

**First English Lutheran Church**  
Wapakoneta, Ohio



With the LORD  
there is  
*steadfast love,*  
and with him is  
great power  
to redeem.

PSALM 130:7, NRSV

Our June 2024 Newsletter

# FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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The mission of First English Lutheran Church is to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to love one another as He loves us.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CONFIRMANDS

### Harrison “Harry” M. Anderson



Harry is the son of Jamey and Tracy Anderson. Harry is an eighth grader at Holy Rosary School in St. Marys. Harry participates in track and field and football. In addition to sports, Harry enjoys woodworking and inventing.

Harry sees and experiences God in church especially, but also everywhere around him. Harry finds comfort in the knowledge that nothing can separate us from God and his love.

### Doris Margaret Fisher



Doris is the daughter of Brian and Catherine Fisher. Doris is an eighth grader at Wapakoneta High School. Doris enjoys horseback riding and is a member of 4-H.

Doris sees God in nature, especially in sunsets, peaceful rides, crazy rides that ended well, music, stary nights. Doris also experiences God while sitting with her family around a campfire and when she is overcoming challenges.

### Deven Douglas Whetstone



Deven is the son of Edward Whetstone and Andrea Jeanneret. Deven is an eighth grader at Wapakoneta High School. Outside of school Deven likes to help his Grandma Harriet and help with pony rides. Deven also enjoys science, playing video games, hanging out with his friends, and spending quality time with his family.

Deven sees God when he spends time with his grandma and in everyday life, because Deven sees God in everything, even those things that may seem tough right now. As Deven puts it, “It [all] happens for a reason and God does things on purpose.”

# CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2024!

## Clayton Fisher



Clayton is a 2024 graduate of Wapakoneta High School. During Clayton's senior year he participated in the W.I.N. program and made history as the first high school student intern at Nutrien Lima Nitrogen, working in their chemical engineering department. This invaluable experience has led Clayton to accept an opportunity to pursue chemical engineering at The Ohio State University (OSU). Come fall, Clayton will be joining OSU's main campus.

## Taylor Good



Taylor graduated from Ace Academy in Wapakoneta on May 2, 2024. Taylor is currently working as a delivery driver for Dominos and will be pursuing a career in law enforcement. Taylor enjoys working and hanging out with her friends.

## William "Liam" Kramer



Liam is a 2024 graduate of Wapakoneta High School and attended Apollo. During his time at Apollo, Liam dedicated himself to the construction field, apprenticing and contributing significantly to various building projects. His commitment extended beyond the classroom, as he maintained employment with Beem Construction. As he steps into this new chapter, Liam's plans are clear: he will embark on a full-time career in construction.



### **Noah Schlosser**

Noah is a 2024 graduate of Wapakoneta High School. Noah was active in Golf, Cross Country, and Track, participating in track all four years of high school. Noah has fond memories of the time he spent at church camp and Youth Quake, especially the time he spent with Pastor Neil and Austin. Noah plans to attend Ohio State University in the fall and is majoring in Finance.



### **Carlee Swaney**

Carlee is a 2024 graduate of Jackson Center High School. Carlee participated in basketball, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, FFA, and FCCLA. Carlee currently works at the YMCA as a receptionist and at Wilson Health in the dietary department and is also Level 1 Radiation Tech. After high school Carlee plans to attend Rhodes State College to study radiographic imaging.

## FELC Committees, Chairpersons, Council Liaisons

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Chairperson</b>	<b>Liaison</b>
Building & Property	Brenda Shoffstall	Jeff Ritchie
Christian Education/Youth	Rebecca Van Meter	Chris Nagel
Evangelism	Teresa Fisher	Denise Kantner
Finance	Cari Frame	Dave Clift
Life & Fellowship	Brenda Shoffstall	Darla Frame
Social Ministry	Teresa Fisher	Char Curry
Staff Support	Cari Frame	Jon Schmidt
Stewardship	Meets with Finance	Brenda Shoffstall
Worship & Music	Darla Frame	Georgeann Stienecker

### Weekly Attendance and Offerings

<u><b>Date</b></u>	<u><b>Views</b></u>	<u><b>Attendance</b></u>	<u><b>Current Giving</b></u>	<u><b>NWOS Benevolence</b></u>
04/28/2024	12	60	\$1,758.00	\$40.00
05/05/2024	19	71	\$2,953.00	\$50.00
05/12/2024	15	70	\$1,792.00	\$130.00
05/19/2024	12	80	\$2,905.52	\$50.00
05/26/2024	9	42	\$1,864.00	\$10.00

2024 current budgeted expenses are \$128,507.08, or \$2,471.29 per week.

FELC can now accept online donations through the church website thanks to our partnership with Tithe.ly online giving. Just visit [myfelc.org](http://myfelc.org) or scan the QR code to the right. From the church website click on the green GIVE button and follow the prompts. Thank you for your support!



### 2024 Noisy Offerings

<b>Month</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Amount Collected</b>
January	Family Life Center	\$64.00
February	Wapak Women's Crisis Center	\$145.00
March	Generations of Hope	\$184.00
April	Indian Lake Tornado Victims	\$702.13
May	Heal Our Heroes Project	\$2,126.21

## Our Prayer Corner

### Those who would love a visit or a card...

Otterbein at Cridersville      Sharon Billiter  
Otterbein at St. Marys      Dorothy Dickman  
The Gardens      Betty Hague, Mary Ann Thomas, Betty Lietz

### We especially remember in our prayers...

The family and friends of Dale Thomas,  
James Benshoff, Lily Carlson and her parents, Nancy Carter, Dominic Cousins,  
Se'vie Daniel, Charlotte Fisher, Emily Fisher, Ted Gibson, Ben Jauert, Connie Kantner,  
Bryan Katterhenry, Wayne & Judy Kentner, Lauren Makuh, Sasha Maslov,  
Mitchell Metz, April Nance, Jenny Oliver, Charleigh Pangle, Diane Schlosser,  
Pam Schulz, Alex Shirey, Hunter Smith, Evelyn Sprague, Seth Thuman,  
Norma Wachauf, Harold Wallace, Eddie Whetstone, Jim Zwiebel, Angela, and Skyler.

We remember in our prayers our military serving at home and abroad, under represented and oppressed people, EMTs, firefighters, police officers, healthcare workers, and our veterans.

*If we are missing anyone in our prayer corner, please call or email the office and let us know. If there is anyone who wishes to be removed, please do the same.*

## Thank You

Thank you so much for sharing your creativity and skills. The quilts are lovely! Thank you for thinking of us.

On behalf of our patients,  
Vicky McKinley, Hospice of Miami County

## Flowers and Candles

### Altar Flowers for the month of June:

June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Church Council
June 9 <sup>th</sup>	--Available--
June 16 <sup>th</sup>	--Available--
June 23 <sup>rd</sup>	--Available--
June 30 <sup>th</sup>	The Roeger Family

### Altar Candles for the month of June:

The **Altar Candles** are given to the Glory of God by Ken & Darla Frame in honor of their children and grandchildren.

## Ministries in Action

	June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	June 9 <sup>th</sup>	June 16 <sup>th</sup>	June 23 <sup>rd</sup>	June 30 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Lector</b>	Richard Yocum	Sandy Brading	Marsha Jackson	Susan Miller	Joyce Brincefield
<b>Ushers</b>	Ken Frame & Richard Yocum	Dave Krites & Brian Van Meter	Ken Frame & Jon Schmidt	Clayton Fisher & Luke Kline	Steve Stienecker & Jim Kantner
<b>Worship Assistant</b>	Darla Frame	Deanna Ronan	Chuck Curry	Ken Frame	Makayla Frame
<b>Musician</b>	Karen Luginbuhl	Darla Frame	Recordings	Recordings	Darla Frame
<b>Preacher</b>	Pastor Jeff Morlock	Makayla Frame	Recording	Pastor Bill Schultz	Pastor Mick Althouser
<b>Greeter</b>	<i>Volunteer needed</i>	<i>Volunteer needed</i>	<i>Volunteer needed</i>	<i>Volunteer needed</i>	<i>Volunteer needed</i>

**Altar Guild for June: Jon & Carrie Schmidt**

**Fellowship Cleanup for June: Jon & Carrie Schmidt**

## The Word of God

Sunday	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	Psalm	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	Gospel
June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Deuteronomy 5:12-15	Psalm 81:1-10	2 Corinthians 4:5-12	Mark 2:23—3:6
June 9 <sup>th</sup>	Genesis 3:8-15	Psalm 130	2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1	Mark 3:20-35
June 16 <sup>th</sup>	Ezekial 17:22-24	Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15	2 Corinthians 5:6-10, [11-13] 14-17	Mark 4:26-34
June 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Job 38:1-11	Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32	2 Corinthians 6:1-13	Mark 4:35-41
June 30 <sup>th</sup>	Lamentations 3:22-33	Psalm 30	2 Corinthians 8:7-15	Mark 5:21-43
July 7 <sup>th</sup>	Ezekial 2:1-5	Psalm 123	2 Corinthians 12:2-10	Mark 6:1-13
July 14 <sup>th</sup>	Amos 7:7-15	Psalm 85:8-13	Ephesians 1:3-14	Mark 6:14-29
July 21 <sup>st</sup>	Jeremiah 23:1-6	Psalm 23	Ephesians 2:11-22	Mark 6:30, 53-56
July 28 <sup>th</sup>	2 Kings 4:42-44	Psalm 145:10-18	Ephesians 3:14-21	John 6:1-21



## FELC News and Events...

**Personal contact information...**if there has been a change in your family's contact information, please contact the church office by email at [wapakelc@bright.net](mailto:wapakelc@bright.net) or by calling the office at 419-738-3911.

### **Education/Worship Schedule:**

9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. Worship in person and online at [www.myfelc.org](http://www.myfelc.org)

**Quilting Group** will meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 10am in the parlor. If you would like to join this group or have questions, please contact Darla Frame.

### **Noisy Offering for the month of JUNE: VBS Honduras Service Project**

Offering pans are located in the chapel and at the back of the church. Donations are accepted during the entire month.

**Loaves and Fishes Meals** Meals need to be reserved by calling 567-204-6708 and can be picked up in the alley behind the Fellowship Hall from 4:30 to 5:30 pm.

**Collection for Auglaize County Crisis Center** We are collecting food items each month for the Auglaize County Crisis Center based on a monthly dinner theme. June's theme is Mexican dinner. The crisis center is also in need of basic personal hygiene items. Please put donations on the counter in the library for us to deliver weekly or bi-weekly.

**Men's Night** is scheduled for Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at JT's in St. Marys.

**Ladies' Night** is scheduled for Tuesday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at The Side Rail.

**Worship Music** We need your help! If you or someone you know would like to record a song, or sing or play live music for our prelude, let Darla know (it can be any instrument). Also, if you know someone who plays the organ or piano that might be interested in serving as our "organist" one or two Sundays a month or even just occasionally, please pass their name onto Darla, or just let them know we are interested in their services for our services. Thank you so much!

**Summer Office Hours** Starting June 2<sup>nd</sup> and ending August 9<sup>th</sup>, the Church Office hours will be Monday through Friday from 10am to 1pm.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>2</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Pentecost 9am Adult Sunday School 10am Worship Pastor Jeff Morlock	<b>3</b> 9am-12pm Vacation Bible School	<b>4</b> 9am-12pm Vacation Bible School	<b>5</b> 9am-12pm Vacation Bible School	<b>6</b> 9am-12pm Vacation Bible School  4:30pm Community Loaves & Fishes	<b>7</b> 9am-12pm Vacation Bible School	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Pentecost 9am Adult Sunday School 10am Worship Makayla Frame	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 4:30pm Community Loaves & Fishes 6pm Men's Night at JT's St Marys	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost 9am Adult Sunday School 10am Worship  Happy Father's Day!	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 6pm Ladies' Night at The Side Rail	<b>19</b> 10am Quilting	<b>20</b> 4:30pm Community Loaves & Fishes	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost 9am Adult Sunday School 10am Worship Pastor Bill Schultz  Church Council meeting following worship	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 4:30pm Community Loaves & Fishes	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>30</b> 6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost 9am Adult Sunday School 10am Worship Pastor Mick Althouser						

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 Have a happy 4 <sup>th</sup> of July!	5	6
7 7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost 9am Adult Sunday School 10am Worship Christian White	6	7	8	9 4:30pm Community Loaves & Fishes 6pm Men's Night At TBD	10	11
14 8 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost 9am Adult Sunday School 10am Worship Pastor Bill Schultz  Worship Committee meeting after worship	15	16 6pm Ladies' Night at TBD	17 10am Quilting	18 4:30pm Community Loaves & Fishes	19	20
21 9 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost 9am Adult Sunday School 10am Worship Bailey Van Meter  Church Council meeting following worship	22	23	24	25 4:30pm Community Loaves & Fishes	26	27
28 10 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost 9am Adult Sunday School 10am Worship Pastor Bill Schultz	29	30	31			