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¹² “...return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning, ¹³rend your hearts and not your clothing. Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and relents from punishing.” **Joel 2:12-13**

Dear Fellowship Members and Friends,

On March 2nd we begin the season of Lent, a season of prayer, reflection, repentance and renewal. It is in this annual pilgrimage to the cross of Calvary that we are reminded of God's ultimate sacrifice for our eternal life. We are invited to carry out the Lenten discipline, practices of fasting, prayer, and works of love. As we set aside time for our own spiritual practices, we remember God's incredible love for us and the tremendous sacrifice of Christ who gave His life for us.

Lent brings us back to the roots of what we believe. It brings us to the central event of our Christian faith: the death and resurrection of Christ. It's a reminder that God sent God's Son to "reach out" to a world in need. So often people ask about the meaning of Lent and the traditions we follow. During Lent, we remember from where we have come, from dust, and the new life that is ours because of the resurrection. For those who attend our Ash Wednesday worship, ashes are marked on our foreheads to suggest our total dependence on God for our life. Through the ashes we are reminded of the words of committal in the burial service: "...earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust." For one day those words will be said over us. Receiving the sign of the "cross of ashes" on our foreheads is a reminder of who and whose we are in Christ through our Baptism.

In his 2021 annual message on the Lenten journey, Pope Francis reflected on the practice of fasting. I was inspired by these words, and hope you are inspired by them also.

Do you want to fast this Lent?

- *Fast from hurting words and say kind words.*
- *Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude,*
- *Fast from anger and be filled with patience.*
- *Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.*
- *Fast from worries and trust in God.*
- *Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity,*
- *Fast from pressures and be prayerful.*
- *Fast from bitterness and fill you heart with joy.*
- *Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to other*
- *Fast from grudges and be reconciled,*
- *Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.*

See you in church!

Pastor Robin

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Time Change on Sunday, March 13th - Don't forget to turn your clocks forward one hour before you go to bed.

In-person Worship We are asking that you continue to wear a mask for in-person worship, even if you are fully vaccinated/boostered. We continue to practice physical distancing.

Holy Communion Consecrated communion kits can be picked up in the church office on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays between 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon for those unable to attend in-person.

Donation Opportunities

Smoky Row Food Pantry Needs for March

- Non-perishable food staples, such as beans, corn, rice, pasta
- Baby items (Diapers 2-3-4, Wipes)
- Toiletries, such as shampoo/conditioner, soap, toilet paper, etc.
- Winter coats, hats, gloves
- Lightbulbs

Please place your donations in the tubs located in the Narthex during church service hours, or during published office hours - Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, between 9:00 am and 12:00 pm. Thank you!

Meals on Wheels

Friday, March 18	Engen	Friday, April 15	Biemel
Saturday, March 19	Cardimen	Saturday, April 16	Tucker

Worship Servers Needed! If you are able to help out at our 10:00 a.m. Worship service, please let either Tracy Farel or Pastor Robin know. Lectors, counters, and greeters are needed.

Sunday School is now in person for ages preschool through 7th grade! Hope to see you on Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m.

Kroger Plus Fundraising Information: If you would like to register your Kroger card for the Community Rewards Program, please contact Pastor Robin or the church office. Thank you so much for participating in this fundraiser!

Give to Fellowship with Your Smartphone with Vanco Mobile - If you would like to give to Fellowship with your smartphone, please download Vanco's new smartphone app, **Vanco Mobile**. Vanco Mobile will enable anyone to donate at anytime to Fellowship. It makes it easy to give instantaneously for a regular gift, a recurring gift, or a special occasion gift.

Do You Order From Amazon? If so, then try Amazon Smile to support Fellowship Lutheran Church! First, go to Amazon Smile and choose Fellowship Lutheran Church, Columbus, OH as your charity. Then, shop as usual and Fellowship will receive a percentage of your purchase. It's that easy!

Staying Connected Program for the Elderly - Did you know that Ohio has a program for the elderly to "stay connected?" You get to pick the hour to receive the phone call. For more information, here is the link: <https://aging.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/aging/care-and-living/get-help/staying-connected/>

Attendance Information (In-person & virtual)

1/2	19/4/22 views	2/6	28/3/19 views
1/9	25/4/17 views	2/13	31/5/27 views
1/16	27/4/22 views	2/20	34/5/29 views
1/23	17/6/32 views	2/27	32/4/12 views
1/30	27/7/15 views		

CONGRATULATIONS KATHLEEN AND ZAC WOLKAN ON THE BIRTH OF YOUR DAUGHTER, ADELAIDE ANN WOLKAN! Adelelaide was born on December 22, 2021, and will be baptized later in the spring.



Core Value Results

After collecting the votes from the survey in the fall and reviewing the data, it was evident that all of the proposed core values were equally important to our congregation. To that end, Council has decided to consolidate a few of the values together to create the following list of core values for our congregation.

FLC Core Values:

Worshiping: Rooted in the Lutheran traditions and centered on Word and Sacrament

Serving: Caring for each member and our neighbors in the greater community

Welcoming: Striving to welcome and engage all by establishing meaningful relationships so that all feel part of our FLC community

Education & Youth: Growing and sustaining our faith with ongoing education, for all members, while also involving youth of all ages and finding ways to integrate them

Generosity: Sharing God's Word and God's abundance with others by being generous with the time and resources God has given us

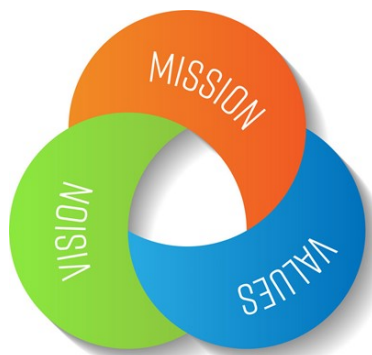
These core values go perfectly with our congregation's Mission and Vision statements.

FLC Mission:

To share God's love and grace through our words and actions.

FLC Vision:

Be a diverse, thriving community of faith where all are welcome to celebrate God's love and grace.



2022 MIDWEEK LENTEN/HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES

"Facing the Cross"

ASH WEDNESDAY – March 2nd @ 7:30 p.m.
The Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion
"Facing Our Sins"

WEDNESDAY – March 9th @ 7:30 p.m.
"Facing Temptation"

WEDNESDAY – March 16th @ 7:30 p.m.
"Facing Our Fears"

WEDNESDAY – March 23rd @ 7:30 p.m.
"Facing Our Worldliness"

WEDNESDAY – March 30th @ 7:30 p.m.
"Facing One Another"

WEDNESDAY – April 6th @ 7:30 p.m.
"Facing Suffering"

HOLY WEEK

PASSION/PALM SUNDAY – April 10th
10:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

MAUNDY THURSDAY – April 14th @ 7:30 p.m.
Joint Service with Columbus Joeun Methodist Church

ECUMENICAL GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE – April 15th @ 7:30 p.m.
Community Tenebrae Service @ Fellowship Lutheran Church

THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD Easter Sunday – April 17th

Easter Services with Communion @ 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Easter Breakfast 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. (if COVID situation improves)

Church Staff

Pastor	Rev. Robin Wargowsky
Treasurer	Todd Engen
Financial Secretary	Tracy Farel
Office Secretary	Tracy Farel
Pianist	Amy Wargowsky
Sub. Pianist/Organist	David Fleisher, Ruth Albert
Choir/Band Director	George Biemel
Custodian	Kenneth Hunt

Executive Committee

President	Kathryn Tucker
Vice-President	George Biemel
Secretary	Sonya Thelin Pastor Robin

Congregational Life

Director	Cindy Frey
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Education & Youth

Director	Dianna Roll
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Outreach

Director	Carol Jaeger
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Stewardship & Support

Director	John Votino
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Worship

Director	Karen Harris
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Thank you for your leadership!!!

Worship Servers Schedule for March 2022

Date	March 6	March 13
Lay Reader	Ruth Albert	Cindy Frey
Counter	John Votino	
Greeter	Karen Harris	
Altar Guild	Diana Roll & Angela Kidd	Diana Roll & Angela Kidd

Date	March 20	March 27
Lay Reader	Sonya Thelin	
Counter		
Greeter		
Altar Guild	Diana Roll & Angela Kidd	Diana Roll & Angela Kidd

Worship Servers Needed!

We have not yet returned to our full schedule of worship servers due to COVID. If you can fill any of our openings for readers, counters or greeters or help out in future months, please call or email Tracy or Pastor Robin. Thanks!



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27 9:15 am - Sun. School 10:00 am - Worship 11:30-3:00 - CJMC 5:00 pm - Worship	28	1	2 Ash Wednesday 7:30 pm - Ash Wednesday worship	3 8:00 pm - CJMC	4	5
6 9:15 am - Sun. School 10:00 am - Worship 11:00 am - Executive 11:30-2:30 - CJMC 5:00 pm - Worship	7	8 7:00 pm - Worship Team (zoom)	9 7:30 pm - Midweek worship	10 8:00 pm - CJMC	11	12
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20 9:15 am - Sun. School 10:00 am - Worship 11:30-3:00 - CJMC 5:00 pm - Worship	21	22	23 7:30 pm - Midweek worship	24 8:00 pm - CJMC	25	26
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FOR OUR MEMBERS:

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| Fritzi Bear | Frank & Leena LeMay |
| Maxine Brunner | Bill Lude |
| Major N Crispin | Sonja Meighen |
| Barb Fisher | Joshua Mott |
| Margery Gress | Stacy Niedecker |
| Cheryl Hamilton | Martha Sampson |
| Zach Jaeger | Ray & Carol Ward |
| Lillian Kachic | Bill Zahn |

March Birthdays

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| Kohei Tateyama | 3/7 |
| Ryan Roll | 3/10 |
| Mark Drake | 3/12 |
| Edwin Madari | 3/13 |
| Ethan Wolkan | 3/13 |
| E. J. Wendt | 3/29 |
| Carolyn Shaw | 3/31 |

FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

- Joan Albert**, Ruth Albert's mother
- Linda Chickey**, Ruth Albert's co-worker
- Tom & Pat Crampton**, Byron Engen's neighbors
- Rosemary Craig**, Cindy Frey's mother
- Marc Hamilton**, Cheryl Hamilton's son
- McKenna Harris**, Karen Harris' granddaughter
- Megan Harris**, Karen Harris' daughter
- Jake Hinkle**, Frey family friend
- Pat Henceforth**, Rev. Ron Bott's friend
- Bob & Marge LeMay**, Frank LeMay's brother and wife
- Orin McMonigle**, Karen Harris' friend
- Robin Welsh**, Margery Gress' daughter



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: **Happy Birthday** to those celebrating birthdays :
: this month! This list reflects the information we :
: have in our computer at this time. We welcome :
: your corrections and additions! :
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DEATHS:

- Sam Brunner**, member
- Bob Burgett**, Frey family friend
- Dorothy Hardesty**, Pastor Robin's brother-in-law's mother
- Karen McCord**, Karen Henry's friend
- Michael Raia**, Jim Jaeger's friend

March Anniversaries



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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED



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