

Good News From New Life

April 24, 2025



Easter 2

John 20:19-30

Calendar of Coming Events

April 27 Easter 2, Rev Barbara

April 30 Wednesday group resumes

**May 4 Easter 3, Morning Prayer,
Charlyn Bridges preaches**

May 6 Election Day

May 10 Spring Clean Up

**May 11 Easter 4, Holy Eucharist
Rev Kay Ashby
7 pm Taize service**

**May 13 Tuesday Evening Group
6:30 Carlo's Trattoria**

**May 18 Easter 5, Morning Prayer
Pete Iole preaches**

**May 25 Easter 6, Morning Prayer
Scott Bridges preaches**

**June 1 Ascension, Rev Barbara
Coffee Hour**

**June 8 Pentecost Sunday
7 pm Taize**

Worship in May

**May 4 Morning Prayer, Charlyn
Bridges preaches, Scott Bridges
officiates**

**May 11 Mother's Day, Holy Eucharist.
Rev Kay Ashby preaches and
celebrates**

**May 18 Morning Prayer, Pete Iole
preaches, Scott Bridges officiates**

**May 24 Morning Prayer, Scott
Bridges preaches, Pete Iole officiates**

Library Donations

The Friends of the Lake Library are holding a book sale. The last deadline for book donations at New Life is Friday, May 2. Accepted items include books for adults and children CD'S, DVD'S, Video Games, Records, Cookbooks, Games, and Puzzles

The book sale will be held June 19-21, 2025. Volunteers are needed on June 16 to help organize items for the sale. A sign-up sheet for volunteers will be found in the parlor.

New Life Clean Up Day

New Life will hold a Clean Up Day on Saturday, May 10 from 9:00-noon. Stay tuned for further information about areas of the church that need some attention this day.

Send newsletter items to the Office by Tuesday

Please send items by Tuesday evening to Maryanne Shaw, our administrator, who will be compiling the newsletter in Rev Barbara's absence (entire month of May). office@cometonevnewlife.com

Rev Barbara returns on June 1, for the Feast of the Ascension, and Pentecost Sunday, June 8. Our organist for Lent and Easter Sunday, Valerie Thorson, will play for those two Sundays.

The Episcopal Minute

And so, I leave you next week, departing on Tuesday, April 29, heading first to Schleswig Holstein (in northern Germany, just south of Denmark). I will be staying with old friends (I have known the wife, Kay, since I was six) who live in a thatched roof house in a small village. The husband Eckhart is a retired geography professor, and their German-American family spans three generations. On Saturday, May 3, I fly to Rome.

I am staying with more old friends. Cornelia (Nea), the wife, was my roommate at Carleton College about sixty years ago. The husband, Michael, is an anthropologist, recently retired from Harvard University. I expect lively conversation from them about Harvard!

I stayed in Nea and Michael's apartment in Rome in 2012, on my first sabbatical, when I spent two months there, alone, until Norm came to join me for a couple of weeks. He will not join me this time (we have all gotten older – imagine that!) Nea and Michael will have their own pursuits (Michael is much in demand as a lecturer), and so I too will have some outings without them. Tentative plans include about four days on the Amalfi Coast, centered in Sorrento, where I hope I have enough energy to see Pompeii again. On May 11 I plan to attend the Episcopal Church, St. Paul's Within the Walls, in Rome, and with any luck, I will meet Larry Mackey there! I hope to make another side trip to Assisi and perhaps Florence. As you know, I am passionate about art! (I have tickets for a major Caravaggio exhibit May 20).

I will send dispatches from Rome!

NCD Prayer

Holy and living God,

who nurtures our faith:

**Help us to be so rooted in your love
that we may encourage New Life in
others.**

NCD Action Team

Our Natural Church Development Action Team (Larry Mackey, Jeff Maurer, Scott Bridges. Charlyn and Joe Bridges. and Darlene Giffin) is headed by Rev Barbara and is concentrating on Need-oriented Evangelism.

The Action Team will meet again in June. The NCD Prayer is available for private devotions, in Prayers of the People on Sundays, in the Telecon prayers on Sundays, and any other gatherings of the faithful. Prayer will sustain our efforts and guide our path.

FISH Items for 2025

**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.

January	Canned soup
February	Peanut butter
March	Toothpaste
April	Cleaning products, dish soap
May	Cereal
June	Canned fruit
July	Shampoo
August	Fruit juice
September	Cleaning products
October	Cereal
November	Pasta and pasta sauce
December	Instant potatoes

Coffee Hour Teams

Team 1: Darlene, Bo, Connie 6/1

Team 2: Rita, Terri, Charlyn

Team 3: Marianne, Kathy, Julie

Team 4: Gladys, Laura, Judy R 5/4

Vestry Goals for 2025

1. **Improve visibility of the church**
2. **Adopt Natural Church Development process, focusing on Need-oriented Evangelism**
3. **Continue developing relationships within the larger community** (FISH, Lake Library, other parishes, lay preachers, Taize services, Adults with Disabilities Events)

Vestry Officers 2025

Senior Warden: Larry Mackey

Junior Warden: Julie Martin

Treasurer: Amy Allen

Clerk: Pete Iole

Vestry members: Andrea Page, Scott Bridges, Jeff Maurer, Julie Martin, Larry Mackey.

Priest-in-Charge: Rev Barbara Bond

Servers Schedule

Altar Guild

4/26 - 5/2 Terri

Readers

Apr 27 Amy

May 4 Charlyn

May 11 Bo

May 18 Amy

May 25 Pete

Acolyte

Apr 27 Andrea

May 11 Andrea

Counters

Apr 27 Andea & Jan

May 4 Darlene & Julie

May 11 Julie & Susan

May 18 Andrea & Jan

May 25 Jan & Darlene

Vestry In Charge

Apr 27 Julie

May 4 Andrea

May 11 Pete

May 18 Larry

May 25 Julie

Healers

Apr 27 Bo

May 4 Charlyn

May 11 Amy

May 18 Julie

May 25 Bo

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 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.



William Bell Maling
May 23, 1933 – April 9, 2025

Viola Croasmun
May 4, 1932 - April 18, 2025

Deacon's Dismissal

by Rev Josh Butler

I was a young man at a wedding. Family came from far and near, dressed to the nines ... adults and children ... tuxedos and ballgowns. The orchestra played and we danced as we were able ... waltz ... foxtrot ... jitterbug ... except one young lady, about my age, hair in braids, a full white dress ... a cane by her side. My father gently urged me to ask her to dance. I could not. My father went, bowed to her, said a few words, then took her onto the dance floor ... the first of several dances ... my father, dancing with the belle-of-the-ball!



**The Easter altar
bedecked with
flowers**