

THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

April 2009

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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

- **Sunday, April 5: Palm Sunday**

Procession with Palms & the Reading of the Passion of Our Lord from Mark's gospel at both services.
Holy Communion at both services.

Journey to the Cross: 6:00p.m.

-9:00p.m. Individual time of prayer and guided reflection. Space for 25 people to attend on each of the two evenings. Please sign up in the lobby. You can also call the church to reserve a time. This is a deeply moving opportunity to reflect on what it means that Christ went to the cross and was raised from the dead for you. How does his saving grace impact your life?

- **Monday, April 6: Journey to the Cross: 6:00-9:00p.m.**

Individual time of prayer and guided reflection. Space for 25 people to attend, please sign up in lobby.

- **April 9, Maundy Thursday: 6:00 p.m. Seder Meal and Holy Communion.** Please sign up in the church entryway to help bring items for the supper. Please sign up to let us know you are coming so we have a count. Thank you.

- **April 10, Good Friday:**
Prayer Vigil in the sanctuary, 12-3:00p.m.
Tenebrae Worship, 8:00 p.m.
"The Seven Last Words of Christ"

- **April 11, Easter Egg Hunt, 11:00am** (ages 1-11 with an adult)

Bring a basket and meet in our next door side yard. If raining, meet inside church lobby. Donations of wrapped candy are appreciated .by April 5.

April 12, EASTER SUNDAY

The Resurrection of Our Lord:

- **Sunrise Service at 4-Church Farm, 6:30am**
- **8:15 & 10:30am Worship with Holy Communion**
- **9:30am Easter Potluck Brunch,** (A sign-up sheet is in the lobby.)

Easter Sunday, there will be no Sunday School or Children's Church. The nursery will be open for parents to stay with their young children.

Easter Sunday Potluck Brunch

9:30 a.m. Easter Sunday. Bring a dish to share for breakfast that day. Bagels, muffins, donuts, egg bakes, and fruit are needed. Thank you.

Four Church Farm Easter Sunrise

Service. 6:30 a.m. EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE will be held at the Farm again this year, with all four Lutheran congregations attending and all four Pastors leading. Casual dress for warmth. See directions here:

Our Prayers

HEALING: Logan Kretzmann, David Bonner, Tracy Davis, Jack Guilkey, Lois Scroggins, Jean Downey, Michael Bell, Mary Lou Bradley, Gladys Rinehart, Stan Porter, Denney Morris, Myrna Jackson, Carol Hughes, Joy Williams, Bill Hardy, Margo King, Heather Bonner, Sue Bagent, Bill Clapp, Betty Meyer, Angie & Baby, Carl Crase, and others as requested.

COMFORT IN GRIEF: The Family of Walter Stein, the Family of Lena Dowie, Merlin Van Dyke for the loss of his son, The Family of Bob Anderson, The Family of Johannes Shattuck, the Family of Thomas Neptune, and the Family of Margaret Harding..

We lifted various other prayers and petitions..

NOMINATIONS FOR CHURCH COUNCIL

Elections of new council members will be held in May. If you would like to nominate someone, please check with that person to be sure he/she is willing to serve and then submit the name Council President Diane Pyle.

ORF SPRING TRIP

A note to all ORF members and anyone who may be interested. A friend discovered a museum in Newcomerstown, Ohio, roughly an hour away. This is the USS Radford DD/DDE 448. It is a Fletcher class destroyer which served in WWII through Vietnam. Beside extensive information on the Radford, the museum has displays on "Cactus Squadron 21", the most decorated destroyer squadron in naval history; USS Jenkins DD/DDE 447, USS Nicholas DD/DDE 449, USS O'Bannon DD/DDE 450, and major displays for cruiser USS Helena CL 450 and the New Zealand cruiser HMSNZ Leander. The cruisers were two ships which Radford helped rescue during the Battle of the Solomon Islands.

To quote the museum, "Yes, there really is a naval museum in East-Central Ohio."

Please contact Dick Bailey to express interest. Date will be determined. You may reach Dick at 366-1736 or dickay1@roadrunner.com.

Congratulations to:

Megan White on being named Division III Basketball Player of the Year. Way to go, Megan !!!

Logan Kretzmann who was officially inducted into the Columbus Police Department. We are proud of you Logan!

We rejoice with ...!

Troy & Lisa (Mye) Coulter who were married on March 14 at the church. We ask God's blessings upon them as together with Trevor they become a family!

Thomas James Braskie, who was baptized on March 22. He is the infant son of Jim & Kim Braskie, and little brother to Kierra, Brinah, Tigan, and Falin.

Miley Jo Block, who was baptized on March 29. She is the infant daughter of Mark & Amy Block and little sister to Max, Courtney, Samantha, and Mason.

New Members Received- March 15 by

Affirmation of Baptism: Please welcome Myrna Jackson: Myrna knows many of us already. She is retired and has identical twin great-grandsons!

Jan Quackenbush: Jan is a psychiatric nurse working in Newark. Her daughter, Allison, is a student at OSU-Newark.

Steve & Kerri Marks: Moved to Heath from Marietta and have two sons, Jadyn and Tyler. Steve teaches math at Newark High School, and Kerri is a physical therapist.

OUTREACH NEWS

Thank you for all your help with the Eve Elliot Mental Heath Easter Basket project. Your donations helped to fill over 50 Easter Baskets from our church.

Acts of Love!

You will find in the church lobby a tree and a cross with hearts attached to them. On each heart is an "Act of Love" a service ministry you can share with someone in need. In these

tough times, these little acts of love are simple ways in which we can encourage and support one another in Jesus' love. Some of the currently posted "Acts of Love" include bringing a non-perishable food item to help Senior Citizens living on a fixed income, and making an Easter card for a shut-in, or bringing an item for an Easter dinner for two families who would greatly appreciate that help. We will continue to fill the **Acts of Love** tree and cross with prayers that we may be faithful in sharing the love of Christ in many ways.

Youth News

Light of Lutherans: OLDER YOUTH (Grades 7-12) April activities:

Friday, April 3: Shantytown Sleepover to raise awareness of homelessness with the YOUTH UNITED group of Habitat for Humanity. Please sponsor our youth if you wish to raise funds for a new HABITAT HOUSE. The sleepover includes several adult chaperones with our youth and other area church youth. Thanks to Jarrod & Dianne Sullivan for serving as Ministry Leaders with this great ministry opportunity for our older youth!

Saturday, April 18: ELCA YOUTH PRE-GATHERING AT PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH IN GAHANNA. Carpool leaves from our church at noon. Bring \$3 and a can of food for food drive. Event runs from 1-4pm This helps us get ready for the big Gathering in New Orleans. All the New Orleans chaperones and youth (and parents of youth going) are welcome to attend. Driving help needed.

Sunday, April 19: Both Youth Groups meet after the 10:30 am service.

Note the later date due to Easter Sunday.

Rising Christians: Younger youth (grades 3-6) will have lunch together and then bake dog treats for the animal shelter. Devotions led by Brinah & Tigan.

Older Youth will finalize plans for Camping at the Holman's Farm in early May.

Sunday, April 26: ELCA NEW ORLEANS GROUP meets after 10:30 am service.

Thank you to Kathy Mehler and the Licking Valley Middle School Drama Class for the wonderful Dinner Theatre "Death & Taxes"!

Thank you to the Thrivent Group for serving a terrific meal and for helping us to get supplemental funds to go to the Youth Ministries of our church. Many thanks!

NOTES OF THANKS

To Whom It May Concern:

Thank you for your recent contribution to the National Youth Advocate Program. Your generous contribution helps support our efforts to help troubled and needy youth make better lives for themselves.

Our records show the following itemization of your contribution: Total Amount of Contribution: \$200.00, a special offering for Joy Williams.

On behalf of the youth we serve, please accept our thankful appreciation.

Sincerely
Marvena Twigg
President/CEO

Dear Friends:

Thank you for your generous gift of \$112 received to support Hospice of Central Ohio.

Your contribution will help the Hospice of Central Ohio team of trained professional and volunteers treat the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of our patients and their families by caring for the patient in whatever setting they call "home". Hospice of Central Ohio is committed to being the premier provider, dedicated to preserving the quality of life for patients and families with life-limiting illnesses and the Foundation is committed to providing the financial resources to meet this goal.

Your support will help us fulfill these missions and touch the lives of people across Central Ohio.

With sincere appreciation,
Michele Laymen,
President and Chief Executive Officer

THANK YOU! The women's Saturday breakfast group would like to thank Christi and Larry Brooks for the fun and informative self-defense class. We learned basic self-defense techniques and enjoyed your stories. Thank you for sharing your skills with us. We all feel much safer now.

We appreciate the privilege of using the church's social room. It is truly a wonderful place to have those special family occasions. Thanks so much,
John & Kim Geller
Don & Marilyn White
Jerry & Carolyn Eshelman

To the Shawl Ministry,

I received one of your shawls from a friend who knew I was dealing with medical issues. I was so touched and encouraged. I worship at a Lutheran church in Columbus, and it was a great surprise to receive a shawl through your ministry.

Thank you so much! Your kindness is a blessing and what a wonderful way to bring the love of Jesus into somebody's heart and home! Sincerely,
Jody Joass

Dear Pastor Kris and all my church family

My mother and I want to thank you for all the loving cards, calls, visits, and most of all your prayers while she was recovering from surgery for a fractured shoulder. Your kindness and love is still helping with her recovery. She misses being able to worship in person but does so in spirit with you. Love,
Jean Downey and Joyce

To my dear friends at Christ Lutheran, I thank you all so very much for the many cards you sent during my illness. When I got the flowers & greeting poster card, I was brought to tears..I continue to Praise the Lord for His constant care & the opportunities I've had to share His Word with many Doctors & Nurses. I miss not being in church with you but as I continue to improve my immune system, I know that I am still with you in Spirit. I hope each of you know just how special you all are

to me & God has blessed me with your love & prayers. I sure hope to be back to worship with you very soon. Thank you, thank you, thank you!!!.

Love in His Name, Sue Bagent

Summer Camp for Youth

Our Catechism Youth, grades 7-8, recently attended a Confirmation Camp at Lutheran Memorial Camp in March. Todd & Anne Carmer where their adult chaperones from our church. They all came back ready to go to camp again! They loved it! Now is the time to register your child for any of the Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Camps in Ohio. If you have questions, please talk to Todd & Anne Carmer. Several registration booklets with camp info and schedules are located on the hallway information table in the mail hall of the church.

Vacation Bible School Planning

Meeting Sunday, April 19 after the 10:30 am service. Help Needed! Adults who are interested in leading or helping with VBS please come to the meeting. Let's continue to make VBS a great ministry for our kids!

BIRTHDAYS

April 1 Rhita Gainer
April 2 Stephen Jeffrey
April 2 Mark Block
April 3 Paula Fitzgerald
April 4 Carole Spearman
April 4 Jordan Maier
April 8 Fern Briggs
April 9 Barb Bell
April 9 Jim Landis
April 10 Tigan Braskie
April 10 Chase Back
April 10 Ross Shannon
April 12 Jeremy Rother
April 13 Dylan Elliott
April 17 Bev Weaver
April 17 Elizabeth Gardner
April 19 Jessica Fisher
April 20 Wendy Jewell
April 21 Andrea Bowermaster
April 21 Junior Morrow
April 22 Logan Kretzmann

April 22 Chris Manning
April 23 Susanna Zellner
April 23 Frank Rosato
April 23 Madison Knighton
April 25 Chris Fisher
April 25 Steve Marks
April 26 DeeDee Morris
April 27 Bill Clapp

ANNIVERSARIES

April 23 Frank & Linda Edwards
April 23 Bob & Karen Ewing
April 26 Stephen & Kay Jeffrey
April 28 John & Barb Markham

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

ASSISTING MINISTER

April 5 Joy Williams
April 12 Kathy Mehler

ALTAR GUILD

April 5: Diane Pyle, Lois Antritt, Nancy Kraning complete their time on altar guild.
April 9: Carole Spearman, Mary Redd, Sally Kennedy begin their time on altar guild.

HOST FAMILY

Palm Sunday, April 5 8:15am Williams
10:30am -Rosato(Organ side)
-D. Pyle/M. Bodle (Pulpit side)

Thurs. April 9: Maundy Thursday Holy

Communion: Gary & Joyce Williams

EASTER SUNDAY: April 12 –

8:15am V. Blubaugh/J. Miller (Organ side)
Ploetz (Pulpit side)

10:30am Todd & Anne Carmer (Organ side)
Bill & Marilyn Clapp (Pulpit side)

COUNTERS

April 5 Rosato
April 12 Kennedy
April 19 Kretzmann
April 26 Ploetz

USHERS

Head Usher: Williams Morris
1st 2nd

April 5 Communion Schulz Patton/Clapp
April 12 Communion Williams/Groff
White/Morris
April 19 Hardy HSYouth/ Van Dyke
April 26 Sheley Wilson

ACOLYTES

April 5 Crucifer; Megan White
Torchbearers: Austin White
Kaitlyn White
April 12 Crucifer: Elisa Santiago
Torchbearers: Abby Holman
Jessica Sullivan
April 19 Hank Fitzgerald/Jake Brooks
April 26 Ashley Hayes/Brinah Braskie

GREETERS

April 5 Phil & Donna Mitchell
April 12 Faye Landis
April 19 Frank & Linda Edwards
April 26 Julie Chrislip

NURSERY

April 5 Kay Bailey
April 12 –EASTER- Parents attend young children in nursery.
April 19 Anne & Taylor Carmer
April 26 Rhonda White

LAYREADERS

April 5 8:15am Alice Krauss, Joni Miller
Seth Patton
10:30am Carol Hughes, Craig Holman,
Kathy Mehler
April 12 8:15am Denise Ploetz
10:30am Linda Patton
April 19 8:15am DeDe Dudgeon
10:30am Susan Falkenberg
April 26 8:15am Larry Kretzmann
10:30am Mary Ann Guilkey

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

April 5 Anne Carmer/Chris Fisher
April 12 No Children's Church Today
April 19 Puppets: R. White/D. Krueger
April 26 Eric Santiago/Elisa Santiago

ALTAR FLOWERS

April 5 are given in memory of Viki Davis by Bill Clapp.
April 12 are given by Barb & Bob Moody to the Glory of the Risen Lord, Hallelujah!
April 19 are given to the Glory of God.
April 26 are given to the Glory of God.

There are no scheduled blood pressure checks for April, but feel free to ask any Parish Nurse if you need to have your blood pressure checked.

NURSES

1ST Service

8:15 – Joyce Williams & Karen Schmidt

2nd Service

10:30 – Kay Bailey

Blood pressures are usually taken the SECOND SUNDAY of the month.

VOLUNTEER PARISH NURSE WILL TAKE MEMBERS OR VISITOR BLOOD

PRESSURES ANYTIME ON REQUEST.

PHARMACIST JONI MILLER WILL BE AVAILABLE TO CHECK MEDICATIONS.

April 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Worship 8:15 & 10:30 Sunday School 9:30am Catechism 9:30am <i>**No Sunday School or Catechism on Easter</i>			1 Lent Bfast & Dev. 8-9am Soup Supper 6pm Worship 7pm Chancel Choir 7:45pm	2 Chimes 7:30pm	3	4 Men's Prayer Bfast 8am
5 Palm Sunday Procession & Holy Communion Journey to the Cross 6-9pm HOLY WEEK ...	6 Journey to the Cross 6-9pm	7 ABLE Class 9-noon Church Council 7pm Neurobiological Support Group 7pm	8 Chancel Choir 7:15pm	9 ABLE Class 9-noon LOC articles due SEDER MEAL & Holy Communion, 6:00pm	10 Good Friday Prayer Vigil 12noon-3pm in sanctuary Tenebrae Service, 8pm	11 Easter Egg Hunt, 11am If rain, meet indoors. Ages 1-11.
12 Easter Sunrise Service at Farm 6:30am Worship & Holy Communion 8:15 & 10:30 <i>**Easter Potluck Brkfast 9:15am</i>	13 TOPS Pastor Kris out of town	14 ABLE Class 9-noon Prayer Shawl 7pm Pastor Kris out of town	15 Chancel Choir 7:15pm Pastor Kris out of town	16 ABLE Class 9-noon Girl Scouts 3-5pm LOC assembled 9am	17	18 Pre-Gathering for ELCA Youth Gathering 1pm Peace Luth-Gahanna Wormen's Prayer Brkfast, 8:30am
19 Youth Groups meet after 10:30 am worship.	20 TOPS Folk Legends 6:45pm	21 ABLE Class 9-noon Neurobiological Support Group 7pm	22 Chancel Choir 7:15pm	23 ABLE Class 9-noon Girl Scouts 3-5pm	24 Women of Faith Conference, Columbus	25 MOPS- 10:00 am- Meet in nursery and Sun Sch areas. Girl Scouts meet in social hall 9am -3pm
26 Holy Baptism - 10:30 am Flint Ridge Worship 2pm	27 TOPS	28 ABLE Class 9-noon Sewing Group 9:30am	29 Chancel Choir 7:15pm	30 ABLE Class 9-noon Girl Scouts 3-5pm		