

# Good News From New Life

October 24, 2024



## **Pentecost 23: Oct 27**

Holy Eucharist Rite II

Job 42:1-6, 10-17

Psalm 34: 1-8, 19-22

Hebrews 7:23-28

Mark 10:46-52

## **Calendar of Coming Events**

Oct 27 Pentecost 23

Oct 30 Book Group 10:30 Parlor

“Lessons in Chemistry”

Nov 3 All Saints Sunday,

Coffee Hour Team 4

**Nov 5 Election Day. VOTE!**

Nov 9 Diocesan Convention

Nov 10 Pentecost 25

Veterans Observance

Scott Bridges, preacher

Taize 5 pm (new time)

Nov 12 Tuesday Evening Group

Carlo's Trattoria, 6 pm, 7 pm

Nov 17 Pentecost 26

Nov 24 Christ the King

Nov 27 No Wednesday meeting

Nov 28 Thanksgiving Day

Dec 1 Advent 1, Coffee Hour

Dec 8 St Nicholas, Morning Prayer

Joe Bridges, preacher,

Taize 5 pm

Dec 15 Advent 3, Rev Audra Abt

Vestry meeting follows

Dec 23 Advent 4, Troy Dunn

Dec 24 Christmas Eve

Special liturgies:

Nov 3 All Saints Sunday

Nov 10 Veterans Observance

Nov 24 Christ the King

## **All Saints Sunday Nov. 3**

Our All Saints service on November 3 honors our Beloved Departed, especially those who have died since last November. Please feel free to add names to our list, posted by the entrance to the sanctuary. **The deadline is Oct. 27.** All collected names will be printed in the bulletin and Rev Barbara will read the names from the altar during the Eucharistic Prayer.

## **All Saints Organ Concert Nov 3**

The MacDowell Music Club of Canton is sponsoring a concert by four organists on Sunday at 3 pm at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Massillon. The four organists are Bill Kendrick (well-known to our parish), Sandy Simpson, Ralph Morrison and Mark Thewes, all well known in the community.

Bill Kendrick will be playing for New Life's first two Advent services, Dec. 1 and Dec. 8. What a treat!

## **Preaching Schedule**

Nov 10 Scott Bridges

Dec 8 Joe Bridges

Dec 15 Rev Audra Abt

Dec 22 Troy Dunn

Jan 5 Charlyn Bridges

## **Taize Time Change**

Taize services are offered on Second Sunday evenings. Due to earlier dark skies this time of year, the service will be held at 5 pm, rather than the usual 7 pm.

## Episcopal Minute: The Feast

This parish has a reputation for enjoying The Feast, whether it is liturgical, or good food enjoyed by all after our Sunday service. On Maundy Thursday evening, we combine the two ideas by sharing an Agape Feast, with liturgy from about 200 AD, imagining ourselves among early Christians feasting together, and everyone brings food to enjoy together.

New Life has a stunning number of good cooks, and our Coffee Hours are legendary. You truly outdid yourselves this past Sunday at our Celebration of Remembrance. The food, as always, was outstanding! Thank you to everyone who contributed. There are photos at the end of the newsletter to document our celebration.

I had requests to provide the recipe for the beef filet I brought, and I am happy to share it. In my deep dark past, I was a caterer. This came about from living in Berlin for ten years and receiving a copy of Julia Child's *Mastering the Art of French Cooking* when I was about 24. That book caused a revolution in American cooking, as Julia sought to teach Americans the methods of French cooking. Later, when I moved to Houston (1980s), I was able to offer what I had learned, and I catered many weddings and parties. The beef filet was one of my signature offerings at wedding receptions.

### The Beef

So, here is my recipe, which I put together from Julia Child's advice. It does not appear in a coherent form in her book, except for the marinade, found on p. 306 of Volume One.

**THE BEEF:** Purchase a whole filet of beef. Recommended: Earth Fare carries grass-fed beef from Australia. A whole filet will cost about \$85 or so. You can ask them to trim it; or, if you are adventurous, do it yourself. (I do it myself). If trimming it yourself, sharpen a good knife and trim all the fat and other extraneous stuff off the filet. Whack off the skinny end and save it for Beef Stroganoff. Whack off the big end, make into steaks and freeze them for another time. Take off that big ropey piece running along the side and make stock out of it. You are now left with a fairly uniform log of meat. Leave it whole. Place it in the following marinade 6 hours or overnight and baste it occasionally.

### THE MARINADE:

½ c dry white wine  
¼ c Madeira wine  
2 Tb cognac  
1 tsp salt  
6 peppercorns  
¼ tsp thyme  
¼ tsp basil  
3 parsley springs  
3Tb minced shallots  
2 or more canned truffles (I don't use these. Optional)

**ROASTING:** Scrape off the marinade, discard (or use it in a cooked sauce). Sear the meat in a frying pan (I use cast iron) on all sides, about 2-3 minutes each. Then put it in a 400-degree oven and roast it until the internal temperature is about 120 degrees. You can use a hotter oven, and you can roast it to a higher temperature, but please, no more than 130 degrees. Chill it, slice it just before serving, and garnish prettily.

## Remembrances

We gathered Sunday, Oct. 20, to celebrate who we are as New Life Parish and to remember where we have come from. This important first step in Congregational Development will guide us into our future.

The well-attended event began with a potluck luncheon, in our abundant style, and then about an hour of sharing memories, moderated by Rev Barbara. The following major steps were recalled:

### **The Merger**

New Life was successfully merged from two previous parishes, St. Peter's in Akron, and St. Michael and All Angels in Uniontown, in 2002 under the guidance of St. Michael's rector, The Rev. Stephanie Pace. The merger went fairly smoothly, and St. Peter's parishioners joined St. Michael's parishioners in the Uniontown building. The Akron building was then sold for \$800,000, with Rev Stephanie's vision to build a third building in Green. The amount was insufficient to build another building, and the funds were used to shore up the new merged parish. Apparently the diocese was somewhat surprised that we chose to keep the money, and the bishop at the time made efforts to take it for the diocese, but in the end, we kept the money and it is now the basis for our endowment.

### **The Women**

The next steps remembered were the succession of women priests who guided the parish until 2017: Rev Stephanie Pace until 2008; two-year interim; the Rev. Pat Hanen 2010-2013; the Rev. Beth Frank, who came as a Deacon-in-Charge, was ordained priest

on St Nicholas Feast Day 2013, and remained until 2016.

### **Interim and conflict 2016-2017**

Interim clergyperson was the Rev Phil Kunder, who was not remembered fondly. Considerable conflict ensued and Sunday attendance was reduced from 100 to about 25. Rev Barbara arrived in the fall of 2018 to find (in her words) that the congregation was traumatized. She worked to help them stabilize and heal.

### **Now**

The congregation remains small, with enlarged ministries: stellar outreach, events for adults with disabilities, monthly Taize services, and continuing fellowship through the Tuesday evening group, the Wednesday morning group, and legendary coffee hours. Having undergone many congregational development processes under Stephanie Pace and Pat Hanen, they are now ready to begin a new effort, which began with this session on Remembrance.

### **Wanted: Altar Servers!**

Can you help serve at the altar? Duties include assisting Rev Barbara prepare the table for Eucharist and presenting the chalice to communicants during distribution.

**NEW: It is not necessary to wear vestments. Servers may remain seated in the congregation for the first half of the service and come forward during the offertory music.**

Please let Rev Barbara know if you can offer this ministry.

## **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.

**October Cereal**

**November Pasta and pasta sauce**

**December Instant potatoes**

## **Directory Update by Dec 1**

**Please send changes for our directory to the Office soon. A new directory will be issued on Dec 1.**

## **Vestry Goals**

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.

## **208<sup>th</sup> Diocesan Convention**

The 208<sup>th</sup> Diocesan Convention will be held Nov 8-9 in Perrysburg, Ohio.

**New Life's delegates will be**

**Julie Martin, Larry Mackey and Jeff Maurer. Alternates are Scott Bridges, Pete Iole and Terri Mackey.**

## **Coffee Hour Teams**

Team 1: Darlene, Bo, Connie 10/20

Team 2: Rita, Terri, Charlyn 12/1

Team 3: Marianne, Kathy, Julie 1/5

Team 4: Gladys, Laura, Judy R 11/3

## **Send newsletter items to Rev Barbara by Tuesday**

Please send items by Tuesday evening to Rev Barbara [revblbond@msn.com](mailto:revblbond@msn.com)

## **Server Schedule**

### **Altar Guild**

10/26 – 11/01 Marianne

11/02 – 11/08 - Rita

11/09 – 11/15 - Terri

11/16 – 11/22 - Marianne

11/23 – 11/29 - Rita

11/30 – 12/06 – Terri

### **Readers**

Oct 27 Charlyn

Nov 3 Pete

Nov 10 Amy

Nov 17 Bo

Nov 24 Charlyn

### **Counters**

Oct 27 Julie and Andrea

Nov 3 Susan and Julie

Nov 10 Jan and Julie

Nov 17 Susan and Jan

Nov 24 Jan and Andrea

### **Vestry In Charge**

Oct 27 Darlene

Nov 3 Pete

Nov 10 Larry

Nov 17 Julie

Nov 24 Darlene

### **Healers**

10/27 Amy

Nov 3 Julie

Nov 10 Bo

Nov 17 Charlyn

Nov 24 Amy

### **Acolytes**

Oct 27 Kathy

Nov 3 Andrea

Nov 10 Jan

Nov 17 Kathy

Nov 24 Andrea

## 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.



## Deacon's Dismissal

Rev Josh Butler

Years ago, my sister Lorinda and I sailed to the Caribbean Island of Bequia [BEK-way]. Lorinda's cancer had returned. We were making a last, grand tour of the Caribbean where we had spent many of our early years. We walked on a secluded beach. There, pulled up on the sand, fishing boats made of stout wood ... strongly built, seaworthy, brightly painted and hand-lettered. We stood before one boat with a blue hull and vivid yellow lettering on the side: "I dont fraid that" ... just that way ... four words that came to be our mantra for the time ahead.

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## Potluck Lunch 10/20/2024

