



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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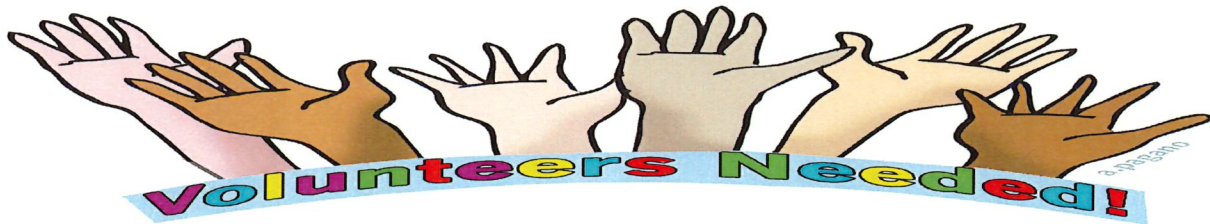
TIFFIN, OHIO

JULY 2026 SCROLL

"God is among us!"

*"We are called to go out, care for all, share the gospel, forgive,
reconcile, and trust God for all that we need."*

WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT - LINDA WARREN



Volunteers! Calling volunteers!

The Power of Volunteering

Volunteering within the church is more than an act of service—it is a living expression of faith. When members step forward to give their time, skills, and energy, they help transform the church from a place people attend into a community people belong to. Whether the project is small and practical or large and visionary, volunteers make ministry possible.

What are your interests, hobbies or specialties?

Food: Sharing Kitchen, West Ohio Food Bank Volunteers, FISH Volunteers, cookie bakers

Music: Bell Choir Members, Vocal Choir members, Instrument players, Cantors

Outside Maintenance: Lawn Mowers, Weed Warriors, Mower Maintenance,

Nave Upkeep: Altar Guild, Pew Crew,

Service Helpers: Sunday Morning coffee makers, Sunday Morning Scripture Readers, Assisting Ministers, Sermon Presenters, Sunday Morning hosts and greeters, Offering Counters, Plant Caregivers, Sunday School Teachers

Committees: Church Council, Worship & Music Committee, Property Committee, Transition Committee

Sewing: Piece Corp Quilters (Meet 2nd Wednesday of the Month at 9:00 AM)

Community Outreach: Visiting Shut-ins, Bible Study

We know every one is so busy these days and finding extra time can be a challenge.

So Challenge yourself to make time and help support our wonderful church.

If you are interested in helping in any way, please talk to any church council or call/e-mail the office. We can steer you in the right direction.

*God Bless our volunteers,
both those who volunteer now and those future volunteers!*

The surveys can be returned in designated baskets through out the church. The last date to complete this survey is July 12

(There is still time to complete a survey. If you aren't able to get one at the church one can be mailed or e-mailed to you. Just let us know.)

*****What's on the Survey*****

Demographic & General Information of our members

Church Satisfaction

Learning & Growing

Children & Youth

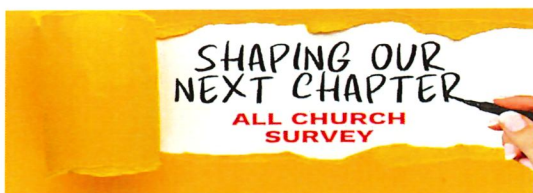
Community Engagement

Volunteering

Pastoral Care & Support

Other Comments

If you have something else to say this is a great time to say it!!



In Love, Peace and Harmony:

Wishing you Love to Lighten your Heart:

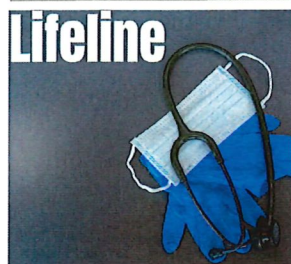
Wishing you Peace to Soothe your Spirit:

Wishing you Harmony to Fill your life with Happiness.

Linda Warren

Upcoming COMMUNITY EVENTS

**JULY
AUGUST
SEPTEMBER**



Life Line Screening

will be here

Thursday

September 17, 2026

9a-5:30p

in the

Fellowship Hall.

Register now to check the
health of your arteries.

To register please call 888-814-0466 or
go to

<https://llsa.social/HC>

FISH FOOD PANTRY

Has been providing food assistance to persons in
Seneca County since 1972

The Pantry is open Monday, Wednesday & Friday.

You must call to make an appointment at

419 448-0690

If you have questions or interested in volunteering,

Please contact Catherine Gase at 419 618-7724



WEST OHIO FOOD BANK

Will be here

Thursday, July 23, 2026

Thursday, August 27, 2026

Thursday, September 24, 2026



If you or someone you know s in need of food assistance
please share the invitation to come and
let the WOFB help fill their food pantries.

For more information call

FISH of Tiffin at 419 618-7724

Or

E-mail Catherine Gase at csgase@gmail.com

Food Distribution begins
at 1pm and continues
until food is gone.

Application forms can be obtained
on the Church Office Bulletin Board

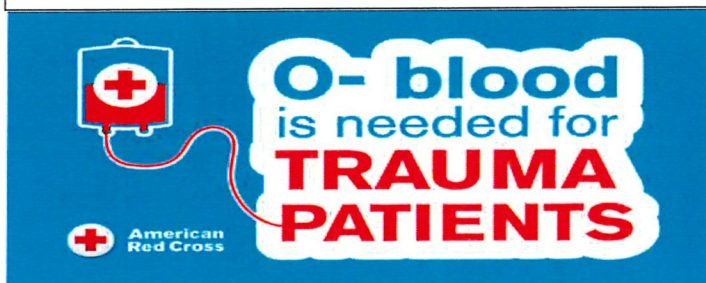
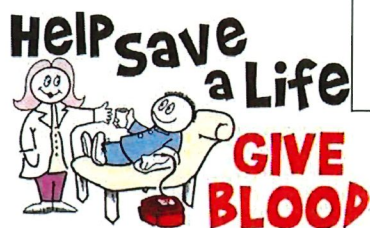
RED CROSS BLOOD MOBILE

Next date

October 12, 2026

12:00 PM to 6:00 PM

To schedule an appointment, please call 1-800-RED-CROSS or
visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter sponsor code: 1Lutheran



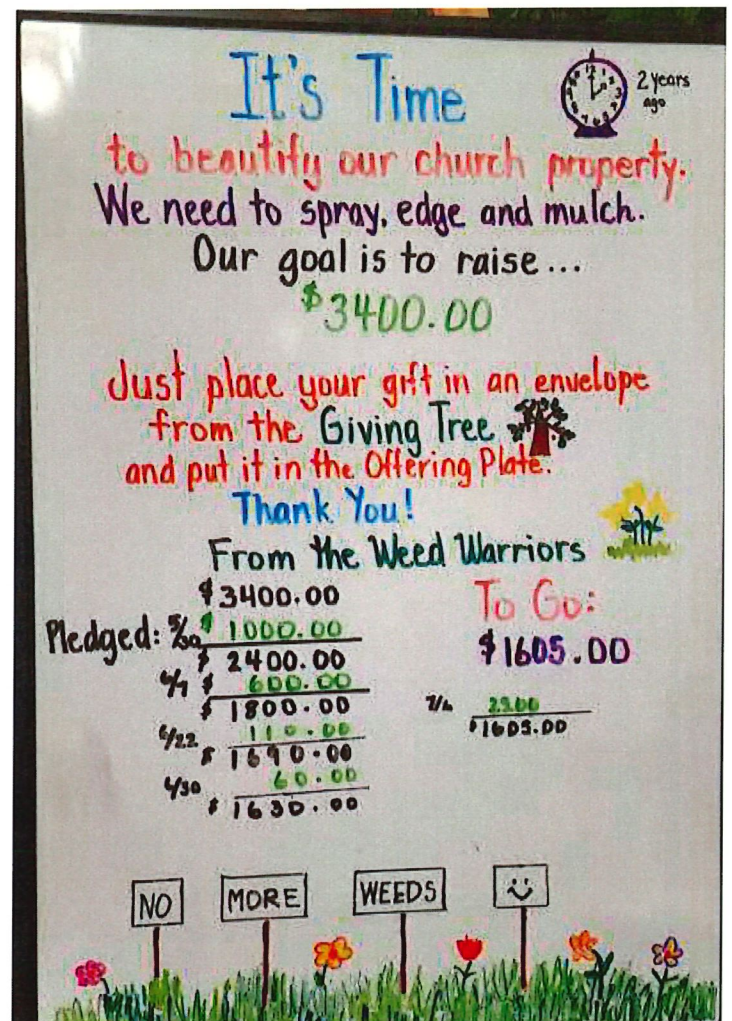
Next dates for
Sharing Kitchen
 October 12th & 15th.

Two volunteers are needed to arrive at 10:30a to help prep.

Four volunteers are asked to arrive at 11:00a to help serve.

All volunteers are asked to stay through clean up.

A sign up sheet will be put in the Lobby. IF you have any question feel free to contact Deb Nominee.



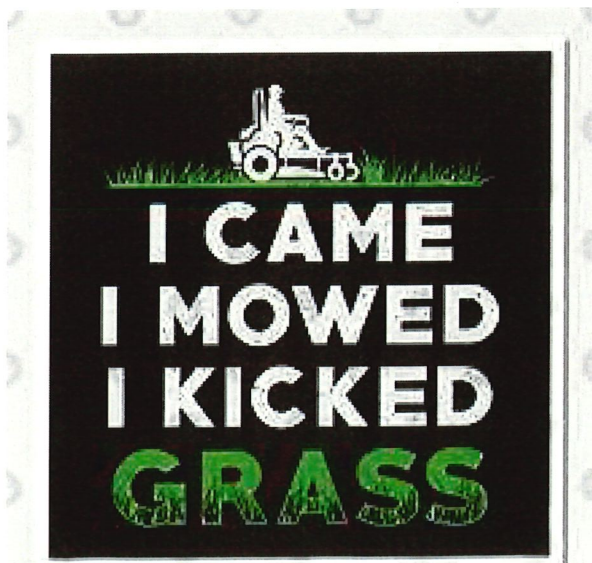
Upcoming Church Events

MOWING SCHEDULE 2026

Week	Mower		Week	Mower
05/07	Pete Myers		09/03	John Kobelt
05/14	John Kobelt		09/10	Rick Nominee
05/21	Rick Nominee		09/17	Jim Ruess
05/28	Steve Livoti		09/24	Pete Myers
06/04	Steve Livoti		10/01	John Kobelt
06/11	Jim Ruess		10/08	Rick Nominee
06/18	Pete Myers		10/15	Jim Ruess
06/25	John Kobelt		10/22	Pete Myers
			10/29	John Kobelt
07/02	Rick Nominee			
07/09	Bob Fruth		11/05	Rick Nominee
07/16	Jim Ruess		11/12	Jim Ruess
07/23	Pete Myers			
07/30	John Kobelt			
08/06	Rick Nominee			
08/13	Bob Fruth			
08/20	Jim Ruess			
08/27	Pete Myer			

Mowing is usually done on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays. However if you are available to mow more often to keep ahead of it, that would be greatly appreciated.

Any questions call John Kobelt @ 419 934-9697



BOOKWORMS ANONYMOUS

Our Bookworms will continue to gather the 3rd Monday of the month at 1:30 pm in the Church Library. Everyone who loves a good book is welcome to attend. If you would like more information, contact Diane Greene.

July 20:

The Mockingbird Summer, by Lynda Rutledge

August 17:

The Winter Garden, by Kristin Hannah

September 21:

Buckeye, by Patrick Ryan

October 19:

In Order to Live:

A North Korean Girl's Journey to Freedom

By Maryanne Vollers & Yeonmi Park

November 16:

The Christmas Pearl by Dorothea Benton Frank

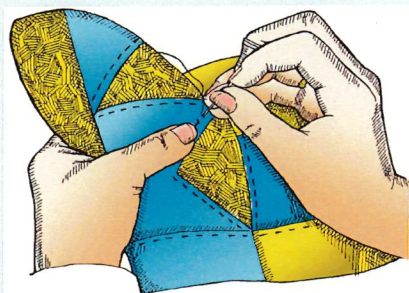


PIECE CORP

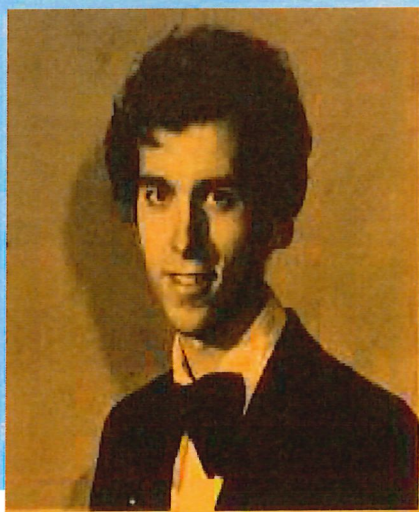
The Piece Corp continues to meet every 2nd Wednesday of the month at 9am.

Next meetings will be -

- July 8th
- August 12th
- September 9th
- October 14
- November 11
- December 9



QUILTING GROUP



Curtis L. King

FLASHBACK

TRIVIA

Year—1976

GREETINGS FROM CHILDHOOD MINISTRIES! - JULY

Greeting from Childhood Ministries,

I wanted to first introduce myself. My name Jackie Webb and I am wife and mother of two children ages nine and eleven. I currently reside in New Riegel (yes, "the rib place") and live on a small family farm where community is very important. I have an Associates degree in early childhood education and have been working in childcare for fifteen years and I am eager to start my new adventure in childcare as First Lutheran Church Preschool and Extended Care director/administrator.

Our summer program is blossoming, old friends are reconnecting and new friendships have been created. We started something a bit new. The world is full of screens and unlimited access to the internet. In order to limit screen and internet time. I have implemented a new choice rotation. Children have selection games, word puzzles, art, puzzles, and other screen free activities. We have been busy with new art projects everyday integrating our theme. A fun July art/craft we did was tie-dye. The children had a blast! "It's my Picasso" was a fun quote I heard. We have had a few walking field trips to Krout Elementary where the children enjoyed their outdoor play space. Next month's theme will be dinosaurs, under the sea, Christmas in July, and farm/fair week.



Sincerely,

Jackie Webb,

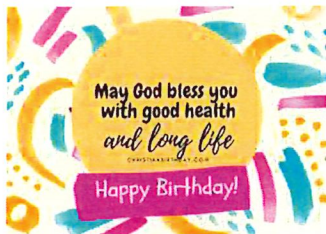
Director,
FLEC/Extended Care



7/5 Jacqueline Fletcher
 7/6 J. Michael Oberlander
 7/9 Carol Jarrett
 7/9 Deb Nominee
 7/11 Andrew Fay
 7/12 Blake Vaughn
 7/13 Keghan Reis-Kelly
 7/14 Lori Groves
 7/16 Rick Greene
 7/17 Kelli Brueggemeier
 7/17 Deb Clark
 7/17 Andrew Shawberry
 7/19 Kim Ames
 7/22 John Jarrett
 7/22 Jackson Vallery
 7/23 Garrett Chester
 7/24 Michael Ross
 7/24 Vera Smith
 7/25 Jennifer Binkley
 7/29 Alex Grangaard
 7/30 Brian Zoll
 7/31 Donna Brueggemeier
 7/31 Hayden Cook

8/2 Xavier Matthewson
 8/2 Mike Porter
 8/7 Tim Blott
 8/8 Mercedes Strausbaugh
 8/15 Luise Zeop
 8/16 Kerry Eppley
 8/17 Joyce Lather
 8/18 Ellie Anderson-
 8/19 Diane Dunbar
 8/19 Keith Spitler
 8/19 Mark Stephens
 8/20 Xavier Baker
 8/20 Dena Brininger-Blott
 8/20 Noah Sallee
 8/22 Jan Hall
 8/22 Tim Ross
 8/23 Austin Moneer
 8/24 Peter Grangaard
 8/25 Norman Covert
 8/25 Nicki Reis
 8/31 Joe Carnahan
 8/31 Ellie Leopold

9/1 Ron Clouse
 9/2 Ronald Mellott
 9/4 Jamie Chester
 9/6 Deb Cleveland
 9/6 Izaac Woessner
 9/6 Dick Wyka
 9/7 Sandra Mellott
 9/7 Camille Stephens
 9/7 Jim Zellner
 9/9 Linda Phares
 9/9 Alice Smith
 9/11 Diane Hampshire
 9/11 Scott Jarrett
 9/12 Lynn Harbaugh
 9/12 Kathy Livoti
 9/13 Maxwell Pauly
 9/14 Angela Nominee
 9/15 Jacob English
 9/16 Janet Meyer
 9/17 Martin Meyer
 9/19 Avery Hoover
 9/22 Savanna Cook
 9/22 Libby Hoyda
 9/22 Kevin Reser
 9/25 Claudia Fleckner
 9/26 Deborah Fassler
 9/26 Jill Griffin
 9/26 Jason Lather
 9/30 Isabella Meyer
 9/30 Pat Nelson



"Statistics show
 that those
 who have the
 most birthdays
 live the longest.
 Happy Birthday!"



Please let the office know if there are any updates to our birthday list.

SUNDAY WORSHIP **10:00 A.M.**

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Ways to attend church

in-person,
on the radio @93.3 FM,
Facebook (firstlutherantiffin)

The bulletin can be viewed each week
On the church web site.
It can be downloaded and
Printed to follow along with the service

It is also e-mailed to members usually on
the Wednesday or Thursday before the
Sunday.

If you aren't receiving this e-mail
please let the office know and we can add
your e-mail to the list.

Missed a Sunday? No Problem!
Past weeks bulletins are located on the
pew near the chapel

FINANCIAL REPORT

	MAY	YTD
First Lutheran Church		
Income	\$7,095.32	\$56,337.57
Expense	\$17,343.84	\$97,983.33
Church Summary	-\$10,248.52	-\$41,645.76

First Lutheran Pre-School		
Income	\$12,168.68	\$50,002.59
Expense	\$9,009.49	\$44,676.06
School Summary	\$3,159.19	\$5,326.53

Combined Summary		
Income	\$19,264.00	\$106,340.16
Expenses	\$26,353.33	\$142,659.39
Total Summary	-\$7,089.33	-\$36,319.23

Checking Account balance 05/31/2026 \$18,256.21

Investment balance 05/31/2026 \$583,388.07

Total Church Operating budget for 2026 is \$204,200.
\$3,927 is needed weekly to cover operating expenses
and the weekly offerings have averaged \$2,441.

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you would like the congregation to pray for someone
during the Prayers of Intercession, please raise your hand during the
announcements (or take a card while picking up the bulletin) and the
hosts will give you a card to write their name on. It will be collected at the
end of announcements.

This is only done that same Sunday, so it will
need to be repeated every week



WORSHIP SERVANTS FOR JULY

SUNDAY	READER	HOST	FACE BOOK OPERATOR	WORSHIP ASSIST	PASTOR
07/05/2026	Mike Oberlander	Janet Zirger	Rosses	Rick Greene	Pastor Dittmar
07/12/2026	Jonathan Nominee		Deb Nominee	Jonathan Nominee	Pastor Mark Schuring
07/19/2026	Melissa Chester	Judy Kimmel	Rosses	Melissa Chester	Pastor Bill Schultz
07/26/2026	Shelley Ross		Rosses	Shelley Ross	Pastor Mark Schuring
ALTAR GUILD	Luise & Ken Zeop				

WORSHIP SERVANTS FOR AUGUST

SUNDAY	READER	HOST	FACE BOOK OPERATOR	WORSHIP ASSIST	PASTOR
08/02/2026					Pastor Wittenmyer
08/09/2026					Pastor Mark Schuring
08/16/2026					Pastor Mark Schuring
08/23/2026					Pastor Larry Michaels
08/30/2026					
ALTAR GUILD	Luise & Ken Zeop				

WORSHIP SERVANTS FOR SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY	READER	HOST	FACE BOOK OPERATOR	WORSHIP ASSIST	PASTOR
09/06/2026					Pastor Christian Dittmar
09/13/2026			Rosses		Pastor Mark Schuring
09/20/2026			Rosses		Pastor Mark Schuring
09/27/2026					Pastor Larry Michaels
ALTAR GUILD	Bonnie & Mike Oberlander				

It takes many hands to help make worship happen each week. Would you prayerfully consider joining in lending a hand? If so, please contact Melissa Chester at melissac@qt2.com as she helps put this schedule together.

Thank you to Melissa and all those who donate their time and energy to this need.



BAPTISM



On July 26, 2026,
FLC will be welcoming 2 new
members by Baptism.

Clementine Lauren Luidhardt

(Daughter of Mollie & Derek Luidhardt)

&

Nevin Ballreich Martin

(Son of Katlyn & Nevin Martin)

Scheduled Meetings

These groups meet every month on the same day and time

Council: every 3rd Wednesday of the month at 5:30PM

Piece Corp: every 2nd Wednesday of the month at 9:00AM

Bookworms: every 3rd Monday of the month at 1:30PM

Food Bank: every 4th Thursday at 1:00PM

Worship & Music: every 1st Wednesday of the month at 6:00 PM

Property Committee: every 2nd Wednesday at 6:00 PM

Childhood Ministry: Monthly—dates will vary

These groups meet every week on the same day and time

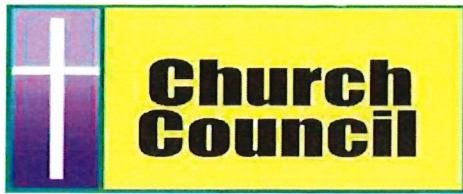
Bell Choir Practice: every Monday at 5:15 PM (on hold)

Bible Study: every Monday at 10:00 AM at the Willows

Women's Bible Study: every Thursday at 7:00 PM (location will vary)

Please feel free to attend anyone of these meetings





First Lutheran Church
Church Council Meeting Minutes
MAY 20, 2026

Present: Linda Warren, Melissa Chester, Deb Hohman, Judy Kimmel, Diane Greene, Rick Greene, Alice Smith & Richard Ellinger

Absent: Steve Hoffman

Devotions: A Spring devotion

Agenda:

Motion to approve agenda by Rick Greene and seconded by Alice Smith.
Motion passed.

April Minutes:

Motion to approve minutes by Rick Greene. Seconded by Deb Hohman.
Motion passed.

Financial Report:

Steve Huffman emailed the April Financial Reports to the council members.

Total income for April was \$10,859. Total expenses were \$15,431. Daycare income was \$12,347; expenses were \$7,843. Combined income was \$23,206 & combined expenses were \$23,273. From January 1 to April 30 we had a combined income of \$87,076 with total expenses of \$116,306.

That's a shortfall of \$29,229. The checking account at month end was \$22,407.

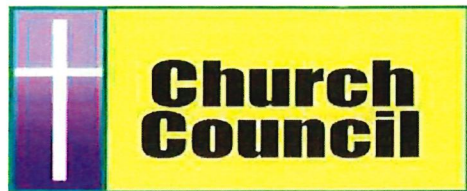
Market value of the Thrivent investment was \$591,179 at month end.

We need to transfer funds into the checking account due to an invoice of \$37,000 from Earl Mechanical. Steve asked Thrivent to transfer \$40,000. (This \$37,000 was already approved by the congregation.)

Motion to approve financial report was made by Diane Greene and seconded by Alice Smith.

Motion passed. After a discussion with Richard Ellinger, a motion to transfer money from Thrivent was made by Melissa Chester.

Seconded by Alice Smith. Motion passed.



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Committee Reports:

Transition committee report:

The committee met with Sherry Krieger and a retired pastor from Perrysburg on April 6. It was decided we would form a Pastoral team. It would consist of Pastor Mark Schuring, Curt King, Rick Greene, assisting ministers, and others as needed. It was decided a member survey would be given to members to fill out and return. Shelley Ross volunteered to write the survey.

Worship & Music committee report:

Melissa reported that the wedding booklets are still being reviewed and corrected. Children's sermon will continue during the summer.

Property Committee report:

FLC passed the annual inspection of our two boilers. MJ Brown will look at our downspouts situation and will present a proposal. King Glass looked at our automatic doors. They are going to present a proposal. Bilger's will remove mulch around the church and house, apply weed killer, then put down 1 ½ to 2 inches of new black mulch for this year. One Sunday recently the Earl technician logged into our system at home and saw that we were not coming up to temperature. He arrived at FLC and found a short in a wire and replaced it. Nobody knew we were headed for another cold nave.

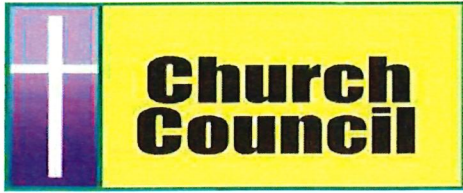
Preschool/Daycare report:

Preschool: current registration remains at Pre 4/5 T/Th/F – 7 & Pre 3 T/Th -13

Spring program and graduation will be on Tuesday, May 19 at 6:00.

Extended Care: current registration has 62 children registered. 31 children have signed up for summer care and numbers are expected to increase.

Jacklyn Webb has been hired as Preschool/Extended Care director with a start date of Monday, May 18. At least one aide needs to be hired for summer. Paula and Jane will stay on as subs.



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Old Business:

New Business:

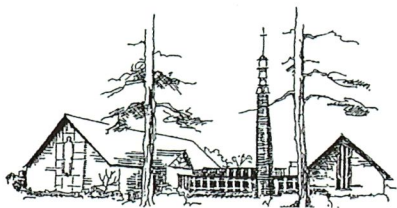
Upcoming events/ Room requests- September 17: LifeLine

Diane Greene moved to accept the request. Melissa Chester seconded. Motion passed.

Next Council Meeting will be Wednesday June 17 th at 5:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Greene



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GLORIA STACY	419 934-3023	SECRETARY
RICK SHOLL	419 939-3436	BUILDING

Unfortunately, due to a problem with our land line phone system, updates to include proper emergency contact information on voice mail is not available. However, a new emergency contact list is posted on all entry doors. If you have a non-emergency request or need information from the office, you are encouraged to e-mail the office at firstlutherantiffin@gmail.com. This method of communication is more frequently checked then voice mail.

First Lutheran Church

300 Melmore St., Tiffin, Ohio 44883-3535

Tel: 419-447-1323 or Gloria's Cell 419 934-3023

Office Hours: Tuesday — Thursday 1:00PM to 5:00PM Hours will vary

If office is closed, please leave a message on voice mail or on note pad outside of office.

You may also send an E-mail at firstlutherantiffin@gmail.com. E-mails are checked daily Monday—Friday.

Website: firstlutherantiffin.com E-mail: firstlutherantiffin@gmail.com

Sunday morning worship is broadcast on WTTF, 1600 AM, 93.3 FM at 10:00 AM

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