

Good News From New Life

September 3, 2026



Calendar of Coming Events

Sept 6, 15 Pentecost
Sept 8 FISH Banquet
Sept 9 Wednesday Book Group
10:30 am, Parlor
Sept 13 16 Pentecost, soloist
Taize 7 pm
Sept 20 Parish Picnic
Sept 21 Vestry 6 pm
Sept 27 St Michael, Musicians
Oct 4 St Francis, Troy Dunn
Animal Blessing
Oct 11, 20 Pentecost, coffee hour
Taize 7 pm
Oct 18, St. Luke, Healing
Oct 19 Vestry 6 pm
Oct 25, 22 Pentecost, Musicians
Nov 1, All Saints
Nov 8, 24 Pentecost, Veterans
Taize 7 pm
Nov 15, Bishop Anne's visitation
Musicians, Coffee hour
Nov 20-21 Diocesan Convention
Nov 22 Christ the King
Nov 26 Thanksgiving Day
Nov 29 Advent I, soloist
Dec 6 Advent II St Nicholas
Dec 13 Advent III St Lucia, Silver Tea
Dec 20 Advent IV

Parish Picnic: September 20

Our annual picnic is on Sunday, September 20, at Boettler Park. Sign-up for food offerings is in the parlor.

FISH Banquet Sept 8

The annual FISH Banquet will be held on Tuesday, September 8, at Hartville Kitchen. Tickets are \$30 per person. New Life has arranged for two tables of 8 seats

Doors open at 5 pm. The meal is served at 6 pm, and the program begins at 7 pm, including the Cleveland Dueling Pianos.

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. Anyone wishing to be received or confirmed should inform Rev. Barbara.

Our Singers this fall

Ella Scofinski and Colten Grove will sing for us about twice a month, and Lacey Bibbee will also provide solos.:

Sept 13 Lacey Bibbee

Sept 27: St. Michael and All Angels

Franck "Panis Angelicus" duet
Handel: "Angels, ever bright and fair"
solo by Ella

Oct 25 Colten and Ella

Nov. 1 Lacey Bibbee

Nov. 15 Colten and Ella

Nov. 29 Lacey Bibbee

Episcopal Minute: Oakerhater

David Pendleton Oakerhater was an early Native American deacon in the Episcopal church. A Cheyenne warrior, he was captured and moved to a POW camp in Florida, where he received instruction in Christianity. David excelled in his studies, received baptism (taking the middle name of his benefactress Mrs. Pendleton of Cincinnati) and was ordained deacon in 1881. Thereafter he returned to Oklahoma as a missionary to his own people.

David said to his people, "You all know me. You remember when I led you out to war I went first, and what I told you was true. Now I have been away to the East and I have learned about another captain, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he is my leader. He goes first, and all he tells me is true. I come back to my people to tell you to go with me now in this new road, a war that makes all for peace."

My seminary, Seabury Western in Evanston IL was the designated seminary for Native American seminarians, and of course we celebrated David Oakerhater. His feast day on September 1 was well before our classes began, so we usually transferred his feast day to late September.

Updating the Directory

Please send Maryanne in the office any updates in your personal information (name, address, e-mail address, phone). A new directory will be issued soon.

Bookshelf: Kristin Hannah

Last week I recommended a book about Alaska The Great Alone, by Kristin Hannah. I was immediately informed of another of her historical novels, The Nightengale, which follows brave women working in the French Resistance during World War II. This book was also superb. Ms Hannah is a prolific writer and you can trust any book she writes. She has at least 23 novels in publication. I am about to start on Winter Garden, about Russia in World War II.

Newsletter Deadline Tuesdays

Please submit articles for the newsletter to Rev Barbara by the Tuesday before publication. 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.

Coffee Hour Teams

Team 1: Darlene, Bo, Charlyn

(**Sept 20:** oversee Picnic)

Team 2: Marianne, Kathy, Julie, Rita,

(**Oct 11** – casual coffee hour)

Team 3: Gladys, Laura, Judy R, Terri

(**Nov 15 Bishop Anne's Visitation**)

December 13: Advent Silver Tea

Fall Outreach by Terri Mackey

Our outreach for this coming season will be One of a Kind Pet Rescue. We will collect items desperately needed to continue their work to keep pets healthy and available for adoption. We can also make pet mats for their comfort. I will bring all materials and instructions.

You may already have some of these items at home, or you can purchase them. As usual, I can make the purchase for you, or you can make a financial donation to One of a Kind Pet Rescue. We will collect these items until the pet blessing on October 4. I will deliver all items to the rescue center.:

Items for Pet Donations

Here is a list of needed items that can be brought to the church, which I will deliver:

Dry dog and cat food (Purina, Hill's, Royal Canin)

Paper towels

Towels and fleece blanket (new and used)

Gas cards

Laundry detergent

Trash bags

Bleach

Buckets

Flat bed sheets

Sleeping bags

Human baby bottles

Pet leashes (non-retractable)

Dog and cat carriers

Zip lock bags (all sizes)

Heating pads (no shut off)

Isopropyl alcohol

Hydrogen peroxide

Q-tips and cotton balls

Please bring donations to the church by October 4 so we can deliver them to One of a Kind Pet Rescue and help support local pets in need. Thank you for your generosity!

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.

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

Server Schedule

Altar Guild

Sept 5 - 11 Rita

Sept 12- 18 Terri

Sept 19- 25 Marianne

Sept 26- Oct 2 Rita

Readers

Sept 6 Pete

Sept 13 Bo

Sept 20 Scott

Sept 27 Charlyn

Counters

Sept 6 Julie & Andrea

Sep 13 Darlene & Kathy

Sept 20 Picnic

Sept 27 Susan & Julie

Vestry in Charge

Sept 6 Pete

Sept 13 Darlene

Sept 20 Picnic

Sept 27 Larry

Healers

Sept 6 Julie

Sept 13 Bo

Sept 20 Charlyn

Sept 27 Toni

Acolyte

Sept 6

Sept 13 Diana

Sept 20

Sept 27

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

I don't recall quite where I came
across these words ... they are the
good fortune of aimless scrolling. I
have a shirt pocket archive for such
writings. Therein, these words of The
Rt. Rev. Morris K. Thompson, Jr.,
Bishop of Louisiana: "Let us resolve
to respect the dignity of every human
beginning today, and when the sun
comes up tomorrow let us once
again resolve to respect the dignity
of every human being and again the
next day until God tells us we are
free from our sins. For this is the
work God has called us to practice."
Amen!

Sept 2, 2026

**Wednesday Morning Book Club
Dragonfly Tea Room, Canal Fulton**



**NEWCOMERS
ALWAYS
WELCOME!**