

# JOYOUS NEWS

October 2021

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*We will glorify God by deepening the roots of our Anglican faith,  
and bringing people to new life in Jesus Christ.*



***“<sup>24</sup> And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, <sup>25</sup>not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.” (Hebrews 10:24-25)***

For our September men's group, the men of New Life went to Harbor Springs Sportsman's Club and spent the evening shooting guns, sharing our firearms with one another, and teaching those who needed it how to safely handle their weapons. We weren't sure how the evening would go because we had never done anything like it before. Usually, we meet for dinner, fellowship, and then a nice time of teaching and discussion. This format has worked very well, and men's group has been a nice staple of New Life's ministry the last five or more years.

When we planned the night at the shooting range, we did so a few months in advance with the hope that men would come. We ended up with twelve guys showing up and we all had a wonderful time. The consensus was that we need to do this again. This really got me thinking about how much we have missed regular fellowship since COVID began, and probably even before that.

It isn't uncommon for us to meet for bible study, book study, men's group, women's group, and regular Sunday worship. We don't all make it to all things all the time, but we have a normal sequence that has provide ample opportunity for people to get connected to one another and to come learn and worship. What we haven't done for a long time is have different fellowship events. It has been several years since we have had a game night and even longer since we have had a movie night. Dan and I host a trip to Traverse City Pit Spitters game every year, but usually he and I are the only ones who attend. We were blessed with some others this past summer.


The point is that it is important for us to gather. It is important for us to be together. But we really need time together that is more than just worship and study. As the quote from Hebrews above suggests, we should not neglect meeting together, but our meeting isn't just about Sunday worship. If we are going to stir up one another to love and good works, and are going to encourage one another, then we need more relaxed opportunities to do that. Bible studies and men's and women's groups are certainly opportunities for that, but as we learned at the shooting range, there is a great benefit to just gathering and having fun together. If we only gather in formal worship and study sessions, we may learn how to live a Christian life, but we don't get the opportunity to actually live that life together.

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# October 2021 at New Life



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 Worship Service 10:00am Coffee Hour The Davis'	4	5	Men's 6 Breakfast 8:30am @ JW Filmore's Men's Bible Study 11am @ The Davis' 6:00pm Pizza 6:30pm Bible Study	7 Morning Prayer 8:00am Women's Bible Study 6:30pm	1 8	2 9 
10 Worship Service 10:00am Coffee Hour The Stumps <b>PASTOR APPRECIATION DAY</b>	11	12 October Vestry Meeting 6:00pm	Men's 13 Breakfast 8:30am @ JW Filmore's Men's Bible Study 11am @ The Davis' 6:00pm Pizza 6:30pm Bible Study	14 Morning Prayer 8:00am Women's Birthday Lunch Noon @ East Park Women's Bible Study 6:30pm	15	16
17 Worship Service 10:00am Coffee Hour Brenda & Ginny	18	19	Men's 20 Breakfast 8:30am @ JW Filmore's Men's Bible Study 11am @ The Davis' 6:00pm Pizza 6:30pm Bible Study	21 Morning Prayer 8:00am Women's Bible Study 6:30pm	22	23 Movie Event American Gospel: In Christ Alone 10am—2pm In Blanz Hall
24 Worship Service 10:00am Coffee Hour The Ostranders	25	26 <i>Joyous News Deadline November Issue</i>	Men's 27 Breakfast 8:30am @ JW Filmore's Men's Bible Study 11am @ The Davis' 6:00pm Pizza 6:30pm Bible Study	28 Morning Prayer 8:00am Men's Ministry Group @ 5:30pm Women's Bible Study 6:30pm	29	30
31 Worship Service 10:00am Coffee Hour The Greenwells	1	2	Men's 3 Breakfast 8:30am @ JW Filmore's Men's Bible Study 11am @ The Davis' 6:00pm Pizza 6:30pm Bible Study	4 Morning Prayer 8:00am Women's Birthday Lunch Noon @ East Park Women's Bible Study 6:30pm	5	6 

## WALLY'S GALLERY –

In April of this year I tore the meniscus on my left knee. For the next three months I did nothing other than what was necessary in hopes of healing. However, by late July I could not take the inactivity any longer. Early one morning, I put on my waking shoes and walked down the driveway. The air was cool and fresh and the birds were singing as the sun's rays slipped between openings in the trees.

It was a walk like none before. While I had made that walk many times, either to get or do something, this time it was different. This walk was to enjoy the experience. Afterwards I thought how often I've walked with my head down looking only at the steps ahead or with my eyes blinded by thoughts of where I wanted to go, all along missing the beauty around me.



Many years ago I read a book by Philip Yancey that had an opening quote for a chapter that, as best I can remember, had these words: "The earth is crammed with heaven and every bush aflame with God, but only those who see, take off their shoes."

Too many times I have walked with my eyes blinded by other concerns and failed to "take off my shoes" and "see."

There are beautiful hymns that speak to the wonder of God's creation. Several verses from the hymn "All Creatures of our God and King" have these words:" "Great rushing winds and breezes soft, you clouds that ride the heavens aloft....Fair rising morn, with praise rejoice, stars nightly shinning, find a voice.. Swift flowing water, pure and clear, make music for your Lord to hear... O praise him, O praise him, Al-le-lu-ia...!"

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More than a year ago I decided to write down and memorize the words to the hymn "How Great Thou Art." For this article I looked for that copy just to confirm the words to the second verse but I could not find it. So, I Googled the hymn but every site I found failed to include the second verse as I had memorized it. In desperation, I called Tracey.

It turns out that the version that I had memorized came from the music Ferd provided for a Sunday service. So, "Thank you Ferd!" And here are the words from the real version, Ferd's version, that I love - "When through woods and forest glades I wonder, and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur, and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee; How Great Thou Art..."

One of America's favorite songs opens with a verse that should be familiar to us all: "O beautiful for spacious skies, For amber waves of grain, For purple mountain majesties, Above the fruited plain! America! America! God shed His grace on thee, And crown thy good with brotherhood, From sea to shining sea!"

The Apostle Paul in his letter to the church in Rome reminds us why these are more than just nice words for ballads and hymns. He wrote that the awesomeness of the created order is so revealing of God's handiwork that no one will be able to stand before Him and say they failed to "see" that all of it was the work of His hands.

Fortunately for us who live Up North the opportunity to "see" abounds around us; and particularly this month. On the Little Traverse Conservancy web site they have a page dedicated to the trails throughout the various counties. Click on the "Explore" tab and a dropdown menu will appear. If you select "Map of Preserves and Reserves" an inactive map will appear with a list below the map for each county. Let's enjoy. It's a wonderful time to for a walk through His garden and marvel at what He has done for us.

"But ask the beasts, and they will teach you; the birds of the heavens, and they will tell you; or the bushes of the earth, and they will teach you; and the fish of the sea will declare to you; Who among all these does not know that the hand of the Lord has done this?" (Job 12:7-9)

*Little Travers Conservancy map of Preserves & Reserves* <https://landtrust.org/preserves-and-reserves/>

## **WOMEN'S MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BIRTHDAY LUNCHESES** – meeting at noon on the first Thursday of the month at East Park. Bring your own lunch. Don't miss this opportunity for fellowship!! Please RSVP to Karen Dielman [ksdielman@charter.net](mailto:ksdielman@charter.net)

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** – join us for a 7-week DVD study by Priscilla Shirer, "Elijah - Faith and Fire Bible Study" on Thursdays at 6:30pm in the annex lower level classroom.

## **MEN'S MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MEN'S BREAKFAST** – meets each Wednesdays at 8:30am for food and fellowship at J.W. Filmore's.

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** – Davis's Home @ 902 Howard St., Petoskey

**MEN'S MINISTRY PROGRAM** – meeting is Thursday, Oct. 28th location TBD. Our meetings will include fellowship 5:30 – 6:30p.m., dinner 6:30 – 7:30p.m. and a short teaching 7:30 – 8:00 p.m. Bring your own beverage of choice. I hope you will join us.

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On October 23 we are holding a movie event. It will be a combination of study and fellowship as we will be watching the movie *American Gospel: In Christ Alone* and then discussing it while having lunch together. It will be held in Blanz Hall from 10 AM to roughly 2 PM. While this is partially still a learning event, it is also an opportunity to gather in a less formal setting and do some different things together. The hope is to do more of these type things regularly. In addition to that movie event, we are going to try to schedule another game night and we are also open to other suggestions for fellowship. Not every event has to be church-wide, either. Invite one another into your homes. Go to the movies together. Take walks in our beautiful woods. Join me in trying to eliminate the deer population in the woods behind my house.

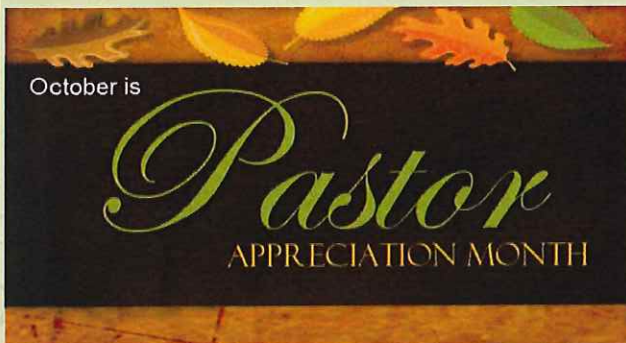
I know many people have very close families while many others are estranged or quarreling families. We, as Christians, are brothers and sisters. We are family. We are more family than those who share our blood because we share the blood of Christ and are united in an eternal fellowship. All the more reason for us to make it a priority to be together, to live this Christian life together, and to encourage one another as the Day of the Lord draws near.

~ Fr. Mike

**LITURGICAL SEASON** — *by Karen Dielman*

### **ORDINARY TIME**

We are now in the season of ordinary time, celebrated with the color green. It is the liturgical period that does not fall within the seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, or Easter, and runs for 34 weeks. It is celebrated two times a year throughout the year. The first period runs from the feast of baptism of the Lord until the Tuesday evening before Ash Wednesday and the second from the second Sunday of Pentecost to the 26th Sunday of Pentecost. It is a time of growth and renewal in each Christians spiritual life.



### **Pastor Appreciation Day - Sunday, October 10th**

1 Thessalonians 5:12-13 we are told:  
“We ask you, brothers, to respect those who labor among you and are over you in the Lord and admonish you, and to esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Be at peace among yourselves.” (ESV).

Below are websites full of ideas to help us show these Godly leaders our appreciation:

<https://blog.cloversites.com/the-ultimate-guide-to-pastor-appreciation-day>

<https://faithfulteaching.com/faith/pastor-appreciation-ideas/>

# October 2021 Service Calendar

If you are unable to fulfill your service duties on the dates listed, please try to rearrange and find your own replacement.

	October 3	October 10	October 17	October 24	October 31
ALTAR GUILD	Gretchen Lucky	Gretchen Lucky	Gretchen Lucky	Gretchen Lucky	Gretchen Lucky
SOUND/ MUSIC	Ferd & Wes	Ferd & Wes	Ferd & Wes	Ferd & Wes	Ferd & Wes
USHER/ COUNTER/ GREETERS	Dan W./ Don L./ Taylor DuBois	Don L./ Randy F./ The Bowmans	Randy F./ D.W./ Sally Stump	D.W./ Dan W./ The Flynns	Dan W./ Don L./ The Bowmans
LECTOR	Mary Jane Zako	Erika Dielman	Gretchen Lucky	Dan Wandrie	Erika Dielman
LAY MINISTER	Karen Dielman	Mary Jane Zako	Mickey Bridge	Howard Bates	Karen Dielman
COFFEE HOUR HOSTS	The Davis'	The Stumps	Brenda & Ginny	The Ostranders	The Greenwells



Thursday  
Morning Prayer  
8:00am  
at  
New Life



## ALTAR GUILD

Oct..... Gretchen Lucky  
Nov..... Liz Ostrander  
Dec..... Karen Dielman  
Jan..... Ginny Poquette

## Birthdays

Mary Jane Zako 10/02  
Dan Wandrie 10/07  
Carol Bowman 10/20  
Dave Woods 10/22



## October



Randy & Brenda  
Flynn  
Oct. 4th

Lou & Mary Jane  
Zako  
Oct 6th

## Wedding Anniversaries



Howard & Lacy  
Bates  
Oct. 6th



Wes & Liz  
Ostrander  
Oct. 29th

May the Lord richly bless you on your special day and all year!  
Please let us know if we have missed your Birthday or Wedding Anniversary  
so that we may celebrate with you and remember you in prayer.

## Congregation — We Need You!

To volunteer to serve, please contact the Team Leaders listed below.

Altar Guild:	Karen Dielman..... 231/347-3532
Altar Flowers:	Karen Dielman..... 231/347-3532
Music/Sound:	Ferd Dielman ..... 231/347-3532
Ushers:	
Greeters:	Carol Bowman ..... 231/459-4566
Lectors:	Tracey Jepsen ..... 231/347-3448
Lay Eucharistic Ministers:	Mike Bridge..... 231/330-0689
Acolytes:	Mike Bridge..... 231/330-0689
Prayer Team:	Betty Stansbury..... 231/439-0773
Children's Sunday School:	Darlene Wandrie .. 231/347-5871
Youth Sunday School:	Don Lucky ..... 231/622-2058
(middle & high school)	
Adult Sunday School:	Mike Bridge..... 231/330-0689
	Wally Stansbury ... 231/439-0773
Nursery:	Bonnie Bridge ..... 231/445-1810
employee(s):	
Fellowship/Hospitality:	
Prayer Chain:	Ron Davis ..... 517/617-5015
Women's Ministry:	
Study Leader	Bonnie Bridge..... 231/445-1810
Men's Ministry:	Mike Bridge..... 231/330-0689
Inreach:	Gretchen Lucky .... 231/622-2057
.. Outreach:	Lacy Bates ..... 231/330-0689
Evangelism:	Betty Stansbury..... 231/439-0773
Missions:	
Building and Grounds:	Don Greenwell..... 231/347-1808
Art and Architecture:	Susan Davis..... 231/881-3106
Church Historian:	Liz Ostrander ..... 231/348-2802
Communications:	Bonnie Bridge..... 231/445-1810
(newspaper articles, etc.)	
Student Visitor's:	
(Recreational Liaison)	
Treasurer:	Wes Ostrander ..... 231/330-4930
Assistant Treasurer:	Susan Davis..... 231/881-3106
Assistant Treasurer:	Sally Stump ..... 231/881-2818
Stewardship:	Dan Wandrie..... 231/347-5871

## New Life Anglican Church 2021 Vestry

Sr. Warden .... Howard Bates  
Jr. Warden..... Dan Wandrie  
Treasurer ..... Wes Ostrander  
..... Susan Davis  
..... Toni DuBois  
..... Don Lucky

## Our Joyous News Needs You!

Please consider submitting  
an article or item of interest  
for the next issue of the  
Joyous News.

Submission deadline  
is October 26th.



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may leave your receipts in the  
coffee hour donation basket, in the  
Outreach shopping cart or on  
Tracey's desk.



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We were therefore  
buried with Him  
through baptism into  
death in order that,  
just as Christ was  
raised from the dead  
through the glory of  
the Father, we too  
may live a *new life*.

Romans 6:4



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*I am a wind gathered thing  
rooted by a river,  
a tree  
blown by direction  
of a constant wind,  
changing,  
but still unchanged  
by roots  
growing  
into God's open hand.*

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