

# THE VISITOR



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TITHES AND OFFERING

We have made a commitment to focus on  
the following values and objectives:

### *STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES*

1. Early Learning Center (ELC)
2. Align Ministries to Strategic Focus
3. Engaging Youth
4. Repurpose Staff Including Accountabilities
5. Create a Culture of Engagement

### *CORE VALUES*

1. Relationships
2. Standing on the Word of God
3. Sacrifice
4. Giving our Best to God
5. Worship Space
6. Worship Experience

# Pastor Jay's Jottings

*October 2024*

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen savior and Lord. Amen.

***2 Corinthians 9: 15 Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!***

Have you ever received a gift that was well... simply awesome? You knew that the person who gave it to you thought it through, and it was given out of love. They knew you would relish it, and they simply wanted to give you something that would bring you joy. Isn't that an amazing feeling? To be loved so deeply, that someone thought of you enough to shower you with a generous gift that you could never really repay? It is an amazing gift to receive.

Now, have you ever given a gift that you knew someone would like so much, and you just wanted to give it to them because you knew they would like it, or that they needed it? You gave it to them, not wanting anything in return other than to know it gave them joy.

If you have given or received in either of these ways, then you have gotten a glimpse of generosity. And we will be focusing on generous giving in October.

What is generous giving? Have you ever wanted to give to someone or something but were afraid that you wouldn't have enough left? How does Jesus model generosity?

These are all questions that we will address in our "8 days of generosity." (Details coming soon!) Beginning on Sunday October 13<sup>th</sup> and ending October 20<sup>th</sup>, we will use eight days to look at aspects of being generous in our lives with our finances, our time, and all that God has given to us.

Please understand that generosity isn't a gimmick. It isn't a program. Generosity in a Christian is not a choice, it is a response. Of course, we choose who we can be generous to and how we are generous, but generosity is a defining characteristic of living a changed life for Jesus Christ. It is a response through our lives that leads with the idea that other people come first, and we use our available resources to help enhance the lives of our neighbor. It is a lifestyle lived for Jesus and modeled by Jesus.

Jesus showed us a generous life. He shared all he had with others, sharing his wisdom, his healing, and ultimately his death. Jesus enhanced lives, and lives were lived generously in response to having met Jesus. A generous life enhances others' lives.

Join me and the FELC community in October, as we take a look at generosity, and how generosity is a response of our hearts to the indescribable gift of Jesus Christ. God is the ultimate gift giver, because he gives from himself. He gives us his love, his future, and because he gives us his son Jesus, we respond by giving to others in return. We give not out of obligation, or duty, or guilt, but out of a response to the one who first gave to us. We will never be able to outgive God, but as a response for His indescribable gift of Jesus, we give generously to others.

I look forward to seeing where our generosity will change our community and glorify the Kingdom of God.

God Loves You and So Do I,

Pastor Jay

**FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH  
CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES & REPORTS**

Tuesday, September 17, 2024- 7:00 PM

***DRAFT COPY- Updated September 17***

Present: Cindy Russell, Jan Fisher, Chris Cichanowicz, Alicia Schulz, Gary Lane, Mike Anderson, James Murphy, Pastor Jay Jackson, Christopher Kaschube, Teri Brenkus

Absent: Chad McFadden, Lu Blankenship

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Prayer and devotion led by Alicia Schulz.

***Secretary, Christopher Kaschube:***

- Electronically presented the FELC Church Council minutes from August 20 for approval. **MOTION** (Jan/James) to approve the minutes of the meeting. **MOTION APPROVED.**

***Pastor's Report, Rev. Jay Jackson Jr.:***

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior and Lord.

Has it really been a month already? Time seems to be flying by when you're having fun. And I'm enjoying my time here.

We have had a fairly busy month...

- **Pastor Updates:**
  - In review, I was able to attend community lunch, senior and produce pickups, men's Bible study, Women's Bible study, pub theology, every staff meeting, ELC Chapels and music time. We also went with the youth to The Infield. Adult Bible study is going strong. And other little things.
  - I had lunch with Pastor Paul Lintern, and have met a few of the local pastors via email, text, and a few on Sunday at my installation.
- **Personal updates:**
  - The house may be in contract in the next day or two. It's not ideal, but it's something.
  - I will be without a car beginning Thursday until the check from the insurance comes and I can go purchase another car. (Praying its quick)
  - Because I will be short of a vehicle, I may have to adapt some hours for the next week or so to accommodate other family schedules, but it should not impact much.
  - Thank you for the continued support that my family and I have been receiving.
- **Looking ahead...**
  - Pizza with the Pastor. – preferred dates/evenings?
  - 8 days of Generosity – 10/13-10/20? Scriptures for that week talk about stewardship
  - I will be looking to begin confirmation again in October.
  - The Transition Team will be meeting Thursday (19<sup>th</sup>) evening. (Former call team)
  - Would like to do leadership teaching with the Council. Thoughts?
  - I will be in Texas for the NALC Executive Council meetings October 15-17.
- There was a **RECOMMENDATION** and E-vote on September 5th to have a special offering during Pastor Jay's installation service on Sunday, September 15th. The offering would be designated to a ministry that serves, seeks and proclaims Jesus. Pastor Jay is asking that the special offering goes to Wednesday Noon Lunch. **RECOMMENDATION APPROVED.**
- **MOTION** (Cindy/Chris K) to adjust the amounts of the salary and housing allowance for Pastor Jay. The total compensation remains the same. **MOTION APPROVED.**

**Church Council Group 1 (Financial/Property):**

***Property Committee, Mike Anderson:***

- The Property Committee did not meet in September. Andy as usual is busy addressing the daily needs of our physical church.
- Andy is scheduling a work date of Wednesday October 9th for a group of guys to carry out the light fixtures that have been replaced by the new LED fixtures. We will be loading them on a truck for a recycling yard. If available, your help would be appreciated.

***Finance Committee, Lu Blankenship:***

**General Operating Fund (GOF): *includes ELC***

August 2024 Income was \$61,226.00

August 2024 Expenses were \$76,129.38

August Income is **less** than expenses by \$14,903.38

YTD Income is \$481,979.28 which is **more** than budget by \$18,246.28

YTD Expenses are \$580,998.60 which is **less** than budget by \$11,305.40

YTD Income is **less** than YTD Expenses by \$99,019.32

**Early Learning Center (ELC):**

August 2024 Income was \$46,959.82

August 2024 Expenses were \$35,212.28

August Income was **more** than expense by \$11,747.54

YTD Income was \$290,984.83 which is **more** than budget by \$50,979.83

YTD Expense were \$258,288.02 which is **more** than budget by \$18,528.02

YTD Income is **more** than YTD Expenses by \$32,696.81

<b>GOF Recap:</b>	
2023 Carryover	\$51,600.97
Gen Op Fund to Women of FELC Fund	\$0.00
Pass Through Fund to GOF	\$0.00
Stained Glass Window Fund	\$1,210.00
ELC Fund to GOF	\$0.00
Gen Endow Fund to GOF \$142,958+50,000	\$50,000.00
MCI Endow Fund to GOF \$8947+\$22,350 for Elev.	\$22,350.00
New Min & Miss Endow Fund to GOF \$19,594	\$0.00
Account Clean up from GOF	(\$120.44)
2024 YTD Income	\$481,979.28
2024 YTD Expenses	\$580,998.60
GOF Balance	\$26,021.21

***Stewardship Committee, Sandie Volz:*** No Report

**Church Council Group 2 (Internal/External Ministries):**

***Evangelism Committee, Alicia Schulz:***

- Committee members continue to correspond with shut-ins, correspond with guests, as appropriate, and be attentive to regular members and attendees who have been missing multiple Sundays.
- Eight persons were received into membership on September 15 during the regular Sunday morning service: Bill and Yvonne Dixon, Toni and Kevin Zehe, Damian and Deanna Boyd, Sherrie Woodruff, and Carol Fritz. A cookie reception followed. All of these persons are already quite well integrated into the life of the church in various ways; their involvement is valued and appreciated.

### ***Social Ministry Committee, Gary Lane:***

- WNL continues to serve well. The late August lunch served approximately 50 and the first week in September served 34.
- Senior Boxes served 133. We continue to serve from the west parking lot during good weather. Our committee considered moving back to the garage for nasty weather and cold weather. We would keep the line-up in the west parking lot and advance around the South side around the garage and up the east side towards Park Avenue. The Auto Show refreshments went well with approximately \$1800 in donations.
- The Rummage Sale was proceeding well with approximately \$1525.
- The Crop Walk will be October 13 at 1:30.
- A Thanksgiving Meal for WNL is being planned for this year.

### ***Global Missions Committee:***

- Malawi:
  - The people of Malawi are experiencing dire needs for food. They have experienced major drought conditions and very little crop growth. Some families have no food, and others are digging up poisonous yam roots, boiling them and preparing to eat them. Please keep our precious orphans in Malawi in your prayers.
- Sorge's:
  - "Barb's hearing test on Monday of this week showed that she had recovered about 90% of her hearing, and the ENT doctor felt pretty confident that she would experience a full recovery. He is a Roman Catholic man and responded nicely when they mentioned that a few thousand people around the world have been praying for Barbara. Around this time tomorrow, we should be heading to the airport to fly from Sri Lanka to India for three weeks. The ENT doctor cleared Barb for takeoff. "

### **Church Council Group 3 (Education):**

#### ***Christian Education Committee, James Murphy:***

- Sunday school is off to a good start. There is a good number of youth attending the last few weeks. We are still missing a few but they will be back soon.
- Pastor Jay started an adult Sunday school class called "Kingdom Politics". The books are now in and available just see Angie in the church office during her work hours. There were close to 50 people that attended the first week of the adult Sunday school.

#### ***Youth Committee, Ted Ellis:***

- About 12 youth and 5 adults met at Tricia's home for a potluck on August 15. Planning for the remainder of 2024 was discussed.
- On September 15, about 15 youth and 6 adults enjoyed pizza, snacks and the facilities at the Infield. Many trips around the race track were made and some time spent in the batting cages.
- On October 6, the youth will go to Honey Haven Farm to enjoy activities there.

### **Other Church Council Committees:**

#### ***Music & Worship Committee, Jan Fisher:***

- **RECOMMENDATION** to approve a concert to be held on Sunday afternoon, October 6 at 4:00 PM. We will be presenting music on the organ, and after intermission we will enjoy music presented by various musicians and Damian Boyd's group. We will be asking for people to make donations which will go to further the antiphonal organ fund. **RECOMMENDATION APPROVED.**
- We did well with the rummage sale, making \$1525 toward the antiphonal organ fund. Many many thanks to so many people who volunteered. It takes a team! Volunteers of America picked up the leftover goods for their Thrift Store.
- Eight new members were taken into membership on Sunday, September 15, 2024. Cookie reception followed worship. Thank you to all the ladies who so willingly baked cookies. Awesome!
- Worship and Music hosted a reception following Pastor Jay Jackson's installation service on September 15 at 2:30 PM. Thank you to everyone who provided tea sandwiches and fruit.
- Fifth Sunday potluck is all planned for September 29, following worship.
- Becky has made arrangements to have all of our "supply" pastors here for a recognition Sunday on October 20. A cookie reception will follow.

**Women's Ministry, Jan Fisher:**

- **RECOMMENDATION** to hold a bake sale on Sunday, November 17 with the proceeds going to support Zoe's Learning Center at Kingdom Grace Fellowship Church. We would also like to have November 17 be our Women's Ministry Sunday and request that the special women's offering be dedicated to Zoe's Learning Center at Kingdom Grace Fellowship Church. (This would be the same as we did last year.) **RECOMMENDATION APPROVED.**
- Women's Bible study resumed on Monday, September 9. All women are invited and encouraged to attend.
- Luther Fellowship met on Monday, September 16 at 2:00 PM for bingo and to get acquainted with Pastor Jay.

**Early Learning Center Committee, Chris Cichanowicz:**

- Small group music is held weekly on Tuesday mornings for the ELC classes in the music room on the third floor.
- Pastor Jay is now leading the ELC chapel time on Wednesday mornings!
- The ELC kids and families will be sent an invitation each time our FELC kids are singing during our 10:00 worship. (once a month)
- We will be adding an additional classroom the first of October.
- **RECOMMENDATION** to hire Andrea McClain. Andrea worked here from 2000-2004 and is wonderful with kids. **RECOMMENDATION APPROVED.**
- Pre-school classes will be going to Ramseyer Farm on September 25<sup>th</sup>.
- Closed October 4<sup>th</sup> for staff training in Columbus.
- ELC open house is October 14<sup>th</sup> 4-5:30
- Trunk or Treat will be October 23<sup>rd</sup> 5-6:30. If you would like to decorate and pass out candy, we would love to have you.
- Looking ahead, we are looking for 4-5 volunteers for our family Thanksgiving feast on November 21st from 9-1:00.

**Personnel Committee, Teri Brenkus:**

- The Personnel Committee will be meeting on the 24th to discuss COLA for next year's budget for church staff.

**Old Business:**

- Mike Anderson complimented Alicia Schulz for her hard work and dedication for leading the new members class in our time without a pastor.

**New Business:**

- **MOTION** (Chris K/James) to have FELC issue a proclamation of thanks and appreciation to the pastors who assisted us during our vacancy. This will be issued at the October 20 service. **MOTION APPROVED.**

Notes:

October Coffee Fellowship and Council Devotion: Global Missions Committee  
The October Council Meeting is Tuesday, October 15 at 7:00 PM.

**MOTION** (Teri/Gary) to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 PM with the Lord's Prayer. **MOTION APPROVED**  
*Respectfully submitted*

*Christopher J. Kaschube, FELC Church Council Secretary*



## *Are you an Organ donor?*



It's an odd question, but here's why I ask. We are in the home stretch of our drive to bring the antiphonal organ to life. Through the ongoing efforts of FELC, we have entered the home stretch of our funding goals... Here's what we have done thus far...

We currently have raised \$67,772.27.

Muller Pipe Organ Company's cost for the project is \$64,950.00.

Electrical work is estimated at \$3,000.00.

A recommended \$5,000.00 contingency is also in place.

This makes \$72,950 the total needed, and we are only \$5177.00 from our goal! Praise the Lord!

Please mark you calendars for **Sunday October 6<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm** as Scott Berry leads us through a benefit concert for our final drive. The concert will feature magnificent organ, as well as Damian Boyd's band "Redemption Jass Band". The concert will be a mix of various instruments and musical styles.

We are setting a fundraising goal of **\$5,000.00** at this concert, which would complete our fundraising efforts!

I'm looking forward to seeing and hearing the new sound that moving the antiphonal organ will bring to our worship space, and I thank you for all of your efforts thus far in bringing this Organ drive to a successful completion.

In Christ's service,

Pastor Jay



## Global Mission

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## Women's Ministry Thank Offering in November

Annually we celebrate Thank Offering on a Sunday in November. This year the celebration will take place on November 17, 2024. We will be holding a bake sale in the Narthex as well as focusing on Women's Ministry during the worship service. The proceeds from the bake sale as well as the special offering taken that day will be dedicated to Zoe's Learning Center after school program at Kingdom Grace Fellowship Church on Reba Avenue. Please prayerfully consider how that you can support this endeavor.

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## Pub Theology

Pub Theology will be at Pizza Hut in Ontario at 6PM on Tuesday, October 8, 2024! Come out and enjoy fellowship and lively conversation on a topic to be determined.



## Service Ministry

### Free Produce to our Community on September 10, 2024

What a beautiful sunny day (9/10/24) to serve 194 guests 8400# of lovely fresh produce! Thank you so much to our many volunteers who have such hearts for serving our community! (You might be interested to know that 6 or 7 of our volunteers are from other churches.) Praise God!

### The Senior Box distribution update:

Today (9.24.24) we had a record number of new guests--24! We are blessed to be able to continue this mission of outreach to help folks with food insecurity.



## PIZZA WITH THE PASTOR IS COMING!

The dates for Pizza with the Pastor are going to be:

# PIZZA

WITH  THE

*Pastor*

- Thurs Oct 3 - 6:00-7:30
- Thurs Oct 10 - 6:00-7:30
- Thurs Oct 24 - 6:00-7:30
- Wed Oct 30 - 11:30 - 1:00
- Sun Nov 3 - 11:30 - 1:00

This is a great way for Pastor Jay to meet with a small group of FELC folks to share ministry ideas, dreams, and give thanks for the people and ministries that have been a part of the FELC worship community over the years.

There will be a sign-up sheet out starting Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>!

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### CONFIRMATION Update

Calling all confirmation parents and young people. It is that time of year again. Time to learn more about your faith and how it informs who you are as a called and claimed child of God.

Please plan on meeting with Pastor Jay for an overview of what the confirmation program will be like this year. We will meet on Monday October 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00. Parents and confirmands are both encouraged to attend as confirmation is a family endeavor.

If you have any questions, please email Pastor Jay at [pastor@felc-mansfield.org](mailto:pastor@felc-mansfield.org) or call the FELC office and he will return your call.



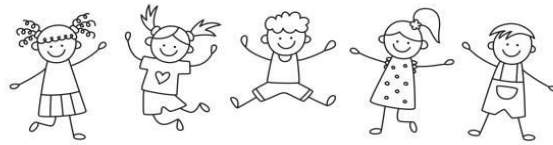
### Save the Date!!

October is Pastor Appreciation month, and during the month, we will be giving thanks and remembering the pastors that have so willingly served us through this last year and a half during our time of transition.

Please join us at 10am on Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup> as we give thanks to those pastors that have graced our pulpit and led us in worship since February of 2023. We are so grateful for Mike Koch, Paul Lintern, Amy Little, Kim Maurer, Nate Meiers, and Lisa Peterson.



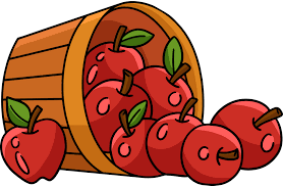
After worship we will have a time to gather, eat, and give thanks with a reception. If you have thoughts or ideas to honor our pastors and help make it more personal, please email Becky at [bpittman@felc-mansfield.org](mailto:bpittman@felc-mansfield.org).



# ELC

## Little People BIG News

### Flashback into September



- We are in full pre-school mode. We learned about friendship, apples, and fall so far.
- Join us for music with Mrs. Becky on Wednesday at 9:15 and chapel with Pastor Jay on Wednesday at 9:30. This month's theme was Friendship.



### A peek in October

- This month is full of pumpkins, leaves, candy, and community helpers.
- Volunteers needed!
  - Pick a day from October 11<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> and a time between 9-11:30. We are learning about community helpers. We would love to see what you do. Big work trucks, doctors' equipment, bakers, Military, these are just some examples.



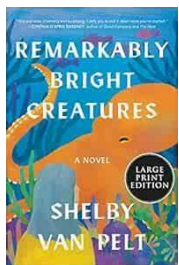
- Trunk or treat decorated cars needed for October 23<sup>rd</sup> 4:45-5:45.
- Let ELC office know if you would like to help. 419-522-7500



## Luther Fellowship

**LUTHER FELLOWSHIP IS NOW OPEN TO ANYONE WHO IS RETIRED, REGARDLESS OF AGE!**

Luther Fellowship will enjoy a short bus trip to The Barn in Smithville on Monday, October 21, 2024. We will meet at 10:30 a.m. on the east side of the church, where the bus will be parked and ready for us to load. It will be a lovely chance to enjoy Fall Colors as we move toward winter. This is open to anyone of any age group. Come along and enjoy the fall colors as you join in fellowship at The Barn. Sign up on the sheet on the poster table.



### BOOK CLUB NEWS!

Good books, great discussion, and special treats – what a great time we have. Open to everyone! Any questions contact Judy Santoro. On October 13 at 2:30, we will discuss *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt at First English Lutheran Church, Emmaus Room.

What does a misanthropic octopus have in common with Tova, a widow working as the night-shift janitor at the Sowell Bay Aquarium? Not much, until a friendship develops following a daring tank rescue, and curmudgeonly Marcellus, ever the detective, happily uses all eight of his tentacles, his three hearts, plus his sharp brain, to solve the soul-scarring mystery of Tova's son Erik, who mysteriously vanished at sea over thirty years ago. Readers will fall hard for an acerbic cephalopod whose intervention in his new friend's life sets her up for healing lessons in love, loss, and family in this utterly original, funny, wise, and heartwarming tale.

**All are WELCOME to join us. Any questions contact Judy Santoro.**



### Men's Bible Study

Men's Bible Study meets on Monday mornings at 9 am in the Emmaus Room. All are welcome!

### Women's Bible Study

Women's Ministry Bible Study will meet on Monday, October 14, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. in the Emmaus Room. We will continue with our book *Seamless* and begin studying the Gospels. All women are invited and please bring along a friend!



## PRODUCE DISTRIBUTION

**First English Lutheran Church, 53 Park Avenue West at S. Mulberry Street. (WEST PARKING LOT) FREE PRODUCE ON SECOND TUESDAY OF MONTH, APRIL THROUGH NOVEMBER.**

**Our next Free Produce Distribution will be Tuesday, October 8, 2024, from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM. PLEASE NOTE THE TIME!** We receive over 8000#'s of fresh produce. **THIS IS OPEN TO LOWER INCOME FOLKS WHO HAVE A REAL NEED**, please bring your State ID, your Driver's license, OR proof of residence. **WE WILL CONTINUE TO OFFER A DRIVE-THROUGH DISTRIBUTION. OUR VOLUNTEERS WILL LOAD THE PRODUCE INTO YOUR TRUNK OR THE BACK OF YOUR VEHICLE.** SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS. QUESTIONS? CALL THE CHURCH @ 419.522.0662.



**PLEASE BE CERTAIN YOUR CAR TRUNK IS EMPTY AS A HELP IN GETTING YOU LOADED BY OUR VOLUNTEERS!**

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## COMMUNION AT WEDGEWOOD ESTATES AND ARBORS AT MIFFLIN

**Wedgewood Estates at 2:00 PM &  
Arbors at Mifflin at 3:30 PM.**



This important offering of worship and communion will continue on the third Wednesday of each month and YOU are invited to join in with your support and attendance. If you have questions, check with the church office.

In October we will offer communion at Wedgewood Estates and Arbors at Mifflin on Wednesday, October 16, 2024. We are grateful to Gary Lane and Larry Lantz for their dedication to this ministry, along with Beth Harruff's dedication to assisting with this ministry via her piano accompaniment as well as her vocal accompaniment!

If you know of a member who cannot attend church services and would like to have a communion deacon bring communion to him or her at home, please contact Larry Lantz @ 419-756-5506 or call the church office at 419-522-0662.

## Within the Fold



Pastor Jay will be out of the office from October 15-17, serving at the NALC's Executive Council meeting!



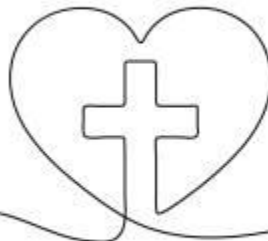
## ALTAR FLOWERS



Altar Flowers

The following opportunities are available for the donation of Altar Flowers. Please consider purchasing flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one. Please call Angie Mullins at the Church Office (419-522-0662) to reserve one of the dates listed below or to check the availability of other upcoming dates. *OR* you can sign up to sponsor flowers by filling out the Altar flower Sign Up Form on the table in the Narthex. Flowers are \$40.

- ❖ *October 6, 2024*
- ❖ *October 13, 2024*
- ❖ *October 20, 2024*
- ❖ *October 27, 2024*
- ❖ *November 3, 2024*
- ❖ *November 17, 2024*



# October 2024 Volunteers

## Sunday 10AM Worship (Nave)

### ACOLYTES

October 6: TBD  
October 13: TBD  
October 20: TBD  
October 27: TBD

### ALTAR WORKERS

Scott and Jodi Mumaw

### ASSISTING MINISTER

Todd Heichel

### COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOSTS

Global Mission

### GREETER

Betty Wilson

### COMMUNION PREPARERS

October 6: Sandie Volz & Vicki Kern  
October 27: Beth Harruff & Mary Schwartz

### COMMUNION SERVERS

October 6:  
Wine West: Heather McFadden  
Wine East: Anita Nehr Korn  
Intinction : Lu Blankenship

October 27:  
Wine West: Dan Peterson  
Wine East: Alicia Schulz  
Intinction : Greg Hughes

### LAY READERS

October 6: Pat Heichel  
October 13: Shirley Lane  
October 20: Anita Nehr Korn  
October 27: Chris Kaschube

### PRAYER PARTNERS

Chris Cichanowicz  
Mary Schwartz  
Lowell Weeks  
Jan Fisher

### ATTENDANCE SHEETS

October 6: Linda Hughes  
October 13: Brenda Eyerly  
October 20: Lana Conry  
October 27: Chris Mayglothling

### SLIDES

October 6: Teri Brenkus  
October 13: Peyton McFadden  
October 20: Allison Weeks  
October 27: Cindy Russell

### LIVESTREAM

October 6: Suzanne Rippel  
October 13: Todd Heichel  
October 20: Todd Heichel  
October 27: Tom Sarbach

### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

October 6: Angie Murphy  
October 13: Lu Blankenship  
October 20: Tyler Crall  
October 27: Elizabeth Freeman

### SUNDAY SCHOOL BREAKFAST:

October 6: Teri Brenkus  
October 13: Chris Cichanowicz  
October 20: Becky Pittman  
October 27: Mary Schwartz

### USHERS NAVE

Larry & Becky Faith  
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Alternate: Jan Fisher

### FUNERAL MEALS:

Anita Nehr Korn, Erna Clark  
Alicia Schulz, Sandie Volz



## Prayer Requests

To be put on the printed prayer listing: If you would like the church family to know of your joy or concern, please notify the pastor or call Angie Mullins (419.522.0662) in the church office to be added to the list. Please call again when it is appropriate to have that prayer request deleted.

We also invite you to use our two prayer chains. Your request will be shared with a small group of prayer warriors via phone call chain.



**Mary Schwartz heads up the prayer chain. Please call Mary to activate the prayer chain.  
Her home # is: 419.747.2600 or cell # is: 419.566.3113.  
Prayer is very powerful!**

A great and user-friendly way to receive DAILY DEVOTIONS written and supplied by NALC is to text: *ReadingTheWord to 24251*. They will respond back with a link and devotions will come to your phone every morning. They can be read and/or audible.

You can also get devotions from our felc-mansfield.org website by selecting the NALC logo button.

[NALC.org](http://NALC.org) offers a great devotional option. "[TheNALC.org](http://TheNALC.org)"  
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## **BULLETIN INFORMATION DEADLINE!**

**Need to get information in the bulletin for a meeting or an announcement?**

**Send details to Angie Mullins at [parishsecretary@felc-mansfield.org](mailto:parishsecretary@felc-mansfield.org) or phone the church office at 419.522.0662.**



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