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## Ash Wednesday February 22 2023



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Rev. Robert Quaintance, Pastor  
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## Love Sunday

Good Hope will celebrate Love Sunday this year on **February 12<sup>th</sup>**. During worship, we'll set aside time to honor the love that God has for each of us as individuals, to honor the love that holds together marriages, and the love that binds and heals families. If you and your spouse will be celebrating an anniversary ending in "0" or "5" during 2023, and you're not sure the office has you on file, please call and tell us your wedding date.

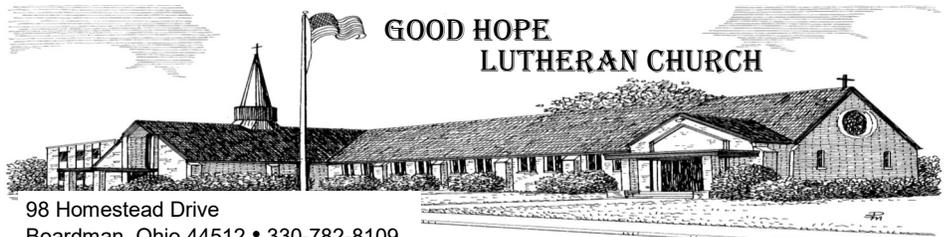


Love Sunday is for all of us, a reminder to love as we were first loved by God. Some of the words you will hear during our liturgy on Love Sunday are these: *"Teach us, O God, to love our neighbors near and far, to see the world as one in Christ. Help us to be tender to the ones we love the most and gracious to the ones we love the least."* When we love others in His name, they experience a taste of His love.

## Ash Wednesday— Preparing for the Journey

**Ash Wednesday is February 22nd and services will be offered at 11am and 7pm.** Can you imagine the road to the cross? Jesus knew His father's will. He would die, take on all sin, and give us new life. Could his disciples understand? The road to Jerusalem and the cross was demanding, yet Jesus continued to forgive, love, and teach them. The cross looked like defeat, but the journey through it led to victory!

When Christ was with his disciples, they listened, they learned, they questioned. Disciples today continue to do the same. **Lenten Wednesday Services will be at 11am and 7pm on March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29.** Throughout Lent in 2023, we will engage with the NALC's Life-to-Life experience, remembering Hebrews 12:1b-2 *"let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God."*



## Fellowship & Ministry

### Lay Ministry Assistant

**Karen Biggs**

KarenB@  
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### Email Prayer Chain

If you would like to join the email prayer chain, please email Nancy Brown at NCB2REB@gmail.com and she will put you on the group to be emailed with prayers requested by our members.



### Priscilla Circle

We had a delightful Christmas Party with snacks and a white elephant gift exchange. Thank you to all for who joined us for a wonderful afternoon!

During the months of January and February we take a break due to the likelihood of weather cancellations.

### Men's Group

A men's study group is meeting Monday evenings at 7pm at Panera Bread in Canfield. All are welcome! For in more information, please contact Lennie Hall, Dean Rowthorn or Bill Clemons.

### Newsletter Submission Deadline

Please submit all info for the January newsletter to the church office by February 16th.

Email submissions to office@goodhopeboardman.org or you can call or stop by the church office. THANK YOU!

### Lenten Soup Suppers

The fellowship committee will host soup suppers next month! Start looking up recipes and sign up to bring in soup, a loaf of bread or a dessert. It will be good to gather again.

The meal is simple; the time together wonderful. The first meal is scheduled for March 1st at 6pm. There is a sign up sheet in the Gathering Room for those interested in providing soup or other items.



### Life-to-Life Discipleship Experience: Phase 2

It's not too late to join in the experience! Join us for large group sessions on Wednesdays in February on the 1st & 15th at 6:30pm in the Gathering Room. Learn more about how we are connecting to God and one another.

Participants will be asked to:

1. Spend personal time with God each day in prayer and meditation on his Word.
2. Meet with one or two others between sessions for discipleship conversations.
3. Meet every two weeks with the large group to process what we have learned, share insights from our daily devotions and time together in small groups, and spend time in prayerful preparation for our next area of focus.

Meetings in March will be adjusted to fit our Lenten schedule. Details coming soon.



NALC  
**life-to-life**  
DISCIPLESHIP

### Altar Flowers Needed

1 vase for 2/19  
2 vase for 2/26

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. You will receive a phone call or email reminder before your date.

### Constant in Prayer Part 1

Scripture tells us to "pray without ceasing" (1 Thess. 5:17). Prayer can move mountains (Matt. 17:20) and invites the power, peace, and wisdom of God into every area of our lives.

We say "Thank God" or "Praise the Lord" when circumstances go our way, or when God answers a prayer. Sometimes it's quite a different story when the unpleasant or unwanted comes our way. Yet, 1 Thess. 5:18 says: "in every – thing give thanks; for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus."

When we thank God for even hurtful and burdensome circumstances, we are being obedient and allowing Him to mold us into people of deeper faith and trust in Him.

*Lord, thank You for this day and for your love. I praise You that I'm able to face this day. Thank You for the things that come my way that I won't understand and please use them to mold me into the image of Your Son. Thank You for the promise that my salvation has already been accomplished through Christ's work on the cross. I pray in Jesus' name. Amen.*

# Christian Education

## Souper Bowl of Caring

On February 12th our youth will be collecting donations for Souper Bowl of Caring. Each week, our Sunday school teachers feed their students with good lessons about Jesus, generosity, God's grace and God's love. They reassure our children that they are loved by God and by the church. Please support and encourage our youth.

The Souper Bowl of Caring helps empower youth, unite communities and inspire care and compassion for others. By working together to [#TackleHunger](#), Souper Bowl of Caring can demonstrate how collective efforts make a significant impact for our neighbors in need.



When you see them holding empty soup pots, please fill them with your monetary donations. Our youth will then be able to impact the hunger and poverty right here in our community. 100% of the money and food will be given to Good Hope's food pantry.

Please give by cash, by check made out to "Good Hope" with Souper Bowl in the memo line, or by making a special online donation.

*Dear friends, since God loved us that much, we surely ought to love each other. No one has ever seen God. But if we love each other, God lives in us, and His love is brought to full expression in us." (1 John 4:9-12)*

## Valentine's Day Game & Movie Night Parents' Night Out

On Tuesday February 14th, we'll be hosting a family game and movie night at Good Hope from 6-8pm. Parents are welcome to stay with their children and enjoy a fun evening here at church, or drop the kids off and go out for a sweetheart dinner!



## First Communion – Important Dates!

Calling all 3<sup>rd</sup> graders! First Communion Classes are tentatively scheduled for Saturday February 25<sup>th</sup>, and Saturday March 11<sup>th</sup>. All 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students are invited to attend both classes. Families will receive more information in the mail soon. If you know anyone else, younger or older, who feels ready to prepare themselves for their first communion, please contact the church office.



In addition to classes, an overnight First Communion Retreat at Camp Frederick is scheduled for Friday March 3<sup>rd</sup> through Saturday the 4<sup>th</sup>. **First Communion Sunday will be March 26th!** Members of Good Hope, please pray for the youth and their leaders as they learn more about the sacrament of Holy Communion.

## Sunday School & Youth

**Paula Barany**

Email:  
PaulaB@  
GoodHopeBoardman.org

## Sunday School

Sunday School is for all ages from September through May at **10:05am**.

## 2022-2023 Sunday School Staff

### Adult Classes

Lennie Hall  
Nina Quaintance

### **Children & Youth Classes:**

PreK- Kindergarten  
Kerrie Wiand

1st - 3rd Grade  
Carole Swope

4th - 6th Grade  
Julia and Brennan Gorby

Confirmation  
Pastor Bob & Karen Biggs

High School  
Greg Maurer

# Benevolent Giving, NALC Updates & More

## 2022-23 Envelope & Online Benevolent Contributions

Nov. (2022) Lutheran Military Veterans & Families \$241  
Dec. (2022) Rescue Mission \$300  
Jan. (2023) Sojourner House  
Feb. Pregnancy Help Center  
Mar. Lutheran World Relief  
Apr. VBS & Youth Outreach  
May Needy Fund  
June Grief Camp  
July Shepherd of the Valley  
Aug. VBS & Youth Outreach  
Sept. Chi Alpha  
Oct. Hospice of the Valley

## World Hunger Money

World Hunger money will be collected on the 3rd Sunday, February 19th. The total collected for December 2022 was \$339.37

## From Christmas 2022 Offering

Protestant Family Service \$235  
GH Needy Fund \$235

## Tithes from Current Fund

NALC \$1368.78  
Journey of Faith \$273.76  
Davis Family (Fundacion Fuente De Amor) \$136.88  
Katterhenrick Family \$136.88  
NEO Mission District \$136.88



## Butterfly Memorial Garden Bricks

For nearly 2½ years, we have had the opportunity to order dedicated bricks for Good Hope's lovely Butterfly Memorial Garden. The committee has been getting bids from several paving companies. The time has finally come to have the bricks laid. BUT it's not too late to order a brick or two in memory of a loved one. Names and dedications for the initial order will be accepted through March 1, 2023. Please remember, the cost is \$35. Order forms are outside Pastor's office. Thank you for your participation!

## February Benevolence: Pregnancy Help Center

Pregnancy Help Center is a medical facility offering services at no cost to women and men considering abortion. Clients learn about pregnancy, giving birth, child development, parenting, relationships, and life skills.

The center provides ongoing support (at no cost) for parents who keep pregnancies. They are located just around the corner from Good Hope at 4845 Market Street.



Pregnancy Help Center

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## Rescue Mission: Needs for February

This month the Mission is asking for donations of sugar, coffee and creamer. Sometimes the most comforting thing is a simple cup of coffee. Thank you for your generous support! Please drop off your donations in the narthex in the box marked with the Rescue Mission logo.



## NALC Newsletter Highlights—December 2022

- Christmas message from Bishop Dan Selbo.
- NALC Pastors' Conference to focus on Reclaiming Christian Anthropology.
- NALC leaders visit Ethiopia, Tanzania and Dubai — Ministry Matters from Pastor David Wendel.
- Photos of NALC office in Texas.
- Pastor Carol Fryer joins NALC missions staff.
- Dr. Gemechis Buba to serve NALC from Ethiopia.
- "Where in the world is Gemechis?" — Message from Pastor Amy Little, general secretary.
- NALC Executive Council update.
- NALC deans gather in Texas.
- "We have no children or youth or family ministry" — Message from Pastor Teresa Peters, director of Youth and Family Ministry.
- Faith Formation Festival planned for Carolinas Mission Region.
- NALC approved as military endorser by U.S. armed forces.
- NEXUS Institute seeks to raise up a new generation of church leaders.
- "It's All About the Relationship" NALS Zoom course.
- NALC Life Ministries update and March for Life information.
- NALS special event.

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/>



# Birthdays, Memorials, Thank You Notes



## February 2023

- 1 Bryan Ludban
- Brandee Stayer
- 3 Tom Metzler
- 4 Lee Durovcik
- 5 Nicole DeLuco
- Jack Burnett
- Kristen Perry
- 6 Rachel Susany
- Maggie Morris
- 7 Debbie Gilbert
- 8 Donna Flick
- Sandra Jackson
- Dreylin Pekalla
- 9 Rob Quaintance
- Shirley Burnett
- Ernst Wolter
- 12 Nina Quaintance
- Michael Nichols
- Janie Blasko
- Kennedy Robenolt
- 13 Kellie Streb
- Robert Held
- 14 Jack Kadilak
- 16 Nancy Brown
- Cindy Kurty
- Kalynn Robenolt
- 18 Maia Totterdale
- 21 Maria Culp
- 23 Lillian Hill
- William Humphrey
- 26 Kerrie Wiand
- 27 Ray Wilding

Dear Congregation,

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

Blessings of peaceful grace,  
Matt Miller, Director

Dear Good Hope,

On behalf of Meals on Wheels of Mahoning County, we would like to thank you. Your financial support helps our mission to continue assisting those in need.

Your generous gift enables us to deliver a hot meal to approximately 85 people, five days per week. You are helping to make our community a better place.

Sincerely,  
Patricia Clinkscales, Office Mgr.  
Kathleen Esseniya, President

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your recent gift to the ministry of Samaritan's Purse. We are deeply grateful for your partnership.

Since 1993, millions of gifts have been delivered to girls and boys all over the world with the invitation to follow Jesus, receiving Scripture in their own language. Thank you again, and may God bless you.

Sincerely,  
Franklin Graham

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your recent gift to Lutheran World Relief. You are changing lives in amazing ways. We'd love to show you examples of your gift in action.

Please visit [www.lwr.org](http://www.lwr.org) to receive the latest updates. Thank you again, and God bless you!

Warm Regards,  
Ambassador Daniel V. Speckhard  
President and CEO, LWR

Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

We want to thank you so much for your support. It has helped us grow our ministries over the last year. Prayers and best wishes for the coming year!

God's peace,  
Lori Rogers, Journey of Faith  
Lutheran, North Ridgeville, OH

## In Sympathy

- ✝ To Joyce Semple and family on the death of her sister-in-law Diana on January 5th.
- ✝ To Rusty Kihm and family on the death of his wife Karen on January 5th.
- ✝ To Nancy Dougherty and family on the death of her husband Luke, our brother in faith, on January 11th.

## Memorial Gifts

- ✝ A gift was given to the Needy Fund by Charles & Debbie Gilbert in memory of our brother in faith, Luke Dougherty.



My dear Good Hope Friends,  
Thank you for your prayers, cards, support and love during my recent illness and surgery. I am truly blessed by all of you!

Diane Pallai

Dear friends and members of Good Hope Lutheran,

We are grateful for your generous gift to Lutheran Military Veterans and Families Ministries, Inc. You are a great blessing to our Christ-centered work with veterans, military contractors, and their families.

Just so you know, we also appreciate being a designated as a recipient of Thrivent Choice Dollars. Thrivent members can designate 2022 Choice Dollars through March 31, 2023.

Together in His Service,  
CH Leslie Haines, (MAJ) ret.,  
LMVFM Executive Director

# Council Notes & Reports

Meeting at 6:00 p.m. on January 17, 2022  
 Members Present: 11  
 Excused/Absent: 1  
 Visitors Present: 3 (newly elected council members)

**Devotions** – Devotions were led by Glenn Sivak and were based on Philippians 4:11-13 “I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.” He spoke about the times he runs rapids and paused for prayer before especially challenging ones. He considers two truths; God helps us because in His love He knows we need help AND He helps us in response to our prayers. He helps us all the time.

**Motions**

December Minutes approved  
 December Treasurer’s report approved  
 Pastor’s report received

Unfinished business – to be continued  
 1. Council is still awaiting bids for the updating of office computers.  
 2. Council is still awaiting bids for the purchase of security cameras.  
 3. Worship committee is yet to meet to discuss ways to increase fellowship and participation and ways of restarting worship practices changed with the onset of covid.

**Additional motions**

1. A motion passed to recommend the 2022 Income from the Trust Fund to the annual meeting.
2. A motion passed to recommend the 2023 Benevolence Budget to the annual meeting.
3. A motion passed to recommend the 2023 Budget to the annual meeting.
4. A motion passed to recommend to the annual meeting that Carl Culp be the new member of the Trust Fund committee.

Discussion was held concerning the printing and disbursement of the Traditional Service Bulletins in response to a request presented to Glenn Sivak by a congregant.

## 2022 Current Fund Report

To meet our updated budget, we need \$5,940.81 every week. December average weekly income was \$5,065.02. YTD income has averaged \$4,795.39  
 Our YTD expenses are 8.4% below budget.

From December Treasurer’s Report		Year to Date	
Income	\$ 29,059.85	Beginning Balance	\$ 26,277.77
Expenses	\$ -23,311.18	Income	\$ -257,285.44
Difference	\$ 5,748.67	Expenses	\$ 273,107.87
		YTD Balance	\$ - 15,822.43
		Ending Balance	\$ 10,455.34

## Committee Reports

- Worship-** Did not meet.  
**Education-** Worked on final details for the Christmas Program.  
**Evangelism-** Did not meet.  
**Stewardship-** met on 1/10/23 to work on Stewardship Drive and budgets.  
**Fellowship-** met to plan the Annual Meeting Dinner.  
**Property-** helped our “Sound” team install new equipment and run lines, conducted hood inspections, repaired toilets and took down both inside and outside Christmas decorations.

A motion was passed to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 PM.  
 Next Month Jill Jenkins will lead the devotions  
 We closed with prayers for Karen, Paula and myself and the Lord’s Prayer led by Pastor Bob.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Diane Pallai, Recording Secretary



## Church Council Officers

- |                |              |
|----------------|--------------|
| President      | Stephen Ley  |
| Vice President | Bill Clemons |
| Secretary      | Diane Pallai |
| Treasurer      | Tom Metzler  |
| Financial Sec. | Dave Chapman |

## Daily Devotions

When Covid first struck in the spring of 2020, we wanted to encourage everyone by offering scripture promises which kept us focused on God and kept us connected to each other through scripture. Within a short time we started to use the scriptures for the upcoming Sunday and I began a nightly Facebook Live devotion. Last year the nightly devotion was changed to Monday - Friday to go along with our plan to read through the NT one chapter a day, five days a week.

January's newsletter did not have a list of daily devotions and their absence was noticed. I decided to use the daily devotions we have as Good Hope participates in the NALC Life-to-Life Discipleship experience. We are in Part Two of the manual and we have daily devotions which focus on a topic for two weeks. In February those topics are "Priorities" and "Family Life."

In the sidebar on this page, you will find the list of daily scripture readings. On the back of the calendar, you will find suggested questions to go along with the daily readings and specific suggestions for devotions and Saturday and Sunday. I find the questions to be transformative - I hope you do as well.

## Lent 2023

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on Feb. 22 with services at 11:00 am and 7:00 pm. Morning and evening services will continue throughout Lent, with the addition of soup suppers at 6:00 pm, beginning March 1<sup>st</sup>.

The special services of Lent (Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, and Good Friday) will be focused solely on the themes for those days. On the five Wednesdays between, our theme this year is "**Our Journey in the Christian Life.**" We will join those already participating in the NALC Life-to-Life Discipleship Experience as they focus on eight topics where we all find challenges to following Jesus.

The three topics that fall during our 5 Wednesday services are Finances, Health & Wellness, and Boundaries. We will provide services that allow for prayer, hymns, reflection and sharing on these themes.

In a recent sermon I quoted our Bishop, Dan Selbo, as he defined what discipleship is, based on Matthew 4:19. Bishop Selbo said,

"A disciple is one who is called by Jesus, ("Come, follow me"), is transformed by Jesus, ("and I will make you"), and is on mission with Jesus ("fishers of men"). Another way to say it is to say that a disciple is someone who accepts the invitation and challenge to follow Jesus, strives to live a life consistent with his, and teaches others to do the same."

During "Our Journey in the Christian Life" we face many challenges and we fall often in every area of life; certainly in the areas of Finances, Health & Wellness and Boundaries. St. Paul speaks to the issue of getting up and beginning again as he says, "But one thing I do, forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus." Philippians 3:13b-14.

Please join us as we encourage each other on "Our Journey in the Christian Life."

- Pastor Bob

## Daily Devotions February 2023

### Priorities:

- 1 - Matthew 6:31-33
- 2 - Psalm 119:113
- 3 - Proverbs 3:5-8
- 4 - Sat. - *meditative review*
- 5 - Sun.- *worship & reflection*
- 6 - Romans 12:1-2
- 7 - Luke 12:22-24
- 8 - Luke 10:38-42
- 9 - Philippians 4:6-8
- 10 - Matthew 23:23
- 11 - Sat. - *meditative review*
- 12 - Sun.- *worship & reflection*
- 13 - Mark 12:28-31
- 14 - James 1:5-8

### Family Life:

- 15 - Genesis 2:7-8, 18-25
- 16 - Psalm 133:1-3
- 17 - Matthew 19:3-8
- 18 - Sat. - *meditative review*
- 19 - Sun.- *worship & reflection*
- 20 - 1 Corinthians 13:1-13
- 21 - Ephesians 5:21 - 6:4
- 22 - Ephesians 4:25 - 5:2
- 23 - Galatians 5:22-26
- 24 - 1 Corinthians 7:17
- 25 - Sat. - *meditative review*
- 26 - Sun.- *worship & reflection*
- 27 - Song of Sol. 1:2; 4:3, 16
- 28 - James 1:1-3, 7-10



**From God's Word,  
what "gold nugget" have  
you cherished this month?**

## Sunday Worship Schedule

9:00 a.m. Contemporary  
10:05 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages  
11:05 a.m. Traditional

All services streamed at <https://www.goodhopeboardman.org/>

### Church Staff

Pastor	Bob Quaintance
Church Secretary	Diane Pallai
Financial Secretary	Dave Chapman
Lay Ministry Assistant	Karen Biggs
Sunday School & Youth	Paula Barany
Custodian	Jeff Chengelis
Webmaster	Mike Summers
Organists	Ed Keich Nina Quaintance
Sr. Choir Director	Sue Sivak
Sr. Choir Accompanist	
Lead Guitarist	Al Fiore
Bass Guitarist	Dohn Flick
Percussionists	Stephen Ley
Nursery Attendant	

### Church Office 330-782-8109

Fax Number 330-782-8080

Office Hours: Monday - Friday 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

If no one is available to answer your call,  
please leave a message on the answering machine.

***In an emergency, call Pastor Bob 330-565-1204.***



# 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 475 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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**All articles are due by the 3rd Sunday of each month or sooner at certain times and may be submitted by email.**

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or

Email the Church Office Secretary at  
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