

# Covenant NEWS



## *Farewell Pastor Stork*

Pastor Paul Stork has given us a year of wonderful service as the long-term supply pastor. The demands of his full-time job combined with the services at Covenant on Saturdays and Sundays require a lot of energy, so Pastor Stork has notified us that his last day here will be Sunday, September 11. Following the service, we will have a farewell reception in the Parlor.

We did not expect the call process to drag on as long as it has. We are so grateful to Pastor Stork for his guidance in worship and at Council meetings, and his consistent presence over these months. Pastor Stork has been an important part of our Congregation and he will be missed!

In addition, the support from Pastor Harry Werner as a “substitute for the substitute” and in leading a combined Adult Bible Class, and the on-call pastoral care role filled by Pastor Bobbie Davis-Newhouse have been priceless.

Many thanks to Pastor Stork! We hope he enjoys his much-deserved ‘weekends off.’

## **A Get-Acquainted Potluck with**

## **Triune Lutheran Church on October 2nd**

Since we are planning to share our new with pastor Triune Lutheran Church of Broadview Heights, we thought it would be nice to have a get-together with our new partners in faith. Following our worship service on Sunday, October 2, we will be hosting a pot luck picnic with our members and the members of Triune.

This is a great opportunity for all Covenant members — past and present — to get together to share ideas and good eats, visit with old friends, and meet new friends as we prepare to share our life in faith together.

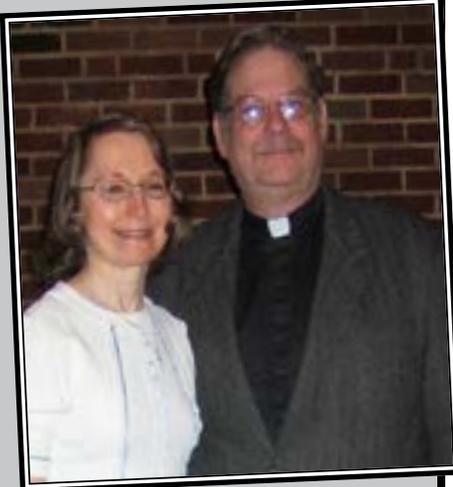
Covenant will provide the main dish and beverages. Please sign up on the clipboard in the sanctuary or call the church office, and indicate whether you will bring a side dish or dessert to share.



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## **September 2016**

## Congregational Assembly Meeting

Sunday, October 16, after the 9:00 worship service, we shall gather in the Parish Hall for a Congregational Assembly Meeting. At that time we shall present the proposed budget for 2017, and discuss the status of the Call Process.

Please plan to attend. This church cannot function without your help and prayers as plans are made for the coming year.

### *Save the Date!*

**Tuesday, 9/1 10:00 AM:**  
Bible Brunch in Kitchen Overflow

**Saturday, 9/3, 9:30 - 1:30:**  
Rummage Sale (Final Day) & Covenant Farmers' Market

**Sunday, 9/11, 10:30:**  
Farewell Reception for Pr. Stork

**Sunday, 9/18, 10:30:**  
Potluck & Movie (see page 3)

**Thursday, 9/29, 5:00 PM:**  
Covenant-Hope Community Meal

**Tuesday, 10/6 10:00 AM:**  
Bible Brunch

**Saturday, 10/8, 9:30 - 1:30:**  
Fall Harvest Festival & Covenant Farmers' Market

**Thursday, 10/13, Noon:**  
Retirees' Luncheon  
Speaker: Bishop Allende

**Sunday, 10/16, 10:45:**  
Congregational Assembly Meeting

**Thursday, 10/27, 5:00 PM:**  
Covenant-Hope Community Meal

**Sunday, 11/6, 9:00 AM:**  
All Saints Day service honoring loved-ones who passed this year

## Covenant Farmers' Market

Here we are, well into the time when we have the best sweet corn in Ohio every week, a new vendor with homemade jellies, most any kinds of produce you would want, and at a reasonable price. If you want brown eggs that the chickens laid only a few days ago, this is the place. Avon cosmetics from Vivian, or little goodies from the Lions Club. Hot dogs that are more like sausage and a pop for a dollar. Where else can you get a deal like that? One Saturday we sold 178 of them!

We have so many repeat customers that look forward to our market every Saturday, and some stay to chat. One great customer will buy food for those who are not able to, and we also will supply food for some in need. We have a good crew to set up, run the market, and tear down under the fine direction of our manager, Vince. Bakery, pies, cookies, soups, and salads all supplied by members of our Church. Yes, we are tired after the market, but enjoy working there and like doing a service for our neighborhood.

During these last few weeks with the rummage sale open at the same time on Saturday from 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM, the paired events draw more people that go out carrying several bags of stuff and some even making several trips to their car. Of course there is staff to help those who have large or many items to be taken to their cars. Many customers will walk to our market and some even use it as a drive-thru. We always have some out-in-front waving to the cars going by, rain or shine. If we have rain, the market is held inside, except for the hot dogs and pop.

We are always looking for new vendors and extend an invitation to new shoppers. For those out-of-towners, consider making a trip to see us, or stopping by while in town for another event. We would like to see you. The market continues into October and we will continue trying to get you the best values and the freshest produce we can. And a great big Thank You to all contributing to the Market. See you next Saturday.

*Dick Ptak, Director  
Covenant Farmers' Market*



# Sunday School Begins with Rally Day on September 18

## *“Potluck & a Movie”*

Look for another inspiring movie and pot luck to start out our Sunday School year!

Opening day with a “Potluck and a Movie” will be Sunday September 18 at 10:30 a.m. right after the service.

Please sign up on the clipboard in the sanctuary or call the church office, and indicate whether you will bring a side dish or dessert to share.

Stay tuned to the Sunday bulletin for details on the movie. We look forward to another great year of learning and sharing!

## Rally Day in Days Gone By

Before we realized the danger to wildlife of launching hundreds of latex balloons into the sky, Covenant’s Rally Day tradition was a balloon launch.

We attached a letter to each balloon telling the finder who and where we were.

We asked them to contact us to let us know where the balloon was found. Some of our balloons traveled amazingly long distances!

LEFT: Rally Day from mid-1980s. Pastor Israel and Pastor Heckmann are easy to recognize here.



Photo printed in the 1978 Church Directory -- probably 1977 or 1978 Rally Day.



Rally Day 1980. Apparently the dress code required plaid pants!



# Blessed Birthday

## Wishes to...

the following Covenant members:

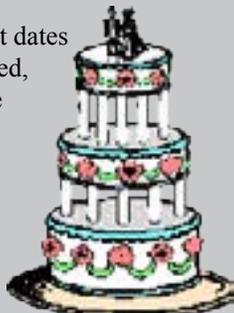
- 9/2 Pauline Hrivnak,  
William Mendat
- 9/8 Hazel Scheller
- 9/10 Phyllis Treichel
- 9/11 Doris Akerley
- 9/13 David Cibella
- 9/16 Barb Gaglione  
Jason Lanese
- 9/17 John Lanese
- 9/22 Madeline Ptak
- 9/26 Allan Treichel
- 9/27 Belinda Arnold
- 9/28 Nancy Werner  
Ethan Lockmiller
- 9/29 Evan Bernardo



## Happy Anniversary Wishes to...

- 9/8 Carolyn & Ken Frajter (60!)
- 9/21 Phyllis & Rich Nemeth
- 9/21 Gwen & Tom Susanek
- 9/24 Bp. Abraham & Linda  
Allende
- 9/30 Bernice & Frank Novak

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



# Bible Study & Retirees

The Bible Brunch meets again on **September 1 at 10:00 a.m.** in the kitchen overflow area. We gather around a meal and then are fed by the word of God.

All are welcome! Come and share with your brothers and sisters in Christ as well as deepen your faith in the study of Holy Scripture.

We will continue to meet on the first Thursday of each month and would love to see you! Mark the following dates on your calendar to remind yourself through the end of the year: October 6, November 3, and December 1.

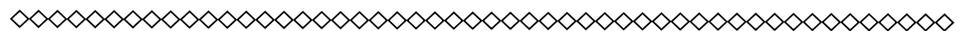
We look forward to gathering together in faith, fellowship and study. See you at brunch!

**Sunday School classes resume on September 25.** The year's kick-off is the potluck described on page 3. Rev. Harry Werner will be teaching a unified class for all of the adults. Chuck Dickey and Jody Bernardo look forward to leading the teens and younger students.

The next **Retirees Luncheon** is set for Thursday, October 13 at noon. Mark your calendars!

The featured speaker this month is a guy you might have heard of before... Bishop Abraham D. Allende! He will share photos and stories from his recent trip to South Africa.

If you have an idea for a guest speaker, or a topic you would like to learn more about, please contact the church office.



# STNA Training At Covenant

State Tested Nursing Assistant (STNA) training will be provided by Gateway Educational opportunities. The classes will be held at Covenant and are available to all who are seeking skilled employment. Maple Heights residents will receive a discount for the course. For more information, please call 216-244-0990.

Nursing assistants provide care by assisting clients with activities of daily living. They perform basic nursing skills in a variety of settings including hospitals, out-patient facilities and home care. Duties and responsibilities include bathing clients, transferring clients, serving meals and measuring vital signs.

*Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America*

*The Cleveland East Cluster*

*Fall Event*

*Following the Steps of Jesus*

*Guest Speaker: Rev. Bobbie Davis-Newhouse*

*Saturday, October 1, 2016*

*Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Master*

*860 Northfield Rd.*

*Bedford, Ohio 44146*

*Registration & Continental Breakfast 9:30 a.m.*

*Cost: \$8.00 per person, includes lunch and craft*

*In-kind gift: Canned goods for the Southeast Clergy Hunger Center*

*RSVP with total church attendees by September 18<sup>th</sup>*

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# THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE COVENANT

## SEPTEMBER 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 10:00 am Bible Brunch in Kitchen Overflow	2	3 9:30-1:30 Farmers' Market & Final Day of Rummage Sale  5:00 pm Saturday Evening Eucharist
4 9:00 am Sunday Eucharist	5	6 7:00 pm Bd. of Worship & Music in Parlor	7	8	9	10 9:30-1:30 Farmers' Market  5:00 pm Saturday Evening Eucharist
11 9:00 am Sunday Eucharist  10:30 am Farewell Reception for Pr. Stork	12	13 7:00 pm Council Meeting in Parlor	14	15 7:00 pm Board of Education Mtg. in Parlor	16	17 9:30-1:30 Farmers' Market  5:00 pm Saturday Evening Eucharist
18 9:00 am Sunday Eucharist  10:30 Potluck & a Movie	19	20 7:00 pm Evangelism & Social Ministry Mtg. in Parlor	21	22	23	24 9:30-1:30 Farmers' Market  5:00 pm Saturday Evening Eucharist
25 9:00 am Sunday Eucharist  10:30 Sunday School Hour	26	27	28	29 5:00 pm Covenant-Hope Community Meal	30	

## Server Schedule - September & October

	Asst. Min	Lector	Crucifer	Ushers	Altar Guild	Greeters
9/4	Maud Wright	Nel Lanese	Emily Garberich	A. Treichel B. Treichel	S. Werner, A. Copeland, P. Hohenstein	Dick & Madeline Ptak
9/11	Allan Treichel	Ted Lockmiller	Jody Bernardo	D. Schirmer K. Frajter S. Dobush	M. Ptak, N. Lanese, L. Bewsey	Mike and Joan Garvin
9/18	Dick Ptak	Madeline Ptak	Emily Garberich	M. Garvin B. Zahn		Bob & Donna Franz
9/25	Alex Hohenstein	Steve Dobush	Ethan Lockmiller	S. Senderak V. Besednjak	J. Rusher, C. Senderak, J. Skowronski, G. Susanek	Lois Gerstenberger
10/2	Maud Wright	Nel Lanese	Katie Garberich	A. Treichel B. Treichel		Alex & Paula Hohenstein
10/9	Allan Treichel	Ted Lockmiller	Emily Garberich	D. Schirmer K. Frajter S. Dobush	C. Frajter, J. Garvin, M. Zahn	Don & Ron Schirmer
10/16	Dick Ptak	Madeline Ptak	Katie Garberich	M. Garvin B. Zahn		Janet Wilkens
10/23	Marie Zahn	Bert Zahn	Ethan Lockmiller	A. Treichel B. Treichel	S. Werner, A. Copeland, P. Hohenstein	Barb Gaglione
10/30	Alex Hohenstein	Steve Dobush	Jody Bernardo	S. Senderak V. Besednjak		Harry & Sheila Werner
11/6	Nel Lanese	Maud Wright	Emily Garberich	A. Treichel B. Treichel	M. Ptak, N. Lanese, L. Bewsey	Annie Copeland

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## Covenant Farmers Market

**Every Saturday 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!**

## Fall Harvest Festival

**Saturday, October 8**

**Scarecrows, Hayrides for Kids, Fall Treats**

Potential vendors may obtain more information at 216-662-0370 or [covenantlc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:covenantlc@sbcglobal.net)

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