

ANNOUNCEMENTS: OCTOBER 11 & 12

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Saturday – Sunday: Closed

PRAYER CONCERNS

Ongoing Prayers: Thomas, Nicole, Stella, Bentley, and baby, Pam Studer (aunt of Melissa Kocis), Barb Hendel, Diane Calcamuggio, Cathie Tyree, Mike Kleinfelt, Julia (mother of Melissa Kocis' friend), Samuel McNeir (son of Patrick and Naomi McNeir), Al Gaige (brother of Jan Baker), David Buenting, Brian from Kenya, Linda Smith (wife of Gary Smith), Kay Baird (sister of Ted Weaver), Jason Scasny (husband of Kristen Scasny), LaVerne Edwards, Roger Peinert (husband of Sandy Peinert), Janis Stein (wife of Robert Stein), Carol Hancock (cousin of Naomi McNeir), Steven Laine (brother of Jim Laine), Judy Modene, Sue Hughes, Cary Wise, Judy Schramm, and all those we name in our hearts.

***Please contact the church office or one of the pastors with any prayer list additions or changes.**

SPECIAL OFFERING

The special offering for October will help to support **LWR-Shipping**. Please use your special offering envelope, or a pew envelope marked "special offering." In September we collected and donated \$357 to **WAM (Wood Area Ministries)**.

PCU FOOD PROGRAM

Zoar's item for October will be **peanut butter**. Please place items in the cupboard by the elevator. During the month of September, we collected and donated **389 cans of soup** to PCU. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE - 188

PRAYER PARTNERS INVITE YOU TO PRAY

In the gospel lesson this week we read of the ten lepers who were cured, yet only one returned to give thanks. This week let's remember to say thank you to God. Thank you for having a roof over our heads and food on the table. Thank you for our family and friends. Thank you for all the ways that God has blessed us. Give thanks to God.

AUGUST MONTHLY FINANCIAL SUMMARY

<i>Preliminary report of Operating Funds</i>	YTD Actual 2025	YTD Budget 2025	August Actual 2025	August Budget 2025
Total Income	\$538,863	\$609,518	\$54,679	\$87,074
Total Expense	<u>\$603,514</u>	<u>\$609,518</u>	<u>\$79,997</u>	<u>\$87,074</u>
Income less Expense	-\$64,651	\$0	-\$25,319	\$0

BIBLE STUDY READINGS FOR OCTOBER 15th AT 8:30 AM

Genesis 32:22-31; 2 Timothy 3:14—4:5; Luke 18:1-8

OUR 85+ MEMBER SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Arline Cornelius 10/06 Joseph Huber 10/15
Elva Ault 10/18 Darla Gearig 10/30

OFFERINGS TO ZOAR

Please consider continuing your offerings to Zoar:

- Give online at <https://secure.myvanco.com/YM4T/home> to set up scheduled gifts or designate your gift to a specific fund.
- Download the free **Vanco Mobile app** available for Apple and Android phones to make your gift.
- Mail offering to Zoar Lutheran Church, 314 E. Indiana Avenue, Perrysburg, OH 43551.

VISITING GUEST PREACHERS

Zoar will be hosting a variety of guest preachers throughout the year. Mark your calendars to come and worship with our guests.

Denise Russell 10/11 & 10/12

John Walker 10/18 & 10/19

ZOAR BOOK CLUB

The Zoar Book Club will meet on **Friday, November 7th** at

12:30 pm in rooms L1/L2 at Zoar Church (bring a brown bag lunch). Our eleventh book for the year will be "James: A Novel" by Percival Everett (2024) (Fiction). An action-packed reimagining of **Adventures of Huckleberry Finn**, both harrowing and darkly humorous, told from the enslaved Jim's point of view.

Jan Trease will be the discussion facilitator. Book Club members can pick up this book at Way Public Library (Zoar Book Club Box). The Book Club is open to all interested people. For further information, contact Ellen Williams (ewillia@bgsu.edu).

UPCOMING MUSICIANS VISITING ZOAR

Mark your calendars as we have some amazing musicians coming to share their talents with you!

October 12th – Omaldo Perez (8:30 and 11 am)

COMMUNION EDUCATION

Mark your calendars! On **Saturday, November 8th** Zoar will be holding a communion education class from 10 am – 2 pm in the FLC. This class is open to people of all ages. RSVPs are required. Please follow the link below to be taken to registration.

<https://forms.gle/j4ZXZ6FUm99QTrmE6>

BLESSING OF THE PETS

We'd love for you and your furry friends to stop by the Zoar parking lot from 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm on **Sunday, October 19th** for a pet blessing. For the safety of everyone we do ask that you have your pet on a leash (if applicable).

NEW MEMBER LUNCHEON

We will be hosting a new member luncheon for all new members and those potentially interested in church membership. The luncheon will be held on **Sunday, November 9th** following the 11 am worship service (approximately 12:15 pm). This gathering offers the opportunity to receive an overview of our faith and ministries at Zoar as well as participate in open Q&A and explore the building with a tour. New members will then be received on Sunday, November 23rd during our one service Sunday worship at 10 am.

Scan the QR code below or call the church office to register for the luncheon.



2025-2026 YOUTH REGISTRATION

Registration is NOW OPEN for youth and youth volunteers for the 2025-2026 program year! Registration links are available on the Zoar website and on the fliers posted in the Gathering Space. Youth who are interested in youth ministry programming, including Sunday School, Confirmation, etc. must have a registration form on file. Adult volunteers who are interested in helping with youth events should register as well-no prep and no prior experience needed! Please see Corryn if you have any questions or concerns!

YOUTH TIME CAPSULE

On **November 22nd**, Zoar will be opening our 175th anniversary time capsule. Youth in grade 12 and younger are invited to fill out a time capsule sheet to place in the NEW time capsule to be opened in 2050! Some kids have already filled one out at Sunday School or youth group, but if you missed out, click the link found in the Zblast to download a copy or pick one up in the church office.

YOGA FOR EVERY BODY

You are invited to join us on **Sunday, October 12th** from 4-5 pm in the FLC as we spend time connecting our mind, body and spirit with yoga instructor Kasey Kilmer. Bring a yoga mat (if you have one) or a towel. Chairs will be available for anyone choosing chair yoga. Thank you to the Zoar Foundation for sponsoring this event. A free will offering will be collected in support of Sierra Club. Sign up by following the link below:

<https://forms.gle/xFvxqiDKoNWDzD198>

KITCHEN OF HOPE LUNCHEONS

Kitchen of Hope is back providing meals and playing bingo on the fourth Friday of each month. Meals are held in Zoar's FLC and start at noon. These meals are free and open to everyone. We do ask that you call the church office at 419-874-4346 to sign up if you plan on attending.

2025 Season: Oct. 24, Nov. 21, Dec. 19

2026 Season: Jan. 23, Feb. 27, Mar. 27, Apr. 24, May 22

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Confirmation classes will be held on the third Sunday of each month from 1 pm-3 pm. The next class is **October 19th**. This year's classes will focus on the main beliefs of Lutherans, including the sacraments of Holy Baptism and Holy Communion, the Lord's Prayer, the Ten Commandments, and the Apostles Creed, etc. Several off-site faith-based learning experiences will also be scheduled throughout the year.

While youth often participate in confirmation during their 7th and 8th grade years, we welcome their discernment (together with their families and the pastors) around when to begin this experience, and invite conversation about what this might look like. At the conclusion of two years, they will be invited, not expected, to affirm their faith publicly in community.

If you know a young person who is planning to attend Confirmation classes this year, please make sure you have filled out a Zoar Youth Participation and Liability Release Form and fill out the short Confirmation sign up form available on the church website. Both forms are accessible via the QR codes posted on the bulletin board in the Gathering space and the links posted in the Zblast or on the Zoar website.

ZOAR YOUTH GROUP CEDAR POINT TRIP

Mark your calendars! On **Saturday, October 18th** Zoar's youth in grades 5-12 are invited on a field trip to Cedar Point. There will be two groups leaving at different times to better accommodate everyone's schedules. Please note that adult chaperones and drivers are also needed. Follow the link below for more information and to access the registration form. <https://forms.gle/V7MEvaQ15wq3zUmy6>

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

On **Saturday, October 25th** and **Sunday, October 26th** immediately following each worship service, a special congregational meeting will be held in the Sanctuary. The purpose of this meeting is to elect a new Vice President for church council. The person elected will serve as VP for the remainder of the 2024/2025 term (ending the end of January 2026) and then will serve as Council President for the 2026/2027 (beginning the end of January 2026) term. We hope you will join us for more information and your input.

YOUNG ADULT CONNECTION

Young Adult Connection is a group for Zoar young adults (post-high school, ages 18 – 30ish) who live locally or far away and are looking to connect with others in your age group and/or stay connected to Zoar! Follow the link below to sign up today! <https://forms.gle/Z9zYCNTKrWbM6UNs9>

INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S DAY 2025

Perrysburg, Ohio, the site of Zoar Lutheran Church, was home to many indigenous peoples. History tells us that this land was originally traversed and stewarded by the Erie, Ottawa, Kaskaskia, Kiikaapoi, Myaamia, Peoria, Wyandotte, Potawatomi, and Seneca nations. We acknowledge these peoples as original inhabitants of this land, and we give thanks for their commitment to the loving care of the forests, grasslands, rivers and streams.

ELIZABETH WAYNE PRESCHOOL

Zoar has been contacted by the director of the preschool at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Maumee, called Elizabeth Wayne Preschool. They have invited our parishioners to consider their preschool and will offer anyone from Zoar a 5% tuition discount. They are planning an open house on **Tuesday, November 4th** for prospective families to see the school. Tours will be given throughout the day from 9 am – 2 pm. Families can come anytime that is convenient for them and meet teachers as well as get any questions they have answered. Additional information available at www.stpaulsmaumee.org/ewpreschool/

TIME CAPSULE SUBMISSIONS

This is a reminder to all church committees that if you are submitting any items to be included in the new time capsule, it must be received in the church office by **Saturday, November 1st**.

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

ALTAR GUILD

October 12 8:30 am Connie Bricker
 11:00 am Marcia Traber

USHERS

October 12 8:30 am Ray Bricker; Robin Maxwell
 11:00 am

LECTOR

October 11 6:00 pm
October 12 8:30 am
 11:00 am Karen Lundholm

SOUND CREW

October 11 6:00 pm James Jaqua
October 12 8:30 am Carl Habekost
 11:00 am Tom Trimble

MUSICAL GUESTS

October 11 6:00 pm
October 12 8:30 am Omaldo Perez
 11:00 am Omaldo Perez

SOCIAL HOUR SETUP

October 12 8:00 am Tom and Margie Iserman

SOCIAL HOUR COOKIE DONATIONS

October 12 8:00 am Carolyn St. Meyers; Sondra Alexander

COUNTERS Joyce Williams; Carole Welling

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Saturday, October 11

9:00 am Altar Guild
10:00 am Yarns of Love – L1/L2
6:00 pm Worship – Sanctuary

Sunday, October 12

8:30 am Worship – Sanctuary
9:45 am Social Hour – Gathering Space
9:45 am Sunday School – SS Room
11:00 am Worship – Sanctuary
2:30 pm YALL - TBD
4:00 pm Yoga For Every Body - FLC

Monday, October 13

5:15 pm Basketball – FLC.
7:00 pm Pack 110 Den Meeting – SS Room
7:30 pm Basketball – FLC

Tuesday, October 14

9:00 am Quilters – L1/L2/L3/L4
11:00 am Staff Meeting - Conference Room
11:00 am Pickleball – FLC
1:00 pm Pickleball – FLC
3:00 pm Intermediate Pickleball - FLC
3:14 pm 314 with Pastor Paul – Facebook Live
5:30 pm Pickleball – FLC
6:00 pm Heritage Committee – Heritage Room
7:00 pm Stewardship Committee – Conference Room
7:00 pm Uncorked Faith – Offsite
7:00 pm Communications Committee – L1/L2

Wednesday, October 15

8:30 am Bible Study – Conference Room
10:00 am Prayer Partners – Conference Room
1:00 pm Bridge Club – Third Floor
1:00 pm Rachel Circle - Lounge
4:00 pm Pickleball Lessons – FLC
6:00 pm ZAC Meeting – TBD
7:00 pm Youth Meeting - TBD
7:00 pm Genesis Bible Study - ZOOM

Thursday, October 16

9:15 am Naomi Circle – Conference Room
10:00 am Genesis Bible Study – L1/L2
6:00 pm Daisy Troop – SS Rooms
7:00 pm Choir Practice – Sanctuary
7:00 pm La Leche League – Conference Room

Friday, October 17

9:00 am Painters – L1/L2