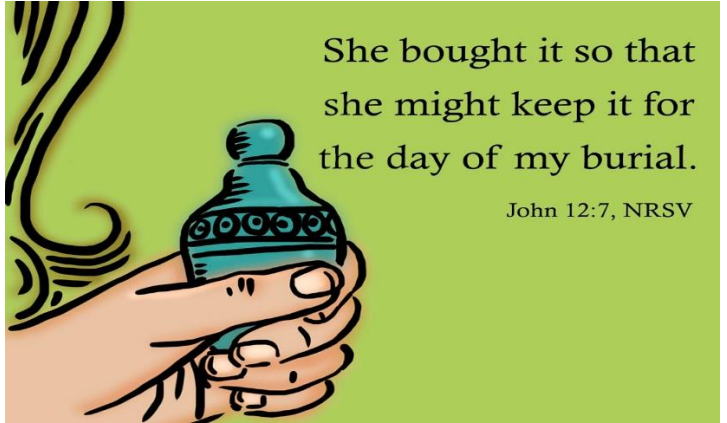


**FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**Wapakoneta, Ohio**

She bought it so that  
she might keep it for  
the day of my burial.

John 12:7, NRSV



**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent**  
**April 6, 2025**

# WELCOME TO FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH

Your presence today makes us more complete.  
Thank you for being here and worshipping with us.

We invite all baptized Christians who believe that Christ is truly present  
in the meal to join us for Holy Communion when served.

Children of all ages are encouraged to participate in worship.

## Sunday Schedule

9:00 a.m. Adult & Youth Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship

The **Altar Candles** are given to the Glory of God  
by Mark & Chris Nagel in celebration of all the April birthdays in their family.

The **Altar Flowers** are given to the Glory of God by  
Hilary, Mike & Amelia Roeger in celebration of Elanor's 10<sup>th</sup> birthday!

## MINISTERS for TODAY

Audio/Visual .....	Noah Kirby & Jeff Ritchie
Lector .....	Richard Yocum
Ushers .....	Ken Frame & Richard Yocum
Worship Assistant .....	Susan Miller
Musician.....	Karen Luginbuhl
Pastor .....	Pastor Bill Schultz
Greeter.....	Chris Nagel
Acolyte .....	Vivian Fisher
Altar Guild .....	Brenda Shoffstall & Darla Frame
Fellowship Cleanup.....	Brenda Shoffstall & Darla Frame

This worship service is live streamed and recorded and  
is published on YouTube and Facebook.

\* Please rise if able.

## Introduction to the day

Our God makes all things new. In the first reading God promises it. In the gospel Mary anticipates it, anointing Jesus' feet with costly perfume in preparation for the day of his burial. In the second reading Paul recalls his transformation from the persecutor Saul into an apostle. In baptism, God's new person (you!) rises daily from the deadly mire of trespasses and sins.

## GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

*Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed?* by Raymond Haan

### \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

### \*GATHERING SONG

*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* (ELW 803)

## **\*GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

## **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,

**For his steadfast love endures forever.**

Give thanks to the God of gods,

**For his steadfast love endures forever.**

Give thanks to the Lord of lords,

**For his steadfast love endures forever.**

## **\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray. **Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness, and your grace waters our desert. Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing, that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love given to all through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## **BELL CHOIR**

*I Need Thee Every Hour*

## **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

Rebecca Van Meter

## **WORD**

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

## **FIRST READING: Isaiah 43:16-21**

A reading from Isaiah.

<sup>16</sup> Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, <sup>17</sup> who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: <sup>18</sup> Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. <sup>19</sup> I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. <sup>20</sup> The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, <sup>21</sup> the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 126

<sup>1</sup> When the LORD restored the for- | tunes of Zion,  
then were we like | those who dream.

<sup>2</sup> **Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with | shouts of joy.**

**Then they said among the nations, “The LORD has done great | things for them.”**

<sup>3</sup> The LORD has done great | things for us,  
and we are | glad indeed.

<sup>4</sup> **Restore our for- | tunes, O LORD,  
like the watercourses | of the Negeb.**

<sup>5</sup> Those who | sowed with tears  
will reap with | songs of joy.

<sup>6</sup> **Those who go out weeping, carry- | ing the seed,  
will come again with joy, shoulder- | ing their sheaves.**

## SECOND READING: Philippians 3:4b-14

A reading from Philippians.

[Paul writes:] <sup>4b</sup> If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: <sup>5</sup> circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; <sup>6</sup> as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

<sup>7</sup> Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. <sup>8</sup> More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ <sup>9</sup> and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. <sup>10</sup> I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, <sup>11</sup> if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

<sup>12</sup> Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own.

<sup>13</sup> Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, <sup>14</sup> I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Let Your Steadfast Love* (ELW p. 189)

**\*GOSPEL: John 12:1-8**

The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup> Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. <sup>2</sup> There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. <sup>3</sup> Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. <sup>4</sup> But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, <sup>5</sup> "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" <sup>6</sup> (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) <sup>7</sup> Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. <sup>8</sup> You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**MESSAGE**

Pastor Bill Schultz

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Take My Life, That I May Be* (ELW 685)

**NICENE CREED**

Let us profess our faith using the words of the Nicene Creed.

**We believe in one God,**

**the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,**

**eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation**

**he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,\*  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

#### **\*PRAYER OF INTERCESSION**

Led by the Spirit, let us turn to God in prayer for the church, the world, and all those in need.

The church declares your praise, O God. Guide us in the example of Isaiah's imagination, Paul's transformed identity, and Mary's faith and devotion; that our lives, too, may be poured out in love as we trust in your promises.  
God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

The earth declares your praise, O God. Make a way for the planet's future in the sea and the wilderness, the mountains and plains, the tundra and wetlands.  
Repair habitats and sustainable ecosystems on, above, and beneath the ground.  
God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

The nations declare your praise, O God. Where religious differences divide, bring together those who worship you in the name of Jesus Christ and those who call to you with different names. Guide interreligious dialogue, that faith may unite rather than divide communities. God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

The people declare your praise, O God. Restore those whose hope has been dampened through a health diagnosis, job or home loss, divorce, or death. Bring healing to those in need *especially* Betty Hague, Mary Ann Thomas, Betty Lietz, Marty Rostorfer, Eloise Katterhenry, Marsha Henderson, Staff and Students at Concordia University at Ann Arbor, James Benshoff, Janet Case, Dominic Cousins, Ted Gibson, Ben Jauert, Bryan Katterhenry, Wayne & Judy Kentner, Lauren Makuh, Sasha Maslov, Jenny Oliver, Nixon Palte, Pam Schulz, Alex Shirey, Hunter Smith, Ed Meckstroth, Seth Thuman, Norma Wachauf, Harold Wallace, Jim Zwiebel, JJ Truesdale, Nancy Bush, Sue Bartlett, Anthony Holcome, Ike Schnell, Roseann Schlegel-Whetstone, Roman Schlegel, Sue Hughes, Dan Havens, Jason Schneider, Jenn Douglas & Baby, Karen Stienecker, Shirley Hollis, George Lowther, Joyce Brincefield and Wanda Nuss. And those we speak out loud or in our hearts. (Brief silence). May all who weep now sing songs of joy again. God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

The gifts of the Spirit declare your praise, O God. We thank you for artists who proclaim the gospel. Inspire music, poetry, and images that proclaim the new thing you are doing. God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

The communion of saints declares your praise, O God. Giving thanks for those who have died, we trust in the one who has made them his own: Christ Jesus, our crucified and risen Savior. God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

Receive the prayers of your people and draw all things together in your love, in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to life. **Amen.**

### **\*PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

*Please take a moment to share the Lord's peace and grace with one another.*

### **MEAL**

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

### **TITHES AND OFFERING**

Please be seated.

As the ushers come forward, we would like to thank you for the work you have been doing, for the support and care provided, and for the gifts you share.



## **OFFERTORY**

*Beneath The Cross Of Jesus* by Frederick Maker

## **\*OFFERING HYMN**

*Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful* (ELW p. 182)

## **\*OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray. God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## **HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

(ELW p. 190)

## **\*WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

## **\*LORD'S PRAYER**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

## **COMMUNION SONG**

*Lamb of God* (ELW p. 191)

## **SONGS DURING COMMUNION**

Bread of Life from Heaven (ELW 474)

On Eagle's Wings (ELW 787)

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less (ELW 597)

In the Cross of Christ I Glory (ELW 324)

## **\*AS WE ARE BLESSED**

Now may the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace now and always. Amen.

## **\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray. Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice; our alms, a making of peace; and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

### \*CALL COMMITTEE PRAYER

Heavenly Father, as we gather together in this moment of transition, we seek Your guidance and wisdom. May Your Spirit lead us in unity and discernment as we consider the right person to shepherd our community. Grant us patience and openness to Your Will and help us to trust in Your perfect timing. May our new pastor be filled with Your love, strength and grace, bringing hope and inspiration to our church. We place our faith in You, knowing that You have a plan for us. Thank you for Your continued presence in our lives and in our church. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

### \*BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. Amen.

### \*SENDING SONG

*Christ, the Life of All the Living* (ELW 339)

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## Weekly Attendance and Offerings

<u>Date</u>	<u>Views</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Current Giving</u>	<u>Benevolence</u>
03/09/2025	13	69	\$2,804.00	\$0.00
03/16/2025	21	78	\$2,347.41	\$135.00
03/23/2025	15	68	\$14,105.91	\$0.00
03/30/2025	14	52	\$960.00	\$0.00

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!



## MINISTERS for Next Week 4-13-25, Palm Sunday

Audio/Visual .....	Noah Kirby & Jeff Ritchie
Lector .....	Nancy Heffner
Ushers .....	Dave Krites & Brian Van Meter
Worship Assistant .....	Makayla Frame
Musician.....	Darla Frame
Pastor .....	Michelle Kouse
Greeter.....	Dave & Chris Clift
Acolyte .....	Faith Whetstone
Altar Guild.....	Brenda Shoffstall & Darla Frame
Fellowship Cleanup.....	Brenda Shoffstall & Darla Frame

### OUR PRAYER CORNER

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

The Gardens	Betty Hague, Mary Ann Thomas, Betty Lietz
Burton Ridge in Lima	Judy Kentner
Homebound	Marty Rostorfer, Eloise Katterhenry, Marsha Henderson

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

Betty Hague, Mary Ann Thomas, Betty Lietz, Marty Rostorfer, Eloise Katterhenry, Marsha Henderson, Staff and Students at Concordia University at Ann Arbor, James Benshoff, Janet Case, Dominic Cousins, Ted Gibson, Ben Jauert, Bryan Katterhenry, Wayne & Judy Kentner, Lauren Makuh, Sasha Maslov, Jenny Oliver, Nixon Palte, Pam Schulz, Alex Shirey, Hunter Smith, Ed Meckstroth, Seth Thuman, Norma Wachauf, Harold Wallace, Jim Zwiebel, JJ Truesdale, Nancy Bush, Sue Bartlett, Anthony Holcome, Ike Schnell, Roseann Schlegel-Whetstone, Roman Schlegel, Sue Hughes, Dan Havens, Jason Schneider, Jenn Douglas & Baby, Karen Stienecker, Shirley Hollis, George Lowther, Joyce Brincefield and Wanda Nuss.

We remember in our prayers our military serving at home and abroad, underrepresented 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.*

### ***What's Happening at First English....***

#### **Noisy Offering for the month of APRIL: FAMILY LIFE CENTER OF WAPAK**

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

**Collection for the Women's Crisis Center** We are collecting food items each month for the Auglaize County Crisis Center based on a monthly dinner theme. April's theme is Breakfast. 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.

**NEW! Egg Carton Ministry** Asking for all sizes of clean empty egg cartons. Please put them in the boxes in the church library. They will be used to distribute eggs to those in need.



**Plastic Bag Ministry** FELC will be collecting clean empty plastic grocery bags for our Prison Ministry. Allen/Oakwood Correctional incarcerated persons are making mats for the homeless. There is a collection container located at the back door.

**Flower/Candle Calendar & Greeter Sign Up Sheet** The 2025 Flower/Candle Calendar is up and ready for members to sign up! Please check your calendar and pick a Sunday or two to help the church out. The Greeter Sign Up sheet is up and ready for volunteers through March. Greeters come a bit early to service and welcome everyone to church with a smiling face and a handshake/hug/hello. Thanks in advance! And thank you to those that have signed up.

**Carry-Inn & Egg Hunt** Signup sheets are going around for Carry-In & Egg Hunt on **April 13<sup>th</sup> following service**. Please make sure you let Fellowship Committee know how many kids & adults are coming. Fellowship Committee will be providing the meat: ham. Egg hunt will be divided into two groups: 1-4yr olds in basement & 5-10yr olds in sanctuary. And don't forget the Easter Bunny will be there!

**Men's Night** will be on Thursday, April 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm at the Whaling Knife. All men are welcome to join.

**Bingo** on April 8<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm at the Gardens. All are welcome to volunteer.

**EASTER Flowers** In your bulletin is a half sheet order form to help FELC Easter Sunday look and smell wonderful with flowers from Haehn's Florist. Please fill out form and put form & money in offering plate, to Georgeann or church office. The flowers will need to be picked up after Easter worship service. **Deadline for ordering flowers are TODAY, APRIL 6<sup>th</sup>.**

**HOLY WEEK** We will be joining together again for Tri-Congregational Services.

**Palm Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>,** is with our congregation at FELC.

**Maundy Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup>,** we will be hosting at 7pm. Ladies' Choir will perform. Acolyte-Amelia Roeger. Pastor Doug will be preaching

**Good Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup>,** will be at 7:00pm hosted by St. Paul's United Church of Christ, across the street. Pastor Bert Schultz will be with us.

**Easter, April 20<sup>th</sup>,** is with our congregation at FELC. Ladies' Choir will perform. Acolyte-Nolan Roode. Pastor Bill Schultz will be with us.

**Ladies' Night** will be on Tuesday, April 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm at Bob Evans. All women are welcome to join.



## Upcoming Fundraisers!

*Mark your calendar.*

**Dine-to-Donate at Sidney Culver's**  
**Monday, May 5, 2025 5:00 until 8:00 PM**

Culver's calls it "Make Your Meal Matter". A percentage of the cost of each meal will be donated to Morgan's Place. All meals count (dine-in, drive-through, carry-out).  
*(No need to present this flyer at time of purchase.)*



**Morgan's Place Day at the Dayton Dragons**  
**Sunday, June 22, 2025 Afternoon Game**

Tickets are now on sale using the link :  
<https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/Morgansplace3>  
Half of each ticket price will be donated back to Morgan's Place. Please order as soon as possible as this may allow Morgan's Place to increase the number of tickets for our supporters. **Always a great family fun day!**



## FELC Upcoming Calendar of Events

<b>Sunday, Apr 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Adult &amp; Youth Sunday School</b>
	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Worship – Pastor Bill Schultz – Bell Choir Easter Flower Orders DUE!</b>
Mon, Apr 7 <sup>th</sup>	5:15pm	Spiritual Movement Class
Tues, Apr 8 <sup>th</sup>	1:30pm	Bingo at the Gardens
Wed, Apr 9 <sup>th</sup>	5:15pm	Spiritual Movement Class
	5:30pm	Confirmation
Thurs, Apr 10 <sup>th</sup>	9-11:30am	God's Store House
	4:30pm	Loaves & Fishes
	6:00pm	Men's Night at Whaling Knife
Fri, Apr 11 <sup>th</sup>	9-11:30am	God's Store House
Saturday, Apr 12 <sup>th</sup>	8:15am	Spiritual Movement Class
	9-11:30am	God's Store House
<b>Sunday, Apr 13<sup>th</sup></b>		<b>PALM SUNDAY</b>
	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Adult &amp; Youth Sunday School</b>
	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Worship – Michelle Kouse – Carry-In Meal &amp; Egg Hunt in Fellowship Hall</b>
Mon, Apr 14 <sup>th</sup>	5:15pm	Spiritual Movement Class
	6:00pm	Christian Ed Meeting
Tues, Apr 15 <sup>th</sup>	6:00pm	Ladies' Night at Bob Evans
Wed, Apr 16 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am	Quilting
	5:15pm	Spiritual Movement Class
	5:30pm	Confirmation
	6:00pm	Bell Choir
	7:00pm	Ladies' Choir
Thurs, Apr 17 <sup>th</sup>		<b>MAUNDY THURSDAY</b>
	9-11:30am	God's Store House NO Loaves & Fishes
	7:00pm	<b>Maundy Thursday Service @ FELC Tri-Congregational Service w/ St. Marks &amp; St. Pauls Acolyte-Amelia Roeger; Ladies' Choir</b>
Fri, Apr 18 <sup>th</sup>		<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>
	9-11:30am	God's Store House
	7:00pm	<b>Good Friday Service @ St. Pauls Tri-Congregational Service w/ St. Marks &amp; St. Pauls</b>
Saturday, Apr 19 <sup>th</sup>	8:15am	Spiritual Movement Class
	9-11:30am	God's Store House

**CALL COMMITTEE PRAYER** *Please pray the prayer throughout the week:*

Heavenly Father, as we gather together in this moment of transition, we seek Your guidance and wisdom. May Your Spirit lead us in unity and discernment as we consider the right person to shepherd our community. Grant us patience and openness to Your Will and help us to trust in Your perfect timing. May our new pastor be filled with Your love, strength and grace, bringing hope and inspiration to our church. We place our faith in You, knowing that You have a plan for us. Thank you for Your continued presence in our lives and in our church. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

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**Mission Statement**

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

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