Good News From New Life

May 23, 2024

Trinity Sunday
Holy Eucharist Rite II
Isaiah 6:1-8
Psalm 29
Romans 8:12-17
John 3:1-17
Scott Bridges preaching

Calendar of Coming Events 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 Cleanup Accomplished!

Cleaning up our outdoor areas on May 18 were Charlyn and Joe Bridges, Larry Mackey, Amy Allen, Bo Iole, Darlene Giffin, and Andrea Page. Most everything was done by 11 am.

The memorial garden received attention from Amy, Andrea and Darlene. Bo concentrated on the Revolutionary Veterans Memorial, getting it ready for Memorial Day (May 26) with new plantings, weeding and mulching. We have hired someone to help us with the weeding at the back parking lot. See photos at the end!

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.

Episcopal Minute: Alcuin 804

Alcuin deserves our attention. Who? Perhaps you have not heard of this saintly educator and deacon, but listen up!

Born in York, England, in 730, Alcuin grew up in the best traditions of learning and zeal, in the manner of the Venerable Bede. After ordination as deacon in 770, he became head of the York school. In 781, Alcuin was persuaded to become Emperor Charlemqagne's "prime minister" with special emphasis on revival of education and learning in the Frankish dominions.

According to our saints' book

Lesser Feasts and Fasts, "Alcuin was a
man of vast learning, personal charm,
and integrity of character. In his
direction of Charlemagne's Palace
School at Aachen, he was chiefly
responsible for the preservation of the
classical heritage of Western civilization.
Schools were revived in cathedrals and
monasteries, and manuscripts of both
pagan and Christian writings of antiquity
were collated and copied." (p 236)
(Feast Day May 20)

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 and it is actually a lot of fun!). 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.

Wednesday services

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

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 lole 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:

- 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 lole and Jo Schiffbauer. We pray for our church, our country, our world, and each other's concerns and thanksgivings.

Server Schedule

Altar Guild

05/25 - 05/31 Terri

06/01 - 06/07 Marianne

06/08 - 06/14 Rita

06/15 - 06/21 Terri

06/22 - 06/28 Marianne

06/29 - 07/05 Rita

Readers

May 26 Charlyn

Counters

Week of May 26 - Susan, Jan

Week of June 2 - Jan, Julie

Week of June 9 - Jan, Andrea

Week of June 16 - Andrea, Julie

Week of June 23 - Susan, Jan

Week of June 30 – Julie, Susan

Vestry In Charge

May 26 Darlene

Healers

May 26 - Amy

June 2 - Julie

June 9 - Bo

June 16 - Charlyn

June 23 – Amy

June 30 - Lynn

Acolytes

May 26 - Andrea

June 2 - Jan

June 9 - Andrea

June 16 – Kathy

June 23 - Jan

June 30 - Kathy

Deacon's Dismissal

Rev Josh Butler

Occasionally, I read something that lands so close to home that I write out the words and keep them close. Some words I must hear more than once. Some words there are that I must take to heart before I run out the door to save the world ... or even some minuscule piece of it. An Australian Aboriginal woman gave Jim Wallis* permission to quote, but only anonymously. Here are her words: "If you're coming to help me, you are wasting your time. But if you have come because your liberation is bound up with mine, then let's work together."

*Jim Wallis, Author, Preacher, Founder of <u>Sojourners</u> Magazine and spiritual advisor to President Barack Obama, from <u>Soul of Politics</u>, 1994, p.181

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Parish Cleanup, May 18, 2024







