

AMAZING GRACE

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Milestones and Sacrifice

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. 1 Peter 1:3

The month of May brings us celebrations of milestones and sacrifices. Each Sunday in May we celebrate the new life we have in Jesus Christ through His resurrection. Jesus gave His all on the Calvary cross so that He could win for us salvation with our Father. We are people of hope even in dark situations because we have a living hope. We believe that Jesus Christ who is risen from the dead has all things under His control. As continuous Easter people we celebrate that Jesus is the Victor. Though there are daily battles we fight, we do not fight alone. Jesus fights the spiritual battles with us and wins as we listen to Him and follow Him.

Celebrations of milestones in which we are thankful for the new birth into a new period of growth in both faith and education.

On Sunday May 5th at the 10:30 am worship service, our two confirmation youth share with us their statements faith in the risen Christ. As we hear them speak, we are renewed in our own faith in Christ and surround each of them with the love of Jesus and the community of fellowship as brothers and sisters in Christ. It is a milestone for these youth as they make their own confession of faith in our Savior and Lord Jesus and continually grow in their service to Christ's Church.

On Sunday May 12th, we celebrate the milestone of high school graduation for our youth and all the ways that the Lord has carried them along through their studies and their educational experiences. Life-long learning is not complete at this milestone, it is just a new beginning for living the life that the Lord Jesus has for them.

Celebrations of sacrifices come as we remember and recall all the ways in which dear ones have given their lives in service for the good of others.

On Mothers' Day, Sunday May 12th we remember the women in our lives who have given of themselves in order to nurture each of us in life lessons, in relationship lessons, and in faith in Christ Jesus.

On Sunday, May 26th we remember those men and women who gave their lives in service to their country. Originally Decoration Day honoring those men and women in the armed forces who died in service to their country during the Civil War, Memorial Day now honors and remembers all the men and women in the United States military who have died while in service to our country.

Though you or your family may not be directly affected by one of these milestones or sacrifices, you are affected by the sacrifice of Jesus for you so that you may have abundant hope every day. Jesus Christ is risen and alive for you.

See You in Worship,

Pastors Bert and Shelly



Sunday Celebrations

May 5th: Confirmation

May 12th: Senior
Recognition

May 12th: Mother's Day

May 27th: Memorial Day

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***Deadline for the next
newsletter is
May 24th.***

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

Church Administrative Council

Minutes

April 14, 2024

John Pence, called the April 14, 2024, meeting to order with the following CAC members present: Scott Klopfenstein, Bert Regula, Garrett Serr, Pastor Shelly, Matt Kohler, Kent Leininger, Marsha Davis, Trent Platfoot, and Tanya Hinegardner.

Marcia Davis had the devotional on John 3 Verses 5 & 6 about birth matters and how the Holy Spirit works on our attitudes, words, actions, and opinions.

Secretary's report was approved as presented. Matt Kohler moved and Marcia Davis seconded the secretary's report. Motion carried. We received a thank you from Cortney Copeland for the use of the tables for the FFA banquet.

Bert Regula, presented the treasurer's report for March 2024. Total receipts for March were \$24,241.76 and expenses were \$26,081.69. The ending balance in on 03/31/2024 was \$59,449.92. The ending balance of the savings account was \$37,093.82. The Mutual Fund balance as of 02/29/2024 was \$51,033.74. Marcia Davis moved and Kent Leininger seconded the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

***Pastor's Report for the month of April 2024**

Pastoral Visitation for March 2024

Home and Office Visits	11
Ministry Meetings	25
Hospital Visits	3
Bereavement Visits	1

Baptism – Quin Rostorfer Shuff, March 17, 2024

We have also participated in a variety of other parish and community interactions which include phone calls, emails, texts, and other activities.

Informational Updates

- Coordinated midweek Lenten worship with theme Overheard at the Cross
- Led Holy Week worship Palm Sunday – Easter Sunday
- Continue the bi-weekly Life to Life discipleship experience
- Pastor Shelly continues a biweekly meeting of the steering committee for LifeWise Academy (release time religious education in the schools program) for Jackson Center schools
- JC Community Faith Night planning continues for Wednesday, May 29, 2024 at the JC Community Days tent

NALC Informational Updates

- Nominations for NALC Churchwide positions NALC Executive Council, 3-year term; Court of Adjudication, 3-year term, Board of Regents for the NAL Seminary, 5-year term

- Ohio Mission Region Convocation of all 5 Ohio mission districts will meet Friday-Saturday, May 3-4; the NW mission district meeting needs 2 delegates for its meeting Saturday, May 4
- NW Ohio Mission District news – First English Lutheran, Wapakoneta, OH received into NALC, Rev. Julie Parsell retired from First Lutheran, Leipsic, OH

***Old Business**

- Fresh Eyes update. Lay witness would like Fresh Eyes to get involved with them. Fresh Eyes would like to meet with them before May 10th.
- Staff Evaluation update. We will be meeting on April 21st at 12:00 pm.
- Bank charges/fees update. The Executive Committee met and decided to continue with US Bank and recommended that this should be reviewed every couple of years.
- Work day update. Lori Wiswell said that the youth would like to help with the mulching. Scott will check the baseball and track schedule to see they would be available. More than likely it will be scheduled on a Saturday.
- LifeWise Academy update. Jackson Center school superintendent is in support and will take it to the school board. The Catholic priest (Shawn Wilson) asked to be on the steering committee.
- Yearly goals. Will continue to revisit.
- 2 Delegates for Mission District Convocation. Any recommendations are welcome.
- Sunday School Constitution update receive to approve. Kent Leininger moved and Tanya Hinegardner seconded that the Sunday School Constitution be presented at the quarterly congregational meeting on April 21st. It will go through the proper channels to be approved by the congregation. Motion carried. Marcia Davis suggested that the spiritual mentorship leader be made aware of the meetings for the Educational Committee.

***New Business**

- Audit Committee report and recommendations. John went over the three recommendations from the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee said that the accounts were in good order.
- Seminarian invite to preach. We agreed to invite a seminarian to preach. Matt Kohler moved and Trent Platfoot seconded a \$750.00 scholarship for the seminarian. Motion carried.
- Worship Committee recommendation for summer worship. They recommended to have all services indoors for the summer. Scott Klopfenstein moved and Marsha Davis seconded the recommendation of the Worship Committee to have all summer worship services indoors. Motion carried.
- Received into confirmed membership Maycee Kipker & Brendan Serr. Bert Regula moved and Kent Leininger seconded the confirmation of Maycee Kipker & Brendan Serr on May 5th at the second service. Motion carried.
- Lay leaders for Community Faith Night. Any recommendations are welcome.
- CAC meeting change for May to Wednesday, May 15th at

6:00 am.

- WOC window treatments and kitchen stove top. The WOC have decided on new drapes and rods to be purchased for \$2,985.93. Scott Klopfenstein moved and Matt Kohler seconded the purchase of the drapes and rods by the WOC. Motion carried. The WOC would like to buy two burners for \$140.00. Trent Platfoot moved and Bert Regula seconded the purchase of the two burners by the WOC. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Choice: Tanya Hinegardner – No report.

Education: John Pence & Marcia Davis – No report received.

Finance: Bert Regula – After going over the information provided to us concerning bank charges the finance committee recommends that the church continue to use US Bank as the main financial institution. It was recommended to revisit periodically banking services for the church.

Endowment: Matt Kohler – No report. Congregation will vote on the charities that the \$2,000.00 will be donated to at the quarterly congregational meeting.

Friendship: Marcia Davis – No report.

Lay/Witness: Bert Regula – No report received.

Youth: Garrett Serr – Luther League: The Luther League hosted the Lent meal on March 20th with hotdogs, sloppy joes, and coney dogs. On March 23rd, the Luther League, along with other volunteers worked from 9:00 am to noon at Indian Lake by cleaning up debris at a trailer park. They also hosted an Easter Egg hunt at the church on March 30th. On April 7th, they hosted the fellowship breakfast. Next meeting will be on Sunday, April 21st. Gospel Gang: Last meeting before summer was April 3rd...10 children attended. First meeting for '24-25 will be September 4, 2024.

Worship: Kent Leininger – The Worship Committee met on April 4, 2024, with the following members present, Jennifer Woolley, Seth Regula, Rick Russell, Cheryl Burch, Toni Leininger, Pastor Shelly, and new liaison to the CAC Kent Leininger. The meeting was opened with prayer. Lenten services, and Easter were discussed. Everyone felt that the Lenten Dramas, Overheard at the Cross, were well received by those who attended the Lenten services. Several members of the congregation however, did mention that they missed singing Holden Evening Prayer. Easter services were beautiful as usual. The choir is busy practicing for the annual Choir service. They will be leading the traditional service on April 28th. Confirmation will be on Sunday, May 5th at the 10:30 service, with two confirmands being confirmed. The Children's Bell Choir will be again playing on May 12th. Pastor Shelly would like to see if members of the congregation would be willing to do special music throughout the summer, as the Choir and the Praise Band take a break during the summer months. Several people were mentioned and will be asked if they would be willing to sing or play at the summer services. Summer services were discussed and the Worship Committee recommendation will be discussed at the next CAC meeting. First Lutheran Church of Galion, OH, where Shawn Schneider is a pastor, has gifted Grace Lutheran with some gently used

hymnals. The Worship Committee will be going through the hymnals in the pews after worship on April 21st, looking for any that are in poor condition and need to be replaced with the hymnals from First Lutheran. If they were given in memory of a member of the congregation, the family will be contacted to see if they want the hymnals before the hymnals are disposed of. The next Worship Committee meeting is scheduled for August 5th, at 7:00 pm. The meeting was closed with prayer.

Mission: Scott Klopfenstein – No report received. Three of the people going on the mission trip were interviewed by the Sidney Daily News that will be online on Monday.

Property & Trustee: Scott Klopfenstein, Trent Platfoot, & John Pence – Update on hail damage for church & parsonage. Scott went over the quote for storm windows and will be presented to the congregation at the quarterly congregational meeting. The lawn mowers were serviced. The church roof was checked and has a little damage and the parsonage roof has more damage. The claim representative will be coming to check the damage to the church and parsonage. The church has a \$1,000.00 deductible for the insurance.

*Any other business before adjourning?

The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, May 15th at 6:00 am.

Respectfully submitted by,

Tanya Hinegardner, Sec.

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church Quarterly Congregational Minutes April 21, 2024

The April 21, 2024, quarterly congregational meeting was called to order by President John Pence. There were 28 members present. John opened the meeting with prayer.

The Secretary's report from January 21, 2024, was approved as presented. Matt Kohler moved and Seth Regula seconded the motion to approve the secretary's report. Motion carried.

Treasurer, Bert Regula, presented the quarterly treasurer's report as well. Receipts for the 1st quarter totaled \$64,300.28. Expenses for the 1st quarter totaled \$75,868.06. The balance for the end of the 1st quarter was \$59,449.92. The mutual fund balance at the end of the 1st quarter was \$77,061.85 which includes the balance of the Capital Improvement which is \$25,750.00. Usually, our property taxes were paid in one payment in the past years but due to the increase in property taxes and the cash flow it was broken up into two payments. Gary Byrd moved and Abby Pence seconded a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Pastor Shelly provided the pastors report. The Life to Life Discipleship has been going since this past fall and will be ending in a couple of weeks. Vacation Bible School will be held July 8th – 12th.

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Congregational Meeting Minutes Continued

LifeWise has received approval from the Jackson Center superintendent and the school board. They will now be looking for some funding. She thanked everyone for the computer technology work that has been done in the office. Confirmation will be held on May 5th with Maycee Kipker and Brendan Serr being confirmed. Pastor Bert, Pastor Shelly, and five others from our congregation along with seven others will be going on the Tanzanian trip. The trip will be jam packed full of ministry. The Community Faith Night on May 28th will have local talent this year. They are looking for volunteers to help set up.

Old Business:

- Fresh Eyes update: (Community Faith Night May 28th) They are planning on helping with the Community Faith Night on May 28th.

New Business:

- Present Audit Committee report. Kristen Davis provided the Audit Committee report. The records were in good order and they have provided recommendations to the CAC.
- Mission vote for Endowment (Matt Kohler). We were provided a ballot with the four choices which were Wernle, Compassionate Care of Shelby County, NALC Seminary Scholarship, and Rustic Hope. They have \$2,000.00 to distribute and each vote is worth \$20.00. The total of the ballots will be provided next Sunday.
- Present updated Sunday School Constitution. Each of us were provided the updated Sunday School Constitution to review and it will be voted on at the July quarterly meeting.

- John is checking to see if the items that were updated could be provided.
- Technology report and expenses. The computers were updated and the new wireless has been installed by Pat Shuff. We now own the equipment that was replaced and is saving us each month. John thanked Matt Kohler, Pat Shuff, and Kent Leininger for helping with the technology updates.
- Church and parsonage roof update. The roof has been checked by one company and a second company will be checking next week to see how we will be moving forward with this.
- Church stained glass storm windows project. Each window will cost \$605.00. The total cost will be \$10,890.00. The windows will be tan and double paned. The delivery of the windows will be about 8 to 10 weeks. We do have memorial money to pay for this project but donations will also be accepted until July 1st. Dennis Weaver moved and Tom Schindel seconded the motion to proceed with the purchase of the windows. Motion carried.
- In need of 2 delegates for NW Ohio Mission District Convocation on Saturday, May 4th. John indicated that we are still in need of 2 delegates.

There being no further business. The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Tanya Hinegardner, Sec.

Endowment Fund Distribution Results

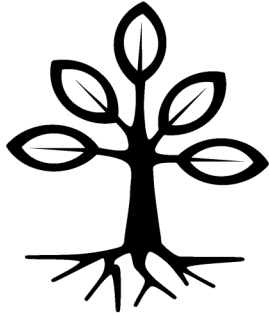
Wernle \$402
Compassionate Care of Shelby Co. \$470
NALC Seminarian Scholarship \$442
Rustic Hope \$686

Committee Reports

Mission Committee: The Mission Committee met on Wednesday, April 17th at 6:00 pm with 4 members present and Pastor Wayne as guest. Pastor Bert led the meeting in prayer. There are 7 kids that will be graduating at the end of May. These 7 kids will no longer be sponsored, but may acquire scholarships through the government if they want to further their education at a college level. We have not yet received the grant funds from the NALC for the global workers, but this is anticipated soon. We need \$1,300 more for instruments and a generator for the church that is being built in Mibiti. Instruments play a huge role as they draw people into worship. Mr. Ombeni's family had a new baby boy. One Plus God raised funds and sent \$180 to the family as a gift. Mr. Ombeni and his family were very grateful. From grant money received, we have hired a new assistant evangelist, Stella, to help Ndumieshi share the news of our Lord and Savior to the village of Ibulyu. The Tanzania trip arrangements are going according to plan...only about 6 more weeks to go! Pastor Wayne is busy doing presentations in regards to the Tanzania Orphan and Outreach Ministry. He submitted a presentation of Ndumieshi's needs to the Mission Endowment Fund of Black Forest Church in Colorado. He is waiting for feedback. On April 7th, Pastor Wayne and his wife, Somari, presented the ministry to Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church in Springfield. For the next quarter, their Sunday School giving will go to the ministry. Pastor Wayne and his wife will return on July 28th to receive the check. On May 4th, Pastor Wayne will go to the NALC Ohio Mission Region and present 2 minutes of the ministry to the entire group as well as do 2 workshops. On September 22nd he will present at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Newcomerstown. On October 18th he will go to the Mid Atlantic Mission region convocation in Bloomsburg, PA with pastor Carol Fry to present. Pastor Wayne, along with Pastor Bert's assistance, are very busy sharing the ministry! Pastor Wayne ended the meeting in prayer. Submitted by Julie Klopfenstein

Community Faith Night will be Wednesday, May 29th under the big tent. We have t-shirts with our theme this year "You are Worth!" for order as a fundraiser. Please support our youth excited to share their talents with you by ordering a T shirt or giving a donation to Grace Lutheran Luther League. Thanks for supporting God's work in our community. **T-shirt order forms** are available at the back of the church. If you would like to order, please complete and return to the church office **before Friday, May 3rd**.

Grace at Worship ...



Day of Pentecost

The general tone for worship in the season of Pentecost, particularly during the summer months, is that of growth and flourishing. This season of the liturgical year is a time for focusing on growing in discipleship, deepening our relationship with God, and faithful obedience in following Jesus Christ. The long season of green Sundays is often referred to as "Ordinary Time." The word "ordinary" connotes the designation of Sundays by ordinal numbers rather than special names.

Worship Servants for Sundays in May 2024



	Sixth Sunday of Easter May 5	Ascension of Our Lord May 12	Day of Pentecost May 19	Holy Trinity Sunday May 26
Lessons	Acts 10:34-48; Ps 98; 1 John 5:1-8; John 15:9-17	Acts 1:12-26; Ps 1; 1 John 5:9-15; John 17:11b-19	Ezekiel 37:1-14; Ps 139:1-12; Acts 2:1-21; John 15:26-27, 16:4b- 15	Isaiah 6:1-8; Ps 29; Acts 2:14a, 22-36; John 3:1-17
	8:00 AM	8:00 AM	8:00 AM	8:00 AM
Organists	Nancy McName	Cheryl Burch	Cheryl Burch	Nancy McName
Acolytes	Archer Copeland	Brendan Serr	Julia Burch	Archer Copeland
Crucifers	Archer Copeland	Brendan Serr	Julia Burch	Archer Copeland
Lay Readers	Darren Myers	Shelby Fite	Fritz Serr	Aaron Klopfenstein
A/V	None	Preston Serr Ian Stengel	None	Carter Klopfenstein Cortney Copeland
	10:30 AM	10:30 AM	10:30 AM	10:30 AM
Acolytes	TBA	TBA	TBA	Maycee Kipker
Lay Readers	Greg Woolley	Jen Woolley	Tom Woolley	Darlene Woolley
Communion Preparation	8:00 am	10:30 am	8:00 am	10:30 am
A/V	Jill Ludwig	Kay Frieders	Jill Ludwig	Karen Hatfield
Song Leaders	Krista Withrow Rick Sailor	Krista Withrow Greg Woolley	Kassie Ludwig Matt Kohler	Jill Ludwig Rick Sailor

Women of the Church

Circle 1

Circle one met on April 3 with seven members answering roll call naming a Bible verse with the word obey or obedience. Barb Krugh opened with a reading, "How Does Your Spiritual Garden Grow?" based on Isaiah 58:11. She concluded with a prayer, "Spring Prayer."

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Treasury has a balance of \$120.36. \$100 was used to buy two Lowe's gift cards that were given to Mary Bates for NALC disaster relief. WOC project for April is Oesterlen Services for Youth in Springfield. A list of items desired is in our program book.

President Karen Hatfield thanked circle members for all their help with sewing day, breakfasts, and other projects held this past month. Next WOC board meeting is April 10.

Bible study led by Barb Krugh was on Canaanite woman who had a daughter possessed by demons. Even though she was not Jewish, she had faith that Jesus could deliver her precious daughter from her affliction. She was very persistent in her pursuit of Jesus asking three times for his help. Jesus was teaching the disciples that we are all one in Jesus.

The meeting was closed with praying the Lord's prayer. Next meeting is May 1. Submitted by Barb Wical

Circle 3

Circle 3 met April 16th with 8 members answering roll call with a verse containing wise or wisdom. Andrea Kirtley led the Bible Study entitled "The Mind of Christ". The world isn't perfect today and living out Paul's advise to live in true equality and respect being of the same mind as Christ can become painful and hurt feelings. Self control & personal accountability along with faith & trust in God will be our guide to handle situations more easily for the sake of community acceptance by all believers we should live in joy with each other and be thankful in bringing glory to God.

Secretary & Treasures reports presented Treasury balance \$154.65.

President Linda Jenkins reminded us of the May project for collection of Bibles and any type of crosses used for NALC Disaster Response needs.

Hostess Roberta Pitts provided delicious chocolate cake with caramel icing.

Meeting closed with prayer.

Submitted by Secretary, Nancy McName

WOC Board Meeting Minutes

The WOC Board met on April 10, 2024 with 8 members & 1 guest present. The meeting was opened with a scripture reading from Proverbs & a prayer by Darlene Woolley.

The Peoples Savings & Loan Company donated a rolling cart to the church. Toni & Kent Leininger had discussed the possibility of purchasing an electric cooktop which could be placed on this cart & used for various church activities, such as funeral dinners & Lenten meals. We never had that ability to cook with cooktop in our kitchen. Kent presented several cooktops. He also told us that they could be used with our existing wiring, saving money. We all expressed our gratitude to them for making this possible. Joyce Regula made a motion to purchase 2 single burners. This was seconded by Barb Wical. Motion carried.

Minutes from last meeting was read by Karen Hatfield, It was approved as read.

Toni Leininger reported a balance of \$8989.84, of which \$5390.50 is in the drapery fund, The WOC Easter breakfast collected \$77. It was decided to deposit this in the general fund.

Mission Action: Barb Wical reported approximately 30 quilts were completed during the WOC sewing days. About 100 items were collected for personal care kits.

Mission Growth: Linda Jenkins mentioned that she was looking at Bible studies available from the NALC to be used by our circles. Mission Growth: no report

Linda Jenkins & Toni Leininger presented drapery samples & rods. Cost was also discussed. This is a project that the WOC has been working on for some time. Each circle provides breakfast every 3rd Sunday & are applying proceeds to go to drapery fund. Linda had purchased a set & installed them on window in upstairs for us to see. Marcia Davis made a motion to purchase Forest Hill draperies and rods discussed for church windows. It was seconded by Elsa Stengel. Motion carried.

Marcia Davis will discuss drapery, curtain rods, & cooktop purchase with CAC to get their approval.

It was decided that WOC will continue their monthly breakfasts the 3rd Sunday through May. April, circle 2. May, circle 3. It will be discussed at later meeting if this will continue in the fall.

A big thank was expressed for those helping with blood bank & making & serving Easter breakfast.

We need to remind all circle members about items being collected each month, especially June. In June we will be collecting weekly items which will be printed in our church bulletin. These will be used to assemble kitchen kits for the NALC at our joint meeting September 8th.

A thank you card was sent to People Savings & Loan Company for their generous donation of the rolling cart.

Meeting was closed by all praying The Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by Karen Hatfield

WOC May Collections

Bibles and New Testament & Any type of crosses to hold or hang on the wall - new and used for NALC Disaster Response Needs. They can be Children's Bibles, Teen Bibles, Spanish Bibles, Large Print Bibles! Feel free to send underlined, and highlighted Bibles, DON'T HESITATE TO WRITE A MESSAGE OF HOPE IN THE FRONT FOR THE RECIPIENTS! Place in vestibule baskets! Any questions please contact Linda Jenkins.

Men's Ministry

We met on April 15th. Meeting was opened with prayer by Fritz Serr. The topic was about labeling people. Our discussion started with Jacob being labeled as a cheater from the day of his birth. Labels can affect families, individuals within family or community. Labels can also affect people within the church family as well. Labels are normally seen as negative and can affect how families and church families function. Labeling is contrary to God's desire for us to not bear false witness against our neighbors and the fifth commandment, Thou Shalt Not Kill which includes verbal and emotional harm. Next meeting is May 20, 2024 at 7:00 pm. We will be continuing "Discipleship Matters - The Church as a Family System". We closed with a prayer by Pastor Bert. Submitted by Dennis Weaver



Grace @ Prayer

Standing in the Need of Prayer

Immediate Need of Prayers:

Brent Kerns, Hannah Wolf, Todd Shroyer, Diana Reese, Dave Burch, Dick Wildermuth, John Wilcox

Prayers for Long-Term Situations:

Doris Jean Frieders, Dwight Johnson, Tim Herndon, Mindy Steinbrunner, Emma Homan, Autumn Regula, Lisa Williams, Alex Poepelman, Paige Schneider, Logan Heath, Tony Hart, Bob Klopfenstein, Cindy Herndon, Gary Bankert, Penny Borchers, Chris Burch, Julie DeVine,

Prayers for Military: Jay Clark, Aaron Reid, Kaiden Hinegardner, Caden Paavola

Upcoming Events

Thursday, May 2:	Shelby Co. National Day of Prayer Walk
Sunday, May 5:	Confirmation Sunday
Sunday, May 5:	Luther League Breakfast
Sunday, May 5:	Cub Scouts Meeting
Tuesday, May 7:	Church Cleaning
Sunday, May 12:	Mother's Day
Sunday, May 12:	Senior Recognition
Sunday, May 12:	Mission Committee Breakfast
Sunday, May 12:	Dorothy Love Retirement Community Worship
Monday, May 13:	Education Committee Meeting
Wednesday, May 15:	CAC Meeting
Sunday, May 19:	WOC Breakfast
Sunday, May 26:	Buckeye Antique Tractor Show @ Shelby Co. Fairgrounds
Monday, May 27:	Memorial Day, Church Office Closed
Wednesday, May 29:	Growing in Faith Community Concert
Thursday, May 30:	Airstream Vintage Camper Parade in Parking Lot



MEMORIAL DAY

May 27, 2024

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES

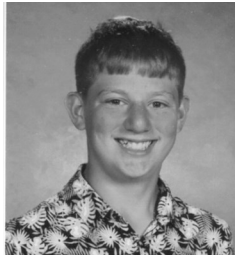
Emanuel Lutheran Church Cemetery 9:00 a.m.
Seven Day Baptist Cemetery 9:30 a.m.
Memorial Park Jackson Center 10:00 a.m.
(Memorial Park corner of College & Fairview Street)

**PLEASE TAKE TIME TO
REMEMBER AND GIVE THANKS
TO THOSE WHO GAVE OF THEMSELVES.**

Congratulations to our Confirmation Class of 2024

May 5, 2024

Brendan Robert Serr, son of Garrett & Meghan Serr, has as his confirmation verse, **Philippians 4:13** "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." His Godparents are Lucy Serr & Dan Roberts.



Maycee Nicole Kipker, daughter of Matt & Vicki Kipker, has as her confirmation verse, **Psalms 46:5** "God is in the midst of her, she shall not be moved. God will help her when morning dawns." Her Godparents are Bryan Mann & Misty Kipker.



Congratulations to our High School Graduates!



Maleah Grace Kipker

Trever Jay Huber

Macy Jean Klopfenstein

Caitlyn Marie Barhorst



Announcements

AMERICAN LEGION CHICKEN FRY Jackson Center American Legion Chicken Fry, May 4th, 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. 627 East College Street. 1/2 chicken, coleslaw, french fries, and roll \$ 10.00.?? Presale tickets available for \$9.00 at J. C. Village office as well as the J.C. Pro Hwd. Also available the day of the fry at the legion. Drive thru only. Thank you for supporting our veterans.

We are **collecting gift cards** for the **NALC disaster relief**. There is a marked container at the back of the church if you would like to donate. Gift cards that they are in need of are Lowe's, Menards, Home Depot, & Walmart. Any gift cards that are collected will be given to Mary Bates with the NALC disaster relief.

National Day of Prayer Walk will be on Thursday, May 2nd starting at 5:30 pm at the Sidney First Presbyterian Church on 202 N. Miami Ave. The walk will end at the Shelby County Courthouse.

Thank you's

A BIG thank you to everyone who helped in any way with our sewing days where we were able to complete 30 quilts. Many of you helped on those days with the sewing and pinning. Several people donated blankets, sheets, and material for the project. Some of you cut squares for the quilts, and some of you sewed the squares together into tops. Every bit of help is so appreciated to complete these quilts. May these quilts be a blessing to those who have had a natural disaster as they will be sent to NALC disaster response. Thank you!!

Thank you to everyone who has donated personal care items to Fish Pond food pantry. Our clients are very appreciative of these items. Thank you for giving! Barb Wical

Thank you for your kindness & prayers during this last month. We are blessed!

Don DeWeese & family



MAY



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 1:30 pm Circle 1 6:15 -7:45 pm Catechism Jason & April Platfoot* Rob & Jodi Rowles*	2 5:00 pm Life to Life 5:30 pm Praise Band	3	4
5 6th Sunday of Easter 8:00 am Worship w/ Communion 9:00 am LL Breakfast 9:15 Sunday School 10:30 am Worship w/ Confirmation 4:00 pm-6:00 pm Cub Scouts upstairs & Shelter House 6:30 pm Pro. Live. 4-H 7:00 pm Creat. Clov. 4-H Carson Davis Jackson Davis	6 7:00 pm Circle 2 Drew Stinebaugh	7 9:00 am-11:00 am Cleaning	8 7:00 pm Choir Practice Scott & Jodi Dickman*	9 5:30 pm Praise Band Ethan & Kassie Ludwig*	10 Jerry Metz	11 9:00 am Community Faith Night Meeting Bob Klopfenstein Maddux Ackley
12 Ascension of Our Lord Mother's Day Senior Recognition 8:00 am Worship w/ Choir 9:00 am Miss. Breakfast 9:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship w/ Communion 2:15 pm Dorothy Love Worship Doug & Tanya Hinegardner*	13 7:00 pm Education Com. Meeting Kyle & Lindsey Barta*	14 Karen Hatfield Ayden Wiswell	15 6:00 am CAC Meeting	16 5:30 pm Praise Band Morganne Ackley Colton Schmiesing	17	18
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26 Holy Trinity Sunday 8:00 am Worship 9:00 am Choir Sing Buck- eye Ant. Farm Show 9:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship w/ Communion John & Cheryl Janssen*	27 10:00 am- 3:00 pm FISH Barb Krugh Sandy Roach	28	29 5:30 pm Growing in Faith Community Concert	30 5:30 pm Praise Band 10:00 am-3:30 pm Vintage Airstream Camper Parade in parking lot.	31 Bennett Withrow Colson Withrow	

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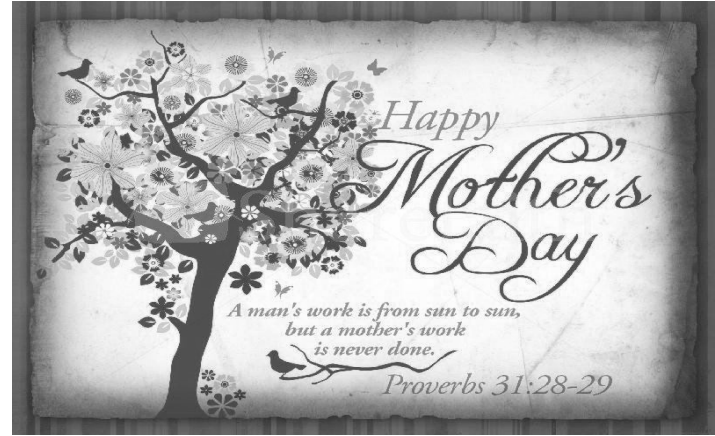
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