

The
GOOD NEWS
Letter

St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church
215 North Second Street
North Baltimore OH 45872-1105

September 2024

Sunday Morning Worship
10:15 a.m.

In-person and Facebook Live

Church Office Hours
Mon-Fri 9-1

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Church Secretary Dana Bourne

Home Page

<http://stlukesnb.org>



As Lutherans, we believe that we are part of God's unfolding plan. When we gather for worship, we connect with believers everywhere. When we study the Bible or hear God's word in worship, we are drawn more deeply into God's own saving story.

EVANGELICAL
LUTHERAN CHURCH IN
AMERICA



GOD'S WORK.
OUR HANDS.

<http://www.elca.org/>



Northwestern
Ohio Synod

<https://nwos-elca.church/>

Our Vision is to know Christ
and make Christ known.

"WE BUILD SUNDAES - SUNDAYS BUILD US"

Plan right now to join us on **Rally Day, September 8**. Following worship at 10:15 we will have an indoor picnic including a **sundae bar**. Everything, except the ants, will be provided. Come join us for worship, food, fun, and fellowship!



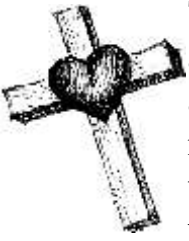
You are invited to come and lift your voice in praise to God by joining the church choir. Practice will begin on Sunday, September 15, at 9:15 am. **Everyone** 16 and older is welcome to join us. We will plan on singing for worship at least once a month. Please join us!

"God's Work. Our Hands." Sunday

This year ELCA Service Sunday, 2024, commonly known as "God's Work. Our Hands." Sunday, is scheduled for September 8 but since that is our Rally Day and we have a special activity planned we decided to move our service project assembly to **SEPTEMBER 22, 2024** after church. We are hoping for a big crowd at church that day so that this work will be quickly completed. We have been collecting items for our Birthday Bags that will be given to the NB Food Pantry over several months. We had hoped to make 20 bags but have assembled enough items to make 30 bags. All extra items will also be donated. After church on the 22nd an assembly line will be set up in the Luther Hall. Each member is asked to fill a Birthday bag with the items on the table. The bags will be collected at the end of the assembly line. We will be taking pictures that will then be sent to the Living Lutheran. We want to say a big thank you to all who helped by donating the items for these bags. This simple act of God's Work – Our Hands shares and shines the love of God to our neighbors through us. Thanks be to God!



Call Committee Update



The Call Committee met recently and reviewed some specific activities we are expecting of a new pastor. We are working with the idea of a part-time pastor and what kind of things we want the new pastor to work on immediately. Besides preaching we want the new pastor to call and visit homebound, ill, and shut-in members. We also want a new pastor to make contact with members who have stopped coming to church and invite them to come back. We also want the new pastor to have office hours available. Watch the newsletter for future updates.

NORTH BALTIMORE Food Panty

SEPTEMBER requested donations include pastas and pasta sauces.



OCTOBER requested donations include hand soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste.

The food pantry has moved to its new location in the brick building directly behind the post office, adjacent to the Bridge Fellowship Church. Entrance is from the alley side of the building.



Christmas Poinsettias

Yes – it is time to be thinking about Sanctuary decorations for Christmas. Hoens Garden Center in Holland, Ohio, will provide for our poinsettia needs. They will need to have our order by early to mid-October, so please use the form below and place your order NOW. The cost this year is \$15.00 per 6-inch plant. Thank you!

Your Name

Designation for the church bulletin

St. Luke's will not be baking cookies for Kairos Prison Ministry here, but you are invited to join St. John's in McComb on September 7. Call Beth Williams for the time 419-722-4972.



St. Luke's Lutheran Church

Church Council Meeting Minutes

Sunday, August 11, 2024

Opening

JoLynn called the regular meeting of the St. Luke's Lutheran Church Council to order on Sunday, August 11, 2024, at 11:21am.

Attendance

- Present – JoLynn Stewart, Matt Matthes, Janet Goldner, Clay McCartney, Tracey Pritts, Bryant Matthes
- Absent – Suzanne Bucher

Approval of Previous Month's Minutes/Secretary's Report

- July 2024 minutes accepted – Motion by Bryant, 2nd by Matt. All approved.

Pastor's Report

- Nothing to Report

Statistical Report

- Went over the member count & attendance.

President's Report

- Nothing to Report

Vice-President's Report

- Matt advised the smoke alarms will be put up this week.

Good News Amen Report

- Rally Day on Sunday, September 8th - preparation in progress. Suggestion to send out invitations.
- Community meals, breakfast for dinner? Birthday Sunday's

Financial Secretary & Treasurer's Report

- Clay submitted his July report showing \$12,980 in the black.
- Janet did not submit her report.
- Clay's report was accepted - Motion by Bryant, 2nd by Matt. All approved.

Property Committee Report

- Reorganizing of the pantry will begin this week
- VBS supplies/materials that are currently being stored in the choir room should be picked up by a church in Dundee the week of August 12th-16th.

Other Committees/Announcements

- Nothing to Report

Mutual Ministry/Transition Team/Call Committee Team

- Nothing to Report

Unfinished Business

Rick Van Mooy report

- There are plumbing issues with the touchless water system and the Wood County Committee on Aging.
- Further study needs to be done to make a plan for the 3rd sink basin, hand washing sink, and drinking water station placement.
- Dana will take over cleaning of the church.

New Business

- Pastor Susan will be here to preach on September 8th (Rally Day).
- Card shower for Bertha Carter.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned.

Next council meeting – change to Sunday, September 15, 2024 @ 11:30am

Minutes submitted by: Janet Goldner



WELCA Fall Gathering

Saturday, October 12, 2024

9:00AM — 1:00PM

St. Paul Lutheran in Jenera

Registration and Coffee: 9:00AM — 9:30AM

Devotion — Prayers — Communion — 9:45AM

Devotion by Christine Kemerley — Ephesians 4:32

“Be kind and forgiving”

Program — 10:15AM —

Information on “Bees” by Ken and Jessica Depuy

Cotton Candy ~ Bee Products ~ Maple Syrup can be purchased

Free Lunch — NOON

Closing Hymn and Dismissal — 1:00PM

**Offering — ½ to Synodical Treasurer, ¼ to Conference Treasurer, and
¼ to the Good Hope Church Food Pantry**

In-Kind Offering for Good Hope Food Pantry —

**Mac and Cheese, Cereal, Laundry Soap, Laundry Softeners,
Body Soap, Shampoo, Toothpaste**

Registration: \$4.00 — Registration Deadline — Saturday, October 5th

To Register, please call St. Paul Lutheran Church — 419-326-3535

Join us for FUN, FOOD, and FELLOWSHIP !!!

Spring Gathering will be at Good Hope Lutheran Church, Arlington

LORD IN YOUR MERCY, HEAR OUR PRAYERS,



WE GIVE THANKS FOR: for teachers, school administrators, bus drivers, school custodians, coaches, and all who teach and participate in the lives of our children while they are at school; the leadership of Pastor Art Wilde; the leadership of SAM Bob Fett; the leadership of Pastor Bill Schultz. Thanks be to God!

MEMBERS: Bryant Matthes, Emily Meyerson, Carl Lieser, Jim Wymer, Rick Van Mooy, Kolton Williams, Ron Bean, Cheryl & John Kruse, Shirley Heilman, Larry Slaughterbeck, Bob Kelley, Caroline Lieser, Marilyn Ziegler, Bertha Carter, Barb Williams.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS: Mr. Doherty (father of Caroline Lieser), Kristen, Jennifer Dochod, Tony Matthes, Ron Stewart, Chase, Bob, Cheryl, A.J., Mavery Breece, Caroline, Ethan, Brent Bradley, Richard Roberts, Deanna Griffith, Laura, Michael Sullivan, Cindy.

CHERISH ALL CHILDREN: All of God's children, that we seek to protect and cherish their lives and futures, always staying focused on what is best for God's children. www.cherishallchildren.org.

MILITARY: for all those serving in the military & their families; the chaplains (*especially those in combat zones*); grieving families and friends of those who died while serving.

COMPANION CHURCH: Mwanawotta Lutheran Church, of the Dodoma Diocese, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania.

WIDER CHURCH PRAYERS: 3.7 million baptized members, 9,320 congregations, all ministries of the ELCA (EvangeliCal Lutheran Church in America), our presiding **Bishop Elizabeth Eaton**, all our bishops, pastors, leaders, and 75,000 members in the 162 congregations of the NWOS (Northwestern Ohio Synod), **Bishop Daniel Beaudoin**, and our 15 Central Conference congregations.

THE WORLD: for peace in our country and around the world. For the end of violence against one another. For everyone to seek You and share Your love, grace, and mercy.

Prayer Requests

If you wish to update a prayer request on our list or to add new requests, please use the "My Prayer" cards in the pews and/or call or email Dana Bourne, Church Secretary (419-257-3253 StLukesNB@gmail.com). Thank you for your assistance in keeping our Prayer List up-to-date.

Autumn is the time when our soul transforms with nature. September 22 is the first day of autumn.



❖ Worship Ministries ❖

SUNDAY, September 1

Organist: *Janet Goldner*
Scripture Reader & Prayer Leader: *JoLynn Stewart*
Ushers: *Bryant Matthes, Matt Matthes*
Videographer: *Beth Williams*

SUNDAY, September 8 RALLY DAY

Organist: *Janet Goldner*
Scripture Reader & Prayer Leader: *Janet Goldner*
Ushers: *Nancy & Jim Wymer*
Videographer: *Beth Williams*

SUNDAY, September 15

Organist: *Janet Goldner*
Scripture Reader & Prayer Leader: *Carl Lieser*
Ushers: *Jace McCartney, Guy McCartney*
Videographer: *Beth Williams*

SUNDAY, September 22 First Day of Autumn

Organist: *Janet Goldner*
Scripture Reader & Prayer Leader: *Tracey Pritts*
Ushers: *Pam & Rick Van Mooy*
Videographer: *Beth Williams*



SUNDAY, September 29

Organist: *Janet Goldner*
Scripture Reader & Prayer Leader: *Karen Krauss*
Ushers: *Jill Guy, Zach Stewart*
Videographer: *Beth Williams*

SUNDAY, October 6

Organist: *Janet Goldner*
Scripture Reader & Prayer Leader: *Pam Van Mooy*
Ushers: *JoLynn & Don Stewart*
Videographer: *Beth Williams*

SUNDAY, October 13

Organist: *Janet Goldner*
Scripture Reader & Prayer Leader: *Dwight Patterson*
Ushers: *Bryant Matthes, Matt Matthes*
Videographer: *Beth Williams*

SUNDAY, October 20

Organist: *Janet Goldner*
Scripture Reader & Prayer Leader: *JoLynn Stewart*
Ushers: *Nancy & Jim Wymer*
Videographer: *Beth Williams*



Altar Guild

September - *Nancy Wymer, Arica Matthes*
October - *JoLynn Stewart, Jill Guy*

❖ Worship Gifts ❖

Altar Flowers

September 1 - [*available for signup*](#)
September 8 - [*available for signup*](#)
September 15 - *Ruth & Dwight Patterson*
September 22 - [*available for signup*](#)
September 29 - [*available for signup*](#)
October 6 - [*available for signup*](#)
October 13 - *Nancy & Jim Wymer*

Altar Candles

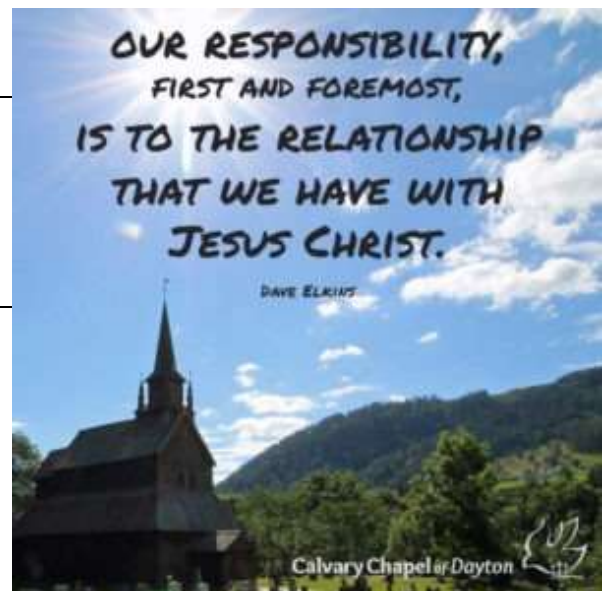
September - [*available for signup*](#)
October - *Ruth McKee*

Sunday Bulletins

September - *Laura & Tony Damon*
October - *Nancy & Jim Wymer*

Newsletter

September - *Laura & Tony Damon*
October - *Nancy & Jim Wymer*



Calvary Chapel @ Dayton



September 2024



St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church, North Baltimore, Ohio

SUNDAY	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>Pentecost 15</i> 1 Worship 10:15	2 Labor Day Office Closed	3 Staff Meeting 10:00	4	5	6	7
<i>Pentecost 16</i> 8  Worship 10:15 Indoor Picnic 11:30	9 Office to close at 12:30 p.m.	10 Staff Meeting 10:00	11	12	13	14
<i>Pentecost 17</i> 15 Choir Rehearsal 9:15 Worship 10:15 Church Council 11:30	16	17 Staff Meeting 10:00	18	19	20	21
<i>Pentecost 18</i> 22 Choir Rehearsal 9:15 Worship 10:15 Birthday Bags assembled 11:30	 23 Newsletter Deadline	24 Staff Meeting 10:00	25	26	27	28
<i>Pentecost 19</i> 29 Choir Rehearsal 9:15 Worship 10:15	30	Coming in October – October 12 is the Central Conference Women's Gathering October 27 is Reformation Sunday October 31 is Reformation Day and Halloween				



September 2024

Year of Rest Calendar

	Mental	Sensory	Emotional	Social	Creative	Spiritual	Physical
	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Take a media break & quiet yourself.	2 Close your eyes. Be mindful of what you notice.	3 Breathe deeply for 3 minutes.	4 Take 1 thing off your calendar.	5 Visit a park or beach.	6 Reflect on where you saw God today.	7 Sit in stillness. Review your week.
And he said to them, "Why are you afraid, you of little faith?" Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a dead calm. - Matt 8:26	8 Go outside and enjoy God's creation.	9 Listen to music that makes you want to move.	10 Light a candle and give thanks for your baptism.	11 Affirm a gift you see in another.	12 Cook something you love to eat & share it.	13 Donate your time or money to something you believe in.	14 Do a physical activity that makes you winded. Give thanks for breath.
The spirit of God has made me, and the breath of the Almighty gives me life. - Job 33:4	15 Clear your mind before sleep. (Make a list if you need to.) Rest.	16 Take a moment to be in a peaceful place.	17 Ask someone else how they are doing.	18 Take some time to be alone today. Enjoy the solitude.	19 Make something.	20 Watch the sunset. Give thanks for a new day.	21 Take a nap.
If you sit down, you will not be afraid; when you lie down, your sleep will be sweet. - Prov 3:24	22 Meditate or sit in silence for 5 minutes.	23 Smell something delightful.	24 Call or write someone you connect with.	25 Ask someone for help today.	26 Sing or listen to a hymn that encourages you.	27 Advocate for someone's needs.	28 Take a stroll. Greet those you meet along the way.
Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD! - Ps 27:14	29 Recount what you are thankful for this month.	30 Get your hands dirty doing something good.					
I will both lie down and sleep in peace; for you alone, O LORD, make me lie down in safety. - Ps 4:8							

