

ANNOUNCEMENTS: OCTOBER 25 & 26

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Saturday – Sunday: Closed

PRAYER CONCERNS

Ongoing Prayers: Gwen Trumball and family, Thomas, Nicole, Stella, Bentley, and baby, Pam Studer (aunt of Melissa Kocis), Barb Hendel, 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), Bob and Janis 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

Please continue to pray for peace this week. Peace in the world, peace in our country, peace in our cities, peace in our hearts. Pray that we can see each other for what we all are – children of God. Pray for peace.

SEPTEMBER MONTHLY FINANCIAL SUMMARY

<i>Preliminary report of Operating Funds</i>	Budget September	Actual Septemb er	Budget YTD 2025	Actual YTD 2025
Total Income	\$87,074	\$49,123	\$783,666	\$587,986
Total Expense	\$87,074	\$91,628	\$783,666	\$695,142
Income less Expense	\$0	-\$42,505	\$0	-\$107,156

BIBLE STUDY READINGS FOR OCTOBER 29th AT 8:30 AM

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18; Ephesians 1:11-23; Luke 6:20-31

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.

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).

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 to be taken to registration. <https://forms.gle/j4ZXZ6FU99QTrmE6>

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**.

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

ONE SERVICE SUNDAYS

Please mark your calendars that on the following Sundays (**November 22nd, December 21st, and December 28th**) we will be holding one worship service at 10 am.

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. Call the church office or follow the link below to register for the luncheon.

Registration Link: <https://forms.gle/urjYfbKNqGQ8X6Mb9>

YOGA FOR EVERY BODY

You are invited to join us on **Sunday, November 9th** 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 Water Mission. Sign up by following the link below:

<https://forms.gle/Z2bzqH76NiQBvWwU9>

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.

TIME CAPSULE LETTER SUBMISSIONS

On November 22nd, Zoar will be opening our 175th anniversary time capsule. Parishioners are invited to submit a letter to place in the NEW time capsule to be opened in 2050! Letters must be submitted by **Sunday, November 9th**. You can email your letters to secretary@zoarlutheran.com or drop them off in the church office.

HALLOWEEN TRUNK OR TREAT

You are invited to join Troop 110 and Pack 110 for a night of spooky fun! On **Monday, October 27th** from 7 pm – 8:30 pm, Zoar will be hosting the Cub Scout/Boy Scout Trunk or Treat in the church parking lot. There is no cost, and it is open to all ages! Any questions? Call Scott (Pack 110) at 419-283-8336 or Dante (Troop 110) at 419-705-4332. We look forward to seeing you there!

ST. PAUL'S COMMUNITY CENTER

St. Paul's Community Center serves meals to unhoused individuals in and around the Toledo area. Zoar contributes to this effort by providing four meals a year. When it gets cold, many of the visitors do not have warm coats, hats or gloves. With the temperatures starting to change we are collecting clean winter gear in sizes large or extra-large, men or women's. New packages of underwear are also needed. You can put your donations in the box by the stairs at Zoar until **November 9th**.

2025 HOLIDAY HOUSE COLLECTION

The 2025 Holiday House is once again collecting items from **November 3rd – December 5th** for the 5th-12th grade students at Westfield & Virtual Academy. This event allows students to shop FOR FREE, wrap, and take home gifts for their family and caregivers. Anything left over is donated to local Toledo area shelters. All items must be new or very gently used. They are accepting the following: purses, bags, jewelry, games, books, DVDs, crafts, housewares, dishes, pots, pans, trinkets, toys, holiday décor, kitchen items, perfumes, colognes, body sprays, shoes, socks, gloves, scarves, blankets, and baskets. Clothes are accepted, however, only infant through young adult sizes. They ARE NOT accepting adult clothing. Empty boxes, tissue, and gift wrap are also needed for wrapping.

Drop off locations are:

Grace United Methodist Church, Perrysburg, M-F, 9 am – 4 pm

Westfield School, 1505 Jefferson Ave., Toledo, 8:30 am – 2 pm

26209 Seminary Rd., Perrysburg, 9 am – 5 pm

STAINED GLASS WINDOW UPDATE

Bigelow Windows has completed work on 20 windows and have 2 more in process. These are in the upper stairwell by the back of the sanctuary. After those come back, we will only have 6 more to go! The last 6 will be :The Baptism of Jesus/Lord's Supper; a decorative window in the stairwell; Lord, Save Me; Revelation/Behold, I Stand at the Door and Knock; Mary Sitting at Jesus' Feet; and the Holy Family/Birth of Christ. As of October 14, 2025, our fund balance is \$73,265.11. Once we are invoiced for the cry room/bathroom windows (\$12,760), we will need to spend another \$64,295 to finish the remaining windows. That means we need \$3,789.89 to complete all the window restoration. Woo Hoo! Words cannot describe how appreciative we are for the generosity shown by this congregation in their donations and attendance at events which highlighted the windows!

2026 ZOAR RETREAT

Registration is now open for Zoar's 2026 Retreat! It will be held at Hopewood Pines in Marengo, OH from **February 27th – March 1st**. This is such a fun time for all who participate. Don't miss out! Follow the link to be taken to the registration page: <https://forms.gle/4sSbpLRUzyQvK9ct5>

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/

HOLY LAND MINISTRY

On **November 1st and 2nd** during worship services you will be hearing about the Christians of the Holy Land. After each service the Holy Land Christian Solidarity Cooperative will offer you the opportunity to browse and purchase several handmade olive wood items from Bethlehem. All proceeds go to support Christian families from Bethlehem.

As we approach the end of the year, the Nominating Committee is looking for names of anyone willing to serve on the committees here at Zoar. If you are feeling called to serve – whether for a particular event or a committee assignment, please contact the church office and we will put you in contact with the right person. As a reminder, the New Member Resource Guide lists the many ways to share your talents in service to our community. https://www.zoarlutheran.com/files/ugd/c80d36_76b7022350534421ad6daed1cb15928e.pdf

October 26 8:30 am Jackie Springer
11:00 am Donna Ohls

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 11:00 am

October 25	6:00 pm	
October 26	8:30 am	Sondra Alexander
	11:00 am	Lee Rupert

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October 26	8:30 am	Brian Tomko
	11:00 am	Tom Trimble

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9:00 am	Altar Guild
6:00 pm	Worship – Sanctuary
6:00 pm	Special Congregational Meeting - Sanctuary

8:30 am	Worship – Sanctuary
8:30 am	Special Congregational Meeting - Sanctuary
9:45 am	Social Hour – Gathering Space
9:45 am	Sunday School – SS Room
11:00 am	Worship – Sanctuary
11:00 am	Special Congregational Meeting – Sanctuary

7:00 pm Pack 110 Trunk or Treat – Parking Lot

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 Corryn – Facebook Live
7:00 pm	Stewardship Meeting – Conference Room

Wednesday, October 29

8:30 am Bible Study – Conference Room

1:00 pm Bridge Club – Third Floor

2:00 pm Pickleball Lessons – FLC

Thursday, October 30

6:00 pm Daisy Troop – SS Room

7:00 pm Choir Practice – Sanctuary

Friday, October 31

9:00 am Painters – L1/L2