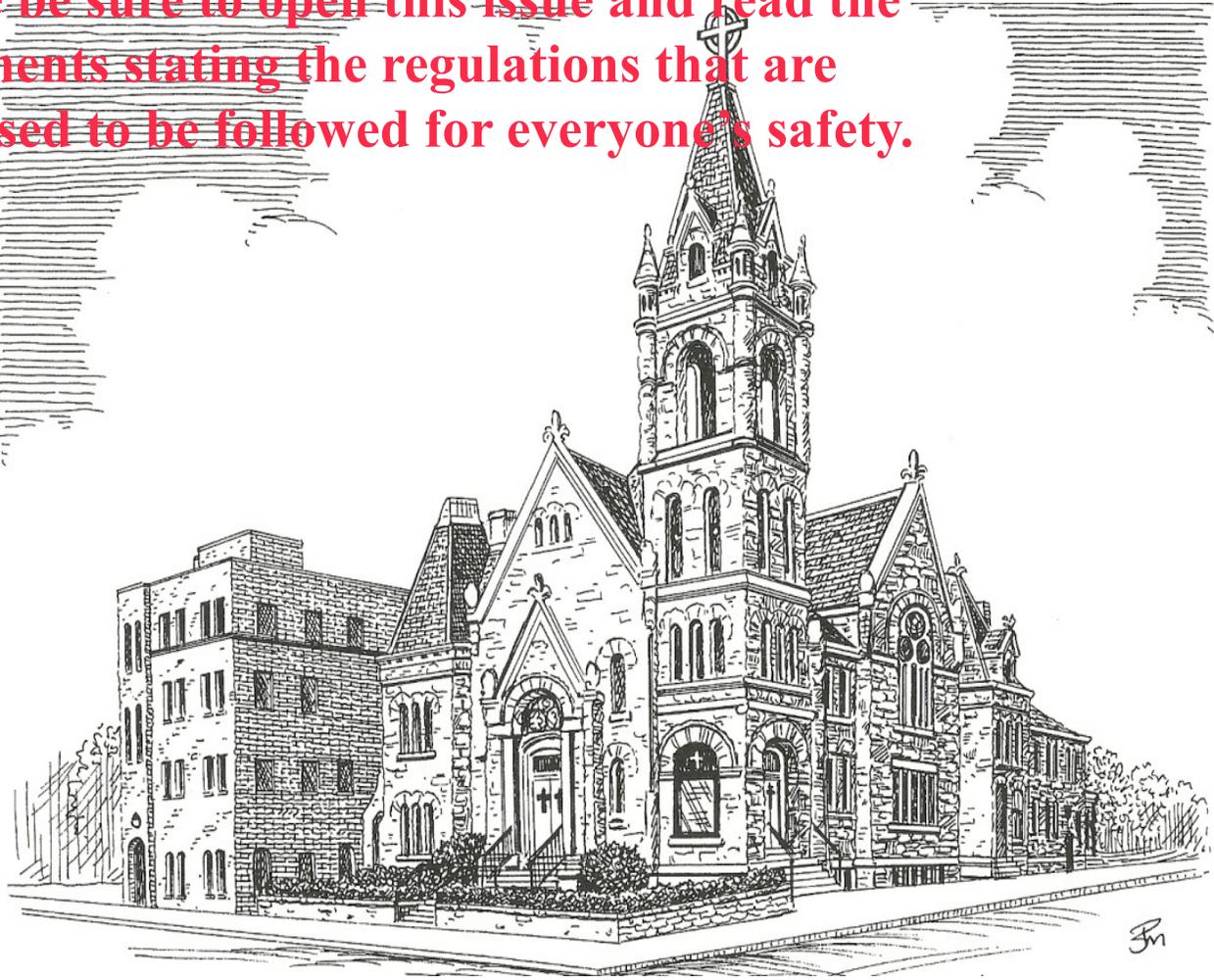


# THE VISITOR

Please be sure to open this issue and read the documents stating the regulations that are proposed to be followed for everyone's safety.



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***“I was glad when they said unto me,  
Let us go into the house of the LORD.”***

Psalm 122:1 (KJV)

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

The great news is that we are making all the needed arrangements so that we can begin worshipping together in our Sanctuary! This is something that I am sure all of us have missed and are eagerly awaiting.

Our Church Council has voted that our first public worship service back together in our Sanctuary will be at 10:00am on **Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020**. We will celebrate Holy Communion in the month of June on Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. Our Worship Committee has received lots of great information from other congregations and religious organizations, along with information from our government officials. Based on all of their learning, they have worked hard to put together our **“New Guidelines for Re-Opening at FELC.”** Important information for all of you to read before Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup> will be found in this newsletter. This information will also be posted on our FELC Website and Facebook page.

While we place a high priority on gathering together as the church for worship and other activities, and we always want you to feel like family at First English Lutheran, if you are feeling sick or running a fever, the best way that you can love your neighbor is by staying home! If you need to stay home instead of coming to our worship service, we encourage you to worship through our Facebook broadcast.

Admittedly, life back together will look and feel different. But this is the safest way that we can reopen and still do what is needed to protect one another.

I am so looking forward to seeing all of you again and worshipping together!

**Together In Christ’s Love!**

***Pastor Paul***

## WHAT PRECAUTIONS IS FELC TAKING TO MAKE OUR WORSHIP SERVICES AS SAFE AS POSSIBLE?

FELC is taking extra precautions at this time. We will need everyone's cooperation and participation to protect our worshipping community. These Guidelines Include:

- Everyone is asked to take their temperature before coming to worship. If you are running a temperature or are in any way not feeling well, stay at home.
- Masks – Everyone (age 5 and older) is asked to wear a mask. If you do not have a mask, one will be provided. (Worship Leaders serving in the chancel area will not have masks while leading worship, but will be observing the social distancing requirements of at least 6 feet.)
- Everyone is required to use hand sanitizer upon entering the building.
- We will be wiping down all common area touch points (e.g., doors, light switches, countertops.) before and after every worship service.
- To eliminate surfaces that may be touched by multiple persons, we will not be handing-out Worship Bulletins. However, Worship Bulletins will be available by clicking on the Link on our church's Facebook Page in advance of the service. This will allow you to print them at home and bring your own with you.
- We ask that worshippers NOT use the Hymnals and Bibles in the pew racks. Cleaning these books will permanently damage their covers. All materials for worship will be projected on the screens.
- During the Service, children will not be coming forward for the Children's Sermon, but remaining in their pews with their families.
- For "The Passing of The Peace" we will not be leaving our places in our pews or shaking hands or hugging (unless you are seated with your immediate family).
- We will not be passing the Offering Plates. Instead a large wooden Offering Box will be positioned at the entrance into the Sanctuary for the giving of your Tithes, Offerings and Sacrifices.
- We will be using a safer way to serve Holy Communion through pre-packaged elements. They will be available on Communion Sundays, spaced-out on a table in the Church Narthex. Please pick up one per communicant before entering the Sanctuary, being careful not to touch any adjacent communion packages.
- Upon entering the Sanctuary, please go directly to where you plan to be seated. Family groups may sit together. Otherwise all family groups or individuals should be seated at least 6 feet apart. We will be sitting in every 3<sup>rd</sup>

row of pews. Please make use of the balcony seating to make better use of our large sanctuary.

- At the end of the Service, the ushers will release worshippers by pews, starting from the back of the Sanctuary. Please move to the exit doors without stopping in the Narthex.
- Please pass directly through the church Narthex before and after the Worship Service. We will NOT be gathering in this space for coffee fellowship & conversation. If you need to speak with the Pastor, please contact him by phone or text. You may hold conversations with your friends in the church parking lot but maintain at least the required 6 feet of social distancing.

### **SHOULD PEOPLE COME TO FELC IF THEY ARE FEELING SICK?**

While we place a high priority on gathering together as the church for worship and other activities, and we always want you to feel like family at First English Lutheran, if you are feeling sick or running a fever, the best way that you can love your neighbor is by staying home! If you need to stay home instead of coming to our worship service, we encourage you to worship through our Facebook broadcast.

### **WHEN WILL WE REOPEN?**

With our recommended precautions mentioned above, we are planning to reopen on **Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>**. However, as this situation continues to be fluid, we will keep you informed of any changes or recommendations from our government and medical officials.

**While First English Lutheran Church is taking every precaution to prevent the spread of Covid-19, we cannot guarantee that you will not become infected. Attending services may increase your risk of contracting Covid-19, especially if you are over 65 years old or have an underlying health condition. By entering, you voluntarily assume this increased risk of exposure or potential infection with Covid-19.**

**FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**GUIDELINES for COVID-19**  
**Effective June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

**Do Not Enter If:**

- You Have symptoms of or currently have Covid-19.
- You are a healthcare professional who cares for Covid-19 patients.
- You have been exposed to or are caring for those with Covid-19.
- You are especially vulnerable to Covid-19 due to age or an underlying medical condition.
- You have attended any crowded events/ parties/ other public gatherings where social distancing and safety precautions are not in place within the last 14 days.

**Upon Entering:**

- Cleanse your hands with the provided hand sanitizer and maintain 6' social distancing at all times.
- Wear a mask (children under 5 years old are not required to wear masks).
- Pass directly through the Church Narthex and proceed to your pew. Please remain in your pew during the service.
- Depart promptly after the service, maintaining social distancing protocols.

**Caution:**

According to the CDC, older adults and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions might be at higher risk for severe illness from Covid-19 including:

- People with chronic lung disease or moderate to severe asthma
- People who have serious heart conditions
- People who are immunocompromised
- People with severe obesity
- People with diabetes
- People with chronic kidney disease undergoing dialysis
- People with liver disease

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FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH  
CONGREGATION COUNCIL MEETING  
Tuesday March 10, 2020

PRESENT: Chris Cichanowicz; Lana Conry; Ted Ellis; Jan Fisher; Todd Heichel; Dan Obrynba; Cindy Russell; Tom Sarbach; Alicia Schulz; Mary Schwartz; Lowell Weeks; Pastor Paul Larson. Not present: Mike Anderson; Kathy Hoecker; Gary Lane.

Due to the current public health crisis and government orders regarding limitations on public gatherings, this meeting was conducted on the internet via the Zoom platform. It was not intended to be a formal meeting but, rather, a chance to check in on each other's and on FELC's well being. As there was a quorum present some business was conducted.

Discussion about the opportunity presented by the federal Payroll Protection Program which is making loans available to businesses and organizations, such as FELC, to cover certain types of expenses. Some of the amounts borrowed can be forgiven if used for qualified purposes like payroll costs, mortgages, rent, utilities. Motion (Ted/Tom) that we apply for the payroll protection program loan from the SBA. **Motion carried**. In fact, because time was of the essence, we already did apply and receive about \$90,850. The intention is to use it for payroll and employee benefits.

Tom shared about the various technological steps we have taken/are taking to broadcast our services as well as hold virtual meetings such as this. Tom, Becky Pittman, Pastor and Jan are exploring what hardware, software, etc. we might need to continue the ability to live stream such events as weddings, funerals, etc. beyond the time of shutdown and social distancing. Also discussions are ongoing about receiving money/contributions on line.

Ted commended Jan for suggesting that we make calls to members who may not have the technology to participate in our internet services. This has

been very successful and a delight to those making and to those receiving the calls.

Regarding a group to formulate needs and expectations of an interim pastor, a list of names was put forward. The intention is that we all pray about this matter and try to arrive at a group of about 7 persons.

Todd mentioned that he will need to report the Youth Leader position, at a cost.

Cindy expressed thanks to Tom, Jan, Ed Farner, Becky Pittman, Scott Berry and Pastor who get up early on Sunday mornings to do church while the rest of us remain in our pajamas.

Thanks to Dan for setting up this zoom meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

**Addendum:** An e-vote was solicited on a Recommendation from the Executive Committee: Due to the current, unprecedented circumstances – the public health crisis resulting from the Covid-19 virus and the government prohibition of public gatherings, the annual meeting of the congregation shall be rescheduled from May 24, 2020, to Sunday July 26, 2020, at 11:15 a.m. or immediately following the worship service that morning. On April 28 Lowell announced: **Recommendation approved.**

**Second Addendum:** An e-vote was solicited on a Motion (Lowell/Dan) that FELC suspend all Worship Services and non-essential public meetings through Saturday, June 6, 2020, and begin public worship services on Sunday, June 7, 2020. On May 4, Lowell announced the **Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted by  
**Alicia Schulz, Council Secretary**

**This from our Congregation Council President.....**

We are thankful and grateful for your continued stewardship regarding your gifts to the church. It is a blessing to know that each of us values keeping our tithes.

Thank you! *Lowell Weeks*

**EARLY LEARNING CENTER**

**PRAISE THE LORD, THE EARLY  
LEARNING CENTER IS RE-OPENING  
ON MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2020!**

## **WITHIN THE FOLD**

### **Wednesday Noon Lunch**

In April and May, due to the Coronavirus and the closure of in-person services and activities, the Wednesday Noon Lunch Fund received no donations.



## *THANK YOU!*

*A Big "Thank You" to everyone who sent those great birthday cards for the celebration of my birthday! Your beautiful and fun cards with all your personal greetings were greatly appreciated! You made my day!*

*God's Blessings!  
Pastor Paul*



## **Congratulations 2020 Graduates!**

Congratulations to our 2020 High School Graduates! We will be celebrating our First English Lutheran graduates in our 10:00am worship service on Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>.

Anya Doklovic,  
Taylor Grossenbacher,  
Brianna McFadden,  
Zachary Rippel.



## **Gardening**

THE BEAUTIFUL PLANTERS HAVE BEEN PLANTED AND POSITIONED IN THEIR USUAL PLACES AROUND THE CHURCH. AS WE BEGIN RETURNING TO WORSHIP, PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO ENJOY THEIR BEAUTY! IT IS A GIFT THAT WE GIVE TO THE CITY OF MANSFIELD AND I'M PRETTY SURE WE ARE THE MOST BEAUTIFUL CHURCH IN MANSFIELD!

Below are some ongoing tasks that you might be able to help with:

- Plant geraniums from Pentecost worship
- Pulling weeds, continuing all summer
- Weekly watering of the planters (watering happens at least twice a week)

After the annuals are all planted, dead-heading and watering will be required. As you probably recall, FELC was recognized by the City of Mansfield and the Mens' Garden Club for all the beautiful planters and other plantings.

There is a need for people to help with the maintenance all summer.

If you would be interested in helping with this outdoor work, please call or text Jan Fisher (419-589-2820) or Lu Blankenship (419-564-1469).



## STAYING IN TOUCH

No one is likely to challenge that our days have been separated and sequestered and sometimes lonely since mid-March and on through April and May! But we are such a loving bunch of congregants that we can always find a way to do outreach or “in-each”, and that is exactly what has happened. The very fortunate thing is that in the year 2020 there is much technology available to help us with interaction. (Think how confining it must have been back in 1918 at the time of that influenza pandemic!) At least now we have FaceTime, Facebook, E-mail connections, texting, Zoom meetings, Instagram, etc.!

We have been blessed to worship online, as long as we have the proper technology available to each home. But for some, that just is not a reality, so about fifteen of us have graciously and lovingly been making phone calls to those of us who might otherwise be very lonely and out of touch. We have a rotating list that we use, thus we make calls weekly to different members of our congregation. I think that there is no recipient who has not appreciated getting a greeting from a fellow member. It’s all about engagement and looking after one another. To that I say “this is what Jesus calls us to do and the Holy Spirit has stirred us up!” And Praise to God the Almighty, we are being INTENTIONAL!

If you find a little spare time now and then, please take a moment to check on a fellow member or send a quick note. The goal is to stay as connected as possible during our time away from church.

Selfless gifts of bouquets of flowers, potted plants, fresh homemade muffins, bags of chocolate chip cookies; all these gifts of love have been happening along with the many caring phone calls keeping everyone up to date!

Our church office support staff has been working remotely from home. When needed, our gals Nicole and Angie do make a trip into the office, but it’s rare. This is simply to keep them as safe as possible, and also to keep their families safe. Becky, too, is working in and working out depending on what she needs to accomplish. Andy and Dave have been in the building taking care of some deep cleaning property issues. And the Early Learning Center is getting a makeover, too!

**The church now has a Zoom subscription so that longer meetings can be planned. Contact Angie Cockrell to schedule a Zoom conference/meeting.**

# WOMEN'S MINISTRY



## CALENDAR

GROUP	Date	Time	Place	Hostess
Prayer Shawl Ministry	Nothing scheduled due to COVID 19	7:00 PM	TBA	Bring your latest knitting and crocheting of shawls. Everyone invited!
Sarah	Nothing scheduled due to COVID 19	1:00 PM	Emmaus Room	Marianne Sweat and Kay Jewett leading
Women's Bible Study (formerly Lydia Circle)	Nothing scheduled due to COVID 19	1:00 PM	Emmaus Room	Video study of Luke, Pat Heichel will be hostess. All women are invited to join us!
Women's Ministry Team Meeting	TBA as needed			Officers and Circle Leaders attend. All women are welcome to join us.
Workday Ladies	Nothing scheduled due to COVID 19	1:00 PM to 4:00 PM	Third Floor	Cutting squares and quilting tops. All women are welcome to join us! We would love your help!

**Funeral Squad for JUNE, Squad B: Myra Cordrey, Jan Fisher, Beth Harruff**

## **Global Missions**

### **June 2020**

Not having anything new from our missionaries, I am printing my letter requesting support for the feeding program in Kanyenyeva. MOCP so appreciates your generous responses, but there is always room for more in this difficult “hungry season.”

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We at First English Lutheran Church have always had huge hearts for the children in Kanyenyeva, supported by the Malawi Orphan Care Project. At the present time it is the “hungry season” over in Malawi and Covid 19 has also found its’ place over there. We are feeding more and more children, the average now going up to 900 per feeding day. Until recently they were able to feed the children six days a week, but financially had to decrease back to three days a week beginning May 1. This hurts my heart when I think that one meal per day is quite likely the only meal that child might get!

There is much that I can share with you but in wanting to keep this short and to the point I will just tell you that it costs \$270.00 to support one feeding day for that many children. The recent wire transfer that was totally dedicated to feeding will be depleted by the last week in June. We have never had to make a plea for feeding support quite like this, but the need is great, and we very much need to receive your checks if you can find a way to help. Any amount is greatly appreciated!

Please pray about this and mail your check in the envelope provided to:

First English Lutheran Church  
53 Park Avenue West  
Mansfield, OH 44902

In Christ’s service,

Jan Fisher  
MOCP Treasurer

**Chris Cichanowicz**  
Global Mission Chairperson



## **Becky's Views.....**

Just like many of you, I am so excited to be worshipping as one body of Christ again beginning Sunday, June 7th! I have missed creating beautiful music with the praise team and all of our gifted musicians at FELC. I am so THANKFUL to have been still able to lead worship via technology over the last 2 months with Scott Berry. Who knew you could somehow combine just an acoustic guitar and organ and make it work?!? God certainly has a good sense of humor! Thank you, Scott! It is a pleasure to work with you, my friend! A big THANK YOU to Jan Fisher, Ed Farner, Tom Sarbach, and Todd Heichel for getting us "out there" to our church family and many others on social media since March 22nd!!!

There are MANY rules and regulations our Early Learning Center has to follow as it reopens on Monday, June 1st. The time I get to spend with the kids and teachers in their classrooms will be limited for now, but we will still get to have music together outside in the small parking lot on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. I am looking forward to singing about Jesus with all of the kids again for all of downtown Mansfield to hear twice a week!

**BE INTENTIONAL! BE LIKE JESUS!**

**Becky Pittman, Coordinator of Music and the Arts**

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## **Memorial Donations**

### **Memorial Fund**

#### ***In memory of Don Harruff***

*Given by: George Williams, Steve Rhodes, Sue Schiffer, Bob Rhodes, Frederick & Carol Slater, Avalon Evans, Joan Wirstrom, David Yetzer, Anthony & Janet Reale*

### **ELC Bus Fund**

#### ***In memory of Don Harruff***

*Given by: Wesley & Sandra Volz*

*With Sincerest Sympathy*

Don Harruff

May 10, 2020

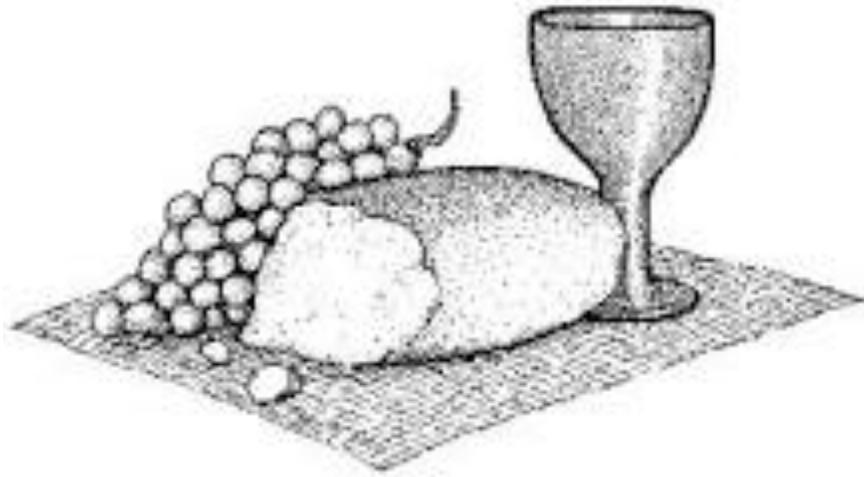
Bill Schulz

May 9, 2020

We remember in our prayers the family and friends of those who have recently lost loved ones through death. We pray for Christ's gifts of healing and peace during this time of loss and sorrow that they may be comforted with the Promise of the Resurrection through faith in Christ Jesus our Risen Savior.

### **Pastoral Acts**

None to report



### **Nursing Home Communions**

***A message from our caring group of Communion Deacons and home visitors .....***

***If you know of anyone who wants a Communion Deacon to give Communion to them in their home, or if you just want a home visit, please contact the Church Office or call Larry Lantz at 419.756.5506.***

**Larry Lantz, Coordinator**

### **Nursing Home and Assisted Living Communion Services**

June 17, 2020	Tues. 2:00 PM	Mifflin Care
June 18, 2020	Wed. 2:30 PM	Primrose
June 18, 2020	Wed. 3:30 PM	Msfd. Place

<p><b>Volunteer Scheduling Contacts</b></p>	<p><b>The monthly volunteers are published in Visitor and posted on bulletin boards.</b></p>
<p><b>Worship Committee</b>  <b>Heather McFadden 419.295.6467</b>  Acolytes</p> <hr/> <p><b>Cindy Russell 419.544.0878</b>  Assisting Ministers and Lay Readers</p>	<p><b>Pew Pad Gleaners</b>  <b>Jane Sprang 419.610.9776</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>Ushers</b>  <b>Charles and Myra Cordrey</b>  <b>419.632.4121</b></p>
<p><b>Evangelism Committee</b>  <b>Jan Fisher 419.589.2820</b>  Greeters</p>	<p><b>Becky Pittman</b>  <b>419.989.8585</b>  Power Point, Nave</p>
<p><b>Property Committee</b>  <b>Mike Anderson 419.295.4598</b>  Property Chairman</p>	<p><b>Finance Committee</b>  <b>TBA</b></p>
<p><b>Becky Pittman</b>  <b>419.989.8585</b>  Sound Board/Audio</p>	<p><b>Amy Skropits 419.747.3076</b>  Sunday School Superintendent</p>

## **Evangelism for Today's World**



*Happy to report a very successful  
“DRIVE THROUGH” free produce distribution on May 12th!*

We served 151 families with 8140# of fresh produce (our biggest delivery yet.) Of that number 28 were seniors living with minor children, 89 were seniors with no minor children= 117 seniors. Adults served (18-59 yrs) 91 with minor children, 86 with no minor children = 177. The number of children served (birth to 17) = 117, those stats totaling 411 people being served with fresh produce today. Awesome! And we had 36 terrific volunteers trying to pack produce and yet keep social distance! **Our next Produce Distribution will be Tuesday, June 9th, 11:00 to 1:00.**

*Jan Fisher, Evangelism Chairperson*



### ***Congo Life***

The life of our congregation will bloom again, once we can openly gather! I'm ready for some hugs! It is difficult to plan until we are all allowed to gather in groups larger than ten.

**Lana Conry, Congo Life**



## Stewardship Message

We are very grateful for your continued mailing of your weekly offerings, gifts to our Lord's work here at First English Lutheran Church!

Mary Schwartz, Stewardship Chairperson

Find us on Facebook: **First English Lutheran Church**



**Podcasts of weekly sermons are on the website: [felc-mansfield.org](http://felc-mansfield.org)**

And please check out our new FELC mobile friendly website!  
**[felc-mansfield.org](http://felc-mansfield.org)** where you can be directed to online worship via Facebook and YouTube.

## *June 2020 Volunteers*

### **Sunday 10:00 a.m. Worship (Nave)**

#### **ACOLYTES**

June 7: TBA  
June 14: TBA  
June 21: TBA  
June 28: TBA

#### **ALTAR WORKERS**

Scott and Jodi Mumaw

#### **ASSISTING MINISTERS**

Chris Hoecker

#### **COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOSTS**

Worship

#### **COMMUNION PREPARERS**

June 14: Tom and Stacey Crall

#### **COMMUNION SERVERS**

June 14:  
Wine West: NONE  
Cups West: NONE  
Wine East: NONE  
Cups East: NONE  
Intinction: NONE

#### **GREETER**

Jan Fisher

#### **LAY READERS**

June 7: Lu Blankenship  
June 14: Shirley Lane  
June 21: Chris Kaschube  
June 28: Alicia Schulz

#### **PASTORS' PRAYER PARTNERS**

Chris Cichanowicz  
Mary Schwartz  
Lowell Weeks  
Jan Fisher

#### **PEW PAD GLEANERS**

June 7: Liz Sprang  
June 14: Lana Conry  
June 21: Brenda Eyerly  
June 28: Jodi Mumaw

#### **POWER POINT OPERATORS**

June 7: Taylor Grossenbacher  
June 14: Cindy Russell  
June 21: TBA  
June 28: Cindy Russell

#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL BREAKFAST**

June 7: NONE  
June 14: NONE  
June 21: NONE  
June 28: NONE

#### **SOUND BOARD OPERATORS**

June 7: Ed Farner  
June 14: Ed Farner  
June 21: Ed Farner  
June 28: Ed Farner

#### **USHERS NAVE**

Paul Theaker & Mike Anderson  
Quentin Skropits & Tyler Crall



The following opportunities are available for the donation of Altar Flowers. Please consider purchasing flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one. Please call Angie Cockrell at the Church Office (419-522-0662) to reserve one of the dates listed below or to check the availability of other upcoming dates. *OR* you can sign up to sponsor flowers by filling out the Altar flower Sign Up Form on the table in the Narthex. Flowers are \$40.

*June 14, 2020*

*June 21, 2020*

*June 28, 2020*

***It is an awesome act of Worship to give God the Glory in beautifying the church on Sunday morning!***



## **YOUTH NEWS!**

Jr. High and Sr. High Youth News

### **THIS CONTINUES.....**

Thanks to Elizabeth Volz for setting up Zoom meetings! Our Youth have been staying connected via Zoom for both Sunday School and for virtual Youth Group meetings. Every Sunday and Wednesday evening at 7:00 PM they all connect electronically. Sometimes their siblings even join in! They have done such things as an Easter Scavenger Hunt connected to a Bible Study, they've had a challenge where the boys competed to put their hair up into pony tails (due to no recent hair cuts), they spend time sharing what their days have been like, and they generally just enjoy their time together in fellowship! The Youth Group has an Instagram page where Stu Brenkus recently planted some "seeds" to watch their faith grow. They all enjoyed that lesson. It is just awesome to hear that they have been so innovative! However, it is NOT a surprise. Go Youth, Go God!



### **DAILY DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS**

Devotional booklets for JUNE are in the tract racks, so please help yourselves to these booklets. Make daily devotions a necessary part of your "routine." There are also many good apps available for your iPhone or Android. In today's busy world, apps are a wonderful digital tool!



## **Prayer Requests**

To be put on the printed prayer listing: If you would like the church family to know of your joy or concern, please notify the pastors or call Angie Cockrell (419.522.0662) in the church office to be added to the list. Please call again when it is appropriate to have that prayer request deleted.

We also invite you to use our two prayer chains. Your request will be shared with a small group of prayer warriors via phone call chain.

Call **Pat Shenberger** to activate the prayer chains.

Her home # is: 419.589.2399 or cell# is: 419.632.4850.

**Prayer is very powerful, and we encourage you to use these methods for many needs.**

## **Prayer for Hope**

"Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; and perseverance, character; and character, hope. Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us. For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly." [Romans 5:1-6](#)  
NKJV



Something new! We are case you would like to card or note! Feel free to Below find June and July birthdays.

going to post birthdates in celebrate with a birthday share this information.

Volz, Shawn	1550 Graham Rd Mansfield OH 44903-7764	06/02/1964
Kelley, Casey	2656 Westrock Dr Hilliard OH 43026-8148	06/04/1993
Keultjes, Henry	228 Bowland Rd Mansfield OH 44907-1157	06/05/1939
Gleason, David (Billy)	400 Davis Rd Mansfield OH 44907-1122	06/05/1960
Kelley, Diana	2787 Lutz Mansfield OH 44903	06/09/1964
Theaker, Paul	1474 Graham Rd Mansfield OH 44903	06/13/1945
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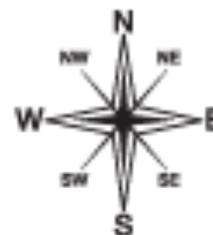
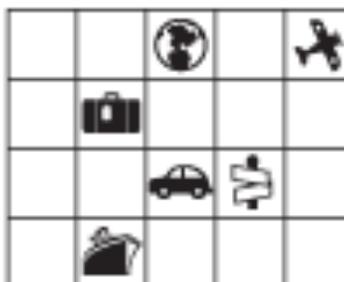
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# Wherever we go

No matter where we journey, God always protects us.

*Directions: Use the map and compass to answer the clues. Then write the boxed letters in order in the spaces below to complete Psalm 121:8, NIV.*



**Start at the SHIP.**

Move 1 space N, 3 spaces E, and 2 spaces N  \_ \_ \_ \_

**Start at the WORLD.**

Move 1 space W, 1 space S, and 1 space SE  \_ \_

**Start at the SUITCASE.**

Move 1 space NE, 2 spaces S, and 1 space E  \_ \_ \_

**Start at the PLANE.**

Move 2 spaces SW, 1 space S, and 1 space W  \_ \_

**Start at the CAR.**

Move 1 space E, 1 space N, and 1 space NW  \_ \_ \_ \_

**Start at the SIGN.**

Move 1 space SE, 1 space W, and 2 spaces NW  \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

The \_ \_ ORD will watch ove\_ your comi\_g and go\_ng  
both no\_ and for\_ vermores. Psalm 121:8, NIV

Answer plane, car sign, ship, world, suitcase. The LORD will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore. Psalm 121:8, NIV

# ROAD TRIP TREAT

Make this snack necklace to enjoy during summer travels.



## What you need:

- Dental floss
- Sewing needle
- O-shaped cereal
- Raisins
- Popcorn

## What you do:

1. Carefully thread a yard of floss through the needle.
2. String a pattern of cereal, raisins and popcorn on the floss until only 4 inches remain on either end. Tie the two ends together.
3. Repeat to make necklaces for your whole family.
4. When you're ready to eat, simply bite off each "bead." Experiment with other non-perishable foods.

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**CORE VALUES**

- 1 Relationships**
- 2 Standing on the Word of God**
- 3 Sacrifice**
- 4 Giving our Best to God**
- 5 Worship Space**
- 6 Worship Experience**

**STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES**

- 1 ELC (formerly CDS)**
- 2 Align Ministries to Strategic Focus**
- 3 Engaging Youth**
- 4 Repurpose Staff Including Accountabilities**
- 5 Create Culture of Engagement**