

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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MAY 2023 NEWSLETTER



Pastor's Ponderings

On November 4, 1962 the Reverend Theodore Buntz presided at the Sunday Service at St. Marks Lutheran Church in East Toledo. It was a cold day by all reports. A large baby (only 3 months old) was baptized, and my life was changed forever. My parents and sponsors were there. My grandparents were there. Most importantly Jesus was there as another broken human was claimed by God and washed in the waters of the Holy Font. I do not remember that day. I do not remember Pastor Buntz, who served many congregations in our synod before his retirement.

Through the years many things happened in my life through the church. Years of Sunday school as a boy at Messiah Lutheran in Point Place. First communion and confirmation at First Lutheran Church in Lafayette, Louisiana. Pastor Machinsky was the pastor at Messiah, and Pastor Lineberger was the pastor who confirmed me. These pastors had a huge impact on my life. I never dreamed that one day I would follow in their footsteps and become a pastor myself.

Growing into an adult, life, like it does for so many of us, got in the way and I stopped attending church. My life was *VERY* full. Through all those years of sin and non-atonement, one person always reminded me about that cold November day at St. Marks. My godmother, Aunt Patty, every year without fail would send me a card on November 4. In the card she would always write, "Remember God loves you and so do I." Those cards sustained me through the years. Those cards sustained me through some very dark days. Those cards probably saved my life, or more importantly saved me from the life I was leading.

Baptism is God's "yes" to us. A washing and a claiming by God of the person. This month four of our members will say "yes" back to God as they affirm their baptism. Confirmation is our chance to acknowledge the transformed life we all live together to the Glory of God and His Kingdom. When baptized we are changed by Christ into a new creation. We are ordered for service in the world. I will say that Cheryl, Ella, Kaelin, and Jackson are all ordered for service in our community and the world. We are blessed by their presence. All of them have worked very hard. They are all ready to offer to God just a little in return for what God has given them. Please join me in congratulating them.

In closing I want to repeat once again what I always say. I am proud to be your pastor. I know there are times when in the weakness of the moment, or the distraction of the day, I might not always show you how I feel. The truth is that I am still in many ways just like that little baby from 1962, in desperate need of God's Grace. I am proud to be your pastor. I am humbled by the trust you put in me to lead **BOTH** communities. God willing, I will continue to serve with you for many years to come.

Peace,

Pastor Bob



HUNGER PROGRAM

Your donations to the Hunger Program will be greatly appreciated especially during this time. We are helping St. John's Lutheran in Stony Ridge and St. Paul Episcopal Church in Oregon with this endeavor. St. Paul needs all items for their food pantry. Also, St. Paul is appealing for cash and help. If you would like to drop off donations at the church, please call the office to arrange a time. Thank you!

CALVARY IS ON SOCIAL MEDIA

IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW WOULD LIKE TO CONNECT ON SOCIAL MEDIA, CALVARY HAS A FACEBOOK PAGE CALVARYLUTHERANNORTHWOOD AND ON TWITTER AT CALVARYLC. OUR WEBPAGE IS CALVARYNORTHWOOD.COM. FROM THE WEBPAGE YOU CAN SIGN-UP TO RECEIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS, NEWSLETTERS AND AUDIO RECORDINGS OF OUR SUNDAY SERVICES VIA EMAIL.

Morning Coffee

Join Pastor Bob daily
Monday thru Friday at 10:30
a.m. on Facebook.





Sunday, May 14th

We will have a small reception, with cake and punch, after service on May 14th to say goodbye to Kurt and Larraine Putnam. They are moving and we want to thank them and wish them well. Hope you can all join us!!



Sunday, May 21st

On Sunday May 21st, Kaelen Ross will affirm his baptism at the 11:00 am service. This year has been a very busy one for Kaelen as he has encountered the Living Christ in the work he has accomplished. The deepening of his relationship with Jesus has been transformative for Kaelen. We can see it in how engaged he has become in learning about God, and the place that God has cut out in this world for Kaelen. Please plan on attending this special day for Kaelen and celebrate him as he affirms his relationship with Jesus Christ.



Altar Flowers

Flower Chart

The 2023 Flower Chart is on the wall in the narthex across from the office. The cost of the flowers is now \$30.00. Flowers are put on the altar for the Glory of God



SERVICE HELPERS NEEDED!!

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board across from the office for anyone interested in Assisting the Pastor, Reading lessons or Greeting friends & guests on Sunday mornings.

Please contact Clione Schneider if you have any questions.



Prayer Chain

*Are you or a loved one in need of prayer? Calvary's Prayer Chain will be most happy to pray for you/them. The person does not need to be a member of Calvary. We include **everyone** in need of prayer! To start a prayer for yourself or someone else, call Charlene at 419-836-1999. When the person no longer needs our prayers, we would appreciate knowing that as well. If you would like to be a **prayer warrior**, please call me at 419-836-1999. Many thanks & blessings. Charlene Hoot*

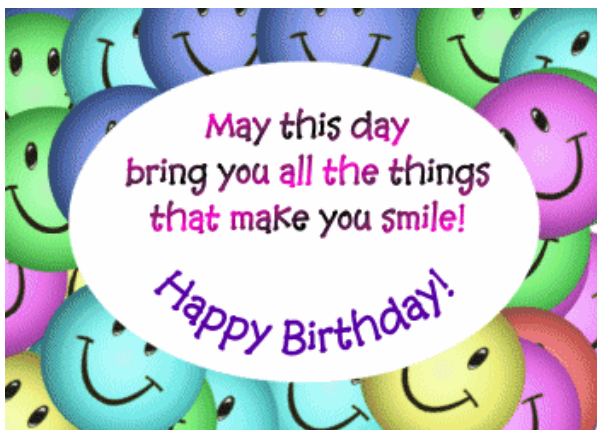


In our Prayers

Jill Cousino, Bob Joehlin, Marlene Ehram, Paulette Colombo, Eleanore Sheronick, Don Koenig, Beverly McIntosh, Emily Hyder-Jasinski, Ava Burkey, Jon Schwandner, Dan Pfouts, Craig Lake, Katie Glenn, Dee Mutchler, William Putnam, Logan Murphy, Wendy Kimble, Linda Moery, Lisa Baker, Terry Murray, Dan Skadeland, Betty Messling, Chris Poling, Duane Ralston, Shirley Loy, Paul Goodman, Angie Mazey Noesen, Kurt Putnam and Carol Jeffries.

Loaves and Fishes Our "Loaves and Fishes" ministry has a facilitator: Parish Nurse, Jackie Langlois. When anyone in the congregation is temporarily home bound because of an illness or surgery we try to provide meals for about a week. If you are willing to prepare a meal or would be willing to make calls please call Jackie at 419-779-6283. You do NOT have to prepare a gourmet, they can either be home cooked, deli or store bought. As always your help would be greatly appreciated.





May Birthday's

Gerry Dominique	5/2
John Jenkins	5/2
Vicki Puterbaugh	5/14
Kelsey Wulf	5/18
Terry Murray	5/26
Lori Hicks	5/29
Paula Hudak	5/30
Brandon Hudak	5/31

May Anniversaries

Robert & Mary Jane Joehlin	65 yrs	5/3
Don & Sherry Koenig	49 yrs	5/4
Mike & Paula Hudak	19 yrs	5/16
Ryan & Patti Hotmer	34 yrs	5/20

Happy Anniversary!



REMEMBER OUR HOME BOUND

- Eleanor Sheronick, 3445 Fleitz Road, Oregon, OH 43616
- Lloyd (Jim Schneider, Ohio Veterans Home, 3416 Columbus Avenue, Sandusky, OH 44870
- Marlene Fouty-Ehrsam, 2466 Luther Hills Circle #66, Oregon, OH 43616
- Mary McLaughlin, 30630 Drouillard Road, Lot 168, Walbridge, OH 43465
- Janie Kollarik, 30630 Drouillard Road, Lot 9, Walbridge, OH 43465
- Mike Toneff, Browning Center, 8883 Browning Dr., Waterville, OH 43566

FINANCIALS

ONLINE GIVING

Calvary has online and mobile options for giving. You can set up an account through the church office to give weekly, monthly or other options. You can also set up an online account by going to our website and clicking on the online giving button.

You also have the option of giving and signing up with your phone or mobile device by downloading the Vanco mobile app.

If you would like assistance in doing any of this, please contact the church office.

Thank You!

Monthly Financial Activity

Balance end March:	\$4,865.45
Total income: w/shared cost	\$12,116.33
Total expenses:	\$14,232.53

Council notes: March meeting

***Old Business:** Rumpke has provided trash cans. Fyr Fyter serviced all fire extinguishers. Council was informed that Dimech, who installed the new gas line after being shutoff due to a leak, will not be charging church. A thank you will be sent.

***New Business:** Motion made and passed that monies in Easter offering envelopes will be designated to East Palestine water emergency. Monetary donations collected for Turkey and Syria earthquake relief will be sent to the Lutheran Disaster Response Fund in Chicago. Diekman Snow Plowing will no longer provide snow removal services. Tom Susor, Jr. will plow when necessary.

Confirmation

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Anointing
 Bishop
 Chrism
 Christian Soldier
 Confirmation
 Counsel
 Fear of the Lord
 Fortitude
 Grace
 Holy Spirit

Initiation
 Knowledge
 Pentecost
 Piety
 Sacrament
 Saint Name
 Sponsor
 Understanding
 Wisdom

May 2023



*A Mother
is a blessing
from God*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Coffee with Pastor 10:30	2 Office open 10:00-1:00 Quilters 10:00 Coffee with Tom & Pastor 10:30	3 Coffee with Pastor 10:30	4 Office open 10:00-1:00 Designing Women 9:30 Coffee with Pastor 10:30	5 Coffee with Pastor 10:30	6 Confirmation Class Bingo Party at Luther Home of Mercy
7 Fellowship 10:30 Service/Sunday School 11:00	8 Coffee with Pastor 10:30	9 Office open 10:00-1:00 Quilters 10:00 Coffee with Tom & Pastor 10:30	10 Coffee with Pastor 10:30	11 Office Open 10:00-1:00 Designing Women 9:30 Coffee with Pastor 10:30	12 Coffee with Pastor 10:30	13 Scrapbooking & Card Club 11:00-4:00
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