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JULY 2024 NEWSLETTER



Pastor's Ponderings

Growing up in Ohio I remember summers being so much fun! We had paid for the nice weather with winters full of snow and ice. Summer for me was baseball and bikes, ice cream and candy, grape Kool-Aid and bologna sandwiches with chips taking the place of lettuce to give that extra crunch. It was trips to the Zoo and Cedar Point, boat rides and fishing. Summer was fun! Life was simpler. Ohio (specifically Toledo) was the center of the universe to me.

Life of course was never simple, it just seemed that way to me because as a child I was consumed with me and the things that I wanted. Looking back at the sixties today I realize that things were not simple. The world was in upheaval. The world was changing. There was the war. There were protests. There was great unrest as people sought justice and equality for all people. Life was challenging.

During the time of Jesus life was not simple. Complex laws, and bad interpretation of those laws, made life tough for the average person. There was struggle and strife. Slavery was a real thing and justice was unknown for most people with the exception of the wealthy and privileged leaders of the Roman Empire. Ceasar was god, according to the Romans, who controlled everything. People went out of their way to please Ceasar and his minions, to keep the army off of their backs.

Jesus changed all of that. People were taught that the true God of the universe loved them. God did not and does not want people oppressed or subjugated by a ruling class. The Good News of Jesus is that all people are free. We are free to be as God created us to be workers in His Kingdom, for His Glory.

I have found in my almost 62 years two constants that are unshakable and true. The first is the Good News of Jesus Christ, crucified and risen for the world. This truth supersedes all other thoughts. Jesus dying on the Cross for the sake of all people is the foundation of life for the whole cosmos. The second truth is the world and all of its empty promises stands in utter opposition to the truth that is the Gospel of Jesus.

The world speaks to us with promises of simpler times, of baseball and bikes, because like that child of the sixties that is what we want to hear. We want to know what is in it for us, with whip cream extra nuts and a cherry on top. This is only natural; it is only human. Jesus, however, call us to a higher place. Jesus stands against the world, and it empty temporary promises, and brings us out of the darkness and into His marvelous Light.

The time has come for all people to stop, breathe, and stand in the light of Jesus's Empty Tomb. Jesus is there for us, waiting, watching, yes even dragging us through time towards His Truth, His Life. Listen to each other, and remember you are Loved! I am so proud to be your pastor.

Pray, Study, Worship

Pastor Bob



Potluck/Picnic

Our annual joint service with Christ Lutheran will be held at Calvary on Sunday, July 14th immediately following our 10:00 a.m. service. We will be blessing the children and chaperones attending the ELCA Youth Gathering. Please join us in this celebration!!



Special noisy offering!! At the joint service on July 14th, the children attending the youth gathering will be collecting a special offering to help offset the cost of the trip. A huge THANK YOU for your generosity!

JOIN US

- Fellowship, coffee and donuts every Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m.
- Monday Manna with Pastor & SAM's Clione & Jeannine on Facebook at 10:30 a.m.
- Tuesdays with Pastor & Tom on Facebook at 10:30 a.m.
- Wednesday and Thursday Morning Coffee with Pastor on Facebook at 10:30 a.m.
- Bible Study on Zoom Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.
- Designing Women Thursday's at 9:00 a.m.

**SCRIPTURE READINGS
FOR MONTH OF JULY**



<u>DATE</u>	<u>FIRST READING</u>	<u>PSALM</u>	<u>SECOND READING</u>	<u>GOSPEL</u>
July 7 th	Ezekiel 2:1-5	Ps 123	2 Cor 12:2-10	Mark 6:1-13
July 14 th	Amos 7:7-15	Ps 85:8-13	Ephesians 1:3-14	Mark 6:14-29
July 21 st	Jeremiah 23:1-6	Ps 23	Ephesians 2:11-22	Mark 6:30-34 53-56
July 28 th	2 Kings 4:42-44	Ps 145:10-18	Ephesians 3:14-21	John 6:1-21



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 CALVARYLUTHERANNORHWOOD 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.



Altar Care-

If you would like to volunteer to help with Altar Care please see Paula. Basic weekly duties are changing paraments as needed, set-up communion and clean up after service. Thank you.

YOU DID IT!
Congratulations



Congratulations to Clione Schneider for completing the 2 year Diakonia Program. We are all so proud to call you our SAM!!!



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*

Summer Food Service Program 2024



SUN Meals are available to any child age 1-18 years, no application or other information needed!

Mobile Sites Distribution – Wednesdays June 5 through August 14, 2024
Each Wednesday SEVEN days of breakfast and SEVEN days of lunch and one gallon of milk per child.

Child **MUST** be present to pick up meal packs and may only pick up at one distribution site per week, at the following locations,
LOOK FOR THE WHITE BOOST BUS!! WEDNESDAYS Only

Walbridge Dental 3601 Ayers Rd. Millbury-10:45AM-11:30 AM

**Eastpointe Lakepointe Dr. Northwood,
Townhouse Playground/Open Area - 12:00PM-12:45PM**

Millbury's Fireman Rec Hall 28410 Oak St, Millbury-12:00PM-1:00PM

Sites reviewed ongoing for participation to keep distribution going, please bring kids out for meals. Please support the Summer Food Service Program- Multiple meal distribution. Choose one site to support.

Program Sponsor -Lake Local Schools- Millbury, Ohio

Questions? FlyerCN@lakeschools.org or 419 661-6652

To find meals in other areas <https://www.fns.usda.gov/summer/sitefinder>



This institution is an equal opportunity provider



SERVICE HELPERS NEEDED!!

We are looking for volunteers to help with Sunday service. If you are interested in Assisting the Pastor, Reading lessons or Greeting friends & guests on Sunday mornings please contact Clione Schneider.



REMEMBER OUR HOME BOUND

- Eleanor Sheronick, 3099 Stearns Rd., Room 401, Bedford, MI 48144
- 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
- Jill Cousino, 1706 Dier Rd., PO Box 75, Curtice, OH 43412



In our Prayers

Ann Ramlow, Jill Cousino, Bob Joehlin, Marlene Ehrsam, Paulette Colombo, Eleanore Sheronick, Beverly McIntosh, Emily Hyder-Jasinski, Ava Burkey, Jon Schwandner, Dan Pfouts, Craig Lake, Katie Glenn, William Putnam, Logan Murphy, Wendy Kimble, Lisa Baker, Terry Murray, Betty Messling, Duane Ralston, Shirley Loy, Paul Goodman, Angie Mazey Noesen and Tammy Miller.



July Birthday's

Blaine Bryant	7/1
Chris Skadeland	7/17
Tony Bruns	7/22
Jackie Langlois	7/24
Jim Hicks	7/27
Gwen Neundorfer	7/30



Pastor & Sandy Nbble	July 16 th 30 yrs
Tony & Lola Sleek	July 30 th 64 yrs

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE THAT HELPED IN ANY WAY WITH THE 2024 YOUTH GATHERING SOUTHERN BBQ FUNDRAISER. IT IS GREATLY APPRECIATED!!



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 as of 4/30/24	\$371.71
May revenue (includes transfer from Endowment Fund)	\$16,969.16
May expenses	\$16,841.02

Council notes: May 2024 meeting

***Old Business:** Working on finding person to head our live stream recordings. Southern BBQ tickets are printed and are available at the office. Repairs to part of the roof have been completed.

***New Business:** New monitor for Sanctuary has been ordered. Paula to organize outside landscape clean-up.



God is Love



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- Word list:
- FAITH
 - FORGIVE
 - GRACE
 - GUIDE
 - HEAL
 - LOVE
 - MERCY
 - PATIENCE
 - SALVATION
 - TEACHER
 - TRUST
 - WISDOM

