



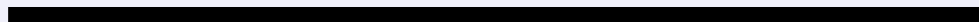
*Holy Trinity Lutheran Church*

# HTLC NEWSLETTER

*May 2021 vol. 28 issue 5*

***To Be and To Make Disciples of Jesus Christ***

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## WE ARE ALL MOVED IN AND SETTLED

My wife Debbie and I arrived in Mansfield, Ohio on March 30, 2021. While pulling a U-Haul trailer, we traveled from Clear Lake, Iowa to Columbia City, Indiana where we spent the night. The next morning, we traveled until we arrived at Buckeye Village Apartments in Ontario, OH where we are currently residing. The people are friendly and helpful. Their hospitality has been amazing!

Debbie has our home settled and in place. She has done a wonderful job! Pictures are on the wall, cupboards & shelves are filled, closets are arranged. I am now able to find my clothing, my books, and my golf clubs. What more could I ask for!

We have now attended your Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter, and Contemporary worship service. I have been a part of the Isaiah Bible study, met with each staff member, attended my first Church Council meeting, and I spoke with Senator Mark Romanchuk regarding the surrounding issues and future policies concerning the Covid-19 pandemic.

During my time at Holy Trinity, I would like to open my schedule up to anyone who would like to meet with me for prayer, for holy communion, or for a cup of coffee & a conversation. If you are interested in meeting with me, please contact the church office and schedule a time that would work for both of us, or you can email me at [DrPatHall@gmail.com](mailto:DrPatHall@gmail.com).

I am happy to be here with you and look forward to spending my time getting to know you and to serving you.

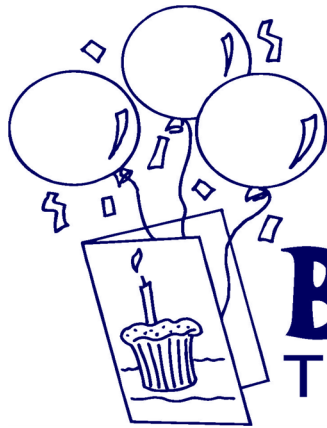
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**Building a Great Life**  
**Dr. Pat Hall**  
**April 18—June 6, 2021**

What have you built your life on? Money? Possessions? Your family? Through this seven-part series, discover what God says about what your life foundation should be and learn how to build a life of faith, service, purpose, commitment, and sacrifice.

<i>April 18—Part 1</i>	<i>Building a Life of Faith</i>
<i>April 25—Part 2</i>	<i>Building a Life of Service</i>
May 2—Part 3	Building a Life of Purpose
May 9—Pat 4	Building a Life of Discipleship
May 16—Part 5	Building a Life of Commitment
May 23—Part 6	Building a Life of Sacrifice
May 30—Part 7	Building a Life of Gratitude and Thanksgiving





# BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

4th Dave Erwin

6th Jon Butz

7th Mary Steward

Evelyn Stephan

8th Chris Diehl

11th Rex Litteral

15th Linda Litteral

16th Charles Robinson

Brenda McKinley

17th Dan Miller

18th Chaz Zeigler

Brandon Walker

19th Erica Bowman

Norma Garberich

20th Roberta Karger

21st Arianna Zeigler

28th Bill Schamadan

29th Vincent Morando

Stephen McKown



Birthday Blessings





**MOTHER'S DAY MAY 9TH**

**MEMORIAL DAY MAY 31ST**



## ***BIBLE STUDY RESUMES***

Thursdays, 10 am  
In the Lounge

We will continue studying  
the book of Isaiah  
in the Missler series.

## **MAY SPECIAL OFFERING**



BUILDING  
IMPROVEMENT

**Make Checks Payable to HTLC**

**All Contributions may be mailed or dropped in the  
church mail slot during this time.**

## **Announcement**

**Beginning June 2021, we will no longer be sending the Newsletter via bulk mail. We will begin to use a digital /limited print version of the HTLC Newsletter.**

**Printed copies will be made available in the Narthex for local folks to pick up. We will mail to those out of area via first class mail.**

**We will continue to provide a copy of the newsletter on our website each month. A link to each newsletter will be provided in the Weekly E-News. If you are not already subscribed to this weekly update and would like to be, please send an email to Debbie at the church office:**

**[secretary@HolyTrinityMansfield.org](mailto:secretary@HolyTrinityMansfield.org)**

**We want to keep in touch and keep you aware of all that is going on in and around Holy Trinity—especially during these interesting times.**

**Call the church office with questions:  
419-756-7547.**

## ***AN ENDOWMENT NOTE***

### **Purpose of the Endowment Fund**

"To enhance the work of the church by reaching out to those within our own congregation and beyond its doors through monetary assistance."

At the 2021 February congregational meeting, the church membership voted to provide, at the recommendation of the Endowment Committee, assistance to three recipients who had requested it. Checks of \$310 each were written and mailed to Water Missions International, Siberian Friendship Congregation, and Livingstrong at the YMCA Program.

The interest earned in the Endowment account on money invested was the source for providing the assistance to the recipients. Thank you to all who support this account by designating contributions to it and to the congregation for their supportive action when asked to accept the recommendations of the committee.

## MARION M. PENDLETON SCHOLARSHIP FOR GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

The family of Marion M. Pendleton has established the **Marion M. Pendleton Scholarship** at Holy Trinity. This year two \$300 scholarships will be awarded to two graduating high school seniors from our church. Applications are available in the church office. **The application deadline is April 30.** The recipients will be selected by the Church Council at the May meeting. The scholarships will be awarded in May when the congregation recognizes graduating seniors.



Dear HTLC Family,  
Thank you for the caring during my recent illness in March. Your prayers, cards, flowers, and food brightened and lifted my spirits. It is good to be back in "the fold!" The prayers worked!  
Lovingly, Jean Erwin

# FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee met on March 30<sup>th</sup>.

Attending were Linda Arnold, Jonathan Butz, Miriam Myers, and Carol Bertholf.

Updates and corrections to the January and February fund balance reports were shared. The focus then shifted to the ongoing issues with the reporting of Prudential Investments. The year end summary sent from Prudential listed the account as having \$236,325.25. Our December Funds Balance Report listed the total in December 2020 as \$218,145.70. The difference was \$18,179.55. Miriam Myers agreed to make the adjustments needed.

HTLC FUNDS BALANCE RECAP ADJUSTMENT 12/31/2020			
<u>Prudential Investments</u>	<u>RECAP</u>	<u>Adjustment</u>	<u>ADJ. RECAP</u>
Parish education	4,007.59	333.98	4,341.57
Youth fund	3,815.14	317.94	4,133.08
Memorial fund	8,504.30	708.72	9,213.02
Tithes on Be- quests/memorial	8,850.89	737.60	9,588.49
Bequest fund	166,936.55	13,911.95	180,848.50
General fund	26,031.23	2,169.36	28,200.59
subtotal PRU-040989	218,145.70	18,179.55	236,325.25
Prudential Year end Summary	236,325.25		
Difference	18,179.55		

The Endowment Prudential Fund Account will need to make similar adjustments.

The next Finance Committee Meeting will be on April 20<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m. Our Banks and Associates preparer, Mary, will attend to answer and resolve any continuing issues.

Carol Bertholf, Finance Chair

**The Holy Trinity Farmers' Market will be returning for their 12<sup>th</sup> season on May 25th!** The market will once again be held each Tuesday from 3-6PM, in the west parking lot of the church located on the corner of Cook Rd. and Lexington Ave.

Our market producers are passionate about what they do and work hard to bring a fresh, delicious product to your table, whether it is a wide variety of seasonal produce, breads and baked goods, maple syrup, jam, jelly, herbs, tea, chicken, vegetable plants or more. If you haven't been to the market, please make it a priority this year to stop by! Many of our producers have participated in the market for several years and a few have been with us from the start! They love to talk about their food and welcome your questions and comments.

The market will be looking for a few new vendors this year. Currently, the market is looking for a new producer for homemade dip mixes and snack mixes. Fresh cut flowers may be needed also. We are careful to avoid flooding the market with "like" products. All items approved for the market must be grown or made by the producer selling the product and located within 15 miles of this local market. No auction, re-sell, or craft items accepted.

In fairness to all producers, no one may show up the day of a market without prior approval. All producers must make contact with market Manager, Cindy L. Shasky, to express interest, discuss market policies and guidelines and be pre-approved for set up.

Our market follows the Ohio Dept. of Agriculture's Food Safety Divisions requirements for "Cottage Foods". Baked goods and other Cottage food production items must be properly labeled. Potential producers are encouraged to review guidelines on the ODA Web page for more details.

Please check out the Holy Trinity Farmers Market FB page to view pictures of past markets.

Cindy – 419-709-4468 or [holytrinityfarmersmarket@yahoo.com](mailto:holytrinityfarmersmarket@yahoo.com)

**HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**FARMERS MARKET**  
**Tuesday's 3-6 PM—Begins May 25th**  
Cindy L. Shasky    419-709-4468  
[holytrinityfarmersmarket@yahoo.com](mailto:holytrinityfarmersmarket@yahoo.com)



Su	Mo	Tu	We
25	26	27	28
May 2021			
2	3	4	5
10 am Traditional Worship w/Communion	10 am Election setup	<b>PRIMARY ELECTION DAY</b>  6pm Property Mtg	
9 am Parish Ed Mtg			
9	10	11	12
10 am Contemporary Wor- ship		6-7 pm Dance Lessons  6:30 pm Council Mtg	
MOTHER'S DAY			
16	17	18	19
10 am Traditional Service		1 pm Finance Mtg  6-7 pm Dance Lessons	
23	24	25	26
10 am Traditional Service		3-6 pm Farmers Market 6-7 pm Dance Lessons	<b>LIFE SCREENING EVENT</b>
30	31	1	2
10 am Traditional Service	<b>MEMORIAL DAY OFFICE CLOSED</b>		

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	10 am Bible Study 11:30 am Choir Practice 6-7pm Dance Lessons		
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	10 am Bible Study 11:30 am Choir Practice 6-7pm Dance Lessons		
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	10 am Bible Study 11:30 am Choir Practice 6-7pm Dance Lessons		6-10 pm Square Dance
	27	28	29
LIFELINE CREENING EVENT	10 am Bible Study 11 am Choir Practice 6-7pm Dance Lessons		
	3	4	5

<b>IN CHRIST</b>			
	<b>MAY 2 TRADITIONAL W/ COMMUNION</b>	<b>MAY 9 CONTEMPORARY MOTHER'S DAY</b>	<b>MAY 16 TRADITIONAL COMMUNION</b>
<b>Head Usher</b>	Jim Fleming	Jim Fleming	Jim Fleming
<b>Greeters</b>	Debbie Hall	TBA	TBA
<b>Lectors</b>	Linda Fleming	Randy Stroemer	Jerry Lector
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Carol B & Jean E	Carol B & Jean E	Carol B & Jean E



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TBA	TBA	TBA
y Unruh	Always Butz	Jean Erwin
B & Jean E	Carol B & Jean E	Carol B & Jean E

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is year round.

## **HTLC Church Council Meeting Minutes–April 13, 2021**

**Attendees:** Carol Bertholf, Dave Erwin, Dr. Hall, Rita Scheidt, Nancy Collier, John Tipton, and Doug Rhodes.

**Devotion:** Provided by Rita Scheidt

### **Secretary's Report:**

Jon Scheidt checked and made sure that the phone in Dr. Hall's office was working.

### **Dr. Hall's Report:**

After Council welcomed Dr. Hall, he shared that he was settling in. He was energetic and demonstrated a sense of excitement and inspiring expectation for his work with our church as interim.

He has been meeting members and looks forward to learning more about Holy Trinity.

About his observations at Sunday worship, he expressed heartening and positive review. Discussion about our demographics and the importance of being intentional about all that we do.

He commented that Mike does a magnificent job with music in our services.

He contacted State Senator Mark Romanchuk about health protocols.

### **Committees:**

#### **Finance Report:**

Financial Funds Balance presented.

- March Receipts: \$27, 505.91.
- March Disbursements: \$16, 626.57.

Complete details provided on Finance Page in Newsletter.

### **Parish Education:**

There are no kids for Confirmation this year. Dr. Hall asked if there were any adults who had not been confirmed. No one knew of any. He suggested that if there were, he could do an Adult Catechism class.

Discussion of possible camperships—Nancy is exploring possibilities.

In Person Sunday School will resume in September, unless the pandemic prevents it.

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### **Property:**

Doug submitted minutes from the Property Committee for inclusion in the Newsletter.

### **Staff Support:**

Dave reported about discussion he had with Debbie, that she would be working 20 hours a week.

### **Worship & Music:**

Dr. Hall indicated that he met with Worship Committee including Jeff and Suzie Hape. General discussion followed.

### **Old Business:**

The new copier is installed and is working well.

The process of getting the Newsletter to the congregation was discussed. Details will be announced when final decisions are made.

### **New Business:**

Call committee meets April 14 at 3 pm. Some questionnaires have been received and will be reviewed.

Covid Health Protocols were discussed, and hopes are to make masks optional soon. Compliance with recommendations of publicized rules. Dr. Hall suggested that it could be celebrated by the congregation with some planning. The return of coffee and cookies before and after 10:00 a.m. service was discussed.

Electronic Sign Policy: Items will be put on by Debbie with Dr. Hall's approval. Discussion followed as to what is to be posted—suggestion made to keep it simple with consideration that cars will be passing—timing is important.

Next Meeting—May 11, 2021

Respectfully submitted  
Rita Scheidt

*The minutes are an objective summary of proceedings.  
If members have questions or concerns regarding entries  
contained, please direct them to a member of Council.*

# PARISH EDUCATION

## Parish Education Committee Meeting Minutes for April 11, 2021

**Attendance:** Always and Zeddicus Butz, Nancy Collier, Jean Erwin and Cindy Shasky.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am on April 11, 2021 in the Sunday school room.

**Minutes:** The minutes for the March 7, 2021 meeting were approved as written.

### Old Business:

Safeguarding Youth. No change.

Alternatives to In-person Sunday School. The group discussed whether to change what we are doing to meet the spiritual needs of our youth. It was agreed to deliver youth packs in May. Then, stop the deliveries over the summer. We will explore having a youth activity once a month over the 3 summer months for those in 6th grade and below, and then resume in-person Sunday School in September. Many changes may continue to occur due to Covid infections. We will continue to be guided by the governor and the Ohio Dept. of Health over time.

We will ask the most active youth for input about the summer activities. Zeddicus agreed that using the YMCA's water/splash area would be a fun activity. We could pay for each youth's entrance fee if they are not Y members. Attending a movie was another suggestion. The youth enjoyed the water balloons and fire truck and firemen activities. We will develop a plan over the coming months.

Background Checks: No change.

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**New Business:**

**LOMO Camperships:** Some youth have expressed interest in attending church camp. Nancy will contact the Columbus LOMO office to find out which camps will be available this summer and to see if a speaker can come to talk with the youth if they are accepting participation by the youth this summer. She will also check the church constitution and other guidelines about church contributions for paying a portion of the campership fees. Always reported that the church pays 1/2 of members' children and grandchildren fees if the member is in good standing. A concern since we no longer have Camp Mowana available was voiced about whether we can use other church camps such as YMCA or YWCA camps. Would Hidden Hollow be an acceptable camp? This will all be explored and input will be requested from Council.

**Pre-teen and Teen Take Home Bags:** Cindy, Always, Jean and Nancy packed the April bags for pre-teen and teen youth. Age appropriate books and other religious materials were in the bags. The older youth were given candy and small items. Cindy and Nancy agreed to deliver the bags as soon as possible.

**Next Meeting:** **The next meeting will be on May 2, 2021 at 9 am, before the church service.**

**Adjournment:** There being no other business after the Pre-teen and Teen packs for April were completed, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 am.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Nancy Collier, Parish Education Chairman

## BOOKS, COFFEE AND DESSERT BOOK CLUB

### **Don't' Forget:**

Books, Coffee & Dessert Book Club will meet May 6, at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Linda Fleming to discuss the book *Mrs. Mike* by Benedict & Nancy Freedman. Club members will also be voting on books to read and discuss for future meetings.

If you have questions, please call Linda Fleming at 419-756-4929.

### **HOLY CARERS:**

**NOW** is a great time to reach out to your shut-in and make meaningful connection with them.



*Shut-in  
Outreach*

# PROPERTY COMMITTEE

## April Property Committee Report

Attendees: Jim Fleming, Doug Rhodes, Dave Erwin, Jerry Murphy, Dick Collier, Dr. Pat Hall.

New keypad with protective cover was installed at entry door by Schmidt Security.

BP Electric replaced bulbs in peak of sanctuary with LED spotlights. The height of the lights posed a considerable challenge for members of the committee.

Pastor's office has been refurbished. New blinds, carpets cleaned, new LED lights, ceiling painted, desk refinished, fireplace cleaned, painted and updated.

Front & Center Turf will be applying lawn chemicals this season and Davis Lawn & Landscaping will again cut the grass.

The wooden sign on corner will be taken down. Doug & Jim will work to get this done.

Painting the blue Cross on north side of building and caulking/painting along stained glass windows were discussed as projects for 2021.

Parking lot improvement was also discussed along with establishing a fund to save funds for that project.

Next meeting April 6.

Submitted by Doug Rhodes

## **REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED!**

### **COVID PROTOCOLS ARE IN PLACE**

**If you missed out the first time, you've got a second chance!** Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings will be in our community again on **Wednesday, May 26, 2021** at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. Ultrasound screenings to Identify risk factors for Cardiovascular disease include:

**Carotid Artery** (plaque buildup-a leading cause of stroke), **Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm** (an enlargement or weak area in the main blood vessel that carries blood from the heart to the rest of the body), **Peripheral Arterial Disease** (hardening of the arteries in the legs), a **Heart Rhythm Screening** (an EKG to detect Atrial Fibrillation-irregular heart-beat) and an **Osteoporosis Risk Assessment** for men and women.

Being proactive about your health by knowing your risks helps you and your doctor address problems early.

**Register online TODAY at**

**[www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle)** or call

**1-866-229-0469 to receive your discount and preferred appointment time.**

## **DO YOU HAVE A GRADUATE THIS YEAR**

Request for new graduate information for Parish  
Education reception planning.

Please provide the following information for  
students who graduated or are planning to  
graduate from high school, trade school or  
college in the 2020-2021 school year.

**Student  
Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**School/College attending**  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Graduation Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Information**  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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Thank you for your assistance.

**Note:** Marion M. Pendleton Scholarship is available  
for a graduating high school senior. Please contact  
Parish Education Committee member for additional  
information.

Members are: Stacey Bowman, Always Butz, Jean Er-  
win, Dick & Nancy Collier, and Cindy Shasky.

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**BUSINESS HOURS:**

**Mon-Fri 9:30am—12:30pm**

**VISION STATEMENT**

*Our vision is to be a Christ-centered Bible-based Church, equipping disciples with Scripture to share the good news of God's reconciling love with conviction, courage and compassion while responding to the needs of others in our community and the world.*