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Sunday Worship Services:
8:00 & 10:30 am
Bible Studies: 9:20 am
Sunday School: 9:15 am

The Living Light

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ALL THINGS NEW

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

In Revelation 21:5, Jesus says, “Behold, I am making all things new!” This is the work of Jesus after his resurrection – making all things new. The resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ is the cornerstone of the Christian Gospel. Just as the heart pumps life giving blood through the body, so the resurrection of Jesus Christ is the heart that pumps life-giving truth through the soul. It is the resurrection that is the cornerstone of the Christian faith.

In His resurrection Jesus shows He is a one-of-a-kind, a unique, heaven-sent sacrifice, to do for humanity what humanity could not do for itself. Through His perfect life, His innocent death, His victorious resurrection from the dead, all who are led to acknowledge Him as Savior are set free of sin and Satan's shackles; they are freed from death's dark dominion of damnation. Because Christ is risen, every day is truly a new day. Our world is no longer bound by limited and clouded vision. Jesus is accomplishing what the LORD spoke of through the prophet Isaiah

¹⁸ "Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. ¹⁹ See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland.”

Isaiah 43:18-19

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The Good News of Easter reminds us that God makes dead things alive again. Literally. He has power over death in every sense, and he demonstrated that to us when he raised Jesus from the grave. Scripture says that, as believers, we have that same power dwelling in us. It's what gives life to our dead souls as God's Word tells us in Romans 8:11:

And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit, who lives in you.

It can get so easily discouraged when thinking about all the death, destruction, and turmoil that surrounds us. It can feel like the enemy is winning. Focusing on our failures and the troubles of this world can make the idea of fighting this battle for another year of life seem overwhelming. But this truth, that you and I have the same power that raised Christ from the grave dwelling in us gives great hope. As we lay down our weak, flawed existence every day and die to self, we can trust that God will resurrect our lives with new life and new grace.

This Easter season through Pentecost Sunday, we will gather together in worship to celebrate and participate in this work as Jesus promises to provide:

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| New Peace | April 24 |
| A New Song | May 1 |
| New Nation | May 8 |
| New Joy | May 15 |
| A New Home | May 22 |
| New Oneness | May 29 |
| New Spirit | June 5 |

May our Lord Jesus Christ work new life in each of you!
In Christ,

Pastor Andy



NEW Sunday Morning Bible Class

Pastor Andy started a new Bible Study on the BOOK OF ACTS on Sunday, April 24 in Room 12. We call the book "The Acts of the Apostles," but we should think of it as "The Acts of Jesus: Part Two." Together we will explore how the early believers relied on God's spirit for direction as they sought fulfill Jesus' commission to spread the message of the gospel to the entire world. The Book of Acts shows us how God's redemptive purposes are unstoppable.

Receiving New Members

TLC will receive new members at both services on Sunday, May 22. If you would like to join TLC, please talk with Pastor Andy, pastorandy@tlcoh.org or (330) 203-5474. If you are not a Lutheran, but would like to know more about what Lutherans believe, teach, and confess – an Adult Faith Instruction will be starting soon.



ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

Sunday May 1, 12:00 pm Youth Meeting
Monday May 2 Teacher Appreciation Week
Monday, May 2, 7:00 pm BOE
Thursday, May 5 National Day of Prayer
Friday, May 6, 1:30 pm Prayer Shawl
Sunday, May 8 Mother's Day
Monday, May 9, 7:00 pm BOD
Thursday, May 12 Preschool Graduation
Friday, May 13 Preschool Graduation (part 2)
Saturday, May 21, 12:00 pm Wise Owls
Sunday, May 22, 8:00 & 10:30 am Receiving New Members
Friday, May 27 Last Day of School
Monday, May 30 Memorial Day
Monday, May 30 Office closed



Kairos Toledo Correctional

I wanted to share with everyone what happened on the Kairos weekend that all of you from Tallmadge Lutheran supported with cookie, money, and most importantly prayer. Twenty-four residents participated. Of those, Twenty-three completed the weekend. The Saturday following the weekend, we had an instructional day with the residents to help them setup small groups which we call Prayer and Share that meets weekly for Christian support. Twenty of the residents attended that. As part of the celebration, the prison Chaplin performed nine baptisms of which six of the baptisms were men that were part of the weekend. This included one resident that claimed that he had a devout belief in Asatru, which is the belief in the Icelandic Norse gods. When he heard the message of Christ, he gave his life to Christ.

I am always amazed at how Christ uses a few cookies to create a miraculous change in people's lives.

The next weekend is scheduled for September 22 – 25. If anyone is interested in volunteering to participate for both male or female incarcerated, please let me know. I can help direct you to the various programs at any of the prisons in Ohio.

Thank you everyone, and please continue to pray for these people and this ministry.

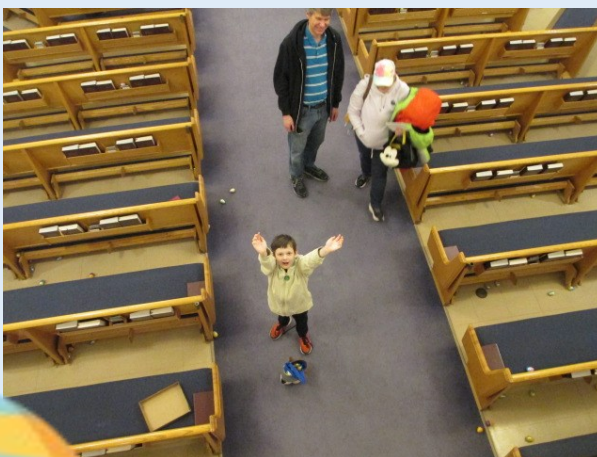
John McDowell



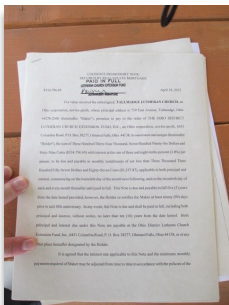
The Annual Easter Egg Hunt was held on April 9. Sixty children and their families participate in games, crafts, a coloring contest, snacks and the egg hunt in the sanctuary. Even as it snowed outside, we had laughs, fun and a whole lot of fellowship going on. Thank you to the youth and leaders and all the volunteers that helped to make this a success!



Did you know...Gail McAlister, Jeanine Case, Denise Larson, and the Wahl girls stuffed over 1000 eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt!



Mortgage Burning Party



Graduate Recognition—Sunday, June 5

Attention graduates: Whether you have just completed high school, technical school, college, or a graduate degree, we want to celebrate you! TLC would like to share in your joy and praise God for your accomplishments by displaying your photo and information on a bulletin board, and on our worship screens. **We also plan to recognize you during both worship services on June 5.** There will be cake served during the coffee hour that day as well. If you or your child will graduate this spring, please submit 1) a photo, and 2) this information form. Please place the photos and completed forms in Lindsay's (secretary) mailbox by Wednesday, May 25.



Graduate's Name: _____

Post-Graduation Plans Job/College: _____

Favorite Bible Passage: _____

In REMEMBRANCE

Personalized Memorial Day Banners will be displayed on crosses in front of the Sanctuary on Sunday, May 29. Please fill out the form below indicating the number of banners and the name you would like written on the banner. Each banner is a \$5.00 donation toward the Youth Group Ministry. Printed forms are by the mailboxes & in the outside bin. Please place orders in the *Secretary's* mailbox by Wednesday, May 25. Families may collect their banners Sunday, May 29. If you have any questions, please contact the church office, 330.633.4775.



Remembering Your Loved Ones Memorial Banner

Your Name: _____

Number of Banners: _____

Name (s) for Banners: _____

Thank you!



VBS is Coming! We are hoping to revive our program which has been on hiatus for the past few years due to Covid-19. Our church has changed quite a bit since our 2018 program and we need to figure out what kind of program will work best for our “new normal”.

If you have any interest in helping with VBS on June 13-17, please let Annie Alberts know through email or text. Our program will depend on how many volunteers we have, so we are looking for a general idea as to our manpower for this coming summer. This is NOT a firm commitment, but it will help our planning to know who might be able to help.

Our VBS has been a vibrant part of our children’s ministry in the past and we are hoping to bring it back. Typically 75% of the 160 children were NOT members of our church, and often had no church affiliations at all. Our VBS has been a huge outreach to our community and we would like to bring it back, bigger and better than ever!

Thank you for considering sharing your time and energy with this program! Please contact Annie Alberts at 330-801-7545 or annalberts@gmail.com



IN THE COMMUNITY: *TALLMADGE*

Maca Aquatic Center

Open May 28 - August 14

Monday - Thursday, 11:00 am - 7:00 pm

Friday - Sunday, 11:00 am - 8:00 pm

Pass Information:

| | Resident | Resident Sr | Non Resident | Non-Resident Sr |
|--------------------|----------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Individual | \$100 | \$55 | \$150 | \$80 |
| 2 Members | \$150 | \$75 | \$225 | \$110 |
| 3 Members | \$180 | | \$275 | |
| + Household Member | \$30 | | \$50 | |

Daily Admission by age: 2 & under free; ages 3-12 \$10; ages 13-59 \$15; ages 60+ \$5

Guest of member \$5 (limit 2 per day)

Community Gardens

Planting date: Friday, May 27, 2022

Garden plots (20 ft x 20 ft) are available to Tallmadge residents. Access to the plots is from the parking lot behind the Tallmadge Recreation Center. Contact Andrea Kidder, Community Development/Communications Manager at 330-633-5639 or akidder@tallmadge-ohio.org with any questions.

Memorial Day Parade

Monday, May 30, 9:30 am

The parade forms in the parking lot of Mack Burleson Field/"The Hole" (30 Wright Road), to West Avenue; east towards the Tallmadge Circle; onto the Circle; finally exiting at Southwest Avenue to the entrance of Tallmadge Cemetery. The services include welcoming remarks, a prayer, a speech, a ceremony, the placing of the wreath for our fallen Veterans, a rifle volley and the playing of Taps.

Coming up:

- Music on the Circle: Saturday nights, 6:30--8:30 pm, throughout the summer
- Touch-A-Truck: Saturdays, 10:00 am—12:00 pm, in June
- Farmers market: Thursdays, June 16, 2022- October 13, 2022 from 4:00 - 7:00 pm in the Tallmadge Rec parking lot.

Youth Group News

Andy Wahl

Todd Miller

Jenn Larson

Beth Niermann

Parent Appreciation

Let's thank our parents for all they do for us. We will be serving chicken and rib dinners with mac n cheese and corn on the cob in the pavilion right after church!



Upcoming

Sunday, May, 1, 12:00 pm Meeting

Sunday, May 15 Parent Appreciation Dinner

Sunday, June 12 Car Wash & BBQ

Sunday, June 26, 12:00 pm Meeting

Easter Breakfast





hello
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DID YOU KNOW?

Steve Staszak

There were a few questions that I could not answer. Steve was kind enough to stop in and go through each one of them. Thanks Steve!

Jon Vanaman

Jon continues to help with the lights throughout the building. Replacing & repairing as needed. Thanks Jon!

HVAC Unit 3

The unit was replaced in April. This unit controls the temperature in the gym.

Mortgage Burning Party

The mortgage burning party was a huge success with over 150 attending

Beth Hauser

Beth purchased the beautiful artwork around the building and she has more amazing ideas. Thanks Beth!

Paint

The Narthex and main entrance have a fresh coat of paint.

YOU

Caring for god's house is a team effort. Join in the fun! Call the office and see how you can help out.

Laurene Malish, Ben & Val Jews

The custodians extra time and care into TLC this Easter season.! Thank you for the late nights and heaving lifting. We appreciate you!

Recycle Bin

TLC received money back based on weight. Feel free to placed your recyclable cardboard and paper in the bin.

We couldn't do it without our members & staff! Thank you for your time, assistance and care!



TLC Building Projects

Your financial gifts help us care for God's House. Thank you!

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|--|--|---|---|---|--|
| 1 8:00 AM Worship 9:15 AM Sunday School (Rm 7) 9:20 AM Bible Study (Rm 12, zoom) 9:20 AM Youth Bible Study (Youth Rm) 10:30 AM Worship 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM Youth meeting | 2 Teacher Appreciation Week 5:30 PM Bible Study (Youth Rm) 7:00 PM Board of Elders (Rm 12) | 3 Teacher Appreciation Week 9:00 AM Staff Meeting 10:00 AM Bible Study (Rm 12) 6:45 PM TLL Baseball (field) | 4 Teacher Appreciation Week 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study (Panera) 6:30 PM Bible study (Rm 12) 7:30 PM Choir | 5 National Day of Prayer Teacher Appreciation Week 10:00 AM Bible Study (Rm 12) 6:45 PM TLL Baseball (field) | 6 Teacher Appreciation Week 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Prayer Shawl (Rm 12) | 7 7:00 AM Member event (pavilion, gym) |
| 8 Mother's Day 8:00 AM Worship 9:15 AM Sunday School (Rm 7) 9:20 AM Bible Study (Rm 12, zoom) 9:20 AM Youth Bible Study (Youth Rm) 10:30 AM Worship | 9 5:30 PM Bible Study (Youth Rm) 7:00 PM Board of Directors (Rm 12) | 10 9:00 AM Staff Meeting 10:00 AM Bible Study (Rm 12) 6:45 PM TLL Baseball (field) | 11 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study (Panera) 2:30 PM TCP Grad set-up 6:30 PM Bible study (Rm 12) | 12 9:30 AM TCP Graduation 10:00 AM Bible Study (Rm 12) 6:45 PM TLL Baseball (field) | 13 9:30 AM TCP Graduation | 14 |
| 15 8:00 AM Worship 9:15 AM Sunday School (Rm 7) 9:20 AM Bible Study (Rm 12, zoom) 9:20 AM Youth Bible Study (Youth Rm) 10:30 AM Worship 12:00 PM Youth - Parent Appreciation Dinner (pavilion) | 16 5:30 PM Bible Study (Youth Rm) | 17 Newsletter Deadline 9:00 AM Staff Meeting 10:00 AM Bible Study (Rm 12) 6:45 PM TLL Baseball (field) | 18 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study (Panera) 6:30 PM Bible study (Rm 12) | 19 10:00 AM Bible Study (Rm 12) 6:45 PM TLL Baseball (field) | 20 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM Luncheon - Tallmadge Police & Fire (pavilion/gym) | 21 12:00 PM Wise Owls (Rm 12) |
| 22 Receiving New Members 8:00 AM Worship 9:15 AM Sunday School (Rm 7) 9:20 AM Bible Study (Rm 12, zoom) 9:20 AM Youth Bible Study (Youth Rm) 10:30 AM Worship | 23 5:30 PM Bible Study (Youth Rm) | 24 9:00 AM Staff Meeting 10:00 AM Bible Study (Rm 12) 6:45 PM TLL Baseball (field) | 25 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study (Panera) 6:30 PM Bible study (Rm 12) | 26 10:00 AM Bible Study (Rm 12) 6:45 PM TLL Baseball (field) | 27 Last Day of School | 28 |
| 29 8:00 AM Worship 9:15 AM Sunday School (Rm 7) 9:20 AM Bible Study (Rm 12, zoom) 9:20 AM Youth Bible Study (Youth Rm) 10:30 AM Worship Memorial Day Banners | 30 Memorial Day Church office closed 5:30 PM Bible Study (Youth Rm) | 31 9:00 AM Staff Meeting 10:00 AM Bible Study (Rm 12) 6:45 PM TLL Baseball (field) | | | | |

BIRTHDAYS

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|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 3 Jonathan Vanaman | 19 Joyce Riley |
| 3 Holly Dussel | 20 Haley Latimer |
| 5 Walter Fenske | 21 Sandee Mick |
| 7 David Graybeal | 22 Chuck Currier |
| 7 Beverly Goss | 23 Jay Springer |
| 8 Dan Capp | 23 Eric Toepke |
| 10 Susan Young | 24 Shirley Scranton |
| 12 Tom Remninger, Jr. | 25 Jennifer Graf |
| 12 Dennis Klicman | 25 Dennis Holzer |
| 13 Lillian Voytek | 29 Austin Moseley |
| 16 Ed Huzzard, Jr. | 30 Todd Hedderly |
| 18 Marti Heimeier | 31 Thomas Kenny |

ANNIVERSARIES

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|----------------------------|
| 7 Mr. & Mrs. Roger Klicman |
| 14 Mr. & Mrs. Jim Dutka |
| 17 Mr. & Mrs. Paul Bomer |
| 17 Mr. & Mrs. David Bass |



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