

Covenant NEWS



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Pastor Stork and Council President Ted Lockmiller welcome new Covenant member Nancy Langtry.

New Covenant Members

On April 17, sweet little Christopher Joseph Knerem was received as a member of the congregation through the rite of the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

“CJ” is the son of Amy and Keary Knerem, Jr., and is the brother of Emily and Katlyn. He is the grandson of Covenant members Elaine and Keary Knerem, Sr. CJ’s godparents are Anna Jaworski and Keith Knerem.



Pastor Stork with Amy, Christopher, Katlyn, Emily and Keary Knerem Jr.

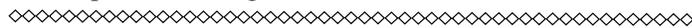
The Knerem Family sent a thank you card to the congregation: “Thank you for welcoming our son Christopher ‘CJ’ into the church and we look forward to watching him grow in his faith. The day meant so much to our entire family. Thank you, The Knerem Family.”

On Pentecost Sunday, May 15, we welcomed Nancy Langtry to the congregation, and quickly elected her to serve as Congregation Council Secretary at the Assembly meeting held later that morning.

Covenant has been blessed by Vince Besednjak, who introduced Nancy to us. Her strong drive to jump in and help around the church is an extension of her generous and nurturing character. Nancy is a lifelong resident of Willowick, and is a tutor to at-risk middle schoolers in the Perry Local School District. Her daughter performs the same work in the Parma school system. Her son is a chief petty officer in the Navy. Nancy adores her red-headed grandson and granddaughter.

In the rare occasions when Nancy sits still, she enjoys Sudoku puzzles and reading and writing.

Let us welcome our brother and sister in Christ to this community of faith. We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.



Cato House Volunteers

After fifteen years, Rich and Phyllis Nemeth and their family have called an end to their monthly ministry at the Cato House. Cato House is a local group home for adults with disabilities. The Nemeths have visited regularly to play board games and socialize with the residents. We are thankful for their many years of dedicated service.



The Board of Evangelism and Social Ministries invites other Covenant members to volunteer for this heartwarming opportunity.



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June-July-August 2016

Blessed Birthday Wishes

to each of the following Covenant members:

- 6/1 Mike Garvin
- 6/23 Paula Hohenstein
- 6/29 Ken Frajter, Samuel Reddig
- 7/1 Chuck Dickey, Joyce Mihalek
- 7/3 Rosa Garnett
- 7/9 Bob Buettner, Linda Allende, Emily Knerem
- 7/10 Keary Knerem Sr., Amber Kyle
- 7/16 Elizabeth Harpootlian
- 7/25 Mark Gabor
- 7/21 Kristine Sandor
- 8/8 Carolyn Frajter
- 8/10 Greta Kause
- 8/11 Ann Droste
- 8/16 Marie Zahn
- 8/17 Arlene Stoltz, Chris Constant
- 8/21 Jane Skowronski
- 8/22 Bernice Lambrecht
- 8/28 Jeff Garvin
- 8/31 Alex Hohenstein

Happy Anniversary to...

- 6/11 Vimal & Kelly (Constant) Bhatnagar
- 6/13 Steve & Claudia Senderak
- 6/20 Joan & Mike Garvin
- 7/2 Chris & Jennifer Constant
- 7/12 Jeff & Nicole Garvin
- 8/11 Jim & Jane Gradert
- 8/12 Barb & Chuck Gaglione
- 8/14 Ben & Deena (Gaglione) Hernandez
- 8/20 Alex & Paula Hohenstein, Arlene & Jim Stoltz

(if any important dates have been omitted, please notify the church office so records can be corrected!)



Picnic and Praise on Wednesdays

This summer we will again join Lutheran Church of the Master (COTM) for the Picnic & Praise series. This annual tradition is an exciting opportunity to be refreshed with a meal and God's word every Wednesday evening.

Starting June 8 we will gather at COTM, inside or outside (depending on the weather) at 6:30 p.m., for a potluck meal. Bring a dish to share and invite a family member or friend. We close out the evening with a service of word and prayer. This includes the readings for the following Sunday, prayers and hymns. Communion is not distributed.

After the four weeks of June (8, 15, 22, 29) at COTM, our congregation will host all four Wednesdays in July.

If you would like this as an opportunity to worship, maybe because you are away on the weekends, or because you desire a midweek renewal, we invite you to gather for fellowship, good food and an additional time to be sustained by God's word.

Covenant Farmers' Market

This is the sixth year for the Market. We will start the Market on Saturday, June 18 and run through October 1 (with July 2 off for the holiday weekend), and then go directly to our Harvest Festival on October 8. Business hours are 9:30 A.M. to 1:30 P.M. Please visit the Market on Saturday or better yet join in with the others who are having fun selling, or providing bakery, or just sitting around talking. You just can't resist our hot dogs and pop for a buck, or the fresh produce and the best sweet corn in Ohio (when it is available) from central Ohio.

Vendors are welcome. If you have items to sell or know of someone that has, please contact Dick Ptak or Mary Kaye Bernardo for a place at the Market. We have developed friendships with the people of the neighborhood and they look forward to our coming back. We have most driving by to wave and even some to stop in. There is a lot going on at the Market so why don't you join in and enjoy it with the others. See you there!!!

Dick Ptak, Director of Covenant Farmers' Market

Another Flourishing Flower Sale



Thank you to everyone who placed flower orders again this year, as well as some new-comers whose orders were happily added to our total. You all helped us to realize a VERY NICE profit of about \$522!

A special thank you to all those who made donations for Covenant's flowers. This enables us to place attractive planters at each of the church's entrances.

As always, my personal thanks to my dedicated volunteer crew of Donna & Bob Franz, Madeline & Dick Ptak, Barb Gaglione, and Jennifer Lasher-Dobush. They unloaded the delivery of 118 flats of flowers and vegetables, 65 hanging baskets, and 103 pots of various herbs and vines. The the fun of filling the individual orders was undertaken. They didn't quit until all the orders were filled and ready for pick-up on Saturday. There's a garden bench in heaven waiting for all of you -- you guys are the best!

Again spring is a very slow starter this year, but I wish you all good luck and great success with your gardens. See you next spring with an even bigger handful of order forms (same time, same station).

Arlene Lasher

Congregational Assembly Meeting

The Congregational Assembly meeting was held on Sunday, May 15. Discussions on the budget and the Call Committee's progress were featured.

The slate of new officers and board chairs was unanimously approved: Treasurer Mike Davis; Secretary: Nancy Langtry; Chairperson of Board of Evangelism & Social Ministry: Mary Kaye Bernardo. The open office for Chairperson of Board of Managers remains unfilled.

A special thank you to departing council members, Paula and Alex Hohenstein, for your service. And thank you to new council member, Nancy Langtry, and to the re-elected council members for agreeing to give your time and talents to our congregation.

Call Committee Update

The Call Committee, at Council's request, has met three times with Triune Church of Broadview Heights to explore possibly working together to seek pastoral leadership. They have been without a pastor for over 2 years. The Synod reports there are three graduating seminarians and some other pastors seeking new church assignments. Our meetings were very positive and we felt the two churches had much in common.

Chuck Dickey, Chairman

Let's Head Back to Camp! Camp Covenant

Covenant is again hosting a summer day camp for local children.

"Camp Covenant" is designed to enrich your child academically, spiritually, physically and socially. The camp operates from June 13 to July 29. Doors are open from 7:30 to 3:30 p.m. Extended day is being offered this year for an extra \$125.

Enrollment packets are available online at CampCovenantKids.org, by email at campcovenantkids@yahoo.com or from The Lutheran Church of the Covenant. You may also get an enrollment packet from the camp director, Sister Sharon.

REGISTRATION IS FIRST-COME -- FIRST-SERVED! We anticipate full enrollment, so don't delay! We look forward to a wonderful, spirit-filled summer with your child at CAMP COVENANT 2016!!

For registration packet or more information, contact: Sister Sharon Steward, Camp Covenant Director; 216-315-5611, campcovenantkids@yahoo.com



Covenant Night at Blossom: "Magic of the Movies"

Join us on Sunday, July 24. at 7:00 p.m. as the Cleveland Orchestra, conducted by Michael Krajewski, make some of the greatest film scores come alive. It is a blockbuster tribute to the most memorable music of the movies. Enjoy your favorites from: Titanic; Back to the Future; Goldfinger; Star Wars and many more.

Senior group sale tickets for pavilion seating are \$18.50 (a 50% savings off regular prices.).

Ticket reservations and payment are due to Arlene Lasher by July 3. Please make checks payable to Arlene Lasher, as she has already reserved a block of seats for Covenant.

Potluck & a Movie on June 5: "The Little Red Wagon"

The Board of Education has set Sunday June 5 as the close of Sunday School with a "Potluck & A Movie."

The movie is "The Little Red Wagon" -- a story based on true events about a small boy with a big heart. When he hears of people displaced from their homes with nothing, this young man decides to collect clothes and supplies from neighbors with his little red wagon. Next he sees a need to help homeless children get toys and supplies for school. It becomes a nationwide phenomenon. This is inspiring to all ages!



Server Schedule - June, July and August

	Asst. Min	Lector	Crucifer	Ushers	Altar Guild	Greeters
6/5	Nel Lanese	Maud Wright	Ethan Lockmiller	A. Treichel B. Treichel	J. Rusher, C. Senderak, J. Skowronski, G. Susanek	Alex & Paula Hohenstein
6/12	Allan Treichel	Ted Lockmiller	Emily Garberich	D. Schirmer K. Frajter S. Dobush		Don & Ron Schirmer
6/19	Alex Hohenstein	Steve Dobush	Jody Bernardo	M. Garvin B. Zahn	C. Frajter, J. Garvin, M. Zahn	Janet Wilkens
6/26	Bert Zahn	Marie Zahn	Katie Garberich	S. Senderak V. Besednjak		Barb Gaglione
7/3	Maud Wright	Nel Lanese	Ethan Lockmiller	A. Treichel B. Treichel	S. Werner, A. Copeland, P. Hohenstein	Harry & Sheila Werner
7/10	Dick Ptak	Madeline Ptak	Jody Bernardo	D. Schirmer K. Frajter S. Dobush		Annie Copeland
7/17	Allan Treichel	Ted Lockmiller	Emily Garberich	M. Garvin B. Zahn	M. Ptak, N. Lanese, L. Bewsey	Mary Kaye Bernardo
7/24	Alex Hohenstein	Steve Dobush	Katie Garberich	A. Treichel B. Treichel		Bert & Marie Zahn
7/31	Marie Zahn	Bert Zahn	Ethan Lockmiller	S. Senderak V. Besednjak	J. Rusher, C. Senderak, J. Skowronski, G. Susanek	Steve & Claudia Senderak
8/7	Nel Lanese	Maud Wright	Emily Garberich	A. Treichel B. Treichel		
8/14	Dick Ptak	Madeline Ptak	Jody Bernardo	D. Schirmer K. Frajter S. Dobush	C. Frajter, J. Garvin, M. Zahn	
8/21	Allan Treichel	Ted Lockmiller	Katie Garberich	M. Garvin B. Zahn		
8/28	Alex Hohenstein	Steve Dobush	Ethan Lockmiller	S. Senderak V. Besednjak	S. Werner, A. Copeland, P. Hohenstein	
9/4	Maud Wright	Nel Lanese	Emily Garberich	A. Treichel B. Treichel		

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE COVENANT

JUNE 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 10:00 Camp Covenant Parents Meeting 5:00 Saturday Evening Eucharist
5 9:00 am Sunday Eucharist 10:30 am Potluck & a Movie	6	7	8 10:00 - 3:00 Lion's Club Job Fair in Parish Hall 6:30 Picnic & Praise at COTM	9	10	11 5:00 pm Saturday Evening Eucharist
12 9:00 am Sunday Eucharist	13 ***** CAMP COVENANT	14 7:00 pm Council Meeting in Parlor	15 6:30 Picnic & Praise at COTM	16	17 ***** CAMP COVENANT	18 9:30-1:30 Covenant Farmers' Market 5:00 pm Saturday Evening Eucharist
19 9:00 am Sunday Eucharist	20 ***** ECOT TESTING ***** CAMP COVENANT	21 7:00 pm Evangelism & Social Ministry Mtg. in Parlor	22 6:30 Picnic & Praise at COTM	23	24 ***** CAMP COVENANT	25 9:30-1:30 Covenant Farmers' Market 5:00 pm Saturday Evening Eucharist
26 9:00 am Sunday Eucharist	27 ***** CAMP COVENANT	28	29 6:30 Picnic & Praise at COTM	30 6:00 pm Covenant-Hope Community Meal		

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE COVENANT

JULY 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 CAMP COVENANT 7:30 - 3:30	2 NO Farmers' Market 5:00 pm Saturday Evening Eucharist
3 9:00 am Sunday Eucharist	4 Office & Camp Covenant Closed for Holiday	5 ** CAMP COVENANT Tuesday - Friday 7:30 - 5:30 **	6 6:30 Picnic & Praise at Covenant	7	8	9 9:30-1:30 Covenant Farmers' Market 5:00 pm Saturday Evening Eucharist
10 9:00 am Sunday Eucharist	11	12 NO Council Meeting	13 6:30 Picnic & Praise at Covenant	14 7:30 Lion's Club Meeting in Parish Hall	15	16 9:30-1:30 Covenant Farmers' Market 5:00 pm Saturday Evening Eucharist
	***** CAMP COVENANT Monday - Friday 7:30 - 5:30 *****					
17 9:00 am Sunday Eucharist	18	19 7:00 pm Evangelism & Social Ministry Mtg. in Parlor	20 6:30 Picnic & Praise at Covenant	21	22	23 9:30-1:30 Covenant Farmers' Market 5:00 pm Saturday Evening Eucharist
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24 9:00 am Sunday Eucharist	25	26	27 6:30 Picnic & Praise at Covenant	28 6:00 pm Covenant-Hope Community Meal	29	30 9:30-1:30 Covenant Farmers' Market 5:00 pm Saturday Evening Eucharist
	***** CAMP COVENANT Monday - Friday 7:30 - 5:30 *****					
31 9:00 am Sunday Eucharist						

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE COVENANT

AUGUST 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 7:00 pm Bd. of Worship & Music in Pastor's Office	3	4	5	6 9:30-1:30 Farmers' Market 5:00 pm Saturday Evening Eucharist
7 9:00 am Sunday Eucharist	8	9 7:00 pm Council Meeting in Parlor	10	11	12	13 9:30-1:30 Farmers' Market 5:00 pm Saturday Evening Eucharist
14 9:00 am Sunday Eucharist	15	16 7:00 pm Evangelism & Social Ministry Mtg. in Parlor	17	18 7:00 pm Board of Education Mtg. in Parlor	19	20 9:30-1:30 Farmers' Market 5:00 pm Saturday Evening Eucharist
21 9:00 am Sunday Eucharist	22	23	24	25 6:00 pm Covenant-Hope Community Meal	26	27 9:30-1:30 Farmers' Market 5:00 pm Saturday Evening Eucharist
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The newsletters are always available our website CovenantMapleHts.org.

Covenant Farmers Market

Every Saturday June 18 through October 8

9:30AM - 1:30PM

Fresh Produce Baked Goods

Handmade Crafts & Goods

Grilled sausages and hot dogs with a can of pop

Stop by for lunch and pick up your week's produce & desserts!

Potential vendors may obtain more information at 216-662-0370 or covenantlc@sbcglobal.net

(This market does not qualify for the Maple Heights market voucher program)

Full details inside on page 7.