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~ Saturday ~

### Morning Worship

**Rev. Pam Thorson**



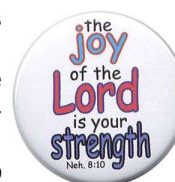
Worship began with members from Bethel Lutheran Church leading us in music. After the Gospel reading of John 14:15-27, Pr. Pam Thorson preached to us about living an amalgamated life. When we love we are obedient to God. We are not alone, we always have God with us. God gives us what we need. All we need to do is listen to the Spirit. The Spirit is the helper. Communion was shared before we departed to pursue the day's activities.

By Louise Taylor

### Forum # 3 "Joyfully Thankful"

**Speaker: Kari Hansen**

Kari Hanson shared her journey to Christ through the prison ministry, CHARIS. This ministry turned her life around. Kari shared that she is immensely thankful for her life in Christ, her children and her new partner. She went on to discuss how we too can live "Joyfully Thankful" when Christ is at our center. Following Kari's speech gathering attendees discussed these questions: How can I celebrate my life of Peace, with God? What bridges can I build to grow closer to others? What are my opportunities to boldly show thankfulness? By Kim Silence



### ~ Business Meeting #4 ~

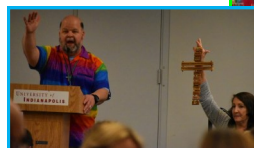
The meeting began in prayer. A resolution that had been discussed at yesterday's business meeting and referred to a sub-group made up of select members from the Exec. Committee, Good News VdC and the delegate body met later in the evening for mediation. This group reported back to the delegate body that the issues have been resolved resulting so that said resolution is being removed from the floor. The elections for President and Vice President of Outreach resulted in Wendy Showalter as President and Lindsay Daugherty as Vice President of Outreach. Treasurer Jim Ryan presented the financials which were approved by the delegate body. The result of yesterday's voting whether to change the name of the newsletter culminated in keeping the name "Conexiones." The 2019 business meeting was closed in prayer. By Kim Silence

### ~EOI Session - Writing to Our Forgotten

**Lead by Mary and Dick Link**

The session today is very similar to yesterdays but with a different audience. What came to light in today's discussion was that 'the forgotten' can be anyone. You can be at a large event and sitting in the audience there may be people who feel forgotten. To connect to them, you don't need to use fancy paper or some super exciting experience and so forth. What they need is calls, visits, simple cards saying thinking of you, anything to show them that you are thinking of them and care about them. Anything can make a difference. Bringing light and personal contact to those in need makes a positive difference, even though we may not realize it at the time. by Marci Katterhenry

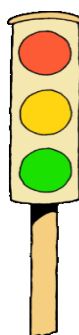
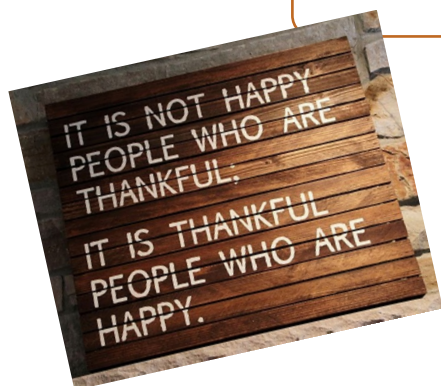
### ~ Agape Dinner & Live Auction ~



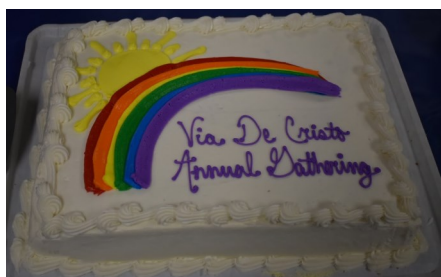
### Sunday's Gathering Schedule

Time	Activities	Location
6:45-8:00 am	Breakfast	Schwitzer Student Center, 1st Floor
8:15-9:00 am	Worship - Rev. Sue Beall	Schwitzer Student Center Chapel, 2nd Floor
9:00-10:00 am	Check out of Dorm rooms	Central Hall Dormitory

*Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,  
since as members of one body you were called to peace.  
And be thankful.  
Colossians 3:15*



**STOP**  
and listen to God  
**SLOW DOWN**  
and repent  
**GO**  
and tell others



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