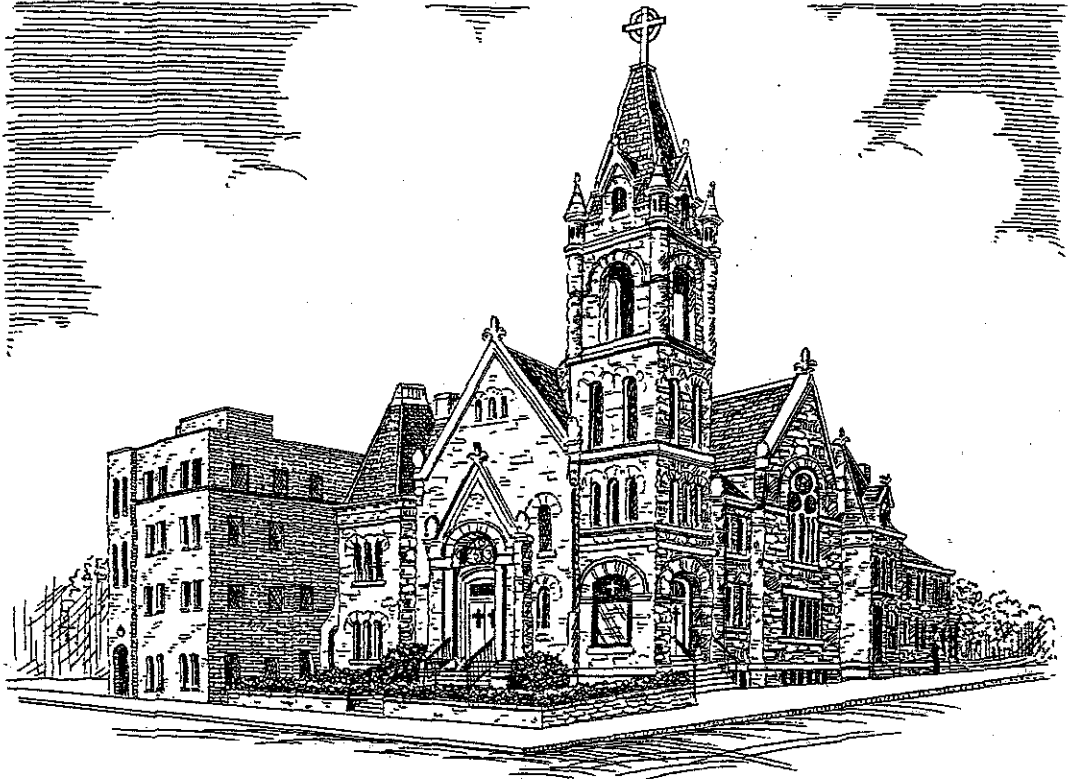


THE VISITOR



The First English Lutheran Church

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Mansfield, Ohio*

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"Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one. So they are no longer two but one. What therefore God has joined together let no one put asunder." Matthew 19:5-6

Dear Friends In Christ,

Soon it will be summer time and wedding bells are ringing! Though people do get married throughout the year, the months of June through August are typically the favorite times chosen by most couples to get married. I know that both Pastor Andy and I have been busy meeting with couples for their premarital counseling. It is an exciting time to work with people as they plan for their new life together as "Husband & Wife."

Typically, we meet with each couple about six times (1½ to 2 hours for each session) over at least a six-month period leading up to the wedding date. One thing that we try to impart to every couple is our desire to help them build a Christ-Centered Marriage and Home. We pray that each couple will experience God's Blessing of a life-long future of joy and love together.

But good marriages never "just happen." They are the result of a husband and wife truly committed to one another: committed to investing their time, their energy, their BEST in daily making a good marriage. Strong healthy marriages result in strong healthy families. Strong healthy families result in a strong healthy society. For the sake of our marriages, our children, and our society, husbands and wives need to learn to put their relationship of marriage first.

As a Christian, the most important relationship God will ever give to me is my relationship with Him. This must be my 1st priority – to invest my time, energy, and attention in growing my relationship with Christ. I can't allow myself to become too busy... to worship, to pray, to read His Word. If I neglect and mess-up this relationship, I will mess-up all the other ones in my life.

Because God has gifted me with a spouse, my second most important relationship to nourish and protect is my relationship with my wife, Kristi. She is (and indeed must be) the most important human being in my life. This is GOD's natural order for priorities. She is my very best friend.

Because God has gifted us with children, our children are our third most important priority in our lives. Children are naturally more emotionally secure and feel more loved when they know and see that Daddy and Mommy are totally committed to each other. Mothers in our society often make the mistake of prioritizing their children over their relationship with their husband. Likewise, fathers in our society often make the similar mistake of prioritizing their work over their relationship with either their wife or their children. If you are married, are you making time for just the two of you each day? Messed-up priorities result in messed-up lives.

The fourth priority in life is God's gift of close family members and friends. Note that parents, grandchildren, and old friends do not come before your spouse.

The fifth priority in life should be our occupations. Admittedly, most of us regularly get these priorities all turned around. When that happens, problems just naturally follow.

I share this with you, not because I do a perfect job of keeping these God-given priorities in proper order. I often get them terribly confused and flipped around. But, if we don't know what our IDEAL should be, we are then often clueless to the source of our problems. Christ must be First in all of our lives. From Him all the other good gifts follow. He is the one who gives us the Love, Patience, Forgiveness, Honesty, Integrity, and Boldness that we all need to be:

Loving – Committed spouses,
Caring – Nurturing parents,
Responsible family members and friends,
Hardworking – Honest employees.

In all of life, let us learn from Christ, the giver of every good and perfect gift.

On the following page is a poem that hangs on our wall next to our Wedding picture. It is a good daily reminder of how to cherish and nurture the gift God gave to Kristi and me 35 years ago this summer. I pray it is a blessing for you.

Together In Christ's Service,
Pastor Paul

The Art of Marriage

*A good marriage must be created.
In the marriage the little things
are the big things ...*

*It is never being too old to hold hands.
It is remembering to say "I love you"
at least once a day.*

*It is never going to sleep angry.
It is having a mutual sense of values
and common objectives.*

*It is standing together facing the world.
It is forming a circle of love that
gathers in the whole family.*

*It is speaking words of appreciation
and demonstrating gratitude
in thoughtful ways.*

*It is having the capacity
to forgive and forget.
It is giving each other an atmosphere
in which each can grow.*

*It is a common search for the
good and the beautiful.*

*It is not only marrying
the right person –
It is being the right partner.*

- Wilferd A. Peterson

Lutheran CORE August Convocation

Moving to Larger Facility

Such a significant number of people have expressed interest in attending Lutheran CORE's 2010 Convocation that leaders of Lutheran CORE have decided to move it to a larger facility.

The Convocation is set for **Aug. 26-27 in Columbus, Ohio**. Lutherans from throughout North America will gather to consider proposals for the creation of the North American Lutheran Church and for the ongoing ministry of Lutheran CORE as a Community of Confessing Lutherans.

The Convocation was to be held at Upper Arlington Lutheran Church's Mill Run Campus. However, it will be difficult to accommodate more than 1,700 people at that location, and it would require some of those in attendance to be in a separate room. Lutheran CORE leaders would like to have space for as many as 3,000 people given the historic significance of the event.

The Convocation will be preceded by a significant theological conference Aug. 24-26 under the theme, "Seeking New Directions for Lutheranism." Presenters for the conference — which is sponsored by Lutheran CORE — include some of the most significant Lutheran scholars in America. Some of them serve on Lutheran CORE's Advisory Council, a group of theologians and church leaders that advise Lutheran CORE. The theological conference is still scheduled to be at Upper Arlington Lutheran Church.

The 2009 Convocation in Fishers, Ind., (suburban Indianapolis) had to be moved from Christ the Savior Lutheran Church to Holy Spirit Catholic Parish at Geist due to the large number of people who wanted to attend. Still, many people were turned away when registrations reached the 1,200-person capacity of the church.

Even though formal registration for the Convocation will not open until May, registrations for the theological conference and the high level of interest in the Convocation showed the need for larger space.

Information on the theological conference is available at Lutheran CORE's website. Registration information for the Convocation will be available online in May.

Go to www.lutherancore.com

Ecumenical Representatives to Attend Historic Constituting Convocation of New North American Lutheran Church

Several church bodies have already announced that they are sending official representatives for Lutheran CORE's 2010 Convocation. Lutherans from throughout North America will gather in Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 26-27 to consider proposals for the creation of the North American Lutheran Church and for the ongoing ministry of Lutheran CORE as a Community of Confessing Lutherans.

The Rev. Francis Stephanos, President Emeritus of the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus and former Vice President of the Lutheran World Federation, will address the Convocation on behalf of the 5.28 million Lutherans in Ethiopia.

The Rt. Rev. Ray R. Sutton of Dallas, Texas, will bring greetings from the Anglican Church in North America. Bishop Sutton is chair of the church's Ecumenical Relations Task Force. This new orthodox denomination was formed in 2009. The Anglican Church in North America (ACNA) unites some 100,000 Anglicans in 700 parishes in 28 dioceses, into a single Church. It was formed in response to the heretical teachings of the Episcopal Church in the USA concerning the authority of Scripture and their anti-Biblical teachings on marriage.

Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC) will be formally represented by the Rev. Larry Lindstrom, of Farmersville, Ohio. Pastor Lindstrom is the chair of the LCMC Board of Trustees. Many members of LCMC congregations also are expected to be present for the Convocation as LCMC and Lutheran CORE are committed to working closely with each other.

The Roman Catholic Church will be represented by the Rev. James Massa, Executive Director of the Secretariat for Ecumenical and Religious Affairs. Father Massa is the lead staff for Lutheran-Catholic relations for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. He also represented Roman Catholics at the 2009 ELCA Churchwide Assembly.

"WARM UP AMERICA!"

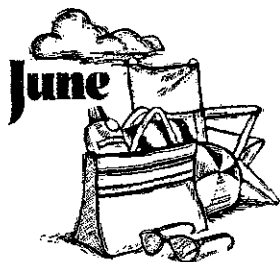
Outreach at First English will end June 1, 2010

In the past ten years, 171 afghans have been given to those in need not only in our community but also throughout the country. A huge THANK YOU to those who knitted and crocheted pieces, and to those who donated yarn! Your efforts have brought warmth to many!

If someone or a group is willing to take up the task of sewing together the individual pieces into the afghans (and enable this ministry to continue at First English), please call the church office, 419-522-0662.

Knitted and crocheted pieces can also be donated by mailing them directly to:

Warm Up America! Foundation
469 Hospital Dr., 2nd Floor Suite E
Gastonia, NC 28054



FIRST TUESDAY LUNCH GROUP **MEETS JUNE 1 . . .**

Join us for *First Tuesday* on June 1 for lunch at Noon in the Emmaus Room. Cost is \$2.50. Mary Cabrera, Education Outreach Coordinator, Mansfield Art Center, will be the speaker. She will tell us the programs available for seniors. Invite your

friends! Call Pat Wells with reservations by Monday, May 31, 419-756-6863.

ATTENTION THRIVENT FINANCIAL FOR LUTHERANS MEMBERS: Tracy Boorman, Thrivent representative, will hold an informational session on **Sunday, June 6, 9:45 to 10:45 a.m., in the Emmaus Room** to explain the Thrivent Choice Program. This program is designed to allow more member involvement in directing Thrivent Financial's charitable funds.

MICROWAVE OVEN NEEDED FOR THE EMMAUS ROOM KITCHEN . . .

The big microwave in the Emmaus Room kitchen has warmed it's last casserole! The donation of a replacement would gratefully be accepted (large enough to fit a casserole dish is helpful). Contact the church office, 419-522-0662, if you can help.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES!

- Wednesday
June 2 **Workday Ladies Sew** patchwork quilts 8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. on the third floor of Luther Hall. Tracing and cutting, ironing, machine sewing, and tying. *If you can sew patches to make quilt tops at home, contact Pat Reed at 419-756-1372. NO Workday Ladies on June 16.*
- Thursday,
June 3 **Senior Choir Rehearsal**, 7:00 P.M. in the choir room in the rear balcony. (Please use the East side Luther Hall entrance). *Last rehearsal for the season.*
- Monday,
June 7 **Men's Group** meets at 9:30 A.M. the first Monday of the month for breakfast at Denny's, West Fourth Street in Ontario. Contact: Hal Simmons, 419-529-6586.
- Every
Wednesday **Wednesday Noon Worship and Lunch**, 12:10 P.M. worship in the Chapel; lunch following in the undercroft.
- Every
Thursday **Proclaim! Praise Team Rehearsal**, 5:30 P.M. in the undercroft (please use the East side Luther Hall entrance). Contacts: Kristi Larson, 419-756-3858, or Becky Pittman, 419-529-3876.
- Friday,
June 18 **Friendly Friday Group**, 10:30 A.M. program in the Emmaus Room. Lunch is served at 11:30. Rides available. Coordinator: Margaret Battisti, 419-526-4381.
- Sat & Sun
June 26 & 27 **Food Collection.** April donations totaled \$105 for our Wednesday Noon Lunch program and 3 bags of grocery items for Catholic Charities. Thank you for your continued support!

Bibles for Malawi! Take your recyclables to Milliron Industries, 2384 St. Rt. 39. Request the proceeds to be paid to Account #480 (First English Lutheran Church, Mansfield). The funds in the FELC missionary account will be used to buy Bibles for Malawi (printed in their own language).

JUNE WORSHIP

Saturdays: 5:00 P.M. Worship in the Chapel (Communion with 1st Sunday)
Sundays: 8:30 A.M. Worship in the Nave (Communion 2nd Sunday).
11:00 A.M. Worship in the Nave (Communion 1st Sunday)
11:00 A.M. Proclaim! Contemporary, Undercroft (Communion 3rd Sun.)
Wednesdays: 12:10 P.M. Worship in the Chapel; lunch in the undercroft

SUNDAYS IN JUNE

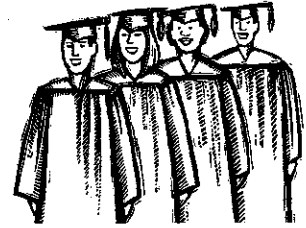
June 6 ➔ Terry Boorman, Thrivent Financial for Lutherans representative,
9:45 a.m. in the Emmaus Room. Information on the Thrivent Choice Program.

June 13 ➔ Scott Berry, organist for 5:00 p.m. Saturday Chapel, June 12
➔ Jeanette Tennant, organist for 8:30 & 11:00
➔ High School Graduate Recognition

June 20 ➔ guest pastor, 5:00 p.m. Saturday Chapel
➔ guest pastor 8:30 & 11:00
➔ 50th Anniversary open house for Bill & Mary Schwartz, 12-2 p.m.
in the undercroft

June 27 ➔ Mike Hughes, guest preacher, 5:00 p.m. Saturday Chapel
➔ Mike Hughes, guest preacher, 8:30 & 11:00

GRADUATE RECOGNITION, SUNDAY, JUNE 13 . . .



Our High School graduates will be honored on Sunday, June 13. Godspeed and blessings as they head off in new directions and face new challenges:

| <u>Graduate</u> | <u>High School</u> | <u>Will be attending College/University</u> | <u>Parents</u> |
|-----------------|--------------------|---|-----------------------|
| Erika Dahlby | Ontario | (Utah) | Ed & Annette Doklovic |
| Collin Griebing | Lexington | Ashland University | Tracy & Jean Griebing |
| Sara Hannemann | Lexington | OSU | Walt & Barb Hannemann |
| Ian Jones | Lexington | Valparaiso | Andy & Joy Jones |
| Adam Rehm | Madison | Capital | Ron & Ronda Rehm |
| Alissa Ruth | Lexington | Capital | Rick & Dana Ruth |

| <u>Graduate</u> | <u>University</u> | <u>Degree</u> |
|----------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| Christopher Kaschube | Capital University | Master of Music in Music Education |

Editor's note: listed are those known to be graduating or who notified the church office.

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OPEN HOUSE TO CELEBRATE IAN JONES' GRADUATION!

Sunday, June 27, 2010

Sun Valley Swim Club

2 - 5 pm Open House

5 - 7 pm Open swimmin'

We will party rain or shine!!! Questions? Call 419-989-9358

Sun Valley Swim Club, 1845 Mansfield Washington Road. Exit I-71 at State Route 13 (Exit 169). Take Hanley Road east from Route 13. Turn left after 2 Miles at the first stop sign (Washington North Road). Drive north half a mile and turn slightly left onto Mansfield Washington Road. Sun Valley is half a mile on the right.



Our Nursing
Home Ministry

COMMUNION SERVICES AT NURSING HOMES . . .

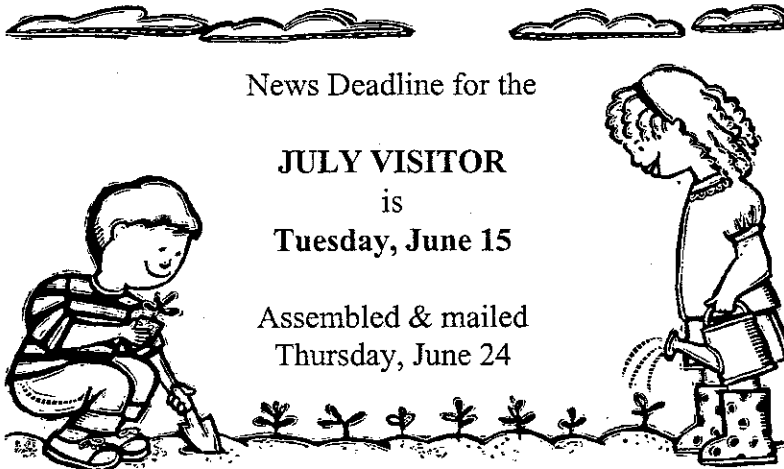
In order to provide communion for First Lutheran members who live in nursing homes or assisted living facilities, monthly worship services are scheduled in four locations with Communion Deacons assisting the pastors. All residents of the facilities are invited to attend, and members of First Lutheran are encouraged to come and accompany a family member or friend.

Tuesday, June 15

9:00 A.M. Elmcroft of Ontario
10:15 A.M. The Waterford
2:00 P.M. Mifflin Care Center

Thursday, June 17

9:30 A.M. Brookdale Sterling House



The Heart of Worship

Worship Dance and Visual Arts Experience for Youth
Three day workshop exploring how and why we were made to worship.



Worship, Teaching, Art, and Dance

June 16-18, 2010

9 a.m. to Noon each day (*families invited Noon-1 p.m. on final day*)

Youth ages 8-16

Cost: \$35 (additional family members \$25)

First English Lutheran Church
53 Park Avenue West, Mansfield, OH

Those attending may pay the day of the workshop, but reservations need to be made in advance (checks payable to Jody Thomae or Five Stones Community Church; memo line: creative arts ministry). Your T-shirt size will also be asked when you make contact.

For more details and to RSVP contact:

Pat Burleigh mburleigh@ccad.edu 419-774-1477

Jody Thomae thomanator@zoominternet.net

50TH ANNIVERSARY OPEN HOUSE JUNE 20 . . .

**HAPPY
ANNIVERSARY!**

The family of **Bill & Mary Schwartz** invites the congregation to celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, June 20, from 12:30 - 2:30 pm in the church undercroft. Light refreshments will be served. Please, no gifts.

**JUNE 2010
WOMEN OF FELC CALENDAR**

| CIRCLE/EVENT | DATE | DAY OF WEEK | TIME | MEETING PLACE/TOPIC |
|------------------|-------------------|-------------|------------|---|
| EVE | N O M E E T I N G | | | |
| FIRST TUESDAY | 1 | TUESDAY | NOON | Emmaus Room. Program: Mary Cabrera, Education Outreach Coordinator, Mansfield Art Center |
| WORKDAY LADIES | 2 | WEDNESDAY | 8:30 A.M. | 3 rd floor |
| SARAH | 7 | MONDAY | 1:00 P.M. | Dutch Heritage - -Marilyn Dinges |
| LYDIA | 7 | MONDAY | 7:30 P.M. | Emmaus Room. Program: Chris & Stan Cichanowicz Hostess: Carol Lauthers |
| MARY | 11 | FRIDAY | 10:00 A.M. | Virginia Blizzards' home Hostess: Dee Hautzenroeder & Bev Bishop |
| PLANNING MEETING | N O M E E T I N G | | | |

Funeral Dinners: Squad F, Mary Schwartz and Eileen Miller.

Altar Group Workers: Nave – Beth Harruff & Jan Shenberger Contemporary – Jan Fisher.

CREAMY PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY FOR THE NEEDY is an outreach ministry to our Wednesday Noon Lunch Program. Donation boxes are in the Narthex and Luther Hall lobby. **CURRENT SUPPLIES ARE LOW** and the need is great! Please donate generously!

GORDON FOOD SERVICE (GFS) will credit your personal purchases to our First English Lutheran Church, Mansfield, rebate account. Just tell the checkout person this is what you wish to do. (Be sure to say FELC *Mansfield* as there are other First English Lutheran churches in the area!) **GFS rebate money goes towards our Wednesday Noon Lunch program.** Think peanut butter and jelly ministry purchases!

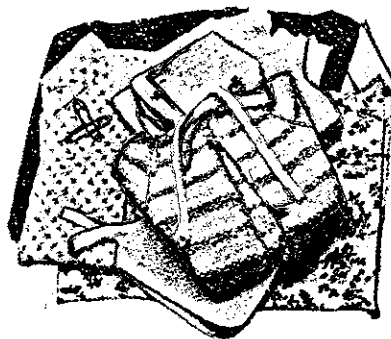
2010 LAYETTES, HEALTH KITS, SCHOOL KITS, AND SEWING KITS FOR LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF . . .

We support Lutheran World Relief by donating comforters (which our Workday Ladies are preparing), Layettes, Health Kits, School Kits, and Sewing Kits.

One kit and the items needed for it will be featured in the June, July, August, and September issues of The Visitor. Please consider completing one or more kits to add to First Lutheran's contribution:

LAYETTES in June

- Two shirts
- Two gowns, sleepers, or onesies
- Two receiving blankets
- Four cloth diapers
- One sweater
- Two wash cloths
- One bath-size bar of soap
- Two diaper pins



Wrap items in one of the receiving blankets and secure with the diaper pins.

NOTE: items do not need to be new. Gently used items can be substituted for new ones. Sizes up to 24 months may be used. Sweaters may be knitted or crocheted. Preferred styles have buttons or ties down the front. Infant sweatshirts may be substituted for the sweater. A length of 36" or 45" flannel may be used to make gowns, blankets (36" x 36" or 45" x 45"), and diapers (22 1/2" wide x 36" long - cut with pinking shears).

Containers for completed kits are in the Narthex and lobby of Luther Hall. **All kits must be returned to the church as a complete kit ready for shipping. The deadline to turn in completed kits is October 3.** They will be packed and then taken to Seville, Ohio, later in October for shipping.

Monetary donations for shipping costs may be placed in a pew envelope with your name, envelope number, and amount (checks payable to First English Lutheran Church. Memo line: LWR kits shipping).
— Jan Fisher, 419-589-2820



JUNE NEWS IN THE CHRISTIAN DAY SCHOOL . . .

May the Lord bless you and keep you...Numbers 6:24 is our Bible theme for June.

With the start of summer, we welcome all our campers. They will be having fun at the Blackfork Retreat Center as well as participating in the summer reading program at the Library.

All the children at the CDS will be visiting the Library on Tuesdays and Thursdays to enjoy the shows. The children will also be outside at the playground most of the summer.

We at the CDS have had another great school year, and we would like to thank everyone for their support throughout the year. We wish everyone a fun and relaxing summer.

-Terry Bianchi, Director

ELECTION RESULTS

Elected to the **Congregation Council** at the Annual Congregational Meeting, May 16, 2010:

Three-Year Term:

Christian Day School: Cindy Russell

Property: Gary Lane

Finance: Don Harruff

Service Ministry: Becky Sarbach

Personnel: Sherry Winbigler

Worship: Roscoe Thompson, III

Elected as the **2010-2011 Nominating Committee** at the Annual Congregational Meeting, May 16, 2010:

Tom Sarbach

Susan Hogsette

Karen Ellis *

Devera Ritz

* The person receiving the most votes serves a two-year term. The committee will decide on a chairman at their first meeting.

MALAWI ORPHAN CARE MINISTRIES

The following [edited] news article appeared on nyasatimes.com on May, 15, 2010. It gives an accurate description of what life is like for many families in Malawi.

Malawi children as young as three are being illegally employed to produce tobacco and are exposed to nicotine poisoning, according to a documentary shown by Unreported World on UK'S Channel 4 TV.

The documentary was produced by Julie Noon and reporter Jenny Kleeman which uncovered that children suffer health problems from handling tobacco, some are trapped in bonded labour arrangements leaving them unable to escape, and little seems to be done to protect their health and well being.

The team finds a family of seven harvesting tobacco who says they work every day from dawn to dusk. The children's hands are covered in a sticky brown residue and they say they suffer from severe headaches, a symptom of green tobacco sickness, or nicotine poisoning, where high doses of nicotine are absorbed through the skin.

Farges, the mother of the family, says the entire family takes home the equivalent of about K4,000 a year (£18), the cost of three packets of cigarettes in the UK. Her children must work so they can fulfill the daily quota of tobacco the farm owner has demanded of them. The family wants to escape tobacco farming, but they've been forced to borrow money from the land owner and can't leave until they work off their debt. The UN says this is bonded labour, a modern form of slavery.

Malawi is one of the world's biggest tobacco producers. Malawi relies on the crop for 65 per cent of its foreign income, and its tobacco is bought by companies including British American Tobacco, Imperial Tobacco and Philip Morris.

The investigations by Channel 4 TV follows another research by International Children's Organisation *Plan* showing that Malawi has the highest incidence of child labour in southern Africa, with 88.9% of five to 14-year-olds working in the agricultural sector.

"*Plan* is calling for better enforcement of child labour laws and harsher punishment for employers who break them," said Macdonald Mumba, *Plan Malawi's* child rights adviser. Malawi is a signatory to numerous conventions against child labour, including the 1989 UN Convention on the Rights of a Child, the 1973 International Labour Organisation (ILO) Convention 138 (setting a minimum working age of 18), and the 1999 ILO Convention 182 (outlawing child labour).

—Nyasa Times/Channel 4 TV-Unreported World

Please pray for relief for the people of Malawi from their extreme poverty. Thank you for your continued prayers and donations to help the people of Kanyenyeva.

— Joy Jones

REQUESTS TO THE PRAYER CHAIN

The Prayer Chain provides prayer support to those with special needs or concerns. Prayer requests for members or non-members may be called in to *Carol Lauthers, 419-756-8870 (home) or 419-612-4088 (cell)*. Join our prayer chain ministry! There are no meetings to attend; just make one or two phone calls and pray! Questions about this ministry? Call Carol Lauthers at the numbers above.

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULING CONTACTS

The monthly volunteers list is published in The Visitor and is posted on the bulletin boards. The following are responsible for scheduling the listed areas of volunteer ministry:

Betty Guenther, Staff Secretary
419-522-0662

Acolytes
Assisting Ministers
Greeters
Lay Readers
Luther Hall Sunday Door Duty

Roscoe Thompson, III, Worship Chair
419-522-7571

Sound Booth Operators

Beth Harruff, 419-589-2762

Communion Preparers
Communion Assistants

Gene Harsch, 419-774-0247

Ushers

Becky Pittman, 419-529-3876

Children's Church Leaders

Chris Cichanowicz,
Sunday School Superintendent

419-529-6593

Nursery Helpers

Gene Luedy, 419-526-4304

Pew Pad Gleaners

Ruth Sweval, 419-526-5090

8:00 am Sunday Prayer Partners

Becky Pittman, 419-529-3876

Proclaim! Ushers/Greeters
Proclaim! Communion Preparers
Proclaim! Communion Assistants

JUNE VOLUNTEERS

GREETER 5:00 P.M.

| | | | |
|---------|------------|---------|-------|
| June 5 | Joci Kirst | June 19 | ----- |
| June 12 | Joci Kirst | June 26 | ----- |

GREETERS

8:30 A.M.

| | |
|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Carol Fry & Margaret Runyon | Narthex |
| Jan Swartz | East Entrance |

USHERS

8:30 A.M.

Bill West
Pearl West
Rob Skropits

GREETERS

11:00 A.M.

| | |
|----------------|---------------|
| Lana Conry | Narthex |
| Shirley Bender | East Entrance |

USHERS

11:00 A.M.

Gene Harsch
Jack Leonard
Lana Conry

8:00 A.M. SUNDAY PASTORS PRAYER PARTNERS TEAMS

| | | | |
|---------|------------------------------|---------|----------------------------------|
| June 6 | Mary Schwartz & Jim Scheiber | June 20 | Lowell Weeks & Chris Cichanowicz |
| June 13 | Ken & Karen Frayer | June 27 | Rob Hogsette & Steve Ritz |

8:30 A.M. POWER POINT OPERATORS

| | | | |
|---------|-----------|---------|---------------|
| June 6 | Paul Ward | June 20 | Gordon Moxley |
| June 13 | Paul Ward | June 27 | Tom Sarbach |

11:00 ASSISTING MINISTERS

| | | | |
|---------|------------------|---------|------------------|
| June 6 | Stan Cichanowicz | June 20 | Annette Doklovic |
| June 13 | Bob McCready | June 27 | ----- |

LUTHER HALL SUNDAY DOOR DUTY

| | <u>8-9:45 am</u> | <u>9:45-11:05 am</u> |
|---------|------------------|----------------------|
| June 6 | Henry Keultjes | Shelley Shupp |
| June 13 | Cindy Russell | Jodi Mumaw |
| June 20 | Betty Guenther | Tom Hillman |
| June 27 | Stan Cichanowicz | Ron Rehm |

ACOLYTES

| | <u>8:30 A.M.</u> | <u>11:00 A.M.</u> |
|---------|------------------|-------------------|
| June 6 | ----- | ----- |
| June 13 | Paul Hogsette | Rachel Shupp |
| June 20 | Katie Ritz | ----- |
| June 27 | ----- | Renee Shupp |

LAY READERS

5:00 P.M. Saturday Chapel

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| June 5 | Jean Ridenour | June 19 | Jean Ridenour |
| June 12 | Kay McNaul | June 26 | Kay McNaul |

| | <u>8:30 A.M.</u> | <u>11:00 A.M.</u> |
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| June 6 | Mary Hujus | Jo Wirstrom |
| June 13 | Chris Cichanowicz | Stacey Crall |
| June 20 | Sherry Winbigler | Chris Kaschube |
| June 27 | Chris Cichanowicz | Annette Doklovic |

PEW PAD GLEANERS

| | | | |
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| June 6 | Gene Luedy | June 20 | Gene Luedy |
| June 13 | Vi Deems | June 27 | Pat Smith |

COMMUNION PREPARERS

June 6 11:00 a.m. Marilyn Dinges and Shirley Shupp
June 13 8:30 a.m. Carol Fry and Margaret Runyon

COMMUNION SERVERS

(regular communion)

| | <u>June 6 - 11:00 a.m.</u> | <u>June 13 - 8:30 a.m.</u> |
|---------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Bread Servers | Pastor & Assisting Minister | 2 Pastors |
| Wine West | Bob McCready | Bill Hayes |
| Cups West | Lu Diday | Mary Hayes |
| Wine East | Jodi Mumaw | Jackie Moxley |
| Cups East | Gary Lane | Gordon Moxley |
| Intinction | Jane Sprang | Paul Theaker |

CHILDREN'S CHURCH LEADERS

Becky Pittman, coordinator

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOSTS

Worship Committee

JUNE ALTAR WORKERS

Nave: Beth Harruff and Jan Shenberger
Proclaim!: Jan Fisher

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11:00 PROCLAIM! CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Greeters/Ushers

June 6 Brad and Trudy Watts
June 13 Jerry and Lu Diday
June 20 Elizabeth Volz and Sarah Jones
June 27 Ron and Ronda Rehm

June 20 Communion Preparers

Ron and Ronda Rehm

June 20 Communion Servers

Tricia and Elizabeth Volz
Donna Rettig and Trudy Watts

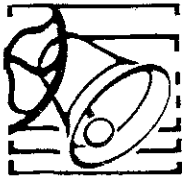
PowerPoint Assistants

June 6 Haley Pittman
June 13 Ian Jones
June 20 Robyn Russell
June 27 Mike Brenkus

Beverage Prep/Clean-up

June 6 Jan Fisher
June 13 Jerry and Lu Diday
June 20 Ted and Karen Ellis
June 27 Ron and Ronda Rehm





Congregation Council

MAY COUNCIL NOTES . . .

President Ken Frayer called the Tuesday, May 11, 2010 meeting of the First English Lutheran Church Congregation Council to order at 7:05 p.m. Pastor Larson opened the meeting with prayer.

SENIOR PASTOR: Pastor Larson

expressed his appreciation to outgoing Council members Shawn Volz who served 6 years as Property Committee chairperson, and to Rob Skropits who served 3 years as Finance Committee chairperson. Don Harruff will be vacating the Vice President position on Council to become the Finance Committee chairperson.

The *Nominating Committee* report is as follows for Congregation Council positions:

Christian Day School - Cindy Russell

Service - Becky Sarbach

Finance - Don Harruff

Worship - Roscoe Thompson

Property - Gary Lane

Personnel - Sherry Winbigler

Nominations for Nominating Committee for 2011 are as follows, with 4 to be elected: Karen Ellis, Devera Ritz, Tom Sarbach, Susan Hogsette, Beth Harruff.

Pastor Larson stated Certification of Federal Income Tax Exemption under their 501(c)(3) group umbrella has been received from Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC) along with verification from the Internal Revenue Service. Pastor Jones and Pastor Larson are now rostered in LCMC and have officially resigned from the ELCA roster.

Graduate recognition Sunday will be observed on June 13.

Pastor Larson read a letter from the Lithuanian Orphanage in Klaipeda, thanking us for the love we show to the children through our financial assistance.

ASSOCIATE PASTOR: Pastor Jones said our church has been asked by the "Around Twelve" group of area artists, worship leaders and pastors to host a children/youth arts workshop June 16, 17 and 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Our church was the first church asked to host this workshop, and we are honored to be asked. Cost of the program for materials is \$35 per child, with \$25 for each additional child in a family.

It was stated that of this date, \$15,000 remains to be drawn from the General Endowment Fund Regular Draw. Up to \$45,000 in loan was built into the 2010 Budget and has not yet been taken.

WOMEN OF FELC: Jan Fisher reported the "Gathering of Daughters" brunch was a huge success with 75 in attendance, including many guests from outside our church. Music was provided by Jessika and Elizabeth Volz, Hannah Skropits, and Erica Kick. Tables were decorated cleverly by individuals or groups who chose their own theme, and a Bible Trivia game was played following the brunch.

PERSONNEL: Don Harruff presented a letter of resignation from Dr. Timothy E. Guenther as Director of Music, effective July 16, 2010 with his last Sunday leading worship Sunday, July 11, 2010. Council received the resignation with regret. Worship and Personnel Committees will meet to discuss future music needs of the church.

FINANCE: Rob Skropits, on behalf of Finance Committee, recommended and Council approved Stan Cichanowicz and Nancy Pasheilich as money counters, and Gene Luedy, Lowell Weeks, Norman McCracken and Carol Lauthers as check signers.

It was stated that as of this date, there is only \$15,000 available as a draw from the General Endowment Fund then funds need to be borrowed if necessary to pay bills.

PROPERTY: Shawn Volz stated the church bus is at the home of Bill and Mary Schwartz in preparation for painting. Christian Day School will have the bus inspected. Retreat Center volunteer mowers are working to keep the property looking nice. Ice took some gutters off the retreat center house. The Steam Threshers Group will put more gravel in the driveway back to the field.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE: Lu Diday mentioned the potluck lunch following the May 30, 10:00 a.m. worship service. The Easter breakfast was nice and well attended, with all food purchased and a donation basket was available for contributions to help offset expenses.

EVANGELISM: Pastor Jones said "Missing You" postcards are in the pew racks. The pastors will explain the purpose of the cards during worship services. Pastor Jones said the Evangelism Committee has been working on a design for a new billboard skin which was presented for Council members to view.

WORSHIP: Roscoe Thompson thanked everyone who made the Andrew Ironside visits possible.

STEWARDSHIP: Jan Fisher distributed Time and Talent forms to all Council members. The signed forms will be received and dedicated on Pentecost Weekend, May 22 and 23 at all worship services.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Chris Cichanowicz reminded all of the Vacation Bible School the week of July 18.

YOUTH: Teri Brenkus said the Youth Group is planning to have a garage sale fund raiser in the church parking lot during the Lincoln High Way Garage Sale August 5 through 7, 2010. Adult helpers are also needed.

ADJOURNMENT: This meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m. with prayer by Pastor Jones.

—Mary M. Schwartz, Secretary
First English Lutheran Church
Congregation Council

FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN

CHURCH of MANSFIELD

TO: The Congregation Council of First English Lutheran Church

9 May 2010

Dear Friends in Christ:

This is one of the most difficult letters I have ever had to compose in my life! Due to the recent actions of the congregation of First English Lutheran Church with regards to denominational affiliation, and its decision to withdraw from membership in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, I am forced to submit my resignation as your Director of Music, effective July 16, 2010.

I serve among you as an ELCA rostered Associate in Ministry. For professional career reasons, I do not wish to give up that rostered status, and the career advantages it provides. As a member of the ELCA Roster of Associates in Ministry, I am not permitted to serve an LCMC congregation. Since First English Lutheran Church has left the ELCA and joined LCMC, I can no longer serve as your Director of Music if I wish to maintain my rostered status in the ELCA. Unfortunately, that means that we must part ways.

I leave just two months short of serving you faithfully for twenty-one years — years that we have walked together, rejoiced together, sorrowed together, worshiped together, and attempted to serve Christ and His Church faithfully together. I care deeply about the people of this fellowship, as I have formed many close friendships that I will continue to cherish.

My last Sunday leading worship will be Sunday, July 11, 2010.

I wish the congregation only the best in its future road. I also covet your prayers for the same good wishes on my journey.

In Christ's service,

Dr. Timothy E. Guenther
Director of Music/Associate in Ministry



GLOBAL MISSION NEWS . . .

"Reaching out beyond our church to help others."

Missionaries give their love and service to God. Ministering to God's people is everything they want to do. Their hearts will always be filled with the joy of evangelizing people in all parts of the world. Their task is not easy - working in countries

where maybe only 1 % of the population is Christian. They nurture young minds as God prepares them for lives of service.

Please join in prayer especially for the missionaries and orphanage missions supported by FELC. Please take time to e-mail our missionaries to show them your love, support, and encouragement.

Paula Powell - Pray for God's safety, security and supporting churches back home. Pray that God would use single missionaries in unique ways. Powell76@gmail.com or paula@lucsa.org

Nick & Shannon Kraft - Missionary parents, like all Christian parents, find their first work at home - training, discipling, and educating children. The Kraft family home schools their four children: Madison, Tanyon, Moises, and Tucker. kraftsgomissions@gmail.com

Pray with **David Sorge** as he completes his third year at Rice University in Houston, Texas and makes plans to study Arabic in Syria this summer. David is the oldest son of **Brian & Barbara Sorge**. bbsorge@oldclipper.net

Give thanks and praise to the Lord for His provision for the work of **Henrik and Patty Christopherson** in the United States and also in Peru. HenrikPatty@gmail.com

Pray for the physical protection of those missionaries living in dangerous places and God's blessings and safety as they travel.

- Jeanne Hillman, Global Mission Chair

A LETTER FROM KLAIPEDA, LITHUANIA:

*Editor's note: The following letter was received along with a slim volume of poetry titled: **Saint Nobody**, written by Kelvin Fowler who works with the children at the orphanage. The book will be accessioned to our library. The letter is not edited.*

Dear English First Lutheran Church:
Thank you so much for your kind and hugely generous financial gifts for the orphanage children. Vineyard Klaipeda is a small church plant and part of what we do is service at a local government orphanage where about 80 children live, ages 4-18 years.

Your gifts help us bless the kids in a variety of ways, including taking them out of the orphanage environment; helping buy craft supplies; cookies and juice for our monthly community times with them where often we learn more about God and how he loves us; providing cookies and fruit tea for our bible club there; and helping buy some specific clothes or items for children with specific needs. Soon, we plan to take the teenagers to buy some deodorant, shampoo, and other toiletries

specifically for them. They usually share one bottle of shampoo between 12 children each month. Your money will help these teens feel just a little more special and less "institutionalised."

More than money, you help us and the children with your prayers. Thank you so much for every prayer prayed for the orphanage staff and children. We all need God, and to have him revealed to us. Please keep praying, including for God's revelation, love, transformational change, and protection. We see him bringing positive change - keep praying!

Enclosed is a gift, a book Kel [Fowler] wrote about the children. Thank you - ačiū - that through your prayers, love and giving, you are part of God's plan for good for these kids.

God bless you! Love, Kel and Sharon and Vineyard Klaipeda.



STEWARDSHIP CORNER . . .

"Blessing and Honor" ELW #854

It's the first day of a new week and the words of this hymn extol the majestic embrace of God's victory in Christ. "Let all the earth sing his glory and fame, ocean and mountain, stream, forest and flower, echo his praise and tell of his power." How different life can be when these words soak into our parched souls.

Echoes of Ascension Day still linger as we sing, "Ever ascending the song and the joy, ever descending the love from on high." Jesus' word to Nathaniel in John 2, "you will see the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man," is given a poetic twist and as we sing, we are caught up in the fulfillment of his promise. Jacob's ancient dream is given new shape and meaning. Our lives, claimed by grace in the cross and resurrection, are lifted and transformed.

What a way to begin the new week, with a song on our lips and imprinted on our lives, giving "glory and praise to the Lamb." What difference will it make to the world, you may well ask? Perhaps nothing notable, but it will make all the difference in the world to you.

Tomorrow is not simply a return to the ordinary and the daily, but a fresh chance to "echo his praise and tell of his power." You could sing it, but better yet, live it.

Hear us, O God, as we offer our confessions of failure and claim only your power and mercy. Teach us daily to walk in peace for the sake of this world that you have loved so much that you sent your only Son to die for it, and raised him in glory that we might live for it. In Christ's name, Amen.

– David C. Wold, Retired, Tacoma, WA; Master of Divinity, 1960
Taken from *God Pause*, online Stewardship from Luther Seminary, St. Paul, MN.

Yard Sale Donations



!! RUMMAGE WANTED !!

Lincoln Highway Buy Way Sale

Thursday-Saturday August 5-7 9 am - 5 pm



Bring your unwanted but still usable household items and clothes to the church anytime between June 1 and August 1. If you bring items on Sunday, please leave them in the narthex.

**All proceeds from the FELC sale
will benefit our youth program!**

Call the church office at 419-522-0662 or Joy Jones at 419-884-1016 if you need help bringing your items to church, storing large items, or if you have any questions.

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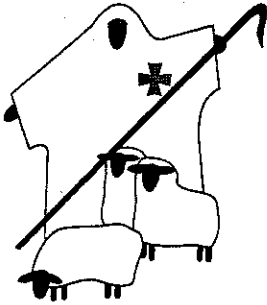
The Youth Committee is looking for ADULTS who LOVE rummage sales or just want to HELP the youth program to donate a few hours to help our youth at the Lincoln Highway Buy Way sale on Thursday through Saturday, August 5-7, from 9 am - 5 pm.

At the sale, volunteers will be organizing the displays and helping customers. You can help for just an hour or two or all day.

If you would like to help but are unavailable August 5-7, you could still volunteer anytime before the sale to help price the donations.

The money raised at this sale will be used for the Youth Program. If you can help in any way, please call the church office at 419-522-0662 or contact Joy Jones at 419-884-1016.





WITHIN THE FOLD . . .

Congratulations to Kari Anna & Joe Watts on the birth of their first child, Nicholas John Watts on Friday, May 14, 2010 at 6:02 pm in Lexington, KY, 7 pounds 12 ounces and 20 inches long. Proud grandparents are Pastor Paul & Kristi Larson.

From Veronica Burggraf: “Dear FELC and Prayer Shawl Ministry, It’s great to be home. I have an awful lot of pain, but I’ll get well.

Thanks ever so much, Pastor Paul, for coming twice, and thank you to the First English Prayer Shawl Ministry for the lovely shawl. It is truly keeping me warm. Thanks for all the love that was put into it, also, all the prayers. I will keep you all in my prayers, too. God bless everyone, and peace be with you always.” *Received on 5/14/10:* “I was so very happy to have received the poster. I had fun looking up some I did not know in my book. Guess I have lots of friends at FELC. Friends are great at a time like this and always. One day at a time. I’m due to get going to therapy, but for now, all in all, I’m doing good. I send my love to all at FELC.”

Many thanks to everyone who made the May 8, 2010 Women of FELC “A Gathering of Daughters” Brunch a lovely event for the 75 attenders!

From Catholic Charities: “Catholic Charities would like to thank you for your donation of food....which enables us to assist the growing needs in our community.”

– Rebecca Owens, Site Manager

From Oesterlen Services for Youth, Inc. “This letter acknowledges with gratitude your gift of \$64.62. Our programs of therapy for troubled children, youth, and their families are very dependent upon charitable contributions such as yours.”

– Pastor Ronald Green, Director of Church Relations and Development

From Lutheran Outdoor Ministries in Ohio: “Thank you for your gift of \$129.23. Our ministry brings people together to experience Christ through our natural settings and programs. Your gift matters to this ministry. We appreciate your caring prayers and partnership.”

– Penny Christensen, Executive Director

The Rev. Jerry and Phyllis Volz will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on June 5, 2010. Pastor Volz was associate pastor at FELC from 1978-1980 with Pastors Jerry Schmalenberger and Bertil Anderson. Cards and notes may be mailed to Pastor Jerry and Phyllis Volz, c/o Jennifer Crumrine, 2121 N. Hardin Road, Ada, OH 45810.



JUNE 80+ BIRTHDAYS . . .

Birthday greetings to our members who will be 80+ years of age this month! Many of them have been long-time members of our congregation. We honor them for their faithfulness through the years. God grant His blessing to each on their special day, and fill their hearts with joy and peace in Jesus Christ.

JUNE

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| 4 | Mrs. Helen Anderson | 1565 Cape Cod Dr. | 44904-2142 |
| 4 | Mrs. Patricia Leonard | 616 Cline Ave, #114 | 44907-1047 |
| 11 | Mr. Bennie Young | 4540 Park Ave. W. | 44903-8613 |
| 12 | Mr. Tom Hillman | 1665 Olive Dr. | 44906-1755 |
| 14 | Mrs. June Carpenter | 840 Whippoorwill Lane | 44906-3487 |
| 17 | Mrs. Zora Wiley | 1432 E Desert Vista Dr., Scottsdale AZ | 85255-5717 |
| 18 | Mrs. Marilyn Dinges | 176 S. Linden Rd., Apt 2 | 44906-3083 |
| 21 | Mr. Gary Balliett | 1194 Lucas Rd. | 44905-3017 |
| 27 | Mr. Harry Faust | 50 Blymyer Ave | 44903 |
| 27 | Mr. Ernest Urban | 444 Hedeem Dr. | 44907-1034 |
| 27 | Mr. Marshall Smith | 1065 Partridge Cir #101, Naples FL | 34104-8835 |
| 30 | Mrs. Donna Urban | 444 Hedeem Dr. | 44907-1034 |

Editor's Note: If you DO NOT want your 80+ birthday published in The Visitor, please let the church office know, 419-522-0662.

WHEN PLANNING FOR YOUR FINAL RESTING PLACE, consider our First English Lutheran Church Columbarium. Brochures about our Columbarium are available in the tract racks, or contact the church office, 419-522-0662.

MEMORIALS

MEMORIAL FUND

David Baxter:

Richard Spree

Ervin Brune:

Paul and Lana Conry

Geraldine Freemon:

Ken and Betty Carpenter

Mabel Wolf

Rolf and Herta Beyer

Virginia Horvath

Kathleen Holmes:

Marjorie Lybarger

Marie Kiner:

Clancy and Carol Lauthers

Wanda and Melinda Milligan

Dale and Sandy Sturdevant

CHRISTIAN DAY SCHOOL

Geraldine Freemon:

Helen Anderson

"COW" FUND

Geraldine Freemon:

Wilma Ammons

GENERAL FUND

Glen Eggeman:

Jan Swartz

Don and Beth Harruff

RENEWING GOD'S HOUSE APPEAL

Glen Eggeman:

Bob and Nip McCready

Geraldine Freemon:

Virginia Blizzard

The Mary Circle

"ASHES TO ASHES - DUST TO DUST" So That's It?

Will your life make an eternal difference? That's a big question. This is certainly God's plan for you. You can commit your life and your financial resources towards accomplishing all sorts of good causes. Certainly, they are out there, constantly seeking your support. But a far more important question to ask yourself is this: "Are my choices accomplishing the Eternal Purposes of Jesus?" In the end, will your life amount to just another pile of dust? Or, will your life become a beautiful and lasting witness to the Saving Love of Jesus?

In making your "Last Will and Testament," you have the opportunity to give a witness to your great Love for Jesus - the only ONE who has the power to make your life ... more than dust. Remember your church in your estate planning. Consider the Biblical Model of Tithing (10%) of your estate to Christ's Kingdom Work. We need to grow our endowment fund resources here at FELC if we are to accomplish all the great things that Christ has for us to do! The local church really is the hope of the world. It is here, through the local church, where Jesus calls us to daily live out His Love for our community, nation, and world. Yes, we are the Body of Christ. Support your local congregation so that we can continue to be a Light to the world. Give a gift that will keep-on doing the work of Christ's Kingdom until Jesus comes!

ALTAR FLOWER OPENINGS IN 2010

As of May 21, altar flower sponsors are not yet assigned for the following dates in 2010. If you would like to sponsor altar flowers, please call the church office, 419-522-0662, to reserve a date. Cost per week is \$35.

| <u>July</u> | <u>September</u> |
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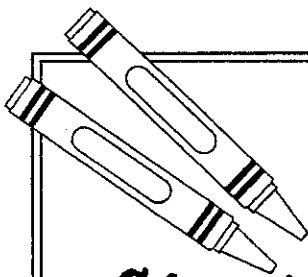
We remember the families and friends of those who died April 24 - May 21, 2010:

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| Terry Mayer | April 27 |
| <i>(son-in-law of Marguerite Hollinger; friend of Jim Scheiber)</i> | |
| Geraldine Freemon | May 1 |
| Glen Coen | May 13 |

We pray for Christ's gifts of healing and peace to touch their lives during this time of loss and sorrow that they may be comforted with the promise of the Resurrection through faith in Christ our Savior.

PASTORAL ACTS

Memorial Service: May 6, 2010 Geraldine Freemon



Just for **KIDS**

Give to those in need

John the Baptist spoke to a crowd, telling them they should be fruitful. When the crowd asked how they could be fruitful, John the Baptist responded with some specific ideas.

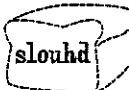
Unscramble John the Baptist's reply from Luke 3:11 (NIV), and write the words in the blanks below.

* WORD BANK *

with food him who should with man share do the should
two tunics has the who none and one the same has



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Answer: "The man with two tunics should share with him who has none, and the one who has food should do the same." (Luke 3:11, NIV)

LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES DAY WITH THE CLIPPERS . . .

Saturday, July 24, 2010

Huntington Park, Columbus



6:00 p.m. Gates Open for LSS Day participants

7:05 p.m. Play Ball! Columbus Clippers vs Pawtucket Red Sox

Fireworks display immediately following the game!



Admission: \$5 individual OR Family Pack (6 tickets) for \$26

Order deadline is Thursday, July 1. To order tickets: contact Betty Guenther at the church office, 419-522-0662. **Checks payable to Lutheran Social Services; memo: LSS Day.** Directions to Huntington Park and area parking maps are available. Only Tickets sold in advance benefit Lutheran Social Services programs and services.

FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH E-MAIL AND WEB SITE

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Please, no junk mail, cutesy stories, or chain letters. Reserve the use of church e-mail for important correspondence with the staff. **Visit our web site at: www.felc-mansfield.org**
Emergency cell phone numbers if the pastors cannot be contacted at church or home:
Pastor Paul Larson, 419-632-1875. Pastor Andy Jones, 419-989-3715.

MISSION STATEMENT

First English Lutheran Church, Mansfield, Ohio

First English Lutheran Church exists as a visible sign of the continuing presence of Jesus Christ through his body on earth, the Church. Christ's presence is made known through the ministry of this congregation as:

We regularly worship and experience through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit the vitality of the Word, the assurance of God's acceptance through the divine commands and the earthly elements of the Sacraments, and the fellowship of our brothers and sisters in the faith.

We invite those unfamiliar with the saving grace extended to all who proclaim Jesus Christ as Savior to unite with us and to join us in continually familiarizing all with the Grace of God through our nurturing and caring efforts.

We reach out to the needs of our community and our world in compassion, generosity, and equity. We practice stewardship of our resources (time, talent, and monetary) as responsive expressions of the blessings we have received from the Lord so that the ministry of this congregation will be assured of continuing viability.

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CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Paul L. Larson, Senior Pastor
The Rev. Andrew W. Jones, Associate Pastor
The Rev. Cloyd E. Kress, Visitation Pastor
Dr. Timothy E. Guenther, Director of Music
Mrs. Becky Pittman, Coordinator of Music and The Arts
Mrs. Terry Bianchi, Christian Day School Director

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| Karen Frayer, Bookkeeper | John Meyer, Custodial/Maintenance |
| Connie Stewart, Parish Secretary/Printer | Dave Carew, Custodial/Maintenance |
| Betty Guenther, Staff Secretary/Visitor Editor | Jim Scheiber, Property Manager |
| Michelle Myers, Christian Day School Secretary | Nancy Thompson, Nursery Care Worker |

First Lutheran sponsored missionaries

Bolivia, South America: Rev. Nick and Shannon Kraft, and children Madison, Tanyon, Moises, and Tucker
South Africa: Paula Powell
World Mission Prayer League Missionaries to India: Brian and Barbara Sorge and family
World Mission Prayer League Missionaries to Peru: Henrik and Patty Christopherson

CONGREGATION COUNCIL OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

| | | | |
|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| President | Ken Frayer | Personnel | Sherry Winbigler, convener |
| Vice President | | Property | Gary Lane |
| Secretary | Mary Schwartz | Service Ministry | Becky Sarbach |
| Christian Day School | Cindy Russell | Stewardship | Jan Fisher |
| Christian Education | Chris Cichanowicz | Worship | Roscoe Thompson, III |
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| Evangelism | Steve Ritz | SCS Superintendent | Chris Cichanowicz |
| Finance | Don Harruff | Women of FELC | Marianne Sweat |
| Global Mission | Jeanne Hillman | | |

June 2010

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | 1 9:30am CDS (Chapel) 10:00am Pastoral Care (FR) 12:00pm -1 PM Bible Study (NL) 12:00pm First Tuesday (ER) | 2 8:30am Workday Ladies (3rd fl) 9:30am CDS Music (UC) 12:10pm Worship & Lunch (C/UC) | 3 11:30am Bulletin Assy (3rd fl) 2:00pm Staff Meeting (FR) 5:30pm Proclaim Reh (UC) 7:00pm Sr Choir Reh | 4 7:00am Prayer Partners (NL) 9:00am Organ Tuning (Nave) | 5 5:00pm Holy Communion (Chapel) |
| 6 8:30am Worship (Nave) 9:30am Fellowship/Coffee 9:45am Thrivent Info Meeting 11:00am Holy Communion (Nave) 11:00am Proclaim! (UC) 12:00pm Fellowship/Coffee | 7 9:30am Men's Group @ Denny's 1:00pm Sarah Circle @ Dutch Heritage 1:00pm Finance Committee (FR) 7:00pm Property Committee (UC) 7:30pm Lydia Circle (ER) | 8 9:30am CDS (Chapel) 12:00pm -1 PM Bible Study (NL) 7:00pm Council (UC) | 9 9:30am CDS Music (UC) 12:10pm Worship & Lunch (C/UC) 4:30pm Malawi Orphan Care Mtg. (FR) | 10 11:30am Bulletin Assy (3rd fl) 2:00pm Staff Meeting (FR) 5:30pm Proclaim Reh (UC) | 11 7:00am Prayer Partners (NL) 10:00am Mary Circle @ Blizzards' home | 12 5:00pm Worship (Chapel) |
| 13 **Graduation Recognition** 8:30am Holy Communion (Nave) 9:30am Fellowship/Coffee 11:00am Proclaim! (UC) 11:00am Worship (Nave) 12:00pm Fellowship/Coffee | 14 6:30pm Small Group (ER) | 15 *Visitor deadline* 9:00am Holy Comm @ Elmcroft 9:30am CDS (Chapel) 10:15am Holy Comm @ Waterford 12:00pm -1 PM Bible Study (NL) 2:00pm Holy Comm @ Mifflin Care | 16 9:00am Youth Arts Conference (UC/3rd fl) 9:30am CDS Music (UC) 12:10pm Worship & Lunch (C/UC) | 17 9:00am Youth Arts Conference (UC/3rd fl) 9:30am Holy Comm @ Sterling 11:30am Bulletin Assy (3rd fl) 2:00pm Staff Meeting (FR) 5:30pm Proclaim Reh (UC) | 18 7:00am Prayer Partners (NL) 9:00am Youth Arts Conference (UC/3rd fl) 10:30am - 2 PM Friendly Friday Srs (ER) 6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal (Nave) | 19 2:30pm Wedding (Nave) 5:00pm Worship (Chapel) |
| 20 8:30am Worship (Nave) 9:30am Fellowship/Coffee 11:00am Proclaim! (UC) 11:00am Worship (Nave) 12:00pm Fellowship/Coffee 12:00pm Schwartz 50th Open House (UC) | 21 | 22 9:30am CDS (Chapel) 12:00pm -1 PM Bible Study (NL) 7:00pm Worship Committee (ER) | 23 9:30am CDS Music (UC) 12:10pm Worship & Lunch (C/UC) | 24 11:30am Bulletin Assy (3rd fl) 12:30pm Visitor Assy (3rd fl) 2:00pm Staff Meeting (FR) 5:30pm Proclaim Reh (UC) | 25 7:00am Prayer Partners (NL) | 26 **Food Collection** 5:00pm Worship (Chapel) |
| 27 **Food Collection** 8:30am Worship (Nave) 9:30am Fellowship/Coffee 11:00am Worship (Nave) 11:00am Proclaim! (UC) 12:00pm Fellowship/Coffee | 28 6:30pm Small Group (ER) | 29 9:30am CDS (Chapel) 12:00pm -1 PM Bible Study (NL) | 30 9:30am CDS Music (UC) 12:10pm Worship & Lunch (C/UC) | | | |

Legend:
 BRC - Blackfork Retreat Center
 C - Chapel in Luther Hall
 CDS - Christian Day School
 Ch Rm - Choir Room
 ER - Emmaus Room
 First Floor, Luther Hall
 FR - Fireside Room
 Second Floor, Luther Hall
 Nave - Main Sanctuary
 UC - Undercroft
 (church basement)
 3rd - Third Floor, Luther Hall
 NL - Narthex Lounge