

**"Where the Word of God is preached and people come to know the Lord"**

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***From Pastor Karen***

Special Points of Interest:

- Pastor Karen's Article

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Religion and politics: the two most impolite dinner conversation topics. We also have a tendency to balk anytime we even hint at mixing the two. After all, in this country we have what is often referred to as "separation of church and state." Except, that phrase appears nowhere in the Constitution. It's a paraphrase of "a wall of separation" used by Thomas Jefferson in a letter he wrote to the Danbury Baptist Association in 1802. What our Constitution actually says is, "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof..." So, "separation of church and state" is about keeping the government out of religion, not so much keeping religion out of politics. Which, if we're being honest, is impossible to do and in no way reflects the faith that we claim as Christians. So, yes, if a church wants to keep its tax-exempt status, it may not endorse a specific candidate. We cannot be partisan. But Christianity itself has always been political. We use phrases like, "the kingdom of God" and "our citizenship in heaven." Jesus was a political figure. He spoke out against unjust laws and challenged the power structures of his day. Jesus was crucified under Roman law, a punishment reserved for political crimes like treason and sedition. He refused to deny that he was "King of the Jews," the charge which Pilot has inscribed on his cross.

Our Citizenship is in heaven. Before we are anything else, we are beloved children of God and followers of Christ. That means that our identity as Christians shapes everything else about us. It informs everything we think and do and say. Yes, we are to follow the laws of this world, but only if they do not conflict with God's ultimate law to love God and love our neighbors as ourselves. That is what we are called to first and foremost.

We have a humanitarian crisis going on in this country right now. At this point, our care is not who started it. Our care is not whose fault it is. Our care is for those affected by it. Our care is that it comes to an end. Fellow beloved children of God are being forced into unsanitary and unsafe conditions at our borders. They are being held in rooms that are far beyond capacity. They are not being given access to adequate sleeping or bathing arrangements, medical care, food or even water. These are men. These are women. These are children who have no choice in any of this and who are being taken from their parents and left without adult care. This is not how we

are called to treat people. There is no justification for this. It does not matter where they come from. It does not matter what they have done or not done. People do not deserve to be treated like this. It is

inhumane. It is unjust. It is wrong. It goes against everything we believe as followers of Christ, and as followers of Christ we are called to use our voice to speak out against what is unjust and wrong in the world.

God's kingdom come. God's will be done.  
In Christ,

## FOOD BANK

### Our 8<sup>th</sup> Annual "Kid's Fest"...

Was held on July 13<sup>th</sup> and was a huge success! All proceeds go to the purchase of new clothing and shoes for Ashland County Kids in need! Thank you to those who attended or contributed!



### Current Needs:

- Peas, carrots and mixed vegetables
- Applesauce
- Mac & Cheese boxes
- Egg Noodles
- Juices
- Crackers, pop tarts, cookies or granola bars
- Jello or pudding snack packs (easy for kids!)
- Jelly- Grape and Strawberry both needed
- Tea bags and or Coffee
- Spaghetti Noodles and Spaghetti Sauce
- Ketchup, Mustard and Mayo
- Fresh or instant potatoes (*Always needed!*)



***John 6:35 Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst"***


## ACCESS

### MENTORS NEEDED!

One of the most critical factors for successful transition from the ACCESS program to independent living is support and encouragement of the former ACCESS guest. ACCESS Mentors walk beside ACCESS guests to be caring and supportive friends. The Mentors can help guests even after they exit the program and link guests to ongoing support service. For more information contact Cathy Thiemens at 419-685-1232

Through July 1st, ACCESS has received 52 requests to enter the program. 16 families have entered ACCESS including 19 adults and 20 children. 13 families have exited the program because of securing employments and sufficient pay for housing and their living expenses.

# ***AUGUST & SEPTEMBER MINISTRY STEWARDS***

<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>USHERS</u></b></p> <p>August Robert Fulmer, Skip Hamler, Dan Williams, Dan Bishop</p> <p>September Stan Crist, Sheryl Budd Scott Parillo, Dan Bishop</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>LECTORS</u></b></p> <p>08/04—Freda Cook 08/11—Linda Swanson 08/18—Wendy Wasnich 08/25—Lisa Blackley</p> <p>09/01—Natalie Anderson 09/08— 09/15—Doris Wanamaker 09/22—Deb Akers 09/29—Karen Kaufman</p>		<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>ACOLYTES</u></b></p> <p>08/04—Audrey 08/11—Niamh 08/18—Bethanee 08/25—Luke</p> <p>09/01—Audrey 09/08—Will H. 09/15—Cameron 09/22—Abraham 09/29—Elizabeth</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>ALTAR CARE</u></b></p> <p><b><u>COMMUNION PREPARER</u></b></p> <p>August Freda Cook Barb Dreher</p> <p>September Amy Long Donna Breault</p> <p><b><u>COMMUNION ASSISTANT</u></b></p> <p>August Emily West Brenda Marker</p> <p>September Nancy Boyd Ron Twining</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>GREETERS</u></b></p> <p>08/04—Sharon Johnson/Karla Pagano 08/11—Betty Harper/Lucille Vaas 08/18—Jim &amp; Natalie Anderson 08/25—Nevanka Fulk/Brenda Marker</p> <p>09/01—Barb Dreher &amp; Jean Boreman 09/08—Kitty Honaker &amp; Nancy Boyd 09/15—Dave &amp; Diana Kowalka 09/22—Jill &amp; Skip Hamler 09/29—Chris Swanson &amp; Sheryl Budd</p>		<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Nursery Attendant</u></b></p> <p>08/04—Lillian White 08/11—Kim Hovey 08/18—Chris Swanson 08/25—Breaults</p> <p>09/01—Filbruns 09/08—Jamie Spotts 09/15—Freda Cook 09/22—Susan Fulmer 09/29—Lillian White</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>CHANCEL FLOWERS</u></b></p> <p>08/04—Cathy King 08/11—Open 08/18—Wanamaker 08/25—Open</p> <p>09/01—Open 09/08—Freda Cook 09/15—Open 09/22—Open 09/29—Longs</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>FLOWER ARRANGER</u></b></p> <p>August Jeni Filbrun</p> <p>September Diana Kowalka</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>FLOWER DELIVERER</u></b></p> <p>August Kim Hovey</p> <p>September Lucille Vaas</p>		

***WOMEN'S CIRCLE*****DORCAS CIRCLE**

Dorcas Circle will meet each August 14 & 28th at 1 p.m. in the Meeting room.

We are always glad of donations of flat sheets & material for our quilt project.

We continue to appreciate donations of fabric & flat sheets to continue our project.

***MENS MINISTRY*****MEN'S BREAKFAST**

1st Saturday of every month!  
Men of ALL ages are invited to the monthly fellowship breakfast.

**August 3 @ 7am at Buehler's**

Come and enjoy good food, good conversation, and share the Good News for our lives. We are on our way for our busy lives by 8:00am

***SCHOOL KITS***

Education is one of the strongest tools a community has for breaking the cycle of poverty. Ensuring that girls attend school, especially in places where their access is deprioritized, has even stronger results. School Kits contain essential supplies to help children – and in some cases, adults – continue learning in the face of serious obstacles. That learning leads to a better life for them, their families and their communities.

Take advantage of “back-to-school” sales for reasonably priced items. If you can’t find everything, get what you can. Others may find the rest, or we can purchase needed items. County fairs are a good place to get pencils and pens. We don’t ship until October, but the time to buy is when things are on sale.



**x1**

One sturdy drawstring backpack-style cloth bag, approximately 14" x 17", with shoulder straps (no standard backpacks)



**x4**

Four 70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper, approximately 8" x 10½"; no loose-leaf paper



**x1**

One box of 16 or 24 crayons



**x1**

One 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other



**x1**

One pencil sharpener



**x1**

One pair of blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)



**x5**

Five unsharpened No. 2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band



**x5**

Five black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band



**x1**

One 2½" eraser



# ***LIFE SCREENING EVENT AT PEACE***



Life Line Screening event at

Peace Lutheran Church.

On Saturday, August 17th, all day.

Information on the table in Narthex.

## **Benefits of Screening**

Life Line Screening can provide meaningful benefits for your body and mind. That's why we're committed to delivering accurate results and recommendations that could give you a healthier advantage in your everyday life:

- Early detection of serious conditions
- Prevention of disease progression
- Peace of mind so you can enjoy life
- Savings with more affordable screenings
- Control, no insurance required

## ***AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES***

08/01-Ray & Sharon Johnson

08/03-Ron & Nancy Boyd

08/04-Stan & Brenda Crist  
Rick & Donna Breault

08/07 Mike & Pam Huber

08/16—Rev. John Wanamaker &  
Doris Wanamaker

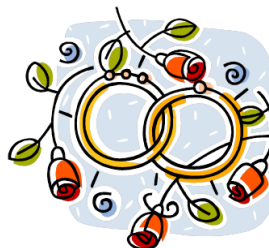
08/23-Larry & Lisa Schiemann

08/29-Donny & Marcy Myers

### **Anniversary Highlight:**

August 16

Pastor John & Doris Wanamaker 54 Years!  
845 Mowry Dr. Ashland



## ***AUGUST BIRTHDAYS***

1— Sharon Johnson

2—Roseanne Griffith

Brenda Leedy

7—Kathy Kollar

8—Mark Griffith

9—Ron Blackley

10—Stan Crist

13—Joan Bishop

15—Ron Pagano

16—Kim Davidson

18—Jim Anderson

Doris Wanamaker

19—Art Littleton

20—Casey Backus

Shirley Beck

21—Joanne Offhaus

Dan Williams

23—Niamh Breault

Mindy Kalbfell

24—Luke Blackley

Javier Garcia

25—Natalie Anderson

Theo O'Donnell

26—Dennis Krucinski

### **Birthday Highlight:**

08/21—Joanne Offhaus  
50 Lodge Wood Dr.  
Ashland



# August 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 VBS 9-3pm	2 VBS 9-3pm	3 7am Men's Breakfast @ Buehler's
4 10-Worship/Comm.	5	6	7 1pm Dorcas Circle	8 11am Bible Study	9	10 RED CROSS 9-2pm
11 10-Worship	12	13	14	15 11am Bible Study	16	17 LIFE SCREENING EVENT AT CHURCH
18 10-Worship/Comm.	19	20	21 1pm Dorcas Circle	22 11am Bible Study	23	24
25 10-Worship	26	27	28	29 11am Bible Study	30 PARKING LOT BEING RESEALED, CHURCH CLOSED	31

*Thank You*

Thank you to the Endowment Committee for awarding me a \$1000 scholarship I will use it at North Central this fall. Also, thanks to everyone who helped with my graduation reception and to the Faith Circle for my personalized key chain. —Will Long

Thank you to our church family for your kindness and sympathy during our loss. Thanks to Pastor Karen and Ron for their comforting words and music for Diane's funeral. Also, thank you to Freda and everyone who helped prepare the meal after the service. We are blessed. —The family of Diane Cook.

**10TH ANNUAL**

**Community Corn Roast**

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**SATURDAY, AUGUST 10TH**  
**Eagles Club-400 Eastlake Dr, Ashland**  
 5:00-8:00 in the evening

*Live music!*  
**BILL BAUER**

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**\$15 ADULT/\$10 SENIOR MEAL INCLUDES:**  
 Delicious roasted corn, fresh smoked pulled pork, cole slaw, watermelon, dessert, and lemonade

**\$5 CHILD (AGE 4-12) MEAL INCLUDES:**  
 Hotdog, chips, watermelon, cookie, lemonade (Child <4:FREE!)

- Live pie auction (and Ruth's apple dumplings!)
- Cash bar
- Raffle baskets
- Win two round-trip flights to anywhere in US!

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**SUPPORT HOSPICE OF NORTH CENTRAL OHIO!**  
*Your hometown hospice for more than 30 years*

**Buy tickets at [www.myhnco.org](http://www.myhnco.org) or at the door.**

## IN OUR PRAYERS

George Miller, Curt Hall, Andrew, Jan Harned, Joanne (Wanamaker) Woods, Lois VanHorn, Rita Bachmann, Louise Winger (Lois Pinski's cousin-in-law).

*In Our Continued Prayers: Pat Daniels, Bonnie Wuthrich, JoAnne Offhaus, Sandy Moherman, Herb Heyl, Lyn Sorensen, Jonathan Baltes, David Winger, Barb Colbow, Taryn Wolfe, Natalie Anderson, Diana Kowalka, Pat Hamler.*

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