

The Beacon

December, 2025, and January, 2026

Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church
The Cross-Lit Church

10581 Day Hill-Arnheim Rd
Georgetown, OH 45121

Ministers, All Peace Lutheran Members

Pastor Laura Shreffler
Phone: 937-446-2747



Advent Bible Study

Pastor Laura will lead the Advent Bible Study, "Our Dear Christ Enters In," on Tuesdays, Dec. 2, 9, 16, and 23, in Frey Hall. She will offer the Bible study at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. each Tuesday. You will find a sign-up sheet on the Access Hall table, right next to the Bible Study Guides. The cover of the Bible Study has a white border. You can sign up for a time, but if you need to switch times at some point, you are welcome to do that. Participants will focus on preparing our hearts and homes for the coming of Jesus, who enters in to be with us. This is always an enjoyable Bible study. If Tuesday is not a good day for you, you can pick up a Bible study guide for individual study.

Christmas Candlelight Service



We will celebrate the Nativity of Our Lord -- the birth of Jesus, our Savior -- with a Christmas

Candlelight Service at 7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve, Wednesday, Dec. 24. Pre-service music will begin at 6:30 p.m. We will have a family complete the Advent wreath by lighting the Christ candle, and a young child to bring Baby Jesus to the manger. We will sing favorite Christmas carols and close worship by lighting our personal candles as we sing "Silent Night" in the darkened sanctuary. Bring friends and family!

Advent Devotions

You can pick up your Advent devotions anytime from the Access Hall table.

- ✦ Our adult devotions, with a dark blue-green cover, are titled "Our Dear Christ Enters In." Each reflection focuses on an aspect related to home life in the story of Christ's birth or in the traditions we hold dear during this Christmas season.
- ✦ Teenagers and young adults can pick up, "Heads Up, The Lord Is Near!" which has a yellow cover. We all need an alert to remind us that it's time to prepare ourselves and why that is so important. The daily messages provide the perfect "Heads Up" so that we're not caught unprepared as we welcome the Savior.
- ✦ Finally, for the children and their families, we have the Advent calendar, "Welcome the Savior!" Every day you open a window to find a surprise and create a unique three dimensional landscape. The calendar is perfect to display on a tabletop or mantel.



The Cross-Lit Church - Faith, Hope and Love

Please Remember in Prayer

George and Dixie Beltz
Bobbie Blevins
Family of Nicholas Bone
Kathe Bradford
Brittany Brown
Sandy Brown
Brent, Carol and Alisha
Lilly Combs
Kendal Conley
Melissa Dahlheimer
Michelle and Craig Dick
Betty Donathan
Tara Duzan
Eric Erickson
Aiden Fowler
Missy Freeman
Maura Fultz
Betty Gelter
Karen Gilliam
Michell Grey
Judith Harp
Pastor Scott Henning
Kelley Hensley
Dorothy Hibbs
Judy Huber
Josh Humble
Lydia Humble
Donna Johnson
Wilfred Kelch

Ronald Land
Taylor Latham
Angela Lauders
James and Milly Leach
Cynthia Marks
Colt McKee
Yolanda Meeker
Esther Miller
Miranda and Babies
Estel Newberry
Dorothy Orr
Clarence Perry
Brenda Reed
Tom Reifengerger
Karla Ritchie
Mattie Robinette
Amanda Roush & Josh Endsley
Nicki Seip
David Stephan
Linda Sue Stephan
Carl Stuck
Family of Bill Taylor
Nikki Tracy
Michelle Uhl
Bob and Cindy Verville
Roger Vogel
Dana Voight
Michelle Wallace
Amy White
Holly Wilson

Senior Member Birthdays

Esther Miller (16-Dec)
Monarch Meadows - Rm 401
299 Commerce Dr
Seaman, OH 45679

Ronald L. Yockey (5-Jan)
12971 Hamer Rd
Sardinia, OH 45171

Norma Kelch (18-Jan)
5753 Camp Run Rd
Georgetown, OH 45121

Thank You

Thank you for all the beautiful cards, notes and prayers. It was deeply appreciated and very uplifting. God bless you all.
Love, Kathleen Waddell

Thank you for all the prayers offered for our daughter, Angela Lauders, thru her cancer treatments. Angela is doing ok. Only 3 more to go!! — Then ring that bell!! *Marion and Anna Lou*

First Communion

Lydia, Cullen, and Larissa Pearcy made their First Communion on Sunday, Nov. 23. They are the children of Janie Pearcy, the grandchildren of Jeff and Judy Kress, and the great-grandchildren of Marlene Kress. Please continue to keep Lydia, Cullen, and Larissa in prayer on this faith journey.

Prayers for Homebound and Those in Care Facilities

Cameron McCall (at home)
Esther Miller (Monarch Meadows, 937-205-7658)
James Wagel (at home)

Serving in the Armed Forces

Gordon Ellis, Michael Glass, Nicole Hatfield,
Houston Henize, Daniel Kelch, Tom Mays, Tyler
Thomas, Ryan Thornton, Jake Davis, Elijah
Lawrence and Adam Vogel

Prayers for Health, Comfort and Strength

The Prayer List is published each month in the Beacon newsletter. Updates to the Beacon list are included in the weekly bulletins.

Please contact Pastor Laura or the church office to add names to the Prayer List or to request continuing prayers. Requests for prayers may also be distributed through Peace Lutheran FYI emails and the One Call Now phone service.

From the Pastor

**Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
shared until all are fed.**

**Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church, gathered today.**

Christ Be Our Light, v. 3, ELW #715

Dear Friends,

In the eight years since the *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* book came out, this has become one of my favorite hymns for both Advent and Epiphany—both times of seeking light. This third verse especially resonated with me as people waited desperately for their SNAP benefits or even to find enough money to buy food for a decent Thanksgiving dinner. These are people who do work, sometimes two or three jobs, but at minimum wage or less, cannot always put food on the table. Some are suffering because they had a serious injury and lost their insurance due to the bills they still had to pay. Some are senior citizens who are trying to raise grandchildren and great-grandchildren. One thing I will tell you—people cannot hear the Gospel over a rumbling stomach. And people who are struggling will know you by your actions, not your words. Jesus and the Old Testament had a lot to say about the way people claiming to be religious treated others. When we feed, give drink, clothe, visit someone in jail or who is ill, we have done it for Jesus.

And yet, my heart is joyful this week. This church put together 62 boxes so that those who are struggling can put decent Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners on the table. Yes, the affordability was not as good as last year, but we still went out and put these boxes together. Our young people carefully checked each box before taking them all over to the Interfaith Pantry at Sardinia Hope Church. This hymn asks God to "Make us your bread, broken for others, shared until all are fed." When we put together these boxes and when we take lunches around to families in need during the summer, we are God's bread, broken for others.

I love this communal aspect—bread, broken for others. I did some Holy Communion instruction



the other day where we talked about how important meals were in Jesus' day. People gathered together, ritually washed their hands, and shared from bowls with each other. Isn't it interesting that Jesus dips bread in a bowl and gives it to Judas? He breaks bread, even with Judas, who will betray him; even with Peter, who will deny him. At the end of the road to Emmaus, Jesus breaks and blesses the bread and then disappears. The disciples know him only in the breaking of the bread. Jesus also broke and blessed the five loaves and two fish (and later the four loaves and two fish). This was also a Holy Communion. Each Sunday, I will break and bless the bread for communion, as God speaks through me the words of Holy Communion.

Making sure that all are fed and all have water to drink is a way to prepare the way during Advent for our Christ to come. Christ, be our light this Advent season. Shine in our hearts both individually and as the church gathered today.

In Christ,
Pastor Laura

Pastors on Vacation

Pastor Laura and Pastor Ron will be on vacation in West Virginia Tuesday, Dec. 30, through Monday, Jan. 5 -- with a brief interlude in Beavercreek when the family from Missouri comes to celebrate. Pastor Laura will be in the office on Monday, Dec. 29. We will have a supply pastor for worship on Sunday, Jan. 4. We are not yet sure who that will be because Pastor Jen will also be on vacation.

Pastors at Rostered Ministers Gathering

Pastor Laura and Pastor Ron will attend the Ohio Rostered Ministers Gathering from Tuesday, Jan. 20, through Thursday, Jan. 22, at the Hilton in Columbus/Polaris. The Rev. Dr. Greg Carey will speak on "Christian Nationalism: Why Is It Dangerous for the Gospel and for Democracy?" Pastor Laura hopes to gain knowledge on Christian Nationalism that she can bring back and share with the congregation.

Both pastors also will attend Boundaries Training, while at the Hilton, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 22. All rostered ministers as well as retired rostered ministers are required to take this training every three years.

Dorcas Circle Christmas Party

Dorcas Circle will hold its annual Christmas party at 6:00 p.m. Monday, Dec. 8, in Frey Hall. Please bring a Christmas reading and an item for the Warmth Tree. Tracy Glover will cater food from The Country Inn in Georgetown. Elf Nikki will return, and hijinks always ensue when she is there! You never know what to expect. We look forward to seeing the Dorcas Circle members and celebrating Christmas.

Our Christian Sympathy

✠ Our Christian Sympathy is extended to the family of William "Bill" Taylor, who died at home on Monday, Nov. 3. Bill was critically injured in a fall that left him paralyzed. Bill is the father of Zach Taylor, our church council president. Bill was a member of St. Mary Catholic Church. Please keep in prayer Bill's wife, Paula; sons Zachary (Melissa) Taylor, Jacob (Alexis) Taylor, daughters Dorothy (Mindy) Taylor, Sunshine (Garrett) Piatt, Rebecca Taylor, and Brooke (Alex) Neal; and grandchildren Jaylen, Lily, Zane, Jude, Maya, Graham, Salem, Harper, and Gwendolyn. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Mary's on Friday, Nov. 7, with Father Dohrman Byers officiating. Burial followed in the St. Mary Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Autism Society of America or St. Mary Catholic Church.

✠ Our Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Nicholas Bone, who died Monday, Nov. 10, after enduring six weeks of surgeries for burns suffered in an accident. Nicholas was the great-grandson of our member Eileen Stewart.



The Sunday School Children present a "Songs of Thanksgiving" prelude.



Agape Holiday Food Boxes

Peace contributed 62 Agape Holiday Food Boxes for Thanksgiving and Christmas meals. This is a new record. Thank you to everyone who contributed!

On November 16, the LYO and friends met after worship, checked the boxes and took them to the Agape Interfaith Pantry. The pantry added ham and some perishable items to each box.

The Thanksgiving boxes were delivered on Nov. 24. The Christmas boxes will be delivered on Monday, Dec. 22 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. and you are welcome to help. You can contact the pantry at 937-515-0898.

The pantry has been blessed by the support of our churches and the Sardinia community.



Game Night

Youth and Family Ministry will sponsor a church Game Night on Friday, Dec. 12. Bring a snack to share and a board game or cards. Beverages will be provided. We will begin eating at 6:30 p.m., and playing games at 7:00 p.m. We usually have a euchre game going and there will be "sports" on the Wii. Come for good food and fellowship.

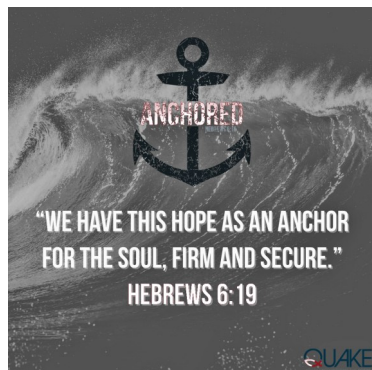
Getting Ready for Quake

On January 9-11, eight youth from Peace will attend the Cincinnati Quake: Addy Bundy, Isabelle Phillips, Kylie Boyer, Lydia Percy, Zane Taylor, Hunter Bradford, Cullen Percy, and Harper Bradford. Natalie Vogel, Susan Taylor, Grace Humble, and Trent McFarland will be the adult leaders and chaperones.

Quake is for middle and high schoolers who are ready to dive into their faith, ask big questions, and discover what it means to live with purpose. They will hear Christian bands, take part in Bible studies and games, meet new Lutheran friends, and work on a service project. Quake presents challenging and engaging speakers to inspire and help youth make a difference in the world.

Please keep these youth and leaders in your prayers for a safe and fulfilling

weekend! This event is a long-time favorite of the Peace LYO. Stay tuned for a recap of our experiences in the February Beacon!



LYO Thank You

The LYO would like to thank everyone who contributed crafts and baked goods for their booth at the Lake Waynoka craft fair. And thank you to all who came by to shop on October 25! The LYO was able to raise \$1,210!

It is support like this that helps to make other activities, like QUAKE, possible for our youth. Thank you again!

Pre-Service Music

Our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will begin at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 24, but we always look forward to having our members take part in the pre-service music, which begins at 6:30 p.m. If you are interested in providing music, please see Joy Creighton or Tara Woods.

Christmas Caroling

The LYO, along with family and friends, will be Christmas Caroling on Sunday, December 14. We will have lunch in Frey Hall following the second service. Our bus will leave at approximately 1:00 p.m.

We deliver Christmas cards when we go caroling. A sign-up sheet for carolers and a box for Christmas cards will be available in the Access Hallway. The card list is included below. Please note that we won't necessarily be visiting everyone on this day, but cards will be delivered to them. For more information, see Natalie Vogel or Susan Taylor.

Roger & Doris Vogel, Mary Alice Hertlein
Marlene Kress, Esther Miller, Betty Gelter
James & Miriam Wagel, Sandy Brown
Carl & Shirley Berz, George & Dixie Beltz
Norma & Wilfred Kelch

Advent Wreath

It is time for families to sign up for the Advent Wreath-Lighting Readings. Look for the sign-up sheet on the Access Hall table, along with readings for each week. We need readers for each of the Advent Sundays in December -- Dec. 7, 14, and 21, and for the Christmas Eve service on Wednesday, Dec. 24. Readers can be a couple, a group, friends, a nuclear family, or extended family. Thanks to Kay Bundy for making our Advent wreath again this year.

Christmas Tree

Thanks to Dorcas Circle and friends for putting up the Christmas tree in the sanctuary. Many hands make the work light. This will not be nearly as much fun, but we will take down the tree at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 5. Again, we could use extra people as we take down the tree, pack it up, and store it downstairs.

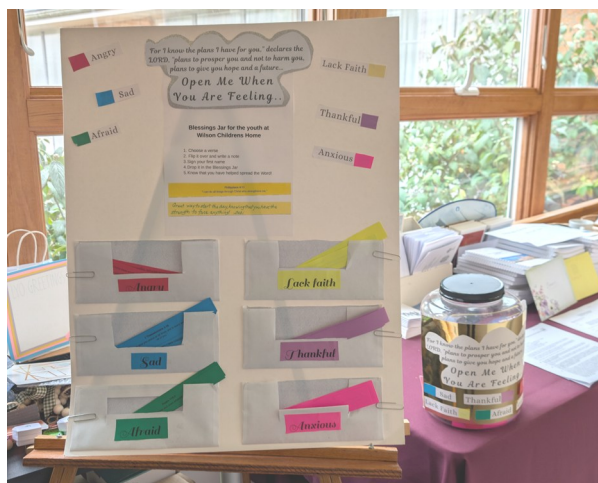
Warmth Tree and Yellow Stars

The Sunday School Board has put up the Warmth Tree in the Access Entrance. The donations will go to the young people in the Wilson Children's Home in West Union. These young people range in age from 14 to 18. In terms of warmth items, they could mostly use new pajamas, underwear, and socks. Other items, such as gloves or mittens, are also fine. Girls' sizes range from women's medium to large, and boys' sizes range from L to XL. If you do not want to shop, you can take an angel from the tree. The angels represent \$5 each. Take an angel off the tree and put money in the box beneath the tree. The Sunday School will empty the box after late worship each week.

We are trying something new for those of you who would rather give a more personal gift. You will

find large yellow stars hanging on the Warmth Tree. Each star has the name of a young person at the Wilson Children's Home. Give the star to Nikki Tracy, and she will give you the child's Christmas wish list. Each child has made out a wish list. The Sunday School recommends not spending more than \$40. You can go together with someone else. You can buy one present for the \$40 or two or three smaller presents for the same amount. You may not be able to find some things on the wish list, but you can get something close to them. Wrap up the presents into one package and place the star with the child's name on top.

Please turn in the Blessings Jar strips, the warmth items, and the star presents by Sunday, Dec. 21, because the Sunday School Board would like to take the presents to the Children's Home during Christmas week.



Blessings Jar

Thanks to Debi Shultz, who came up with the concept of the Blessings Jar, which you will find on the Access Hall table. This will be a gift we give to the young people at the Wilson Children's Home at Christmas, along with our Warmth Tree gifts, and it costs you nothing but a few minutes!

Instructions are on an easel by the Access Hallway table. The Blessings Jar says, "Open me when you are feeling Angry, Sad, Afraid, Lack of Faith, Thankful, or Anxious." Choose a verse from one or more of those feelings from the poster on the easel. Flip it over and write a note. Sign your first name only. Drop it in the Blessings Jar. Know that you have helped someone spread the Word!

Lessons and Carols for Christmas

You may not have sung your favorite carol yet or you may still be in the Christmas spirit. Join us for our Lessons and Carols for Christmas service on Sunday, Dec. 28. Our lessons will take us through the Christmas Scriptures, accompanied by Christmas carols. The lessons and carols will take the place of a sermon. We will not have Holy Communion.



Opportunities to Share

- ⇒ Agape Emergency Fund – donations for emergencies in our community
- ⇒ Agape Food Pantry – non-perishable food items
- ⇒ Adams/Brown County Homeless Shelter – common household paper products and sanitary items for adults and children
- ⇒ Cross-Lit Pantry – non-perishable food items for our outdoor pantry near the access entrance
- ⇒ Home of Peace Orphanage in Bariadi Tanzania – donations for the orphanage and children - aluminum cans for recycling

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Congregational Meeting

Peace held our annual congregational meeting on Sunday, Nov. 23. The congregation approved a Budget for 2026 and elected four new council members: Terry Holland, Jerry Jewell, Tricia McClain, and Dan Wagel. The new council members will replace Steven Bundy, Connie Perry, Natalie Vogel, and Elizabeth Waits who have completed their terms.

Martha Rutherford, Lisa Jewell, and Shauna Weis volunteered to be on the 2026 Nominations Committee. Two Church Council members who will be going off council at the end of 2026 will be added to that committee. Martha Rutherford volunteered to be on the Audit Committee.

We discussed possibly downsizing Church Council from twelve to nine members and/or changing council terms from three to two years. Jan Tollefson, Nikki Tracy, and Shauna Weis will meet and develop a proposal that we will possibly vote on at our February congregational business meeting. Thanks to all who came.

The 2026 Church Council will be installed at each service on Sunday, Jan. 11, 2026. Council members can be installed at whatever service they attend. The first council meeting will be at 6:00 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 11. Council will vote on a president and vice president at that time.

Boot Camp

The Southern Ohio Synod will hold a Council President and Vice President Boot Camp on ZOOM from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 26. Join Bishop Suzanne Dillahunt and Pastor Bob Abrams for an evening of fun, information, and conversation about being a new or returning council president or vice president. Pastor Laura will register you -- as soon as she knows who you are!

Chair Pilates

Cat Bundy will lead us in Chair Pilates at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 13, and on Saturday, Jan. 17, in Frey Hall. Chair Pilates are gentle exercises that strengthen the body's core and help with balance. Please dress comfortably and bring a light weight. This is open to men and women of all ages.

Contribution Statements

If you made contributions of record during 2025, you can request a contribution statement by contacting Terry Holland, our Financial Secretary, or the church office. Donations you made to other church organizations such as the LYO, Sunday School, Dorcas Circle, etc., will not be included on this statement. If you need a statement or receipt from one of our groups, please contact the treasurer of that group.

Please send news items, corrections and address changes to the church office or peacelutheran@ymail.com



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Council Minutes — October 19, 2025

Present: Cheryl Phillips, George Fowler, Connie Perry, Marion Ralston, Natalie Vogel, Joan Yockey, Pastor Laura Shreffler, Elizabeth Waits, Zac Taylor, Dan Wagel, Sue Bohrer

President Zac Taylor called the meeting to order and read the mission statement.

Joan Yockey led devotions.

The Secretary's report was reviewed. Cheryl Phillips made a motion to accept the report, and Elizabeth Waits seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed. Cheryl Phillips made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report and Elizabeth Waits seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.

Pastor Laura Shreffler read the pastor's report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Church Property—Elevator – possible blown fuse. CW will check it out Wednesday evening. If he cannot fix it, a technician will be called.

Having a difficult time getting bids for the fascia/soffit fix. Joan Yockey's recommendation (Colliver) offered a bid of \$4,289. This bid includes removing the current gutter/soffit, replacing the board across the back where damage has occurred, covering the board with metal, reinstalling the soffit, reinstalling the gutter and adding hidden hangers, as well as clean-up and disposal. A disclaimer is included for a possible estimate change if the gutter or soffit is damaged during the removal.

The basement window in the back is damaged, Colliver believes he can fix this as well.

Gutter cleaning – the guy who fixed the parsonage hasn't returned the call. George is still looking for someone to regularly clean them.

Parsonage leak (faucet) has been fixed.

Outside spigot in back is leaking, the plumber came out and turned off the water to it and recommended replacing it in the spring.

Cemetery—Tree removal – they've been trying to call the church, with no answer. Willa has touched base with them. The work will begin soon.

Finance & Investment—Nothing to report.

Evangelism—Directory pictures – thank you to everyone for participating/helping; there was a good turnout. They are still working on the app, there is a meeting with the company on November 5 at 6pm. October 31 – trunk or treat in Georgetown at the courthouse square. Will use the candy originally intended for the parade.

November 8 – VA Home Bingo @ 9am, need Little Debbies

Next meeting is in February.

Stewardship—Nothing to report.

Scholarship—Nothing to report.

Christian Education—Next meeting is 11/17

Worship & Music—10/26 – Reformation Sunday, wear red

11/9 – will celebrate Veterans

11/23 – Congregational Meeting

11/25 – Community Thanksgiving Service

11/30 – Advent begins

Youth & Family—Harvest party went well, approximately 60 people in attendance.

Corn Maze trip was cancelled due to the weather.

Lake Waynoka craft fair next Saturday, 10/25.

11/14 – game night

11/16 – holiday meal box delivery

Quake – will finish registration this week, 9 youth expected to attend.

Mission Fund—Nothing to report.

Elizabeth Waits made a motion to accept the Committee Reports and Marion Ralston seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Website renewal is this week. Will give the receipt to Dan so Travis can be reimbursed.

NEW BUSINESS

Received a letter from the SOS, expressed gratitude for the previous year donation of \$13,500. They've suggested an increase to \$14,400 for the coming year. The letter also detailed what they money has and will be distributed to. Cheryl Phillips made a motion to increase the donation by \$500 for next year, bringing our total donation to \$14,000 and George Fowler seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.

Spectrum – fiber optics has arrived in the area. More to come.

Pastor Laura vacation 12/29 through 1/4. Will be reaching out to Pastor Jen to cover.

Continued Education – Ohio Rostered Ministers Gathering 1/20 through 1/22 at the Hilton in Columbus. The theme is 'Christian Nationalism'.

There will also be a 'boundaries training' on 1/22.

Pastor Laura and Pastor Ron will be attending. The cost is TBD.

Do we need the bar curtains? Dorcas Circle to discuss at their next meeting.

The Evangelism committee has offered to absorb the cost for those submitting pictures to the directory.

Contact has been made with R Varney Marketing and Photography. Natalie gave their information to George F and he will contact them to continue the conversation. There is also another company that George will be speaking to. More to come.

George Fowler made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Elizabeth Waits seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.

The next council meeting will take place on November 9.

Respectfully submitted by Natalie Vogel.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 2:00 p.m. Advent Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Advent Bible Study	3 7:00 p.m. Praise Band Practice	4	5	6 St. Nicholas Day
7 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT 8:30 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Forum 10:30 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion	8 6:00 p.m. Dorcas Circle Christmas Party	9 2:00 p.m. Advent Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Advent Bible Study	10 7:00 p.m. Praise Band Practice	11	12 6:30 p.m. Youth and Family Ministry Game Night	13 1:00 p.m. Chair Pilates
14 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT 8:30 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Forum 10:30 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion 1:00 p.m. Christmas Caroling 5:30 p.m. Executive Committee Meets 6:00 p.m. Church Council Meets	15 11:00 a.m. Pastors at Synod Luncheon in Columbus 7:00 p.m. Worship and Music Committee Meets	16 2:00 p.m. Advent Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Advent Bible Study	17 7:00 p.m. Praise Band Practice	18	19	20
21 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT 8:30 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Forum 10:30 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion	22 10:00 a.m. Distribute Holiday Boxes at Sardinia Hope Pantry	23 2:00 p.m. Advent Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Advent Bible Study	24 NATIVITY OF OUR LORD/ CHRISTMAS EVE 6:30 p.m. Pre-Service Music 7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service	25 NATIVITY OF OUR LORD/ CHRISTMAS DAY Office Closed	26	27
28 FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS 8:20 a.m. Healing Service 8:30 a.m. Lessons and Carols for Christmas 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Forum 10:30 a.m. Lessons and Carols for Christmas	29 9:00 a.m. Pastor in Office until 12:30 p.m.	30	31 7:00 p.m. Praise Band Practice			
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January 2026

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<u>4 SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS</u> 8:30 a.m. Christmas Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Forum 10:30 a.m. Christmas Worship	<u>5</u> 6:30 p.m. Remove Christmas Tree in Sanctuary	<u>6</u> <u>EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD</u> Pastor Back in Office	<u>7</u> 7:00 p.m. Praise Band Practice	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>
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<u>11 BAPTISM OF OUR LORD</u> <i>Council Installed at Both Services</i> 8:30 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Forum 10:30 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion 5:30 p.m. Executive Committee Meets 6:00 p.m. Church Council Meets	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u> 7:00 p.m. Praise Band Practice	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u> 1:00 p.m. Chair Pilates
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		Pastors at 2026 Rostered Ministers Gathering				
<u>25 THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY</u> 8:20 a.m. Healing Service 8:30 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Forum 10:30 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion	<u>26</u> 6:30 p.m. Council President and VP Boot Camp Zoom Meeting	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u> 7:00 p.m. Praise Band Practice	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>31</u>

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We welcome you to join us for worship, fellowship and service!

Sunday Schedule

- 8:30 a.m. Praise Worship Service
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Forum
- 10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service

Holy Communion is celebrated every week
At both the 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. services.

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