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Resurrection of our Lord/Easter
Sunday, April 4th
10:00 AM
Facebook Live

Ascension Lutheran Church, 1479 Morse Road, Columbus, Ohio 43229

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Message from Pastor Karen Asmus-Alsnauer

Beloved in Christ,

I heard a heartrending story on NPR's Story Corp. Andrea St. John and Thomas Broderick remember her fiancé and his brother who died of Ewing's sarcoma, a rare cancer that often affects young people. Andrea remembers a morning, after making her husband tea, when she says, "I need your opinion. I want to wear this dress to your wake." She puts it on and stands on the bed. "What do you think?" He immediately begins to cry, so she says, "I'm so sorry, I'll take it off." "No," he says, "it's just that you look so beautiful, and I'm glad I got to see you in that dress." Through his tears, he goes on, "I woke up this morning and I felt more ready." She asked what that was like, and he said, "Probably the same thing you felt when you put the dress on this morning."^[1]

I wanted to say, "Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!"

There was no illusion that the loss, the suffering, the pain wasn't real. Yet somehow, mysteriously, miraculously they saw beyond it. She told him that her life would go on, yet in a garment that he had seen and lovingly approved. "You look beautiful." And he saw her beauty, her life after him, and he reached into the future and took it into his heart to know and treasure now. On that line between death and life, they knew they could be ready for what was yet unknown. It's as if their tears were a baptism of sorts.

Easter morning is that dawn when we reach into the future and take God's beauty, God's ever-flowing love, God's mercy, God's very life that flowed so brightly in Jesus, and we take it in as a storyline, as a conversation partner. A life that cannot die. Easter may not take away our loss, our grief, our sadness about the sting of death from a father's loss to coronavirus or losing a job, but it does give us a way of telling our story framed in the larger cosmic movement of death and resurrection, dying and rising.

At every hinge of our life, even when staring into tombs, God is promising to create something new.

Perhaps this year, once again, Easter is quieter, more reserved, still more *emerging* than *realized*, yet no less powerful, life changing, even cataclysmic. But when this is done—this pandemic or this life—we will not be the same. We will be raised into more than we are today. The truth of that deserves all the brass and all the flowers. But, for today, let it be sufficient to trust:

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed, Alleluia!

Pastor Karen

^[1] NPR Story Corp, Andrea St. John and Thomas Broderick, October 3, 2008, Morning Edition: <https://storycorps.org/stories/andrea-st-john-and-thomas-broderick/>.

Holy Week Schedule



MAUNDY THURSDAY & GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP



We welcome all to join Ascension Lutheran online during the COVID-19 pandemic for worship and connection.

Join us live, for Maundy Thursday & Good Friday
at 7:30 PM on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/AscensionLutheranChurch>

Or by Ascension's Website at
www.ascension-columbus.org



LET US NOT BECOME WEARY IN
DOING GOOD, FOR AT THE
PROPER TIME WE WILL REAP A
HARVEST IF WE DO NOT GIVE UP.

- GALATIANS 6:9 -

We ask for your compassion and your patience as we tackle the technological side of our worship live-streaming each week. You all know that Ascension does not have a television studio, but we are making every effort, every week, to use our equipment to put together and produce our worship services. YOU help us by letting us know when the sound is wavering—and we are hitting the books to learn how all of this live-streaming comes together!!

We will not give up!!

Easter and Holy Week Schedule



Maundy Thursday

Service of Holy Communion
Facebook Live/In-Person

Thursday, April 1st
7:30 pm

Good Friday

Sanctuary open for prayers and candle lighting

Facebook Live/In-Person
Blessing of the Crosses (bring or wear your favorite cross)

Friday, April 2nd
12:00noon -
3:00pm ***NEW**

Friday, April 2nd
7:30 pm
***NOTE below**

Easter Vigil / Kids of the Kingdom

Facebook Live
Storytime for children of all ages

Saturday, April 3rd
11:00 am
***NEW**

Resurrection of our Lord/Easter

Facebook Live
Festival Service of Holy Communion

Sunday, April 4th
10:00 am

Maundy Thursday and Good Friday Reservations

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Maundy Thursday and Good Friday Reservations

To review our health and safety protocols for in-person worship, and to place your reservations: www.ascension-columbus.org

Please sign up for EITHER (just one) Maundy Thursday or Good Friday.

If the spots are not filled by 12:00 noon on the days of worship, reservations will open that you may sign up for both. There is room for 25 people at each worship.

We need to use the reservation system on our website, but if you know of someone who is not internet capable, please have them (or you on their behalf) call the church office during office hours, 10-2:00, Monday-Thursday, and Cheryl will place them on the reservation list.

All **health and safety protocols** will be followed. Please wear a mask, your own or pick one up at the church when entering. Mind the 6' distancing, and use hand sanitizer frequently. Those who wish to socialize following the worship, please do so outside. Thank you for keeping one another safe and for your continued understanding.

***NEW Good Friday, 12- 3:00, Sanctuary open for prayers and candle lighting**

You are invited to come to the church for meditation and prayer. Soft music will be playing. Why 12 – 3:00pm? As the gospels tell it, it is the time when a darkness came over the land and Jesus breathed his last.

The Death of Jesus – Mark 15:33

33 When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land^[a] until three in the afternoon. 34 At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"^[b]

Good Friday, 7:30 pm

On Good Friday, we gather at the foot of the cross. In a service of quiet reflection to hear the Passion story, we sing of God's love for the world, pray for the whole cosmos, and carry our burdens to the cross. ***NOTE** Bring or wear your favorite cross to the worship (whether in-person or while worshipping at home).

***NEW Easter Vigil/Kids of the Kingdom Saturday, April 3rd, at 11:00ish am.**

ALL children, 2 – 102, are welcome to join in a participatory storytime on Facebook Live, as we prepare to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord!



Health Concerns Friends and Relatives of Church Members

(With their consent, submit names on the following list.):

PRAYER REQUEST LIST -- Health Concerns - Church Members

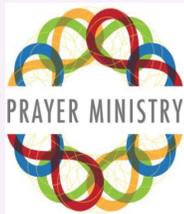
Jonathan Abele
Ron Althoff
Laura Bass
Lisa Billing
Bruce Halverson
Howard Kerchner
Emily McWhirter
Jim Mead
Joan Miller
Linda Morrison
Bob Naumoff
Matthew Olsen
Nancy Olsen
Pat Papadapoulos
Carol & Ray Patten
Marion Rees
Brian Rideout
Ingrid Robb
Lewis Sale
Brigitte Segieth
Barbara Summers
Marcy Webster

These members are regularly and currently contacted by our Shepherds:

Janet Arnold
Frances Carmedy
Lori Engler
Linda Frysinger
Shirlie Gorman
Ruby Koenig
James Lewison
Alice Mills
June Neblette
Jim Putnam
Pat Stocker
Marilyn Sullivan
Helen Grace Weaver

PRAYER MINISTRY

DID YOU KNOW we have both a PRAYER LIST and a PRAYER CHAIN!!



The PRAYER LIST is what appears in the NYCU and CHI RHO. If you have a prayer request you can call Cheryl in the church office and ask that your name be added to the list.

The PRAYER CHAIN is for immediate prayer before the list is published. The emergency prayer group!! Again you may call Cheryl in the church office and ask that a name be added to the PRAYER CHAIN.

*** If you would like to be a member of the PRAYER CHAIN, please contact church assistant Cheryl Lyons at ascluth@gmail.com and give your name and your email address as that is how you will receive the “emergency” prayer needs.

Eternal Glory

- ◆ Ken Reisch passed to eternal glory on Wednesday, March 10, 2021. Arrangements will be known at a later date.
- ◆ Kylie Hampton, niece of Robin and Dave Kern, passed to eternal glory on Thursday, March 25, 2021.



Health Concerns-Friends and Relatives of Church Members:

With their consent, submit names on the following list:

- Warren Abele**—Brother of Jack & Pat Abele
Bernie Aleman—Brother-in-law of Frank & Jean Agriesti
Christopher Blaesing—Son of Vicki Blaesing
Joyce Blue—Friend of Shirlie Gorman
Kimberly Blubaugh—Daughter of Jim Mead
Joe Brosious—Our Ascension Friend
Paula Card—Friend of Jan & Ken Reisch
Barbara Chadwick—Friend of Jan & Ken Reisch
Lavon Daugherty—Friend of Allan & Cindy Hiscox
Dave Deerhake—Son of Georgja & Roger Deerhake
Lola Dixon—Mother of Carol Dixon
Jayla Dozette—Granddaughter of Perry & Linda Morrison,
Andy Ellis—Father of Margaret Owens
Monica Epstein—Niece of Jean & Frank Agriesti
Ted Fairley—Nephew of Judy Jester
Randy Ferguson—Friend of Jean & Frank Agriesti
James Frysinger—Brother of Linda Frysinger
Karen Gehrig—Friend of Carol Silness & Chris Rudin
Cecil Gillingham—Friend of Cindy & Allan Hiscox
Mya Green—Friend of Laura Bass
Victor Groves—Cousin of Shirlie Gorman
Mason Daniel Harper—Great Nephew of Diane
 & Chad Loomis, Brenda Noe, & Barbara Summers
Russell Haley—Father-in-law of Jim Mead
Family of Kylie Hampton—Niece of Robin & Dave Kern
Dean Harper—Brother-in-law of Jack & Pat Abele
John Harris—Friend of Allan & Cindy Hiscox
Robert Haueisen—Brother of Joyce Heft
Michelle Hines—Friend of Judy Jester
Donald Honaker—Husband of Dottie Honaker
Anne Mary Klaprat—Friend of Allan & Cindy Hiscox
Allan Kulikowski—Friend of Allan & Cindy Hiscox
Stephanie Leisten—Daughter of Brenda Burkett
Judith Lewison—Mother of James Lewison
David Lowe—Friend of Shirlie Gorman
- Peggy Martin & Family**—Neighbors of Jim Mead
Gary & Lois McCoy—Brother & Sister-in-law
 of Pat Papadopoulos
Wendy Miller-Engel—Daughter of Joan Miller
Richard Miller—Brother-in-law of Cathy Miller
Jill Morrison—Sister-in-law of Perry
 & Linda Morrison
Charlotte Neely—Great-granddaughter of Ruth Seer
 & Great-niece of Bev Cook-Finley
Greg Nutter—Friend of Joe Riggs
Ed Noga—Relative of Margaret Owens
Megan O'Connor—Friend of Shirlie Gorman
Loni & Bill Quick—Daughter & Son-in-law
 of Peggy Dlusky
Alexa Rockhold—Grand-niece of Curt Skarloken
Thomas Schaber—Brother of Shirlie Gorman
Baby Henry Scott Smith—Close Relative of
 Barb & Bob Naumoff
John Staples—Brother of Vall Greer
John Stocker—Brother of Marion & Chuck Rees
Dave Strawers—Friend of Barbara Naumoff
Mary Frenz Taylor—Friend of Joan Miller
Mark Weber—Husband of Carol Dixon
Michael & Sharla White—Friends of Ascension
Sue Whittier—Friend of Barbara Naumoff
Jami Whitworth—Daughter of Perry & Linda Morrison
Sue Wilson—Sister-In-Law of Wilma Wilson
- Stohr Family, Reisch Family, Hampton & Kern Family**



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SUNDAY WORSHIP

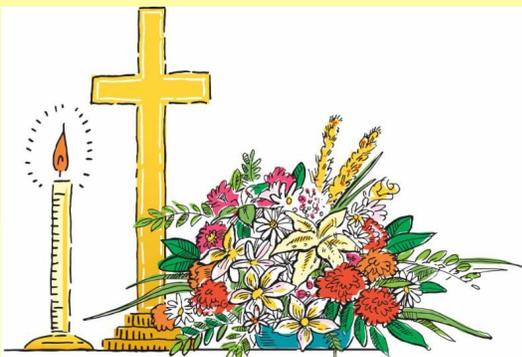
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Altar Flowers

IF YOU WISH TO SIGN UP FOR ALTAR FLOWERS, WITH A DEDICATION, PLEASE SIGN UP AT THE CHURCH OFFICE, or CALL JOE RIGGS!!

Come into the Church Office or Call a few weeks in advance of the Sunday Worship you choose, and Joe will make the flower order for you!!

WELCOME



**PRAYER GATHERING NOTICE
AT ASCENSION'S SERENITY PARK**

REMINDER!!!!!! There will be **no** in person prayer gathering as long as the church is closed to in person worship.

Please set aside the time on Wednesday morning at 11:00 AM and Saturday evening from 5:30 -6:00 to sit with God in praise, thanksgiving, lament and listening.



Sunday Gospel Readings

April 4—**Mark 16:1-8**

April 11—**John 20:19-31**

April 18—**Luke 24:36b-48**

April 25—**John 10:11-18**

New Ways to Give to Ascension

You can now donate to Ascension online at any time.

Go to www.ascension-columbus.org, click on GIVING, and scroll down to Online Giving. Here you will be directed as to how to use GivePlus for a one-time or ongoing donation. If you keep scrolling, you will also find directions for loading an app onto your phone to donate in that way. This is a four-month trial to see how well online giving works for Ascension.



Also on Ascension's website you will find that a Simply Giving application can be accessed. This program has worked very successfully for our church for several years now. Just turn in the form at church with a voided check, and ongoing donations can automatically be taken from your checking account either monthly or biweekly. If you need to terminate your use of Simply Giving at any point, it can easily be arranged to cancel your participation.



Blooming Ascension

It's almost spring! THINK FLOWERS! Flowers to brighten our spirits and the flowerbeds of the church. We need your help to make this a colorful and uplifting place to worship.

Our "Roger Metz Flower Fund" has been created to help finance this project, but we need your ideas and your time to prepare, plant and maintain beds this spring and summer. Please call me or the church office

if you will be able to contribute in any way with this project! ~~Thank you! Karen Lashley

614-747-1147

A SPECIAL OFFERING REQUEST:

Every year Roger Metz requested donations for Ascension and Serenity Park Beautification Annual Flowers Project. In Memory of Roger, we have named the annual flower donation campaign:

"The Roger Metz Flower Fund"

Would you make a donation so we can purchase flowers to beautify Ascension's outdoors and Serenity Park? Please send checks to Ascension Lutheran Church, 1479 Morse Road, Columbus, Ohio 43229 with FLOWERS in the memo line.

CHURCH LIBRARY

“Love the Lord your God with all your mind.”



THE LIBRARY IS OPEN
Monday-Thursday
10:00 AM—2:00 PM

CHURCH LIBRARY NEWS

Your church library offers numerous books for you for this Lenten and Easter season. Below are a few:

[The Case for Easter: A Journalist Investigates the Evidence for the Resurrection](#) by Lee Strobel

The award-winning legal editor of the *Chicago Tribune* focuses his journalistic skills on one of our most compelling enigmas, the Resurrection of Christ. Chapters are entitled “The Medical Evidence”, “The Evidence of the Missing Body”, and “The Evidence of Appearances”.

[Reliving the Passion:](#)

[Meditations on the Suffering, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus as Recorded in Mark](#) by Walter Wangerin, Jr.

This prolific author has served as a Lutheran pastor and occupied the Jochum Chair of Valparaiso University. His 40 Lenten meditations follow the Gospel of Mark, from the moment the chief priests plot to kill Jesus to the Resurrection.

[The First Easter](#) by Peter and Catherine Marshall

Catherine Marshall, widow of Peter Marshall (who served as chaplain of the U.S. Senate), reviewed the manuscripts from his 18 years of preaching sermons covering the events of Passion Week. From these sermons, she shaped the pastor's recreation of each momentous scene, event by event, from the Last Supper to the Resurrection.

Are you restless and want to escape from your home during this pandemic? Want to chat with some folks face-to-face? We encourage you to visit your church library on weekdays! It is open from 10am to 2pm on Monday through Thursday. Please just call the office first to make positive a staffer is here. Also, be sure to wear your mask – and only 2-3 people may visit the library at a time, for social distancing.

Your church librarians,
Martha Gostely and Celeste Schnabel

Palm Saturday at Ascension



Holy Communion



♥ *These wonderful photos taken by Hope Boring!!*



Palms al fresco!!



...all went really well! We had a nice crowd, and it was fun (and funny), and really Spirit-filled! Seeing all those waving palms out the car windows and sun roofs was glorious. People started to arrive quite early, and stayed late, so they took the occasion to chat with one another.



Chad decided to experiment with an external speaker—they got it going..... Now perhaps we can do park AND parking lot.



Beautiful sunny morning...



...BEING IN COMMUNITY WHILE IN A PANDEMIC

But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into the one who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love. – Ephesians 4:15-16

While the building is closed, the church is never closed. The church is the people. As one person wrote in the *Living Lutheran*: “The church is open – both when we gather and when we scatter.”

Pastoral Care: Call the church office: 614-262-7389. Pastor Karen will respond as quickly as possible. We know these are challenging and stressful times, and we would love to hear from you. We miss you and want to stay in touch and will do our best to walk with you through these days.

Hospitalizations: If you or a family member is ill or hospitalized, please let the church know. We will follow hospital/facility protocols about what care we can offer in person, but we will certainly be able to reach out to you through phone and add you to our prayers. Please let us know if you or your loved one would also like the care of “Saints and Shepherds” our lay ministry care program.

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Reach out to congregational friends and members

We can be church for one another even when we can't see each other. Call a friend, send a note, check in with those who face uncertainty, and let people know you're thinking of them. Especially we ask you to be mindful of those without email or internet, or anyone who may need support.

Participate in our private Facebook Group: ALC “Prayers and Shares” - an online space for Ascension members, friends and staff to share updates, request/offer prayers, and communicate with only others at Ascension.

Participate in on-line worship: We gather live at 10:00 am on Sundays. Join us on Facebook – AscensionLutheranChurch – or **go to our website which will take you right to the worship service**. If you need assistance in getting connected, please see the information sheet on

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the website on 'how to get connected to Facebook Live Worship' whether you have Facebook or not. If you are still having difficulty connect with a member or call the church office, and we will walk you through it. Join our email list, if you are not receiving it, and receive the bulletin each week.

Want a small group to meet? That is quite doable. Coming soon: how to connect as a Zoom group, which Ascension has one Bible study group that has been meeting throughout this pandemic. It really is easy, even if you are feeling like you are all thumbs with a phone, tablet, or computer.



CHURCH KEY CARDS

We are making changes at Ascension—by upgrading our entry system.

IF you have not received your new keycard in the last two weeks, please contact Ingrid Robb and she will provide you with your new card!

Old key cards no longer work with our new system.

Cyber Keys no longer work with our new system

(if you have a cyber key, please turn it in to the church office)

You will LOVE the new key cards—hold the card up to the lit card reader and it will immediately read your card and unlock the designated door—*no need to swipe!*

Any questions?? — call Ingrid Robb at the church office (614) 262-7389, Monday thru Thursday 10:00 AM—2:00 PM, or leave a message!



"**BOY SCOUT TROOP 613** requests that you consider making a special contribution to the summer camp assistance fund to help send our scouts to camp. There are two ways to do that. (1) Put Boy Scouts in the memo line on your check. Or (2) go to the Church's giving portal (<http://www.ascension-columbus.org/giving.html>) and select Boy Scouts in the dropdown menu box to give via credit card or echeck. We appreciate your support."



Monday Counters 2021

(Yes, we are still accepting and receiving your offerings !!)

You can mail them to:

Ascension Lutheran Church, c/o Allan Hiscox
1479 Morse Road Columbus, Ohio 43229

April—Carol Silness and Allan Hiscox



ASCENSION'S LITTLE PANTRY

Fill the Pantry

We Still Need Your HELP!!

We continue to fill our wonderful Little Pantry, located in front of Ascension!! Could you please donate single serving food items to provide to our homeless neighbors?

In preparation for this, EACH SUNDAY, would you please bring in donations of any of the following in single serving packages:

Nuts/peanuts

Beef sticks

Dried fruit

Granola bars

Lance crackers

Vienna sausages

Individual fruit cups or applesauce

Bottles of water

Raisin boxes

(Please, No cookies, candy, chips!)

We are so excited about the success of our Little Pantry—we fill the Little Pantry twice a week (or more if needed!!).

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR HELPING US EACH WEEK!!

**Know that your help is feeding children and adults
who are hungry and in need!!**



LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES FOOD PANTRY

Champion Ave. Food Pantry is continuing to provide food and supplies for the needy in Columbus. We members of Ascension are not able to volunteer in person each month during the pandemic as all our volunteers are at risk (ages 65 and above). A volunteer at the Pantry contracted the virus and a quarantine was conducted to stop the spread of the virus. As a result, the Food Pantry changed its operation. Now the clients stay outside to receive food and volunteers have temperatures taken, wear protective equipment and the Pantry is disinfected regularly.

There are still other ways we can help this ministry. LSS is not encouraging direct food donations to be brought to the Food Pantry. However, monetary donations are greatly appreciated. These donations can be made at the website: www.lssnetworkofhope.org Or, checks can be sent to Lutheran Social Services, 500 West Wilson Bridge Road, Suite 245, Worthington, OH 43085. Also, if anyone knows about a resource to help get the following critical items, please let LSS know: masks, gowns, gloves etc. and especially hand sanitizer. For more information, call Irene Candy at 614-888-2659. —Irene Candy

OUTREACH MINISTRIES PANTRY PROGRAM WHEN WE MEET AGAIN....

Give money to our Teen Program, our Pantry Posse, the first Sunday each month, or place in an envelope in the offering plate marked LSS Food Pantry. Ascension continues to support our Food Pantry every week. And God bless our monthly volunteers! Remember Manager Michael Green buys food for the shelves with your money for 20¢ a pound. Every dollar you donate buys over 5 lbs of food or about 1+ bag(s) of groceries!!! All donations to LSS, either cash or checks made out to **LSS Food Pantry**, help with immediate needs, which change daily.

BASIC RULES FOR DONATIONS Our Food Pantry needs packaged goods like rice, pasta, raisins, side dishes in boxes and packages to feed families of up to 6-8 people.

Specific Needs:

Tuna and Tuna Helper; Hot Chocolate
Sugar free items for diabetics;
Low sodium canned items
Baby Powder, Shampoo,
Diapers & Wipes



Personal Items:

Deodorant, Kleenex; Toothbrushes and Toothpaste;
Shampoo, Feminine Products ; Hand Soaps,
All kinds of cleaning products

Everyday Needs:

Coffee in small jars (1 or 2 lb cans)
Flour; Canned Fruit and applesauce is very good to add; Canned veggies (no green beans or corn); Puddings ; KOOL-AID IN SMALL PKGS.

Fruit cups, Pasta and Rice side dishes like Rice-A-Roni, Noodle-Roni, and Spaghettios, Macaroni and Cheese; Tea Bags; Hot oatmeal in pkgs.; Peanut butter; Chocolate Syrup

Be sure to save the following items that our ladies collect and forward to several Ministries, where they can be used asap.

1. **Pink and White Coupons for Education**, which can be found on so many products now in our grocery which benefit our **Local Schools**.
2. Please bring your grocery bags, paper and plastic, for the Food Pantry each week.

It takes so little effort to help so many!!



NEW BINS for collections for **Lutheran Social Services Food Pantry, Choices, and Our Little Pantry** are now located in the **East entry** under the welcome table. You can drop off your donations at the East Entrance between the glass and wooden door—OR—you can call Ascension to check when a staff person will be in the office—we will call you back to make arrangements!



BABY WIPES FOR CHOICES MINISTRY

LSS CHOICES for victims of domestic abuse is in need of approximately 7500 baby wipes each month. Thanks to your generosity, Ascension has provided over 20,000 baby wipes to date. The need is still great! —Please consider bringing a donation of baby wipes to the church or making a monetary contribution marked "baby wipes for CHOICES" which can be used at Costco to purchase the wipes at a good price and tax free. Your help is greatly appreciated!

Helping Hands



Health & Wellness Center

CORONA VIRUS UPDATE

Coronavirus Update

We are making changes to our program schedule in an effort to slow the spread of the Coronavirus. Please check our clinic calendar for the most up-to-date information on our clinic's services and schedule.

If you are an established patient who has been to our clinic before, feel free to call us at 614-262-5094 and leave a voicemail with your name, phone number, date of birth, and preferred pharmacy.

PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE AT

<https://www.helpinghandsfreeclinic.org/>

Helping Hands Health and Wellness Clinic



Healing Touch will return!!! Once we are back in action, we will make appointments on the **First Thursday** of each month. You can plan for your future—**HEALING TOUCH** will be held on a **Thursday** at 10:00, 10:45, 1:00 and 1:45. And **Tuesday evening** at 7:00 PM **WHEN WE REOPEN OUR SERVICES!!**. In the meantime—for more information, please contact me to ask questions. Healing Touch *will then* be held in the church's conference room. **Peggy- 614-785-1799**

DUE TO COVID 19, —SO YOU ARE ABLE TO PLAN FOR THE FUTURE, REGULARLY SCHEDULED EVENTS THAT NORMALLY MEET:



CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING is normally held at 7:00 PM the second Tuesday of each month in the Cloud Room. If you have a subject or issue you wish to discuss, please contact Church Council President, Orin Sheumaker.



FINANCE COMMITTEE normally meets at 7:00 PM on the Wednesday, the week prior to the monthly Council Meeting. If you have a subject or issue you wish to discuss, please contact Finance Committee Chairperson, Bev Cook Finley.



PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING The Property Committee Meetings normally meet the first Wednesday of the month starting at 7:00 PM. If you have a subject or issue you wish to discuss, please contact Property Committee Co-Chairpersons, Rick Swartz & Jim Mead.

THE DISCIPLESHIP TEAM—The Discipleship Ministry normally meets the 3rd Saturday of each month at 10:00 in the Adult Lounge.. Anyone interested is welcome to attend. If you have questions, or something you need to discuss, call Curt Skarloken.



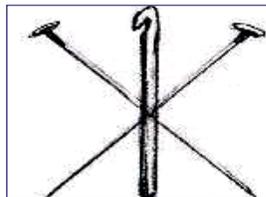
WORSHIP AND MUSIC COMMITTEE MEETING normally occurs the first Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm.—Contact Cathy Miller for more information.



MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST normally meets on the third Saturday of each month. This is a great time for the men of our church to get together and meet other church members. WHEN WE RESUME, please join us at 8:00 am in the Assembly Room. At that time each person picks up breakfast from your favorite



WHEN WE RESUME—WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY BREAKFAST GROUP OPEN TO ALL WOMEN FROM ASCENSION—When we resume, we normally meet the 3rd Saturday of every month at 9:00 AM in Acton Hall at Ascension. Hopefully some time in the near future, come be a part of the weekly gospel lesson discussion as we also provide the wind under the wings for each other. Everyone brings their own breakfast.



Crafty Hands — normally meets the 2nd Thursday of the month from 9:30—11:30 AM at Ascension in the Adult Lounge. When we resume, we encourage you to bring your projects, or just join the conversation! In the meantime, plan your projects!!

If you have any questions, give a call to Carol Silness at (614) 378-1100.



*If you wish to send a Bear to your loved one in the military
please contact Linda Roy!*



OUR BRAVE TROOPS—PRAYERS AND CONCERNS —OUR MILITARY FAMILIES



George Calbert, US Navy, (brother of Robert Calbert)

MSGT Peter Dahlstrom, (son of Jan and Al Dahlstrom)

Daniel Engler, US Navy, (grandson of Lee and Barbara Engler)

Sgt. Grant Mills & SPC Greg Monroe, (friends of Linda Frysinger),

1C Ian B. Reed (grandson of Dorothy and Bob Fenton)

2nd Lt. John Rule, (former member of Ascension)

MSGT Brett Rutter, (son of Donna Rutter)

David Tedford-Air Force Reserve, (grand-nephew of Cym Schmidt-Budd)

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