

# FEBRUARY 2022

## at Ingomar Church

A quick look at what's new and exciting this month for church friends and family

### February Message Series: Saved by Grace

*Saved by Grace*

FEBRUARY MESSAGE SERIES

Sunday mornings at Ingomar Church

United Methodists define grace as "the undeserved, unmerited, and loving action of God in human existence through the ever-present Holy Spirit."

Grace is God's presence to create, heal, forgive, reconcile and transform human hearts, communities and the entire creation. Grace brought creation into existence, redeemed us in Jesus Christ and is ever transforming the whole creation into the realm of God's reign of compassion, justice,

generosity and peace. — Excerpts from "A Wesleyan understanding of grace" by Kenneth L. Carder

Please join us each Sunday in February as Pastor Greg, Pastor Cyndi and Pastor Dennis help us grow in our understanding of what it means to be "Saved by Grace."

### February Preaching Schedule

#### February 6 - "Somethin's Happenin' Here"

8:30 & 10 Traditional & 11 Contemporary  
Pastor Dennis

#### February 13 - "Guilty as Charged"

8:30 & 10 Traditional & 11 Contemporary  
Pastor Greg

#### February 20 - "This is Personal"

8:30 & 10 Traditional & 11 Contemporary  
Pastor Cyndi

#### February 27 - "The Long and Winding Road"

8:30 & 10 Traditional & 11 Contemporary  
Pastor Greg

You may also worship virtually at 8:30 and 11 by clicking the LIVE STREAM link at [ingomarchurch.org](http://ingomarchurch.org).

### Support the Ingomar Youth SOUPER Bowl – Feb. 6

Our annual Souper Bowl helps to fund the Philippi Senior High Mission Trip! If you are attending church in-person, you can purchase "Take-Out" Soup and Hoagies following each worship service. Drive-through service is also available — look for signs to direct you to no-contact ordering and pick up ... or pre-order using our online order form, and use our drive-through pick up at Entrance 8 (Fellowship Hall doors) or Entrance 3 (Portico doors) of the Worship and Education Building.

**Cost is by donation only, and any donation of \$100 or more will be matched!**

#### Soup options include:

- Black Bean
- Chicken Noodle
- Stuffed Pepper
- Sweet Potato
- Tortellini
- Vegetarian
- Wedding



Philippi Youth Mission Trip projects include repairs and renovations such as re-roofing, window and door replacement, repairing rotten/sagging floors, and building room additions.

Hoagies are from Produce Plus Deli. Soup is donated by families, as well as purchased from Soergel's. *Your generosity is greatly appreciated!*

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### Ingomar YOUTH SOUPER BOWL

#### Sunday, February 6

TAKE-OUT SOUP & HOAGIES following worship services  
NEW Drive-through Service available – no-contact ordering and pick-up  
Details & order form at [ingomarchurch.org](http://ingomarchurch.org)

### New Members Class

6 FEBRUARY  
13 FEBRUARY  
20 FEBRUARY

Three 1-hour sessions,  
Sunday mornings at 9:45am

### Join the Ingomar Church Staff

We're seeking candidates for:

**TWO Newly-Defined  
CONNECT Ministry positions**

Check your Connect Card or contact Chub at 412-364-3613

Ingomar Church MISSION OUTREACH

**PLEASE JOIN US**  
for the 2nd Annual  
**UN-RUNMAGE SALE**

**ONLINE SERVICE AUCTION**

Friday, February 25—Sunday, February 27

Donate a service for auction / Bid on a service  
All proceeds help to fund Ingomar Church Mission Outreach

**SAVE THE DATE**  
Saturday, April 30, 2022

**In-Person Event**  
Please plan to support us!

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## Let's Pray Together

"The Lord thy God is in your midst; He is mighty to save, He will rest in His love, He will rejoice over you with singing."

Zephaniah 3:17

Tammy DeBonis would love to join you for prayer via a zoom call on **Tuesday, Feb. 8** at 7:30pm and/or **Thursday Feb. 24** at 1pm. If you are interested, please call Tammy at 412-977-4516, email her at [xjtdebonis@comcast.net](mailto:xjtdebonis@comcast.net) or call the church office at 412-364-3613. Let's trust in our God who is mighty to save!

## GLOBAL LINKS

Sharing Surplus. Saving Lives.

### Global Links Serving Opportunity

Life-saving, not land-filling. That's the power of your time when volunteering at Global Links.

Each year Global Links recovers an average of 300 tons of still-valuable surplus medical materials from our region's healthcare systems. Volunteers help to sort and pack these materials so that they are ready to save lives in resource-poor communities.

Our team of volunteers from Ingomar Church has a long track record of service at the Global Links facility in GreenTree. Our team's next scheduled work date is February 15.

Each shift size is limited to 15 volunteers total at any one time to ensure safe physical distancing and volunteers must show proof of full vaccination and wear a mask while in the building.

If you would like to join the team, we have a spot for you! Please contact Earl Marsh through IConnect.

### Electronic Giving is Easy!

Choose from online giving through our website: [ingomarchurch.org/give](http://ingomarchurch.org/give) or our mobile "myVanco" giving app, or simply text an amount (preceded by a dollar sign) to 412-504-7798 and enter a giving code. Thank you for your generosity!

## Ingomar KIDS

Ingomar KIDS helps children and their families grow together in relationship with Jesus.

**PRIME TIME:** Sunday morning Kids' Worship Experience for ages 4 through 3rd grade, from 9:45am to 10:45am in the MAC (Multi-Activity Center) Room of the Community Life Center.

**ELEVATE:** Sunday morning Preteen Worship Experience for grades 4 through 7, from 9:45am to 10:45am in the Café of the Community Life Center.

**BLAZE:** Monday Preteen Youth Group for grades 4 & 5, from 6pm to 7:30pm in the MAC Room of the Community Life Center.

## Ingomar YOUTH

come • grow • serve • lead

Ingomar YOUTH exists to lead our students in a growing relationship with Jesus Christ.

**Middle School YOUTH:** Regular meetings are Sunday evenings from 5pm-6:30pm

**High School YOUTH:** Regular meetings are Sunday evenings from 6:30pm-8:30pm

### New Director of Next Gen Ministries

We are excited to announce that **Lori Musloe** has joined our staff as **Director of Next Gen Ministries**, starting Tuesday, February 1.

For the past two years, Lori served as the Next Gen Pastor at the Butler Campus of Allison Park Church, overseeing multiple growing ministries for children from Kindergarten through 12th grade. She was also involved in recruiting and training volunteers and leaders, social media communication, leading parent groups and much more.

Prior to serving at Allison Park Church, Lori was on the staff at New Life Christian Ministries as an Elementary Lead Teacher, Youth Leader and Crisis Counselor. She served on the staff at Evangel Heights Church for 10 years as an Elementary/Preschool Teacher and 2 years as a Theater Director.

Lori is a native of the Pittsburgh area currently living in Saxonburg. She is married to Jim and they have two sons, Landen and Noah. They are excited to become part of Ingomar Church.

Please join in welcoming Lori and her family to the Ingomar Church community.



**Ingomar KIDS Open House** on January 22 was a great time! The kids played lots of corn hole, tested their Emoji knowledge with hidden winter phrases, made their own keychains, bracelets, and necklaces and created their own Play-Doh! After that, everyone warmed up with hot chocolate and plenty of Chick-Fil-A Nuggets! We had a blast!

For information about Ingomar KIDS ministries, contact Rachel Ord, Children's Ministry Director at [rord@ingomarchurch.org](mailto:rord@ingomarchurch.org)

### What is Next Gen?

Next Gen is a new way of emphasizing ministry to the Next Generation, from birth to college ages. The Director of Next Gen ministries not only directs the youth ministry of the church, but ensures the continual process of alignment and focus of ministry for children and youth.

When the Next Gen model is done well, something amazing happens. Kids and teenagers win. Parents win. Volunteers win. And the staff gets to be a part of something bigger than they imagined possible!

As Director of Next Gen Ministries, Lori Musloe will work very closely with our Director of Children's Ministries, Rachel Ord, to be innovative about our approaches to ministry with all of our families.

### SAVE THE DATES

#### Week of June 12-18

Annual Philippi Senior High Mission Trip  
Philippi, West Virginia

### SAVE THE DATE

#### Monday, June 27

Annual Philippi Golf Outing  
Diamond Run Golf Club  
132 Laurel Oak Drive, Sewickley, PA  
Situated in the rolling hills of Sewickley, this 18-hole Gary Player signature course is a golfer's haven. This event benefits the Senior High Mission Trip.

For more info, email [youth@ingomarchurch.org](mailto:youth@ingomarchurch.org)



# Get Ready for the Mission Outreach UN-RUMMAGE Sale!

You're invited to participate in our 2nd Annual "UN-Rummage Sale" Online Service Auction on Friday, February 25 through Sunday, February 27.

Funds raised will support these local organizations: North Hills Community Outreach, United Methodist Church Union, HEARTH, Hair Peace Charities, and local projects of UMCOR.

Last year's event raised over \$11,000 and we hope that many more people will get involved this year so we can top last year's number.

### What is an Online Service Auction?

Members of the Ingomar Church family donate their time and talents in the form of services which are then auctioned to the highest bidder through a special auction website! It's a great way to get to know other members of the church family and to support Mission Outreach at the same time!

### Here's how YOU can get involved!

#### Offer a Service for Auction

Think of a service you can provide. It can be anything from a routine task to a very specialized talent you



are willing to share. Ideas include: making a specialty food item, offering a service such as tax advice, garden planning, tutoring, yard clean-up or maintenance,

hauling, babysitting, dog walking, handyman work, music, art or dance lessons, a ride to the store or to the airport ... anything that is your capability, talent or interest. You can also participate as a family or as a small group!

Once you've decided what service you are donating, simply fill out a form describing the service. Find the form at [ingomarchurch.org](http://ingomarchurch.org)

#### Bid on Services

Sign up to bid online and place bids on your favorite items during the auction. The website is very user friendly. The link to sign up will be posted at [ingomarchurch.org](http://ingomarchurch.org).

#### Donate Directly!

Monetary donations can also be made through the auction website. It's a quick and easy way to offer your support.

The pandemic has forced us to explore new ways of funding our Mission Outreach, but the purpose of helping others and sharing our love remains the same.

# Ingomar Child Enrichment Center Update

In February we evaluate the developmental progress of each child and determine how we can help take them to the next level. We remind parents about the benefits of allowing children to color, read a story, or even make a mess while playing. These activities help children develop cognitively, physically, socially, and emotionally. Our teachers regularly include these types of activities, understanding that play helps children learn how to interact and even helps with speech!



This month, we also look forward to our Valentine's Day Parties. This is an exciting time for parents to volunteer in the classroom. Many classes fill the day with crafts, games, and treats!

Ingomar Child Enrichment Center is pleased to announce that registration is nearly full for 2022-2023! However, there are still limited openings in the Full-Day Kindergarten and Older 2's classes. To learn more about Ingomar Child Development Center, contact Ashley Salsgiver: [ashleys@ingomarchurch.org](mailto:ashleys@ingomarchurch.org)

# Highlighting our Chancel Windows

The sanctuary of Ingomar Church has many symbols to help us reflect on the life of Jesus. As we highlight our 14 chancel windows, this issue features the Sheaves of Wheat window.

This image is familiar at funerals, serving as a symbol of hope and faith. As seeds fall to die in the earth, they mature to fruitful grain.



Likewise, for the Christian, death is not the end but the beginning of eternal life. The mature grain in the sheaf is the direct symbol of resurrection – life beyond the grave, fulfilled in the promises of Jesus Christ.

# New Members Class

Join a New Members Class – Feb. 6, 13, and 20 in the Community Life Center Conference Room from 9:45-10:45am. New members will be received in worship on February 20. If you have been thinking about joining the Ingomar Church family, please contact Pastor Cyndi at 412-364-3613.



This month's Spotlight is on our new Data Administrator, Matthew Sarlo, who joined our staff on January 24.

Matt learned about our opening while searching for data administrator positions. Prior to joining our staff, Matt had been working at Sherwin Williams for about 3 years.

His hobbies include bowling, working out, and basketball.

Matt lives in Steubenville, Ohio and has lived there for the majority of his life.

People might be surprised to know that he was born in Ulan-Ude which is a city in Russia. He was a top level Super Smash Bros Melee player; has competed in a powerlifting competition; was a top level Rocket League player; used to be able to do a backflip; and his "high game" in bowling is 235.

Staff Parish Relations Committee welcomes and salutes Matt! Please offer him a kind word of welcome and thanks for his service to Ingomar Church.

### Consider Legacy Giving

Please add this line to your will: "After my bills are paid, I want 10 percent of my estate (a tithe) to go to Ingomar United Methodist Church." Ask your legal advisor about this.

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## Sanctuary Flowers

Given to the glory of God

February 6

Jan Miller in memory of Dave's birthday

Chuck England in memory of Jean

February 20

Lynn Simpson & family in memory of Scott Simpson

February 27

Mr. & Mrs. R. M. Taylor in honor of their 22nd wedding anniversary

Karen Wingrove and family in memory of Pete Wingrove

## Church Family

Sympathy to:

Friends and family of **Lonne Wolf** who passed on December 31, 2021

Friends and family of **Irene Pletcher** who passed on January 4

Friends and family of Jim Linaberger on the passing of his wife, **Sandi Linaberger** on January 7

Friends and family of **Fran Borrebach** who passed on January 25

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## Save the Date for "Turning Wine into Water"

Thank you Ingomar Church! You are truly World Changers. Your support from the 2021 Christmas offering will bring clean water to the Ramula School in Kajimbo, Kenya. By helping to provide clean water you are transforming lives! These funds are being distributed to our in-country partner and we hope to have the well dug by mid-2022.

Please save the date for our annual fundraiser, **Turning Wine Into Water**, on April 30, 2022! We ask for your continued support through sponsorship to help bring clean water to the world.

In 2021, Ingomar Living Waters, along with our partner, Heaven's Family, was able to provide clean water to the village of Mpango, Malawi. The people are so excited to be enjoying clean water in their own village and they are amazed and rejoicing!! Our ministry partner has been working there sharing the gospel since 2014 and has a



well-established ministry in the village. Our ministry partner, Gibson, writes,

"We have seen many believers from the village and they also share the word of God to others. With this new well, it is my hope that many will come to know Christ because giving a well in the village is a sign of love to the community around the well."

Previously, some of the people of Mpango would have to walk 3-4 km to the next village for water where there is a drilled well. Nicholas Kutsambam, a villager in Mpango, Malawi said, "We have been in dire need of water. Now, with this water we can do so many things in our house. We are so happy. Thank you!"

There are many others around the world like Nicholas Kutsambam, who are praying for clean water for their families. Please join us for our annual fundraiser, **Turning Wine Into Water**, on April 30, 2022!

For more information and details of successful projects, visit: [ingomarlivingwaters.org](http://ingomarlivingwaters.org)



Left: Villagers in Mpango, Malawi rejoice as they celebrate the gift of a clean water well that is a direct result of your generosity.



Right: Children in Mpgano Village now enjoy clean water!

## Quick Notes

The **End-of-Year Financial Overview** is now available on the IConnect Ingomar Church Group, or at the Information Centers. If you would like to be put on an email list to receive an electronic version of the report, contact Chub Dietz at 412-364-3613 or [cdietz@ingomarchurch.org](mailto:cdietz@ingomarchurch.org), or click here <https://ingomar.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/382/responses/new>

### Two Newly-Defined Connect Ministry Staff Positions

1. Do you enjoy decorating for the holidays and planning special events? Do you normally attend in-person worship services at Ingomar Church twice a month?

2. Do you believe in the importance of creating a welcoming environment for those who worship in-person? Do you enjoy building relationships with others and meeting new people? Do you normally attend in-person worship at Ingomar Church twice a month?

If you answered "yes" to either of these sets of questions, then we have an opportunity for you to serve in one of our two newly-defined "Connect Ministry" positions as part of our paid staff.

Each of these positions will only require an average of 10 - 12 hours per week.

To learn more about either of these positions, contact Pastor Cyndi or Chub Dietz at 412-364-3613.

### Did You Know?

Martin Luther King Jr day brought a "boatload" of snow that many of us spent hours removing from driveways, sidewalks, parking spaces, and other places. At Ingomar

Church, our snow removal contractor spent 24 hours plowing and salting our lots and sidewalks. The cost for this one-time snow event was \$2,400. They used 8,000 pounds of salt on our lots and driveways and 400 pounds of a salt-like mixture on our sidewalks. Keeping our property safe and accessible is only possible due to your generous gifts. Thank you for supporting the ministry of Ingomar Church.

### Time for a Change

If you have set up a recurring gift to Ingomar Church (e.g. every month) for "Operating Income 2021", it is time to cancel this transaction and add a new one designating "Operating Income 2022". If you haven't used IConnect or myVanco to set up a recurring gift, please consider doing so. This not only ensures that your donations to Ingomar Church's ministry are uninterrupted, it also reduces administrative efforts needed to process your donations. Regardless of how you worship through your giving, thank you for your support. If you need assistance setting up or changing your electronic donations, please contact Joyce Barksdale or Chub Dietz at [generosity@ingomarchurch.org](mailto:generosity@ingomarchurch.org).

### Mental Health Training

One in 5 Americans experience mental illness each year. You can help! Wespith is offering two webinars that teach how to identify and understand mental health challenges with empathy. This training is offered to all United Methodist Church clergy, leaders, staff and congregation members - at no cost. For more info and to register, visit: [wespith.org/r/firstaidmh](http://wespith.org/r/firstaidmh)