



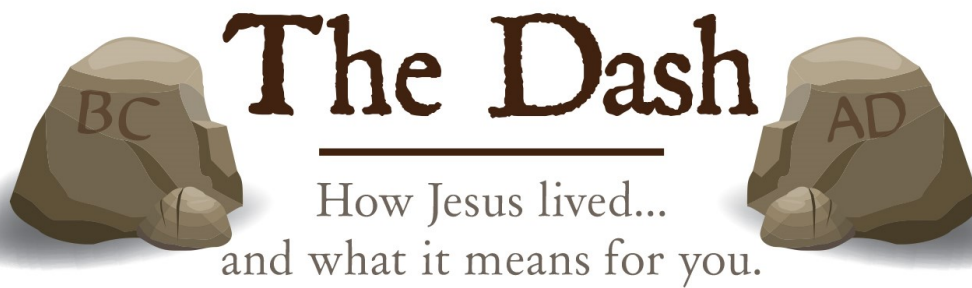
# The Lamplighter

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## The Dash

How Jesus lived...  
and what it means for you.

You know about His birth. You know about His death. But, what about His life? Jesus stepped into the world and split time in half, BC—AD. But, what about “the dash” in between?

Either through years of regular church attendance or more frequent attendance around Christmas and Easter, most of us are very familiar with the stories of Jesus’ birth and death. We get a little fuzzy, though, on the details of His life. Yes, we know He performed many miracles like feeding 5,000 people and walking on water. We also know that He said profound things like “love your enemy” and “blessed are the meek.” But, how do all those details connect? Why did He say and do the things He did? When and where did those events fall in His life and ministry? Was there any purpose or pattern to them? Or, were they just random events in the life of an unusually holy man?

These are the type of questions we will seek to answer as we go through “The Dash.” We will uncover *how Jesus lived*, and even more importantly, *what it means for you*. This will be a journey of faith seeking understanding—understanding what happened, why it matters and how we should then live in response. The minor goal of this series will be to help us all gain a working knowledge of the historical, geographic and cultural factors that shaped Jesus’ life and ministry. The major goal is that by better understanding Jesus, we can become more like Him.

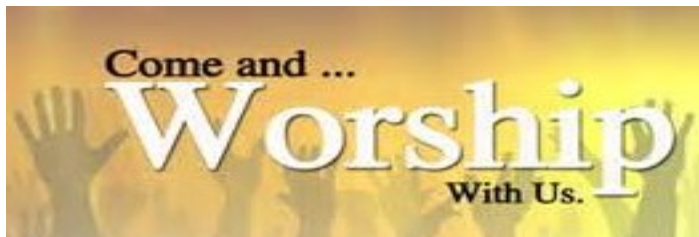
Amazingly, Jesus’ public ministry lasted only three years. Think of how He changed the world in such a short time. We will use those three years as a framework for learning about His life. First, we’ll look at the “Years of Preparation,” which happened before His three years of ministry. Then, we’ll explore the subsequent three years in order. It’s helpful to think of them as “The Year of Inauguration,” The Year of Popularity,” and finally “The Year of Opposition.”

A Reading Guide will be available for anyone who wants to read ahead in the Gospels—Matthew, Mark, Luke and John—to prepare for the upcoming topic of the week. This guide will also be useful as a tool to enable us to see which stories from Jesus’ life come from which Gospel and how the Gospels themselves are different from one another.

Of course, all adults are invited to deepen their understanding of what’s presented in the worship service by joining in a discussion of the sermon in one of the FUN Groups that meet after worship. **“The Dash” will begin Sunday, September 17.** Come and discover *how Jesus lived...and what it means for you!*

In Him,

Pastor Jack



Community Worship  
 With MCA & Church of Christ  
 at the ballfield  
 Sunday, September 3 at 10:00 a.m.  
 Bring your lawn chairs. If possible please park in  
 the church parking lot & leave closer parking  
 spaces free for those with mobility issues.  
 Rain location: Mennonite Christian Assembly.

**SESSION MEETING  
 AUGUST 24 HIGHLIGHTS**

Session continued to study "Becoming a Flourish Church" by learning about the particular roles of church members as defined in Ephesians 4 (apostle, prophet, evangelist, shepherd, teacher).

- Approved the Youth Ministry Team request to take a Youth Works mission trip to Cortez, CO in July 2018.
- Heard report from the Safety Team regarding progress made at its first meeting. Initial actions will focus on three areas: 1.) Sunday worship security by creating a plan for locking the main doors once worship begins. 2.) Nursery security. 3.) Video surveillance. Next meeting August 30.
- Elected Angie Chapman to serve as a delegate to our presbytery meeting on Oct. 20 & 21 in Logansport, IN
- Heard a report from Pastor Jack on potential Covenant Partners. There are currently 57 adults, youth and children worshipping with us who are not Covenant Partners. Some need to be baptized and/or profess faith. The church has a responsibility to disciple all. A Covenant Class will be offered soon for any interested in joining the class through Covenant Partnership. Elders divided names of all potential Covenant Partners to pray regularly for them.

**FROM THE FINANCE TEAM**

July 2017 Finance Information

YTD Operating Income: \$ 134,919  
 YTD Operating Expenses: \$ 124,130  
 YTD Difference: \$ 10,789  
 Available Cash: \$ 63,021  
 Building Line of Credit: \$ 450,631  
 Building Pledges to be Received: \$ 57,260



The Annual hotdog roast and hayride is Sunday, September 24 at 5:00 p.m. at Don & Joyce Rhamy's. Everyone is welcome! Bring your own hotdogs & buns, plus a well-filled picnic basket to share. Lawn chairs would be a good idea too. Table service, beverage and condiments will be provided.

**BICENTENNIAL THANK-YOU**

*We had a wonderful Bicentennial Worship Service and meal on August 27, thanks to the Bicentennial Celebration Team of Joyce Rhamy (team chair), Barry Henderson, Chuck Massaro and Don Rhamy, who spent several months of work involved to see the bicentennial project to completion.*

The Team would like each family to stop by the table in the gallery and design your family's bicentennial quilt square. The squares will be made into a wall hanging to depict the momentous day. The Team will be collecting quilt squares through Sept. 24.

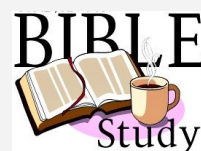
Also, the historical pictures and documents will be on display though September 24, and remaining medallions, wooden churches historical booklets and bulletins are available on the sign-up table.

**NO FUN GROUPS - There is no Sunday school or fun groups on Sept. 3 or Sept. 10 due to the Community Worship Service and the Wayne County Fair**

**G.L.O.W.**

**LADIES, MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

The fall start up date for G.L.O.W. is Sept. 20.



## FORMATIONAL PRAYER Attention Ladies!

Formational Prayer is about learning to examine your own life to better understand God's care for you. You will learn how you best "hear" God, how to relax with God, and how to experience healing of the old wounds in your life by gently opening them up for God to show you his healing truth of scripture and plan for your life as you overcome the old hurts and dispel the lies that get in our way. This year's group will meet on Monday evenings. We will start in October & meet for 8 sessions before the Christmas Season, then take a break & finish up the final eight weeks midwinter. For more information please contact Pastor Darcy.

**A "COVENANT CLASS"** is planned for October with two opportunities for participation: Sunday, October 1 following FUN Groups or Wednesday Oct. 4 from 6-8 p.m. Participation in the class is required for anyone who is interested in joining the church through covenant partnership (membership), but it's also appropriate for anyone who simply wants more information about membership. It is a time of fellowship and informal discussion about what it means to be a part of the Frederickburg Presbyterian Church family. Lunch and childcare will be provided for the Sunday meeting. Only childcare will be provided at the Wednesday meeting. Please RSVP to Secretary Jeann at 330-695-2511 or [fredpresby@embarqmail.com](mailto:fredpresby@embarqmail.com) by Sunday September 24 to confirm your participation.

## CONFIRMATION CLASS

Pastor Jack will be leading a Confirmation Class for all students 8th grade and up. This will be a time for all youth, whether they have been baptized or not, to honestly explore questions about faith and have an opportunity to respond through baptism, profession of faith and/or church membership. The class will be held Sunday mornings during the Sunday School hour from Oct. 15 to Dec. 3. It will also include other aspects such as a day long retreat and a meeting with Session. A letter will be going out to parents with more information. Please RSVP to Secretary Jeann at [fredpresby@embarqmail.com](mailto:fredpresby@embarqmail.com) or 330-695-2511 by Sun. Oct. 8 with the names of any youth who plan on participating.



## YDOC YOUTH

- September 3 - NO YDOC due to Labor Day.
- September 10 worship at the Wayne County Fair.
- September 24 Meet at Matt & Tianna's at 3 p.m. for outdoor games, then attend the hayride (which starts at 5 p.m.) together.
- October 1 - Meet at Nick & Beth's at 2:00 p.m. for football, volleyball & hanging out.
- October 14-15 - 30-Hour Famine at the church. Details to come.

**AND SOME BIG NEWS!** We're heading west! YDOC will again go on a mission trip next summer through YouthWorks. This time, we will be going to Cortez, Colorado. Cortez is a large town about 1/3 the size of Wooster, and is the seat of Montezuma County, in the southwest corner of the state. Its economy is mainly tourism based, as it is situated between Mesa Verde National Park and the Canyons of the Ancients National Monument.

While there, we will be running Kids' Club (similar to VBS, but designed to go all summer) and completing work projects for the community and individuals (such as park cleanups, painting, yard work, gardening, etc.) as well as spending time learning about Native American culture from locals and visiting nearby Mesa Verde National Park.

We will be at the site from July 1st - 6th, but due to the drive time, we will be leaving June 29th and returning July 9th. The cost per person will be \$550. YDOC will host multiple fundraisers between now and next summer (meals, babysitting, etc), as well as helping youth to write letters to friends and family to ask for assistance in paying the fees. Don't let the cost keep you from going! We will be making every effort to make it as easy as possible to afford.

**Signing up for the trip requires a \$25 deposit per person (or \$50/family) by Sunday, September 10th.**

While this is short notice, it is important to sign up early, because this is allowing us to get tickets at a considerable discount due to a limited-time offer from YouthWorks.

If you have any questions about the trip, about signing up, or have any issues making the deposit, please contact me at 330-465-1221. I will be more than happy to talk one-on-one to answer any questions you have, and accommodations can be made for anyone with financial issues. The deposit for the trip can be given to Nick, dropped off at the church office, or given to anyone on the Youth Ministry Team.

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## September & October 2017

### ELDER ASSIST SCHEDULE

Sept. 10 Delores Schlegel  
Sept. 17 Jerry Herman  
Sept. 24 Michelle Wood  
Oct. 01 Val Haver  
Oct. 08 Jeff Styer  
Oct. 15 Steve Moffitt  
Oct. 22 Angie Chapman  
Oct. 29 Jeff Edington

### CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE

Sept. 10 Sherri Machamer &  
Brenden Pfeifer  
Sept. 17 Sherri Brown & Natalie Schlegel  
Sept. 24 Shirley & Shad Swinehart

### NURSERY SCHEDULE

Sept. 10 Connie Herman & Becca Schuch  
Sept. 17 Erika Schuch &  
Shannah Swinehart  
Sept. 24 Ea Fletcher & Trina Shannon

### CAFÉ HOSTS & GREETERS

Sept. 10 Connie Herman & Deanna Smith  
Greeters Val & Jay Haver  
Sept. 17 Tanya Chupp & Wendy McKelvey  
Greeters Mary Ann & Barry Henderson  
Sept. 24 Tanya Chupp & Wendy McKelvey  
Greeters Mary Ann & Barry Henderson  
Oct. 1 Tanya Chupp & Mary Lee Wirick  
Greeters Mary & Jeff Edington  
Oct. 8 Tanya Chupp & Mary Lee Wirick  
Greeters Mary & Jeff Edington  
Oct. 15 Shirley Swinehart &  
Daphnee German  
Greeters Michelle & Duane Wood  
Oct. 22 Shirley Swinehart &  
Daphnee German  
Greeters Michelle & Duane Wood  
Oct. 29 Tanya Chupp & Deanna Smith  
Greeters Wendy & Shawn McKelvey

### USHER SCHEDULE

The ushers for September are Shad Swinehart & Brian Yoder. The ushers for October are Al Amstutz & Allison Yacapraro.

### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Office hours for Secretary Jeann are:  
Mondays 12 noon - 9:00 p.m., Tuesdays and  
Wednesdays 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Thurs-  
days 9:30 - 2:30 p.m. (please note, some  
Thursdays the office could close earlier than  
2:30). Closed Fridays.

If you leave a message on the church an-  
swering machine (330-695-2511), your call  
will be returned as soon as possible. You can  
e-mail Secretary Jeann at:  
fredpresby@embarqmail.com

Please remember Pastor Jack's Sabbath is  
Friday. Generally, he will be unavailable on  
this day. If you need to reach him at other  
times, his cell phone is 330-749-5245 or  
e-mail him at: jack.mcclelland30@gmail.com

Pastor Darcy's Sabbath is on Thursday.  
Her cell phone number is: 330 440-4155  
her e-mail address: demiller64@hotmail.com