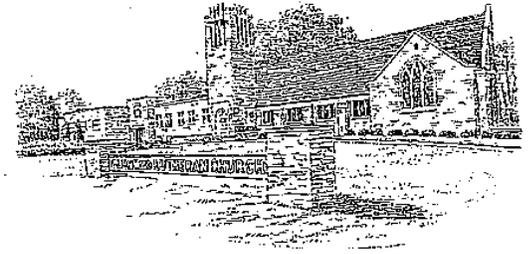


The Glenword

God's purpose for Glenwood Lutheran Church is that we accept all people, share the Good News, and help those in need.



The monthly newsletter of Glenwood Lutheran Church

September 2017

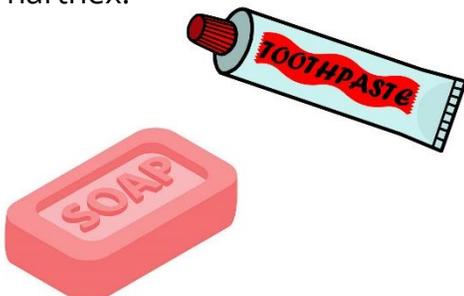
UPDATE ON CONVERSATIONS

Please plan to stay following worship on Sunday, Sept. 3. Pastor Chris will update us on the Glenwood conversations that he had with small groups this summer.

GIVING STORE NEWS

Thank you for your donations of children's socks and underwear in August. It was greatly appreciated.

This fall we are collecting personal care items: soap, deodorant, toilet paper, toothpaste, and toothbrushes for distribution through The Giving Store. Donations can be placed in the bin in the narthex.



Blessing of the Animals

**Saturday,
September 30
10 a.m. - noon
Old West End
Commons Park
(Robinwood &
Bancroft)**

St. Francis of Assisi was known for being a good neighbor to animals of all species, human and otherwise. In the tradition of this venerable saint, as good neighbors, central city Lutheran churches would like to bless your animals!

On September 30th, between 10 a.m. and noon at the Old West End Commons Park, Pastor Chris and Pastor Pete Bowmer from St. Paul's Lutheran Church (downtown) will bless whatever animal you bring. Pet themed stalls will also be there! Bring your beloved creature-friend and join us to acknowledge their sacredness.

Please bring leashed or otherwise safely restrained animals so that we can maintain a safe environment for all creatures!

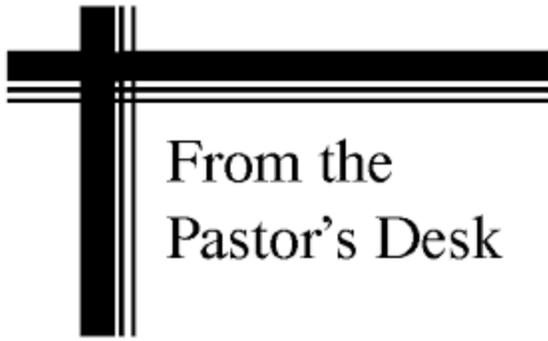
TOURS DE NOEL

Glenwood will be part of the Old West End's *Tours de Noel* on Sunday, December 3.

Those interested in helping to plan

Glenwood's participation are invited to a meeting on **Wednesday, September 6 at 7 p.m.** at Glenwood.





From the Pastor's Desk

I was way too young the first time I read *Catcher In the Rye*, J.D. Salinger's classic novel about a boy who stubbornly does not fit into the world or relationships he is given. It wasn't my age that was an issue so much as my ability as a reader. I was assigned the book for a high school English course, so I plodded through the text underlining periodically without really appreciating any of what was transpiring on the page. Because I was told that book was full of meaning. I was reading without really *reading*.

Reading is a fundamental human activity. We take information that we receive from our senses and process it so that it becomes understandable and perhaps even thought-provoking, transformational, or delightful. The Toledo Museum of Art has several fascinating rooms devoted to training museum-goers as interpreters of art; their docents teach people how to read a painting. When I wander next door, I see many people glance at a painting and move onto the next one, similar to how I read *Catcher in the Rye*. They miss an opportunity to read and let the piece of art speak to them and perhaps even move them!

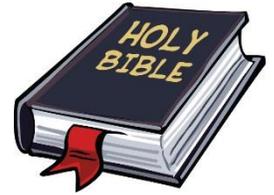
Last month, I lifted up for us a classic piece of the Gospel According to Luke which many call the 'Good Samaritan.' However, if we slow down and read the famous parable where our gospel writer has placed it, we may discover that the interchange between Jesus and the scholar centers on reading. Jesus asks, "What is written in the law?" The scholar or scribe or lawyer replies, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind," (telling us he was reading Deuteronomy 6) and "Love your neighbor as yourself," (quoting Leviticus.) Jesus approves of his reading. Then he asks about a specific word in his reading: who is my neighbor? The lack of clarity in his reading, wandering through texts or galleries without truly understanding, occasions the power of Jesus' teaching.

This fall we will read together. We will begin a study of Ephesians together, written by Bishop Daniel. We will begin to read our neighborhood together, by traveling through and paying close attention. We will continue to read Scripture together in worship, sometimes pondering what it means and in other times, as with my favorite piece of art or the funniest moments during my second reading of *Catcher in the Rye*, just relaxing into the delight God has prepared for us.

God's grace and peace be with you all!

Pastor Chris Hanley

A BIBLE STUDY OF EPHESIANS



Come, study the book of Ephesians. The study, written by Bishop Daniel Beaudoin, is an eight week series. You have two opportunities to participate.

★ **Tuesday evenings at 6 p.m.**
@ Glenwood
Sept. 19 – Nov. 7

★ **Wednesdays at noon**
@ Collingwood Presbyterian
(2108 Collingwood Blvd.)
Sept. 20 – Nov. 8

TUESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

It has been my honor and privilege to lead a Tuesday evening Bible Study for the past 10 years. During this decade, we studied the following books of the Bible: (2006-2007) **First Corinthians**, (2007-2008) **Mark**, (2008-2009) **John**, (2009-2010) **Romans**, (2010-2011) **Psalms**, (2012-2013) **Luke**, (2013-July) **Acts** (alternated with Pastor Melissa), (2013-2014) **Luke** (completed), (2014-July) **The AE10 Epistles** (Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians), (2014-2015) **Isaiah**, (2015-2016) **Isaiah**, and (2016-2017) **Genesis**.

Now the exciting news, Pastor Chris will begin an eight week Bible Study on Tuesday nights. I will take a sabbatical. I encourage as many of you that can to attend this Bible Study. Bible Study allows everyone to more deeply understand the Bible in a profoundly better way than simply listening to the lectionary on Sunday morning. Both Sharon and I are anxious to attend his classes.

Fred Henning



JOINT COMMEMORATION OF THE REFORMATION

From Conflict to Communion: Together in Hope

Sunday, September 10, 2017

Joint Prayer Service

3 P.M.

St. Michael the Archangel Roman Catholic Church

750 Bright Rd., Findlay

Led by Bishop Daniel E. Thomas, Catholic Diocese of Toledo & Bishop Daniel Beaudoin, Northwestern Ohio Synod of the ELCA.

MUSIC NOTES



Glenwood's Ding-a-ling Bell Choir continued to rehearse throughout the summer and delighted the congregation with two musical selections on Sunday, July 30.

Glenwood's Chancel Choir resumes Thursday rehearsals on September 7 at 5:45 p.m. All are welcome! Encourage anyone who loves to sing to join the choir.

THE ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC

July 30th

What a great day for a picnic! Thanks to everyone who invited family and friends. To all who helped make this event possible - from set up/clean up, grilling the burgers, and providing the delicious meal - thank you!



BIBLE VENTURES

Bible Ventures classes for our young people resume Sunday, September 10 following the Children's Message. Come for a time of fun and fellowship while learning about Jesus. Invite your friends to come too!

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

August 20, 2017



Finances: Council is investigating options for lowering the cost for insurance and utilities. Other approaches to funding are being explored.

Plans are underway for Adult Forums (learning for members on Sunday following worship) and outreach into the community.

Council meetings have been moved to the second Tuesday of the month, at 6:00 p.m. The September meeting is September 12, 2017.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

	WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	OFFERING	ACTUAL EXPENSES
July 2	44	\$2,385	
July 9	50	\$4,218	
July 16	45	\$4,505	
July 23	46	\$805	
July 30	74	\$1,892	
TOTAL		*\$13,805	\$15,599



Difference between Income and Expenses for the Month: \$1794

* Does not include gifts to Dedicated Accounts (Memorials, Benevolence, etc.)

SYNOD NEWS - 2018 MEDICAL MISSION TRIP

Since 1988 the Northwestern Ohio Synod has been in companionship with the Tanzanian Lutheran Church. We have exchanged ministries, pastors, missionaries, and our Bishops during this period of time.

Part of the companionship relationship includes sending a medical mission team on a mission trip, called "Tumaini," meaning hope. We went in 2012, 2016 and we are planning "Tumaini III" for July, 2018.

Do you have the gifts to be part of this mission trip and want to know more?

There will be an informational meeting on **Sunday, September 24 at 4:00 p.m. at Zion Lutheran Church**, 22 North Second St, Waterville OH. Please join us if you are interested in knowing more. If you have questions, please contact Pastor Steve Bauerle at [419-878-0266](tel:419-878-0266) or email pszion@roadrunner.com.

NEW ARRIVAL



Nora Sloan Fields was born August 22, 2017 to Katie and Brandon

Fields. She joins Skyler and Trace in the family. The happy grandparents are Julie & Mike Navarre. Congratulations!



Birthdays This Month

- 1 – Jim Delker
- 6 – Ainsley Bokesch
- 8 – Chrissy Finch
- 9 – Abby Soucek
- 10 – Dorothy Harris
- 11 – Megan Pawlaczyk
Karen Rosar
- 14 – Dee Talmage
- 15 – Collette Hauge
- 16 – Wayne Blanchard II
- 17 – Gary Bunting
- 18 – Luopu Malakpa
- 19 – Marjorie Hartkopf
Madeleine Smith
- 23 – Debby Engers
David Merritt
- 24 – Ngina Brown
- 25 – Jerry Brucksieker
- 26 – Faith Miller
- 28 – Caden Soucek
- 30 – Lisa Petree

WE MOURN

Joanne F. Pearson, a long-time member of Glenwood, died August 12, at age 91. Born in Toledo, she graduated from Scott High School. On March 29, 1947, she married John “Jack” Pearson. A great-grandmother, Joanne was a homemaker, and enjoyed playing bridge and pinochle, knitting, crocheting, bowling, and tending to her flowers. She also volunteered at the gift shop at MCO for more than 15 years. Her funeral service was held at Glenwood on August 17 with her grandson, Pr. Lucas Merritt presiding.



Evelyn R. “Evie” Welty died August 13, 2017. She was 98. Evelyn, a member of Glenwood all her life, was baptized here on April 6, 1919 and confirmed on March 29, 1931. She graduated from Scott High School in 1937 and married Kenneth Welty on March 18, 1939. She worked as a cook for the Toledo Public Schools for over 30 years. At Glenwood, she participated in Persis Circle and Keenagers. Evelyn, a great- great-grandmother, enjoyed spending time with her family. Her funeral was held at Glenwood on August 19, with Pastor Chris officiating.

We offer our condolences to Joanne’s and Evelyn’s families and friends.

We also offer our heartfelt sympathy to Annelle Donaldson and Leslie Donaldson Uhlman. Lisa, Annelle’s daughter and Leslie’s twin sister, died unexpectedly August 17 in Tennessee.

CHILDREN’S DAY IN THE PARK

This event, sponsored by the Old West End is Sunday, October 1. It brings OWE children together for a fun filled afternoon of bounce house, crafts, games, face painting, zoo animals, food, and more.



Volunteers are needed to make this a great event for the children. If you can volunteer, contact Melody Brewer at 419-944-4141 or melody.brewer@utoledo.edu.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Becky B., Jerry Bell, Karen Billings, Carol C., Tom Dellinger, Annelle Donaldson, Steve & Sandy Drake, Becky Hansen, Dave Heath, Therene Hollis, Dennis Johnson, Darnell K., Marty & John Knight, Loretta Kraft, Barbara & Dick Miller, Parker, Joseph Parnell, Jr., Kathy Pinkstaff, Charles & Mary Roberts, Esther Rochte, Ron, Jack Russell, SuAnn Snider, Samuel Williams, Tom Wright, and Annelle Donaldson and Leslie Donaldson Uhlman upon the death of Lisa.

MEET PARKER....

The People of Glenwood have been including Parker in our prayers for many months. On the day before Easter 2017, Parker (Brian J Miller's second cousin), age 9 years, was riding on an All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) when it tipped over, trapping him underneath. He was flown to the hospital and taken into surgery to remove a portion of his skull to give his very swollen brain more space. Parker has a severe traumatic brain injury. He spent two and half weeks in the PICU at St Vincent's Hospital in Toledo. As his family lives in the Cincinnati area, he was then transferred to Cincinnati Children's Rehab.

On July 7th (after 12 long weeks) Parker's ongoing recovery had allowed him to return home to his parents and siblings. He celebrated his 10th birthday in mid-July. His story is far from over. It appears God has big things planned for Parker and his family.

Follow his continued journey on the Facebook page: [Pray For Parker](#)

Thank you all for your continued prayers!

Brian & Paul

GREAT REFORMATION FAIRE

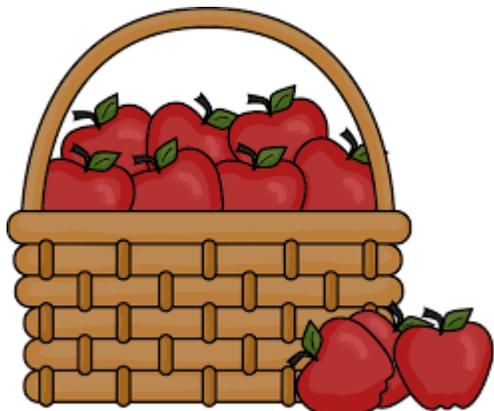
October 1, 2017 @ Reformation Lutheran Church, 4345 Douglas Rd., Toledo

The Medieval Worship Service begins at 12:30. Luther himself, in the guise of Pr. Keith Hunsinger, will deliver the sermon. Musica Antiqua de Toledo will enhance the worship with 16th century music played on instruments of the era. And of course, no celebration of the Reformation would be complete without the singing of Luther's hymns.

Following the service, the Faire will begin. It includes Martin & Katie Luther, knights, medieval craft demonstrations, food, children's activities, bingo, and more.



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Sunday Worship at 9:45 a.m.

Home of the Giving Store

Second Saturday of each month

Worship 9:45 - 10 a.m.

Store is open 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Doors close at 12:30 p.m.

Fourth Wednesday of each month
except Nov. & Dec.

Worship 1:45 - 2 p.m.

Store is open 2-4 p.m.

Doors close at 3:30 p.m.

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