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INSIGHT

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9:30 AM—1:00 PM FRIDAY

FROM THE PASTOR

*"Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen.
(Luke 24:6)*

As we begin this month on the other side of the cross event and now into the season of Spring, here are some things "I think I think"

...I think I think that focusing on the disciple Peter reminded how the journey in faith is never a straight line but like life, is full of ups and downs, torments and joys, knowing and unknowing, but yet trusting and sometimes, clinging to God.

... I think I think that our country is really an anxious place. This long political season does not seem to point to a time of future cooperation, peace, and compromise. It is scary.

... I think I think that many of us who claim the power of the resurrection, often do not give others a second chance, and we are too quick to condemn.

... I think I think I am glad Lent and winter are over. I am longing for sunny days and a sunnier disposition.

... I think I think having pastor's children have their spring break the same week as Holy Week is not what I would call a 'break.'

... I think I think that I am so appreciative of the members working with our youth and children and trying to things such that the recent successful children's church.

... I think I think that we are blessed here at CRLC for all those who do so much behind the scenes to make Lent, Holy Week, and Easter happen. From getting ashes, to arranging for soups, to decorating the gathering space, changing paraments, setting up the sand cloths, the musicians rehearsals, the ushering, the bulletin prep, the palm branches and flowers, are just a few of the many many things that our staff and members do to make this a place of "Praising God, Serving Others."

***See you in worship,
Pastor Randy
PGSO***



THEO-THURSDAY

Theo Thursday continues this month. This informal time is led by Pastor Randy and is open to all. This month we will again be at Royal Breakfast restaurant (Broadview Heights) on Thursday, April 18th @ 9:30AM.

WE LOVE PARKING LOTS!



At the 2023 Annual Congregational meeting not only did the congregation pass a 2024 Mission Investment plan but we also approved funding for a major re-asphalting of the parking lot and new concrete work on the driveway apron. With existing funds, the church is going to pay for 75% of this project. We are hoping to raise the additional 25% from the congregation. Therefore, in *general rounded numbers* this translates to a goal of raising \$25,000 from the congregation. The good news is that we have already received monies for the project since our congregational meeting, so we are already on our way.

Mark Donations: For any donations that you would make to this project, please make sure to mark and check or envelope for the purpose as "Parking Lot." Thank you!

Added Bonus: For anyone who makes a donation for the new parking lot – Pastor Randy will deliver a chunk of the old parking lot asphalt that you can keep as a special Lutheran keepsake!

SYNOD ASSEMBLY DELEGATES NEEDED!

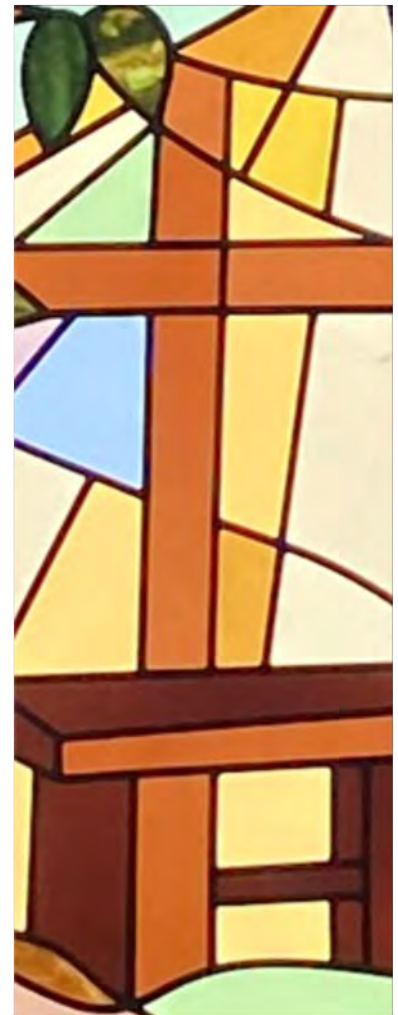
The 2024 Synod Assembly will take place in Akron on one day this year – Saturday - June 1st. We are entitled to a male and female voting member to the assembly. Last chance! If you are interested in representing our congregation this year, speak to Pastor Randy as soon as possible as the deadline to register is approaching.

CHILDREN’S CHURCH OPTION:

We are now offering parents the option of sending their children for children’s time during the 10:30AM church service. Following the children’s message, volunteers will meet any children going to the nursery at the back of the church. They will return to the sanctuary in time for communion. This is available to infants through 4th grade students. Any questions talk to Kathy Hoinski and thank her and her helpers for doing this ministry.

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CHURCH?

If you are interested in joining Christ the Redeemer Lutheran Church, speak with Pastor Randy.



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Life-Giving Spaces: That's What Choirs Do

*O come, let us sing to the Lord:
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
For the Lord is a great God and a great king above all gods.
...O come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!
For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture
and the sheep of his hand—Psalm 95:1-3, 6-7a NSRV*

Recently, after worship when people were gathered in conversations, I overheard the choir director exclaim, “That’s what choirs do!” I wondered what it was that choirs did that caused such an exuberant acclamation. I drifted toward the conversation because I was curious about this choir, not just the acclamation. I asked about the choir and the composition of its members, the professionalism of the group as it sang in the chancel, very visible from the pew. I was given a smile by the director as he continued with his praises for the choir members and his welcome invitation to join them. I was curious for myself to know where I might fit in with this choir that sounds professional in its beautiful musical offerings.

I was also curious about membership because I knew of a new member who had been recently welcomed into the choir. The new member seemed to have been given exceptional grace by all, not just by the director. The new member did not read music and did not exactly appear like other members. But this new member was related to be in the choir and sit up from with them on a Sunday morning, to be part of the choir, to sing God’s praises in thanksgiving, to be accepted and belong. Other choir members knew of the abundant grace offered to all members by the director. There was always acceptance, not auditions, always patience and guidance, not scowls and critique. I was happy to hear about this abundant grace because I no longer appear exactly like everyone else.

I was told that another member of the choir volunteered to give voice lessons and help those who do not read music. New members are welcomed by everyone and given the opportunity that increases the joy of singing with the group. There is no trial period or a “wait and see if you’re good enough” provisional acceptance. When I thanked the director for the invitation to me and for including new members in the choir with grace and kindness, he told me, “That’s what choirs do.” I heard it again.

Church musicians, directors, singers, instrumentalists—all who plan for good liturgy, for good worship—deserve much more praise and thanksgiving than they are given. They are called by God to give their talents in praise and thanksgiving to God. whether they are paid or volunteer, it is the service to God that draws them and their gifts of music to be faithful week after week. They are called by God to be a witness within the larger body of the church, a witness to God’s glory and God’s faithfulness. There are no designer models of musicians who are acceptable in churches: God does not have a designer mold for the ideal child of God.

Why do we make musical offerings in church?

Why do we sing in church? Are we singing as a person in the pew or person in the choir or as a presider chanting and singing God’s praises? Does our spirit come alive as we play an instrument or as a soloist or a member of a choir or small group?

Does the harmonious music we make contribute to our spirit and allow us to transcend the space in which we find ourselves? Is it for perfection, to present a perfect performance for the “audience” in the pew at a worship service?

Life-Giving Spaces: That's What Choirs Do—Continued

Do we want to be “the best in town” and promote our church as the church to belong to because it is so good, especially the music? Is music-making only an aural and visible event, praising and giving God the glory? What would happen if only the most exact and perfect music was given at every worship service? Maybe no music would happen.

Does one make music for God? Do our musical gifts enhance the worship setting? Does the music provide a vehicle and a path for the spirit to engage with the Spirit for both those who listen and those who provide the music? Or is it entertainment for the sake of performance? Who decides? Who critiques? Who is worthy to belong, who do we exclude?

As a church musician and pastor, now retired and sitting in the pew, I am quite aware of the choir, of all the musical offerings, and I am aware of my own spiritual enrichment because of the music they provide. Music, whether vocal or instrumental, text or notes, has a long history in the word of God with Christians, with the Lutheran church, and with those who are in the pews. Music in the church is about people, both those making the music and—especially—those hearing and receiving the music ultimately given for God.

What is different about having a worship experience with live musicians, live presiders, live in-the-pew people?

What happens to our spiritual, emotional, psychological, physical being when we are in worship with others? How was it during the pandemic when many people worshipped at home on Zoom or listened and watched on livestreaming? Many church members still worship by these means. For some it has been a spiritual gift as they are no longer able to attend church in person. For others, it fulfills needs. For others, it has become habit.

When we engage with others in a real-time setting, with live choirs, with live musicians, it is possible to experience and be moved beyond ourselves, to feel accepted, to experience the love of God from those around us who also feel accepted, valued, loved by God and each other. That is not to say these feelings cannot be experienced at home or with a pull-down screen in the sanctuary, but it is to invite examining the contrast of being among people, greeting them with real-time smiles, inquiring about their lives, their work, their burdens.

Music, and the musicians whose talent and craft present for us God's living word in text and tune, offers to us a unique life-giving, life-sustaining opportunity as we worship our Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The prophets and kings of our Holy Scripture knew this, Jesus knew this as he used the sacred texts, and the early Christians knew it as they gathered in word and song. Martin Luther knew it; J. S. Bach knew it. We know it. The choir director mentioned above also knew it: not every choir member is the same, not every choir member is perfect in pitch, timing, vocal ability, physical ability, but every choir member is a valued child of God, sings praises, and joins in the acceptance of the love of God in Jesus our Christ.

That *is* what choirs do.

This article was written by Lois Martin and printed in ALCM *in tempo* 2024, No. 1.

READINGS FOR APRIL

APRIL 7

The Easter season is a week of weeks, seven Sundays when we play in the mystery of Christ's presence, mostly through the glorious Gospel of John. Today we gather with the disciples on the first Easter, and Jesus breathes the Spirit on us. With Thomas we ask for a sign, and Jesus offers us his wounded self in the broken bread. From frightened individuals we are transformed into a community of open doors, peace, forgiveness, and material sharing such that no one among us is in need.

Acts 4:32-35
Psalm 133
1 John 1:1--2:2
John 20:19-31

APRIL 14

The gospel for the third Sunday of Easter is always one in which the risen Christ shares food with the disciples, meals that are the Easter template for the meal we share each Sunday. In today's gospel, Jesus both shares the disciples' food and shows them the meaning of his suffering, death, and resurrection through the scriptures, the two main elements of our Sunday worship.

Acts 3:12-19
Psalm 4
1 John 3:1-7
Luke 24:36b-48

APRIL 21

The image of the good shepherd shows us how the risen Christ brings us to life. It is the relationship between the shepherd and the sheep, one of mutual knowledge and love, that gives the shepherd authority. The shepherd's willingness to lay down his life for the sheep shows his love. First John illustrates what it means to lay down our lives for one another by the example of sharing our wealth with any sibling in need.

Acts 4:5-12
Psalm 23
1 John 3:16-24
John 10:11-18

APRIL 28

This Sunday's image of how the risen Christ shares his life with us is the image of the vine. Christ the vine and we the branches are alive in each other, in the mystery of mutual abiding described in the gospel and the first letter of John. Baptism makes us a part of Christ's living and life-giving self and makes us alive with Christ's life. As the vine brings food to the branches, Christ feeds us at his table. We are sent out to bear fruit for the life of the world.

Acts 8:26-40
Psalm 22:25-31
1 John 4:7-21
John 15:1-8

...The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

God's abundant blessings to you. Tax time is a natural time to review our **Financial Health**. Money management can be difficult. "Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have (Hebrews 13:5)". The Bible has a lot to offer us on the topic of finances - on *healthy ways of handling our resources*. 2/3 of Jesus' parables deal directly with teachings on finances & material resources.

Without proper planning taxes, legal fees & mismanagement can **impact us now & claim inheritance of future generations and gifts to serve the Lord** via the church & other charities.

Biblical Principles for Financial Health start with **God is Owner of All**. Most Christians believe this principle, but many struggle in reflecting it in our financial planning.

- ◆ **Life is a Process . . . So Plan Ahead.** Our time on earth is limited, but God gives material resources to (1) provide for our needs, (2) teach us about ourselves & to depend on Him, (3) enable our Christian witness. The future is unknown, but we develop a stewardship plan for today & tomorrow.
- ◆ **Learn More About Financial Planning.** Experts agree that many **family financial problems** are related to a lack of understanding of such things as (1) basic bookkeeping skills, (2) Understanding financial risk & estate planning, including what is needed in terms of insurance, short & long term savings, plus *how to transfer wealth in an efficient manner relating to taxes*.
- ◆ **Christian Financial Planning Invites a Faith Response.** Christian stewardship invites us to handle our material blessings in such a way that is pleasing to God. Seek the Lord's help in living them day-by-day.

Financial literacy: includes educating ourselves & our children. <https://www.investopedia.com/guide-to-financial-literacy-4800530#toc-are-banks-safe> New to me is learning about the P-FIN index. The index is based on responses to 28 questions across eight functional areas: earning, consuming, saving, investing, borrowing/managing debt, insuring, comprehending risk, and go-to information sources. <https://gflec.org/initiatives/personal-finance-index/> Many baby boomers may be able to pass on wealth to the next generation, but it is important for the next generations to understand how to wisely use that blessing.

What Are Specific Guidelines for Christian Financial Planning?

To enhance our financial health we should strive to:

- ◆ **Integrate Financial Planning into our Christianity.** In doing this we demonstrate the values of (1) God's ownership (2) money as a means rather than an end in itself (3) our Christian witness.
- ◆ **Develop a Financial Plan.** Include (1) assessment of your current situation (2) financial goals – short & long term (3) a budget plan to meet your goals.

Only 30% of Americans have a long-term financial plan. Ask friends & family for financial planner recommendations. We hope to provide a program on financial literacy at CRLC later in the year.

Matthew 6:31-33 "So do not worry, saying 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?'... But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.'" Peace be with you as you strive for financial health that will allow you to better act as his worker for His Kingdom and purpose in this world & in this place.

Jill Koubal

Parish Nurse, RN, BSN



God's gifts, our hands

SAVE THE DATE!

Sat., July 27 – Sun., Aug 4, 2024

Starting with a kick-off event on Saturday, July 27, Fellowship Hall will be transformed into a gallery as we showcase the creative talents of CRLC members and friends. Do you, a friend or a family member have a creative talent to share? All ages, crafts and styles are invited to participate.

Artist participation forms and updates will be featured in future Insight articles, Temple Talks, Pastor Randy's midweek announcements, and in the gathering space kiosk and video monitor. Or ask a committee member for more information: Gail Berzins, Jen Evans, Ann Farine, Linda Eckenbrecht, Cheryl Laubacher, Jenna Waltz, Carol Wooten.



Women's Bible Study

We will meet on Wednesday, April 3rd at 10:00am and Thursday, April 4th at 7:00pm.

Read chapter 12, You Unleashed.

CRLC Faithful Readers

Meeting on April 17th at 10:00am in Chapelview Room.

The book for April is "Clementine, The Life of Mrs. Winston Churchill" by Sonia Purnell

Adult Sunday School—*The Books of the Bible*

Pastor Blair Morgan continues his series doing an overview of the books of the Bible in the first part of April. Anyone can come any time – most of the sessions are stand alone on books of the Bible! Come and join this class!



Cleveland Children's Book Bank

Children's books will be collected through May. Older children's chapter books will also be accepted.

Watch for a drop off box coming soon in the Gathering place.

Sunday School Updates

Watch for these events and dates.

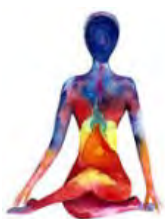
April 21st—Earth Day Celebration

May 5th—Pentecost Party

May 19th—Last day of Sunday School until September. Burning the prayer chain!!!

We will collect books to be shared with others as our mission project for the 2nd half of the year.

All dates NOT mentioned will be Sunday school as usual.



Christian Yoga at CRLC

Renew your mind, body, and spirit on Mondays, 7:00PM led by Jenna Waltz in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome!

The cost is a free will offering. Bring your own yoga mat.. For more information please contact Jenna at jenna.waltz@gmail.com.

PROPERTY

MIKE SKWARSKI, FACILITY MANAGER

Building Repairs

If you notice something that needs to be fixed around the building, please complete a **Brown Maintenance Request Form** next to the mailboxes in the office and put it in Mike Skwarski's (our Facility Manager) mailbox.



Scuba, diving into friendship with God

Vacation Bible School

July 8—12

Dive into God's love!

Immersed in oceans of fun, kids learn God is a real friend who loves them forever!

Day 1

- * Bible Point: God is a friend who's real.
- * Bible Story: God shows himself to Elijah through ups and downs. (1 Kings 18-19)

Day 2

- * Bible Point: God is a friend who loves.
- * Bible Story: God shows compassion to the people of Nineveh. (Jonah 1-3)

Day 3

- * Bible Point: God is a friend we can trust.
- * Bible Story: Jesus Calms a storm. (Mark 4:35-41)

Day 4

- * Bible Point: God is a friend forever.
- * Bible Story: Jesus dies and comes back to life. (John 18-20)

Day 5

- * Bible Point: God is a friend for everyone.
- * Bible Story: Lydia believes in Jesus. (Acts 16:11-15)

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get hoppin' to the event of the summer!

Dive in to an egg-cellent adventure that goes DEEP into faith-building fun.

Register at: crilcbrecksville.org (SOON!)

VBS dates: July 8-12th

VBS times: TBD

For more information, call: cris1781@gmail.com



Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry Reentry Program



LMM Reentry Program for Women would appreciate receiving the following during the month of April:

- * Women's Underwear (NEW): Size 7 (Large) and up
- * Women's Socks (New or like-new): All sizes, all styles. Ankle, no-show, and athletic style preferred.
- * Women's Bras (New or lightly used): Band size 38 and up, cup size C and up. Sports bras: size Large and up.

We also take all sizes and styles of women's shoes in good used condition. Flat shoes preferred, or low heels. Boots and tennis shoes are most in demand currently.

Thank you for your generosity & prayers.

Lake Chautauqua Lutheran Center is located in New York and is the site of our annual January Getaway Weekend. Their address is 5013 NY-430 in Bemus Point, NY.

WORK DAY AT LCLC



Saturday, April 27th, 2024
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!

Adults, youth, pastors, former staff & campers,
handymen & handywomen...all are welcome!



WE HAVE PROJECTS FOR ALL SKILL SETS:

- Fiesta Tent set up
- Cabin Door painting
- Installation of mini blinds (bring a drill!)
- Outdoor Chapel trimming/branch cleanup
- Fallen Tree trunks/branches sawn into logs
- Trail Maintenance
- Additional Donor Brick placement on our Shepherd's Path
- Cabin Curtains to be hung

LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS.

LIMITED Friday Night accommodations available:

Contact the Camp Office for info.

*Please respond to let us know if you will be
volunteering, or to be a leader on a project.*

Office phone: (716) 386-4125

Email: contact@lclcenter.org

“It’s not how much we give, but how much love we put into giving” - Mother Teresa



SOUTH HILLS LEND-A-HAND

We continue to collect food for the food pantry in Broadview Heights that serves residents of Brecksville, Broadview Heights, Independence and Seven Hills.

Call 440-526-0514 if you would like to help or need assistance.

Need on a more regular basis:

Tissues, Laundry Detergent and Canned Fruit

ITEMS NEEDED THE MOST:

canned meals/stew	canned soup
canned beans	canned fruit
canned vegetables	tuna fish
peanut butter & jelly	pancake mix
cereal	rice
macaroni & cheese	spaghetti sauce
Tissues	paper towels
diapers	hygiene products
liquid laundry detergent	

USED CELL PHONES

Used cell phones are being collected throughout the year and will be donated to the **JOURNEY CENTER FOR SAFETY AND HEALING** (formerly *Domestic Violence Center*). There is a marked bag located on the coffee counter in the Gathering Space by the front entry doors.

The **JOURNEY CENTER FOR SAFETY AND HEALING** provides **services that foster safety and healing for those affected by child abuse and domestic violence.**

Aluminum pull-tabs needed for RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES

There is a large jar in the Gathering Space by the stairwell as well as in the coat room at the bottom of the food shelf.

A local recycler turns the pull-tabs into **money for their Family Fund.**

REDEEMER CRISIS CENTER

EMPHASIS ON ITEMS NEEDED

Peanut Butter, Boxed Cereal and Toilet Paper,

Hand/toe warmers, Towels
Blankets and Comforters
Hand can openers, Pots and Pans
Electric fry pans & hot plates
Shampoo and Conditioner
Lotions, Body Wash, Shaving Cream
Toilet paper, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste

OASIS COLLECTION

Food items are needed for the OASIS ministry in Akron.

Items can be dropped off at church into the **NEW** donation area of the coat closet.

Healthy after-school snacks for the children OASIS partners with. This would **include bags of small apples, bags of clementines or mandarin oranges, fruit cups, granola or fruit bars and peanut butter or cheese crackers**

Lutheran Disaster Response actively works in **areas affected by tornados, hurricanes, flooding, wild-fires and war.** Donations can be made on our website home page or click on the donate tab. Checks can also be written to CRLC and write LDR on the memo line. CRLC will send your donation to LDR.



Fellowship is often associated with sharing a meal to get to know one another better and build a sense of connection, caring, and compassion in our faith community and among our family, friends, and colleagues.

April ushers in a season of warmer weather for outdoor gatherings, graduation parties, weddings, family reunions, picnics, barbecues, garden parties, yard sales, baby showers and summer holidays.

Group meals often create a great deal of non-recyclable waste. Single-use plastic utensils and cups can take up to **1,000 years** to decompose. Most plastic utensils are made of polystyrene, which can release toxic chemicals when heated. Most items manufactured with a recycling logo and number on it or advertised on the packaging are not recyclable or recycled in our county.

Earth Day falls during the month of April (4/22/24). There are many free resources that can help us live lightly on the earth and demonstrate our willingness to exercise good stewardship over the blessings in our lives.

- Cuyahoga County Zero Waste Event Guide: https://cuyahogarecycles.org/earth_day_ideas/#:~:text=Every%20year%2C%20the%20Solid%20Waste,April%2022%20is%20Earth%20Day.
- City of Brecksville: <https://www.brecksville.oh.us/Service/recycling.html>
- Cuyahoga County: <https://cuyahogarecycles.org/recyclables>

If you would like to learn more about how the HCA is addressing the issue of plastics and the environment visit <https://secure.everyaction.com/e3ADrGsqZkmJbQwQk1ED1w2> to learn about the Plastic Jesus programming for our faith community.



Thank you to everyone who contributed their time and talent to the Lenten soup suppers. Gail Berzins and all the other volunteers who brought food, helped with set up or clean up gave a wonderful blessing to the CRLC congregation by sharing their time and talents to create the fellowship opportunities this past month. Thank you also to those in our ministry service who provided their spiritual and musical insights to make the Lenten Worship services meaningful.

Women's Fellowship Opportunity



An invitation from the Northeastern Ohio
Synodical Women's Organization
Women of the ELCA

When: April 27, 2024 9:00am with registration & refreshments

Where: Grace Lutheran Church
146 High St
Wadsworth OH 44281

*Contact Jill Koubal if you are
interested in getting a
carpool group together.*

RSVP by April 15 to: (call or text)

Martha Bishop - 330-559-4930

(don't need names; just numbers)

Bring a luncheon salad to share (5-8 servings)
(drinks, dessert will be provided)

Join us to spend an hour with **Dorothy Fuldheim**
(some won't remember her;
she was a broadcasting journalist
who set records for her interviews and reporting).

We'll discover some of our note-worthy resources available to us as
Women of the ELCA.

Meet Jennifer Ackerman, our member who's been elected
to the churchwide board; she'll share about the next Triennial in 2026 in
Des Moines, IA.

We'll have worthwhile discussion and fellowship.

We'll learn from a Task Force Member of the dangers of Human Trafficking.

We hope to see you there!!!!

April Volunteers In Parish Service

As always, if you are unable to serve on a scheduled date, *please find your own replacement* and let the church office know by Wednesday of that week.

Thank you for your service!

April 7	8:00 am	10:30 am
Assisting Minister	Lauren Jirousek	Lee Knicely
Communion Assistants	x	Adrienne Davic, Jan Romance
Ushers	Ken Blank, Lisa Antonucci	Dan Bartik, Amy Marek
Altar Care	Pam & Bob Bertsch	Ilene Privara
Counters: Jeff & Cathy Smith, Jeff Luksa		Coffee Hour Hosts: Laubachers

April 14	8:00 am	10:30 am
Assisting Minister	Steve Wilson	Linda Eckenbrecht
Communion Assistants	x	Wendy McGill, Chris Schuhle
Ushers	Lou Carouse, Mike Berzins	Jeff Dentzer, Frank Bolton
Altar Care	Dorthea Kramer	Linda Eckenbrecht
Counters: Jeff Dentzer, Mike Bodanza, Todd Romance		Coffee Hour Host: open

April 21	8:00 am	10:30 am
Assisting Minister	Suzana Koch	Dianne Young
Communion Assistants	x	Shirley Fisher, Deb Dey
Ushers	Mark Evans, Al Radefeld	Wendy & Chris Dralle
Altar Care	Gail Stelmaschuk	Shirley Fisher
Counters: Andrew Perry, Amy Marek, Lisa Witzke		Coffee Hour Host: Jenni Halter

April 28	8:00 am	10:30 am
Assisting Minister	Deb Blank	Blaine Coleman
Communion Assistants	x	Frank & Mardell Boulton
Ushers	Don Laubacher, Todd Kiick	Scott Witzke, Jennifer Eisenmann
Altar Care	Dorthea Kramer	Dana Vrcan
Counters: Joy Petrovic, Dan Bartik, Dennis Famey		Coffee Hour Host: open



Happy Birthday!



Happy Anniversary!

- 1 Douglas Pohle **
- 2 Tom Weber
- 3 Peter Smith **
- 4 Shelby Gibson
- 4 Kevin Lewison
- 4 Will Krew
- 5 Judy Coleman
- 5 Christian Kessler
- 6 Deb Atsberger **
- 6 Mike Marcinko
- 9 Isabella Benza
- 9 Craig McGhee
- 10 Alivia Olman
- 10 Jocelyn Smith **
- 12 Andy Mook
- 13 David Smith
- 14 Barb Wojtala
- 15 Ann Farine **
- 16 Brian D'Anza
- 16 Paul Koch **
- 17 Connie Minerovic
- 17 Shirley Shaver
- 18 Karen Guzi
- 19 Frank Boulton
- 19 Jaiden Gunta
- 20 Steve Wilson
- 21 Wendy McGavic **
- 21 Cathy Thomas

- 23 Cameron Booher
- 24 Nathan Arens
- 24 Mark Vilem
- 25 Matthew Perlman
- 26 Dennis Farney **
- 26 Kat Koubal
- 26 Brooks Kerrick
- 26 Mackenzie Kerrick
- 29 Ray Halter
- 29 Beth Spann
- 30 Connor Halter

**= Milestone birthday

- 1 Matthew & Brandy Falcone
- 2 Sandy & Don Dobos
- 2 Blain & Suzie Putich-Kisling
- 3 Donna & Mike Opperman
- 7 Jacqui & Kevin Lewison
- 13 Jan & Todd Romance
- 24 David & Joanna Pretz-Anderson
- 26 Joani & Joe Huber
- 28 Sue & Dennis Farney
- 29 Gretchen & Don Grossenbaugh



*Wishing Everyone
a happy, healthy, blessed
Day!*

Pastor Randy

James Alfieri

Cecile Mastroianni

Jill Koubal

Marci Kehoe

Laurie Siebert

Paul Travaglianti



Did you know that we have the ability to receive online giving through our website?
(www.crlcbrecksville.org)

This option will allow for folks to contribute to our congregation using their credit card or debit card. There is not a cost for the church to host this ability, however this is a cost to us for every transaction that is processed. The donor however, can add this fee to any donation they make using this process so that the church receives the full amount intended. This will allow for folks who prefer to handle their giving in this way. This can be used for a one-time donation or it can be set up for reoccurring contributions. It also will allow specific giving to specific funds in our church. You also can download an app for your phone, and after a one-time set-up, you can easily use your mobile device for giving. Donors also have the ability to have recurring donations directly charged to their Bank or S&L checking or savings account through the church Simply Giving program without needing to use the on-line system. Please contact the church office to get more information or to set up this option."



Did you know...

- ◆ Did you know that the ELCA National Youth Gathering is this year in New Orleans?
- ◆ Did you know that Art Connections will be back this year? It will be held at the end of July, the beginning of August.
- ◆ Did you know that VBS this year will be held in July?
- ◆ Did you know that in February, some of our youth attended a Quake weekend in Pittsburgh?
- ◆ Did you know that it is likely that during the month of April, Pastor Blair and Faye Morgan will be moving back to the Pittsburgh area? We will miss them and wish them Godspeed.
- ◆ Did you know that in order to publicize something in the newsletter we need it by the 15th of the month prior?

... and Now You Know!

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>>> April 2024

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Serving Others

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 7:00pm Yoga	2	3 10:00am Ladies Bible Study 7:00pm Adult Choir	4 7:00pm Ladies Bible Study	5	6
7 8:00am Worship 9:15am Confirmation with Pastor Randy 9:15am Sunday School-All Ages 10:30am Worship	8 7:00pm Yoga	9	10 7:00pm Adult Choir	11	12	13
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