

Good News From New Life

July 27, 2023



9 Pentecost

Genesis 29:15-28; 32:22-31

Psalms 105:1-11

Romans 8:26-39

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Rev Barbara Bond preaching

Calendar of Coming Events

Wednesday mornings: 10:30 am

Short services in the St Luke Chapel

Aug 2 Joseph of Arimathea

Wednesdays at 11:00 am: Book Club

God Does His Best Work With Empty

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, Charlyn Bridges officiates. Coffee Hour

August 20: Morning Prayer. Lynn Gorman preaches, Pete Iole officiates

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.

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.

Wednesday Group new book

The Wednesday Book Group will begin a new book, God Does His Best Work With Empty, by Nancy Guthrie.

The group meets Wednesday mornings at 11 a.m. in the parlor, often coming at 10:30 am for morning liturgy in the chapel. Newcomers are always welcome.

See p 3 for School Supplies List and Server Schedules.

Episcopal Minute: Thomas a Kempis, JS Bach

Thomas a Kempis, d. 1471, has been famous ever since he wrote the immensely popular Imitation of Christ, Thomas came from the Netherlands and was strongly influenced by The Order of the Brethren of the Common Life, originators of a spirituality called “The New Devotion,” or *Devotio moderna*. Thomas felt that self knowledge was more important than intellectual pursuits. Thomas wrote, “At the Day of Judgment, we shall not be asked what we have read, but what we have done; not how eloquently we have spoken, but how holily we have lived.” His feast day was July 24.

July 28 is the feast day of **Johann Sebastian Bach**. Bach needs no introduction. He was truly one of the greatest composers of all time, and provided the church with wonderful settings of the St Matthew and St John Passions, innumerable cantatas, arias, instrumental pieces, harpsichord concerti, works for organ – an astonishingly rich offering in the name of God. He lived in Protestant Germany and wrote his great works mostly for the Lutheran church, although his Mass in B Minor, in Latin, remains one of the touchstones of holy music, intended for Catholic worship. His compositions continue to be widely used and to profoundly influence the musical traditions of many Christian churches.

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).

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.

August Fruit juice

September Cleaning products

October Cereal

November Pasta and pasta sauce

December Instant potatoes

Lake Local School Annual Supply collection

By Terri Mackey

It is the time to start our collection of school supplies for Lake Local Schools. I have the list below of supplies that the children need. In some there is a specific brand so please try to comply. Target and Walmart have really good prices but you can also use Amazon to make your purchases.

If shopping isn't your thing, please contact Terri and we can work something out. I plan on delivering the supplies to the schools August 21. Questions please contact me at tmackey@neohioweb.com or by phone 330-268-4643.

Ticonderoga Sharpened Pencils
Fiskar children's scissors
Clip boards
4 pack of Expo Markers
Pink Erasers
24 pack Standard Crayola Crayons (no fluorescent)
Crayola Classic Markers wide tip (8-10 count)
Water color set
Play Dough
Glue sticks
Yellow wide tip high lighters
Pencil bag
Bottle of Elmers Glue
Colored Pencils
Wide rule spiral 1 subject notebook
Pencil top erasers
Black Sharpie
Post-It notes
Vinyl pocket twin pocket folders in red, blue, orange ,green and black.

Server Schedule

Altar Guild

07/29 – 08/04 – Rita
08/05 – 08/11 – Marianne
08/12 – 08/18 – Terri
08/19 – 08/25 – Rita
08/26 – 09/01 – Marianne

Readers

July 30 -- Charlyn
August 6 – Pete
August 13 – Bo
August 20 – Amy
August 27 – Charlyn

Counters

Week of July 30 -- Susan and Jan
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 30 -- Pete
August 6 – Julie
August 13 – Jeff
August 20 – Larry
August 27 – Pete

Healers

July 30 -- Lynn
August 6 – Julie
August 13 – Bo
August 20 – Charlyn
August 27 – Amy

Preachers

Aug 6 Scott Bridges
Aug 13 Pete Iole
Aug 20 Lynn Gorman

Officiants for Morning Prayer

Aug 13 Charlyn Bridges
Aug 20 Pete Iole

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

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

Politics ... one wrong word and the conversation is over. He emailed, "If you haven't the common sense to support [so-and-so] I have no more to say to you." I'd known him for years and thought him a friend. My vexation overtook me. I was consumed in devising the perfect, devastating reply. Then I was given a prayer, entirely for my friend's well-being, that peace and all good might be his to enjoy, now and always. I wrote those words to him, not sure if he would reply, yet certain these were the words I needed to send.

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