

# THE GOOD NEWS

OF GOOD HOPE

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## Youth Giving Sunday

When do we recognize the youth of our Church? Baptisms, birthdays, 1<sup>st</sup> communion, confirmation, graduations- all very important events in their Church lives. But when are they heard, when do they have a voice in important matters of the Church? Congregational meetings.



To have voice during these meetings, they are required to have taken communion and give an offering of record at least one time during the calendar year.

Therefore, Sunday, November 14<sup>th</sup> will be recognized as Youth Giving Sunday at Good Hope. This will be an opportunity for all youth to give an offering to any fund they wish. Special envelopes will be used. We plan to have them available in the narthex, during Sunday School, or offerings can be mailed to the church.

I (we) believe the importance of this is twofold. It creates a responsibility of giving to what is important to them. Regardless of their age, they are making an offering to what they believe in. It also meets the "giving" portion of our voting requirements, noted in our constitutional by-laws, for congregational meetings.

Parents, Council and I hope you will support the introduction of Youth Giving Sunday. Thank you for your time and hopeful assistance.

Council President- Glenn Sivak

## New Member Classes

We are excited to be able to offer a series of classes for those interested in becoming members of Good Hope.

### New members are asked to attend a series of 3 classes...

October 31<sup>st</sup> – 10:05 to Noon – the Christian church  
 November 7<sup>th</sup> – 10:05 to Noon – the Lutheran church  
 November 14<sup>th</sup> – 10:05 to Noon – Good Hope

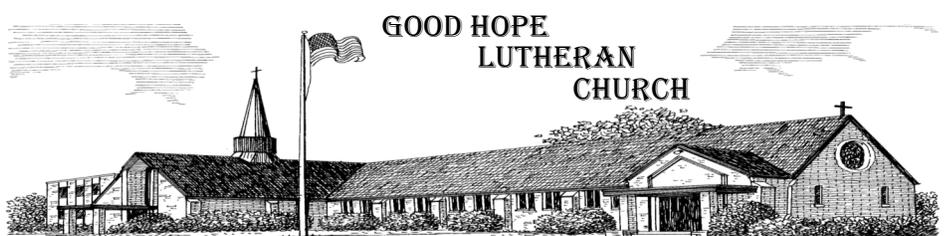
If you know anyone interested, maybe even someone who has been gathering with us online, please ask them to call the church office 330-782-8109. New members will be received on Christ the King Sunday, Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>.

Scan to pay or give.



E-Giving

Rev. Robert Quaintance, Pastor  
[www.Goodhopeboardman.org](http://www.Goodhopeboardman.org)



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 Boardman, Ohio 44512 • 330-782-8109

# Outreach

## Thanksgiving Dinner Donations

We are collecting items for Thanksgiving dinners to pass out through our food pantry: boxed stuffing mix, mash potato flakes, cranberry sauce, or jars turkey gravy.

Please bring in items and place them in the donation box in the narthex by Nov. 21st.



## Toys for Tots

Good Hope is once again participating in the U.S. Marines "Toys for Tots" program. All donations will be given to underprivileged children in our local area this Christmas. There is a large box downstairs near the carport doors where you can donate new, unwrapped gifts for kids of all ages from **now - December 10th**.



## Rescue Mission Collecting Undergarments



Support the Rescue Mission by donating new underwear, needed in all sizes for men, women and children.

Underwear and bras can be brought to the church and left in a donation box, also located in the narthex. Please contact Jan Kovach for more information.

## Operation Christmas Child

It's time to start filling shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Shoeboxes will be available in the Gathering Room before and after service or you can use a regular shoebox from home. **National Collection Week is Nov. 15-21.** Please join us!



Prayerfully fill your shoebox for either a boy or a girl in age groups, 2-4, 5-9, or 10-14 yrs., with a "WOW" item, small toys, school supplies and hygiene items. Please be sure to label your box with age and gender. And remember to include \$9.00 for international shipping or use "Follow the Box" option to track your box or to donate online. You can also sponsor someone else's box and pay for someone that can't afford shipping. You can pray for the children that receive the boxes and the adults that deliver them and share the Gospel. Let's try to reach our **goal of 80 boxes!**

The gift filled shoeboxes are a great evangelism tool for Pastors around the world. And each child will hear the Gospel, maybe for the first time.

**"What goes into the box is Fun, what comes out is Eternal!"**

## You shop. Amazon gives.

- Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the charitable organization of your choice.
- Good Hope is registered on Amazon Smile, as is Camp Frederick.
- AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know. Same products, same prices, same service.
- Support your charitable organization by starting your shopping at [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com).

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## Stay Tuned! Disaster Response Event

A team from Good Hope saw first hand the work being done at the NALC Disaster Response Warehouse (see photos on page 6). They saw a need, and are excited to help fill it.

In the spring, we will host a "Stuff the Truck" event for Disaster Response here at Good Hope! The event is in the planning stage, but we are excited to what Good Hope can do for those in need around the U.S.



You might sponsor a flood bucket, you might physically pack a bucket and load in onto the truck. More details will be available soon. If you would like to get involved, please see Paula Barany or call the church office.

# Fellowship & Ministry

## Lay Ministry Assistant Karen Biggs

Email:

KarenB@  
GoodHopeBoardman.org

## Priscilla Circle

The ladies of Priscilla Circle will meet on November 9th at 2:00pm. All women of the church are invited to meet in the Parlor for fellowship, dessert, and devotion.

At our November meeting, we will be preparing Christmas care packages to deliver to our homebound members.

## Care Note Ministry

Our Care Note coordinator, Mary Helminiak added greeting cards that you can use to keep in touch with church friends, and others that might need a little reminder of how special they are to you.

Please stop by and take a look. You will find each Care note booklet contains words of encouragement and hope. All of the materials in the rack are free to take for yourself or someone experiencing a need.

**CareNotes**<sup>TM</sup>

## Media Team Helpers

Our Media Team works to provide sound & projection during worship and quality online access to worship for those who are at home.

Before adding a 2nd service at Good Hope, several more volunteers are needed.

No previous experience is required. If you want to be a help our ministry expand, please contact Pastor Bob or Mike Summers.



## Email Prayer Chain

If you would like to join the email prayer chain, please email Nancy Brown at [NCB2REB@gmail.com](mailto:NCB2REB@gmail.com)

## Archives Corner

Atop the Archives cabinet in the narthex you will see displayed a lovely remembrance pillow, created by Priscilla Circle members in memory of their Sister in Faith, the late Emma Blackstone Moore. The women each stitched a personal thought on the reverse side in many pretty colors. Truly a "Labor of Love"!



## Newsletters by Email

Would you like to help Good Hope save paper, ink and postage?

Email the church office at [office@goodhopeboardman.org](mailto:office@goodhopeboardman.org) and we will send you the newsletter as a PDF. If you have questions please call the church office during the week. You may also read the newsletter anytime on our website at [www.goodhopeboardman.org](http://www.goodhopeboardman.org).

## Altar Flowers Needed

11/14 – 2 vases

11/21 – 1 vase

11/28 – 2 vases

Please **print** your complete name on the space next to the date.

**Do not print your dedication on the chart.**

Flowers are \$22 per vase and you will receive a phone call or email as a reminder before your date.

## Newsletter Deadline

Please submit all information for the December Newsletter to the church office by December 17.

You can email it to:

[office@goodhopeboardman.org](mailto:office@goodhopeboardman.org)

or you can call or stop by the church office.

Thank you!

**The more you miss  
church, the less you  
miss church.  
Be careful. It's time to  
return.**

# Celebrate

## Camp Frederick Christmas Festival

We at camp are actively planning camp's first Christmas Festival to be held on Saturday, December 11, 2021, from 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 pm. The vision is to have families of all ages come and experience a live nativity, lighted hiking trails and a Christmas Village. To make this endeavor a success we will need lots of volunteers and donations of various items.

Volunteer opportunities include things to be done in advance such as: hanging lights in the trees and on the cabins in the upper meadow, assembling decorations at each cabin (transforming them into a gingerbread house, Santa's house, Santa's toyshop and a game house), making luminarias from collected plastic jugs, painting props, wrapping faux presents for Santa's sleigh, knitters or crocheters for making scarves for carolers, and baking cookies to sell for refreshments.

Opportunities for the day of include: parking attendants, people movers, Christmas carolers, people to help children decorate cookies, make crafts, run three simple games, sell refreshments, keep fires going in the fire rings for warming stations and more.

Please consider joining us to make this the first of many Christmas Festivals at Camp Frederick. If you would like to volunteer, please call **Sue Sivak at: 330-719-1974**. To donate plastic jugs or cookies call **Debbie Gilbert at: 330-757-2975**. *(There is a space in the Gathering Room to leave clean plastic gallon milk and water jugs.)*



## Concert Corner

Check out details for these contemporary Christian concerts!

**Mercy Me: Inhale (Exhale) Tour** with Micah Tyler on Saturday, November 20th. The concert starts at 7pm at PPG Paints Arena (1001 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh PA 15219).

**Amy Grant & Michael W. Smith Christmas** on Wednesday December 8th at The University of Akron's EJ Thomas Hall (198 Hill Street, Akron 44325). Concert starts at 7:30pm. Ticket prices start at \$45.

**TobyMac: Hits Deep Tour** on Saturday April 2nd, 2022. Concert starts at 7pm at the Petersen Events Center in Pittsburgh. (3719 Terrace St. Pittsburgh, PA 15261).

**For King & Country: Burn the Ships Tour** on April 3rd. The concert is scheduled for Sunday April 3rd, 2022 from 7pm -11pm. Also at Petersen Events Center in Pittsburgh. (3719 Terrace St. Pittsburgh, PA 15261).

## Pastor Bob– Shepherding Good Hope for 30 Years

We have an awesome reason to celebrate and be thankful! Pastor Bob has been Good Hope's shepherd for 30 years!

**October 6, 1991– October 6, 2021**

On December 5, we will honor his service with a "shower" of sorts. Members are encouraged bring envelopes full of their thankfulness (greeting cards, personal messages, gift cards... whatever you choose) to honor Pastor Bob's faithfulness to our congregation.

He has been a humble servant and has often said that there are volunteers within our congregation that deserve to be honored more than he does. However, **30 YEARS** is a **BIG** deal. Additional plans are being made for the 5th.

Please join in celebrating Pastor Bob, humbly, with your shower of messages of thankfulness.

**Bring your messages and yourselves to church on December 5th!**



## More to Share



### Christmas Poinsettias



If you would like to order a **RED** Poinsettia to be placed in the church sanctuary on Christmas Eve please fill out form below and please include payment with your order. **The order deadline is Wednesday, November 24th, please!**

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Poinsettias ordered \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$8.50 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Payment Due with this Order. Please make checks payable to Good Hope Lutheran Church.

Large white Poinsettias (limited number) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$24.75 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

For the Bulletin Insert (**Please Print**):

Given By \_\_\_\_\_

### Remind Me Again and Again, part II

**I don't need to be anxious.** *"Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God." (Philippians 4:6)*

Children of God don't need to be anxious. We don't need to worry so much if we lay our burdens at His feet, knowing He is strong enough to handle the things we cannot. We can feel secure in God and the final outcome. Not only that, he promises that He is working all things to our benefit. Remember He loves us, children of God, and asks us to cast all of our worries upon Him.



**I should pray for my enemies.** *"But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you." (Matthew 5:44)*

This verse may seem countercultural, but we need to be reminded that it is biblical. It may take determination and effort to pray for those who are set against us. Children of God don't need to treat enemies the way they treat us, finding a good comeback, or the most hurtful way to fight. Our world seems determined to pit one side against another. Praying for an enemy may never change them, but it will change you.

### Special Services

#### Youth Giving Sunday

Nov. 14 – Details on page 1.

#### Thankfulness Sunday

Nov. 28 – Special focus on thanks during 9:00am worship.

#### Pastor Recognition Sunday

Dec. 5 – Details on page 4.

#### Sunday School Pageant

Sunday Dec. 19 – Our youngest members share to good news during 9am worship with the story "A Christmas to Believe In".

#### Christmas Eve

Friday Dec. 24 –  
Candlelight & Communion  
4pm Contemporary  
7pm Traditional

# Christian Education

## Sunday School & Youth

**Paula Barany**

Email:  
PaulaB@  
GoodHopeBoardman.org

### Sunday School

Sunday School is for all ages from September through May at Good Hope. Adult Classes may continue during the summer months.

Classes begin at 10:05am.

**2021-2022**

### Sunday School Staff

#### Adult Class

Lennie Hall

#### Children & Youth Classes:

PreK-Kindergarten:

**TEACHER NEEDED**

1st - 3rd Grade:

Carole Swope

4th - 6th Grade:

Jasen Pekella

7th & 8th Grade:

Karen Biggs

High School:

Greg Maurer

Substitute: Cindy Wynn

Paula Barany

## Christmas Pageant Casting Call

It's time to get excited about Christmas! We are looking for at least 8-12 children to participate in this year's Christmas program, "A Christmas to Believe In". The program will run during service on December 19th.

All actors and narrators will need to attend rehearsals on Tuesday November 30<sup>th</sup> 6:00-8:00pm, and Tuesday December 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00-8:00pm. I am hoping to pull this off with only the 2 rehearsals, so please be prepared to do a little practicing at home.



I will be visiting each classroom looking for volunteers. Please check your calendar and make sure your child/children are available for rehearsals and for the program date, so they know if they can sign up for the pageant.

Thank you, Paula

## Mission Trip to NALC Disaster Response Warehouse

Thank you to all volunteers who traveled with us to the NALC's Disaster Response Warehouse in Caldwell, Ohio! We filled over 100 flood buckets! Thank you Lowe's for donating some of those buckets and to everyone at Good Hope who donated other supplies. Everyone did an amazing job!

The site in Caldwell is a national warehouse for NALC Disaster Response. They are constantly stocking and packing and sending supplies for relief efforts across the U.S. See more at <https://thenalc.org/projects/disaster-response-updates/>

Good Hope plans for support NALC Disaster Response in a big way this spring with a "Stuff the Truck Event." See page 2.



# Memorials, NALC & Community News

## Memorials

- ✠ A gift was given to the Memorial Fund by Virginia Tohm & Family in memory of her beloved husband Glenn Tohm.



## In Sympathy

- ✠ Prayers of sympathy for Virginia Tohm & Family on the passing of her loving husband Glenn Tohm.
- ✠ Prayers of sympathy for Elaine Beck & family on the passing of her loving brother Walter English.
- ✠ Prayers of sympathy for Brian Williamson & Cindy Campbell on the passing of her loving mother Margaret Campbell.
- ✠ Prayers of sympathy for Brian Williamson & Cindy Campbell on the passing of his beloved father Robert Williamson.
- ✠ Prayers of sympathy for Terry & Elaine Holdt and family on the passing of their cousin John Schenkelberg.

## Thanksgiving Prayer

*This Thanksgiving, let those of us who have much and those who have little gather at the welcoming table of the Lord.*

*At this blessed feast, may rich and poor alike remember that we are called to serve one another and to walk together in God's gracious world.*

*With thankful hearts, we praise our God who like a loving parent denies us no good thing.  
Amen*



## Butterfly Garden

Remember loved ones in our Memorial Butterfly Garden. Bricks are 8x8x2 1/4" and can be engraved with your loved ones name(s) and/or a Bible verse. The cost is \$35 which includes the engraving, shipping, and the laying of the bricks.



## September Newsletter Highlights

- Convocation hears vision updates, affirms decisions on office and assistants.
- Photos from 2021 NALC Mission Convocation.
- Mission Convocation elects members of Executive Council and Court of Adjudication.
- 2022 budgets approved.
- Bishop Selbo's report to 2021 Mission Convocation.
- Bishop Selbo's sermon opening the convocation.
- Flooding damages Mekane Yesus Seminary in Ethiopia, eight people die at seminary.
- A call to prayer for Ethiopia and EECMY.
- Small and rural churches matter — Ministry Matters from Pastor David Wendel.
- NALC Disaster Response Hurricane Ida update.
- Ordination anniversaries recognized at convocation.
- Congregation anniversaries recognized at convocation.
- Youth and family ministry.
- NALC congregations to consider whether to ratify constitutional amendments.
- Martin Luther's Theology of Beauty: A Reappraisal is focus of "NALS Reads."

**Complete printed copies of the NALC Newsletter can be found in the wall rack just outside our sanctuary doors.**

For more information on NALC stories, please visit <https://thenalc.org/>

## Bereavement Resources

### Surviving the Holidays — Virtual Grief Workshop



Grief is stressful at any time of year, but at times of celebration the pain can be almost unbearable. If we love deeply we will grieve deeply.

Pain and loss are often magnified by the pressures and expectations of the holiday season. Seasons promoted for feelings of joy and happiness often seem only to deepen the feelings of loss, aloneness and separation. So, how do we survive the holidays as we grieve?

**When:** Wednesday November 10<sup>th</sup> 2021 at 7:00 PM  
Tuesday December 7<sup>th</sup> 2021 at 7:00 PM

**Where:** Hosted via Zoom online

**Email** [jbower@ghospice.com](mailto:jbower@ghospice.com) for an Zoom Invitation

There is no cost for those who register for the workshop.

# Benevolence, Opportunities, & Scripture Nuggets

## 2021 Benevolence Donations

Jan.	Sojourner House	\$172
Feb.	Fish Samaritan House	\$185
Mar.	Lutheran World Relief	\$273
Apr.	VBS	\$224
May	Needy Fund	\$175
June	Grief Camp	\$180
Jul	Shepherd of the Valley	\$206
Aug	GH Youth Outreach	\$125
Sept.	Chi Alpha	\$210
Oct.	Hospice of the Valley -	
Nov.	Lutheran Military Veterans & Families -	
Dec.	Rescue Mission -	

## World Hunger Money

September Hunger collection was given to NALC disaster relief \$390.04

## Designated Envelope Benevolence

November



## Benevolent Giving to Lutheran Military Veterans

Mission 1: Direct Care— Lutheran Military Veterans & Families, Inc. provides free counseling, general assessments, assistance with obtaining care and resources necessary to the veteran, their family members, as well as military contractors. LMVFM does not provide clients with financial resources, but they do assist our veterans with obtaining the resources they need.



Unlike the VA who exclude veterans who do not meet specific economically driven criteria, LMVFM serves any veteran who comes to them in need. If a person has served in uniform or as a member of the military contracting community, they as well as their family members are eligible for care.

Mission 2: Training & Assistance for Civilian Caregivers— They provide training programs for civilian care providers, therapists, counselors, clergy, and just about anyone that wants to be better equipped to work with veterans and their families.

They provide members, congregations, groups and other supporters with the most current information on a wide range of issues that affect our military community members. They are available to assist congregations in the development of their mission outreach programs to veterans and their families and provide resources to congregations and groups regarding various military issues.

## Daily Nuggets

Each day offers a selection (or nugget) from next Sunday's reading.

We invite you to meditate daily on a portion of God's Word.

Join Pastor Bob on Good Hope's Facebook page for a devotional at 7:00 p.m., Monday - Thursday.

Nov. 1 - Revelation 7:2-8	Nov. 16 - Psalm 93
Nov. 2 - Revelation 7:9-12	Nov. 17 - Revelation 1:4b-6
Nov. 3 - Revelation 7:13-17	Nov. 18 - Revelation 1:7-8
Nov. 4 - Psalm 149	Nov. 19 - Mark 13:24-27
Nov. 5 - 1 John 3:1-3	Nov. 20 - Mark 13:28-31
Nov. 6 - Matthew 5:1-6	Nov. 21 - Mark 13:31-37
Nov. 7 - Matthew 4:7-12	Nov. 22 - Deuteronomy 8:1-10
Nov. 8 - Daniel 12:1-3	Nov. 23 - Psalm 67
Nov. 9 - Psalm 16	Nov. 24 - Philippians 4:4-9
Nov. 10 - Hebrews 10:11-14	Nov. 25 - Philippians 4:10-23
Nov. 11 - Hebrews 10:15-18	Nov. 26 - Luke 17:11-19
Nov. 12 - Hebrews 10:19-25	Nov. 27 - Luke 21:25-33
Nov. 13 - Mark 13:1-8	Nov. 28 - Luke 21:34-38
Nov. 14 - Mark 13:9-14	Nov. 29 - Malachi 3:1-7b
Nov. 15 - Isaiah 51:4-6	Nov. 30 - Psalm 66:1-12

## Birthdays & Thank You Notes



- 2 Erica Green
- 3 Marie Rupert
- 4 Terry Ludban
- 5 Greg Simcox  
Evelyn Moore
- 7 Megan Kauffman
- 8 Marta Evans
- 9 Jim Cliff  
Annette Grazier  
Cathy Tullis  
Edwin Cuevas
- 10 Peg Susany  
Joyce Hanley  
Pam Humphrey  
Bonnie Lizotte
- 11 Robert Arellano
- 12 Carson Maurer  
Scott Wiand Jr.  
Priscilla Marotti
- 13 Angelina Nespeca
- 14 Jan Kovack  
Harold Penwell
- 15 Jason Stilson Jr.  
Michael Arellano
- 16 Alyssa Jenkins  
Lucas Morris
- 17 Cheryl Dyer  
Tom Basista  
Jon-Paul Lizotte
- 19 Todd Harris  
John Pagac  
Joanie Duffey  
Ally Vouvalis
- 20 Kurt Zabel  
Ryleigh DeLisio
- 22 Charles Gilbert  
Lennie Hall  
Randi Niddel
- 23 Laura MacCartney  
Jill Gerthung  
Carol Rupert
- 24 Debbie Boyce
- 25 Thomas Morris
- 26 Mike Summers  
Elaine Holdt
- 27 Dohn Flick
- 29 Lyndsie Erdy  
Vinnie Marotti

Dear Friends in Christ,

Through you, God is making miracles happen here in the Mahoning Valley this fall season!

Because you gave so generously, your hurting neighbors caught in the grip of addiction will find the strength to break free. Those struggling with poverty will learn skills they need to build a brighter future. Many without safe shelter will find a place to rest... and even the courage to escape homelessness completely.

You are providing opportunities for clients and guests of the Rescue Mission of Mahoning Valley to hear the Gospel and have hope for a better life! As people in our community continue to need help, your continued support is deeply appreciated.

Thank you for providing a lifeline of hope to transform hearts and lives at the **Rescue Mission of the Mahoning Valley**.

In His Name,  
John Muckridge III  
CEO/President



Dear Congregation,

Thank you for your gift. For **Camp Fredrick**. We are grateful and humbled by your faithful stewardship of God's good gifts. Your prayers and gifts make a difference!

Thank you again for including Camp Frederick in your giving plan.

Blessings of peaceful  
grace,  
Matt Miller  
Director

Dear Good Hope Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your generosity in supporting **Youngstown State Chi Alpha**. You help make it possible for students to be reached with the Gospel. God is doing some amazing things among our students.

Praying God's blessings in all that you do.

Love,  
Joe & Angela

Thank you for your generous gift. Your giving helps people around the world access God's life-changing Word in their own language.

Wycliffe Bible Translators

# Council Notes

## Council Meeting Notes

Meeting at 6:00 pm October 19, 2021  
 Members Present: 10  
 Visitors Present: 0

### Motions

September Minutes approved  
 Treasurer's report read and approved  
 Read Pastor's report

A motion was made to designate November 14, 2021 as "Youth Giving Sunday"; November 28, 2021 as "Thankfulness Sunday"; and December 5, 2021 as "Pastor Recognition Sunday" was made. The motion passed.

A motion was made to approve Lil Williamson and Jenefer Basista as authorized signers on the Hennessy Investment Fund (Christian Education Fund). The motion passed.

Discussion was held regarding the change of names of Funds #24; #27 & #28. Names will be decided upon by the Stewardship Committee prior to the next council meeting.

Discussion was continued concerning donations by youth to encourage giving and their participation in voting at the next congregational meeting.

### Committee Reports

Worship – Met on 10/13/2021 to discuss guidance from the constitution, scope of work in preparation of service by Pastor and others and the schedule for 2022. Also discussed was future services and upcoming Christmas services. Worship Committee will meet again on 11/10/2021.

Education – *Did not meet.*

Evangelism – Discussion was held concerning continuation of Operation Christmas Child and Tots for Tots. Information to the congregation via Newsletter and worship on-screen announcements will follow.

### 2021 Current Fund Report

**To meet our budget, we need \$5,518.25 every week.**  
**September average weekly income was \$4,340.72**  
**YTD income has averaged \$4,859.49**  
**Our YTD expenses are 9.3% below budget.**

	June		Year to Date
Income	\$ 18,084.65	Beginning Balance	\$ 21,399.49
Expenses	\$ 23,549.47	Income	\$ 194,367.92
Difference	\$ (5,464.82)	Expenses	\$ 194,657.21
		YTD Balance	\$ (\$289.29)
		Ending Balance	\$ 21,110.20

### Committee Reports Continued

Stewardship - met on 10/17 to discuss renaming three funds as noted above. Also discussed was a plan to encourage confirmed youth to make financial contributions allowing them to vote at congregational meetings.

Fellowship – *Did not meet.*

Property – Plumbing was fixed in the men's room by a plumber. Time on outdoor sign was changed to reflect worship time change. A bee's nest was discovered and removed. The rope to the flag pole broke and a new flag was replaced by BFD.

Other Committee Reports – *None.*

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. The motion passed and we closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Diane Pallai, Recording Secretary



### Council Officers 2021

*President*      *Glenn Sivak*  
*Vice President*   *Bill Clemons*  
*Secretary*        *Diane Pallai*  
*Treasurer*        *Tom Metzler*  
*Financial Sec.*   *Erin Sturuss*

## Praise & Thanksgiving

**Question:** What happened 400 years ago, this fall?

**Answer:** The Pilgrims celebrated this first thanksgiving at the conclusion of their fall harvest.

Last month, the worship committee decided to set aside the Sunday of Thanksgiving weekend, the 28th, as a time for members and visitors of Good Hope to gather together to celebrate Thanksgiving and to offer our personal and congregational thanks and praise to the Lord for his many blessings over the past year, and even the last 20 months of the changes brought by coronavirus.

Please text or email me with items you are thankful for so I can include them in the prayers of thanksgiving that day.

I recently read of Smith Wigglesworth who preached in England about 10 or 20 years after our civil war. He went through some very hard times. Smith wrote, "Great faith is a product of great fights. Great testimonies are the outcome of great tests, Great triumphs can only come out of great trials."

Like the poster on my door says, it is NOT true that "God won't give you more than you can handle." Instead, the Bible says, "We do not want you to be uniformed...about the troubles we experienced... We were under great pressure, far beyond our ability to endure, so that we despaired of life itself. ...But this happened that we might not rely on ourselves but on God, who raises the dead." 2 Corinthians 1:8-9

Even in the midst of trouble, in the very midst of trouble, God has profoundly blessed us; just like he did the Pilgrims.

The Pilgrims journeyed for two months across the calm and stormy seas to arrive at Plymouth Rock about December of 1620. They lived on board ship for another month as shelters were built. During the first year in the new land, half of the 102 Pilgrims died. In the fall of 1621, the Pilgrims planned to gather for a time of sorrow for those who had died. However, as they looked around, they discovered the ever-present hand of God's grace. Some lives had been spared, friendly Native Americans had helped them plant crops, and the first harvest time had come. As the Pilgrims' eyes were turned from their hardships to their blessings, their hearts were turned from sorrow to thanksgiving.

With a heart of thanksgiving, the Pilgrims invited 50 Native Americans to a feast of wild turkey and deer as well as produce from the harvest. The feasting and thanksgiving lasted for three days. These simple, Godly people remembered God's blessings and gave thanks.

**Please join us for our Thanksgiving Service  
on Sunday, Nov. 28th.**

Along with contemporary Christian music, we will sing traditional thanksgiving hymns like: "For the Fruit of All Creation", "Now Thank We All Our God", and Praise and Thanksgiving".

Let's join together in sharing testimonies of God's goodness and mercy. Let's make this OUR Thanksgiving Service.

- Pastor Bob

## Thanksgiving Proclamation 1863 (excerpt)

We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of heaven; we have been preserved these many years in peace and prosperity; we have grown in numbers, wealth and power as no other nation has ever grown. But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us, and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us. It has seemed to me fit and proper that God should be solemnly, reverently, and gratefully acknowledged, as with one heart and one voice, by the whole American people. I do therefore invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November as a day of Thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the heavens.



## Sunday Worship

9:00 am in person or stream live from home at:  
<https://www.goodhopeboardman.org>  
10:05 am Sunday School

## Midweek Casual Outdoor Worship & Communion

5:30 p.m. every Wednesday—in the main parking lot

### Church Staff

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# NALC

North American Lutheran Church

Good Hope Lutheran Church has served the Boardman and Mahoning Valley for over 90 years

proclaiming the message of Jesus, supporting local ministries, and sharing His hope and love with all.

Good Hope is a congregation of the NALC, uniting more than 145,000 Lutherans in 450 congregations across North America. The NALC embodies the theological center of Lutheranism in North America.

The NALC is a church family committed to the authority of the Bible as the inspired Word of God. In keeping with the Lutheran Confessions, we believe all doctrines should and must be judged by the teaching of Scripture.

The NALC has embraced four core values which shape our common life: Christ-Centered, Mission-Driven, Traditionally-Grounded, and Congregationally-Focused. We are a church centered on the unique Gospel of Jesus Christ, animated by missions and evangelism, grounded in the 2,000 year tradition of Christian faith, and organized chiefly to serve our congregations.

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