



FAITH NEWS

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

June 2023

A LETTER FROM PASTOR

5 Things to Do At Faith This Summer (In Addition To Worship)

2023 Run To Church 5k Run/Walk.

This year is our second “Run To Church” event. This 3.1 mile run/walk starts and ends at Faith, taking participants through the streets of Whitehall, and bringing them back to the start in time for worship. This year’s event will be raising funds for our community partner, Center of Hope, who provide food, shelter, and other services throughout our community.

Run/Walk or volunteer for race day! Either way, everyone can be part of this great community event!



SISTER ACT



Faith & Film

Grab some free food from Taco Sunday, then join us in the sanctuary for a movie the last Sunday of each month this summer. Our Faith & Film series kicks off June 25th at 6:45PM as we watch the 1992 classic “Sister Act.”

Geocaching

Geocaching is a worldwide hobby in which people use GPS’s and phone apps to find small containers hidden all over the world. There are more than 3.1 million active geocaches hidden around the globe, with 3 right here in Whitehall. Bringing it even close to home, there is one hidden on the church property! Looking for a new hobby?

Download the geocaching app and then try to find “a sign of faith.”



Bible Study

Every Wednesday at 10:00AM we have a wonderful group of people who meet on Zoom to dive into the scripture that we read the following Sunday. We often read and discuss both the gospel and the psalm for the next week, though there is plenty of lively conversation about chickens, Pittsburgh, and all kinds of other things!

Find the link to Bible Study in the Saturday email!



Invite A Friend

Worship, 5k, Movies, Geocaching, Bible Study, Quilting, Taco Sunday, Faith Circle, Men’s Breakfast... with so many activities here at Faith, invite a friend to join the fun!



Faith Lutheran Church 2nd annual **5K Run/Walk** will take place **Sunday July 9th**. All proceeds of this event will be supporting Center of Hope, a wonderful food pantry right here in Whitehall. The run/walk will be mostly on neighborhood roads and a loop around Lamby Lane Park before heading back to the finish line. The course is flat and on paved surfaces. Scan the QR code or [click here](#) to sign up! Registration/check in is from 7-8am, and the race begins at 8:00AM!



Busy Bees



- Thank you to all who joined us at Adult Forum! It will return in the fall.
- Thanks to those who helped install our little free pantry near the Collingwood entrance. Check out the news blurb below to learn more about this ministry!
- Thanks to our handbell and adult choir for another great season of music!
- Thanks to Rev. Rebecca Grate for leading the hive in worship on 5/21!



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Join us the last Sunday of June, July, and August for a movie in the Sanctuary at 6:45PM!
In June we will show Sister Act!

April 2023 Treasurer's Report

Linda Mittermaier

Operating Fund Results	Monthly		
	Apr. 2022	Apr. 2023	Budget 2023
Support and Revenue	\$ 16,387	\$ 17,394	\$ 15,717
Expenses	20,441	18,384	18,193
Surplus or (Deficit)	\$ (4,054)	\$ (990)	\$ (2,476)

Year-to-Date		
Apr. 2022	Apr. 2023	Budget 2023
\$ 68,203	\$ 68,794	\$ 62,868
77,424	73,221	72,772
\$ (9,221)	\$ (4,428)	\$ (9,904)

The month of April saw a deficit of \$990, about \$1,500 less than our budgeted deficit. April results were better than budgeted in part because it was a 5-Sunday month and included Easter Sunday. Our year-to-day deficit is about \$5,500 less than budgeted, and as of the end of April, the Operating Fund has a balance of \$17,063.

Offerings to other funds and causes during April included Then, Now, Forever Fund, \$405, Cause of the Month (Taco Sunday), \$735, Martin Fund, \$1,440, and memorials added to the Legacy Fund, \$250. Also in April we received \$957 in offerings to the Property (Loan) Fund and were able to make a \$10,000 principal payment on the HVAC loan due to a large loan offering received in March.

In April we received a bequest of \$27,765 designated towards the Veterans Fund. This bequest was given to offer ministry and assistance to The Commons at Livingston (housing for homeless veterans), Honor Flight, and other veterans organizations.

CAUSE OF THE MONTH - E.T.S.S.



Did you know that Whitehall has one of the largest Ethiopian populations in the country?

Ethiopian Tewahedo Social Services, or ETSS, offers educational, training, and developmental services for our Ethiopian brothers and sisters in the community in order to improve and facilitate more effective and comfortable integration into our community. They advocate for support and inclusion of refugees and immigrants in our society in ways that help them become self-resilient contributors to society.



Little Free Pantry

The mini pantry movement is a grassroots, crowdsourced solution to immediate and local need. Whether a need for food or a need to give, mini pantries help feed neighbors, nourish neighborhoods, and show love to those in the community.

The Faith Little Free Pantry is near the Collingwood entrance to the church. Feel free to bring non-perishable items for our neighbors in need right here in Whitehall!

To learn more about nation-wide Little Free Pantry effort, [click here](#).

BIRTHDAYS

01 BEV SCHOLES	16 SUE COONFARE
01 SABRINA VEDOVATO	23 PEARL HAMMOND
02 DAVID SATTLER	23 SUE WILLE
03 ED SWIGER	24 PAUL OLSON
03 DARYL VAN DEUSEN	27 SUE PARR
04 ETHAN LANTTO	28 EMMA SATTLER
15 MICHAELA SKINNER	30 CLARE KOSBAB

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

02 DARRELL & MARILYN DOUPNIK
14 TED & SUE COONFARE
25 JERRY & JANE AHRENS
29 PAUL & LYNNE GOESFELD

Prayer Requests

- Bob Gebhart, Alice Sherman's brother in law, who is dealing with a pulmonary disease.
- Norma Anderson, Karen Evan's son's mother in law, who is recovering from ankle surgery.
- Sue Wille, who is dealing with a cancerous tumor located in her thigh, and other issues.
- Lisa Robinson-Boyer, sister of Karen Brown.
- Jennie Brown, mother of Sue Parr, who broke her hip.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Holidays in BLUE - Festivals and Commemorations in GREEN						
June				1 9:00AM Men's Breakfast @ Tee Jay's 7:00PM Resource Board	2	3 Southern Ohio Synod Assembly John XXII, Bishop of Rome, 1963
4 9:30AM Sanctuary 10:30AM Spiritual Growth 11:35AM Zoom	5 7:00PM Praise Board	6	7	8 7:00PM Council	9 Columba, Abbot of Iona, 597	10
11 9:30AM Sanctuary 11:35AM Zoom St. Barnabas, Apostle	12	13	14 10:00AM Bible Study (Zoom) Basil the Great, Bishop of Caesarea, 379	15	16	17
18 9:30AM Sanctuary 11:35AM Zoom Father's Day	19 Juneteenth	20	21 10:00AM Bible Study (Zoom)	22	23	24 Nativity of St. John the Baptist
25 9:30AM Sanctuary 11:35AM Zoom 5-7PM Taco Sunday 6:45PM Faith & Film	26	27	28 10:00AM Bible Study (Zoom)	29 St. Peter & Paul, Apostles	30	

Would you like your ministry included on the church calendar in the Faith Newsletter? Please contact the office at (614) 237-4241 (or) faithoffice@faithwhitehall.com



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