



## May Birthdays

# May 2018

	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Karla Thompson	29 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Book Fundraiser for Shalom	30 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Book Fundraiser for Shalom	1 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Book Fundraiser for Shalom	2 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Book Fundraiser for Shalom	3 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Book Fundraiser for Shalom	4 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Book Fundraiser for Shalom	5 5:00 p.m. Alenduff/Sayre Wedding
Nathan Brownlee	5/5						
Rob Blough	5/9						
Dorothy Catellier	5/11						
Charlotte Simmons	5/12						
Julie Herdman	5/13						
Amiyah Robbins	5/13						
Jim Smith	5/14						
Roy Main	5/14						
Lonnie Walker	5/17						
Amelia Essleborn	5/17						
Rita Offett	5/19						
Catherine Dusing	5/24						
Connie Stubbs	5/25						
Jerry Gillooly	5/25						
Jan Blough	5/29						
Jeremy Brownlee	5/30						
Jason Fishburn	5/30						
	29 Trinity Sunday	28 Daycare and church Offices closed for Memorial Day	29	30 12:10 p.m. 20 Min. for God	31 1:00 p.m. Hook & Needle Club	1	2
	20 Pentecost Sunday 11:30 a.m. Grad Sunday Reception	21 6:30 p.m. Gov. Board	22	23 12:10 p.m. 20 Min. for God	24 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal	25	26
	13 Ascension Sunday/ Mother's Day	14	15	16 12:10 p.m. 20 Min. for God	17 1:00 p.m. Hook & Needle Club 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal	18	19
	6 11:30 a.m. Member Care TF	7 2:00 p.m. Full Staff Meeting 5:00 p.m. Education TF	8 6:30 p.m. Book Club	9 12:10 p.m. 20 Min. for God	10 4:30 p.m. Shalom TF 6:00 p.m. Staff-Parish TF 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal	11	12

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## Graduation Sunday—May 20



As part of the worship service on Sunday, May 20 at 10:30 a.m., we will honor Kendall Offett, son of John and Rita Offett. He is graduating from Indiana Wesleyan University. There will be a reception for him in Fellowship Hall following the service. If you would like to honor a graduating member of your family, please contact the church office.

## Addie & B.J.'s Wedding—May 5



The wedding of Roberts Park members Addie Alenduff and B.J. Sayre will be on May 5, 2018 in the sanctuary at 5:00 p.m. They are inviting any members of the congregation who wish to attend the service to join them. Congratulations Addie and B.J.!

## Update on Gillooly Organ Scholarship

You still have an opportunity to donate to the Jerry and Pat Gillooly Organ Scholarship Fund, which was established in December 2017 to honor Jerry's 60th year of playing the organ on Christmas Eve.

To date we have received \$13,080 and Jerry's committee has recommended that we start awarding a scholarship of \$2,000 in May 2018 to an organ student for the new school year. The fund is being invested by the church's Finance Committee in a separate account, from which the scholarship awards will be made annually.



Checks should be made payable to Roberts Park United Methodist Church, with "Gillooly Organ Scholarship" in the memo line. You can place your check in the offering plate or mail it to the church.



## Albert Gallatin Porter— A Roberts Park Statesman

One of the great things about sorting through the many, many history documents at RPUMC is the discovery of unique people and their stories, especially persons who are notable and associated with RPUMC. One of the gentlemen that I took an interest in was Albert Gallatin Porter—so let me give you an abbreviated chronicle of the man as a statesman and as a member of Robert's Park Church.

Albert G. Porter was born in Lawrenceburg, Indiana in 1824. He graduated in 1843 from Asbury University, a Christian institution whose foundation stems from a Wesleyan-Holiness tradition, and was admitted to the bar in 1845. He was active in the Roberts Park Church and served as Trustee from 1868 to 1878. As a trustee, he gave a history of the church during a ceremony on Saturday, May 14, 1870 when the cornerstone for the Roberts Park Church was laid. He was on the committee that arranged the funeral services at Roberts Park Church for former Governor Oliver Morton.

Originally a Democrat, Mr. Porter joined the Republican Party in 1856 after being banished by the pro-slavery fac-

tion of the Democratic Party.

Albert G. Porter was a United States Congressman from 1859 to 1863 and upon his return to Indianapolis from Washington DC, he became head of one of the state's leading law firms, Porter, Harrison, and Fishback. His partner in the firm was Benjamin Harrison, our 23<sup>rd</sup> President of the United States (1889-1893).

Albert G. Porter served as the 19<sup>th</sup> Governor of Indiana from 1881 to 1884 and was only the second person born in Indiana to be governor, the first being Oliver P. Morton. Among his successful projects while Governor included the creation of the Indiana State Board of Health, the institution of mining regulations, and advocacy for women's rights.

In 1888, Albert G. Porter served as a delegate to the Republican National Convention where he delivered a speech and nominated his former law partner, Benjamin Harrison to run for president. In 1889 President Harrison appointed Albert G. Porter as Minister to Italy.



- Sherry Nagel-Smith