Good News From New Life

August 17, 2023

12 Pentecost

Morning Prayer Genesis 45:1-15 Psalm 133 Romans 11;1-2a, 29-32 Matthew 15: (10-20), 21-28 Lynn Gorman preaching Pete lole officiating

Calendar of Coming Events

Wednesday mornings: 10:30 am Short services in the St Luke Chapel No service Aug 16 and 23 August 30: Aidan of Lindisfarne Wednesdays at 11:00 am: Book Club God Does His Best Work With Empty August 20: Morning Prayer. Lynn Gorman preaches, Pete lole officiates Aug 20 School supplies due Aug 21: Vestry meets in parlor 6 pm Aug 25 12 noon – set-up for Country Hoedown August 26: Country Hoedown: 12 noon – 3 pm. August 27: Holy Eucharist, Rev Barbara preaching and celebrating September 3: Holy Eucharist, Rev Barbara preaching and celebrating 12 noon Vision Team 7 pm Taize service September 5 Tuesday Evening Group September 7: Spirituality Team September 9: Seating of Bishop Anne Jolly, 11 am Trinity Cathedral **September 10 Parish Picnic** September 12: FISH Banquet Sept 24 St Michael and All Angels Oct 1 St Francis, Animal Blessing 7 pm Taize service



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)

Wednesday services continue

Rev Barbara will continue to offer brief worship services on Wednesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. in the parlor, or St. Luke Chapel. Each service focuses on a particular saint. Participants also enjoy Angel Cards..

August 16 & 23: No service August 30 Aidan of Lindisfarne September 6 Paul Jones September 13 Holy Cross September 20 Thecla of Iconium September 27 Lancelot Andrews

The Knee

Rev. Barbara underwent surgery for total knee replacement on August 10 and has just completed her first week of post-op therapy. She has been deluged with cards, e-mails, prayers, and support, and thanks all of you for your concern. She still thinks she will be back in church on Sunday Aug. 27. Stay tuned!

Episcopal Minute: Mary

August 15 in the Roman Catholic saints' calendar is reserved for The Assumption of the Virgin (in German, *MariaHimmelfahrt*). I first heard of this day when I was in Bavaria, a German Catholic state, where I was working the summer of 1966. My German language wasn't terrific, and I couldn't figure out what the event was. Mary goes to heaven?

Yes, that is actually what it means. in German's rather literal translation. In English we say The Assumption of the Virgin, that Mary was assumed up to heaven without having died. (Roman Catholic dogma) In Orthodox Christianity, they assume she just went to sleep (really! It is called "Dormition of the Theotokos") These theological concepts make assumptions that Anglicans do not. However, we happily honor her August 15, on the Feast Day of St. Mary the Virgin. Our saints calendar has been admitting more and more "Marian feasts" 'in recent years, but this is the big one. It honors Mary for who she is: specially chosen by God to bring us the Prince of Peace.

Convention Delegates

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.

The following parishioners have volunteered for the six positions: Delegates: Scott Bridges, Julie Martin and Bo Iole. Alternates: Pete Iole, Terri Mackey and Amy Allen.

Supplies for Lake Local Schools Deadline this Sunday!

Terri Mackey plans on delivering the supplies to the schools August 21. Questions please contact me at <u>tmackey@neohioweb.com</u> 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.

Send newsletter items to Rev Barbara by Tuesday

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



Greetings!

There are so many ways for your parishioners, friends, and neighbors to enjoy Bellwether Farm through the end of this year. This email has links to some ready-made bulletin inserts you can use (and if you want the original Word doc, please let me know as I am happy to share with you!).

Watercolor Weekend

Discerning Sobriety

Divining the Mystics - John of the Cross

Advent Contemplative Retreat

In addition to the wonderful retreat opportunities listed above, there are also fun day outings such as <u>bread-making</u> and <u>baking</u> <u>holiday pastries and cookies</u> in November and December!

Please share this information with your parish family – through Sunday bulletins, announcements, your own e-news – any and every way you share information. Registration for all of these events is open on the Bellwether website.

In gratitude,

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Server Schedule Altar Guild

08/19 – 08/25 – Rita 08/26 – 09/01 – Marianne

<u>Readers</u>

August 20 – Amy August 27 – Charlyn Counters Week of August 20 - Andrea and Jan Week of August 27 - Jan and Susan Week of Sept. 3 - Julie & Jan Week of Sept. 10 -Jan & Susan Week of Sept. 17 - Julie & Andrea Week of Sept. 24 -Jan & Darlene Vestry In Charge August 20 – Larry August 27 – Pete Healers August 20 – Charlyn

August 27 – Amy

Preachers

Aug 20 Lynn Gorman

Officiants for Morning Prayer

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.

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

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. Parishioners are invited to bring a dish to share. Sign-up sheets will be available soon.

Check out New Life's Updated Website!

Take a look at our updated website <u>here</u>. (cometonewlife.org) If you see any needed corrections or would like to have a photo removed, contact MJ as soon as possible. Thank you! (MJ Maling)

Vestry Goals for 2023

Vestry has identified three shortterm 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 lole, 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 lole 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.

The Lake Township FISH Annual Banquet Ticket Information

The banquet will be held Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at the Hartville Kitchen. Dinner tickets are \$25. The doors open at 5 pm, the meal is served at 6 pm and the program begins at 7 pm. The entertainment for the evening is The Cleveland Keys, Dueling Pianos.

The physical tickets are numbered. If you want to attend, please record your ticket information on the FISH ANNUAL BANQUET TICKET RESERVATIONS sheet found in the parlor. Jim Martin has 16 tickets available. FISH needs to keep an accurate account of the number of tickets sold to be able to place seating by groups of people. This enables FISH to make sure groups of people can sit together. Ticket payment can be made with cash or checks payable to Lake Township FISH. Jim and Julie Martin will collect your payments and issue your tickets. Ticket reservations and payments are due to the Martins by Sunday, August 27.

Your kindness and generosity are much appreciated. Here is a brief recap of FISH's year thus far:

128,208 = number of meals provided through the food pantry

- 263 = number of senior citizens receiving supplemental food assistance boxes
- 4,025 = the number of diapers distributed through the FISH diaper bank partnership
- \$29,140.04 = provided in emergency assistance to help avoid evictions and utility shut offs.

THANK YOU for helping FISH continue its mission of "Living Christ's Love by Serving Our Neighbors."

FISH Items for 2023

Please bring items to churchfor the FISH pantry! Any of theseitems can be donated during any month.AugustFruit juice, canned fruitSeptemberCleaning productsOctoberCerealNovemberPasta and pasta sauceDecemberInstant potatoes

Deacon's Dismissal Rev Josh Butler

A line of cars was backed up to the main thoroughfare, mostly people waiting patiently for a free bag of fresh produce*. Wearing a collar, I was Greeter and Traffic Director. Commuters, with no need of produce, sometimes entered our line. I would wave or knock on their window, "This is the line for free produce!" Most waved and drove off but a few ignored me entirely. They showed me a dismissive hand or stared straight ahead. It was the collar ... they were afraid that I would evangelize, proselytize, or otherwise try to convert them. I learn every day.

*Courtesy Greater Cleveland Food Bank

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