

Good News From New Life

June 26, 2025



Saint Peter and Saint Paul
Ezekiel 34:11-16
Psalm 87
2 Timothy 4:1-8
John 21:15-19

Calendar of Coming Events

June 29 Holy Eucharist, observing
St. Peter & St Paul, 10 am

July 2 10:30 Worship,
11 am Book discussion

July 6 Holy Eucharist, Coffee Hour,
10 am

July 13 Holy Eucharist, 10 am
Debbie Likins-Fowler preacher
Valerie Thorson, organ
Taize service 7 pm

July 20 Holy Eucharist, 10 am
Bill Kendrick, organ

July 27 Holy Eucharist, 10 am
Valerie Thorson, organ

August 3 Holy Eucharist, 10 am
Coffee Hour

August 10 Holy Eucharist 10 am
Valerie Thorsen, organ
Taize service 7 pm

August 17 St Mary the Virgin
Holy Eucharist 10 am

August 24 Holy Eucharist 10 am
Bill Kendrick, organ

Sept 7 Homecoming
Holy Eucharist 10 am
Coffee Hour

Sept 14 Holy Eucharist 10 am
Taize service 7 pm

Sept 21 Parish Picnic 10 am
Boettler Park

No Tuesday Evening Group

The Tuesday Evening Spirituality Group will not meet in the month of July. Meetings will resume on August 5.

Food for Summer

Coffee Hours will be offered for the next three months on First Sundays as usual. (**July 6, August 3, and September 7**). The September Coffee hour will coincide with a Homecoming Sunday, when we will make an effort to invite new and former members of New Life to join us.

The parish picnic will take place two weeks later, on **September 21** at Boettler Park, when potluck offerings will be encouraged from everyone.

The first Sunday of October, October 5, is our traditional St. Francis service with the animal blessing. That seems a good Sunday to take a break from food, and so there will be no Coffee Hour that day. **The next Coffee Hour will be All Saints Sunday, November 2.**

Coffee Hour Teams

Team 1: Darlene, Bo, Connie 11/2
Team 2: Rita, Terri, Charlyn 7/6
Team 3: Marianne, Kathy, Julie 8/3
Team 4: Gladys, Laura, Judy R 9/7

Episcopal Minute: Patron Saints

Christian saints have been assigned many duties over the centuries, especially if they are “patron saints.” According to the Oxford Dictionary of the Christian Church, a patron saint is “a saint who, by tradition or otherwise, has been chosen as the special intercessor and advocate in heaven of a particular place, person, or organization. The custom of having patron saints for churches arose from the practice of building churches over the tombs of martyrs.”

Some countries have patron saints, for instance England has St. George and Scotland has St. Andrew. France has several, including St. Louis and St. Joan of Arc. Rome, Italy, has St. Peter’s Basilica, said to be built over Peter’s bones. Tradition assigns great power to the relics of saints.

Saints Peter and Paul, pillars of the church, are often named as patrons of churches, St. Paul more often for Protestant churches, and St. Peter for Roman Catholic. The Washington National Cathedral is named for both Peter and Paul.

I remember a merged church in New York that retained the names of both patron saints (say, Bartholomew and Sergius?) but the parishioners quickly started calling their church “Two Saints,” the names themselves being too cumbersome. Our parish is also the result of a successful merger, of St. Peter’s and St. Michael and All Angels. Though we have a name that signifies vitality and hope for the future in the title New Life, we also retain our patrons Peter and Michael and observe their feast days, Michael always around

September 29, and Peter either on January 18 or June 29. Tradition holds that both Peter and Paul died as martyrs in Rome in 64 AD in the reign of Nero.

NCD Action Team

Our Natural Church Development Action Team (Larry Mackey, Jeff Maurer, Scott Bridges. Charlyn and Joe Bridges. and Darlene Giffin and Rev Barbara) will meet again Thursday, July 17 at 3 pm.

The Team is currently developing new promotional materials, both as printed brochures and as digital presence. A new church logo is being designed and will replace the current Celtic cross.

Send newsletter items to Rev Barbara by Tuesday

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

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

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

Jun 28-Jul 4 Terri

July 5-11 Marianne

July 12-18 Rita

July 19-25 Terri

July 26-Aug 1 Marianne

Readers

June 29 Pete

Acolytes

June 29 Kathy

Counters

June 29 Andrea & Julie

Vestry In Charge

June 29 Scott

Healers

June 29 Charlyn

Jul 6 Amy

Jul 13 Julie

Jul 20 Bo

Jul 27 TBA

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.

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.

Deacon's Dismissal

by Rev Josh Butler

Pete was one of several mentors I've been fortunate to have. I've told about Pete ... and just when I think I've told all I can recollect, comes another recollection: I had a legal dust-up in Toronto and Pete agreed to testify. A hearing date was set. Pete said he'd "drive on through" from Abilene, Texas ... a tad over 1500 miles. I bought Pete an airline ticket. Pete told me he was greatly impressed with the flight ... and that the last time he'd been on an airplane was WWII when he was airdropped on an atoll in the South Pacific. 6-25-25