

Good News From New Life

August, 3, 2023



The Transfiguration

Exodus 34:29-35

Psalm 99

2 Peter 1:13-21

Luke 9:28-36

Scott Bridges preaching

Calendar of Coming Events

Wednesday mornings: 10:30 am

Short services in the St Luke Chapel

Aug 9 Clare of Assisi

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

lole 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.

Cookies for the Hoedown!

Thinking ahead to our event for Adults with Special Needs on August 26: We would like some homemade cookies to share at our event, so please consider making a few dozen. We just ask that you write down the ingredients so that our guests are aware of any allergens in the cookies. Thank you! (Bo Iole)

Send newsletter items to Rev Barbara by Tuesday

Please send items by Tuesday evening to Barbara. RevBLBond@msn.com Barbara plans to continue writing the newsletter during her convalescence.

Episcopal Minute: Sanctification

I recently saw the new movie “Oppenheimer” about the nuclear physicist J. Robert Oppenheimer, “the father of the atomic bomb.” Dr. Oppenheimer oversaw the Manhattan Project that developed the bomb during World War II, and he spent most of his efforts in Los Alamos, New Mexico, overseeing the bomb’s construction and preparing for its test in the desert. The test took place July 16, 1945, at a site called “Trinity” by Oppenheimer. At that point, we entered the nuclear age.

But what happened three weeks later is much better known. On August 6, an atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima, Japan, and three days later, another, on Nagasaki. The war with Japan was over soon thereafter. The awesome destructive power of the bombs stopped the war, and stopped much of the world in its tracks. The euphoria of the war’s end was dampened by the huge loss of life because of the bombing. Many ethical questions have surfaced in the last 78 years. But no nuclear bomb has been used since. Perhaps what we are seeing is not just a reassessment about nuclear arms, but a sanctification. Sanctification means to make something holy. Has the bombing of Hiroshima taken on a holy aura?

A friend of mine, Dr. Alvin Weinberg, a pioneer of the early nuclear times, became philosophical about nuclear energy and nuclear destruction. Alvin wrote in his book, Nuclear Reactions, (1992) that terrible historical events can take on major religious importance and thus become sanctified. It is his hope that Hiroshima will

eventually be so regarded, a horrific event that has resulted in deterring future nuclear war. He states, “The sanctification of Hiroshima may be a hopeful development for the nuclear era. How can mankind accept, at the most fundamental level, the absolute necessity of avoiding nuclear holocaust – 50, 100, 1000 years after Hiroshima – unless Hiroshima becomes a ghastly legend, accepted by all and as well known to all as the Crucifixion is known to Christians...? In short, only by sanctifying Hiroshima can we expect its lesson to be learned and passed on forever.” (p 136)

I find this an intriguing idea – that the 100,000 souls lost on that day are part of the sanctifying of this event. The 80th anniversary will come in 2025 – is it already entering into sacred time?

To me, it has always been significant that the anniversary of the bombing is also the Feast of the Transfiguration. Perhaps that is also part of its sanctification.

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 9 Clare of Assisi

August 16 & 23: No service

August 30 Aidan of Lindisfarne

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

08/05 – 08/11 – Marianne

08/12 – 08/18 – Terri

08/19 – 08/25 – Rita

08/26 – 09/01 – Marianne

Readers

August 6 – Pete

August 13 – Bo

August 20 – Amy

August 27 – Charlyn

Counters

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

August 6 – Julie

August 13 – Jeff

August 20 – Larry

August 27 – Pete

Healers

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

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!

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.

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".

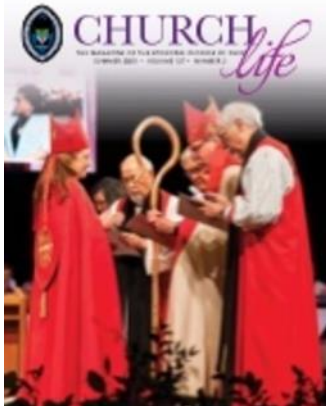
According to leader Bo Iole, volunteers will be serving lunch, providing activities and entertainment as well as gifting goodie bags to our guests. If you're able to bake or donate cookies for the cookie table and/or have suggestions for the goodie bags, please let Bo know. We are also looking for volunteers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

Are you getting Church Life magazine?



All members of New Life are entitled to receive Church Life, the quarterly Diocese of Ohio magazine. If you aren't getting it, you can sign up [here](#), or contact MJ, who would be happy to sign you up!

Are you getting the Diocese of Ohio e-bulletin?

Each Wednesday the Diocese of Ohio e-mails their 'What's New in the Diocese of Ohio' e-bulletin to those who have signed up for it. It shares news about our bishop and diocese and news from parishes around the diocese, including events and activities you might want to check out.

Sign up to receive the weekly email on the Diocese of Ohio homepage [here](#). You may see a pop-up message to sign up or see the sign-up box at the bottom of the page. Or contact MJ, who would be happy to sign you up!

Check out New Life's Updated Website!

Take a look at our updated website [here](#). (cometonewlife.org) If you see any needed corrections or would like to have a photo removed, contact MJ as soon as possible or by Sunday, July 30. Thank you! (MJ Maling)

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, canned fruit
September	Cleaning products
October	Cereal
November	Pasta and pasta sauce
December	Instant potatoes

Deacon's Dismissal

Rev Josh Butler

My mother-in-law asked about my time as a listener at the men's shelter. I said that I sit on a chair in the hallway with another chair pulled close and listen to whatever a man may have to say. Mom wanted to know more and I tried to explain, but mom is 93 and wasn't about to let me off easy. Then she asked me, "Can I do that?" Once a week, mom sits in the hallway of the shelter. All manner of men sit in the chair next to her. They talk to mom and mom listens.

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Dave and Darlene Giffin, with their grandson Silas, receive a marriage blessing on their 14th wedding anniversary