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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

¹⁶From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way.

¹⁷So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! ¹⁸All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. ²⁰So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. (2 Corinthians 5:16-21)

¹Therefore you have no excuse, whoever you are, when you judge others; for in passing judgment on another you condemn yourself, because you, the judge, are doing the very same things. ²You say, "We know that God's judgment on those who do such things is in accordance with truth."

³Do you imagine, whoever you are, that when you judge those who do such things and yet do them yourself, you will escape the judgment of God? ⁴Or do you despise the riches of his kindness and forbearance and patience? Do you not realize that God's kindness is meant to lead you to repentance? ⁵But by your hard and impenitent heart you are storing up wrath for yourself on the day of wrath, when God's righteous judgment will be revealed. ⁶For he will repay according to each one's deeds: ⁷to those who by patiently doing good seek for glory and honor and immortality, he will give eternal life; ⁸while for those who are self-seeking and who obey not the truth but wickedness, there will be wrath and fury. ⁹There will be anguish and distress for everyone who does evil, the Jew first and also the Greek, ¹⁰but glory and honor and peace for everyone who does good, the Jew first and also the Greek. ¹¹For God shows no partiality.

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RELIEVE EDITORIAL STRESS:

**TURN IN
YOUR ARTICLES
EARLY!**

RE M I N D E R :

**DEADLINE FOR
NEWSLETTER**

ARTICLES IS
April 25

¹²All who have sinned apart from the law will also perish apart from the law, and all who have sinned under the law will be judged by the law. ¹³For it is not the hearers of the law who are righteous in God's sight, but the doers of the law who will be justified. ¹⁴When Gentiles, who do not possess the law, do instinctively what the law requires, these, though not having the law, are a law to themselves. ¹⁵They show that what the law requires is written on their hearts, to which their own conscience also bears witness; and their conflicting thoughts will accuse or perhaps excuse them ¹⁶on the day when, according to my gospel, God, through Jesus Christ, will judge the secret thoughts of all. (Romans 1:1-16)

²¹Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' ²²But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe — the best one — and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. ²³And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; ²⁴for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate. (Luke 15:21-24)

I just heard a song on my Christian pandora called “Little more like Jesus and a Little less like me”. You see, it is not enough to not judge and it is not enough just to understand that we all are a new creation in Christ. We have to enjoy and celebrate every sinner who returns to God from their sinful ways. Those who return to God from the depths of evil. Those who were lost and now are found. We with the angels celebrate. We praise God and enjoy the party.

This Lenten season is different for me. I have seen a new light. I have seen a new message. It is not just about getting closer to God. It is about enjoying the time with God. You see it is not enough to just to love your spouse. You should enjoy every minute with them. There should be joy in the time you get with your help mate. Pure joy that God has blessed you with someone who knows your weakness and your short comings, yet they love you and enjoy you. You also should love them and enjoy them. What joy you have, to have the gift of love. That is the same with our Father in Heaven. It is not about just having faith in God. Or to have God as someone who you need when everything hits the fan. We don't spend time with God, we just want God in our life to make things go right or to make life good for us. We want God as our get out of jail card or as our get of hell card. But we need to enjoy God and get excited about the time with God!!

What is God to you?? Is God your joy and refuge? A very place that is good where you have excitement and joy!! The only way we, the people in your life, can see that is by the way we treat each other. Is there pure joy when you see someone return from their sin and darkness. When they reach out and cry LORD help me.

Easter comes this month and we have had 40 days in the wilderness to reconnect and find joy in our relationship with God. It is not that we have all knowledge and have enlightenment. It is that we have had faith without seeing, but just trusting and appreciating God. Loving God with all your heart, with all your mind, and with all your soul.

The resurrection of Christ is life to us. We no longer fear death or that someone has been taken from us. We have been restored like Christ to the fullness of life... everlasting life. God so loves us that we might not be judged by Christ but that we might be saved through him. For if we have been united in a death like his, we shall be resurrected in a resurrection like his. Live your life so that when you are born you cry and the world rejoices, and at your death, you rejoice and the world cries.

Pastor Ralph

Sundays & Seasons Worship Planner

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DATE	EVENT	COLOR	READINGS	INTRODUCTION
April 3rd	Fifth Sunday in Lent	purple	Isaiah 43: 16-21 Psalm 126 Philippians 3: 4b-14 John 12: 1-8	Our God makes all things new. In the first reading God promises it. In the gospel Mary anticipates it, anointing Jesus' feet with costly perfume in preparation for the day of his burial. In the second reading Paul recalls his transformation from the persecutor Saul into an apostle. In baptism, God's new person (you!) rises daily from the deadly mire of trespasses and sins.
April 10th	Palm Sunday	purple	Isaiah 50: 4-9a Psalm 31: 9-16 Philippians 2: 5-11 Luke 23: 1-49	Today we follow Christ from triumphal entry to the cross, each waypoint of the journey marked by Jesus' compassion for those who would betray, mock, accuse, or do violence to him. Though persecuted and beaten, Jesus the Son of God is not disgraced; instead, he asks forgiveness for those who put him to death. We have walked the Lenten pathway these forty days, each of us invited through baptism to "let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus." We enter this holy week accompanying Jesus to the cross with both grief and thanksgiving in our hearts, trusting in God's redeeming love.
April 14	Maundy Thursday	white	Exodus 12: 1-14 Psalm 116: 1-2, 12-19 1 Corinthians 11: 23-26 John 13: 1-17, 31b-35	This evening our Lenten observance comes to an end, and we gather with Christians around the world to celebrate the Three Days of Jesus' death and resurrection. Tonight we remember Christ's last meal with his disciples, but the central focus is his commandment that we live out the promise embodied in this meal. As Jesus washed his disciples' feet, so we are called to give and receive love in humble service to one another. Formed into a new body in Christ through this holy meal, we are transformed by the mercy we have received and carry it into the world. Departing worship in solemn silence, we anticipate the coming days.
April 17th	Easter Day	white	Acts 10: 34-43 Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24 1 Corinthians 15: 19-26 Luke 24: 1-12	"The last enemy to be destroyed is death," Paul writes. Today Christ is risen, and we gather together with astonishment and joy. Christ is risen, and we have been set free from the bonds of death. Christ is risen, and we are forgiven. Christ is risen, and with the women at the tomb and Peter, we are amazed. Let us rejoice: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!
April 24th	Second Sunday of Easter	white	Acts 5: 27-32 Psalm 118: 14-29 Revelation 1: 4-8 John 20: 19-31	In spite of all we have heard and all we have seen, it is often hard to believe. Because it is hard to believe, we will invest ourselves in the Easter mystery for fifty days (a week of weeks). Because it is hard to believe, John the evangelist will provide sign after sign celebrating Jesus' victory over death. Because it is hard to believe, the risen Jesus will return to us again and again in the mystery of holy communion, inviting us to touch and taste his presence, and offering us his peace.

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE

APRIL

Serving in God's house	April 3	April 10	April 17	April 24
Lector 8:00 Lector 10:30	Nancy Crouse Sarah Deiger	Greg Razo Kathy Kramer	Nancy Crouse Andy Tesyk	Greg Razo Pam Nock
Communion bread	Loetta Haller	Loetta Haller	Loetta Haller	Loetta Haller
Chrema	Tammy Chuey Sarah Deiger	Nancy Barret Andy Tesyk	Tammy Chuey Sarah Deiger Sandy Kuntz	Nancy Barret Andy Tesyk

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE

MAY

Serving in God's house	May 1	May 8	May 15	May 22	May 29
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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.



Our weekly intercessory prayer for the people of our congregation :

April 3

Ed Holisky
Karen Holisky
Carol Jean Horst
Eugene Hostetter

April 10

Karly Hostetter
Bryan Hum
Cameron Hum
Gloria Hum

April 17

Rachel Hum
Valerie Hum
Joan Keaggy
William Keaggy

April 24

Kelly Keenan
Kyle Keenan
Jean Ketzal
Wally Ketzal

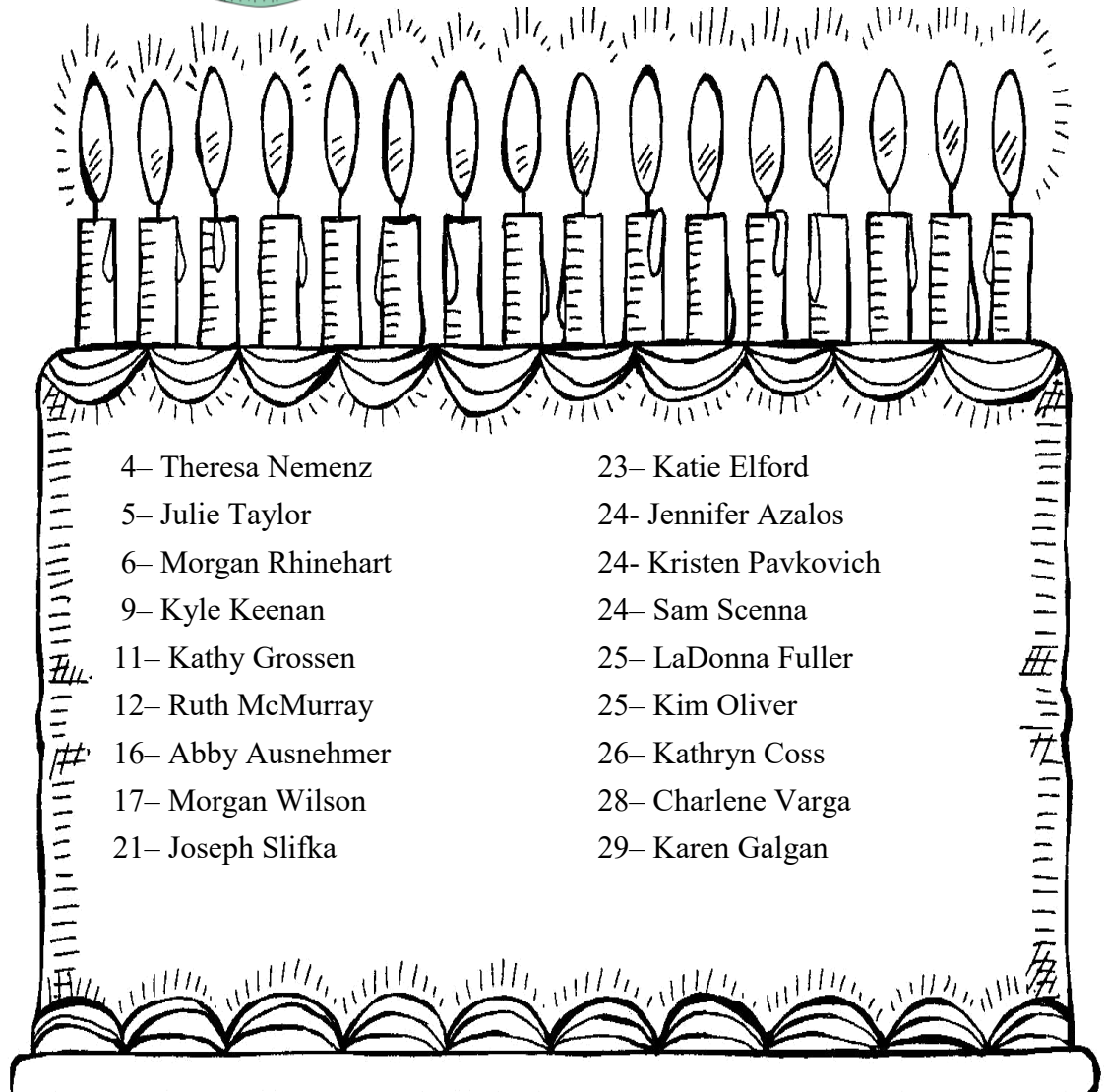
Shannon Styer
Thomas C.
Sherman Gumbs
Dave Sweeney
Gail & Lazarus Jaji
Barbara Neal
Gloria Hum
Tracy Pollak
Carol Rhodes
Donna Shipley
Nicole D'Amico
Kate

Dianne Rota
Jared Ausnehmer
Joe Kreidler
Eunice Schmucker
Anna & Ernie Gagye
Bruce Holisky
Darla Allen
Bryn Peters
Daralee Graham
Mike Alexander
Kathryn Hanford
Candi Peachey

Riley
Kathy Grossen
T.J. Irons
Joyce Feder
Fred Kochanowski
Diane Kochanowski
Sharon
Serving in the military:
Alyssa
Bryce Liberty
Jakeb Fry
Lyndsey Miller



8- Ralph & Wendy Edwards
11- Ken & Leslie Lude
11- John & Pam Nock



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Meeting Minutes for March 15, 2022

present: Stephanie, Nancy, Kevin, Andy, Mike, P. Ralph, Wendy, Lauren, Sarah, and Greg

Greg opened the meeting with prayer.

Pastor's Report:

Area of Focus Last Month:

- ◆ I had 20 counseling sessions and numerous significant contacts with members and others.
- ◆ Funerals 3 -Randy Vegso, Olin Sheely, Randy Miller
- ◆ Imposition of Ashes- 15 in the afternoon and 42 evening 57 total
- ◆ I had 37 contacts by phone for significant help.
- ◆ 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.
- * Feb 27 Transfiguration of Our Lord
- * Mar 2 Ash Wednesday
- * Mar 6 1st Sunday in Lent
- * Mar 9,16,23,30 Lenten Services No Bible Study

Secretary's Report:

Attended confirmation classes

Attended Bible study

Attended Town Hall meeting with the Bishop

Published 2021 annual report

Sent annual reports to Synod

Changed paraments

Organized clothing shed

Completed office duties

Prepared agenda and reports for council

Took meeting minutes for council

Prepared 4 bulletins and 9 power point services

Prepared and distributed the Reachout

Faxed all bills and statements to Kelly

Old Business:

- a. Greg is still planning to pull out the old sign posts this Spring.
- b. We have switched to a different electric provider and expect to save 50%.
- c. Several fundraising ideas were discussed. Council will continue to brainstorm. Pastor Ralph asked for them to also consider new ministry areas.
- d. The annual church picnic will be held July 10th right after the 10:30 worship. Michael will provide a tent. Nancy, Kevin, and Greg will provide the main dish and condiments and paper products. Greg and Kevin will cook.

New Business:

- a. none

Kevin led the Lord's Prayer to close the meeting.

Treasurer's Report Ending February 28, 2022

Negative shown in parentheses	Actual this period	Actual this year to date	Annual budget remaining
Income	\$17,447.06	\$28,786.96	\$167,642.04
Expense	\$17,169.19	\$33,735.69	\$162,693.31
Net Total	\$277.87	(\$4,948.73)	\$4,948.73



Mark Your Calendar

April 1& 8– Lenten meals from 3:30-7pm. Fish dinners \$15. Lasagna dinners \$13. Drive through.

April 6– Lenten worship service at 7pm.

April 10– Soup quarts for \$9 from noon-4pm or until sold out. All proceeds go to Good Hope.

April 14– Maundy Thursday worship at 7pm.

April 15– Good Friday worship at 7pm.

Special Notes

The zoom link for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday is the same link. It will be emailed to you Wednesday morning on April 13th.

We need 3 more readers for Good Friday. We will be presenting The Passion According to Matthew. Please let Wendy know if you would like to read.

Please remember to take your flowers home after the Easter worship. Thank you!

Thank You

The dinner team thanks you for the delicious desserts that you provided for the Pasta Bake Dinner. Proceeds from the dinner were \$263. Over 100 meals were donated to Teen Challenge.

Dear Members of Good Hope Lutheran Church:

Thank you for generously donating an assortment of gloves, hats, and shirts to COMPASS' Sojourner House Domestic Violence Program delivered by your dedicated member, John Chuey. These items will be put to immediate use by the families staying with us at the shelter. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated and those benefiting from this donation are most grateful.

Sojourner House has been providing an array of services to support victims for over thirty years. While we wish we didn't need more services and resources, we recognize there is a growing number of families that need our help. ***You make this assistance possible.*** Your support is both an investment in the community and a commitment to eliminating domestic violence. ***Because of your gift, families escaping violence can have some of the comforts of home while they heal and plan for the future.***

Recently, our efforts have been made more difficult due to the global health crisis. Public, in-person events have been limited which reduces both our ability to fundraise and to do outreach to those who may need services. However, Sojourner House continues to be open, safely serving the community, and adapting so that services are uninterrupted. Donors, like you, have helped to make this possible as well. We are forever grateful.

Sojourner House is one of the many programs and services of COMPASS Family and Community Services. With offices in Mahoning and Trumbull Counties, COMPASS provides services including crisis intervention, counseling, advocacy, treatment, employment assistance, and shelter for countless individuals every year. COMPASS truly does make a positive difference in the lives of the families we serve. ***But none of it would be possible without the support of the community and individuals like you.***

Thank you for your kindness. ***Together we can achieve COMPASS' mission: To help individuals and families build better lives and a stronger community.*** Please consider following us on Facebook to stay up to date on COMPASS news, success stories, and events.

Sincerely,

Joseph F. Caruso
President and CEO

Thank you!

God Bless

SOUP – TO – GO

WHERE: GOOD HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

WHEN: SUNDAY APRIL 10th

TIME: 12-4pm or until sold out

COST: \$9.00 PER QUART

SOUPS OFFERED:

Twice Baked Potato

French Onion

Beef Vegetable

Mexi Chili

Broccoli Cheddar

Stuffed Cabbage



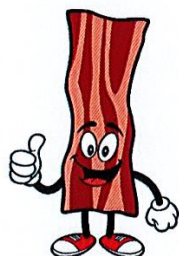
Drive through only.

Community Day Camp of North Lima's
Loaded Baked Potato
 Fundraiser

Proceeds benefit the day camp program scheduled for July 25th-29th

April 24th
11:30am- 1:30pm

By Donation



*Build Your Own! Includes all the toppings,
 choice of sides, bread, dessert & beverage!*

Paradise Church 10020 New Buffalo Rd., Canfield



Find us on Facebook at Community Day Camp of North Lima
 Brought to you by the friendly folks at: Mt. Olivet, Good Hope, North Lima Mennonite, Calvary, &
 Paradise churches; and Camp Frederick

enCompass

A Free Training for the Community

April 27, 2022
9am - 5pm ET


This 8-hour training session is virtual and open to all adults who want to learn more about addiction and have the skills to respond. Attendees often include families, friends, caregivers, clergy, law enforcement, first responders, healthcare providers, employers, educators, community-based service providers, and anyone interested in learning how to respond to substance use/co-occurring disorders.

Like CPR, the course is designed to build the skills to support and respond to someone who needs help. The training will also help participants navigate the resources available in your own community.

enCompass participants will learn:

- How to identify the signs and symptoms of addiction;
- How to help an individual in need of support;
- The effects of stigma on individuals and families; and
- How to set healthy boundaries and principles of self-care.

RSVP at <https://bit.ly/3h63cbc>



Quarters Auction to Benefit Camp Frederick

May 21, 2022

Doors Open at 5:00

Auction Starts at 6:00

The event will be located at:

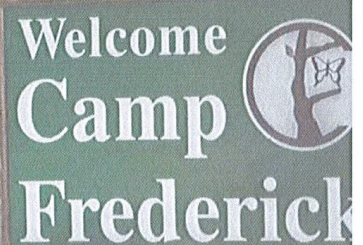
The Shrine Club Pavilion

1735 W. South Range Rd

North Lima, OH 44452

For Discounted Pre-Ordering go to:

<https://3rdcfquartersauction.eventbrite.com>

Welcome
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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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