right-side tremor. Today she is tremor-free, thanks be to God! She is still recovering her speech and struggles with fatigue, but expects to regain energy and volume in the next year. Our daughter Charis lives in Seattle where she works remotely for the University of California, Irvine as an analyst in their admissions department. And our son Jonathan lives in Irvine, California (an odd coincidence) where he works in quality assurance at Blizzard, a software company.

I (Pastor Ben) want to let you know that I look forward to working with Pastor Doug and the Indian Head church however the Lord leads. I'm excited to see the MANY activities and active involvement of so many. God has blessed us with spiritual gifts and opportunities to use them in ministry to others, and as your Associate Pastor (again!) I promise to faithfully follow and serve in Christ's example. Let us exalt the name of the Lord together, and work together in making disciples of all nations for His glory!

Finally, we want to say "THANK YOU!" for the many, many expressions of greeting and hospitality we've received. The welcome basket with food and gift cards, the meals, and the "welcome home" embraces touched our hearts. Our daughter Charis helped us move in, and she exclaimed, "Indian Head certainly knows about hospitality!" We feel at home already, and we look forward to getting reacquainted and reconnected. There are many new faces as well as old friends!

Community TRUNK OR TREAT

Saturday, October 28

at C.W. Resh Park
12:00 to 2:00 p.m.

FOOD

GAMES



FUN

TREATS

Sponsored by the following churches:

Indian Head Church of God
Christian Missionary Alliance
County Line Church of the Brethren

WE WILL BE CELEBRATING



**On Sunday morning, October 8
during both morning worship services**

*"And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists;
and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints,
for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ"*

Ephesians 4:11-12