



Trinity Times

July
2022

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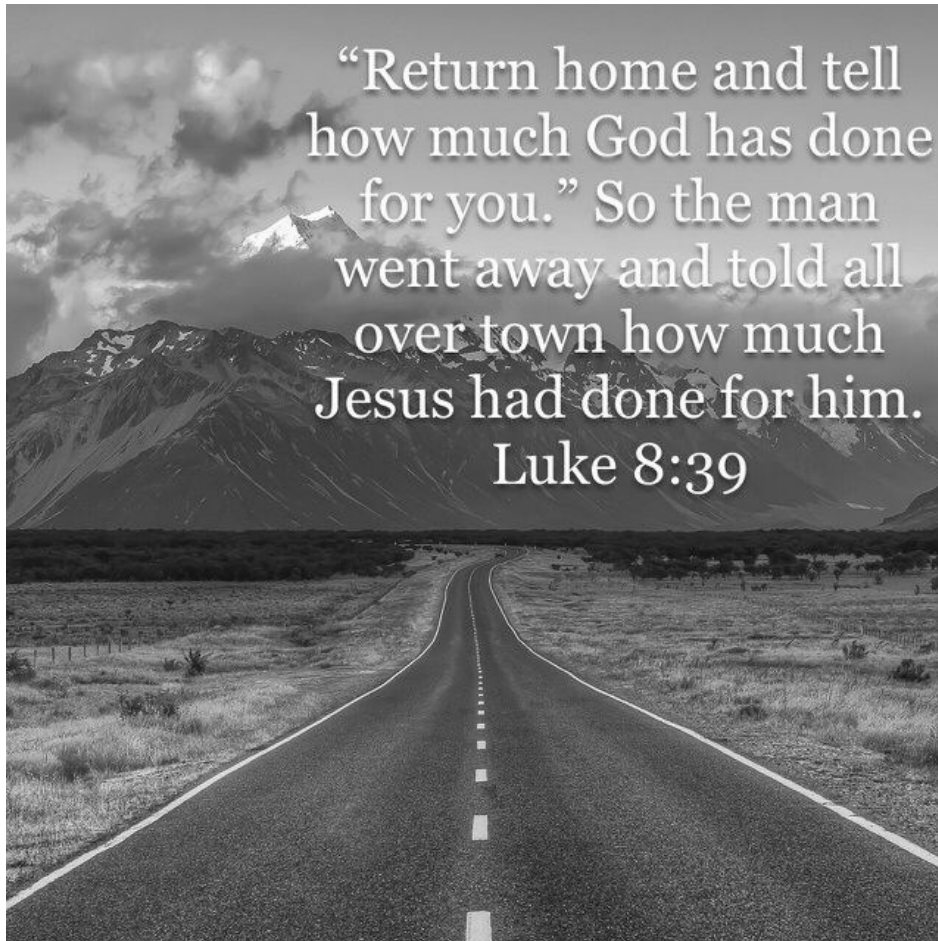
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“Return home and tell
how much God has done
for you.” So the man
went away and told all
over town how much
Jesus had done for him.
Luke 8:39

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Congregation

Northwestern Ohio Synod - Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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Ahh, summer has finally arrived. It's almost like breathing in new life. For the past couple of years many have shared that they feel like they have been firing on all cylinders for the past two plus years, working around the clock to give others the support needed during this confusing and stressful time. And it has been exhausting!

As I've been attending the various synod assemblies, one of the things we have been doing is checking in with people. It has been amazing to hear the stories. First, we always hear how excited people are to be back together and then stories of how they were able to cope or not the past couple of years. Often, people will talk about how the lack of socialization over the past couple of years has affected their children and people at work and the current layers of outcomes we are currently seeing in the world. We can't wait to get back to normal is a common comment made. I hear the same response from members in our congregation.

As I've been listening, the song Funky Town by Steven Greenberg keeps playing in the back of my mind. If you don't know the song – check it out – the beat will make you smile. Some of the lyrics are:

Gotta make a move to a town
That's right for me
Town to keep me movin'
Keep me groovin' with some energy
Well, I talk about it, talk about it...
Talk about movin'...Gotta move on...
Won't you take me to
Funkytown?

And don't we all want to move on? A couple of weeks ago, we read the gospel lesson from Luke 8:26-39 about the man who didn't really have a name but was called by his disease, Legion. Once Legion was healed, he wanted to move on to a more normal life with Jesus and learn more about being a disciple. Instead, Jesus told the newly healed man to stay in the community where he had encountered all kinds of social distress. He was called to model Jesus' love so others might catch the same vision of caring for all people and moving them closer to the promised reign of Jesus.

Sure, wouldn't it be nice to move on, but we are called, just like the newly healed man to stay and listen and show others – even the ones that forget our name – a more perfect way that has been given to use through the death and resurrection of Jesus. As we walk with others, how can we find time and space that will help us to be our best tomorrow? I know, a lot is going on in the world today! So we pray that through the gift of the Holy Spirit, we keep moving with the energy of God's promise toward the cross of Jesus, proclaiming all the God has done for us.

“Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.” So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him. Luke 8:39

Pastor Cathy

YOUR SERVANTS AT TRINITY

INTERIM PASTORS -

The Rev. Ralph Schibler

The Rev. Catherine Schibler

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR:

Carol Dahs

MUSICIAN: Adele Hoffman

YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY

COORDINATOR:

Sally Warner - 419 684-7850

CUSTODIANS:

Jim Bertsch - 419 625-4377

Pat Wiedenheft - 419 625-8652

PRESIDENT: Carrie Wiedenheft

TREASURER: Jim Bertsch

DATA ENTRY: Shannon Limberios

OFFICE PHONE: 419 626-0204

OFFICE HOURS: 9 am to 1 pm, M-F

On July 24, 2022 Bishop Daniel Beaudoin will be here at Trinity to worship with us at both services. Please come and hear his sermon.

There will be Fellowship time between services so stop in and meet him.



Meet The Rev. Daniel Beaudoin



Bishop Daniel G. Beaudoin was elected May 21, 2016, to a six-year term as the bishop of the Northwestern Ohio Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). He was installed on July 23, 2016, at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Bowling Green, Ohio.

Daniel is married to Rachel, and they are blessed with three children: Joshua, Elijah, and Hannah. 2 daughters-in-law: Michelle and Chelsie. They are smitten with their grandchildren: George, Homer and Evelyn.

Bishop Beaudoin served as the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Stony Ridge from 2004-2016. He served as the pastor of St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Edon, Ohio, from 1996 to 2004. From 2013-2015, he served as the Dean of the North Central Conference.

Bishop Beaudoin earned a Bachelor of Arts in History from Oakland University in Rochester, Mich., a Master of Divinity from Trinity Lutheran Seminary in Columbus, Ohio, and a Master of Arts in Medieval History from the University of Toledo in Toledo, Ohio.

Bishop Beaudoin enjoys running with the Toledo Roadrunner's Club, reading good books, studying Scripture, and eating Mediterranean food.



Good New Memory Verses

The Worship and Music Committee has come up with a monthly memory verse/s for everyone to memorize and pray about. July's verse is as follows:

Psalm 119:11

¹¹I treasure your word in my heart, so that I may not sin against you.



**LUTHERAN
WORLD RELIEF**

**IT IS TIME TO START COLLECTING FOR
LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF PERSONAL
CARE KITS.**

There is a great need to build back these kits that are urgently in demand. The kit contains the following items:

- * One light weight bath size towel (52” x 27”), dark colors are recommended.
- * Two or three bars of soap that equal 8 to 9 oz in original wrapping.
- * One adult size toothbrush in the original packaging.
- * One sturdy comb

(You can get all of this at Dollar Stores for good prices)

The kits will be assembled and packed in boxes on God’s Work Our Hands Sunday in September. Our goal is to pack at least 100 kits. Thank you in advance for your help in assisting those in need.



There is a display of the items needed in the office hallway.



BELL RINGERS NEEDED. Adult members of Trinity congregation. Did you know that there is a special skill to ringing the church bell for Sunday worship? Well, there is. If you would like to learn that skill and become a Bell Ringer at Trinity, please come to the training session July 10, 2022, between services. Expert Bell Ringers will be available to teach the fine art of Bell Ringing.



The Call Committee has done an online interview with a candidate. They are looking to come in for an in person interview soon.



Lutheran Disaster Response
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

Dear friends,

The last time I wrote to you about the war in Ukraine, Lutheran Disaster Response and our partners were taking in an influx of Ukrainian refugees. The United Nations reports that over 6.5 million people have left the country and an additional 7 million are displaced within it. Your gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response have already been at work as we responded to this crisis.

One inspiring ministry you support is Mandák House, a church in Budapest, Hungary, with a long history of helping vulnerable populations, especially the Roma people in the area. Since the first refugees from Ukraine arrived in Budapest in March, the staff and volunteers have dedicated themselves to supporting them. Over 600 volunteers receive such donations as clothing, bedding, toys and hygiene items, and distribute them to refugees.

Like many of our partners, Mandák House has watched its response to the refugee crisis evolve. The people of Ukraine now need a different kind of support, beyond immediate relief supplies. Staff and volunteers at Mandák House are helping refugees place their children in schools, find jobs, take language classes, access the health care system and integrate into the community.

“With different phases, you have to be flexible and change your focus,” said the Rev. Márta Bolba, pastor of Mandák House. “We are really flexible and needs-oriented. We should continue this flexibility because people need different things in different phases of the war.”

Of course, this is just one story from Eastern Europe. Our partners and companion churches in Ukraine, Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, Moldova and Romania are accompanying refugees every day and addressing their various needs.

Thank you for your generous support.

In Christ's service,

The Rev. Daniel Rift
Director, ELCA World Hunger and Lutheran Disaster Response Funding
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Congregation of Sandusky, Ohio - Sandusky OH
Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2022

Wednesday, June 15, 2022

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Account #	Account Name	YTD Balance
<i>Assets</i>		
1.100.102	Checking Account	60,009.77
1.100.104	Petty Cash Fund	20.00
1.100.106	Thrivent Bond Fund Checking	60,054.80
1.200.114	Thrivent Money Market Account	377.00
1.220.116	Endowment Savings Thrivent	96,411.27
1.220.118	Mission Plus Investments (3 CD's)	3,875.09
1.220.120	Edward Jones Mutual Fund	275,000.00
1.400.110	Thrivent Moderate Fund (Reserve)	55,512.95
1.400.112	Thrivent Moderate Fund - Pavement	2,503.22
	Total Assets	\$553,764.10
<i>Liabilities</i>		
2.100.200	<i>Accounts Payable/Vendors</i>	527.82
2.100.216	Ohio Treasurer of St	84.00
2.100.218	R.I.T.A.	89.92
2.100.219	Ohio Department of Taxation	15.06
	Total Liabilities	\$716.80
<i>Fund Balances</i>		
3.100.300	Current Fund Balance	47,977.71
3.210.300	Community Mission Fund Balance	2,946.95
3.220.300	<i>Designated Giving Fund Balance</i>	
3.221.300	Memoral Fund Balance	35,281.57
3.222.300	Endowment Fund Balance	100,286.36
3.223.300	Building Improvement Fund Balance	33,538.54
3.225.300	Pavement Fund Balance	2,503.22
3.227.300	Charity Fund Balance	275,000.00
	<i>Total Designated Giving Fund Balance</i>	<i>\$446,609.69</i>
3.400.300	Reserve Fund Balance	55,512.95
	Total Fund Balances	\$553,047.30
	Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>\$553,764.10</u>

COUNCIL UPDATE

TRINITY CONGREGATION COUNCIL Meeting Highlights - June, 2022 - 7:00 pm

(These are unapproved meeting minutes)

Attending: Jim Bertsch, Candy Beatty, Pastor Ralph, Nancy Vollmer, Betsy Stierhoff, Pat Wiedenheft, Millie McCready, and secretary, Carol Dahs. Not in Attendance: Carrie Wiedenheft

Meeting called to order by Vice President – Candy Beatty. Opening devotions were given by Carol Dahs

Minutes of previous meeting (May 2022) were reviewed. Nancy made a motion to accept the May meeting minutes with the correction that under Stewardship and Finance the figure of \$277,437.25 should have been \$315,437.25 from the Charles Wiedenheft estate. Also, Carol's vacation time was for June not July. 2nd by Millie. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report for May 2022 was reviewed. Nancy made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. 2nd by Pat. Motion passed.

President's Report: Candy reported that the Call Committee did an online interview, and that the candidate would be in next week for an in-person interview.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Ralph asked if we had a fire protocol and if people knew where fire extinguishers were. Also, asked about our gun protocol. Do we have signs up? Suggested maybe locking all doors 10 minutes after the service has started.

Congregational Life – Candy's group will be giving out chocolate bars to the gentlemen of the church for Father's Day.

Faith Builders – Pat reported that the kids would be singing on June 19th.

Mission Service – Betsy and Carol applied for Thrivent Action dollars of \$250 to help cover the cost of the Father/Son/Daughter Gathering. They are looking to play the movie Encanto for movie night. Bring own drinks/snacks. Betsy talked of getting flavor packets for bottled water and doing popcorn. They need to discuss where the money raised from the shoe fundraiser will go yet.

Property – Mike Markley will contact Clearview Tinting on having the bullet proof tint added to the new outside educational doors. We are still waiting on a quote from The Glass Guys on the storm windows for the sanctuary. They are working on it. Pricing some for another place and they are looking at trying to order it all at once to save on shipping. Shipping is very expensive. The Glass Guys are waiting for the seals to come in so they can do the upper windows in the educational wing. Need to get with Mike Markley on the approved concrete work from 2021. Carol texted Mike on the cigarette butt holder to see if he could fix it.

Stewardship and Finance – Jim will start the collection of the LWR Personal Care kits in July. We need to put an announcement in the July bulletins and newsletter.

Witness and Welcome – Millie gave us an update on the health of a member.

Worship and Music – Nancy has Gary Lieb set up to train any new bell ringers that volunteer. Pastor Cathy will help with the teaching of the new acolytes. Nancy's group is still working on the Homecoming/GWOH Sunday events. Should fellowship time be brought back? Jim made a motion to take the loose plate offering on July 24 to help support the Seminary Leadership Training. A total of \$500 will be donated in Bishop Daniel's honor. The balance will come from current. 2nd by Millie. Motion passed.

Old Business – Carol has gotten more of the Financial Audit Guidelines typed up. Computers were updated per the approved agreement with Chime Technologies. Brainiacs was cancelled. Carillon is now playing on Sunday mornings. So far no complaints.

New Business – Robin Pratt was in and tuned the piano on May 26. Muller Pipe Organ was in on June 7 and tuned the organ. State Elevator Inspector was in. Elevator passed inspection. Carol is working on getting the record retention up to date for 2022. Carol presented 3 new office copier quotes. Candy made a motion not to except any of the copier quotes and approve up to \$200-300 for a new stapler for Carol. 2nd by Millie. Motion passed. Candy's group will put together a small fellowship time for between service on July 24 for Bishop Daniel's visit. A donation to Seminary Leadership Training will be made in Bishop Daniel's honor.



**Crossroads Homeless Shelter
Meal
for July 20, 2022**

**Hot Dogs
Baked Beans
Potato Salad
Ambrosia Salad
Brownies**

Jim is still cooking monthly meals for Crossroads. If you would like to support this ministry please send your donation to the church and mark it Homeless Meal.

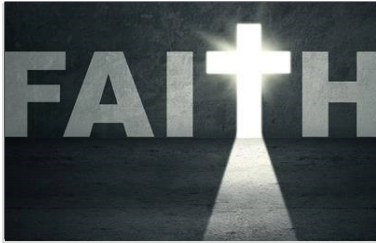


**TODAY'S CHRISTIAN MUSIC
IN A SPIRIT-FILLED
ATMOSPHERE!
COME, WORSHIP, AND SING!**

**JULY 10, 2022
BETWEEN SERVICES,
9:30-10:00 AM,
IN THE SANCTUARY.**

**PLEASE
JOIN US
ON
JULY 31
FOR OUR
LAY LED
SERVICE
AT 9:00
AM ONLY**





FAITH Member Ministry

Friends and Family **A**biding in Christ **I**n **T**heir
Homes/Hospitals/Healthcare Centers

“You never know when a moment and a few sincere words can have an impact on a life forever.” – Zig Ziglar

FAITH Members (as of 5/15/2022)

At the Commons of Providence Assisted Living Building, 5000 Providence Drive, Sandusky

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Ruth Sieb Apt #107 Birthday - Sept. 19

At the Commons of Providence Memory Care Unit, 4901 Providence Drive, Sandusky

Ruby Stierhoff Rm #114 Birthday - July 26

At the Willows of Bellevue, 101 Auxiliary Drive, Bellevue, Ohio 44811

At Providence Care Center, 2025 Hayes Avenue, Sandusky, Ohio 44870

At Heritage Village, 700 Helen Street, Clyde, Ohio 43410

At The Meadows of Osborn Park, 3916 Perkins Avenue, Huron, Ohio 44839

Shirley Miller Birthday - April 3

Danbury Senior Living, 33770 Bagley Rd., North Ridgeville, Ohio 44039

Viola Liptok Rm #230 419-684-5840 Birthday - Dec. 9

Parkvue Community, 3800 Boardwalk Blvd, Sandusky OH 44870

Ray Remy Apt. 112 Birthday - Feb 9

In their homes:

Brian & Mary Ann Hickman 51 N. Harbors End, Port Clinton 419-732-7398 B: May 25 MA: July 10

Dan & Gwen Miller 5708 Bogart Road, Castalia 419-684-5274 D: May 24 G: Oct. 5

Bernie Neidler 1305 Ogontz St, Sandusky 419-625-4839 B: Nov. 16 MA: Dec. 30

Pat Nielsen 1502 Martins Point Road, Sandusky 419-684-5627 June 6

Judy Welsler 5619 Debra Drive, Castalia 419-684-7232 Feb. 11

Paul Wiedenheft 4216 Homegardner Rd., Sandusky OH 44870 Oct. 11

Should you like to join our team in making home visits, where we offer conversation, prayers and communion, please contact Patty Swartz at 419-626-4970.

JULY MILESTONES

BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Judith Driscoll
- 2 Brandon Buchanan
Judson Overmyer
- 3 Matthew Lesch
- 4 Bradley Stierhoff
Amber Graham
- 5 Michael Cullen
Susan Cullen
Abigail Price
- 6 Addison Strayer
Kevin Ramon
Charlee Stierhoff
- 7 Jonathan Gill
Tricia Patten
- 8 Debra Miller
- 10 Mary Ann Hickman
- 12 Scott Swartz
- 13 Thomas Barnes
- 15 Dominic Stierhoff
Stephen Wobser
- 16 Logan Lesch



- 18 Sandy Paseka
Cindy Bowers
- 20 Candy Beatty
- 21 Pastor Ralph Schibler
- 22 Katelynne Howard
Patti Bango
- 23 Dolores Troike
- 24 Niles Fuller
Dennis Sessler
- 26 Kimberly Stierhoff
Ryan Paseka
Ruby Stierhoff
- 29 Fred Wobser
- 31 Charlene Stierhoff
Don Casanova

ANNIVERSARIES

- 3 Ben & Christina Stephens - 18th
- 7 Charles & Kathy Bango - 22nd
- 8 Dominic & Tracy Carrozzino - 16th
- 11 David & Kellie Beiser - 8th
- 12 Shawn & Emily Tordi - 19th
- 15 Ron & Cindy Cox - 44th
- 16 Matthew & Dawn Smith - 17th
- 17 Evan & Lauren Kautz - 1st
- 19 David & Sally Warner - 47th
- 20 Jeff & Debra Miller - 43rd
- 24 John & Linda Huff - 51st
- 26 Mike & Maree Markley - 47th
- 29 Drew & Danielle Davie - 16th
- 30 Jacob & Amy Stierhoff - 6th
- 31 Tom & Peggy Kingsborough - 46th



Fred Wobser, Amy Brocco in
memory of Wayne Wobser

Jack & Brenda Ried in memory of
Curt and Dorothy Miller

Gene & Adele Hoffman in honor
of all graduates



On behalf of the people of Trinity, our Congregation Council thanks:

- To Pat, Mark, Tyler, Carlie, & Ryan Wiedenheft for helping Jim Bertsch to put mulch around the front of the church.
- To Anna Dunn for providing the chicken spaghetti entrée for the June 15 Crossroads Meal.
- To Wayne Gysan for helping assist at the Jam Sessions.

JULY 2022

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
3 Fourth Sunday of Pentecost Communion Services 8:00 & 10:30 am	4 Office Closed	5	6 Pr Ralph in office Worship & Music Mtg - 7:00 pm NA 7:00 pm	7	1 Carol on Vac - Office Closed	2 NA 11:00 am NA 11:00 am
10 Fifth Sunday of Pentecost Worship Services 8:00 & 10:30 am Jam Session 9:30 am Bell Ringing Training 9:00 am	11 Pr Ralph in the office AM	12	13 Pr Ralph in office NA 7:00 pm	14	15	16 NA 11:00 am
17 Sixth Sunday of Pentecost Communion Services 8:00 & 10:30 am	18 Pr Ralph in the office AM	19	20 Pr Ralph in office Crossroads Meal 1 pm NA 7:00 pm	21 Council Mtg 6:00 pm Movie Night 8:00 pm	22	23 NA 11:00 am
24 Seventh Sunday of Pentecost Worship Services 8:00 & 10:30 am Bishop Daniel Beaudoin here Fellowship time between services	25 Pr Ralph in the office AM	26	27 Pr Ralph in office NA 7:00 pm	28	29	30 NA 11:00 am
31 Eighth Sunday of Pentecost Lay Led Worship Service 9:00 am only						

Prayers, Readings and Psalm for the month of July

July 3 - Fourth Sunday of Pentecost

Isaiah 66:10-14 - *Jerusalem, a nursing mother giving life to her children*

Psalms 66:1-9 - All the earth bows down before you and sings out your name. (Ps. 66:4)

Galatians 6:1-6 7-16 - *Do what is right now and reap at the harvest time*

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20 - *Jesus sends out seventy disciples into the harvest*

Prayer of the Day: O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

July 10 - Fifth Sunday of Pentecost

Deuteronomy 30:9-14 - *The LORD will take delight in your fruitfulness*

Psalms 25:1-10 - Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths. (Ps. 25:4)

Colossians 1:1-14 - *The gospel is growing, bearing fruit in the whole world*

Luke 10:25-37 - *The parable of the merciful Samaritan*

Prayer of the Day: O Lord God, your mercy delights us, and the world longs for your loving care. Hear the cries of everyone in need, and turn our hearts to love our neighbors with the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

July 17 - Sixth Sunday of Pentecost

Genesis 18:1-10a - *The hospitality of Abraham and Sarah to three visitors of the LORD*

Psalms 15 - LORD, who may abide upon your holy hill? (Ps. 15:1)

Colossians 1:15-28 - *Hymn to Christ, the firstborn of all creation*

Luke 10:38-42 - *Jesus says: Martha, your sister Mary has chosen the better part*

Prayer of the Day: Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

July 24 - Seventh Sunday of Pentecost

Genesis 18:20-32 - *Abraham bargains with God for the righteous of Sodom and Gomorrah*

Psalms 138 - Your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands. (Ps. 138:8)

Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19] - *Buried with Christ in baptism, raised with him through faith*

Luke 11:1-13 - *Jesus teaches the disciples to pray*

Prayer of the Day: Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

July 31 - Eighth Sunday of Pentecost

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23 - *Search out wisdom, for all is vanity*

Psalms 49:1-12 - My mouth shall speak of wisdom. (Ps. 49:3)

Colossians 3:1-11 - *Clothed in Christ, your life is hidden with him in God*

Luke 12:13-21 - *Jesus says: Be on guard against greed; be rich toward God, your treasure*

Prayer of the Day: Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

FREE COMMUNITY DINNER

Open to the community!



Grace Lutheran Church
203 S. Washington St.
Castalia, OH 44824

When: Wednesday, July 13th
Time: 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm
(or until gone)
How: Free Drive-thru pickup in
the back of church

Delivery is available for shut-ins call 419-357-3672 to schedule a delivery.

MENU:
GRILLED CHICKEN BREAST, BAKED CHEESY
POTATOES, COLE SLAW & DESSERT

God
Bless
America

This fundraiser is coming in August
(but we are collecting shoes now)

All gently used or new shoes are needed. We need to reach approximately 2,500 pairs of shoes.

All kinds of shoes are accepted: tennis shoes, boots, cleats, basketball shoes, flip flops, heels, adult, kids, baby

Cleaning Out Your Closet?

We need your shoes!

Group Name:

Mission Service Team



Drop-Off Location:

Basket in hallway at Trinity

Dates:

Now through September

Contact:

Betsy Stierhoff, Bonnie Lieb, Jim Bertsch

Help us raise funds just by donating gently worn, used and new shoes! Be sure to ask, friends, family, neighbors and co-workers to donate too!

Collected shoes not only help support us, but they will be reused and given a second life by those in need through #microenterprise. It's a WIN-WIN!