

free meal. To volunteer please show up between 8-11 a.m. to help with carry outs, taking orders, serving, making batter and clean up!

FLOWER AND RADIO dates still available for 2017: Flowers: November 5, December 3, cost is \$33. Radio: September 24, October 8, 22, November 12, December 3, 17, 31, cost is \$75. Please sign the clipboard in the hallway, email, call the office or sign up online at: tinyurl.com/BLCflowers and/or tinyurl.com/BLCradio.

ARE YOU MISSING DISHES? We have dishes left over from funerals. Please pick yours up today, in the Mission Action Room (111). Many do not have names on them, so please look them over carefully.

SHARING HANDS COMMUNITY FREE MEAL at the Luckey Legion Hall, Monday, September 25, from 5:30-6:30 p.m. The menu is hamburger noodle casserole, salads, rolls, desserts and beverages. Sponsored by the churches of Luckey. Carryouts available. Everyone welcome!

NCC WOMEN OF THE ELCA will have their fall assembly on Saturday, September 30, at Peace Lutheran Church in Port Clinton. The theme is "You Welcomed Me, I was a Stranger" recipes for faith, family and service. Registrations due immediately, forms are available on the bulletin board, in the hallway, across from the Fellowship Hall.

GREAT REFORMATION FAIRE on Sunday, October 1. Worship begins at 12:30 p.m., with the faire from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m., at Reformation Lutheran Church, 4543 Douglas Road, Toledo.

HELP BUILD A LIBRARY! Eastwood international student, Leah Tesfamariam, who graduated in 2010, is opening a library in Kenya. The books have been gathered and now funds are needed to send them off. A total of \$7,000 is needed. Check out the Pemberville Library for a goal ladder of funds collected so far. You can donate at the library or online at: gofundme.com/leahs-kenya-library through November 30.

Calendar

9/24, Sun.	9 a.m.	Worship / Bible Signing in hallway
	10:20 a.m.	Faith Formation (Sunday School)
	10:20 a.m.	Catechism
9/26, Tue.	9 a.m.	Knotting, basement
	7 p.m.	BLCW Board meeting
9/27, Wed.	8:45 a.m.	Staff Check-in
	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir, Sanctuary
9/27-9/30	Wed—Sat	Pastor Matt at continuing education
9/28, Thur.	9 a.m.	Newsletter Assembly
9/30, Sat.	7 a.m.	Just Pancakes, meet in parking lot
	8-11 a.m.	Food Pantry open
	8-11 a.m.	Priceless Pancakes, Presby. Church, Pemb.
	10 a.m.	Liturgical Choir practice, Sanctuary
10/1, Sun.	9 a.m.	Worship / 6th Grade Promise & Commitment
	10:20 a.m.	Faith Formation (Sunday School)
	10:20 a.m.	Catechism
	11:30 a.m.	Teacher Sunday School meeting

September 24, 2017 ✝ Weekly Bread

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Office Hours: Monday—Friday, 9 a.m.—2 p.m.

1. PRAYING Daily

FOR HEALING AND HOPE: Karen O'Brien, Virginia Shammo, Karen Williams, Homer Johnson, Nancy Gerwin, Dorothy Krumnow, Arlene Layman, Glenda Kane

IN CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE: Alexander and Leslie (Guyer) Smith, at Bethlehem, on September 23, 2017.

FOR OUR MILITARY men and women.

FOR OUR BISHOPS: Elizabeth Eaton, Daniel Beaudoin

FOR LOCAL MISSIONS: Sack Lunch, Snack Pack, Community Food Pantry, Good Samaritan Fund, Habitat for Humanity, The Linen Closet, Grace's Place, Bethlehem's Preschool and Extended Care, WCCA Senior Center.

2. Reading the BIBLE Daily

BIBLE STUDIES:

- Women's Priscilla Circle Meetings, Second Monday, 7 p.m., Lounge
- Women's Bible Study with prayer: Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m., at First United Presbyterian (106 Perry St.)
- Men's Breakfast/Bible Study, first Saturdays, 7 a.m., Fellowship Hall

3. WORSHIPING Weekly

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP: TODAY

Presiding Minister

Preacher

Music

Reader

Elders

Deacons

Youth Deacon

Acolytes

Altar Flowers

Altar Guild

Communion Bread

Radio Broadcast

Coffee Hour

Pastor Matt

Vicar Janelle

Brian Bryant

Renee Farmer

Vic Schuerman, Willie Fisher

Travis Ford, Kelli Young, Matt Walters

Sam Barbee

Jessyca Smith, Xander Greulich

Evelyn Gerwin, Beverly Gerwin

Denise Corns and girls

Volunteer needed

Charlie Blausey

Volunteer needed

NEXT SUNDAY

Pastor Matt

Pastor Matt

Brian Bryant

Joyce Brinker

Volunteer needed

Matt Meyer

Volunteer needed

WORSHIP: Sundays 9 a.m. ✝ Faith Formation: 10:20 a.m.

RADIO BROADCAST: WFRO 99.1 FM, Sundays at 11:30 a.m.

ATTENDANCE: Worship: 208
Sunday School: Youth: 40 Adults: 13 Teachers: 9

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God in memory of Justin R. Caris and all those affected by PTSD from Justin, Linda, Amelia and Charlotte Gerwin.

RADIO BROADCAST is given to the glory of God.

4. Connecting regularly in SMALL GROUPS

From now through September 24, we will be hearing more about small groups and some testimonies about how these groups have been transformative.

A small group is a group of people who gather regularly to **connect, grow** in the Word and **go** as disciples of Christ.

Today, September 24, at 11:30 am, we will have a more in-depth informational session over lunch for those...interested in learning more about small groups, interested in leading a small group, interested in joining a small group, and those who are just curious. *Anyone who is interested in exploring what this might look like is invited to attend.*

5. GIVING Generously

Weekly Offerings: Sunday: \$5634 Sunday School: \$31

YTD: Community Food Pantry: 264 family visits

Food Vouchers to IGA given out: 264

GSF help for Utilities: 25 checks written for assistance

Sack Lunches & water to St. Paul's in Toledo: 216

Snack Pack (weekend food): packed 172 bags

6. SERVING Others

MISSION ACTION PROJECT FOR SEPTEMBER IS SOAP: A brand new bar of soap signals dignity and cleanliness. We will be collecting new bars of any brand soap in its original wrapping. Most preferred size is 4-5 ounces. Please place items in the tubs in the Mission Action (room 111) or at the Cedar Street entrance, marked Mission Action Projects.

COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY is housed at Bethlehem. It is available Monday through Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and the last Saturday of the month from 8-11 a.m., for Eastwood community residents in need of food. Please help us stock these items in September: canned tuna and chicken, chunky soups, baked beans and pork and beans. Other non-perishable items and monetary donations are gladly accepted. Please place items in the tubs in the Mission Action room (111). Thank you!

7. WITNESSING at Every Opportunity

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. Acts 1:8

Other News and Events

BIBLE BLESSINGS continue this Sunday, September 24. You may sign, highlight a favorite verse, or write a blessing in the student Bibles. They will be located outside the offices on the first floor. Bibles will be presented to the students next Sunday, October 1.

VICAR JANELLE would love to meet You! Please call her at the church, M-F, to set up a time to get together on a Sunday afternoon or evening.

PASTOR MATT will be at a continuing education event from Wednesday, September 27 through Saturday, September 30. Vicar Janelle will be available for pastoral emergencies. Her cell number is 320-583-0890.

BIRTHDAY CARDS to our 90 and over members are located on a table in the hallway, by the lounge. Please stop by and sign them.

KNOTTING: Come help tie blankets for Lutheran World Relief and local nursing homes on Tuesday, September 26, at 9 a.m., in the basement. If schools close we will not knot!

ACOLYTES are needed for the month of October. Please sign up online at tinyurl.com/BLCacolytes.

WORK DAY FOR HAITI will take place on Saturday, September 30, from 9 -11 am, in the Fellowship Hall. You will be pulling colorful magazine pages for the Haitian women to make jewelry from. If you have magazines please bring them. Adults, kids and teens welcome! Earn your community hours.

MEN'S BREAKFAST & BIBLE STUDY will take place on Saturday, October 7, at 7 a.m., in the Fellowship Hall. The study is on "Everything you Wanted to Know About Women" (of the Bible that is!).

CHANCEL CHOIR practices are on Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m., in the Sanctuary. Everyone is welcome to sing.

YOUTH CHOIR will not be meeting on Thursdays. Look for more info soon.

MISSION ACTION PROJECTS are getting boxed up to be shipped out in October. If you have any items for Personal Care Kits, Baby Care Kits, Fabric Care Kits or School Kits please bring them to the church as soon as you can and put them in the Mission Action room (111). Thank you.

JUST PANCAKES will take place on Saturday, September 30. Meet in the church parking lot at 7 a.m. to car pool to Toledo. Please sign up on the clipboard in the hallway or online at: tinyurl.com/BLCjustpancakes. Contact Travis Ford for more information at 419-262-6234.

PRICELESS PANCAKES will be serving pancakes on Saturday, September 30, from 8-11 a.m., at First United Presbyterian Church in Pemberville (106 Perry St.). Carry outs available. Share fellowship and a