

Good News From New Life

July 20, 2023



8 Pentecost

Genesis 28:10-19a

Psalms 139:1-11, 22-23

Romans 8:12-25

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Rev Barbara Bond preaching

Calendar of Coming Events

**Sunday, July 23: Hoedown
organizational meeting**

Wednesday mornings: 10:30 am
Short services in the St Luke Chapel

July 26 Mary and Martha

Wednesdays at 11:00 am: Book Club

August 5 Downstairs Clean Up

August 6 Scott Bridges preaches

7 pm Taize service

**August 10: Rev Barbara's knee
surgery**

**August 13: Morning Prayer. Pete
Iole preaches. Coffee Hour**

**August 20: Morning Prayer. Lynn
Gorman preaches**

**August 26: Country Hoedown:
Event for Adults with Special Needs,
12 noon – 3 pm.**

September 10 Parish Picnic

Preachers in August

Aug 6 Scott Bridges (Holy Eucharist)

Aug 13 Pete Iole (Morning Prayer)

Aug 20 Lynn Gorman (Morning Pr)

Aug 27 Rev Barbara (Holy Eucharist)

Rev Barbara has scheduled knee replacement surgery for August 10, and hopes to be back in church by August 27. Parishioners with knee surgery experience think she is being overly optimistic. We'll see.

August 5 Clean Up Day

Company's coming!! Just like we do at home, we prepare for guests to come. On Saturday, August 5 at 11am, we will be cleaning and organizing our downstairs areas to prepare for our event for adults with special needs. If you're able to help, please let Bo know. If we break up into small teams, we can get it done in no time! .

Bo envisions teams to tackle each area. August 5 seems like a good day, but some parishioners may be more available on other days, so please contact Bo for other times you can work.

Hoedown Meeting this Sunday

Meeting this Sunday: Sunday, July 23 after service, we will have an organizational meeting for the event for adults with special needs. We will discuss sign-in process, craft tables, food distribution among other topics. Please join us if you're able!

August 1 Tuesday Group

The Tuesday Evening Group will meet August 1 at Carlo's Restaurant at 6 pm for discussion of Samuel's Call. Jeff Maurer will lead the discussion. All are welcome.

Episcopal Minute: St James

July 25 is the Feast Day of Saint James the Apostle. There are two other St. Jameses, but this is the primary one. He was the brother of John, sons of Zebedee, who apparently had pretty hot temperament, since Jesus called them “sons of thunder”! Both of them were in the inner circle of Jesus’ followers (the third one was Peter) who witnessed the Transfiguration, were present for the raising of Jairus’s daughter, and were close to Jesus at Gethsemane. James was the first apostle to be martyred, killed by Herod’s henchmen.

Saint James is very popular in Spanish-speaking countries. According to tradition, James’ body was transported to Compostela, Spain, where a shrine has been established for centuries, known as San Diego de Compostela. (I don’t know how James becomes Diego in Spanish, but why not? Also the name of a city in southern California). Many pilgrims walk the 500-mile path to Compostela, beginning in France. (Even with a new knee, I don’t think this is in my future, but I admire those who do it). An excellent 2010 movie, entitled “The Way,” shows a father (Martin Sheen) walking the trail, carrying his son’s ashes to the shrine. The son is played in flashback by Sheen’s son, Emilio Estevez, the film’s director. Definitely worth seeing, but it may be tricky to access it by streaming. Try Amazon Instant Video.

Send newsletter items to Rev Barbara by Tuesday

Please send items by Tuesday evening to Barbara. RevBLBond@msn.com

Diocesan Convention Nov 11

The Diocese of Ohio will hold its 207th Annual Convention on Saturday, Nov. 11, at Greystone Event Center, Wooster. Each parish is required to send three delegates and name three alternates.

Are you interested in attending this year? This is Bishop Anne Jolly’s first convention with us. It is bound to be new and different! Attending convention also allows you to see our diocese in action, with all 80 parishes represented. It is an awesome sight!

It is apparently a one-day event. More information will be posted on the diocesan website as it becomes available (dohio.org). If you are interested in attending, please tell Julie Martin, Senior Warden.

Wednesday services continue

Rev Barbara will continue to offer brief worship services on Wednesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. in the St. Luke Chapel. Each service focuses on a particular saint. Participants also enjoy Angel Cards (ask them what this is).

July 26 Mary and Martha of Bethany

August 2 Joseph of Arimathea

August 9 Clare of Assisi

August 16 & 23: No service

FISH Items for 2023

Please bring items to church for the FISH pantry! Any of these items can be donated during any month.

July Shampoo

August Fruit juice

September Cleaning products

October Cereal

November Pasta and pasta sauce

December Instant potatoes

Coffee Hour, Second Sundays

We will hold Coffee Hour once a month, on Second Sundays. Those in charge will follow our regular team rotation. Thus for August 13 Coffee Hour, Team Four will oversee refreshments.

The Church Picnic comes on the second Sunday in September. Sept.10. All parishioners are invited to attend and bring dishes to share. Team One will oversee the organizing.

Coffee Hour teams

Team 1: Darlene, Bo and Connie

Team 2: Rita, Terri and Charlyn

Team 3: Mariann and Kathy

Team 4: Gladys, Laura and Judy

Server Schedule

Altar Guild

07/22 – 07/28 – Terri

07/29 – 08/04 – Rita

Readers

July 23 – Pete

July 30 – Charlyn

Counters

Week of July 23 – Jan & Andrea

Week of July 30 – Susan & Julie

Week of August 6 - Julie and Jan

Week of August 13 - Susan and Julie

Week of August 20 - Andrea and Jan

Week of August 27 - Jan and Susan

Vestry In Charge

July 23 – Julie

July 30 – Pete

Healers

July 23 – Amy

July 30 – Lynn

Vestry Goals for 2023

Vestry has identified three short-term goals for the remainder of 2023:

Build Relationships: Develop New Life's visibility in our community through face-to-face relationships with groups and individuals.

Improve Communications: Improve external communications by redesigning and maintaining New Life's website.

Build Fellowship: Build and maintain monthly fellowship opportunities, including:

Monthly social events

Monthly coffee hours

Events off-site or at New Life

Tuesday Evening and

Wednesday Morning group

Country Hoedown Theme

The event for adults with special needs is planned for Saturday, August 26 from noon to 3pm at New Life.

Invitations will read: "Your Friends at New Life Episcopal Church invite you to a Country Hoedown".

According to leader Bo Iole, volunteers will be serving lunch, providing activities and entertainment as well as gifting goodie bags to our guests. If you're able to bake or donate cookies for the cookie table and/or have suggestions for the goodie bags, please let Bo know. We are also looking for volunteers to help serve food, help with activities and for cleanup.

Should you know any young people that need service hours, this would be a great opportunity for them. Please provide names and phone numbers to Bo so she can reach out to them.

Sunday Night Prayer Telecon

Join your New Life family in prayer for about 15 minutes each Sunday night at 8 pm and start your week off prayerfully! A few minutes before 8 pm call 720-843-2008. Enter the access code when prompted: 420030#. If you use a smart phone and would like a text reminder and texted prayers, contact MJ at 330-606-9904. Or pick up a flier in the parlor with the prayers. Rotating telecon leaders are Lynn Gorman, Julie Martin, MJ Maling, Bo Iole and Jo Schiffbauer. We pray for our church, our country, our world, and each other's concerns and thanksgivings. For more information contact any of the telecon leaders.

Parish Picnic September 10

Our annual Parish Picnic will take place Sunday, September 10, at Boettler Park, in the same pavilion we use every year. The outdoor worship service begins at 10 am, and potluck picnic lunch follows. Mark the date!

Deacon's Dismissal

Rev Josh Butler

Long ago, I bought a bus ticket, New York City to Trenton. That Greyhound could fly down the highway but, about every ten minutes, a few men stood and moved to the front. The driver obligingly pulled over and opened the door. The men filed off. They walked toward waiting cars parked nearby and the Greyhound pulled back on the highway. The guy next to me explained, "Those men, they're busboys, porters, dishwashers, bellhops and such. They stay over in the city, eleven days on, three days off. The drivers understand, drop them off close to home as they can."

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Terri and Larry Mackey at their
50th wedding anniversary party
July 15 at Canton Woman's Club,
and attending parishioners

