

HEMLOCK FRIENDS MEETING
The Fun Church With Firm Convictions

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Our Purpose: "To Know Christ and Make Him Known."

March 8, 2015

9:30 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:30 A.M. MORNING WORSHIP

The altar is always open to lay your heart before the Lord and seek Him.

Message: Two Lambs and Two Posts

Scripture: John 1:29-36; Exodus 1-12
 (pages 750 & 40)

12:00 PM Carry-In Meal/Monthly Meeting immediately following the worship service. Everyone is welcome to stay and share in the food & fellowship!

STEWARDSHIP

March 1, 2015

	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offering</u>
Sunday School	n/a	\$ n/a
Morning Worship	n/a	\$ n/a

Our desire is to know Christ more each day and to make Him known to others. We pray each one who attends today will receive practical insight from the Lord into daily living whether through music, fellowship, personal reflection or preaching.

¹³ *And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt.* ¹⁴ *And this day shall be unto you for a memorial; and ye shall keep it a feast to the LORD throughout your generations; ye shall keep it a feast by an ordinance for ever.* Exodus 12

THE LAMB OF GOD

When Jesus is called the Lamb of God in [John 1:29](#) and [John 1:36](#), it is referring to Him as the perfect and ultimate sacrifice for sin. ... the Old Testament contains prophecies concerning the coming of Christ as a "guilt offering" ([Isaiah 53:10](#)). In fact, the whole sacrificial system established by God in the Old Testament set the stage for the coming of Jesus Christ, who is the perfect sacrifice God would provide as atonement for the sins of His people ([Romans 8:3](#); [Hebrews 10](#)).

When John the Baptist referred to Jesus as the "Lamb of God"..., the Jews who heard him might have immediately thought of any one of several important sacrifices. With the time of the Passover feast being very near, the first thought might be the sacrifice of the Passover lamb. ...In fact, the slaying of the Passover lamb and the applying of the blood to doorposts of the houses ([Exodus 12:11-13](#)) is a **beautiful picture of Christ's atoning work on the cross**. ... Another important sacrifice involving lambs was the daily sacrifice at the temple in Jerusalem. ... Read more: <http://www.gotquestions.org/Jesus-Lamb-of-God.html#ixzz3Tbkt9RII>

The Scapegoat

(From Leviticus 16, another parallel to today's passage appears)

After the cleansing, the live goat was brought to the high priest. Laying his hands on the **scapegoat**, the high priest was to "confess over it all the wickedness and rebellion of the Israelites – all their sins – ... He shall send the goat away into the wilderness The goat will carry on itself all their sins to a remote place ... (vv. 21-22). For Christians, this is a **foreshadowing of Christ**. <http://www.gotquestions.org/Azazel-scapegoat.html#ixzz3TbmbbvaX>

¹⁰ *But the goat, on which the lot fell to be the scapegoat, shall be presented alive before the LORD, to make an atonement with him, and to let him go for a scapegoat into the wilderness.* Leviticus 16

Announcements

Good morning! We welcome you to worship & find hope in the Lord with us!

- **Happy Birthday to: Paul Sagarsee, Tuesday, March 10.**
- **Our monthly missions offering for March** (collected today) will go to **White's Residential & Family Services.**

YEARLY MEETING NEWS

Tri-County Quarterly Meeting will meet, March 22, at Sycamore Friends. There will be a meal at 5:30 and worship/program at 6:30 pm. Newly appointed IYM Assistant Superintendent Pat Byers will be the speaker for the evening.

IYM Superintendent, Doug Shoemaker continues to appreciate Hemlock serving as prayer partners in his ministry. His schedule appears here to help us pray for his work as well. Please also pray for all IYM and the locations he will be at.

Doug's Schedule

Mar 8	Speaking at Lynn Friends
Mar 15	Speaking at Knightstown Friends
Mar 24	Speaking at Barclay College Chapel
Mar 29	Speaking at Little Blue River Friends
Apr 26	Speaking at Marion First Friends

Men's Lunch

It's a guy thing! Back by "popular demand"! This is a time of eating and sharing with a short devotional mixed in! **See you this Wednesday, March 11, 11:30 AM @ Kokomo IHOP!**

112 NEW YOU

Be sure to let Ron know (e-mail or text preferred) if you want to share your "love story" with Jesus. Focus is on when you made your first (or most recent) commitment to Christ. John is a very "evangelical" book and as we study it, we want to hear modern stories of, "As many as received Him (Christ) to them gave he the power to become children of God" (John 1:12). These will be scheduled in our services in the week's to come. They can be written or verbal.

Pi Dash

There will be a 5.14 k run/walk held **this Saturday, March 14** at 9:26 am in Hemlock. Mt Gilead Baptist is sponsoring it and more information is available on their Facebook page.