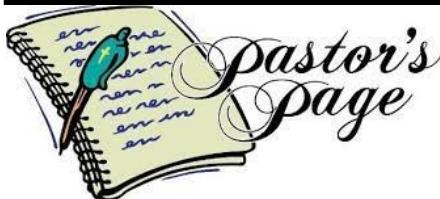


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"But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint." **Isaiah 40:31**

Greetings Fellowship Members and Friends!

What a month. First of all, I would like to thank everyone who reached out to our family through prayers, phone calls, text messages, emails, cards, flowers, and your presence at the funeral home after the death of my mother. She suffered a stroke and major brain bleed early in January and died peacefully three days later on January 6th with all her family at her bedside. You don't know how much your love, care, and support carried us during this difficult time. Although I will miss my mom greatly, her light shined brightly throughout her 92 years, and her love of God and family was an inspiration to us all. How fitting that she died on Epiphany, the beginning of the "season of light"!

Unfortunately we've had to cancel two worship services this winter due to snow and cold temperatures. As a reminder, if road conditions are expected to be Level 2 or 3, we will cancel in-person worship and go virtual if possible. Be sure to watch your email Saturday evening if the weather looks questionable. Feel free to call/text me or a council member if you don't have access to email. With some of our members living in Delaware, Hilliard, and Reynoldsburg, we don't want risk people's safety if driving would be dangerous.

As I write this article, yesterday we had to replace our hot water heater up in the hallway crawl space after it developed a substantial leak. We will be repairing the ceiling, some walls, and the carpet from the water damage. If you would like to help out with these unexpected repair/replacement costs, you may donate via cash or check, marking the check for building repairs. We will also be shortly setting up a building repair fund in Vanco.

Lent begins on February 18th with our Ash Wednesday service. On the following 5 Wednesdays, we will have a soup supper (6:15 pm) and midweek Lent service (7:00 pm), all in the Fellowship Hall this year. A sign-up sheet will be on the narthex table soon. This year the theme of our midweek services is "Dying His Death, Living His Life." I hope you will be able to join us on Wednesday evenings for these special reflective services.

See you in church!

Pastor Robin

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE SMOKY ROW FOOD PANTRY located at 7260 Smoky Row Rd., Columbus is in need of the following items for **January, February, and March:**



- Baby items (diapers - all sizes) and wipes
- Winter coats, hats and gloves (adult, child, and infant)
- Non-perishable food staples, such as beans, corn, rice, pasta
- Toiletries, such as shampoo/conditioner, soap, toilet paper, etc.
- Lightbulbs

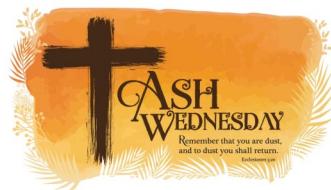
Place donations in the containers located in the Narthex. Your generosity is gratefully appreciated by our neighbors in need. Thank you!

Women's Dinner and Guys' Night Out The women will meet on Tuesday, February 3rd at 6:00 p.m. at El Asadero Mexican Bar & Grill, 9762 Sawmill Parkway, Powell, OH 43065 (614) 932-9100. The next Guys' Night Out is on Tuesday, February 17th at 6:00 p.m. at Roosters, 7110 Sawmill Rd., (380) 204-6170. All are welcome!



Save the date! February 8th is Souper Bowl Sunday. We are accepting monetary and food donations that will be directed to the LSS Frebis Food Pantry. Funds may be contributed using the Vanco Mobile app or by check payable to Fellowship Lutheran Church, identifying Souper Bowl in the memo.

Our Ash Wednesday Service will be on Wednesday, February 18th, at 7:00 p.m. Please join us for this special service which begins Lent. The imposition of ashes and holy communion will be offered.



Wednesday Soup Suppers/Lenten Services Beginning Wednesday, February 25th, we will begin our midweek soup suppers/Lenten services. Soup suppers will begin at 6:15 p.m., with a Lenten service to follow at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome! The theme this year is, "Dying His Death, Living His Life." We hope to have 2 volunteers each week to prepare the soup or sandwich and salad-type suppers. A sign-up sheet is on the table in the narthex.



Give to Fellowship with Your Smartphone with Vanco Mobile - If you would like to give to Fellowship with your smartphone, please download Vanco's 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 or recurring gift, or a special occasion.

Holy Communion We celebrate Communion weekly. All baptized Christians who believe that Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine are invited to join us in the celebration of Holy Communion. Grape juice is available in the center of the trays. Non-communing children and adults are welcome to come forward for a blessing.



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!



Pastoral Care Request If you have a pastoral care request (hospitalization, upcoming surgery, need for counseling, etc.), please call Pastor Robin at (937) 725-4930. If you would like a home visit by Pastor Robin, please let Pastor Robin know so it can be scheduled.

Sunday School Come join our Sunday School classes for youth and adults at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings! The adult class is studying Adam Hamilton's *The Call: The Life and Message of the Apostle Paul*. Pete Cardimen is teaching our youth. Everyone is welcome to attend!



Fellowship has an Instagram Page thanks to Pete and Lilly Cardimen! Click on this link: https://www.instagram.com/fellowship_lutheran_church/#

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!

Worship Servers Needed If you are willing to serve as assisting minister, reader, greeter, or counter for our 10:00 a.m. service, please sign up on the sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex. We are especially in need of counters. We are also looking for fellowship hosts to serve light refreshments after Sunday worship once a month. Thanks!

Attendance Information (In-person & virtual)

December 3 (MW)	12	January 4	31/16 views
December 7	36/37 views	January 11	34/15 views
December 14	No Service	January 18	25/23 views
December 21 (Joint)	76/15 views	January 25	Virtual only/19 views
December 24	67/31 views		
December 28	16/24 views		

Worship Servers Schedule for February 2026

	February 1	February 8
Asst. Minister	Sonya Thelin	Cindy Frey
Lay Reader	Sonya Thelin	Frey
Counter		Darcy Dom
Greeter	Ethan Wolkan	Karen Harris
Fellowship Host	--	--
Altar Guild	Kathy & Tracy Farel	Kathy & Tracy Farel

	February 15	February 22
Asst. Minister	--	--
Lay Reader		
Counter		
Greeter		
Fellowship Host		
Altar Guild	Kathy & Tracy Farel	Kathy & Tracy Farel

February 18 - Ash Wednesday
Lay Reader/Communion Asst.
Altar Guild

Kathy & Tracy Farel



Worship Servers Needed!

If you can fill any of our openings for assisting ministers, readers, counters, communion assistants, greeters or fellowship hosts or help out in future months, please call or email Pastor Robin or Tracy Farel. Thanks!

FOR OUR MEMBERS:

Carolyn Crispin
Major N Crispin
Byron Engen
Cheryl Hamilton
Jim Jaeger
Lillian Kachic

Ed Lathy
Frank LeMay
Leena LeMay
Pete Meighen
Ray Ward

February Birthdays

Zach Jaeger	2/09
Eliana Anderson	2/10
Erling Lee	2/11
Caitlyn Votino	2/11
Kathleen Wolkan	2/18
Lillian Cardimen	2/22
Paul Wargowsky	2/22
Leena LeMay	2/28

FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Mark Albert, Ruth Albert's brother
Dixie Haynie, Don Poland's friend
Ron Laucher, Chad Laucher's father
Mike McKinley, David Fleisher's friend
Judy Merca, Karen Harris's friend
Sylvia Votino, John Votino's mother



DEATHS:

John Scally, Pete Cardimen's co-worker
Charlotte Schall, Pastor Robin's mother

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!

February Anniversaries



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 10:00 am - Worship 11:30-4:00 - CJMC	2 3 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 6:00 pm - Women's Dinner	4 5 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 6:30 - 9:30 pm - Iglesia	6 7 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 8:00-12:00 - SJCOC 5:30-8:30 pm - Iglesia 6-8 pm - CJMC Bible Study			
8 <i>Super Bowl Sun.</i> 9:00 am - Sun. School 10:00 am - Worship 11:30-4:00 - CJMC	9 10 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 7:00 pm - Worship (zoom)	11 12 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 6:30 - 9:30 pm - Iglesia	13 14 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 8:00-12:00 - SJCOC 5:30-8:30 pm - Iglesia 6-8 pm - CJMC Bible Study			
15 9:00 am - Sun. School 10:00 am - Worship 11:15 am - Executive/ Council 11:30-4:00 - CJMC	16 17 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 6:00 pm - Guys' Night Out	18 <i>Ash Wednesday</i> 19 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 7:00 pm - Ash Weds.	20 21 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 8:00-12:00 - SJCOC 5:30-8:30 pm - Iglesia 6-8 pm - CJMC Bible Study			
22 9:00 am - Sun. School 10:00 am - Worship 11:30-4:00 - CJMC	23 24 6:00 am - CJMC Pray	25 26 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 6:30 - 9:30 pm - Iglesia 6:15 pm - Soup Supper 7:00 pm - MW Lent	27 28 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 8:00 pm - CJMC			

Church Staff

Pastor	Rev. Robin Wargowsky
Treasurer	Bill Farel
Secretary & Financial Secretary	Tracy Farel
Organist/Pianist	Suzanne McNutt
Sub. Pianist/Organist	Amy Wargowsky, David Fleisher, Ruth Albert
Band Director	George Biemel
Custodian	Kenneth Hunt

Executive Committee

President	Ruth Albert
Vice-President	Mike Rankin
Secretary	Angela Kidd

Pastor Robin

At-large Council Members

Andy Smith
Cathy Votino
Donna Williamson

Team Coordinators

Congregational Life	Vacant
Education & Youth	Dianna Roll
Outreach	Pete Cardimen
Property	John Votino
Stewardship	Vacant (Council)
Worship	Karen Harris

Thank you for your leadership!!!

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

Our Vision: To be a diverse, thriving community of faith where all are welcome to celebrate God's love and grace.

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