



# BETHLEHEM STAR

NEWSLETTER OF BETHLEHEM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH  
PEMBERVILLE, OHIO



## Pastor's Message

*By Pastor Tim Philabaum - November 2023*

Greetings, in the name of our Lord Jesus! Wow! What a colorful fall this had been! God's paintbrush was quite active in the reds and yellows and golds and greens. Amazing.

But now, again, change is in the air. Trees are becoming bare, crops are getting harvested, and the scent of cold is lingering around.

November takes just past the chocolate laden festival, and leads yet into another time of bounty. The cornucopia of God's blessings overflow. As

we approached the festival of Thanksgiving, I invited you to spend time listing those things and people for which you are



thankful. I know there's a lot of hurt, a lot of destruction, and a lot of pain in our world. But in the midst is the cross, where God takes all the pain off the world onto God's very self, redeeming all creation with hope and life. Our gratitude begins with the overflowing of God's love. And then proceeds on from there. So, let this month orient yourself to an "attitude of gratitude," as you find the amazing blessings of grace all around!



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**Election will be held November 19th after worship. Also approval of the constitution and approval of the 2024 spending plan will take place at this date also. Here is the link to access a copy.**

<https://bit.ly/BLCconstitution2023>

## Holiday Worship Schedule

**Thanksgiving Worship- 10am**

**Christmas Eve- 9am**

**Christmas Eve-6pm**

**Christmas Eve-10pm**

**Community Worship @ Sonfire- 11am**

## *In Loving Memory*

### **IN MEMORY OF LARRY DOWNEY**

M/M Wayne Buchman  
M/M Ed Pearson  
M/M Fred Middaugh  
M/M Dave Huber  
Joanne Busdeker.

### **IN MEMORY OF LUTHER HENLINE**

Carole Draheim  
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Stephen Seeock  
M/M Ken Gerwin  
Marlene Hoodlebrink  
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Pam Frankfather  
M/M Jeff Graber  
Paulette Bresler  
M/M Arlyn Witker  
Ruth Peters  
M/M Jerry Ducat  
M/M Fred Bursick  
Donna Alexander  
WC Dartball Richard Traver  
M/M Henry Murray  
Frances Frazier  
Susan McLean  
Sheila Damschroder  
Joan Slebos



## 2023 Christmas order form for 6 1/2" potted Red Poinsettias

**Order deadline is Sunday, November 26th.**

Poinsettias are \$15 each. Proceeds from the sale of poinsettias will go towards  
Snack Pack for the community.

Checks should be made to **Bethlehem Lutheran Church.**

Please put "Poinsettia" in the memo line on your check.

Drop off at the office, or mail to: PO Box 344, Pemberville, OH 43450

Your name (s) as you wish it in the bulletin: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Plants: Red \_\_\_\_\_ Pink \_\_\_\_\_ Or White \_\_\_\_\_

Amt. Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

*Plants will be in the chancel for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. They may be picked up after worship Christmas  
Eve or after the 27th. Plants left after December 30th will be given away. Thank you!*

## Portage Valley Federation of Lutheran Men and Pastors

The Fall Meeting of the Portage Valley Federation of Lutheran Men and Pastors will be held on Tuesday Nov 14, 2023 at St Mark Lutheran Church 17000 Graytown Rd. in Graytown, OH. The Fellowship begins at 6:30pm and the Program begins at 7:15pm. The special speaker will be from the Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP) from Oak Harbor, OH. This organization makes beds for local children who do not have beds and sleep on the floor which causes health problems for the children. The SHP uses volunteers to prep the wood, construct and finish the beds. As usual, our offering for the evening will be in support of the Luther Home of Mercy capital improvements programs. All are invited to this meeting to hear about the good work that is going on in our local community which is not known by many. If you cannot attend this meeting and wish to make a contribution to support this ministry, send a check to Ralph Aufdenkamp 8369 Kramer Rd. Bowling Green, OH 43402, or place a check in the offering plate appropriately marked in the memo space.

## FAITH AND FAMILY SUNDAY

WHO: Family Members / All Members of Bethlehem

WHEN: Nov. 5 during Sunday School

In the basement

PreK – 5th 10:20 – 11:00

6th – 8th 10:20 – 11:20



\*Once again Parish Education is inviting all family members and members of Bethlehem to join our youth during Sunday School to see what our youth are learning. You won't have to teach, but participation is welcomed. We were thrilled with the turnout for October and hope to have even more special guests join us!

## Children's Christmas Program

**Fellowship Activity:** Soup and Sandwich Lunch  
Create a Graham Cracker Nativity Scene

**Following the Children's Christmas Program**

December 17, 2023

Fellowship Hall



## BY THE NUMBERS

From Jane Kohlenberg, Financial Secretary

September, 2023	Beg. Balance	Deposits	Investment	Expenses	Fund	End Balance
Operating	\$191,247.61	\$238,009.19		\$14,145.83	\$5,000.00	\$191,247.61
Recon Adjustment	\$2,583.19					\$2,583.19
Memorial	\$-7,758.35	\$1,375.00				\$-6,383.35
Benevolence	\$7,080.12	\$1,182.00				\$8,262.12
Outreach	\$23,570.74	\$40,764.05	\$5,000.00	\$32,385.00		\$36,949.79
Pass Through	\$190,590.95					\$190,590.95
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$407,314.26</b>	<b>\$281,330.24</b>	<b>\$5,000.00</b>	<b>\$25,145.40</b>	<b>\$5,000.00</b>	<b>\$407,314.26</b>



# Mission Honduras

## By Darla Boyk and the Mission Honduras team

Preparations for our late January brigade are in full swing! Matt Meyer, Karen Schultz, Tresa Witker, Aarin Egleston, Ted Lee (Fredonia University), Pastor Tim, Eric Corn, Anne Markowski, and I have committed to traveling to Honduras for our January brigade. We hope to have a few more join us as work schedules fall into place.

We are having two events this month to help purchase and distribute filters. We hope to see you at the events!



On Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, we need your help making (and eating!) buckeyes. Our goal is 1000 buckeyes! Buckeye making will be from 8 AM-11 AM and no previous buckeye making experience is required. You are welcome to help the whole time or just for a bit. Sign up is not required but will help us plan the event. You can sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0945A4A723A7F85-45649632-buckeye>, call the church office at 419-287-4182 or let me know. Buckeyes will be sold first come/first serve between 11 AM- 12 PM in the fellowship hall and will cost \$10.00 per dozen. All proceeds will be used to purchase and distribute filters during our January 2024 brigade.

On Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm in the fellowship hall we will be hosting a screening of “With This Light, a documentary about Sister Rosa, the founder of Sociedad Amigos de Los Ninos (SAN). The film explores Sister Rosa’s life and the impact her work had on two young women living in Honduras. Hearty appetizers at 6 pm, screening begins at 7 pm, and dessert to follow. A RSVP is not required but is appreciated. You can sign up online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0945A4A723A7F85-45649859-documentary>, call the church office at 419-287-4182 or let me know. Suggested donation of \$20 to help defray cost of the meal. All proceeds will be used to purchase and distribute filters. We hope to see you there!



Thanks to all who have made filter sweaters. The sweaters are a huge hit! The Fredonia team reported lots of filters wearing sweaters during their August medical brigade/filter checkup! If you are making new sweaters for me to take in January, please make the length about one inch shorter so the tip of the filter is exposed a bit so it can dry. There is concern if the tip is not allowed to dry between uses, it may harbor bacteria. The shorter sweater will still protect the filter if dropped. If you already have sweaters made, please do not modify them! We will make sure we use them on the Sawyer filters which are larger than the Filters of Hope.

We hope to see you at one of the events this month. Thank you for your ongoing support of Mission Honduras. Please keep us in your prayers as we prepare for our brigade. Please let me know if you have any questions!

Darla  
419-575-0078

## Transition Team

The purpose of this communication is to bring the congregation up to speed with the Transition Team (TT) activities since the Blessing Points Ministry Workshop which was held in April 2022. There was a lot of preparation done by the TT for the workshop, but it ended without much conclusion or evidence of healing of the church. From August to December, the TT work was put on hold as suggested by the Synod leadership. In December 2022, Synod leadership met with the Church Council and the TT. We were instructed to review the recommendations made by the Synod that came from the listening posts. Also in December, Pastor Tim's status went from interim minister to being assigned as Bethlehem's part-time minister for a three-year period, taking us out of the Call Process. Pastor Tim is coming up on the end of his first year, leaving us blessed with two more years of his call. From January 2023 to present, the TT has worked on meeting the recommendations from the listening posts. A letter was sent to Sherry Krieger, Director of Leadership Development for Congregational Care at the Synod Staff, outlining the work we have done on the recommendations.

- The first step was sending a letter to the Congregation, April 2023, addressing what issues lead to the abrupt resignation of Pastor Matt, followed up with a congregational meeting. The consensus at the meeting was it was "water under the bridge," and we needed to move on.
- Another recommendation was to practice open communication. We have made the Covenant of Conduct available and have reviewed it during Church Council meetings. There has been calm, open communication at Council meetings as well as other church meetings. Pastor Tim has created a safe environment for open communication.
- We were to identify priorities for Pastoral leadership. With the resignation of Pastor Meg, Pastor Tim presented a process for lay members to help with visitation and administer communion.
- The fourth recommendation is to create intentional fellowship and to initiate new ministries the Congregation can be proud of. Pastor Tim conducts a weekly Bible Study. We participated in Pemberville Fair activities, including Bethlehem hosting a free swim day at the Pemberville Pool. The goal for next year is to have at least 4 fellowship activities. In addition, we pointed out the ongoing ministries such as Honduras, Operation Christmas Child, the Snack Pack program, scouting, sponsoring scholarships for the Bethlehem Preschool, as well as the new project of sponsoring the Ukrainian Family.

We met with Sherry Krieger on October 10, 2023. She was pleased with our progress, but encouraged us to continue with planning intentional fellowship activities. In addition, the TT is charged with continuing with the transition process. The overall goal of the TT is to honor the past, respect the present, and imagine the future. We have completed the first three focus points, Heritage, Mission, and Connections. The next focus point we will work on is Leadership, which includes what we can do to assist pastoral leadership as well as lay leadership. The final focus point is the Future. How can we re-imagine what it looks like to live our mission? Once this work is done, we will proceed with the Call Process as we get closer to the time of Pastor Tim's scheduled departure.



# AUGUST COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS



**Agenda:** Discussion of asbestos in the ceiling of the preschool area. Options included repairing anything loose in the ceiling and encapsulating it - which will be safe unless disturbed; or total remediation. Messages have been left with 2 local contractors for a quote on costs associated with options. Motion made by Duane Peters to repair and encapsulate the upstairs ceilings.

**Discussion held** regarding who can sign for the sale of the Parsonage at 331 East Front Street Pemberville, Ohio 43450. Motion made by Duane Peters to allow Bethlehem Lutheran Church Council President, Lisa Kohlenberg to sign all paperwork and title work for the sale of the Parsonage at 331 East Front Street Pemberville, Ohio 43450. Second by Willie Fisher- Motion Carries

**Adjournment:** With no further business at 10:43am, Duane Peters moved to adjourn the meeting. Second, from Willie Fisher, the motion passed.

# SEPTEMBER COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS



**Visitor discussion:** Denise Corns provided a copy of the preschool inspection indicating that the preschool received a 3 star rating. She discussed a grant that was available to provide security for the preschool with possible addition of providing church security. Four options were discussed regarding security locations and if any architectural changes would need to be made. Discussed that security maintenance, on the installed system, would be the responsibility of the preschool. Plans would need to be brought back to the Council to approve . Motion to move forward with pursuit of the grant made by Travis Ford with second by Duane Peters Motion Carries

**Approval of Agenda:** Willie Fisher made a motion to approve the agenda with second by Renee Farmer -Motion Carries

**Approval of Minutes:** Corrections to previous minutes: Salary of Choir director was \$3,000 based on performance: music education background, also fulfilling roles of, bell choir director, church organist and church pianist. Addition of special council meeting minutes.

Approval of previous Council meeting minutes with amended corrections made by: Luann Snyder with, second by Duane Peters - Motion Carries

## Positive things happening inside the church

1. The number of children getting a Bible
2. Children's sermon and the number of children attending
3. The Church is the center of the community- by how much the church is utilized
4. How many volunteers are showing up to help with projects

## Reports of Offices:

- Pastor's report reviewed and Pastor Meg has been called to 2 other churches.
- Treasurer's report: Reviewed
- Trustee Report: Duties of Church Custodian meeting to be scheduled, discussed that Parsonage has been sold, discussion regarding ongoing issues with shingles on the roof of sanctuary and cost associated with repair/replacement

## Committee Reports:

- Transition team- Pool event recap: 57 people were hosted by the church with many others that had a pool pass in attendance. Event well attended and consider planning again for next year. Synod did not attend Council meeting. Synod has requested to meet with the Transition Team. Meeting requested for next Tuesday. Awaiting reply for meeting request from Synod. Transition team working to come up with themes throughout the year and asking for volunteers to head up teams.

# SEPTEMBER COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS



- Long Range Planning Committee- Committee met last week and discussed Spiritual life of the congregation and Pastor Tim's Devotions during the summer. Would like to continue with another project. Discussed distribution of the earnings from the Endowment fund: Approval of Council for expenditure of funds as listed: Motion made by Renee Farmer, Second by Duane Peters motion Carries
- Parish Ed Committee- Christmas Program will be held on December 17, 2023. This will be the last year for Sharon. Looking for someone to run the Christmas program beginning in January. Approval of Committee reports made by Willie Fisher with second by Russ Eby motion Carries

## Old Business:

- Ukraine/Parsonage update: Will be hosting 1 family of 4. The house is ready for them . and will start paying for rent on October 1, 2023.
- Parsonage: Parsonage sold. Motion to put money from the sale into a short term CD made by Travis Ford, Second by Luann Snyder- Motion Carries the second Parsonage rent was increased in October, 2023.
- Nominating Committee: Will be looking for volunteers for Deacons, Secretary and trustees. Need 10 members on Council. Election will be on November 19, 2023

## New Business:

- Boy Scout Event: Popcorn Sale will be on October 8, 2023. Scout Sunday will be the second Sunday in February, 2024. Approval of transfer of the Nabors' Family to St, Johns Lutheran Church made by Luann Snyder with second by Duane Peters - Motion Carries

Next Council Meeting will be Thursday, October 19, 2023

# OCTOBER COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS



**Visitor discussion:** Denise Corns provided an update with some of the security options regarding the preschool grant. Will continue to pursue preschool grant

**Approval of Agenda:** With addition to agenda of discussing new budget and Building use. Steve Rife made a motion to approve the agenda with second by Travis Ford -Motion Carries

**Approval of Minutes:** Approval of previous Council meeting minutes; with special meeting minutes being pulled out of the body of the monthly meeting minutes, made by: Luann Snyder with second by Pastor Tim Philabaum - Motion Carries

## Positive things happening inside the church

1. Positive turn out with getting people on the ballot for open council positions
2. Synod office said that there is good work going on at Bethlehem Lutheran Church
3. Very positive visitor comments about kids being involved with jump rope distribution

## Reports of Offices:

- Pastor's report reviewed- Motion to request some outreach money for trunk or treat with Pemberville Churches made by Luann Snyder with second by Willie Fisher
- Motion Carries motion to network with Pemberville churches for New Years Eve day service to worship with the community at Sonfire made by Renee Farmer with second by Travis Ford- Motion Carries
- Discussed distribution of Holy Communion to shuts ins and reviewed brochure to be provided with the Communion distribution
- Treasurer's report: Reviewed
- Trustee Report: Discussed the renewable contract for snow removal and costs associated with the snow/ice removal for the winter, discussed estimate for a boiler that needs to be replaced, still waiting for an estimate for

# OCTOBER COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS



sanctuary roof repair-Motion to approve officers reports made by Willie Fisher; second by Pastor Tim Philabaum- Motion carries

## **Committee Reports:**

- Transition team- Met with Sherry Krieger and she feels that we work on fellowship within the church. Also, the transition team moves forward with the last 2 phases of transition, which are leadership and the future. Transition team will be meeting again.
- Long Range Planning Committee- Goal is to increase the spiritual life of the congregation. Will meet with Pastor to discuss
- Parish Ed Committee- no new update

Approval of Committee reports made by Duane Peters with second by Willie Fisher - Motion Carries

- Scout update: Discussion regarding a new additional Council "Adventure Fee". Scouts looking to solicit businesses for support. Will seek legal guidance. Scout Sunday for February 18, 2024 Discussed religious award for scouts

## **Old Business:**

- Ukraine update: Ukrainian family at Eastwood school to visit, family very grateful.
- Nominating Committee: Discussed people that would be willing to fill open positions for Council needs. Will need 1 more Deacon, VP or an Elder.

## **New Business:**

- New Year's Eve has been discussed
- Discussed that Chimes used to play on Saturday nights. Will check into that further.
- Budget: Discussion held regarding proposed budget for 2024. Discussed increasing general income to meet expenses. Discussed raise for some staff members with motion to increase amounts. Motion made by Duane Peters with second by Steve Rife. Motion to approve budget made by Steve Rife with second by Willie Fisher- Motion Carries
- Girl Scouts requested to use Fellowship Hall the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month. Trustee will call to find out further details on the meetings.

With no further business to discuss, Motion to adjourn meeting made at 9:42 by Duane Peters with second by Steve Rife Motion Carries

Meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer.

Next Council Meeting will be Thursday, November 16, 2023





# FROM BISHOP DANIEL BEAUDOIN



*November 25, 2020 Give Thanks to God*

“I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus,” (1 Corinthians 1:4).



After an opening greeting, St. Paul begins most of his letters by giving thanks. Even when he is sharing a difficult word with a wayward church (Corinth), Paul still takes a moment to give thanks to God. In the First Letter to the Thessalonians, he actually encourages those who follow Jesus to “give thanks in all circumstances...” (1 Thessalonians 5:18a). Here Paul offers a word of challenge, but also a word of invitation.

Let’s be honest, this is going to be a challenging Thanksgiving. When I was a kid, we would gather for Thanksgiving at my Aunt Joan’s house, and everybody was there. Family, friends, and neighbors. We would watch the Detroit Lions get pummeled on the television in the garage, and then we cousins would play football in the backyard. Later, in the evening it was euchre and cribbage. There was always more than enough food. This year, things will be very different. For many of us this will not be the kind of Thanksgiving we are used to celebrating.

So, how might we move from challenge to invitation? How might we take St. Paul’s words to heart, and “give thanks in all circumstances...”. How might we invite others and yes, even ourselves to give thanks to God in times of discouragement and worry? As you prayerfully consider Thanksgiving 2020, for whom and for what do you give thanks to God?

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## 2023 Year End Ask: Imagining Renewal Microgrants

“I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert,” **Isaiah 43:19**

Since 2020, the Imagining Renewal Microgrants have provided seed money to faithful people who have big dreams of how to serve their community. In three years, the microgrants have awarded more than **\$140,000 to over 95 projects** that have made a difference in communities across northwestern Ohio.

We need your help to continue this important ministry. Will you consider joining us in giving toward the growing impact of this ministry?

Together we are working to raise \$100,000 to fund future microgrants. Your donation will impact communities across northwestern Ohio, inspiring leaders who have dreams for their communities and long to join what God is already up to in the world.

To learn more visit: [nwos-elca.church/microgrants/](https://nwos-elca.church/microgrants/)

To give text NWOS to 73256 or  
visit [nwos-elca.church/microgrants/](https://nwos-elca.church/microgrants/)



# BLCW'S

*Make it, Take it*

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 6:30PM**

**SIGN-UP SHEET IN THE LOUNGE  
THROUGH NOVEMBER 5TH**

HELD IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL  
AT BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN  
CHURCH



# THANK YOU

Dear Bethlehem,

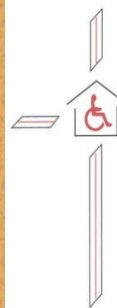
Thank you so much for the generous donation from the Endowment Fund for the Snack pack program. This money will be used to provide a nutritious weekend meal for many families in the Eastwood Community.



Thanks  
for  
Everything

Snack Pack Team

Cyndi Walters  
Deb Helm  
Becky Schutt  
Janice Smith



## Luther Home of Mercy

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A Ministry to persons with developmental disabilities - Since 1928

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September 25, 2023

Bethlehem Lutheran Church  
PO Box 344  
Pemberville, OH 43450

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your recent donation of coloring books, crayons, markers, construction paper, and stickers to Luther Home of Mercy.

At our day program located at the Advent Lutheran Center, Kurt is learning how to use a SMART Board. This brand new interactive device develops communication and employment skills through simulation exercises. Doing laundry, following recipes and understanding body language are just a few of the possibilities Kurt is working to explore.

Your support of Luther Home of Mercy enables individuals like Kurt to learn and grow. Thank you for believing in our mission and for your commitment to making a difference in the lives of others.

Sincerely,

Megan O'Brien  
Vice President



October 12, 2023

Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church  
220 Cedar Street  
PO Box 344  
Pemberville, Ohio 43450

Dear Ladies :

I'd like to take this time to thank you for your donations of \$2,500.00 you sent to the Friendly Center. We appreciate this so much and thank you for thinking of the Friendly Center. This will help us so much.

We did get our bathrooms redone in the Gym Building. Again, thank you.

I hope all is going well with you and your family. This is a stressful time for us all but with God's help we will get through this.

Stay healthy and safe.

Blessings to you,

Terry Robideau

Friendly Center Director



Bethlehem Lutheran Members,

Thank-you for your donation which will make a difference in childrens lives. We appreciate your support as Lifewise Academy grows.

Kay Brunell  
Volunteer



# Happening This Month: November

## November Mission Action Project:

### Thankoffering Boxes

Thankoffering boxes are available in the Narthex or the Mission Action room. The boxes are to be used as a collection for small offerings whenever one is thankful for something. The boxes are collected at the Thankoffering Worship Service on Nov. 12. The BLCW board designates certain programs from the Women of the ELCA that these donations will help fund.

### Food Pantry

The food pantry is collecting Thanksgiving items to pass out to families that use the pantry. Suggested items decorative napkins, paper plates, dish towels anything Thanksgiving. You may place the items on the table inside the food pantry. Thank you for your continue support!

### Food Pantry Needs Your Help

Please help the Food Pantry stock these needed items in

#### November:

- **Soup (any kind)**
- **Peanut Butter**
- **Apple Juice**
- **Paper Towels**
- **Kleenex**

The Food Pantry always accepts non-perishable food items such as canned fruits and vegetables, boxed potatoes cereal and soups. They also accept facial tissues, toilet paper, paper towels, household cleaners, laundry detergent, fabric softener and basic personal items (soap, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo and conditioner).

Food for the pantry can be left in the Mission Action Room (111) any time. The bins are located right inside the door on a table.

Monetary donations are always welcomed so that the pantry can restock items as needed.

The Food Pantry is available every Tuesday from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., as well as the second and last Saturday of the month from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (excluding holidays) for Eastwood community residents in need of food.



### Serving this month in Worship and Beyond

#### *Altar Flowers*

Jan Hoodlebrink  
Marlene Hoodlebrink

#### *Altar Guild*

Pat Cline  
Trina Karns

#### *Office Window*

Diane Burtchin

#### *Service Org (Funerals)*

Janice Smith  
Elaine Crawfoot

### Help Members Celebrate Their 80+ Birthday!

Celebrate this joyous occasion with the members below by sending a card or give a greeting!

- ♦ 11/2 Ruth Kruse
- ♦ 11/15 Dorothy Bruning
- ♦ 11/29 Faye Schuerman

If your 80+ birthday is not included here, please contact the office at 419-287-4182 so we can update our records.



### Praying...

#### **FOR HEALING AND HOPE**

Judy Hass, Donna Schuerman, Norma Hall, Henry Sundermeier, Dennis Guyer, Evelyn Hagemeyer, Jan Hoodlebrink, Justin Werner

#### **For the Grieving**

Laurie Magrum, Gene Haas and Camden Paul Edward Henline

#### **FOR OUR BISHOPS**

Elizabeth Eaton and Daniel Beaudoin

#### **FOR OUR MISSION PARTNERS**

Sociedad Amigos de los Ninos Honduras,  
Missions International (Haiti), Redeemer Church,  
Operation Christmas Child

#### **FOR LOCAL MISSIONS**

Snack Pack Program, Good Samaritan Fund, Community Food Pantry, Habitat for Humanity,  
The Linen Closet, Grace's Place,  
Bethlehem Lutheran Preschool & Extended Care,  
WCOAA Senior Care, Cub Scout Pack 344, Scouts BSA Troops 344 and 9344

#### **FOR ALL YOUTH**

#### **FOR OUR MILITARY MEN & WOMEN**



# KIDS ACTIVITIES

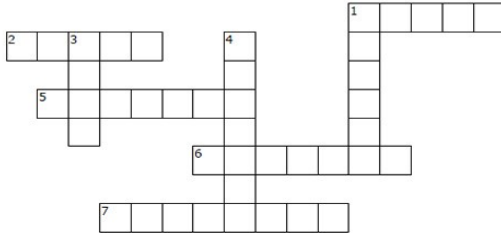
## Practice What You Preach

But do not do what they do, for they do not practice what they preach. Matthew 23:3b (NIV)  
Based on Matthew 23:1-12 (NIV)



## Give Me Oil In My Lamp

Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour. Matthew 25:13 (NIV)  
Based on Matthew 25:1-13 (NIV)



### ACROSS

1. To show high respect or esteem for someone
2. A large gathering of people
5. Someone who trains or instructs other people
6. A formal dinner honoring a particular person or occasion
7. Most important, powerful, or famous

### DOWN

1. To consider yourself as having no special importance; not proud
3. To do what you are told or expected to do
4. A person hired to work for someone else

T Z F E S G H O G Q N O G T A  
O B M P K S M I D N I G H T A  
G O M Q I N A N H E A V E N S  
C A Q L Q T I I E D I J K B L  
L P O B R I D E G R O O M A E  
M O J K E F D K L X M O H N E  
F E O G S W O I H A Z S R Q P  
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N V I H O M Z I Z H P W D O Y  
S N N T P X E W E D D I N G E  
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CROWD	BANQUET	GREATEST	HUMBLE
HONOR	TEACHER	SERVANT	OBEY

FOOLISH	MEET	DROWSY	VIRGINS	BANQUET
MIDNIGHT	WEDDING	TRIMMED	RANG	KINGDOM
BRIDEGROOM	LAMPS	WISE	WATCH	COME
DOOR	ASLEEP	HEAVEN	OIL	WOKE

# Giving Thanks



# NOVEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> 6:15 pm Bell Choir 7:30 pm Choir  6:00-7:00 pm Girl Scout Meeting	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> <b>All Saints Sunday</b> 9:00 am Worship In-person and on Facebook/YouTube 10:15am Sunday School Adult Bible Study 11:30 am Worship broadcast on 99.1 FM	<b>6</b> 7:00 pm Yoga  7:30 pm Dart Ball	<b>7</b> 11:00 am - 2:00 pm Food Pantry open	<b>8</b> 6:15 pm Bell Choir 7:30 pm Choir  6-8:30 pm Cub Scout Meeting	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 8:00 - 11:00 am Food Pantry open  8:00am-12:00pm <b>Buckeye Making</b>
<b>12</b> <b>Thankoffering Service</b> 9:00 am Worship In-person and on Facebook/YouTube 10:15 am Sunday School Adult Bible Study  11:30 am Worship broadcast on 99.1 FM  6:00pm <b>Documentary Movie</b>	<b>13</b> 7:00 pm Yoga  7:00 pm Priscilla Circle  7:30 pm Dart Ball	<b>14</b> 9-12pm Knotting  11:00 am - 2:00 pm Food Pantry open	<b>15</b> 6:15 pm Bell Choir 7:30 pm Choir  6:00-7:00 pm Girl Scout Meeting	<b>16</b> 7:00 pm Council Meeting  6:30pm Make It, Take It	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> <b>Election</b> 9:00 am Worship In-person and on Facebook/YouTube 10:15 am Sunday School Adult Bible Study  11:30 am Worship broadcast on 99.1 FM	<b>20</b> 7:00 pm Yoga  7:30 pm Dart Ball	<b>21</b> 11:00 am - 2:00 pm Food Pantry open	<b>22</b> 6:15 pm Bell Choir 7:30 pm Choir	<b>23</b> <b>Thanksgiving</b> <b>Office Closed</b>	<b>24</b> <b>Office Closed</b>	<b>25</b> 8:00 - 11:00 am Food Pantry open
<b>26</b> 9:00 am Worship In-person and on Facebook/YouTube  10:15 am Sunday School Adult Bible Study  11:30 am Worship broadcast on 99.1 FM	<b>27</b> 7:00 pm Yoga  7:30 pm Dart Ball	<b>28</b> 9-12pm Knotting  11:00 am - 2:00 pm Food Pantry open  7:00 p.m..BLCW Meeting	<b>29</b> 6:15 pm Bell Choir 7:30 pm Choir	<b>30</b>		

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A large stained glass window depicting the Last Supper serves as the background for the lower half of the page. It shows Jesus seated at a table with his twelve apostles, with various items like a chalice and bread visible on the table.

# **Worship**

## **9:00 AM**

**In person in the sanctuary and  
streaming on Facebook and YouTube**

## **11:30**

**Broadcast on 99.1 FM**