

Good News From New Life

October 8, 2026

Calendar of Coming Events

Oct 11, 20 Pentecost, coffee hour

Taize 7 pm

Oct 14 Wednesday Book Group

10:30 am, Parlor

Oct 18, St. Luke, Healing Service

Oct 19 Vestry 6 pm

Oct 25, 22 Pentecost, Musicians

Nov 1, All Saints Sunday

Nov. 3 Election Day

Nov 8, 24 Pentecost, Pete Iole

Veterans Observance

Taize 7 pm

Nov. 10 Tuesday Evening Group

Nov 15, Bishop Anne's visitation

Confirmation, 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

Dec 24 Christmas Eve 7 pm

Dec 25 Christmas Day 10 am

Stewardship Materials Mailed

Stewardship materials have been mailed to our parish mailing list, inviting each parishioner to prayerfully consider pledging to New Life for next year.



Coffee Hour This Sunday

Our regular coffee hour schedule of first Sundays is altered this month because of the St Francis animal blessing on Oct. 4. Team Two will be in charge for a casual coffee hour gathering on Sunday, Oct. 11.

Taize This Sunday

The beautiful meditative worship service according to the Taize tradition will be held this Sunday, Oct. 11, at 7 pm, led by Bo Iole and accompanied by Adam Keelr, classical guitar.

Beloved Departed

Please add names of any Beloved Departed to our list in the parlor. The names will be read on All Saints Sunday as part of the service. Please list only those who have died since last All Saints, November 1, 2025.

Diocesan Convention Delegates

Diocesan Convention will be held at Sawmill Creek in Huron Nov. 20-21. Our delegates will be **Larry Mackey, Pete Iole and Troy Dunn**. Alternates will be **Terri Mackey, Bo Iole, and Scott Bridges**. **Rev Barbara will also attend.**

Episcopal Minute: Tyndale

My o my, how times change with different English monarchs and dynasties. Henry VIII, the megalomaniac Tudor king ordered the hunting down and execution of William Tyndale in 1536, for the crime of translating the Bible into English. In 1611, the Authorized Translation of the Bible was issued under King James, the first Stuart king, a translation which contained about 80 percent of what William Tyndale had translated.

In *Lesser Feasts and Fasts* p 454: "Tyndale was determined to translate the Scriptures into English... he left for Germany in 1524. From this point on, his life reads like a cloak-and-dagger story, as King Henry VIII, Cardinal Woolsey, and others, sought to destroy his work of translation and put him to death." This was achieved on October 6, 1536, in Brussels, when he was strangled at the stake and his body was burned.

Despite this tragedy, Tyndale triumphed in the end by having his translation used in the King James Bible.

Tyndale "was a lonely and desperate man, constantly hunted and hounded. In his personal life he was amiable and self-denying. His last words were prophetic: "Lord, open the King of England's eyes.."

Updated Directories Are Available in the Office

Valerie's Concert was great!

Our organist Valerie Thorson presented a wonderful concert Sunday, Oct. 4, which included a collaborative program with flutist George Pope and baritone David Aberth. Mr. Pope will be performing for us on Nov. 15 for the visitation of Bishop Anne. The concert, attended by Rev Barbara and Norm, was at First Congregational Church of Akron, where Valerie was organist for 14 years.

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.:

Oct 25 Colten and Ella

Nov. 1 Lacey Bibbee

Nov. 15 Colten and Ella

Nov. 29 Lacey Bibbee

Coffee Hour Teams

Team 1: Darlene, Bo, Charlyn

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

Wednesday Book Group

The Wednesday Group meets weekly at 10:30 am in the parlor. Sessions begin with a short worship service honoring a saint, led by Rev. Barbara.

The group has chosen a new book for reading and discussion: The Correspondent by Virginia Evans. The group always goes out for lunch together following the meeting. Newcomers are always welcome.

Server Schedule

Altar Guild

Oct 10 -16 Marianne

Oct 17 - 23. Rita

Oct 24 - 30 Terri

Oct 31 - Nov 6 Marianne

Readers

Oct 11 Pete

Oct 18 Scott

Oct 25 Charlyn

Counters

Oct 11 Julie and Andreea

Oct 18 Darlene and Kathy

Oct 25 Julie and Susan

Vestry in Charge

Oct 11 Pete

Oct 18 Scott

Oct 25 Larry

Healers

Oct 11 Bo

Oct 18 All healers

Oct 25 Toni

Acolyte

Oct 11 Diana

Oct 18

Oct 25

Newsletter Deadline Tuesdays

Please submit articles for the newsletter to Rev Barbara by the Tuesday before publication. RevBLBond@msn.com

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.

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

Mindful of the ethos of today's world, and chancing upon Thomas Moore's Introduction to Thomas Merton's 1965 book, Conjectures of a Guilty Bystander, these words: "In all his writing Merton was onto this mystery that can be appreciated only through religious vision or through an extraordinarily subtle psychology: genuine strength arises only in a condition of vulnerability. The flagrant display and self-serving use of power are an admission of deep incapacity." 10-7-26

Celebrating St Francis of Assisi with the annual Blessing of the Animals



