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*Through Christ we put God first by teaching reaching and loving all!*

# The R E A C H O U T

## re·viv·al

- an improvement in the condition or strength of something.
- an instance of something becoming popular, active, or important again.
- a new production of an old play or similar work.

## re·form

- make changes in (something, typically a social, political, or economic institution or practice) in order to improve it.
- the action or process of reforming an institution or practice

As sat down to write this front page for October, Reformation kept repeating in my head. What do we need to reform? What do we need to change? By the time that statement went from my mind to the page I was dumbfounded at the response that popped into my head. I thank God for opportunities we the church have received during covid-19. No, I do not think God placed this sickness on us as a plan. No, I do not think it is God's plan. But I do know that everything turns out for the good to those who love the Lord.

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RELIEVE EDITORIAL STRESS:

**TURN IN  
YOUR ARTICLES  
EARLY!**

RE M I N D E R :

**DEADLINE FOR  
NEWSLETTER  
ARTICLES IS**

October 23

The church has been given the challenge of how to be the gathered people of God in a time when gathering is not allowed or not safe. We have to deal with the real problems and the fear of those problems. We have to process and proceed not rush in and subdue. We cannot react with a knee-jerk or run away in fear. We need to be cautious, stepping out in faith and love. We need to do things differently to provide for the faithful. We need to nourish, spread knowledge and provide for their growth in mind, body and spirit. We can not take for granted the faithful will show up for church on Sunday morning to be (Loetta) fed. I for one never thought we should have thought that before the corona hit. We need to be ever reforming to teach everything we have heard from Christ.

It is a time of revival! Not just a reformation celebration, but a way to connect with and encourage the faithful that is new and exciting. A way that blesses the saints. Providing new ways to see the scriptures that challenge us and cause us to go deeper into the Spirit. To go places that we are not always ready to go, into the darkness of our lives, where only the Holy Spirit can reach us. To prepare for the coming of the Lord. We need to be practiced at finding Christ in the darkness, so when our families and friends, neighbors and yes even our enemies, find themselves in or place us in darkness, we are the light to lead people out!

Please join with me this reformation month to revive this place we call Good Hope Lutheran Church on the corner of route 165 and route 7. Participate or help me to find ways to help everyone to feel safe in participating. We have spread out a new parking lot to welcome everybody in. I will be doing a blessing of pets on October 3<sup>rd</sup> 3:30 to 4:30pm, and also on Sunday during the drive through communion on October 4<sup>th</sup> 12 to 1pm. Come have your pet blessed in drive through style.

I am calling for a Bible Revival! Come and kick start your promise to read the bible. Kick start or revive your study of the bible. October 11th bring your bible to church at any service to be blessed. If you don't come to church, you could come drive through 12 to 1pm. I will be blessing bibles. Bring your brand-new bibles and bring your old bibles for a blessing and revival.

I am asking for October to not only be a celebration of Reformation, but also a month for Revival. Join me!! Let's let God and our neighbors see a change in us. We have rolled out the black top and we are welcoming in the people to be fed in body and soul.

*Pastor Ralph*

# Sundays & Seasons Worship Planner

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DATE	EVENT	COLOR	READINGS	INTRODUCTION
October 4th	18th Sunday after Pentecost	green	Isaiah 5: 1-7 Psalm 80: 7-15 Philippians 3: 4b-14 Matthew 21: 33-46	In today's gospel reading, Jesus tells a vineyard parable, which serves as an image of Israel, the prophets' mission, and Christ's death. For Christians, the vineyard also speaks of God's love poured out in the blood of Christ, given to us for the forgiveness of sin. Grafted onto Christ the vine at baptism, we are nourished with wine and bread so that we may share Christ's sufferings and know the power of his resurrection.
October 11th	19th Sunday after Pentecost	green	Isaiah 25: 1-9 Psalm 23 Philippians 4: 1-9 Matthew 22: 1-14	In Isaiah we are given a vision of the great feast to come, when God will wipe away death forever. In Jesus' parable about a great banquet, those invited do not come, so the invitation is extended to others. In our liturgy God spreads a table before us. Even amid anxiety and hardship we rejoice in the peace of God which surpasses all understanding. With great joy we feast at the table of the Lord, and we go forth to share the wonderful invitation with others hungering and thirsting for the abundant life of God.
October 18th	20th Sunday after Pentecost	green	Isaiah 45: 1-7 Psalm 96: 1-13 1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10 Matthew 22: 15-22	In today's first reading God uses the Gentile ruler Cyrus to accomplish divine purposes. When the Pharisees try to trap Jesus, he tells them to give the emperor what belongs to him and to God what belongs to God. To gather for worship reminds us that our ultimate allegiance is to God rather than to any earthly authority. Created in the image of God, we offer our entire selves in the service of God and for the sake of the world.
October 25th	Reformation Sunday	red	Jeremiah 31: 31-34 Psalm 46 Romans 3: 19-28 John 8: 31-36	Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.

## SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE OCTOBER

Serving in God's house	October 4	October 11	October 18	October 25
Lector 8:00 Lector 10:30	Sue Deutschlander Andy Tesyk	Greg Razo Sarah Deiger	Nancy Crouse Kathy Kramer	Sue Deutschlander Andy Tesyk
Communion bread	Debbie Dulovich	Debbie Dulovich	Debbie Dulovich	Debbie Dulovich
Chrema	Tammy Chuey Sarah Deiger	Jeff Hum Nancy Barret	Tammy Chuey Sarah Deiger	Jeff Hum Nancy Barret

## SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE NOVEMBER

Serving in God's house	November 1	November 8	November 15	November 22	November 29
Lector 8:00 Lector 10:30	Greg Razo Sarah Deiger	Nancy Crouse Kathy Kramer	Sue Deutschlander Andy Tesyk	Greg Razo Sarah Deiger	Nancy Crouse Kathy Kramer
Communion bread	Loetta Haller	Loetta Haller	Loetta Haller	Loetta Haller	Loetta Haller
Chrema	Tammy Chuey Sarah Deiger	Jeff Hum Nancy Barret	Tammy Chuey Sarah Deiger	Jeff Hum Nancy Barret	Tammy Chuey Sarah Deiger

## **\*Mark Your Calendar\***

**October 3 & 4:** The blessing of animals. Bring your pets to the church parking lot to be blessed from 3:30-4:30pm on Saturday or noon-1pm on Sunday.

**October 7:** The Fall decorations will be put up. Please let Wendy know if you wish to help.

**October 8:** Flu Shot Clinic at Woodworth Park from 2-4:30pm.

**October 10 & 11:** Bring your bibles to worship or to the communion drive through to be blessed.

**October 18:** Fall Festival at Camp Frederick from 2-5pm.

**October 25:** The church celebrates Reformation Sunday.

**November 1:** The church celebrates All Saints Day with special candles at worship and at the communion drive through.

**November 14:** Good Hope's annual Krautfest from 4 –7pm. Dine in or take out.

**November 22:** Harvest Sunday collection for 3 C's. Please bring donations to the sanctuary during the month of November.

**November 22:** Hanging of the Greens will happen right after the 10:30 worship.

### **Advent schedule:**

**December 2-** Worship at 7pm and fellowship to go.

**December 9-** Worship 7pm and fellowship to go.

**December 16-** Worship at 7pm and fellowship to go.

**December 20:** Blue Christmas worship service at 7pm.

**December 24:** Christmas Eve worship at 7pm and 11pm. The prelude time will be determined by how many performers there are. If you wish to participate in the prelude before the 7pm worship, please let Sue know as soon as possible.

## **Pastor Appreciation Day– October 11th**

Pastor Appreciation Day began with the establishment of Clergy Appreciation Month. In Timothy 1 (5:17), Paul began the concept of clergy appreciation when he stated that the elders of the church are worthy of double honor. He reiterated this idea in Thessalonians 1 (5: 12-13) when he stated that those who work hard among you should be held in the highest regard for their work. This idea became Clergy Appreciation Month in 1992, established by pastors and religious workers. Eventually, Pastor Appreciation Day would form out of this month.

Dear Pastor Ralph,

We thank you for learning the technology needed to use the monitors and new computer programs so that we can participate in the worship services. We are grateful to you for providing a way to have Wednesday evening devotions through the Summer and bible study this Fall. The drive-thru communion and passing out of palms on Palm Sunday are great new ways to keep us connected. Thank you for your time and energy and the innovative ways you have kept this congregation together while we are apart.

We appreciate all you do!

The Stewardship Team

## **Circle News ~ Team News**

### **HANNAH CIRCLE NEWS**

Hannah Circle meetings have been suspended for now.

### **DORCAS CIRCLE NEWS**

Dorcas Circle meetings have been suspended for now.

### **STEWARDSHIP TEAM**

Our next meeting will be November 10th at 7pm. We wish to remind you that November 22 is Harvest Sunday. We will be collecting for 3 C's In November.

### **DINNER TEAM**

The Octoberfest at Good Hope has been suspended until Fall 2021. Monthly dinners will be dine in or take out. There will be fewer tables with space for each family to spread out.

Saturday November 14– Krautfest

Sunday January 10– Chili and Cornbread

Saturday February 13– Beef tips and Noodles

Sunday March 14– Pasta Bake

Sunday April 11– Soup and Sandwich

Friday and Saturday May 14 and 15– Rummage Sale with BBQ

Saturday dinners will be from 4-7pm.

Sunday lunches will be from 12-4pm.

### **WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY**

The Stories of the Bible bible study has begun. Wednesday evenings this is a zoom meeting at 7pm.

Thursday evenings you may come to the chapel to study in person at 7pm.

Please give Pastor Ralph or Wendy your email address if you want to join the bible study.

### **\*NOTES FROM THE OFFICE\***

Our parking lot has been paved!! Come out and see what a beautiful job RT Vernal did for us!

Pastor Ralph will be anointing during worship the first Sunday of each month. He will be using a new q-tip for each person. Anointing will also be available at the communion drive-thru the first Sunday of the month.

# Our Prayer List

The One Call system allows us to contact the prayer chain all at once to lift up prayers. If you would like a One Call sent out please contact the Church office at 330-549-2406.



Coy Cope  
Noel Melho  
Joe Kreidler  
Barbara Gray  
Barbara Hartsock  
Dave Sweeney  
Constance Fabek  
Karen Corey  
Gavin

Scott MacDonald  
Barry Pitzer  
Jeannie Sauerwein  
Ken & Pat Goff  
Doug Hoffman  
David Kuntz  
Doris VandenBosch  
Genny McMreery  
Dan Bongino

serving in the military:  
Morgan Rhinehart  
Alyssa  
Bryce Liberty  
Jakeb Fry  
Lyndsey Liberty

The family of Rowen Sweeney

Our weekly intercessory prayer for the people of our congregation :

## October 4

Ed Holisky  
Karen Holisky  
Bryan Hum  
Gloria Hum

## October 11

Jeff Hum  
Karen Hum  
Rachel Hum  
Valerie Hum

## October 18

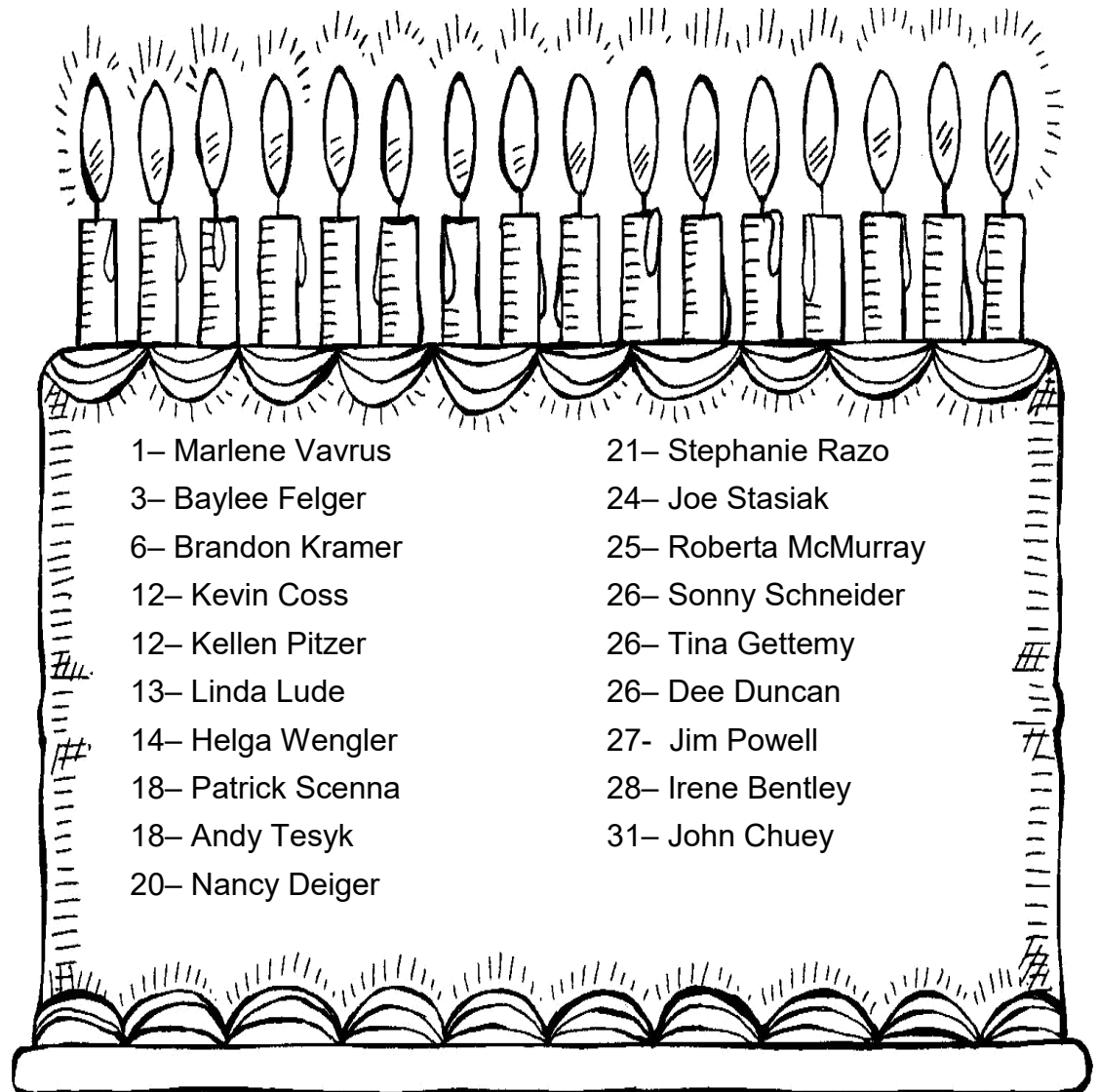
Joan Keaggy  
William Keaggy  
Kelly Keenan  
Kyle Keenan

## October 25

Jean Ketzal  
Wally Ketzal  
Brandon Kramer  
Kathy Kramer



5- Chelsea & Jordan Razo  
15- Alice & Joe Kreidler  
15- Sarah \* Ryan Dunnigan  
17- Jean & Wally Ketzal  
19- Rachel & Bryan Hum  
21- Kayla & Nathan Edwards  
22- Jen & Joe Stasiak



1- Marlene Vavrus  
3- Baylee Felger  
6- Brandon Kramer  
12- Kevin Coss  
12- Kellen Pitzer  
13- Linda Lude  
14- Helga Wengler  
18- Patrick Scenna  
18- Andy Tesyk  
20- Nancy Deiger

21- Stephanie Razo  
24- Joe Stasiak  
25- Roberta McMurray  
26- Sonny Schneider  
26- Tina Gettemy  
26- Dee Duncan  
27- Jim Powell  
28- Irene Bentley  
31- John Chuey

# MEETING MINUTES

## Council Meeting Minutes for September 15, 2020

The meeting opened with prayer by Sarah.

present: P. Ralph, Sarah, Jeff H., Wendy, Kelly, Peggy, Greg, Andy, Sue,

excused: Jeff W., Stephanie

**Treasurer's report:** Kelly reports that even though giving has been down a bit, we are only down about \$200 for the year.

## Pastor's report –September– 2020

### Area of Focus Last Month:

- ◆ I had 16 counseling sessions and numerous significant contacts with members and others.
  - ◆ 2 Funerals Kay Luplow, Jerry Hoefert
  - ◆ 13 contacts by phone for significant help.
  - ◆ Daily Reaching out to Members by phone.
  - ◆ We had our regular number of Saturday night and Sunday morning Services
  - ◆ Over the past month, I have presided at 15 worship services and prepared 7 sermons.
- \* August 9 “Bar-B-Que”
  - \* Aug 13 Chapel at Teen Challenge
  - \* August 16 “Bar-B-Que”
  - \* August 20 and 21 Wendy and I vacation
  - \* Aug 23 “Bar-B-Que”
  - \* Aug 27 Chapel at Teen Challenge
  - \* Aug 29 Quarter Auction for Camp Frederick
  - \* Aug 30 “Bar-B-Que”
  - \* Sept 1 Town Hall Meeting Next Steps

## Secretary's August 2020 Report:

Stewardship- helped prepare and mail out the estimate of giving letters

Picked up wine at Firelands Winery

Attended Teen Challenge worship twice

Attended Wednesday evening devotion

Completed office duties

Prepared agenda and reports for council

Took meeting minutes for council

Counted offering 5 weeks

Prepared 5 bulletins and 5 power point services

Prepared and distributed the Reachout

Changed outside sign

Faxed all bills and statements to Kelly

**Old Business:** Greg reports that the parking lot will be paved this Thursday or Friday. Jeff will ask Vernal to put a thick layer in front of the dumpster instead of pouring a cement pad. Wendy received one insurance quote and is waiting for 2 others. She will email the quotes to council as soon as possible.

**New Business:** There are 3 slots open for new council members for next year. Council will bring a slate of nominees to the October meeting.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer led by Greg.



**September Attendance**

	<u>Sept. 6</u>	<u>Sept. 13</u>	<u>Sept. 20</u>	<u>Sept. 27</u>
Saturday 5pm	9	9	4	5
Sunday 8am	15	17	15	22
Sunday 10:30am	13	14	11	17
Drive-thru communion	<u>18</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>15</u>
Total	55	52	52	59

**September Offering Report**

	<u>Sept. 6</u>	<u>Sept. 13</u>	<u>Sept. 20</u>	<u>Sept. 27</u>
Operating income:	\$2,665.00	\$4,695.00	\$2,390.00	\$3,320.00
Capital improvements:	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$50.00	\$ -0-

**Treasurer's Report Ending August 31, 2020**

Negative shown in parentheses	Actual this period	Actual this year to date	Annual budget remaining
Income	\$13,632.30	\$131,264.20	\$60,660.80
Expense	\$16,450.39	\$131,481.10	\$60,443.90
Net Total	(\$2,818.09)	(\$216.90)	\$216.90

**Capital Improvement Fund: Goal = \$50,000.00    Current Balance = \$35,477.49**

**Thank you for your donations to make the parking lot paving possible!**

The Northeastern Ohio Synod held its 2020 Assembly on Friday and Saturday, September 11 and 12; and elected a bishop, three months later than originally scheduled.

The Rev. Dr. Laura Barbins, Mentor, Ohio, was elected Sept. 12 to serve a six-year term as the fifth bishop of the Northeastern Ohio Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). The election took place during an online synod assembly.

Pastor Barbins has served on our synod council, the Executive Committee, as well as the Finance & Budget Committee. In addition to her current call as Pastor of Celebration Lutheran Church in Chardon, she is also an adjunct Professor of Homiletics at Trinity Lutheran Seminary at Capital University.

We wish her all God's blessings in this new call.



The Rev. Abraham D. Allende has served as bishop of the Northeastern Ohio Synod since 2014. Information about the Northeastern Ohio Synod is available at [neos-elca.org/](http://neos-elca.org/).



# **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

**OCTOBER 3<sup>rd</sup> 3:30-4:30PM**

**and**

**OCTOBER 4<sup>th</sup> NOON-1pm**

**Bring your pets:**

**cats, dogs, horses, etc. to the parking**

**lot to have them blessed.**



Mahoning County Board of Health

# Flu Shot Clinic

Thursday

October 8, 2020

2:00 - 4:30 pm

Woodworth Park

Call for appointment

Bring your insurance card

Phone Mahoning County

Board of Health

330-270-2855 Ext. 125

Park information line 330-549-9552

## Good Hope Lutheran Church,

THANK YOU for your commitment to Camp Frederick. We are grateful for your donation of the beautiful gift wrap & accessories basket for our Quarter Auction fundraiser which was held on August 29<sup>th</sup>. Because of donations like yours, we were able to raise \$14,000 for Camp! Your support and prayers helps us continue our mission to help transform the lives of children by providing them with a Camp Frederick experience.

We are thankful for all the support we receive from our corporate churches. We realize that these are difficult times we are in with COVID-19 but we are blessed to be in this together.

Please consider using one of Camp's many facilities for any upcoming events. We have many programs to pick from or we can customize a program to your needs.

Thank you again,

Camp Frederick Quarter Auction Team

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Return Services Requested

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**Worship Services**

Saturdays—5:00 pm

Sundays—8:00 & 10:30 AM & noon

Children's Sunday School during 10:30 worship

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