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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 On Ash Wednesday we begin our forty-day journey toward Easter with a day of fasting and repentance. Marking our foreheads with dust, we acknowledge that we die and return to the earth. At the same time, the dust traces the life-giving cross indelibly marked on our foreheads at baptism. While we journey through Lent to return to God, we have already been reconciled to God through Christ. We humbly pray for God to make our hearts clean while we rejoice that "now is the day of salvation." Returning to our baptismal call, we more intentionally bear the fruits of mercy and justice in the world. (Sundays and Seasons)

¹Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. ²Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God. ³"Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?" Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. ⁴Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. ⁵Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself?

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Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD? ⁶Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? ⁷Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? ⁸Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. ⁹Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, ¹⁰if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. ¹¹The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. ¹²Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in. (Isaiah 58:1-12)

Take this season of Lent to discover you! Learn what you need and what you want in order to hear God and do God's work. Each one of us is needed to do the ministry of God in this place on the corner of 165 and 7. Here at Good Hope Lutheran Church, how do we look for those around us who need fed, body and soul? How are we releasing the captives? How are we living lives to show our bodies presented as living sacrifices, holy and acceptable to God, our spiritual worship?

As you come up with ideas and gifts, present them to those who hold you accountable. Present your gifts to the church, holy and acceptable, to God through the lifting up of those around you. It is exciting to find your purpose in the church. Then every day you can work to worship God by living your life. Wow! Just by living, God is lifted and praised. What a great feeling and witness to the rest of us of the glory of God and ministry of worship. An example to lead us into our own worship and praise.

My prayer for each and every child of God, is that they find their gifts and purpose so that their life through living it, is worship and praise to God our Father, who asks us to let our light shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify our Father in heaven. Amen.

Pastor Ralph

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DATE	EVENT	COLOR	READINGS	INTRODUCTION
March 2nd	Ash Wednesday	purple	Isaiah 58: 1-12 Psalm 51: 1-17 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:10 Matthew 6: 1-6, 16-21	On Ash Wednesday we begin our forty-day journey toward Easter with a day of fasting and repentance. Marking our foreheads with dust, we acknowledge that we die and return to the earth. At the same time, the dust traces the life-giving cross indelibly marked on our foreheads at baptism. While we journey through Lent to return to God, we have already been reconciled to God through Christ. We humbly pray for God to make our hearts clean while we rejoice that "now is the day of salvation." Returning to our baptismal call, we more intentionally bear the fruits of mercy and justice in the world.
March 6th	First Sunday in Lent	purple	Deuteronomy 26: 1-11 Psalm 91: 1-2, 9-16 Romans 10: 8b-13 Luke 4: 1-13	These forty days called Lent are like no other. It is our opportune time to return to the God who rescues, to receive the gifts of God's grace, to believe with the heart and confess with the mouth the wonder of God's love in Jesus, and to resist temptation at every turn. This is no small pilgrimage on which we have just embarked. It is a struggle Jesus knew. It is a struggle Jesus shares. The nearness of the Lord, in bread and wine, water and word, will uphold and sustain us.
March 13th	Second Sunday in Lent	purple	Genesis 15: 1-12, 17-18 Psalm 27 Philippians 3: 17- 4:1 Luke 13: 31-35	Though we sometimes doubt and often resist God's desire to protect and save us, our God persists. In holy baptism, God's people have been called and gathered into a God-initiated relationship that will endure. Lent provides the church with a time and a tradition in which to seek God's face again. Lent provides another occasion to behold the God of our salvation in the face of the Blessed One who "comes in the name of the Lord."
March 20th	Third Sunday in Lent	purple	Isaiah 55: 1-9 Psalm 63: 1-8 1 Corinthians 10: 1-13 Luke 13: 1-9	The warnings are plentiful and blunt on the third Sunday in Lent. Cut it out or get cut down! The warnings are accompanied by God's invitation to attentiveness: "Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live." The landowner's ultimatum is forestalled by the gardener's readiness to till the ground one more year. That is good news for all of us. Thanks be to God!
March 27th	Fourth Sunday in Lent	purple	Joshua 5: 9-12 Psalm 32 2 Corinthians 5: 16-21 Luke 15: 1-3, 11b-32	The psalm sets the tone this day: "Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!" Happy are those who have "become the righteousness of God" in the merits of Christ Jesus. Happy are those for whom the forgiveness of God has "rolled away the disgrace" of former times. Happy is the father at the return of his prodigal son. Happy are we that our sins are forgiven for Jesus' sake. Rejoice!

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE MARCH

Serving in God's house	March 6	March 13	March 20	March 27
Lector 8:00 Lector 10:30	Nancy Crouse Sarah Deiger	Greg Razo Kathy Kramer	Nancy Crouse Andy Tesyk	Greg Razo Pam Nock
Communion bread	Tammy Chuey	Tammy Chuey	Tammy Chuey	Tammy Chuey
Chrema	Tammy Chuey Sarah Deiger	Nancy Barret Andy Tesyk	Tammy Chuey Sarah Deiger Sandy Kuntz	Nancy Barret Andy Tesyk

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

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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 :

March 6

Tyler Haskin Cindi Heck Dave Heck David Heck

<u>March 13</u>

Holly Heck Jeremy Heck Jessica Heck Chris Herubin

March 20

Christopher Herubin Joyce Herubin Lauren Herubin Layla Hill

<u>March 27</u>

Jamie Hoefert Jesse Hoefert Laurie Hoefert Mike Hoefert Shannon Styer Thomas C. Sherman Gumbs Dave Sweeney Mark Shaffer Gail & Lazarus Jaji Barbara Neal Gloria Hum Tracy Pollak Carol Rhodes Donna Shipley

Nicole D'Amico Dianne Rota Jared Ausnehmer Joe Kreidler Eunice Schmucker Anna & Ernie Gagye Bruce Holisky Darla Allen Bryn Peters Daralee Graham Margie Stanley Mike Alexander Kathryn Hanford Bing Newton Candi Peachey Dan Flowers Riley Serving in the military: Alyssa Bryce Liberty Jakeb Fry Lyndsey Miller



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Meeting Minutes for February 15, 2022

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

Greg opened the meeting with prayer.

Pastor's Report – February– 2022

Area of Focus Last Month:

- I had 27 counseling sessions and numerous significant contacts with members and others
- ♦ Funeral 1 Mary Huber
- I had 42 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 13 worship services and prepared 5 sermons.
- * Jan 1st and 2nd Second Sunday of Christmas (Kathy and Andy) will cover
- * Jan 6th or 7th Wendy and Pastor Back from Vacation
- * Jan 6th Epiphany
- * Jan 8th and 9th Baptism of our Lord two Baptisms Kayden Derr, Declan Derr-Lockner
- * Jan 9th Take down Christmas Decorations
- * Jan 20 Mahoning Valley Association Churches Annual Meeting
- * Jan 25-27 Ohio Rostered Ministers Gathering/ Ministry in a House Divided

Secretary's Report:

Attended confirmation classes and Bible Study Helped with end of year statements Volunteered at fish fry changed paraments organized clothing shed completed office duties prepared agenda and reports for council and took meeting minutes prepared 7 bulletins and 11 power points prepared and distributed the Reachout faxed all bills and statements to Kelly

Old Business:

a. Nancy, Kevin, and Stephanie finished the 2021 audit. All questions were answered.

b. Council will continue to brainstorm fundraisers for Good Hope.

New Business:

a. Greg and Kevin have volunteered to cook for the church picnic with help from Nancy. A date for the picnic will be decided at the next meeting. Wendy will ask Michael for a tent and tables and chairs.

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

Congregational Meeting Minutes for February 13, 2022

Greg called the meeting to order and opened with prayer.

Andy motions to accept the 2021 congregational meeting minutes. Nancy seconds. Motion carries.

Mike motions to accept the 2021 annual report. Andy seconds. Motion carries.

For the Good of the Church:

Pastor Ralph thanks Kelly for making the financial reports easy to understand. He also reminds us of his question to the congregation for this year. Why do you give your time, talents, and resources to Good Hope? Where would you like to see your given resources go? Pastor Ralph says that he has heard many times from the community that they need Good Hope to be here.

Greg led us in the Lord's Prayer to close the meeting.



Negative shown in parentheses	Actual this period	Actual this year to date	Annual budget remaining
Income	\$11,337.07	\$11,337.07	\$185,091.93
Expense	\$16,566.50	\$16,566.50	\$179,862.50
Net Total	(\$5,229.43)	(\$5,229.43)	\$5,229.43

Treasurer's Report Ending January 31, 2022

Mark Your Calendar

March 2– Imposition of ashes 11am-1pm and at the 7pm Ash Wednesday worship.
March 4, 11, 18, 22, 29– Lenten meals from 3:30-7pm. Drive through only.
March 9, 16, 23, 30– Lenten worship services at 7pm
March 13– Pasta Bake dinner 12-4pm. Drive through only.
March 17– March for Jesus Praise Rally at 6:30pm at New Life Church

- 2250 E. Western Reserve Rd., 44514

****Special Notes****

The dinner team is asking for desserts for the Pasta Bake Dinner. If you wish to donate a dessert, please bring it to the church March 13th before noon. Thank you!

Thank You

The dinner team thanks you for the delicious desserts that you provided for the Beef Tips and Noodles Dinner! Customers had a really hard time choosing between them. Proceeds from the dinner are \$1,390.

Thank you everyone for all of your donations for the Furry Friends collection! This year we will be helping a few shelters instead of just one. Your generosity is much appreciated!

Dear Friends,

We hope this letter finds you and your families safe and warm this winter. We're happy to report that 2021 was a record year. Over *40 million* pounds of clothing were donated to our clothing sheds - that's over 200,000 pounds of clothing collected every business day!

Every clothing shed is an important part of the big picture. Here are some numbers to show you the impact your own shed made in 2021...

-25,238 pounds of clothing were donated to your shed in 2021

-This was enough to clothe an estimated 4,649 people all over the world

-Based on this volume of clothing, your organization received \$1,009

Thank you so much for partnering with us on this. We truly appreciate all the support you continue to give to the clothing shed program!

Sincerely, The Team at St. Pauly Textile, Inc.

PASTA BAKE SUNDAY, MARCH 13 Noon To 4p.m. Good Hope Lutheran Church

\$13.00 Take out only



Hearty pasta with ground beef, sausage, peppers, and onions all covered with sauce and cheese and baked till golden brown. Served with tossed salad, bread, and dessert.



Drive-Thru service on Fridays from 3:30pm-7pm; or till sold out

Fried or Baked Cod Fish Dinners \$15.00

Includes: coleslaw and choice of two sides

French Fries Artisan White Macaroni & Cheese Haluski Pierogi & Onion Buttered Green Beans Applesauce Coleslaw (optional extra side)



Optional Dinners: Large portion of homemade meatless, cheese lasagna (red sauce) <u>or</u> vegetable lasagna (white sauce) w/ garlic roll - \$13.00

Pierogi and sauteed onion dinner w/ garlic roll - \$11.00

Desserts \$4 each - changes each week, always two options available

- Hot Apple Dumpling w/ cinnamon sauce
- Large, homemade cinnamon roll
 <u>or</u> pecan cinnamon roll
- Hummingbird Cake (light spice cake w/ pineapple, bananas, pecans, w/ cream cheese frosting

 5 ^{3/4}" pie tins w/Carrot Cake w/ walnuts and glaze <u>or</u> New York Deli Cheesecake w/ fruit topping <u>or</u> Turtle Cheesecake

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Easter Flowers

Provided by Sutherin Greenhouse

DUE: MARCH 20, 2022 Please only 1 person/family order per form. All proceeds go to the Good Hope Weekly Operating Fund.

6 ¹ / ₂ " Hyacinth	Quantity	Total (\$10 each)
Blue		
Lavender		
Pink		
Red		
White		

6 ¹ / ₂ " Tulips	Quantity	Total (\$10 each)
Red		
White		
Yellow		
Orange		
Blue/Purple		
Pink		
Bi-color		

6 ¹ / ₂ " Daffodils	Quantity	Total (\$10 each)

Single Stem Easter Lily	Quantity	Total (\$12 each)

Total Amount Paid:_____

Name:	
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Check: _____ Cash:_____

You may print this form and mail it in to the office or call the office to place your order and mail in a check if you wish. 330-549-2406

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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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