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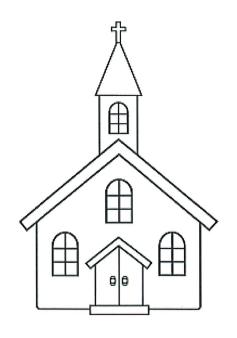
Go Missions International missionaries to Peru & Bolivia, South America: Nick and Shannon Kraft, and children Madison, Tanyon, Moises and Tucker World Mission Prayer League Missionaries Brian and Barbara Shadreck and Yamikani Chikoti, Kanyenyeva Orphan Care Ministries

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## **QR CODE FOR**TITHES AND OFFERING

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

#### STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

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

#### 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

## Pastor Jay's Jottings

#### Acts 2: The Fellowship of the Believers

<sup>42</sup> They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. <sup>43</sup> Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. <sup>44</sup> All the believers were together and had everything in common. <sup>45</sup> They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. <sup>46</sup> Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, <sup>47</sup> praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved."

In my own walk with Jesus, I want to continually grow. I sometimes find myself looking at the latest book or church that seems to be making disciples and I want to learn from them. But theres always a "program" or a series to buy. And rarely do these do more than just kick start someone's faith for more than a few months until the next new program or series comes along.

But many of us are striving for a more permanent lifestyle that will put Jesus at the center for more than just a series of books or bible studies. We want something that is life giving not only to us, but the people we surround ourselves with, and the more I dive into this, the more I am drawn back to the basics of the first century. The disciples that walked with Jesus, were taught by Jesus, and were commissioned by Jesus to go and tell others about him, were doing something in the first century that we find ourselves not doing. They were living their lives in community - with Jesus at the center.

I'm not sure what that would look like for us today, but they gave us insight to how they were living for Jesus. They were **devoted**. This was a **non-negotiable**. They were "all in" on four of the tenets that Jesus had given them.

**Teaching** – John 8:31 – "If you hold to my teachings you are really my disciples...." **Fellowship** – John 13:35 – By this everyone will know you are my disciples, if you love one another. **Breaking of bread** – Luke 22:19 – And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them saying, This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

**Prayer** – Luke 11:1 – One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord teach us to pray"

These four things that the disciples were *Devoted* to, helped to launch a movement that is still going strong 2000 years after Jesus' death. It's still going because it's more than a movement, it's a lifestyle that when practiced, will change lives today, and for the future.

Join me in July and August as we take a four week look at these "Non-Negotiables" of our faith. The schedule is below. We will have an overview on Sundays, and then on Wednesdays we will have a four week "Eat n Teach" schedule. A time to come together in fellowship, food, and a deeper dive into Jesus.

I pray that you will join me as we learn more about the devotion that the disciples had to the non-negotiables of their faith.

God Loves You, And So Do I.

Pastor Jay

## FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES & REPORTS

Saturday, June 28, 2025- 8:00 AM *Updated June 27* 

Present: Cindy, Chad, Jan, Mike, Chris C. Pastor J, Absent: Chris K.

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 AM

Cindy led prayer.

#### Secretary, Christopher Kaschube:

• Electronically presented the FELC Church Council minutes from May 28 for approval. **MOTION** Jan - Chris(2nd) to approve the minutes. **MOTION** passed

#### Pastor's Report, Jay Jackson:

I am full of joy (although immensely relieved) that we are finally able to move into a house and settle into a more regular routine. Praise God.

The work of the church continues as we are striving to help move the Kingdom of God forward into the lives of our friends, families and neighbors. The end of June will allow us to come together as leaders of the church here at First English and develop a unity that will move us together as one body for the sake of the Gospel.

We will be discussing what servant leadership looks like in our context. We will be crafting a FELC leadership covenant together with the staff in the hopes that it will keep us all accountable to each other and to Christ as we do his work. It will all be centered around our amazing mission statement "Pointing people to Jesus through intentional relationships."

Everything we do, from programs to outreach to worship should have that focus, and our leadership retreat should help to do that.

This month I was able to....

Be present at the bedside of a dying mom.

Share scripture and prayer with hospital bound.

Travel to be with a family in crisis.

To pray with a pastor as his wife transitions to her new life in Christ.

Be the hands and feet of Christ for one who needed help.

Walk with young people who affirmed their faith and their baptisms.

This was a month for reflecting on the joy of being present with families and people during their most intimate and vulnerable times. It is an honor to walk with folks through the good and the bad. It is a call we all share as followers of Christ. To think about and put others first instead of the needs of ourselves. To develop relationships for the sake of pointing people to what Jesus did for us on the cross and His resurrection.

It's why we do what we do. It's humbling, and fulfilling, and joyful.

#### Executive Committee:

- **RECOMMENDS** the following Team Leaders for approval:
  - Social Ministry- Anita Nehrkorn
  - o Christian Education- Tricia Volz
  - o Global Missions- Alicia Schulz
  - o Property- James Murphy
  - o Stewardship- Dan Peterson
  - o Evangelism- Yvonne Dixon
  - o Congregational Life & Nuture- Lu Blankenship
  - o Music & Worship- Jan Fisher
  - o ELC- Chris Cichanowicz
  - Finance- Mike Anderson
  - Youth- Vacant
  - o Personnel- Handled by Pastor Jay as Head of Staff, and Angie Murphy as ELC Director -

(take a look at the duties and obligations of personnel team and create a guide and parameters within the constitution)

In regards to the ELC - We would like to ask for any names of new hires in the ELC so that we can have them for information, not for approval. To embrace them as part of the team.

We want to look at council as more of a visioning body, rather than a reporting body./

#### **Internal Ministries Committee, Jan Fisher:**

Congregational Life & Nurture Team, Lu Blankenship:

Music & Worship Team, Jan Fisher:

#### Young Adult Ministries, Kayla McFadden:

- May 29th Bible Study we had 9 people in attendance
- May 30th, the mission team left for the Word and Witness Mission Trip in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada and returned June 7th. Some additional information:
  - Kayla McFadden, Elisa McFadden, Faith Kaschube, and Callie Kaschube traveled to Winnipeg and were welcomed by Pastor Teresa Peters and met 12 other young adults for a week of missions.
  - We fundraised for the mission trip and received \$2,976.00. We spent a total of \$2,988.20.
  - We started the week by running the church service at Joy Lutheran Church and creating relationships with the congregation. Each young adult served in some capacity.
  - We served at Agape Table, a Christian soup kitchen, where we helped prepare food and were able to feed 668 people on Monday and 688 people on Tuesday.
  - We volunteered at Harvest Manitoba. We served at one of their distribution sites and at their warehouse. Their distribution site was run similar to a store and we helped the individuals get their allotted amount of food and load their cars. At their warehouse, some of us were on quality control and some were sorting items. These items are sent to over 380 distribution sites and roughly 108,000 Manitobans access a Harvest Manitoba program each month.
  - o We walked with the Bear Clan, a aboriginal group that walks a couple times a week through parts of the city. We also walked with another group called Elmwood Unity

- Walk. With both these groups, we were able to pass out food, water, hygiene products, clothing, and some other needed items. We were also able to clean up the streets.
- o On our last day of serving, we were able to put on a VBS day for a local Christian School where most of the students are immigrants and refugees. We passed out over 100 of the bracelets made by Christine Mayglothling to the students and teachers. Thank you!!
- June 11th I attended pub theology and advertised to young adults
- June 12th Bible Study we had 4 people in attendance
- June 14th, planned for outdoor games (volleyball, spikeball, pickleball) but canceled due to low attendance and poor weather
- June 17th I attended an interview/meeting to share about the Word and Witness Young Adult Mission Trip
- June 19th Bible Study we had 10 people in attendance and 5 went to Applebee's afterward
- June 26th Bible Study we had 12 people in attendance and finished our study on The 7 Deadly Sins
- Managed young adult social media pages
- Intentionally invested in the lives of young adults

Thank you for your continued prayers and support for this ministry!

#### **External Ministries Committee, Chris Cichanowicz:**

#### ELC Team, Becky Pittman:

- The ELC kids are working extremely hard on their "Stories of the Bible" plays. Please plan on attending on Monday, July 7th @ 5pm at The Renaissance Theater. They will present Noah's Ark, Jonah and the Big Fish, Jesus Calms the Storm, and Feeding the 5,000 through skits, scripture readings and songs. This is a free event. Donations will be accepted, though, to go towards the Kindness Closet ministry at Spanish Immersion School. Checks can be made out to FELC, Memo line: Kindness Closet
- Our ELC will be invited to the VBS kick-off and community worship being held at South Park on Sunday, July 20th at 10am. We are also promoting VBS to the ELC families.

#### ELC Team, Angie Murphy:

## Global Missions Team, Chris Cichanowicz: Malawi:

- Joy Jones was here on June 22 to give an update about the Malawi Orphan Care Project that she began in 2005. The mission was to help feed as many of the orphan children there as financially possible. Back then, her team could only feed 100 children two times a week. Now nearly 1000 children are fed 6 times per week! In addition to the feeding program, Joy and Pastor Andy have made it possible for these people to become more self-sufficient by growing their own maize, starting their own chicken business, and creating a Days for Girls. Several other churches are also now helping to finance the projects. Educating many of these children is one of them. There is now one college graduate and 4 in college. High school students and boarding school students are being supported as well. Of course, the main focus has ALWAYS been to teach about JE-SUS. That's why they have been so successful.
- May God bless all the Malawi women who so willingly give their time to come and prepare the meals each week.
- Many thanks to Shadreck and Yami Chikoti who have always given their expertise and time to help whenever needed.

#### Peru and Bolivia:

• The Krafts are focusing on mission work in Bolivia and it's been a struggle because of the lack of finances. Any donors willing to give would be greatly appreciated.

#### Sri Lanka;

• Continued prayers that the Lord will bless Brian and Barbara with the knowledge and love needed to bring Christ into the lives of all they meet.

#### Social Ministry Team, Anita Nehrkorn:

- No meeting was held.
- Wednesday Noon Lunch:
  - o June 4- 50 also no perishable food given out
  - June 18- 59
- Senior Boxes:
  - June 24 -100
- Wednesday Noon Lunch Upcoming
  - July 2- none to be held
  - July 16- Cookout

#### **Business Committee, Mike Anderson:**

#### Finance Team, Nicole Goddard:

General Operating Fund (GOF): includes ELC

May 2025 Income was \$72,350.81

May 2025 Expenses were \$80,370.06

May Exp enses were more than income by \$8,019.25

YTD Income was more than Budget by \$45.278.88

YTD Expenses were less than Budget by \$17,343.45

#### **General Operating Fund (Early Learning Center):**

May 2025 Income was \$49,024.96

May 2025 Expenses were \$37,135.67

May Expenses were less than income by \$11,889.29

YTD Income was more than Budget by \$33,012.12

YTD Expenses were more than Budget by \$9,713.77

#### General Operating Fund (First English Lutheran Church):

May 2025 Income was \$23,325.85 (offering income \$22,686.10/special income \$639.75)

May 2025 Expenses were \$43,234.39

May Expenses were more than income by \$19,908.54

#### Other Funds:

ELC Fund Expenses for May \$1,093.16 YTD: \$12,626.63

MOCP Fund Special Offering Disb. for May \$0 YTD: \$1,700.00 :

FELC Maintenance Fund Expenses for May. \$0 YTD: \$984.20

Major Capital Improvement Fund Expenses for May \$37,075.16 YTD: \$107,743.46

M&W Pittman Fund Expenses for May \$144.44 YTD: \$2,709.40

General Operating Fund Balance as of 5-31-2025	\$39,311.44
2025 YTD Expenses	\$407,298.70
2025 YTD Income	\$336,943.88
Gambier Fund to GOF (allowed all Christian Education Expenses)	\$6,376.55
NMM Fund to GOF (allowed all Young Adult Expenses)	\$7,000.00
New Min & Miss Endow Fund to GOF (allowed \$20,925)	\$0.00
MCI Endow Fund to GOF (allowed \$14,831)	\$0.00
Gen Endow Fund to <u>GOF</u> (allowed \$139,744 + \$90,000)	\$50,000.00
Pass Through Fund to <u>GOF</u>	\$62.50
GOF Recap: 2024 Carryover	\$46,227.21

#### Property Team, Mike Anderson:

• The Property Committee did not meet in June, but Andy is still addressing the needs of our physical building. I will not be at the June Council meeting as I will be in Nashville, Tennessee for a High School Class Reunion.

#### Old Business:

#### New Business:

• July 23 Devotional/Coffee Fellowship: Executive Committee (meaning Pastor Jay! (2))

#### Visioning body...

Reports due the week before....

What questions would we ask to be a visioning body?

Where is God leading us? Do a gifts inventory. Needs assessment. Ministry evaluation (does it build relationships and point people to Jesus?) Being a praying group - What does that look like?

MOTION Mike - Chris second to adjourn the meeting at 8:53am.

Respectfully submitted, Christopher J. Kaschube, FELC Church Council Secretary

#### **New Member Class**



"What's it like to be a part of First English Lutheran Church?" - Come and See.

For three weeks, beginning July 27, after worship from 11:30 - 1:30, we will be looking at what it means to be a follower of Jesus in the community that is First English Lutheran Church. While we are all members of the body of Christ, this three week session will take a look at what it means to be a part of or a member of our First English community as we look to strive together for the Kingdom of God.

If you would like to learn more about your place in our community, I would invite you to invest in this time of fellowship and learning why we do what we do for the sake of "pointing people to Jesus through intentional relationships." We will provide a light lunch and do our best to answer the questions you might have and pray that the Holy Spirit might continue to guide our conversations about how we can be the light of Christ to our community.

- July 27<sup>th</sup> 11:30-1:30
- Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup> 11:30-1:30
- Aug. 10<sup>th</sup> 11:30-1:30



Summer Series – **Non-negotiables of Faith** – Acts 2:42-47 with Eat n Teach (EnT)

"Teaching" - July 27

"Fellowship" – Aug 3

"Breaking of Bread" – Aug 10

"Prayer" - Aug 17

Wed-30th EnT

Wed -6th EnT

Wed-13th EnT

Wed – 20<sup>th</sup> EnT







#### Worship and Music



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

July 21-23: Combined VBS – "God's Love is Rock Solid"

July 20: Combined community worship at South Park with Holy Trinity and Kingdom Grace as a VBS Kickoff!





#### Men's Bible Study

Men's Bible Study meets on Monday mornings at 9am in the Emmaus Room. All are welcome!

#### Wednesday Community Lunch

On Wednesday, June 18 we offered our community friends a very welcoming and fun lunch time by having a "Kick off to Summer" movie day. We served around 60 guests from our downtown community and had such fun offering them "movie food" while they watched the movie, "The Sandlot".



Each guest got to place their order for a combination of hot dogs, Dutch pretzels and cheese, nachos and cheese, popcorn, and ice cream with toppings. We then filled their orders and Kayla called out their order #'s, which they then picked up at the window. (Kind of restaurant style serving.)

All the volunteers enjoyed serving as much as the guests enjoyed the style of the lunch. Fun and different! Always nice to offer something special!







#### New Plan For Funeral Meals......An Opportunity To Serve.....



The women of FELC have always made themselves available to provide funeral meals. The fact that it is quite a walk, including stairs, to go from the sanctuary to the Emmaus Room, created a challenge at times. For a couple funeral meals, the women served finger food in the Narthex rather than having attendees make their way to the Emmaus Room. This worked out very well.

So, the plan is to offer this type of light meal for future funeral gatherings. The fare will include slider-sized sandwiches (cold cuts and cheese or sandwich fillings on slider buns or mini croissants), skewers of vegetables and fruit, and cookies, along with beverages.





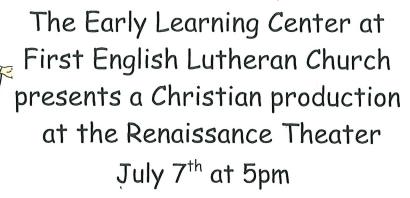




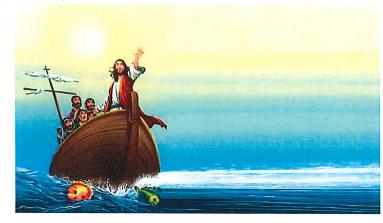
Many of you already serve in this ministry. If you want to continue or if you want to begin serving in this way, please sign up at the poster table sometime in July. You may serve by providing food or helping with set-up, serving, or clean-up. Just sign up for whatever suits you best.



Questions may be directed to Sandie Volz (419-688-1787).



Admission is free! Donations will be accepted to support the Kindness/Care Closet ministry at Spanish Immersion School.











## JOIN OUR VBS TEAM GOD'S LOVE IS ROCK SOLID JULY 21-23



#### Why Volunteer at VBS?

Vacation Bible School is an incredible opportunity to share your faith and make a positive impact on children's lives. As a VBS volunteer, you'll:

- **Share Your Faith:** Help kids learn about God's love through engaging activities.
- Make a Difference: Be a positive role model and create lasting memories.
- **Have Fun:** Join a passionate team and enjoy a week filled with laughter and excitement.
- **Develop New Skills:** Gain experience in leadership, teamwork, and teaching.
- Strengthen Our Community: Help create a nurturing environment for children to grow in faith.

#### **Volunteer Roles**

#### Line Leaders:

Guide a small group of children through all the VBS activities.

#### **Craft Assistant:**

Help children create fun and memorable crafts.

#### **Decorating:**

Help with making the VBS area's look fun and engaging.

Help keep everyone safe during the week

#### Safety (Crosswalks):

#### Ready to Join the Team?

Scan the QR code below to access the volunteer application form or to find out more about VBS!



It's quick and easy to sign up. Your time and talent will be greatly appreciated!

#### **Contact Us**

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact: Angie Murphy or Becky Pittman 419-522-7500 We're excited to have you on board!

#### **Next Steps**

- Submit your application: Use the QR code above to access the online form.
- Attend a volunteer orientation: Learn more about your role and meet the VBS team.
- Get ready to have fun: Prepare to share your faith and make a difference in the lives of children!

#### **Games Assistant:**

Organize and lead exciting outdoor games and activities.

#### **Food Prep for Wednesday:**

Prepare and serve a light supper and snacks to keep the kids energized.

#### Tear Down:

Help clean up on the final day of VBS.

## **COMMUNITY WORSHIP**

Join us at South Park (100 Brinkerhoff Ave, Mansfield, OH 44903) on Sunday, July 20th at

10am for a community worship

service.





We will be joining Kingdom Grace and Holy Trinity Lutheran Church to kick off our Vacation Bible School.





Use the QR code to register for VBS. It will be at First English Lutheran Church
July 21-23, 5-7pm.

#### **BOOK CLUB NEWS!**

We are reading and discussing two of the additional books in the Sensible Shoes series for the months of July and August.



Our June book was Two Steps Forward by Sharon Garlough Brown.

The women from Sensible Shoes are taking their next steps in the spiritual formation journey. But each of them is finding roadblocks along the way. Come and meet Mara, Hannah, Clarissa, and Meg as they learn that life sometimes feels like two steps forward one step back.

We will be meeting on **July 13,2025** at my house to discuss this second book in the series.

For the month of July we will be reading the third book in this series, *Barefoot*:



Having been challenged to persevere in hope, can they now embrace the joy of complete surrender? **Mara**: With two boys at home and a divorce on the way, can she let go of her resentment and bitterness and find a rhythm of grace in her "new normal"? **Hannah**: With Nathan by her side, can she let go of expectations—and even her reputation—as she charts a new course? **Charissa**: As her approaching due date threatens to collide with new professional opportunities, can she let go of her need

for control and embrace the unknown future with trust? **Meg**: With disappointment over broken relationships and unfulfilled dreams, can she let go of her fear and worry in the face of even greater challenges that lie ahead? Join the women of the Sensible Shoes Club in a poignant story that reveals the joy that comes from laying our lives at the feet of God and standing barefoot on holy ground.

We will be meeting on August 10,2025 at my house to discuss this third book in this series.

Thank you so much for all your support! Judy Santoro





Recycle used postage stamps for wounded veterans! A Lions' Club activity, in operation since 1942, the stamps are used for "hobby therapy" for wounded veterans in more than 130 Veteran's Administration hospitals. SFTW accepts U.S. or foreign stamps, stamp collecting materials, and albums. The organization requests that you leave at least a quarter-inch mar-

gin around the stamp and don't try to peel or steam off the stamp.

Thanks to all who have taken time to help with this project. Each time the collection from FELC is mailed, a reply such as the following is received: "Members of FELC, We gratefully acknowledge your kind support of our program. Your contribution of stamps will help cheer hospitalized or out-patient Veterans. We thank you on behalf of those who will benefit from your generosity. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR VETERANS."

Norma Jeanne Hillman, Chairma

WOUNDED WARRIOR PROJECT\*

#### FREE CONCERTS SUMMER 2025

Thursday	03-Jul	Brookside-Ashland	9,00 0,15	Amorrican Ford of Musicians Inva Dond
			8:00-9:15	American Fed of Musicians Jazz Band
Thursday	03-Jul	Kingwood	7:00-9:00	To Be Announced
Cundou	06-Jul	Brookside-Ashland	0.00 0.15	Rare Vintage 10 - Horn-driven ride thru hits of Earth,
Sunday			8:00-9:15	Wind, Fire; Chicage etc.
Tuesday	08-Jul	Marshall-Ontario	6:00-8:00	David Perry
Thursday	10-Jul	Bellville	7:00	To Be Announced
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Thursday	10-Jul	Brookside-Ashland	8:00-9:15	Stones, The Byrds, etc.
Thursday	10-Jul	Crestline-VFW Post 2920	6:00-8:00	Conne
Thursday	10-Jul	Kingwood	7:00-9:00	to be announced
Sunday	13-Jul	Brookside-Ashland	8:00-9:15	Head Games - Foreigner Tribute
Thursday	Jul 15- 19	Brookside-Ashland	8:00-9:15	Chautauqua Presents: Breaking Barriers (Legendary figures brought to life)
Thursday	17-Jul	Kingwood	7:00-9:00	To Be Announced
Sunday	20-Jul	Brookside-Ashland	8:00-9:15	PK Mayo Blues Band - Guitar/Vocals (folk, blues, rock, Americana)
Tuesday	22-Jul	Marshall-Ontario	6:00-8:00	The Return
Thursday	24-Jul	Bellville	7:00	SB Music
marsaay	<u> </u>	Benvine	7.00	
Thursday	24-Jul	Brookside-Ashland	8:00-9:15	The Outsiders - from the Golden Age of Rock (Big hit - Time Won't Let Me Be)
Thursday	24-Jul	Crestline-Seltzer & Scott St	6:00-8:00	AFM 159 Big Jazz Band
Thursday	24-Jul	Kingwood	7:00-9:00	to be announced
Friday	25-Jul	Brickyard	5:30-10:30	Taylor Schlupp, Emily Raff, Red Ball Jets
Sunday	27-Jul	Brookside-Ashland	8:00-9:15	Tom's Kitchen Table
Januay	27 341	Brookside Asmaria	0.00-3.13	
Thursday	31-Jul	Brookside-Ashland	8:00-9:15	Harp Twins feat. The Volfgang Twins (electric & concert grand harps)
Thursday	31-Jul	Kingwood	7:00-9:00	to be announced
Sunday	03-Aug	Brookside-Ashland	8:00-9:15	Turn to Stone (ELO Tribute)
Thursday	07-Aug	Bellville	7:00	Trae & Whitney
Thursday	07-Aug	Brookside-Ashland	8:00-9:15	Gas Pump Jockeys (Dean Kastran from Ohio Express, Mike Losekamp from The Cyrkle, along with other of The Cyrkle)
Thursday	07-Aug	Crestline-Seltzer & Scott	6:00-8:00	The Gatlin's
Sunday	10-Aug	Brookside-Ashland	8:00-9:15	Ashland Rgional Ballet
Tuesday	12-Aug	Marshall-Ontario	6:00-8:00	Soul Town Live
				The Will Call Quintet (jazz, funk, groove - flute, vacals,
Thursday	14-Aug	Brookside-Ashland	8:00-9:15	bass, guitar, keyboard, drums)
Sunday	17-Aug	Brookside-Ashland	8:00-9:15	Bill Conners - Sir Elton John Tribute
Thursday	21-Aug	Bellville	7:00	Three Rivers Bluegrass
Thursday	21-Aug	Crestline-Eagles Aerie 859	6:00-8:00	David Berry Band
Tuesday	26-Aug	Marshall-Ontario	6:00-8:00	Oolong Gurus
Friday	29-Aug	Brickyard	5:30-10:30	Y'Vonte Glover, Frank Boyd Jr, Conne
Thursday	04-Sep	Bellville	7:00	EKG
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#### Patricia Boyd (Damian Boyd's mother)

June 13, 2025

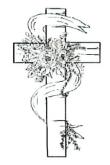
Mary Ellen Hedges

May 23, 2025

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

Pastoral Acts

None



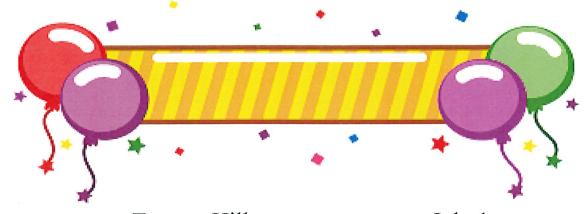


Altar Flowers

#### 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 Mullins 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.

- July 6, 2025
- August 3, 2025
- August 17, 2025
- September 7, 2025
- September 14, 2025
- September 21, 2025
- September 28, 2025





Tammy Hillman July 1 Michael Anderson July 2 Isaac McFadden July 4 July 10 Forest Volz July 11 Brady Zehe July 12 Gary Simmons Becky Faith July 20 Shirley Lane July 20

> July 28 July 30

July 26

# HAPPY BRITLDAY!

Ken Suzuki

James Rippel

Myra Cordrey





## July 2025 Volunteers Sunday 10AM Worship (Nave)

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July	6:	TBD
July	13:	TBD
July	20:	TBD
July	27:	TBD

#### **ALTAR WORKERS**

Scott and Jodi Mumaw

#### **ASSISTING MINISTER**

Chris Kaschube

#### **COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOSTS**

Executive Committee

#### **GREETERS**

Stacey Crall

#### **COMMUNION PREPARERS**

July 6: Joe Rogers & Sandie Volz

#### **COMMUNION SERVERS**

July	6:	
Wine West:		Dan Peterson
Wine East:		Greg Hughes
Intinction:		Linda Hughes

#### PRAYER PARTNERS

Chris Cichanowicz Mary Schwartz Jan Fisher

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July	6:	Chris Cichanowicz
July	13:	Stacey Crall
July	20:	(worship at South Park)
July	27:	Amy Skropits

## ATTENDANCE SHEETS

July	ο:	Linda Hugnes
July	13:	Brenda Eyerly
July	20:	(worship at South Park)
Inly	27.	Stacey Crall

#### SLIDES

O.L.J. Z.J.	4	
July	6:	Isaac McFadden
July	13:	Teri Brenkus
July	20:	(worship at South Park)
July	27:	Allison Weeks

#### LIVESTREAM

July	6:	Suzanne Rippel
July	13:	Tom Sarbach
July	20:	(worship at South Park)
July	27:	Todd Heichel

#### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

July	6:	Kayla McFadden
July	13:	Tyler Crall
July	20:	(worship at South Park)
July	27:	Tricia Volz

#### **USHERS NAVE**

Ted & Karen Ellis Ken & Debbi Suzuki

Alternate: Joe Rogers

#### **FUNERAL MEALS**

Karen Ellis, Barb Coon, Lu Blankenship, Ila Kershaw

#### **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 pastor or call Angie Mullins (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 heads 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!

A great and user-friendly way to receive DAILY DEVOTIONS written and supplied by NALC is to text: *ReadingTheWord to 24251*. They will respond back with a link and devotions will come to your phone every morning. They can be read and/or audible.

You can also get devotions from our felc-mansfield.org website by selecting the NALC logo button.

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

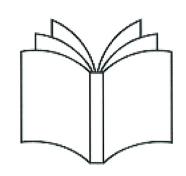


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And please check out our new FELC mobile friendly website
felc-mansfield.org where you can be directed to online worship via Facebook and YouTube.

#### **BULLETIN INFORMATION DEADLINE!**

Need to get information in the bulletin for a meeting or an announcement? Send details to Angie Mullins at <u>parishsecretary@felc-mansfield.org</u> or phone the church office at 419.522.0662.



Weekly deadlines are noon on Wednesday for bulletins pertaining to that particular weekend. Bulletins are assembled at 8:30 A.M. on Thursdays each week.

Nicole Goddard, Finance Director, may be reached by calling the church office at 419-522-0662 or email her at <a href="MGoddard@felc-mansfield.org">MGoddard@felc-mansfield.org</a>
August 2025 Visitor Newsletter Deadline:

Monday, July 28, 2025.

Assembled and mailed: Wednesday, July 30, 2025.

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Volunteer Scheduling Contacts The monthly volunteers are published in the Visitor and posted on bulletin boards.	Funeral Meals Sandie Volz
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Greeters Alicia Schulz	Slides, Sound Board, Sunday School Breakfast, Children's Church, Livestream Becky Pittman
Assistant Ministers, Ushers, & Lay Readers <b>Cindy Russell</b>	Communion <b>Lana Conry</b>



