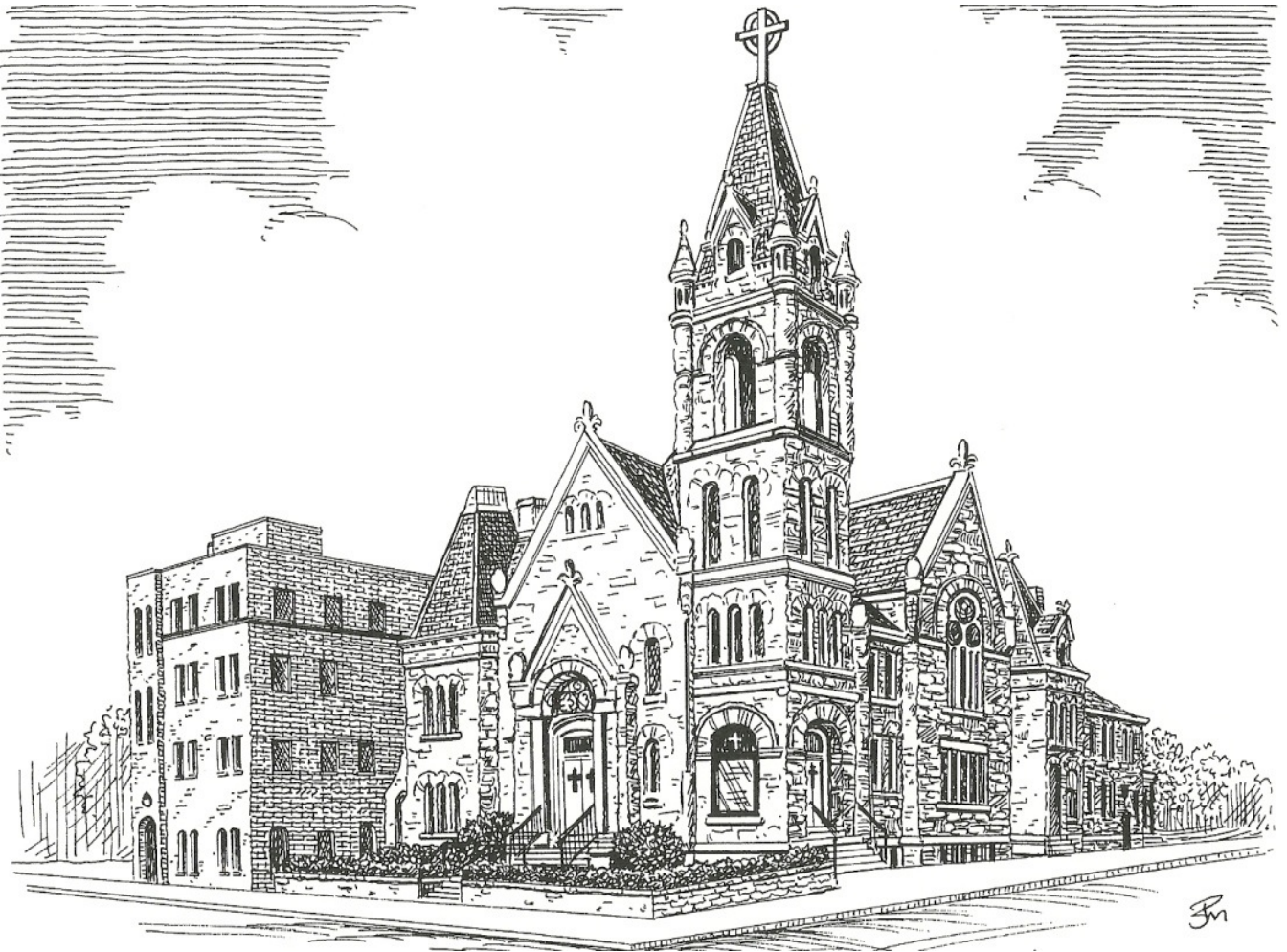


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We have made a commitment to focus on the following values and objectives:

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 Early Learning Center (ELC)
- 2 Align Ministries to Strategic Focus
- 3 Engaging Youth
- 4 Repurpose Staff Including Accountabilities
- 5 Create Culture of Engagement

Pastor Tim's message to our congregation.....

Pastor is out! Gone camping!



Pastor Tim has gone fishing and camping the last two weeks of July! Blessings to Pastor Tim and Royce as they relax and enjoy family and friends!

Note to Congregation - we will be offering Council minutes via Google.docs and they will be current for the month just past.

FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH

CONGREGATION COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday July, 13 2021- 7:00PM

DRAFT COPY- Updated 7/14/21, 10:19AM

Present: Jan Fisher, Pastor Tim Hubert, Chris Chichanowicz, Sandie Volz, Lu Blankenship, Gary Lane, Mike Anderson, Lowell Weeks, Christopher Kaschube

Absent: Chad McFadden, Cindy Russell, Ted Ellis, Tom Sarbach

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by President Lowell Weeks. Welcome to new council member Sandie Volz.

Opening devotion by Lowell Weeks.

Secretary, Christopher Kaschube: The Council minutes for the June 2021 meeting were **APPROVED** (Jan/Chris C.)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Executive Committee:

- **RECOMMENDATION** by Executive Committee to end our relationship with Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC). If the Church Council agrees, this will need approval from the Congregation at our next meeting in January 2022. **RECOMMENDATION APPROVED.**
- Considered asking the city of Mansfield for ownership or custody of Luther Alley, between Mulberry and Weldon. This alley bisects our parking lots next to the playground. This issue has been **TABLED** by the Executive Committee.

Interim Pastor, Rev. Dr. Tim Hubert:

May our good Lord bless each and every one.

There is much for which to be thankful here at FELC! We are beginning to heal...visibly heal!

I shared that comment with our Staff recently and they asked if I really believed that. Yes, I said, I can see it in the eyes of our members, in our conversations, in our extended sharing of the Peace on Sunday mornings, in our plans and desires to grow deeper in our relationship to Christ Jesus, our beautiful Savior!

Summer is a time of relaxation. In fact, in a couple of days I will begin my vacation, visiting family in three states and a little fishing besides. Our attendance is down only a little. Our in-

come seems fairly stable if only down a little. All things considered, we're doing pretty well having negotiated a decade of arguments, Covid and the power of the State to shut us down.

Now we are beginning to worship beside people we don't know. Now we are asking how we can move from the membership model to the disciple model. Now we are not asking what we need to do to survive. We're only asking how we can be ever more faithful.

This Council, our Staff and our Committees are at the very center of ministry at FELC. We are asked to lead by example, to reach out and help members and guests. The goal is not simply to be FELC, but to be a shining light of Christ for all of Mansfield!

Thank you for your willingness to work together with the Holy Spirit!!!

Blessings, all!

Vice President: No Report

Personnel:

- The Personnel Committee **RECOMMENDS** a wage increase for Angie Murphy, Director of the ELC. (Refer to Finance Report)
- The Personnel Committee recognizes that we need to identify a person with the credentials and experience to act as our Assistant Director for the ELC. This would be a high priority search for this coming fall and winter school year. (Refer to Finance Report)

Finance, Lu Blankenship:

General Operating Fund (GOF): includes ELC

June 2021 Income was \$47,313 which is **less** than budget by \$8,014

June 2021 Expenses were \$86,278 which is **less** than budget by \$3,163

June 2021 Expenses were **more** than Income by \$38,965

YTD Income is \$310,738 which is **more** than budget by \$11,276

YTD Expenses are \$462,503 which is **more** than budget by \$39,676

YTD Income is **less** than expenses by \$151,765

Early Learning Center (ELC):

**Income less due to Job & Family Services payments behind due to Holiday*

June 2021 Income was \$31,458 which is **less** than budget by \$2,708
 June 2021 Expenses were \$44,357 which is **more** than budget by \$861

YTD Income was \$169,202 which is **less** than budget by \$3,294
 YTD Expense are \$182,443 which is **less** than budget by \$2,608
 YTD Income is **less than** expenses by \$13,242

GOF Recap:	2020 Carry-over								\$127,594
Gen Endow Fund to Gen Op Fund (\$136,045)									\$60,000
Maj Cap Imp Endowment Fund to GOF (\$9,037)									\$0.00
New Min & Miss Endowment Fund to GOF (\$16,058)									\$0.00
RGH II Campaign Funds to Gen Op Fund for loan pymt									\$5,361
2021 YTD Income									\$310,738
2021 YTD Expenses									\$462,503
GOF Balance									\$41,190

Finance will be meeting with Louis Navelier and Rob Hogsette regarding investments on Wednesday, July 14.

Jointly with Personnel, Finance **RECOMMENDS** that council approve a pay increase for Early Learning Center Director, Angie Murphy, to bring her annual salary to \$40,000. This is an increase of a little less than \$4,000, the amount to be covered in the Early Learning Center budget. **RECOMMENDATION APPROVED.**

In addition to the increase for the director, Personnel and Finance **RECOMMENDS** to council that the director be given authority to hire additional staff as required as summer help leaves and enrollment increases. With the competitive hiring market, Finance further recommends that council approve granting the director the latitude to raise existing staff wages as appropriate, since the starting wage for new hires may be more than the wages of existing staff. All payroll expenses will be covered by the Early Learning Center budget. **RECOMMENDATION APPROVED.**

Several families are far behind yearly pledges. Finance agreed that a mid-year letter will be sent to members explaining financial statements and giving a gentle reminder.

Lynda Ringold has volunteered to serve on the Finance Committee. Thank you Lynda!!!
Property, Mike Anderson via Gary Lane:

The old shed for the playground has been removed and is for sale. We are asking \$500.

The city of Mansfield has proposed the following items for leasing the front parking lot:

- They will remove the big dirt pile.
- They will remove the old pavement and repave. They will plant a few small shrubs.
- They will install a new entrance, from mulberry street.
- They want a 20 year lease.
- We want a free water tap to water the shrubs.
- The Property Committee is getting quotes for air conditioning the sanctuary.
- The repairs in the women's restroom off the Emmaus Room have been completed.
- We are getting quotes for upgrading the women's restroom in the Undercroft.
- The color for the edging to the stained glass windows was chosen to be bronze. Black or white were not chosen. Lead abatement during construction for safety will be an add on.

RECOMMENDATION that we proceed with the lease agreement with the city for the parking lot. **RECOMMENDATION APPROVED.**

Early Learning Center, Tom Sarbach, via Becky Pittman (added July 14):

ELC families were invited to "Pastries with Parents" in the Emmaus Room in honor of both Mother's and Father's Day. (delay because of Covid) Many parents stayed and ate goodies with their kids; good fellowship time for everyone. Hosted by Becky P & Angie M. Building intentional relationships!

Teachers no longer working at the ELC were removed from the webpage. We are working on adding new teacher pics. We intentionally left off summer help since they will be leaving soon.

Kenzie (an ELC school-ager) will be singing a solo at church on Sunday, July 11th, and Peyton (another school-age ELC child) will be participating in a sketch on Sunday, July 25th.

Building intentional relationships!

The ELC preschool classes will be singing for our Lutheran Fellowship group (80+years of age) on Monday, August 16th at 10:30 in the Emmaus Room. Building intentional relationships!

The school-age ELC children will be heading to Wedgewood Estates Assisted Living to perform their patriotic program for the residents on Thursday, August 12th at 9:45. Building intentional relationships!

The VBS offering will be dedicated to collecting hygiene items for our Wednesday Noon Lunch neighbors. Building intentional relationships!

The ELC kids entering the 6th or 7th grade were invited to the FELC youth group event for Saturday, July 10th. They will be invited regularly to any youth group activity. Building intentional relationships!

Youth, Ted Ellis:

10 youth and 5 adults attended the "Cain" concert on Saturday, July 10th, in Ashland. This was the first church outing on our new bus! Teddy Vail (the ELC bus driver) is willing to drive for events if he is available.

Our next youth gathering will be on Saturday, August 14th. Tricia Volz will be hosting an afternoon of swimming for Jr. and Sr. High families beginning at 4pm, followed by a potluck. Jr. and Sr. High youth will then stay for a campout. The kids will come to church together the next morning.

Congregational Life: No Report

Evangelism, Jan Fisher:

We served over 6000# of a great mixture of fresh produce, both fruits and vegetables this time. We had 143 guests today, serving a total within those households of 353 people. We actually had guests from 17 zip codes! I'm so grateful for having had 32 volunteers today, some of which were school agers from ELC. Pastor Tim offered prayer with a number of guests. How awesome is that? And he gave away an entire carton of the new paperback bibles recently acquired. Pretty sure the Holy Spirit is surrounding us out there! We finished before the rain really came. Our guests tell us every time how much they appreciate our ministry! Evangelism (Inreach) of our older members (80+ folks) is continuing with a "Bingo Party" on Monday, July 19th. We are hoping folks will come out for a relaxing afternoon of bingo, prizes, and some nice snacks. More details of our successes will likely show up in the August Visitor. (Outreach: working with ELC on VBS that's coming later in July.)

Worship, Cindy Russell:

The Worship Committee reviewed the results of the survey regarding changing communion to weekly instead of monthly and festival Sundays. The committee decided to keep communion to once a month and festival Sundays at this time.

The ushers are now passing out Announcements and Prayer Lists only. The Worship Order is available for those that want it. It was felt that with everything on the screen that most people were taking bulletins for the announcements and prayer lists. As we make this change, the number of Worship Orders needed is being monitored and will be changed as needed to reduce printing.

Attendance and Facebook Views for June:

6th Attendance - 88, Views - 114

13th- Attendance - not available, Views - 173

20th- Attendance - 75, Views - 122

27th- Attendance - 87, Views - 245

Stewardship, Sandie Volz: No report.

Christian Ed/Sunday School: No report.

Global Mission, Chris Cichanowicz:

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Peru : No new information.

Social, Gary Lane:

Signs honoring Mansfield's police, fire, and first responders are available for pickup in the narthex on a first come basis.

Women of FELC, Jan Fisher:

We don't meet during the summer, but we do have plans to begin our Fall programs. Once we meet for our planning session, I will pass along information. Blessed to be a blessing!

FELC Tech/IT Group: No Report

New Business: None

Old Business:

At our council meeting in May, we heard of a proposal from the City of Mansfield regarding the parking lot on the west side of Mulberry along Park Avenue West. The City wants to develop it into a free parking area for people doing business along Park Avenue West. Council referred the matter to the Property Committee. The City has proposed that a lease agreement be drawn up and proposes to do some landscaping along the sidewalk on Park Avenue. FELC would like to propose a water connection in the area to allow watering of the landscaping. The City has asked for a formal approval from the Council to proceed with a negotiation regarding a lease agreement. (See Property report)

RECOMMENDATION from a previous Executive Committee meeting for a Council Retreat/ Workshop on Saturday, September 11, 9:00 AM to Noon: **RECOMMENDATION APPROVED.**

9:00	Breakfast				
9:30	Suffrages				
9:45	Pastor-	Working Together			
10:00	Secre- tary-	Google Docs			
10:15	Angie C-	Working with the Church Office			
10:30	Suffrages				
10:45	Nicole-	Budget, Check Request			
11:30	Questions, Reflections				

11:45	Suffrages			
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Closing Prayer/Adjournment: Prayer by Pastor Tim at 7:40PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher J. Kaschube

Council Secretary

CONGO LIFE

Finally, finally, finally we get to have some pot luck meals! What a great thing!

On Sunday, August 29th, immediately following worship, we will have our choice of coneys and/or shredded chicken sandwiches for our first pot luck luncheon! Please mark your calendars and plan to attend! If you could plan to bring a side dish or dessert to share, that would be great. We will provide the meat, buns, coney sauce, and drinks as well as table service.

Thank you,
Cindy Hill, Congo Life,
419-564-1708

ONLINE GIVING IS NOW LIVE!

You may recall that we have given several heads-ups that online giving was coming to OUR CHURCH. Well it's finally here, thanks to Nicole Goddard's hard work. The donation button has been added to our awesome website. It is right up at the top of the home page above the home page graphics. It simply says "make a donation" and you click on that button which will take you immediately to the form that you will submit, once you've filled it out. How easy is that? Twenty first century technology right here for us to use!

Here is the link in case you need to refer to it: <https://app.easytithes.com/app/giving/first6539351>

FINANCE COMMITTEE UPDATE

Thank you, FELC Family, for your continued support of our ministries. Our offerings for the Second Quarter of 2021 totaled \$57,774, which meant our benevolence giving was \$5,777, distributed as follows:

LCMC	\$ 139
NALC	\$1,482
NC Ohio Mission District	\$ 139
WMPL Missionary –Krafts	\$ 693
WMPL Missionary – Sorges	\$ 693
Love, Inc. (Local)	\$ 416
Richland Pregnancy Services	\$ 416
Lutheran World Relief	\$ 416
MOCP Food	\$1,385

Giving is an expression of our thankfulness and praise to God. It comes from a heart of worship that recognizes that everything we have and give already belongs to the Lord.

Note: If you haven't yet reviewed your Second Quarter Giving Record, please do so. It will tell you if you have met your pledge or if you are over or under. Thanks so much for your generosity! If your giving is under your pledged amount and you need to make an adjustment, please call Nicole at the church office and let her know you want to change your pledge. We totally understand that circumstances change; however, it helps us with planning if we have good forecast data.

Thanks again for your generous giving!

Lu Blankenship, 419-564-1469, finance@felc-mansfield.org

Love Notes from Shirley

(written by Shirley Lane)



This month's Love Notes begins with a thank you note that speaks volumes. It was written by eleven year old Ava Zehe. We can all learn from this beautiful little girl to always say thanks and "Hope you have a great day." The world would indeed be a happier place with this greeting, and I know that my day was brighter and brought a smile to me when I received her note.

Ava is an honor student going into the sixth grade in Ontario schools. She won third place in her fifth grade talent show and has auditioned for Moana Jr. at the Mansfield Playhouse. Ava loves gymnastics, singing and crafts. Her parents are Nathan and Rachelle Zehe. Nate is the owner of Sunshine Lawn Maintenance, which he started in 2005. He enjoys his business and also playing guitar music. Nate plays guitar in our praise band, as well as singing solos occasionally. Mom Rachelle is an Administrative Assistant at Advantage Credit Union in Mansfield where she has worked for sixteen years. Her favorite "job" is caring for her family. Brady is their fifteen year old son who will be a sophomore at Ontario High School. He is an honor student as well, and also enjoys basketball and spending time with family and friends.

The Zehe's are basically a hard working family who enjoy spending time together and staying busy between their kids' activities.

PERSONAL NOTE TO MISS BECKY: Wouldn't it be special to hear a duet sung by Ava and her Dad at a Sunday worship service? All in favor say "aye"!

Ava's note to Shirley.....

THANK
YOU

Dear Mrs. Lane

Thank you for my Birthday
card and my 2 dollar bill,
it will hopefully give me
good luck! Well I hope you
have great day and a good
rest of your day!

Love,

Ava Zeh

calendar here

calendar here

Within the Fold



Wednesday Noon Lunch Ministry



In July, due to the continuing restrictions resulting from the Coronavirus, there was no Wednesday Chapel Service. We did receive a \$5.00 donation.



Earlier, during Spring, the FELC library got purged and disassembled because the weight of the books was causing structural stress on the building (3rd floor.) Many of the books had value, and Lynda Ringold deals with rare and sought after books selling them via Amazon. All of her efforts have come directly back to the church (no fees or gratuities for her) and from March through June there has been book income in the amount of \$440.39. Thank you, Lynda, for your selfless efforts in this regard!

Thank you's.....

Women's Ministry recently gave Jo Wirstrom a cozy fleece blanket to keep her toasty when air conditioning seems a bit low. Jo says "Thank you so much for the warm blanket. I'll think of you every time I use it. First English has so many kind and loving people! In Christian love, ***Jo Wirstrom***"

Faith Kaschube is one of our recent graduates, and here's a note from Faith: "Thank you so much for the beautiful quilt, the kind card, and the DQ gift card! I will definitely make good use of those gifts. I really appreciate all of your love and support throughout my life and I'm so grateful to have you as my church family. You have been such a blessing to me!" ***Faith Kaschube***

Kayla McFadden is another one of our recent graduates, and here's a note from Kayla: "Dear Women of First English Lutheran, Thank you so much for the beautiful quilt and the Dairy Queen gift card! I use the quilt a lot and LOVE it! Thank you again!" ***Kayla McFadden***



July update from our Worship Committee

Following the pew pad survey, communion will be staying at once per month at present.

What about bulletins versus announcement sheets? What do you think? We've been testing this out during July. Please let Cindy Russell know your thoughts on keeping bulletins, keeping announcements, and/or keeping both like we always used to present them.

Cindy Russell
Worship Committee Chairperson

Something else to consider.... Pastor Tim is very willing to begin a Wednesday evening Bible Study which has been requested by a number of our members. What would you think? Would you join in? Time: 7:00 to 8:00 PM or perhaps 8:30 PM? Please look for the Pew Pad Question.

Women's Ministry is hoping to begin meeting in September. We generally don't meet during the summer months. It will be refreshing to begin some programs in the fall!

Funeral meals, when necessary, will be provided. Below is the squad assignment :
AUGUST: Squad D: Mary Schwartz and Pat Heichel



ALTAR FLOWERS

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.

August 1, 2021

August 22, 2021

September 5, 2021

September 12, 2021

September 19, 2021

September 26, 2021

Global Mission



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Peru : No new information.

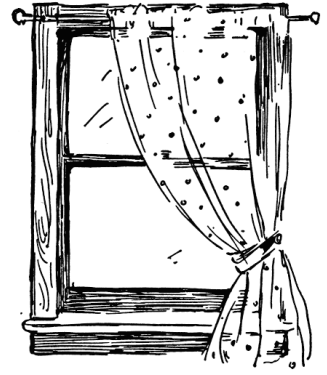
Please keep "education for Malawian high schoolers" and "Malawi girls to Boarding School" in mind as a means to change lives. Donations are now being gratefully accepted for 2021-2022 school year. See Jan Fisher or Chris Cichanowicz if you have questions.

Donations of any amount are critical.

Chris Cichanowicz

Global Mission Chairperson

Becky's Views.....



What a busy but wonderful month of July!

The ELC kids did a GREAT job singing and playing instruments during the "Patriotic Picnic on the Playground!" They worked very hard practicing all summer long preparing their songs. The preschool classes will be singing for our Luther Fellowship group in August, and the school-age kids will be singing for the residents at Wedgewood Estates. Our love of Jesus is going on the road!

How exciting to be able to offer VBS again! All of the kids in attendance had tons of fun at the "beach party" in our parking lot. I would like to thank ALL of the volunteers that helped out in a variety of ways.

"Thank you" to Pastor Tim, Gary Lane and Beth Harruff for leading worship at Wedgewood Estates in July. This was the first Communion service the residents had participated in since Covid began in March of 2020.

Our Luther Fellowship group (80+) had great fun playing Bingo together in the Emmaus Room. We are planning a monthly activity as we move forward. If you have an activity idea, please let me know!

We are blessed with so many talented musicians at FELC! We love having Grace Sarbach playing with us weekly now, and are thankful to add the beautiful voices of Kayla McFadden and Brianna McFadden once a month.

1 Corinthians 12:27 "Now YOU are the body of CHRIST, and each one of YOU is a PART of it!"

BE INTENTIONAL! BE LIKE JESUS!

Becky Pittman, Coordinator of Music and the Arts

JULY 19, 2021 LUTHER FELLOWSHIP BINGO

Twelve friends met for fellowship and bingo. Becky Pittman, Lu Blankenship, and Jan Fisher hosted the event in the Emmaus Room. It was so good to see all those smiling faces gathered on the comfy furniture encircled around each other.



We began with Prayer and Praise and went around the circle giving something for which we are praising God. It was everything from finding a misplaced cell phone, to being thankful for white clouds, beautiful moons and gorgeous sunsets, to praising God for our warm and friendly church members! In Prayer mode, we prayed for Del and Doris Krueger's son David, that God would hold him close and give him healing from a treatable cancer.

Who has a July birthday? Well, Shirley Lane of course, because it is tomorrow, July 20th. So of course we sang Happy Birthday, dear Shirley! Then we all got snacks and sat down to play Bingo, called by Becky Pittman. I think everyone won at least one prize, most won several.

We plan to keep this going and anyone is welcome to make a suggestion for an event. Someone suggested a bus trip to Amish Country in September or October. You know we have a small bus now! Next month we will meet in the morning at 10:30 AM, Monday, August 16, 2021. The ELC preschool classes will be singing to us, and we will follow with a light brunch. We are hoping even more can attend, so please mark your calendars!

COMMUNION AT WEDGEWOOD ESTATES

"Thank you" to Pastor Tim, Gary Lane and Beth Harruff for leading worship at Wedgewood Estates in July. This was the first Communion service the residents had participated in since Covid began in March of 2020. We have plans to continue this service for Wedgewood residents. Anyone and everyone may join in.

MEMORIALS

Wednesday Noon Lunch Fund

In memory of Robert White

Given by: Sandie Volz



Robert “Bob” White

June 25, 2021

(Lindsey Anderson’s Father)

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

Communion to our Shut-ins.....



We are now beginning to give Communion to Shut-ins in their homes, and in nursing homes if the nursing homes allow us in. If you are comfortable in receiving us into your home please call the church, leaving a message for

Larry Lantz and/or Gary Lane at:

Church: 419-522-0662

Evangelism for Today's World

I am excited to share with all of you that the Greater Cleveland Food Bank offered "Grant Requests" for which we applied. And the blessing is that we have been awarded a grant in the amount of \$2280.00 which will be used to purchase a Chromebook (for registering our guests), some canopies for shade, a freezer so that we could offer frozen meat to our guests, and more(these purchases are yet to come). Editor note



Thanks to the thirty-two volunteers we had in July, a number who were school agers from the Early Learning Center. We received so much produce that required bagging, it was superb to have their help! Yes, again it was exactly the kind of drive-thru that we always hope for, steady, steady, steady. And having Pastor Tim there to meet and greet people makes a huge difference! Our 6000# of produce went to 143 families, which equates to 353 people being served with fresh produce. Wonderful that we have attained this growth. This was not one of our biggest distributions, but I am so grateful for the steady growth over the past five plus years. (When we began six years ago we took delivery of 3000# of produce, and we thought that was a lot!) Again, THANK YOU! Blessed to be a blessing!

And another plus is that Pastor Tim met every guest, prayed with many of them, and gave away an entire case of bibles. Hallelujah! I'd say that's the hands and feet of Jesus!

We recently applied for a grant from the GCFB and we were awarded \$2280.00 in funds. This will help us purchase come very helpful equipment.

Be intentional any time you see a face that you don't know — just introduce yourself! We are all part of the same family of God!

Jan Fisher, Evangelism Chairperson

Youth News.....

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE NEXT YOUTH EVENT! SATURDAY, AUGUST 14TH AT 4:00 PM, SWIMMING AND FISHING AT THE VOLZ'S POND ON GRAHAM RD. All family members are invited. Please bring something to share for potluck supper. Youth group gang is staying for a camp out, and all coming to church the next morning as a group.

Volunteer Scheduling Contacts	The monthly volunteers are published in Visitor and posted on bulletin boards.
Worship Committee Heather McFadden 419.295.6467 Acolytes <hr/> Worship Committee Chmn. Cindy Russell 419.544.0878 Assisting Ministers and Lay Readers	Pew Pad Gleaners Jane Sprang 419.610.9776 <hr/> Ushers Charles and Myra Cordrey 419.632.4121
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Property Committee Mike Anderson 419.295.4598 Property Chairman	Finance Committee Lu Blankenship 419.564.1469
Becky Pittman 419.989.8585 Sound Board/Audio	Amy Skropits 419.747.3076 Sunday School Superintendent

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.

Mary Schwartz is now heading up the prayer chain. Please call Mary to activate the prayer chain.

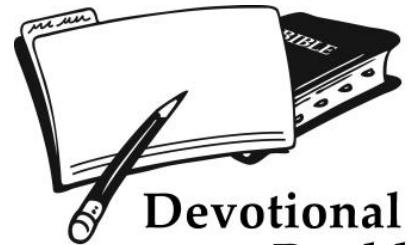
Her home # is: 419.747.2600 or cell # is: 419.566.3113.

Prayer is very powerful!



DAILY DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS

Devotional booklets for AUGUST 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!



**Devotional
Booklet**

NALC.org offers a great devotional option. Check it out!

Find us on Facebook: First English Lutheran Church Podcasts of weekly sermons are no longer on the website: **felc-mansfield.org**.



Please refer to **Facebook** or **YouTube** to view past sermons.

And please check out our new FELC mobile friendly website!

felc-mansfield.org where you can be directed to online worship via Facebook and YouTube.

August 2021 Volunteers

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

ACOLYTES

August	1:	TBA
August	8:	TBA
August	15:	TBA
August	22:	TBA
August	29:	TBA

ALTAR WORKERS

Scott and Jodi Mumaw

ASSISTING MINISTERS

Greg Hughes

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOSTS

Finance Committee

COMMUNION PREPARERS

August	1:	Tom and Stacey Crall
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COMMUNION SERVERS

August	1:	
Wine West:		Kathy Hoecker
Wine East:		Pat Heichel

GREETER

TBA

LAY READERS

August	1:	Alicia Schulz
August	8:	Chris Cichanowicz
August	15:	Stacey Crall
August	22:	Chris Hoecker
August	29:	Amy Skropits

PASTORS' PRAYER PARTNERS

Chris Cichanowicz

Mary Schwartz

Lowell Weeks

Jan Fisher

PEW PAD GLEANERS

August	1:	Brenda Eyerly
August	8:	Cindy Hill
August	15:	Stacey Crall
August	22:	Rhonda Rehm
August	29:	Linda Hughes

PROPRESENTER

August	1:	Isaac McFadden
August	8:	Allison Weeks
August	15:	Cindy Russell
August	22:	Teri Brenkus
August	29:	Cindy Russell

SLING STUDIO

August	1:	Ashley Berry
August	8:	Todd Heichel
August	15:	Suzanne Rippel
August	22:	Todd Heichel
August	29:	Suzanne Rippel

SUNDAY SCHOOL BREAKFAST

NONE

SOUND BOARD OPERATORS

August	1:	Ed Farner
August	8:	Ed Farner
August	15:	Ed Farner
August	22:	Ed Farner
August	29:	Ed Farner

USHERS NAVE

Greg Hughes & Pat Smith

Lana Conry & Brady Zehe

BULLETIN INFORMATION DEADLINE!

Need to get information in the bulletin for a meeting or an announcement? Send details to Angie Cockrell at acockrell@felc-mansfield.org or phone the church office at 419.522.0662.

Weekly deadlines are noon on Wednesday for bulletins pertaining to that particular weekend. Bulletins assembled at 11:30 AM on Thursdays each week.

Nicole Goddard, our bookkeeper, may be reached by calling the church office at 419-522-0662 or email her at NGoddard@felc-mansfield.org

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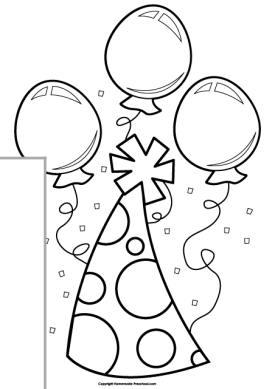
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Emergency cell phone number if the pastor cannot be

contacted at church:

Pastor Timothy Hubert 217-778-8017

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS:



Ronda Rehm	1090 Crestwood Dr Mansfield OH 44905-1623	August 4
Lillian Farner	1360 W Circle Dr Mansfield OH 44905	August 5
Frank Gall	27 W 2nd St Mansfield OH 44902	August 8
Adam Rehm	1090 Crestwood Dr Mansfield OH 44905-1623	August 11
Beverly McKeehen	455 Logan Rd Apt 49 Mansfield OH 44907	August 11
Chad McFadden	1190 Timbercliff Dr Mansfield OH 44907	August 12
Louis Beal	93 Harvard Ave Mansfield OH 44906-2818	August 18
Barbara Justice	620 TR 2104 Loudonville OH 44842	August 18
Ted Ellis	3467 State Rte 546 Lexington OH 44904-9765	August 19
Gordon Moxley	3711 Shangri La Ave Ontario OH 44903	August 19
Lois Brown	169 W Second St Mansfield OH 44902	August 23
Kay Williams	2841 Robelleni Palm Dr #92 Avon Park FL 33825	August 27
Wendy Hunt	3134 Gass Rd Lexington OH 44904-9788	August 27
Sarah Ward	592 Fox Rd Lexington OH 44904-9336	August 28
Rachel Caseman	2355 Mount Zion Rd Mansfield OH 44903-8761	August 29
Karen Ellis	3467 State Rte 546 Lexington OH 44904-9765	August 31
Gregory Thatcher II	1628 Royal Oak Dr Mansfield OH 44906	August 31



Teach us to pray

In Luke 11:1-13 (NIV), Jesus teaches about prayer.

Directions: Add or subtract the letters indicated and unscramble the letters to form a new word, using hints from the passage. Then unscramble the circled letters to answer the question below.

- party – t = p r a y (v. 1)
- lady + i = _ _ _ _ (v. 3)
- drab + e = _ _ _ _ (v. 5)
- rod + o = _ _ _ _ (v. 7)
- bask – b = _ _ _ _ (v. 9)
- keeps – p = _ _ _ _ (v. 9)
- define – ee = _ _ _ _ (v. 9)
- shift – t = _ _ _ _ (v. 11)
- sneaky – y = _ _ _ _ (v. 11)
- sift + g = _ _ _ _ (v. 13)



What will the Father give to those who ask of him?

_ _ _ _ _ (v. 13)

Answer: pray, daily, bread, door, ask, seek, find, fish, snake, gifts, Holy Spirit

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