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"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."
Matthew 5:14-16 ESV

As the end of summer approaches, and we get back to our regular routines, I hope you find time to make church a part of your "regular routine." Fall activities will be resuming soon and you are invited to get involved.

Are you a singer? Our choir is always looking for new singers. Practice is at 7:00 pm on most Wednesdays. Please let George Biemel know that you are interested. Have other musical gifts that you would like to share with the congregation? Let Michael Cherup or me know, and we'll get you scheduled.

Do you like working with children? Sunday school will be starting soon and we can always use helpers. Would you like to give an occasional children's sermon? Please let me know - it's always fun working with the young ones. I'll even provide the lollipops! Do you want to plan a children's/youth activity? Let us know your interest...

Prefer working with adults? Adult Sunday school will start on September 22nd and we can use facilitators to guide the discussions. Let Bill Lude know if you are interested. We will be starting with a series on stewardship. Other adult activities include the women's Bible/book study, women's dinner, and guys' night out. Check the bulletin for details.

Do you like sending cards to others? We have a care team that does just that. We usually meet monthly; for those who cannot attend the meetings, we email out the names and addresses of people who are to receive cards that month. Let me know if you would like to help out with this ministry.

There are always opportunities to serve during worship services or help keeping the church and grounds in good shape. We have ministry teams in the areas of education and youth, congregational life, outreach, support (property and stewardship), and worship. Or do you have a great idea and want to start a new team? Let us know your idea.

There are many ways for us to let our lights shine and share God's love and grace with others. What are you waiting for?

On another note, in September you will see some new faces around the church. Columbus Joeun Methodist Church will be starting up September 1st with services on Thursday evenings at 8:00 pm and Sunday mornings at 12:30 pm. And a group called Sound Aloud will begin movement and fine arts classes in the fellowship hall and Sunday School room on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Please make them feel welcome...

See you in church!

Pastor Robin



Sunday Evening Worship and Praise Services continue on Sundays at 5:00 p.m. Please help us spread the word! This is a 45-50 minute, "come as you are" service with singing, a short message, and communion.



Women's Activities

Women's Dinner - Our next women's dinner will be at 6:00 p.m. on Mon., September 23rd, at **Red Robin Restaurant**, 5043 Tuttle Crossing Blvd., Dublin, OH 43016 (614) 356-9221. If you need transportation, please let Pastor Robin know.

Women's Bible Study will resume again in the fall.

Meals on Wheels Schedule for September and October

Friday, September 20	Himmel-McDaniel	Friday, October 18	Engen
Saturday, September 21	Himmel-McDaniel	Saturday, October 19	Cardimen

If you would like a home visit by Pastor Robin, please let Pastor Robin or Tracy know so we can get one scheduled. It does not need to be a pastoral emergency... just an opportunity to get to know you better.

Did You Know That Fellowship Has an Active Care Team? Our care team meets monthly and sends out cards to those in our congregation, and their relatives and friends with concerns. We now have other members trained in Congregational Care and Hospital Visitation who assist Pastor Robin with the pastoral care needs of our congregation, visiting our homebound members and offering communion.

Gluten Free Communion Wafers are available. If you have trouble with the regular communion wafers or with the bread served, please let Pastor Robin know. We do have gluten-free wafers available. **Large print bulletins are also available for worship.** Please ask the usher for assistance.

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! We received over \$800 last year!

Thrivent Members - For those of you with choice dollars don't forget that Fellowship can be a recipient of those dollars. Thank you to all who have donated this way in the past!

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!

Healing Services September 1st An opportunity for one-on-one healing prayer will be offered at both services on September 1st after the sending hymn.

Middle schoolers and high schoolers are invited to attend the Cincinnati Youth Quake event on January 10-12, 2020. This year's Quake theme is "More." In this world, people continually want more of the biggest, best, newest thing. Our God is more than all this world has to offer. We have more life, more freedom, and more joy because of God. *"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen"* **Ephesians 3:20-21** Let Pastor Robin know if you are interested in attending. Quake is for grades 6-12.

Attendance Information

<u>Date</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
7/7	46/14	8/4	45/8
7/14	56/26	8/11	48/11
7/21	62/4	8/18	62/10
7/28	49/9	8/25	51/7

Welcome Kohei to Fellowship!



Kohei, Yuriko, & Naoki Tateyama

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” **Matthew 4:18,19**



This verse is Jesus’ call to Simon-Peter and Andrew to become his first disciples. On Sunday, Sept. 8, we will be holding a Discipleship Festival following the worship service. We will be having a potluck lunch, with the main course provided. You can bring a side dish or dessert to share.

During the festival, the members of the leadership team will be discussing the discipleship work we have been doing using Michael W. Foss’ book, *Power Surge*. The thesis of this book is that fostering a culture of discipleship invigorates a church. The leadership team will be discussing their areas of ministry and how discipleship affects their ministries and how you can participate.

Foss cites sociologist, noted lecturer and student of the Protestant church, Pastor Bill Easum who said, “most mainline and established churches are dying because they only try to take care of their members. Three out of four protestant churches will close within the next 25 to 30 years ... Most mainline churches are already irrelevant to the needs of postmodern people.” The traditional protestant church was built on a world that has passed, and is no longer relevant to people today.

When I was growing up, it seemed like everyone went to a church of some kind. Nowadays, that’s not the case. The church and its leadership needs to adapt to this new world. Foss lays out an approach that focuses on mission, discipleship and an outward focus to empower the church and its members to live and love freely and to draw others into the grace and love of God that we have found. Or, as our mission statement says, “Share God’s love and grace through our words and actions.” It’s a significant paradigm shift from the church that I, and probably most of us, grew up in. We hope to convey some of what we have learned as we have worked through this book at the Discipleship Festival. I’d also encourage you to have a look for yourself at Foss’ book. It is available on Amazon in print or Kindle versions. Or, each of the leaders has a copy that they might share.

At the advice of Pr. Bob Abrams, Assistant to the Bishop of the Southern Ohio Synod, we adopted the organizational structure that Foss recommends in our updated constitution. The intent of that structure is to empower each of us to use our skills and interests for mission and empower our congregation by encouraging everyone to participate and to implicitly grant permission to everyone. Foss’ approach has been successful in bringing energy and growth to many congregations.

As a concrete step, we will also be tying this in with the ELCA’s “God’s Work, Our Hands” day of service by collecting personal hygiene items for our local food bank(s) as part of the Discipleship Festival. We will be collecting these items during the weeks leading up to Sept. 8 and then we’ll take them to the foodbank to distribute to their clients. There are tubs in the narthex to put the items that you donate.

I hope that this Discipleship Festival will be informative, fun and inspiring.

Your servant in Christ,
Todd Engen

"My son, do not forget my teaching, but keep my commands in your heart, for they will prolong your life many years and bring you prosperity." **Proverbs 3:1-2**

Sunday School News

Sunday School begins on Rally Day, September 15, 2019 at **9:00 a.m.** with a breakfast for all. After the breakfast, teachers will be introduced and we'll have social time. We are planning on four classes. The classes will be pre K - second grade, intermediate elementary (grades three to five), post-catechism/high school, and adult. At this time, we have all the teaching positions filled but one. They are as follows:

Pre K - second grade	Cathy Votino & Claire Haase
Third - fifth grade	Open
Post catechism/high school	Pete Cardimen
Adult	Pastor Robin, Todd Engen, & Bruce Johnson

Pastor Robin will have the adult class for approximately two months. Her beginning topic is stewardship.

Food Pantry

The LSS food pantries are operating on extended hours. They are extremely busy now by serving many more families in need. They are near the level they once were two years ago. Please help the LSS pantries by giving or serving. You may call me at 614-707-3275 or the main number at 877-LSS-MEAL to help.

The following are their new extended hours:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Champion	10 am - 1pm Produce only		9 am - 12 noon 12:30 - 3:30 pm	2:30 - 5:00 pm	10 - 1 pm Produce only
Glenwood		1-4 pm		1-4 pm	

Men's Breakfast

Our next men's breakfast will be on Saturday, September 14, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. All men are invited. Please come if you can. Come and enjoy breakfast and fellowship.

Golf Outing at Wilson Road

I have decided to cancel this year's golf outing. I couldn't get a good date. We will have one next year.

In God's service,
Bill

"And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased."

Hebrews 13:16

We have many opportunities in life to do for others, and to share with others. Sometimes, the opportunities are not always taken. Do not look back to the generosity you may not have shown, look to the present and the future for the generosity you can show.

Many people in our community value the resources made available through the food pantries. Bill Lude represents our congregation at the Frebis Food Pantry, and serves those in need. The Smoky Row Food Pantry serves members of our local community, and is located at the Smoky Row Brethren Church. Please consider donating to both of these organizations. There are collection containers located in the Narthex near the outside entry.

The Smoky Row Food Pantry has posted a list of donations by quarterly calendar months. The list is as follows:

First Quarter – January, February, March

- Non-perishable food staples, such as beans, corn, rice, and pasta.
- Baby items, such as diapers 2-3-4, and wipes.
- Toiletries, such as shampoo, conditioner, soap, and toilet paper, etc.
- Winter coats, hats and gloves for all ages.
- Lightbulbs.

Second Quarter – April, May, June

- Baby items, such as diapers 2-3-4, and wipes.
- Laundry detergent.
- Kitchen cleaning items, such as dishwasher liquid, and dish soap.

Third Quarter – July, August, September

- School supplies.
- Non-perishable food staples, such as beans, corn, rice, and pasta.
- Toiletries, such as shampoo, conditioner, soap, toilet paper, etc.
- Toothpaste and toothbrushes.

Fourth Quarter – October, November, December

- Christmas gift drive – more information will be provided closer to the time.
- Baby items, such as diapers 2-3-4, and wipes.
- Turkeys and hams.
- Laundry detergent.
- Winter coats, hats, and gloves for all ages.

Please contribute as you are able. The need often exceeds the availability of items.

If you are in need, or know of someone in need, approach Pastor Robin, or me (carolbjaeger@gmail.com). The information that you offer will be managed with confidence and respect; and resources will be provided based on availability.

In His Service,
Carol Jaeger

**“Our Church - All Are welcome”
“To share God's Love and Grace Through Our Words and Actions”**

Loving God, we confess that we have turned from your way to follow our own ways. Forgive us for the times we have spoken or acted too quickly; we have not spoken or acted at all; we have hurt those closest to us; we have hurt those we have yet to know; we have thought more about ourselves than others; we have thought less of ourselves than we ought. Turn us around, and give us a fresh start, so that we can live again as your children. Amen.

Support & Stewardship

It takes a village to help run “Our Church.” If you're feeling like you can help in any way, shape or form, in any area, please do so or simply touch base with any member as we would all appreciate help in any way, shape, or form. If you can not help physically, and are possibly able to help with an extra donation on any given Sunday for the Capital Account, then please do so as your funds will truly be appreciated and used to keep “Our Church” looking good.

Some of the recent non-budgeted expenses, and also future expenses that we have or will incur:

Most recently the roof over the sanctuary was replaced due to a wind storm and also age. This in turn caused many lights that needed to be replaced due to the roofers walking on the roof. Cost \$275

Carpet Cleaning, as we had many stains. We are now set up on a regular cleaning schedule. Cost \$400

The Air Conditioning unit breaker #3, needs replaced: I'm estimating approximately, \$300.

Two of our pole lights in the parking lot, along with the entrance lighting over the front doors and the up lighting on the small cross on the south side of the building are out. I have a walk thru scheduled on Sept. 4th to look for the cause. My estimated cost, \$500.

Things that I see when I do inspections that we will need to discuss in the future:

- Our wooden crosses need to be re-stained.
- The Ladies & Men's restrooms will need to be painted and possibly use a small upgrade remodel.
- The Narthex needs some paint along with the hallway area. Maybe this could be a Wine and Congregational Paint party group get together...
- The benches by Our entrance area need stained.
- Our metal cross out front by Sawmill Road will need painted. I have the paint, and I will ask for a couple of volunteers this Sunday as the weather is cooling down.

That being said, if you feel up to it and can help in any way, touch base with any of us. If not physically able to help but financially able to contribute any amount to the capital fund, then please do.

On the horizon - 1) The stewardship campaign, 2) Pumpkin patch, 3) Fall clean up, 4) Another informational mailer letting people know they are always welcome at “Our Church, To Share God's Love and Grace Through Our Words and Actions.”

Take care,
Your Support and Stewardship Team **7**

“Show me your ways, O LORD, teach me your paths; guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long.” - Psalm 25:4-5

September is a time when we enjoy the last days of summer and often transition into a more routine schedule. As we make this adjustment, it is a good time to remember who truly guides our days. God is the very best teacher any of us will ever have, if we only listen for His patient guidance.

Thank you to everyone who participated in our outdoor service on August 11! A special thanks to the Fellowship Band under the interim directorship of Todd Engen for leading our worship music.

Worship opportunities

Volunteering to serve in our weekly worship services is a great way to contribute to the life of our congregation. Please consider offering to read the lessons, usher, or greet members and guests as we arrive at the church. Let us know of your interest in helping by sending a message to flc7350@gmail.com.

Looking ahead

As part of our ongoing ministry to our community, we will soon add a new “mission moment” to worship services. These “moments” will give us an opportunity to share personal experiences with sharing our congregation’s mission – To share God’s love and grace through our words and actions.

Dates to remember

Healing service	September 1
Rally Day	September 15
Begin Setting 1	September 22
Reformation Sunday	October 27
39 th Anniversary of Fellowship	October 27
All Saints Sunday	November 3
Veteran Recognition Sunday	November 10



Choir News

Yes, it's time to begin Fellowship's choir season. Our first rehearsal will be Wednesday, September 11th at 7 PM in the sanctuary, and following rehearsals will also be Wednesday evenings at 7 PM in the sanctuary (except September 18 or when noted otherwise). We welcome any singers from 9th grade to, well, the sky's the limit at the upper end. If you like to sing, c'mon out on Wednesday evenings and join us for music and fun. For more information, contact choir director George Biemel, Phone 614-889-1562, or email gbiemel@columbus.rr.com.



FOR OUR MEMBERS:

- Fritzi Bear**
- Maxine Brunner**
- Sam Brunner**
- Major N Crispin**
- Bob Drake**
- Barb Fisher**
- Curtis Fleisher**
- Hazel Lambert**
- Leena LeMay**
- Mary McDaniel**
- Sonja Meighen**
- Joshua Mott**
- Sue Perry**
- Shawn Turnbull**
- Bill Zahn**

FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

- Joan Albert**, Ruth Albert's mother...
- Mike Brock**, Bill Lude's friend...
- Cindy Cramer**, Ruth Albert's friend...
- Lyn Fitzer**, Bill Lude's friend...
- Chris Johnson**, Bruce Johnson's sister-in-law...
- Pat McCarty**, Paul Wargowsky's sister...
- June Patchett**, Jim Jaeger's aunt...
- Mike Raia**, Jim Jaeger's friend...
- Kevin Swearingon**, Bill Lude's friend's son...
- Shirley Tipton**, Michelle Cleveland's grandma...
- Baby Hayden Valesky**, Votino's great nephew...
- Sylvia Votino**, John W. Votino's mother...
- Peter Zeug**, Sonja Meighen's brother...

FOR OUR SHUT-INS:

- Lynn Brown**, Debbie Bear's mother...

DEATHS:

- Cindy Morgan**, Margery Gress' daughter's mother-in-law...
- Doug Mott**, Tom Mott's brother...

September Birthdays

Leah Anderson	09/01
Debbie Bear	09/03
Jenifer Takats	09/06
Frank Deaner	09/07
Martha Sampson	09/07
David Biemel	09/10
Ed Lathy	09/11
Donna Williamson	09/11
Shawn Turnbull	09/17
Aleigha Crispin	09/18
Naoki Tateyama	09/19
Michael Cherup	09/21
Mike Rankin	09/22
Ruth Albert	09/23
Nicholas Meighen	09/23
Ruth Rankin	09/24
Vanessa France	09/25
Cameron Frey	09/29
Dominic Frey	09/29
Gabriella Frey	09/29



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!

September Anniversaries

Shawn & Teresa Turnbull	09/01
Michelle & Jason Cleveland	09/16
Chris & Heather Tonn	09/18
Pete & Megan Cardimen	09/19
Kevin & Maria Anderson	09/20
Jim & Carol Jaeger	09/20
John & Mary McDaniel	09/25
Peter & Sonja Meighen	09/28



Worship Server Schedule for September

Date	1-Sep	8-Sep	15-Sep
Time	10:00 AM	10:00 AM	10:00 AM
Assist. Minister	Ruth Albert	Sonya Thelin	Paul Wargowsky
Acolyte	Lilly Cardimen	Gwen Cardimen	Aleigh Crispin
Lay Reader	Todd Engen	Ruth Albert	Karen Harris
Ushers	Abigail Cardimen & Jillian Mott	Bill Farel & Jim Jaeger	Bill Lude & Major Crispin
Altar Guild	Susan Lee & Karen Harris	Susan Lee & Karen Harris	Susan Lee & Karen Harris
Hymn Sel.	George Biemel	George Biemel	George Biemel
Counters	Jim Jaeger & John Votino	Andy DeVantier & Lori Hobbins	Bill Farel & Dianna Roll
Greeters	Farel	Crispin	Bear
Host			

Date	22-Sep	29-Sep
Time	10:00 AM	10:00 AM
Assist. Minister	Chad Laucher	Hayden Laucher
Acolyte	McKenzie Laucher	Lorien Crispin
Lay Reader	Sam Sgro	Chad Laucher
Ushers	Votino	Chad Laucher & Tom Mott
Altar Guild	Susan Lee & Karen Harris	Susan Lee & Karen Harris
Hymn Sel.	George Biemel	George Biemel
Counters	Bill Lude & Pete Cardimen	Jim Jaeger & John Votino
Greeters	Laucher	Votino
Host		

Church Staff

Pastor	Rev. Robin Wargowsky
Treasurer	Heather & Chris Tonn
Financial Secretary	Tracy Farel
Office Secretary	Tracy Farel
Organist	Michael Cherup
Sub. Organist	David Fleisher
Sunday evening pianist	Amy Wargowsky
Choir Director	George Biemel
Custodian	Kenneth Hunt

Executive Committee

President	Todd Engen
Vice-President	Mike Rankin
Secretary	Ruth Albert Pastor Robin

Congregational Life

Director	Chad Laucher
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Education & Youth

Director	Bill Lude
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Outreach

Director	Carol Jaeger
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Stewardship & Support

Director	John Votino
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Worship

Director	Sonya Thelin
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Thank you for your leadership!!!

September 2019 Calendar

Weekly Recurring Events

Sunday

- 10:00 a.m. - Worship Service
- 11:30 a.m. - Columbus Joeun choir practice
- 12:30 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. - Columbus Joeun service/meal
- 5:00 p.m. - Worship and Praise

Monday

- 7:00 a.m. - Columbus Joeun prayer
- 8:00 p.m. - Narcotics Anonymous

Tuesday

- 7:00 a.m. - Columbus Joeun prayer
- 4:00 - 9:30 p.m. - Sound Aloud

Wednesday

- 7:00 a.m. - Columbus Joeun prayer
- 7:00 p.m. - Choir (no choir 9/4 & 9/18)

Thursday

- 7:00 a.m. - Columbus Joeun prayer
- 4:00 - 9:30 p.m. - Sound Aloud
- 7:00 - 10:00 p.m. - Columbus Joeun service

Friday

- 7:00 a.m. - Columbus Joeun prayer
- 8:00 p.m. - Narcotics Anonymous

Other Events & Meetings

September 1, 2019 (Sunday)

- 11:15 a.m. - Executive Committee

September 8, 2019 (Sunday)

- 11:15 a.m. - Potluck & Discipleship Fest

September 10, 2019 (Tuesday)

- 7:00 p.m. - Worship

September 17, 2019 (Tuesday)

- 7:00 p.m. - Council

September 19, 2019 (Thursday)

- 10:30 a.m. - Care Team & Lunch

September 20, 2019 (Friday)

- 6:30 p.m. - BAPS

September 23, 2019 (Monday)

- 6:00 p.m. - Women's Dinner

September 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 10 am - Worship 11:15 am - Executive 11:30-4:45 - CJMC (Korean Ch.) 5 pm - Worship	2 Labor Day 7:00 am - CJMC Pray 8 pm. - Narc. Anon. Office Closed	3 7:00 am - CJMC Pray 4:00-9:30 pm - Sound Aloud	4 7:00 am - CJMC Pray	5 7:00 am - CJMC Pray 4:00-9:30 pm - Sound Aloud	6 7:00 am - CJMC Pray 8 pm. - Narc. Anon.	7
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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED



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

Our Vision: To be a "called and gathered" family of faith whose members so fully experience the undeserved love of God that we are moved to express that same love of God, in our relationships with one another and our whole community . . .

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