



MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Special Points of Interest

Sound Bath-Sunday, August 2
4:00 pm

OWLs-Tuesday, August 4
11:00 am

Wesleyville National Night Out
Tuesday, August 4
6:00-9:00 pm

Back to School Bash
Wednesday, August 19
6:00-8:00 pm

Church Picnic-Sunday,
August 16, 1:00 pm,
Hinkler Park

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Sound Bath

Sunday, August 2
4:00 pm

Join us at Shade's Beach in Harborcreek for an uplifting meditative service. Bring comfortable chair or yoga mat if you like

OWLs

Tuesday, August 4
11:00 am

Erie Water Works tour on the Bayfront Parkway off Sassafras. Lunch downtown following the tour.

Wesleyville National Night Out

Tuesday, August 4
6:00-9:00 pm

Join us behind Borough Hall for free food, games and fellowship.

We are in need of volunteers to sit at a table for Messiah with Wesley Methodist.

We will have information about our worship times, and the Wesleyville Community Garden.

Erie Lutheran Conference Beach Service

Sunday, August 9
10:00 am

Bring a lawn chair and join fellow Erie Lutherans for the annual beach service at the Cookhouse Pavilion in Presque Isle State Park. We will gather for worship, fellowship, and food. If able, please bring a dish to share that does not require heating or refrigeration, such as breakfast rolls, fruit, or coffeecake. Lamb of God will provide juice boxes, and Mount Calvary will provide coffee and table settings. We are grateful for the opportunity to worship together in God's creation and enjoy fellowship in Christ. We hope to see you there!

Back to School Bash

Wednesday, August 19
6:00-8:00 pm

Join Messiah and Wesley Methodist Church in Wesley's Christ Center parking lot for free food, games, music, dunk tank, bounce house and a backpack for each child in attendance. Tell your neighbors to join us.

Calling Volunteers!

Many hands make light work. We are in need of people to man the stations. Love to bake?

We are in need of homemade or store bought cookies for this event!

Church Picnic

Sunday, August 16
1:00 pm, Hinkler Park
3614 Edison Ave

Our annual church picnic is at Hinkler Park this year! We have the pavilion behind the playground. There is a walkway to the newly built restrooms!

Please signup on the poster in the Narthex.

Hot dogs, hamburgers, and chicken will be provided. Make sure to mark what side dish you will be bringing!

This is for **all** church members and friends to enjoy great food and fellowship! It is a great way to introduce us to your friends.

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Church Office Hours

Monday

Closed

Tuesday

10:00am-5:00pm

Wednesday

Closed

Thursday

10:00am-5:00pm

Friday

10:00am-5:00pm

From the Desk of Pr. Tom

August has always felt like a bridge. The long days of summer begin to shorten, gardens reach their fullness, and the rhythms of our lives slowly shift once again. Vacations come to an end, children begin gathering school supplies, teachers prepare their classrooms, and churches begin looking ahead to another season of worship, learning, and service. There is something deeply hopeful about August. It reminds us that God is always inviting us into new beginnings.

Throughout the summer, many of us have enjoyed time with family and friends, traveled, rested, or simply slowed our pace. Those moments matter because relationships are strengthened when we make time for one another. Yet, August gently calls us back into community. It reminds us that faith is not lived alone but alongside one another.

One of the highlights of this month will be our Erie County Lutheran worship service at the Peninsula. Congregations from across our region will gather as one body in Christ. We worship in different buildings throughout the year, but on that day, we are reminded that we belong to something much larger than ourselves. It is an opportunity to renew friendships, meet fellow Lutherans from neighboring congregations, and celebrate the unity that Christ has already given us.

Here at Messiah, we also look forward to our annual church picnic. Sharing a meal, laughing together, playing games, and

simply enjoying one another's company may seem like ordinary activities, but they are holy moments. Relationships are often built not only in the sanctuary but around picnic tables, over conversations, and through shared experiences. A congregation grows stronger every time we take the opportunity to know one another a little better.

Another event close to our hearts is our annual Back to School Bash, held in partnership with Wesley Methodist Church. Together we welcome neighborhood families, celebrate the beginning of another school year, and offer encouragement to students as they prepare for the months ahead. It is a wonderful reminder that churches can work together to bless an entire community. Every smile shared, every conversation begun, and every child welcomed is another opportunity for God's love to become visible.

As students return to school near the end of the month, classrooms will once again become places where relationships are renewed and new friendships are formed. Some children will reunite with classmates they have missed all summer. Others will meet new teachers, new classmates, and perhaps experience the excitement—and uncertainty—of a new school. These relationships will shape their learning, their confidence, and even the people they become.

The same is true for us as adults. As Bible studies resume, choirs begin rehearsing,

committees gather, we too are given fresh opportunities to deepen friendships and welcome those who are new among us. Every handshake, every shared cup of coffee, every invitation to sit together in worship becomes part of God's ongoing work of drawing people together.

Over the past few years, I have become increasingly convinced that relationships lie at the very heart of the Christian faith. God created us for relationship—with God, with one another, and with the world around us. Jesus' ministry was not merely about teaching ideas; it was about forming a community of people who learned to love, forgive, encourage, and serve one another. The Church is at its best not simply when it gathers crowds, but when it nurtures healthy, grace-filled relationships that reflect the love of Christ.

As August unfolds, may we embrace this season of transition with gratitude. May we cherish the friendships that have sustained us, welcome the new relationships God places before us, and continue building a community where every person knows they are seen, valued, and loved.

May God bless this new season for our students, teachers, families, neighbors, and our entire church community. I look forward to being with you as we transition to another wonderful chapter together.

Pastor Tom

Felix Mendelssohn, Bach, and the Lutheran Church

Few figures in music history stand at the crossroads of faith, culture, and history quite like Felix Mendelssohn. Most church musicians know Mendelssohn as the composer of majestic organ works, stirring choral music, and beloved pieces such as *Elijah*. Yet many people are surprised to learn that Mendelssohn was born into a Jewish family and later became one of the great champions of Lutheran church music. His story is a remarkable reminder that culture, faith, and history often intersect in unexpected ways.

Felix Mendelssohn was born in Germany in 1809. His grandfather was Moses Mendelssohn, one of the most important Jewish thinkers of the Enlightenment. However, Felix's father believed that German society offered greater opportunities to Christians than to Jews, and so Felix and his siblings were baptized into the Lutheran church as children.

Mendelssohn grew up immersed in Lutheran worship, scripture, hymnody, and sacred music. These influences shaped both his faith and his compositions for the rest of his life. Perhaps his greatest contribution to the Lutheran tradition came through his love for the music of Johann Sebastian Bach.

By the early nineteenth century, Bach's music had largely faded from public performance. Musicians respected Bach, but many of his greatest works were rarely heard outside academic circles. In 1829, when Mendelssohn was only twenty years old, he conducted a performance of Bach's *St. Matthew Passion* in Berlin. The performance stunned audiences.

Many historians believe that this concert effectively launched the modern revival of Bach's music. Without Mendelssohn, Bach might never have become the central giant of sacred music that he is today.

This is one of history's beautiful ironies: a man descended from one of Judaism's greatest philosophers became the person who reintroduced the world to the greatest musical voice of Lutheran Christianity.

Mendelssohn's own sacred compositions also reflect deep Lutheran influence. His oratorio *St. Paul* centers on scripture, proclamation, and conversion. His organ sonatas helped renew Protestant organ music. His psalm settings and choral works continue to appear regularly in church worship and concerts.

At the same time, Mendelssohn's Jewish heritage remained part of his identity in the eyes of European society. Sadly, later anti-Semitic critics attacked him despite his Christian faith and contributions to German church music. During the Nazi era, his music was even suppressed because of his ancestry. Yet his music endured.

Today Mendelssohn remains one of the great bridges between traditions:

- Jewish and Christian
- classical and sacred
- intellect and beauty
- reverence and creativity

For Lutherans especially, his life offers an important reminder that God's gifts often come through unexpected people and unexpected places.

Every time a church choir sings a Bach passion, every time an organist plays a Bach prelude, and every time congregations rediscover the beauty of Lutheran sacred music, they are also inheriting part of Mendelssohn's legacy. His life reminds us that music has the power not only to preserve tradition but to reconnect generations to the beauty of faith itself.

Why Reform Jewish Worship Feels Surprisingly Familiar to Lutherans

For many Lutherans who attend a Reform Jewish worship service for the first time, the experience can feel unexpectedly familiar. The prayers are structured. Scripture readings stand at the center. The congregation rises and sits together. Ancient words are sung or chanted. There are responsive readings, sacred seasons, ritual rhythm, and a profound sense that worship is something inherited rather than invented.

The similarities are striking enough that some Christians are surprised by them. Others find themselves deeply moved by the realization that Christian worship did not emerge from nowhere. Christianity was born from the soil of Jewish worship, prayer, Scripture, and communal life.

At the same time, the similarities should not obscure the very real theological differences between Reform Judaism and Lutheran Christianity. The two traditions ultimately proclaim very different understandings of God's covenant, the Messiah, salvation, and the role of Jesus. Yet, liturgically and structurally, they remain distant cousins sharing ancient roots.

Shared Liturgical DNA

One reason for the similarity is historical. Early Christianity emerged within Second Temple Judaism. The first Christians were Jews who continued many synagogue patterns even after proclaiming Jesus as Messiah.

Long before Christianity developed elaborate cathedrals and formal liturgies, Jewish worship already contained:

- public reading of sacred texts
 - psalmody
 - blessings
 - chant traditions
 - communal prayers
 - liturgical responses
 - sacred calendars and festivals
- Many of these elements carried naturally into Christian worship.

Traditional Lutheran worship, especially in more liturgical settings, preserves many

ancient patterns that other Protestant traditions later abandoned. As a result, Lutheran liturgy can sometimes resemble synagogue worship more closely than modern evangelical services do.

The Power of Structured Worship

Both Reform Judaism and Lutheranism understand worship as something communal and ordered.

A Reform Jewish service often includes:

- opening blessings
- psalms
- Torah readings
- prophetic readings
- sermons or reflections
- responsive prayers
- congregational singing
- benedictions

A Lutheran liturgy similarly follows a sacred structure:

- confession and forgiveness
- Kyrie
- readings from Scripture
- sermon
- prayers of the church
- Eucharist
- blessing

Neither tradition views worship primarily as entertainment or spontaneous emotional expression. Worship is instead a disciplined participation in the memory and life of a people.

This creates continuity across generations. Worshipers are not inventing faith every week; they are entering into an ancient stream.

Scripture at the Center

Perhaps the strongest similarity is the centrality of Scripture. In Reform Judaism, the Torah remains the heart of communal worship. The reading of the Torah is not incidental. It is sacred encounter. The congregation stands, listens, responds, and organizes communal life around the text.

Likewise, Lutheran worship is profoundly scriptural. The lectionary cycles through:

- Old Testament readings
- Psalms
- Epistles
- Gospels

Even the liturgy itself is saturated with biblical language. Luther retained much of the ancient church's structure precisely because he believed worship should immerse people in Scripture. This creates a worship environment where sacred texts are not merely studied privately but heard publicly within the gathered community.

Music, Chant, and Sacred Memory

Another shared feature is musical form. Jewish worship traditions developed rich forms of chanting and cantillation long before the rise of Christianity. Christian chant traditions eventually emerged from this same ancient world of sung prayer and sacred recitation. In both traditions, music often serves memory rather than performance.

The goal is not merely emotional stimulation. It is participation, reverence, continuity, and formation.

A traditional Lutheran sung liturgy can therefore feel remarkably close in atmosphere to synagogue worship:

- solemn
- poetic
- communal
- text-centered
- historically rooted

Sacred Time and the Religious Calendar

Both traditions also organize life around sacred seasons. Judaism shapes communal memory through observances such as:

- Sabbath
- Passover
- Yom Kippur
- Sukkot
- Hanukkah

Lutheran Christianity similarly orders life around:

- Advent
- Christmas
- Lent

Cont'd

- Holy Week
- Easter
- Pentecost

In both cases, time itself becomes theological. The calendar teaches the community who they are.

Modern secular culture tends to flatten time into productivity and consumption. Liturgical traditions resist this flattening by insisting that certain times are holy, sacred, and formative.

The Profound Differences

Yet despite these similarities, the theological divide remains immense. The center of Lutheran worship is Jesus Christ:

- crucified
- risen
- incarnate
- Messiah
- Son of God

Reform Judaism does not affirm these claims. This difference reshapes everything beneath the surface structure of worship.

Lutheran liturgy culminates in the Eucharist, understood as the real presence of Christ given for forgiveness and grace.

Reform Judaism has no equivalent sacramental theology.

Likewise, Lutheran theology emphasizes justification, grace, and salvation through Christ, while Reform Judaism tends to emphasize covenant, ethical living, repentance, justice, and communal responsibility.

The architecture of worship may feel similar, but the theological foundation beneath it is fundamentally different.

A Complicated Historical Relationship

The relationship between Lutheranism and Judaism is also historically painful. Martin Luther initially hoped that reforming Christianity would lead Jewish communities to reconsider Jesus. When this did not happen, Luther later wrote deeply hateful anti-Jewish works. These writings became one of the darkest stains on Lutheran history and were later exploited by modern anti-semitism.

Today, many Lutheran bodies, including our denomination, The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), have formally repudiated Luther's anti-Jewish writings and sought renewed Jewish-Christian dialogue.

This makes modern encounters between Lutherans and Jewish communities both

meaningful and delicate. Shared liturgical roots can foster mutual understanding, but they must never erase historical wounds.

Why the Familiarity Matters

When Lutherans recognize familiar echoes within Jewish worship, they are glimpsing something historically important: Christianity did not emerge detached from Judaism. The church inherited much of its worship life from the synagogue and from the broader Jewish world of prayer, Scripture, and sacred memory. That realization can deepen Christian humility.

It reminds Christians that their faith emerged from an older covenantal story. It reminds Jews and Christians alike that their traditions, while profoundly different, remain historically intertwined; perhaps most importantly, it reveals that ancient worship traditions still possess a power modern culture often lacks: the ability to bind communities together through memory, rhythm, sacred language, and shared participation across generations.

Fall 2026 Semon Series: Purpose Driven: What is Life For?

WHAT IS YOUR LIFE REALLY FOR?

At some point, most people ask it—quietly, honestly, sometimes desperately: *Is there more than this?*

More than the routine. More than the pressure. More than just getting through the week. This summer, Messiah Lutheran Church invites you to explore that

question through a 5-week sermon series:

The Purpose Driven Life

Discover the five purposes that shape a meaningful life:

- A life connected to God
- A life shared with others

- A life that is growing
- A life that gives
- A life that matters

You don't have to have it all figured out. You just have to be willing to take the next step; **Because your life was made for more!**

Date	Text	Text Title	Serie Theme
9/13/26	Psalm 95:1-7, Romans 12:1-2, John 4:1-24	Worship	You Were Made for God
9/20/26	Acts 2:42-47, Hebrews 10:24-25, John 13:34-35	Fellowship	You Were Made for People
9/27/26	Romans 8:29, Colossians 2:6-7, John 15:1-8	Discipleship	You Were Made to Grow
10/4/26	1 Peter 4:10-11, Ephesians 2:10, Mark 10:42-45	Ministry	You Were Made to Serve
10/11/26	Acts 1:8, 2 Corinthians 5:17-20, Matthew 28:18-20	Mission	You Were Made for a Bigger Story

Committee Meetings**Altar Guild**

Bible Study Every Tues.
Oct.-April 1:00 pm
Wed.
6:30 pm

Bound Together 1st Wed.
Sept.-May 1:00 pm

CYFM 1st Thurs.
12:00 noon

Church Life

Grateful Every Thurs.
Prayer 10:00 am CC

Guided Every Mon.
Meditation 6:30 pm

Property 2nd Sun.
9:45 am

Sewing Circle Every Tues.
10:00 am

Servant 1st Sun.
Outreach 9:45 am

Stewardship / 3rd Thurs.
Finance 5:30 pm

Worship 1st Wed.
11:00 am

Church Council Leadership

Art Anderson—President

Robin Curtis—Vice-President

Cyndi Allen

Laurie Hecht

Steve Porada

Nate Sprouse

Linda Voigt

Blaine Waters—Secretary



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what is going on
in the ELCA:*

Church-wide - www.elca.org

NWPA Synod -
[www.northwesternpasynod
elca.org](http://www.northwesternpasynod.elca.org)

**BOUND TOGETHER****Messiah Lutheran Church Book Club**

We meet on the first Wednesday of each month during the school year.

School Year – September 2026-2027

First Wednesdays of each month at 1PM in Study Lounge

September to May

Everyone is welcomed at all Bound Together gathering

Month	Title	Author	Presenter
September	The Rent Collector	Camron Wright	Karen P
October	The Nine	Gwen Strauss	Jean P
November	This Impossible Brightness	Jessica Bryant Klagmann	Linda F
December	As Long as the Lemon Tree Grows	Zoulfa Katouh, Rasha Zamamiri	Sandy H
January	Theo of Golden	Allen Levi	Bonnie M
February	The Alchemist	Paulo Coelho	Cyndi A
March	The River is Waiting	Wally Lamb	Mary R
April	The Stolen Life of Colette Marceau	Kristin Harmel	Candy S
May	The Midnight Library	Matt Haig	Madalyn S

Please go to the church's website for ordering information for these books.

www.messiah-erie.org/books

For more information, please contact the church office.

MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH 3-YEAR VISION

Approved- 2025 to 2027

WORSHIPMusic Ministry

Build out the Band (2026)

CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRY

School Day Off Camp (2026)

Milestone Ministry (2026)

PROPERTY

Plumbing Upgrades/Restrooms (2027)

IN-REACH

Recruit and Train More Volunteers (2026)

Training for in-home communion ministry (2026)

OUTREACH

Maintain Community Garden (On-Going)
Continue Back to School Bash (2025-2027)
Continue participation in Community National
Night Out (2025-2027)

FELLOWSHIP

Explore more group events (On-Going)
OWLs ministry (spiritually and fellowship) (On-Going)
Lutheran Walkers (2026)

Ongoing Ministries

- Altar Guild open to training new members
- Bethany Outreach - collected men's and boys' clothing. Special need for underwear.
- Blankets for Babies - Through the Soldiers and Sailors Home we were asked if we could sew, knit, or crochet baby blankets 18x22 that will be part of a kit given to families in the National Guard.
- CYFM - Children, Youth, Family Ministries - Bible Studies, youth activities, milestones
- Church Life - plans fellowship activities. Open to new members to help
- Counter Ministry - open to training new members
- Guided Meditation - prayer ministry group
- Prayer Chain - email or call the office for prayer requests
- Prayer Shawl - available for all occasions; baptisms, baby shower/birth, weddings, illness, hospitalization, men, women, or children who need to feel God's love wrapped around them. Contact the office to pick one up.
- Property - takes care of the building and landscaping
- Servant Outreach - Outreach activities locally and globally
- Sewing Circle - sews blankets for various organizations including Lutheran World Relief, National Guard, Linus Project
- Stewardship/Finance - takes care of our financial well being
- Sound Booth Technician needed for both services - training available
- Worship Assistant/Lector blank availability schedule posted through the 15th of the month
- Worship Committee - plans worship services

2ND MILE GIVING APPEAL

Recipient for **August** is:

BWERANYANGE GIRLS SCHOOL

You may contribute through your regular envelope, marking how much to designate to 2nd Mile on the "other" line on your envelope, or by sending a separate donation.

Through **July 20 \$35.00** has been donated for **LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF**

Thank you for your generosity!

Want to know more about our 2nd Mile Giving organizations?

In 2012, the centenary year, the school had flourished and it celebrated her centenary. Faith in God, hard work, imagination and the vision that inspired their leadership have kept us growing and given birth to thousands of women of substance and of character and faith, who serve, whether known or unknown. We look to the future with hope.

Wesleyville Food Pantry Volunteer Opportunities

August 4 at 5:00-6:00 pm for Country Fair distribution.

August 10 at 10:00 am to unload senior boxes.

August 17 at 10:00 am to unload food delivery.

August 18 at 10:00-11:00 am & 5:00-6:00 pm for regular food distribution.

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Project Linus

Hello Blanketeers,

Once again we would like to send a big thank you and shout out to all of our "Blanketeers" for their continued support by making so many lovely handmade blankets for children in need in our community. Because of your continued support, we are able to deliver over 200 a month. With that being said, it has recently been announced by National Headquarters that over 10.7 million new handmade blankets have been given to children in need nationally. We are a mighty "Village"!

Our Mission:*Glorifying God through our worship, our witness, our service, and our support****Our Vision:****To build and strengthen the body of Christ***Unofficial Council Highlights**

- Reviewed minutes from last Council Meeting;
- Committee Reports were given;
- Discussed upcoming special services;
- Discussed Stained Glass Window proposal;
- Discussed McCarl's bid to fix AC units;
- Next meeting will be August 20 at 6:00 pm in the Conference Room.

Altar Flowers

\$30.00 for one, \$55.00 for two

August 2

1. Ethelynn Cunningham
- 2.

August 9

- 1.
- 2.

August 16

- 1.
- 2.

August 23

- 1.
- 2.

August 30

1. Linda Voigt
- 2.

Bulletins

\$7.00 each

August 2

- 8:30:
- 11:00:

August 9

- 8:30:
- 11:00: Mary Rush

August 16

- 8:30:
- 11:00: Mary Rush

August 23

- 8:30:
- 11:00: Mary Rush

August 30

- 8:30: Jean Parker
- 11:00: Jean Parker

Vigil Candles

\$3.00 a week

August 2

Ethelynn Cunningham

August 9**August 16****August 23**

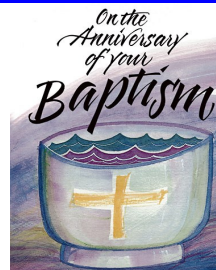
Ethelynn Cunningham

August 30

Linda Voigt



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| 1 Kay-Leigh Conner | 22 Briana Alaniz |
| 11 Lisa Booth | 25 Art Anderson |
| 12 Joyce Hauser | 27 Mary Lou Bartlett |
| 14 Linda Voigt | 29 Candy Sprouse |
| 15 Robin Szczutkowski | 30 Blaine Waters |
| 17 Sydney Amicucci | 31 Sharon Orlando |
| 21 Sean Kennedy | |



"Through baptism you have been received into the household of God, entrusted with the good news of Jesus Christ, and strengthened to serve by the holy and life-giving Spirit."

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| 01 Mary Rush | 16 Isabella Alaniz |
| Tim Smock | 17 Ernie Wolf |
| 07 Rachel Porada | 18 Wendi Proper |
| 08 Alyssa Bresee | |

August

Peaceful Pursuits

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| • Day 1: John 14:27 | • Day 17: James 3:18 |
| • Day 2: Philippians 4:7 | • Day 18: Psalm 119:165 |
| • Day 3: Isaiah 26:3 | • Day 19: Isaiah 32:17 |
| • Day 4: Matthew 5:9 | • Day 20: 1 Peter 3:11 |
| • Day 5: Romans 5:1 | • Day 21: Philippians 4:9 |
| • Day 6: Colossians 3:15 | • Day 22: Psalm 4:8 |
| • Day 7: Psalm 34:14 | • Day 23: Psalm 29:11 |
| • Day 8: 2 Thessalonians 3:16 | • Day 24: Luke 2:14 |
| • Day 9: Isaiah 54:10 | • Day 25: Romans 15:13 |
| • Day 10: Romans 12:18 | • Day 26: 2 Corinthians 13:11 |
| • Day 11: Psalm 85:8 | • Day 27: Galatians 5:22 |
| • Day 12: John 16:33 | • Day 28: Isaiah 9:6 |
| • Day 13: Romans 14:19 | • Day 29: 1 Corinthians 14:33 |
| • Day 14: Ephesians 2:14 | • Day 30: Psalm 37:37 |
| • Day 15: Proverbs 12:20 | • Day 31: Mark 9:50 |
| • Day 16: Hebrews 12:14 | |

"Peace is not merely a distant goal that we seek, but a means by which we arrive at that goal." – Martin Luther King Jr.



"Bless them so that all may see in their lives together within the community of your people a vision of your kingdom on earth."

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| 01 | Ernie & Carol Ann Wolf |
| 11 | Rich & Madalyn Shatzer |
| 14 | Bob & Carole Pommer |
| 25 | Brian & Debbie Rogala |

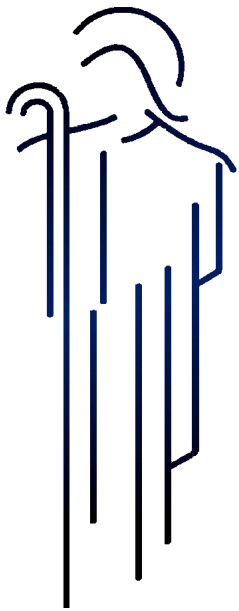
If we missed your Birth, Baptism, or Marriage Anniversary we apologize.

Please contact the church office to provide us with that information.

Cindy will be out of town:

Thursday, August 20–Monday, August 31

The office will be closed for the week.



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