

Good News From New Life

May 16, 2024



Pentecost Sunday
Holy Eucharist Rite III
Acts 2:1-21
Psalm 104:25-35, 37
Romans 8:22-27
John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Calendar of Coming Events

May 18 Parish clean-up day
May 19 Pentecost Sunday
May 22: No Wednesday service;
Book Group meets 11:00 am
May 26 Trinity Sunday
Scott Bridges, preacher
May 29: Book Group
Service: Visitation
June 2 Pentecost 2, coffee hour
Team 1 Darlene, Bo, Connie
7 pm Taize at St. Matthew's
Brecksville
June 5 No Wednesday service;
Book Group meets at 11:00 am
June 8 Bingo for Adults with
Special Needs 1-3 pm
June 9 Pentecost 3
7 pm Taize at New Life
June 16 Pentecost 4, Father's Day
June 17 Book Sale organizing
Vestry meeting 6 pm
June 23 Pentecost 5
June 30 Pentecost 6
July 7 Pentecost 7, coffee hour
Bill Kendrick, organ

Parish Clean-Up Saturday

Join us Saturday any time after 9 am, to spiff up the outside of our churchly abode. Weeding is the big thing – the front gardens and the memorial garden need our attention! Just come, and you will be put to work.

Friends of the Library Book Sale

Volunteers are needed to help sort and organize books for the book sale to be held at the Lake High School Cafeteria. This sorting of books is part of a well-organized effort to prepare for the book sale.

There is a sign-up sheet on the desk in the parlor for volunteers who are needed **on Monday, June 17**. Last year, we had a group from New Life who worked and had fun on this organizing day. Hope you can join us!

Congregational Dev't

Vestry approved sponsoring a parish member to attend the College of Congregational Development training August 11– 16 at Bellwether. Anyone interested in attending should contact either Rev. Barbara or Senior Warden Larry Mackey as soon as possible. Registration is due at the end of May.

Wear RED this Sunday!

Episcopal Minute: Pentecost

Whitsunday, the old name for Pentecost, is now less frequently used. The terminology for our liturgical seasons underwent a major reshuffling in the 1960s in the wake of the Second Vatican Council, and some of our more arcane names disappeared (I do not mourn their disappearance – for instance, who can even pronounce Septuagesima? Which was the 70th day before Easter.) Back in earlier days, the Church of England called Pentecost by the name Whitsunday, and then came Trinity Sunday the following week, and all the Sundays thereafter were numbered as *Sundays after Trinity*. My 1928 prayer book follows this old pattern. But now, (since 1979) we number the *Sundays after Pentecost* beginning with Trinity Sunday as the first (this year, May 26), and the next Sunday is the second Sunday after Pentecost, and so on, until Advent. We tend to follow the Roman Catholic term for this six-month liturgical period and call it Ordinary Time. I tend to call the whole post-Pentecost period as Pentecost Season, which is probably not correct.

Adding to the confusion is the word Proper. Proper refers to the readings assigned for a given Sunday in Ordinary Time. This year, June 2 begins this period with Proper 4.

Our Propers for Ordinary Time this year will feature sequential Old Testament readings about King David. Last year we followed sequential readings about the Jewish ancestors Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, and Moses.

The Bookshelf: The Women

The Wednesday Book Group has been reading Kristin Hannah's historical novel *The Women*, which gives a wrenching description of experiences of army nurses in Vietnam. Following the life of Frankie, a young Californian nurse in 1967-1969, we readers see what Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) was like from the inside of her psyche. The story continues through relationship betrayals, addiction, a suicide attempt, and total mental collapse. Frankie and her nursing friends attend the dedication of the Vietnam memorial in Washington in 1982 and achieve the beginning of healing. It ends well.

The author has a long string of best-sellers (about 24) and writes very well. But be forewarned: the descriptions of surgical treatments in the field tents is not exactly MASH – no humor – lots of cringing. The bad treatment of Vietnam veterans in general is heartbreaking, and the ignoring of the 10,000 nurses who served is appalling. Ms. Hannah does much to right the record of their service.

Wednesday services

Rev Barbara offers brief worship services on Wednesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. in the parlor.

May 22 No service

May 29 Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

June 5 No service

June 12 John XXIII

FISH Items for 2024

Please bring items to church for the FISH pantry! Any of these items can be donated during any month, but the following schedule is suggested.

May	Cereal
June	Canned fruit
July	Shampoo
August	Fruit juice
September	Cleaning products
October	Cereal
November	Pasta and pasta sauce
December	Instant potatoes

Event Day June 8

Our next event for Adults with Special Needs will be held **Saturday, June 8, from 1 to 3 pm.** for a Bingo Party. Many volunteer positions are still available.

Help is needed in these categories: **Food** (light refreshments), **photos** (help with cell phone pictures), **Bingo Caller, Bingo Checkers, Handing out Bingo prizes, and fill-in where needed.**

Sign-up sheets are on the desk in the parlor. Sign up, or contact Bo Iole if you can volunteer. We are confident that our guests will enjoy this time.

Coffee Hour Teams

Team 1: Darlene, Bo, Connie 6/2
Team 2: Rita, Terri, Charlyn 7/7
Team 3: Marianne, Kathy, Julie 8/4
Team 4: Gladys, Laura, Judy R 9/1

Send newsletter items to Rev Barbara by Tuesday

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

Vestry Goals

Vestry met April 6 to set goals and consider the College of Congregational Development (CCD).

The CCD is a new emphasis of the diocese, announced at Convocation in February. A concept that New Life is familiar with, it was also the subject of Rev. Barbara's doctorate. She urged vestry to include Congregational Development in its goals for the year, and also to send a representative to the first session, which will take place at Bellwether Farm in August.

Goals for 2024, set by vestry:

1. Consciously enter into congregational development process.
2. Continue to develop relational experiences in the local community.
3. Improve the physical plant of our building.

If you are interested in participating in any of these areas, please talk to a vestry member, or attend the next meeting.

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE

Many families who have loved ones who are patients at Childrens' Hospital have the need for housing. We can help support these families by bringing our recycled tabs from soda cans, fruit and vegetable cans, even pet food cans. In addition, they accept old keys. Please consider saving these items and bring them to church. There is a container in the parlor on the big desk to deposit your metal item listed. This is an ongoing project so keep saving and bringing your items. Thank you.

Picnic scheduled

Save the date! New Life's annual picnic will be Sunday, Sept. 22.

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.

Server Schedule

Altar Guild

05/18 - 05/24 Rita

05/25 - 05/31 Terri

Acolytes

May 19 Kathy

May 26 Andrea

Readers

May 19 Amy

May 26 Charlyn

Counters

Week of May 19 - Andrea, Julie

Week of May 26 - Susan, Jan

Vestry In Charge

May 19 Larry

May 26 Darlene

Healers

May 19 Charlyn

May 26 Amy

Deacon's Dismissal

Rev Josh Butler

We were in a long line at the movie theater. It was opening day of a sequel to a blockbuster. My sons were excited... we were all excited! ... but the man ahead of us, with four kids, had turned out his pockets and was counting his change. I asked and he said, "I had no idea the price ... been so long since I've been ... I don't ..." I said I'd stand him and his kids for the movie. The lady ahead of him said, "Popcorn's on me!" I don't remember that much about the movie, but it was a good day.

5-15-24

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