

# Good News From New Life



June 18, 2026

## Calendar of Coming Events

June 21, 4 Pentecost.

Charlyn Bridges preaching  
Summer Solstice: 4 am!

June 22 Vestry 6 pm

June 24 Wednesday Book Group  
10:30 am, Parlor

June 28, Saints Peter and Paul

Lacey Bibbee, Ella Scofinsky &  
Colten Grove - Soloists

July 5, 6 Pentecost; special music  
Coffee hour Potluck Lunch

Team 2: Marianne, Kathy, Julie, Rita,

July 12, 7 Pentecost

7 pm Taize service

July 19, 8 Pentecost, Scott Bridges

July 26, 9 Pentecost

Aug 2, 10 Pentecost, coffee hour

Team 3: Gladys, Laura, Judy R, Terri

Aug 9, 11 Pentecost

7 pm Taize

Aug 15 Adults with Special Needs

Aug 16, St Mary, Troy Dunn

Lacey Bibbee, soprano

Aug 23. 13 Pentecost

Aug 30, 14 Pentecost Scott Bridges

Sept 6, 15 Pentecost

Sept 13 16 Pentecost

Sept 20 Parish Picnic

Sept 27 St Michael

Oct 4 St Francis Troy Dunn

Animal Blessing

## Saints Peter and Paul

Saint Peter and Saint Paul are observed each year on their joint feast day, June 29, commemorating their martyrdoms. Each saint has his own commemoration in January, on the subject of their ministry: Saint Peter on January 18, celebrating Peter's confession that Jesus is the Messiah; and on January 25 Saint Paul, whose conversion to Christianity was the turning point in the Jesus movement.

Both saints have been traditionally commemorated as being martyrs in the year 64 under the reign of the Emperor Nero. Tradition says that Paul was tried in Rome and executed as a citizen of Rome, by beheading by the sword. Peter was crucified, though he insisted that he was not worthy to die as his Lord did and therefore was crucified head downward.

Peter is one of our patron saints and thus we will honor him close to his feast day, on Sunday, June 28.

## Potluck Coffee Hour July 5

Parishioners are invited to bring potluck offerings for the Coffee Hour lunch on July 5. **Team 2** (Marianne, Kathy, Julie, Rita) will oversee the event. A sign-up sheet will be available shortly.

## **Episcopal Minute: The BCP**

The First Book of Common Prayer is commemorated with a feast day on June 13. It came into being on June 9, 1549, under King Edward VI. (**Pop Quiz:** Can you name the Tudor monarchs and their years of reign?)

**Henry VII 1485-1509**

**Henry VIII 1509-1547**

**Edward VI 1547-1553 (Protestant)**

**Mary I 1553-1558 (Catholic)**

**Elizabeth I 1558 – 1603 (Protestant)**

The Tudor years were notorious for the back-and-forth changes in the Church of England. The Continental Reformation occurred in the middle of all this (in 1517 Martin Luther got it rolling in Germany) and England had its own peculiar reformation, based more on the personalities of the monarchs than on theology.

Henry VIII split from the Catholic Church in 1536-1539 and declared himself to be head of the Church of England (and so it has been, ever since). Henry's Archbishop of Canterbury was Thomas Cranmer, who went to work immediately on new liturgy for the new English reformed church, following Protestant theology and in particular, the medieval Latin service books of the Use of Sarum (Salisbury). Using several sources, Cranmer produced the first Book of Common Prayer in 1549 (two years after Henry's death, in the reign of his Protestant son Edward VI.)

Alas, Edward had a short reign of six years, and his older sister (Mary I) took over in 1553, with a vehement desire to return the English church to Rome. Fortunately, she only lived five years, and was succeeded by her

younger sister, Elizabeth, in 1588, who had been raised Protestant. Ah, Blessed Elizabeth! The Elizabethan Settlement settled the Church of England as Protestant during her long 45-year reign.

## **Event for Adults with Special Needs on August 15**

Bo Iole and Terri Mackey are planning the next event for Adults with Special Needs for Saturday, August 15. This will be a karaoke event, which is very popular with our guests. Theme: Everyone's a Rock Star !"

## **Cleaning Out the Closets**

Darlene Giffin and her team are busy cleaning out our storage area downstairs. Many "treasures" are emerging, now displayed at the rear of our hospitality area. Have a look! Take something home! Leftovers will be donated somewhere.

## **Arrangements for Brian Sisak**

According to Brian Sisak's wishes, his cremains will be placed in the columbarium at New Life, in a niche next to his brother's cremains. Final plans still pending.

## **Wednesday Book Group**

The Wednesday Morning Book Group is reading The Book of Lost Names by Kristen Harmel.

The group meets in the parlor at 10:30 am for brief worship offered by Rev. Barbara, book discussion follows, and often lunch at a restaurant. Newcomers are always welcome.

## Coffee Hour Teams

**Team 1:** Darlene, Bo, Connie, Charlyn  
(**September 20:** oversee Picnic)

**Team 2:** Marianne, Kathy, Julie, Rita,  
(**July 5:** oversee pot luck lunch)

**Team 3:** Gladys, Laura, Judy R, Terri  
(**August 2** – casual coffee hour)

Four major events will replace the simplified coffee hours in those months:

**July 5,** 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of USA, a pot luck celebration;

**September 20,** the parish picnic

**November 15,** Bishop Anne's visitation, major coffee hour including her dietary limitations.

**December 13:** Advent Silver Tea  
**DONATIONS** to defray expenses will be collected in a donation jar at each coffee hour.

## Parish Picnic: September 20

The date of our parish picnic has been chosen, thanks to Darlene Giffin who secured the reservation: Sunday, September 20, at Boettler Park.

## Bishop Anne Visits on Nov. 15

The Rt. Rev. Anne Jolly, Bishop of Ohio, will make her pastoral visit to New Life on Sunday, Nov. 15. Her previous attempt to visit us was in January and was cancelled because of illness. Anyone wishing to be received or confirmed should inform Rev. Barbara.

## Newsletter Deadline Tuesdays

Please submit articles for the newsletter to Rev Barbara by the Tuesday before publication. [RevBLBond@msn.com](mailto:RevBLBond@msn.com)

## Diocesan Convention Nov 20-21

The Diocese of Ohio annual convention will be held later than usual, on Nov. 20-21, at Sawmill Creek in Huron. New Life attendees generally ride by carpooling and attend only the Saturday business session (Nov 21) Anyone interested in attending should please speak with Larry Mackey or Rev. Barbara.

## Vestry 2026

**Senior Warden: Larry Mackey**

**Junior Warden: Kathy Jernigan**

**Treasurer: Amy Allen**

**Clerk: Pete Iole**

**Vestry members: Andrea Page, Scott Bridges, Darlene Giffin**

**Priest-in-Charge: Rev Barbara Bond**

## Vestry Goals 2026

1. Increase our parish visibility
  - a. Expand print advertising
  - b. Expand social media
  - c. Create social opportunities
2. Enhance evangelical programs
  - a. Expand music
  - b. Create children's program
  - c. Add meditation to Taize
  - d. Adults with Disabilities

**Expand Music** includes hiring soloists from local colleges to perform on select Sundays.

**Create Children's Program** began with creating a children's area in the rear of the nave.

**Meditation** instruction will be offered as an enhancement of Taize services.

**Adults with Disabilities** events will continue to be offered.

## **Server Schedule**

### **Altar Guild**

June 20-June 26 Terri

June 27-July 3 Marianne

### **Readers**

June 21 Charlyn

June 28 Scott

### **Counters**

June 21 Kathy & Julie

June 28 Susan & Julie

### **Vestry in Charge**

June 21 Larry

June 28 Darlene

### **Healers**

June 21 Charlyn

June 28 Toni

### **Acolyte**

June 21 Julie

June 28 Andrea

## **FISH Items for 2026**

Please bring items to church  
for the FISH food pantry.

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

## **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 720-8432008. 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 330606-9904. 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

## **Deacon's Dismissal**

**By Rev Josh Butler**

**My sister, Lorinda, was seven years old. I was eight. We were in a park, crossing a grassy field, my sister between mom and dad, holding their hands. I was off on my own, looking for treasure but lost in thought. Lorinda found the treasure, a scattering of coins in the grass. Lorinda and my parents searched about for buffalo nickels, Mercury dimes, silver quarters and half-dollars. I stood back, disappointed. They counted. They divided the coins. My sister, her hands too small for the coins she carried, walked to where I stood and gave me half the treasure.**

**A reprised Dismissal ...  
Lorinda Butler ... 1950 - 2000**