



NEWSLETTER 2026

Hello,

I am seeing a lot of anxiety on the rise.

Everyday, I see an article or a video raising the warning bells about AI and drones.

I hear about the dire situation the country's farmers are finding themselves in. Since that one hits close to home, I will expand on that one a bit. I hear about how fertilizer is going through the roof. How right to repair will still be an issue despite a landmark court case recently being resolved. About how the average age of a farmer is approaching retirement age (average age is 58.1 and 40% of farmland is owned by farmers 65 and older).

More locally, I hear about how people are concerned about all the rain we are getting. I hear things like "Will it ever dry up so we can get crops in the ground?"

It's not just farmers, I hear from everyone how the price of everything is just going through the roof.

All this is making the future look pretty bleak. So I want to take a moment and remind you of what Jesus said about worrying in the book of Matthew:

"25 Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? 26 Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? 27 Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?"

Now, I have been a practicing Christian for 20 years. I still find it hard to remember that verse. So if that is you, don't worry (pun intended), you're not alone.

However, what Jesus is saying is absolutely true. Do NOT worry, it does not help you. Instead, choose to rely on God. He is Jehovah Jireh after all, which means "The Lord Will Provide." He is our provider. Not you, not the weather, not your employer, God.

So as your Pastor, take a deep breath, and remember who is truly providing for your every need.

Jesus loves you!

Peace be with you,

Pastor Chris

P.S. Men, it's mother's day, don't forget to celebrate the Mother's in your life.



URBANA YOKE PARISH
Box 8 Urbana, IN 46990

Worship Service

10:00 AM

Sunday School

9:00—9:45 AM

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Wed. 5:30-7:00 pm

Sat. 10:00 am—1:00 pm



Christ Jesus
OUR LORD.

ROMANS 6:23, NIV

Our Mission Statement



To glorify God through our actions, words and deeds as a daily way of life by the leading of the Holy Spirit and commitment to sharing the love of Jesus Christ to others. To open their



MOM, you are the salt of the earth. More valuable than precious stones. You made our house into a home. You have touched each life with your gentle loving hands. You encourage us always to be the best we can. Without you, our lives would be void and empty. Thank you MOM for taking your job seriously. Your husband and children indeed arise and call you blessed.

God took the fragrance of a flower...

The majesty of a tree...

The gentleness of morning dew...

The calm of a quiet sea...

The beauty of the twilight hour...

The soul of a starry night...

The laughter of a rippling brook...

The grace of a bird in flight...

Then God fashioned from these things...

A creation like no other...

And when his masterpiece was through...

He called it simply – Mother.

— Herbert Farnham



*A mother's love, a Mother's care,
A mother's sigh, a Mother's prayer
A Mother's work, and Mother's day,
Leaves little time for any play.*

*A godly Mother with godly love,
Is treasure from God above,
A godly Mother with godly above,
A godly Mother with godly care,
Has God's help when she sighs a prayer.*

— Calvin M. Lake

*They sacrificed their lives, entered the gates of hell,
Onward they stumbled, while all around them fell,
War weary, ragged, faces dirt encrusted, black,
Impatient for the whistle, ready for attack.*

*In their hearts burned everlasting hope,
Carrying love letters and handwritten notes,
Tiny mementos and gifts tucked into pockets,
As shells blasted like exploding rockets!*

*They died as all good soldiers die,
Hoping for a better world for you and I,
Wanting to set the world free,
But many would shudder if they could see*

*The selfish world we live in today.
Would they be pleased with its uncaring ways?
Because "for our today, they gave their tomorrow,"
So let us be grateful, not wallow in sorrow.*

*Let us make their sacrifice worthwhile,
And help each other with willingness and a smile,
For at our darkest hour, our country they did save,
With their lives, which they so bravely gave....*

Laura J Sanders.

MEETINGS THIS MONTH:

The Church Board will meet on Wednesday, May 13th at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Please remember the following in prayer:

Marvin Mast Family, Family of Donna Yentes, Judy Eltzroth, Alma DeVore, Ron & Rhonda Baer, Jim Hartley, Jerry & Nancy McColley, Janene & Wendel Dawes, Nancy Miller, Ray & Esther Terrell, Vi Miller & Family, Janice Miller and her grandson Kole, Coy Eads and his parents and sisters. Also those of loved ones, friends and families. Please pray for continued healing.



OTHER CHURCH NEWS

Please keep the following families in your prayers: Vi Miller 's daughter Paula Appleton passed away suddenly on April 19th. Meghan Brock's grandfather, Jerry Hand passed away on April 15th. Eileen Weck's brother-in-law, Marvin Mast passed away on April 23rd. Many in our congregation our grieving over the loss of loved ones and need our prayers.



Starting in May, the "Prayer Tent" will be back in the Grove. This outreach is available to anyone who would like to have prayer with our pastor or an Elder.



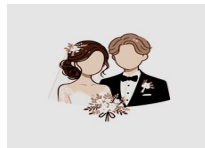
Xavier Roark, son of Tara Hauptert, will graduate from Northfield High School on Sunday, May 31st. Please keep this young man in your prayers as he begins the next chapter in his life. He will be joining the US Marine Corp after graduation.



Our church charities are in need of assistance. The Access Youth Center will be starting their backpack drive in a few weeks and will need items to fill 600 backpacks. Please watch the bulletin for the items they will need. The Lighthouse Mission also needs donations. For more information see the table in the front of the sanctuary. The Life Center is in need of financial donations. They use baby bottle coin collectors, when your bottle is full or if you need a bottle please see Pastor Chris.



Cody Chamberlain and Carley Sisson will be getting married on Saturday, May 16th. We would like to wish Cody and Carley blessings on a long and happy life together. Congratulations to you both!



Glen and Beth Engle will be celebrating 50 years of wedded bliss in June. They have invited the church to join them in celebrating on Sunday, June 7th from 1:00-4:00 pm in the church Fellowship Hall. Congratulations Glen and Beth!



The Program Committee will be hosting a "Mother's Day/Father's Day/Birthday Celebration on Sunday, May 31st. Please watch the bulletin for more details.

CELEBRATE!

THOSE SERVING THIS MONTH:

Head Usher: Terry Krom

Liturgist: Stephanie Warnock

Acolyte: Usher's Choice

Lay Leader: Brian Chamberlain

Greeters for May: Janet & Stephanie Warnock

If you are unable to join us in person on Sunday mornings you can now watch the service LIVE on Facebook. Service begins at 10:00 am.

MAY 2026

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

						2 Secretary Hours 10:00 am -1:00 pm
3 Communion	4 Pastor Hours 8:00 am-12:00 pm	5 Pastor Hours 8:00 am-12:00 pm	6 Pastor Hours 8:00 am-12:00 pm	7 Pastor Hours 8:00 am-12:00 pm National Day of Prayer	8	9 Secretary Hours 10:00 am -1:00 pm
10 Mother's Day	11 Pastor Hours 8:00 am-12:00 pm	12 Pastor Hours 8:00 am-12:00 pm	13 Pastor Hours 8:00 am-12:00 pm	14 Pastor Hours 8:00 am-12:00 pm Church Reserved	15 Church Reserved	16 Church Reserved
17	18 Pastor Hours 8:00 am-12:00 pm	19 Pastor Hours 8:00 am-12:00 pm	20 Pastor Hours 8:00 am-12:00 pm	21 Pastor Hours 8:00 am-12:00 pm	22	23 Secretary Hours 10:00 am -1:00 pm
24	25 Memorial Day	26 Pastor Hours 8:00 am-12:00 pm	27 Pastor Hours 8:00 am-12:00 pm	28 Pastor Hours 8:00 am-12:00 pm	29	30
31 Celebration Church Party		Prayer Meetings Monday evenings at 6:00 pm	Secretary Hours: Wednesday Evening 5:30-7:00 pm	13 Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm	Bible Study, Thursday Evenings @ 6:00 pm	Women's Bible Study: 12th @ 6:00 pm

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MEMORIAL DAY

*He can't come home, He's gone on home,
He fell on foreign sod, he heard the call, he gave his all
For country, home and God.*

*He can't come home, He's gone on home,
Where war clouds never rise, his day is done, his new life begun
In lovely Paradise.*

*He can't come home, He's gone on home,
Where foxholes are no more. No anguish now no fevered brow—
He's safe forevermore.*

*He can't come home, He's gone on home,
Dear lad, so young, so fair; God's will is best— in him we rest
Until we meet up there.*

Unknown