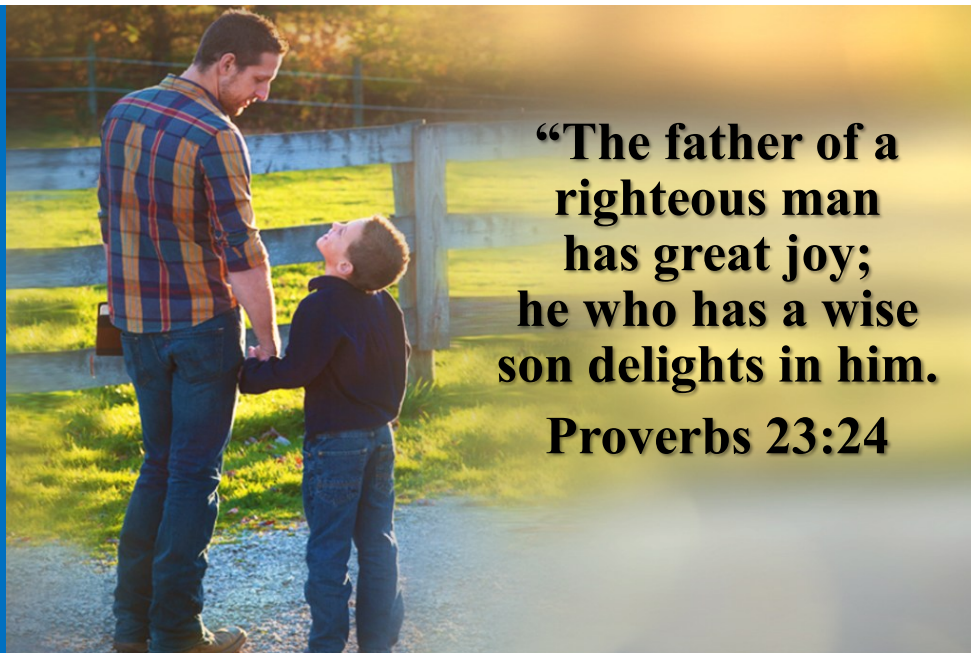


Peace Free Lutheran Church

June 2025 Newsletter



**“The father of a
righteous man
has great joy;
he who has a wise
son delights in him.
Proverbs 23:24**



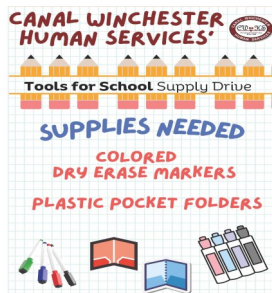
VBS 2025 is coming July 20th – 24th!

Our VBS theme this year is Wonder Junction. Kids will travel through the Old West while learning about Jesus’ amazing life, including His birth, childhood, ministry, death and resurrection, and coming return. There will be Bible stories, crafts, music, games, and more. Bring your family and friends!

VBS Help Wanted!

We are looking for leaders for the following stations: Crafts, Science, Games, Bible Lessons, and Pre-School Room. We will have more ways for folks to volunteer coming up, but we would like to get the aforementioned positions filled so we can start planning the different stations. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Emily Haverfield at haverfieldt@hotmail.com or call her at (937) 622-8177. Thank you for serving our young people and our community!

And with VBS comes VBS food! Watch for more information on how you can help in the kitchen: serving, cooking, cleaning and donating food. Contact Denise Clark if you have questions. 614-580-7647 or dcvettech@gmail.com



Tools For Schools drive starts in June

The *Tools For Schools* program, sponsored by Canal Winchester Human Services, provides students with school supplies throughout the school year. They are in need of colored dry erase markers and plastic pocket folders. Donation boxes will be available on Sunday, June 8th, both in the Sanctuary and at the park for those attending the 8:00 a.m. service. The drive will continue through Sunday, August 17th. Thank you in advance for your generosity!



Men’s Grill and Fellowship, June 7th

Men’s Cookout!! Men, mark your calendars, our “cookout” will be Saturday, June 7th at noon at the Pluta’s place (6532 Turning Stone Loop, Canal Winchester). Jeff is going to be the “grill-master” as we learn grilling techniques, feast, play cornhole, and enjoy a Bible devotional together! There are sign-up sheets available. Please let us know by Sunday, June 1st if you plan to join us!





Pastor Steven Carlson

“Living Together as the Church”

This summer, most of our sermons will come from the book of Acts. This book contains the account of the birth of the church on Pentecost Sunday, and ongoing life of the early church, as it is filled with the power of the promised Holy Spirit to do the missional work of Jesus Christ. The book starts where the four Gospels end, with the resurrection and ascension of Christ. Most of the rest of the books of the New Testament (Epistles) fit within the book of Acts. This book provides for us the important backstory and context of those books, and thanks to Luke, gives us a well-researched and documented account of the life of the early church as it spread out and started new congregations. The book is filled with miracles, meals, mission trips, congregational meetings, and the experienced power of the Gospel! By the end of the first century there might well have been hundreds of thousands of believers (some estimate in the millions) as the church spread so rapidly throughout the Roman Empire, and even reaching India and beyond!

The first chapter contains the promise that the disciples will be empowered by the Holy Spirit and that commission from Jesus Himself that they are to be witnesses for Jesus, “in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria and even to the remotest part of the earth.” (Acts 1:8) The book brings us on the journey of the life and mission of the church. It ends rather abruptly, with the apostle Paul in Rome, preaching the Gospel. But the “ending” is also abrupt because it is not an “ending.” The book of Acts is only the beginning, of believers “Living Together as the Church” in the mission of the Church until Jesus comes again. Come, join us as we continue ***“Living Together as the Church.”***

“Summer in the Psalms”

I am excited about this series which we will be starting Sunday, June 8th, for Adult Summer Sunday School. We certainly enjoyed doing Palms Part I last summer! Several others are helping me in teaching again this year. Thank you for your requests of particular psalms. This series will include psalms of prayer, praise, petition, deliverance, protection, life, lament, repentance, thanksgiving, Messianic prophecy, and more. You will be blessed!

Martin Luther loved the book of Psalms. As a monk, he memorized all 150 of the psalms! He read and recited from them daily, to the point that his lips had “muscle memory” even of forming the very words of the psalms. Yet, even with such familiarity, they never were mechanical for him, but deeply devotional. Luther used the psalms as a basis for his prayers. He sang, taught, preached, prayed, and wrote extensively on the psalms. He used them as his “prayer book” and said that every prayer that a devoted heart would ever desire to pray, is found in the psalms.

“The church father St. Jerome [c.347-c.420 AD] says that one heard the Psalms being sung in the fields and gardens in his time. The Psalter impregnated the life of early Christianity. Yet more important than all of this is the fact that Jesus died on the cross with the words of the Psalter on His lips. Whenever the Psalter is abandoned, an incomparable treasure vanishes from the Christian Church. With its recovery will come unsuspected power.” – Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Psalms: The Prayerbook of the Bible

My desire for this series is that we will not just learn about the psalms, but learn to pray the psalms, and let the psalms shape our prayers.

Come, let us pray the psalms together! Pastor Carlson



FROM THE COUNCIL



1. Pastor reported that the Holy Week/Easter Sunday services were well attended and deeply meaningful. The adult Sunday School classes have included “Evidences of the Resurrection”, a series on the Means of Grace, and will be starting “Summer in the Psalms”. VBS adult session is in the planning stages. During the summer, he will be preaching a series on the book of Acts. A 40th Anniversary committee has been formed and will work on celebration plans.
2. The Finance Committee reported that although income is down some from last year, our expenditures are still running less. We will also roll over a CD for an 8 month term. The committee will be facilitating a financial audit in June.
3. The Parish Life Committee reported that the fellowship hour after the NDP service went well. The Ladies’ Luncheon was well attended and a lot of fun! The committee will be meeting to plan the next Fifth Sunday Potluck on June 29th.
4. The Archives Committee worked with Sonya Poff to put together a church history document that will eventually be put in book form. Lights were installed over the Veterans Boards in the Sanctuary. Cassie Binkley will be helping by collecting and taking photos for the archives.
5. The Property Committee reported that the annual vent hood cleaning/inspection was done. A garden was planted and mulching done at the parsonage. Bids were received and a permit submitted for new sidewalks in front of the church.
6. The Stewardship Committee reported that is has begun reviewing our Peace Mission Booklet and will make updates as needed. There was discussion on the Council request that the team continue helping congregants in need all year by matching them with volunteers who can help. They have received one application for the Rase Scholarship.
7. The Social Concerns Committee reported that we will be participating in the CW Human Services “Tools for Schools” program. Collection will run from June 2 through August 18th. Rick Chrysler from Foundation Dinners is still there but his health is poor. The Foundation Dinners is in need of 10 oz paper bowls. PDHC is now open for tours in Lancaster.
8. The Youth Committee reported that the kids had fun at the last meeting with their pizza and Bible lessons. Final payment for FLY registration fees will be made the week of 5/19. Upcoming events are a rummage sale in June and three summer pool parties at the Haverfields.
9. The Education Committee reported that VBS plans are in the works. It will be July 20th-24th. The theme for the kid’s program is Wonder Junction. Pastor Carlson will be teaching the adult sessions. Sarah Hess will lead summer Sunday School for the kids. The Haverfield and Leitch Home Bible Studies will break during July/August.

June Lectors

Jun 1

8:00am—Shari Householder
10:30am—Debbie Williams

June 8

8:00am—Tim Haverfield
10:30am—Stephanie Fox

June 15

8:00am—Lisa Schacht
10:30am—Brian Fox

June 22

8:00am—Logan Haverfield
10:30am—Lilane Fox

June 29

8:00am—David Schacht
10:30am—Debbie Rehl



Peace Free Lutheran Church Financials Through April 2025

General Fund Income: \$91,083
General Fund Expenditures: \$84,804

A copy of the council Minutes and Finances can be requested from the church office.

Getting To Know You - Debbie Rehl

Debbie is our Stewardship Committee chairperson



1. What do you hope never changes? That my church family continues to be a loving and giving Congregation.
2. What job would you be terrible at? A telemarketer; I don't like making phone calls.
3. What do you wish you knew more about? Scripture!
I love Bible study!
4. What's your favorite genre of books, movies, and/or music? Music: Modern Christian and Country.
Books: Holocaust (Fiction and non-fiction) and Amish love stories.
5. What did you do after you graduated from high school? I attended IU/PU at Fort Wayne, Indiana. I graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Elementary education in 1973. I later attended Xavier, graduating in 1976 with a Master's degree in Education with a specialty in Learning Disabled and Emotionally Disturbed Children.
6. What do/did you do for a living? I taught 5th grade for most of my 20 years at Columbus Public Schools. Eleven of those years were at Math, Science School.
7. Where is your most relaxing place? In my recliner, doing my devotions and spending time in prayer and worship.
8. How do you like to spend your free time? I like listening to music, reading, going on senior trips with Human Resources, playing solitaire, and working in the church library.
9. Where is your hometown? I was born in Gary, Indiana and was adopted at 3 days old. I lived in Forest Park, outside of Chicago until I was twelve, then I lived in Indianapolis until I was eighteen.
10. Describe the church you grew up in. I was raised Catholic. I became Lutheran when I married my husband Fred.
11. What is one of your favorite Bible verses? I like Psalms 23 and 91.
12. How did you come to Peace? When I moved to Canal Winchester to be closer to where Fred was in long-term care, I went looking for a church. I visited some, then I saw a sign for Peace. I visited and knew I had found a home.

Fifth Sunday Potluck!



We will be holding a "Fifth Sunday" potluck on Sunday, June 29th. It will be in the PCC at 12:00 p.m. Please use the following guidelines based on the first letter of your last name if you plan to bring a dish; A-H:dessert, I-P:main dish, and Q-Z:side dish. If you have any questions, please contact Tina Jones at (614) 316-3108. We really hope to see everyone come and enjoy a good time together!

Pasta Salad

From the kitchen of Sandy Snoke

For the salad:

2 cups fresh snow peas
2 cups broccoli flowerets
2½ cups cherry tomatoes, halved
2 cups fresh mushrooms, sliced
1 8 oz. package of cheese stuffed tortellini, uncooked
1 (6-7 oz) can whole pitted ripe black olives, drained
3 oz. fettuccine, uncooked
1 Tablespoon Parmesan cheese

For the dressing (a pint jar works well for this):

½ cups green onion, sliced
⅓ cups red wine vinegar
⅓ cups olive oil
⅓ cups vegetable oil
2 Tablespoons chopped fresh parsley
2 cloves garlic, minced
2 teaspoons dried basil
1 teaspoon dried dillweed



1 teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon pepper
½ teaspoon sugar
½ teaspoon dried oregano
1½ teaspoon Dijon mustard

Directions:

1. Boil snow peas and broccoli for 1 minute. Remove with a slotted spoon. Drain and cool.
2. Once cool, combine peas and broccoli with mushrooms, tomatoes, and olives in a large bowl.
3. Cook pasta according to package directions. Drain and let cool.
4. Combine vegetables, pasta, and 1 tablespoon of Parmesan cheese in a large bowl.
5. Add salad dressing (see directions below to make dressing) and mix well.
6. Chill several hours before serving. Garnish with additional Parmesan cheese.



Dressing:

Combine all listed dressing ingredients in a jar, cover tightly, and shake vigorously until well mixed.

Enjoy!!



Congregational Meeting in June

Per our church constitution, there will be a Congregational meeting on Sunday June 22nd at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. We will be electing Council representatives for those seats which are up for election/re-election. The seats open for election are Council president and Worship Chair. The seats open for re-election are Youth chair, Social Concerns chair, and Property chair. If you are interested in serving in any of the positions, please contact Lilane Fox at (614) 208-4823.

FLY 2025 is almost here! June 30th-July 4th

The crew is off (in a 15 passenger van) to Estes Park, Colorado on Saturday, June 28th. They will be returning on Sunday, July 6th. While there, they will be staying at the YMCA camp in Estes Park. During their time at FLY, the kids will have the opportunity to attend workshops and worship services. There is also swimming, hiking and lots of group games! Please pray for safe travels and blessings for a wonderful week for Tim, Emily, Lilly, Logan, Laurie, and Micah Haverfield, Olivia Householder, Sarah, Eli, and Alice Hess, Becky Mosher-Wheeler, and Andy Young.



Our “Youthful” artists!

The kids studied flowers and trees in the Bible at their last Youth group gathering. For a craft, they made garden flowers that will bloom all year long!



Youth Summer Pool Parties!

Grab your bathing suits and join us for our Youth pool parties this summer! The first pool party will be on June 22nd at the Haverfield's. We will start at noon, with lunch included. There are two other parties tentatively scheduled for July 13th and August 10th.



Rummage sale June 20-21

The sale will take place on Friday June 20th from 9:00am until 3:00pm and Saturday June 21st from 9:00am until 12:00pm. The proceeds will be used for FLY. NOTE: We cannot do any pre-sales before the doors open on Friday. You may bring in donated items to the PCC as follows: June 14:10:00am- 4:00pm, June 16:3:30 -6:30pm, and June 17:4-6pm. We VERY much appreciate your donated items but do ask that they be clean and that items such as electronics and toys be in working order. Also, we are unable to accept adult clothing or large furniture such as beds, couches, recliners, etc. In addition, we cannot take picture tube TVs or CRT monitors. If you have any questions, please call the church office. Thank you!

A Father's Faith

A father strong, with gentle hands,
Who walks the path that God commands.
He leads with love, he stands in grace,
With wisdom etched upon his face.

He prays in silence, kneels in need,
He plants in us the gospel seed.
Through every trial, storm, and test,
He points us to the place of rest.

His faith is firm, his hope is sure,
Through Christ, he learns to love and endure.
He mirrors God's unfailing care,
A quiet strength, a heart in prayer.

Thank you, Dad, for standing tall,
For trusting Jesus through it all.
Your life has shown us how to be
A light, a rock, a family tree.

Author - Unknown





National Day of Prayer Service

We had a blessed evening of prayer for our nation, for those who govern, for our first responders, our military, our churches, the lives of unborn children, the media, the importance of family, and for missionaries. Thank you to all who brought this event to together. Thank you as well to the Parish Life committee for the desserts and coffee for the fellowship gathering after the service.





Ladies Luncheon 2025

A good time was had by all at the Ladies Luncheon! Many thanks to the Parish Life team for the planning, the food, the decorations, the craft, and all the work you put into this event. Thank you also to all of the gentlemen who served us!





*Thank
& you*

Thank you for your heartfelt prayers, calls, visits, and the numerous cards I received. Your support during this challenging time has meant more to me than words can express. I truly appreciate your kindness and comfort you brought me. May God bless you abundantly as you continue to serve others with such compassion and love. Sincerely, Mark & Sonya Poff

I would like to thank everyone for the cards, prayers, visits, and meals provided by my church family after my recent knee replacement surgery. A special thanks to Patty Bond who stayed with me for several nights after my surgery. God's blessings to you all, Pam White

Summer Worship in the Woods

The 8:00 a.m. Sunday worship service will be held at Chestnut Ridge Metro Park during the summer months, May 25th through August 31st. Chestnut Ridge is a beautiful place to have a worship service. In the midst of God's Creation we are reminded of His nature, His power, and His glory. Please invite friends, neighbors and family members to join in worshipping and singing hymns to God. Chestnut Ridge Metro Park is located at 845 Winchester Road N.W. in Carroll, Ohio. Hope to see you there!





JUNE 2025

BibleProject

Reading Plan

Spend the Year in Scripture

The One Story That Leads to Jesus **reading plan will guide you through the entire Bible in one year. Each day, you'll read a few chapters—or occasionally skim through large genealogies or census sections—as you make your way from Genesis to Revelation.**

Meditate on the Psalms

Each day's reading features a psalm for you to meditate on through quiet reflection and prayer. By the end of the year, you'll have read through this entire book of biblical poetry more than twice.

Videos for Learning

Before you dive into a new book of the Bible, we'll share an overview video that outlines the structure of the book and its central themes. In addition to these overview videos, we have also included many of our newest theme videos that explore topics found within each reading section. Follow the hyperlinks found in the readings for easy access to the videos.

Extra Reading Opportunities

Our team is working on a growing collection of articles, guides, and other resources to help you learn more about specific ideas introduced throughout the Bible. We've hyperlinked these resources throughout the reading plan to give you the option to dive deeper into a book or theme.

Overview Posters

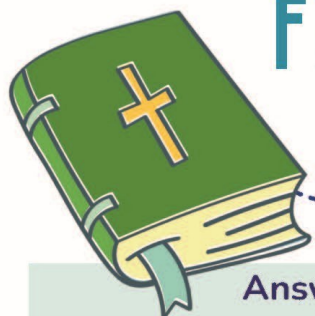
Want to download or print a copy of each book's overview? Overview posters are available [here](#).

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No.	Month	Day	Book	Ch.	Psalms	Video	Book Guide	Article
The Wisdom of Israel								
153	June	1	Proverbs	1	148	The Books of Solomon	Proverbs	Proverbs: How Human Wisdom Becomes Divine
154	June	2		4-6	149	Wisdom Series: Proverbs		
155	June	3		7-9	150	Proverbs 8		How Wisdom Leads to Joy
156	June	4		10-12	1	The Book of Psalms		
157	June	5		13-15	2	Poetry		
158	June	6		16-18	3	Poetic Metaphor		
159	June	7		19-21	4			
160	June	8		22-24	5			
161	June	9		25-27	6			
162	June	10		28	7	OT Overviews: Proverbs		
163	June	11	Ecclesiastes	1-4	8	Psalm 8	Ecclesiastes	
164	June	12		5-8	9	Wisdom Series: Ecclesiastes		
165	June	13		9-12	10	OT Overviews: Ecclesiastes		
166	June	14	Song of Songs	1-4	11		Song of Songs	Song of Solomon
167	June	15		5-8	12	OT Overviews: Song of Songs		
The Prophets of the Exile								
168	June	16	Jeremiah	1-3	13	OT Overviews: Jeremiah	Jeremiah	
169	June	17		4-6	14			
170	June	18		7-9	15			Jeremiah's Famous Temple Sermon
171	June	19		10-13	16			
172	June	20		14-17	17			
173	June	21		18-22	18	Justice		
174	June	22		23-25	19			
175	June	23		26-29	20			
176	June	24		30-32	21			
177	June	25		33-36	22			
178	June	26		37-39	23			
179	June	27		40-44	24			
180	June	28		45-48	25			
181	June	29		49-50	26			
182	June	30		51-52	27			Jeremiah & Transformed Hearts



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 Graduation Sunday Worship in the Woods 8:00am Worship Service 10:30am , Sunday School 9:30am	2 Leitch Home Bible Study 7pm	3	4 Prayer Meeting 7:00pm	5	6	7 Men's Cookout 12:00pm
8 Worship in the Woods 8:00am Worship Service 10:30am , Sunday School 9:30am Jauert Home Bible Study 6:30pm	9 Stewardship Mtg 1:00pm	10	11 Prayer Meeting 7:00pm	12	13	14 Men's Breakfast and Bible Study 8:00am Deacons Meeting 10am Rummage Sale Intake 10am
15 Father's Day!! Worship in the Woods 8:00am Worship Service 10:30am , Sunday School 9:30am	16 Rummage Sale Intake 3:30pm	17 Rummage Sale Intake 4pm Council Mtg 7pm	18 Prayer Meeting 7:00pm	19	20 Rummage Sale 9:00am	21 Rummage Sale 9:00am
22 Worship in the Woods 8:00am Worship Service 10:30am , Sunday School 9:30am Congregational Meeting 9:30am Parish Life 11:30am Pool Party 12pm	23	24	25 Newsletter Submissions Due Prayer Meeting 7:00pm	26	27	28 Men's Breakfast and Bible Study 8:00am
29 Worship in the Woods 8:00am Worship Service 10:30am , Sunday School 9:30am Fifth Sunday Potluck 12:00pm	30					



FATHERS OF THE BIBLE



Use your Bible

Answer the following questions about fathers in the bible

- 1 Who was the father of Cain, Abel, and Seth?
A) Noah B) Abraham
C) Adam D) Moses
- 2 Who was the father of John the Baptist?
A) Zechariah B) Simeon
C) Joseph D) Jonah
- 3 Who was the father of Joshua, the leader after Moses?
A) Eliezer B) Caleb
C) Aaron D) Nun
- 4 Who was known as the "father of many nations"?
A) Moses B) Abraham
C) Isaac D) David
- 5 Who was the father of King David?
A) Saul B) Solomon
C) Jesse D) Boaz
- 6 Who was the father of Jesus on earth?
A) Zechariah B) Joseph
C) David D) John
- 7 Who was the father of the 12 tribes of Israel?
A) Jacob B) Isaac
C) Joseph D) Moses
- 8 Who was the father of Esau and Jacob?
A) Abraham B) Noah
C) Laban D) Isaac
- 9 Who was the father of Solomon?
A) Saul B) Samuel
C) David D) Nathan
- 10 Who was the father of Noah?
A) Methuselah B) Lamech
C) Enoch D) Cain
- 11 Who was the father of Ham, Shem, and Japheth?
A) Abraham B) Lamech
C) Jacob D) Noah
- 12 Which father in the Bible lost all his children but remained faithful to God?
A) Noah B) Abraham
C) Job D) Jacob
- 13 Who was the father of Samuel, the prophet?
A) Elkanah B) Eli
C) Saul D) Nathan
- 14 Who was the father of the prophet Isaiah?
A) Joseph B) Herod
C) Amoz D) Daniel
- 15 Who was the father of King Saul?
A) Jesse B) Kish
C) Samuel D) Jonathan
- 16 Who is known as the ultimate Father, the Creator of all things, and the One who loves and cares for His children?
A) Abraham B) Moses
C) David D) Our Heavenly Father

FATHERS OF THE BIBLE



ANSWER KEY

- 1 C) ADAM
- 2 A) ZECHARIAH
- 3 D) NUN
- 4 B) ABRAHAM
- 5 C) JESSE
- 6 B) JOSEPH
- 7 A) JACOB
- 8 D) ISAAC
- 9 C) DAVID
- 10 B) LAMECH
- 11 D) NOAH
- 12 C) JOB
- 13 A) ELKANA
- 14 C) AMOZ
- 15 B) KISH
- 16 D) OUR HEAVENLY FATHER

DAD, no one



STACKS up to you!
Happy Father's Day!

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22nd Paul Roepcke

25th Stephanie Patenaude

26th Marty Binkley

26th Susan Hess

27th Felicity Patenaude

28th Nancy Kishel

29th Cindy Muller

30th William Voigt

1st Maggie Johnson

2nd Coral Stern

2nd Tim Haverfield

3rd Pastor Steven Carlson

3rd Jan Riedel

4th Bill Minor

4th Gary Gugliemotto

5th Joe Dombrowski

9th Norma Root

10th Val Pinkerton

12th Tina Jones

17th Bill Carpenter

18th Roger Peacock



6th Shane and Denise Clark

9th Gary and Leila Clark

14th Steve and Karen Dombrowski

15th Blair and Judy Sell

15th Derrick and Molly Grey

17th Duane and Norma Root

21st Eric and Jennyfer Young

25th Greg and Wendy Leitch