



ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH  
210 North Wayne Street  
St. Marys, OH 4588

September 17, 2023  
8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

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**PRELUDE**

*God of the Nations*

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GATHERING SONG** *"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"* #858

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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**P:** In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** Amen.

**P:** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C:** Amen.

**P:** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

P: Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.**

**We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.**

**Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

**Amen.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God,

Jesus Christ was given to die for us,

and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.

As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority,

I therefore declare to you

the entire forgiveness of all your sins,

in the name of the Father,

and of the + Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

#### **GREETING**

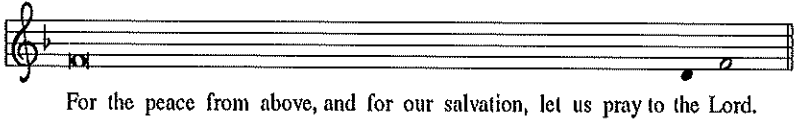
L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ who grants us life eternal, the glory of the Father who created us in love, and the power of the Holy Spirit who forgives and renews our life, be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

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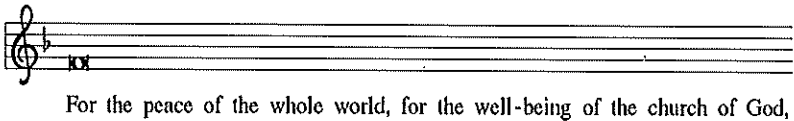
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



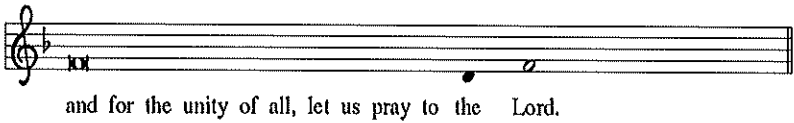
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



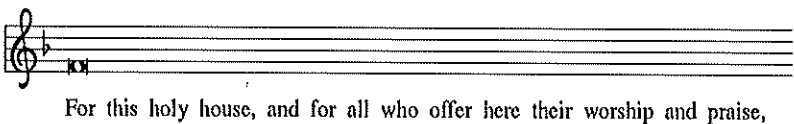
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



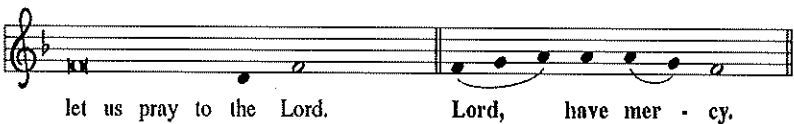
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



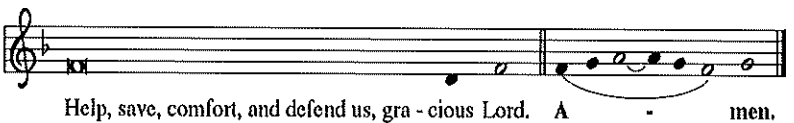
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



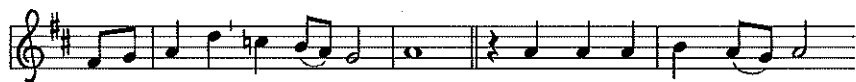
Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb



who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich-es, wis - dom, and



strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,  
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 4 For the Lamb who was  
 slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.

*Final refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.  
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Insert

**FIRST READING**

**Genesis 50:15-21**

Insert

**PSALM 103:1-12**

Insert

**SECOND READING**

**Romans 14:1-12**

Insert

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
 words of e-ter-nal life. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

P: The holy gospel according to Saint Matthew the eighteenth chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL

**Matthew 18:21-35**

Insert

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor Bill

HYMN OF THE DAY

*"Thine the Amen"*

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**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;**

he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and  
glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Lord in your mercy...

C: Hear our prayer.

#### PEACE

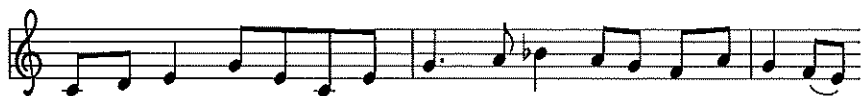
P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

#### OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Across the Lands* Getty & Townsend  
(8:30) Singers: Dianne Uhlenhake & Nicole Carpenter  
(10:30) Soloist: Dianne Uhlenhake

## CONGREGATIONAL SONG



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles - sing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -



nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your



pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

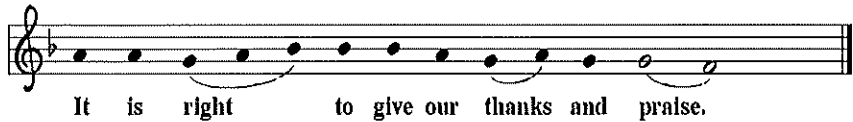
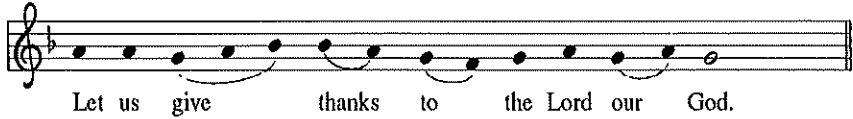
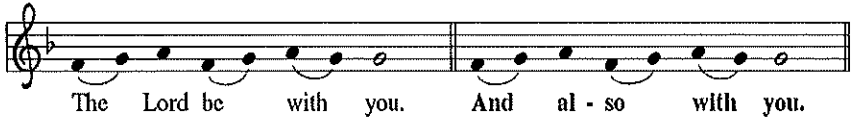
## OFFERTORY PRAYER

**L:** Lord God, we give you thanks for the wondrous gifts you have so freely given us. You are the source of our lives, our work, and our possessions. In an act of worship we offer back to you what you have first given to us, that our sacrifices in some small way, might express our devotion to you and be used to spread the Good News of Christ to the world. We pray this in the strong name of Jesus.

**C:** Amen.



## DIALOGUE



## PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

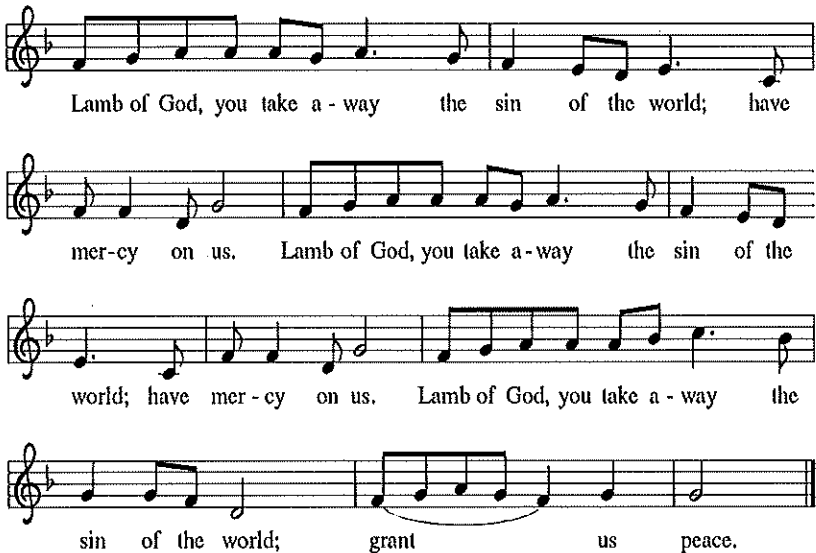
P: In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

## LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.

## COMMUNION SONG



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

### COMMUNION HYMNS

<i>"Just As I Am, without One Plea"</i>	#592
<i>"All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"</i>	#461

### POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace, now and forever.

C: Amen.

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Let us pray.

Holy and Eternal God, you have fed, nourished, and forgiven us at your holy table. Send us now into the world to share the good news of your salvation with all we meet, in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

### BLESSING

L: The Lord bless you and keep you,  
The Lord make his face shine on you  
and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor  
And give you peace.

C: Amen.

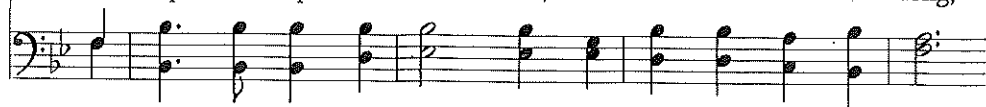
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# Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

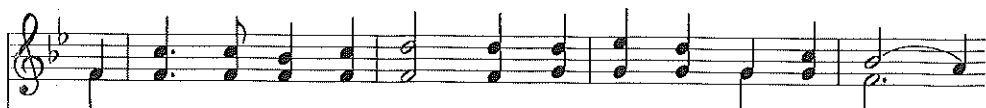
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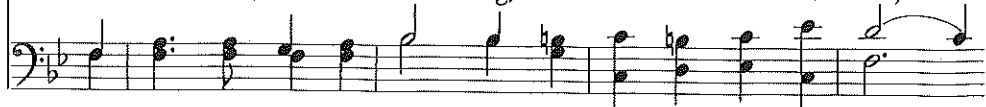
1 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, As sol - diers of the cross,  
2 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus; The trum - pet call o - bey;  
3 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, Stand in his strength a - lone;  
4 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, The strife will not be long;



Lift high his roy - al ban - ner; It must not suf - fer loss.  
Stand forth in might - y con - flict In this his glo - rious day.  
The arm of flesh will fail you, You dare not trust your own.  
This day the din of bat - tle, The next the vic - tor's song.



From vic - t'ry un - to vic - t'ry His ar - my he shall lead,  
Let all his faith - ful serve him A - gainst un - num - bered foes;  
Put on the Gos - pel ar - mor; Each piece put on with prayer.  
The sol - diers, o - ver - com - ing, Their crown of life shall see,



Till ev - 'ry foe is van - quished And Christ is Lord in - deed.  
Let cour - age rise with dan - ger, And strength to strength op - pose.  
Where du - ty calls or dan - ger, Be - nev - er want - ing there.  
And with the King of glo - ry Shall reign e - ter - nal - ly.





***Today, September 17\****

- Acolytes:** 8AM: Cason Meinerding  
10:30am: Zoey Lampert
- Communion** 8AM: Chris White  
**Assistants:** 10:30AM: Dan Macklem
- Crucifers:** 8AM: Makenna Meinerding  
10:30AM: Braylon Lampert
- Ushers:** 8AM: Ryan, Brandy, Eliza & Zaila Yahl  
10:30AM: John & Amy Hesse,  
Connie & Mark Tosell
- Fellowship** 8AM: Sandy Wierwille  
**Table:** 10:30am: John & Sue Vogel
- Greeters:** 8AM: Ryan & Brandy Yahl  
10:30AM: Dwayne & Ruth Hoenie
- Readers:** 8AM: Vic Von Blon  
10:30: Stephanie Ross

***Next Sunday, September 24\****

- Acolytes:** 8AM: Hunter Coldiron  
10:30am: Jessi Eberle
- Ushers:** 8AM: Dianne Uhlenhake, Judy Schultz,  
Dora McAfee, Deb Henning  
10:30AM: Dan Macklem, Keith Fledderjohann,  
Sandy Wierwille, Darl Bishir
- Fellowship** 8AM: Joyce Ross  
**Table:** 10:30am: Andrew & Lorra O'Bryan
- Greeters:** 8AM: John & Amy Hesse  
10:30AM: Joni Immenschuh, Sandy Wierwille
- Readers:** 8AM: Linda Yahl  
10:30: Stanley Brown

\* Subject to change, correct as of time printed

ATTENDANCE .....	Last Wednesday: 34
..... Sunday 8 a.m.: 45, 10:30 a.m.: 34, Total for the Day: 79	
..... Total for Week: 113	
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## Can't make it to church?

Our 8 a.m. worship service is livestreamed on our Facebook page.

Our 8 a.m. worship service is also broadcast live on WCSM radio 96.7 FM. Thank you to our primary sponsor of our WCSM radio broadcast—St. Marys Chrysler.



## Calendar for September 17—October 1, 2023

S/17	8:00 a.m.	Worship+*
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship*
	6:30 p.m.	Underground
M/18	7:00 p.m.	Pastor Led Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Fellowship Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop #360
T/19	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting
W/20	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	12:30 p.m.	Bulletin Information Deadline
	6:30 p.m.	Worship*
	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
Th/21	9:00 a.m.	Workday
	12 Noon	Middle School Bible Release Time
S/23	7:00 p.m.	Tri-Squares
S/24	8:00 a.m.	Worship+
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship
M/25	7:00 p.m.	Women's Fellowship Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop #360
T/26	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting
	9:30 a.m.	150 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting
W/27	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	12:30 p.m.	Bulletin Information Deadline
	6:30 p.m.	Worship
	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Leadership Meeting
Th/28	12 Noon	Middle School Bible Release Time
	3:30 p.m.	Council Report Deadline
S/1	8:00 a.m.	Worship+*
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School

10:30 a.m.      Worship\*  
12 Noon         Over 70 Dinner  
1:00 p.m.       Community Open House

*\*Holy Communion*

*\*Livestreamed on [www.zionstmarys.org](http://www.zionstmarys.org) & on WCSM 96.7 Radio*

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**We invite you** to include the following people in your daily prayers: Janet Dicke, Judy Von Blon, Brent Paulus, Sandi Deerhake, Alma Kuffner, Michael Moore, Tom Kaster, Ann Morris, Darlene Henkener, Margaret Moore, Ronald Suchland, Don Diers, Linda Diers, Paul White, Tracy Anderson, Markham Hodge, Katie, Miriam Johns, Val Heidtke, Avery, Bill & Carolyn Slemmons, Tom Grunden, Alan Bishir, Maria, Baby Athena, Kristin Hemmelgarn, Mary Willmann, Pastor Wilck, Lisa Suchland, Kelsey, Eileen Zimmerman, Emily Henkle, Mark Torsell, Laura Yelton, Family of David Gossard, Family of Eileen Schamp, and Family of Jersey Poff.

**Please pray** for Sean Lawler, Andrew Johnson, Michael Carroll, Nathan Adams, Jacob Yahl, Jason Gross, Daniel C. Lukac IV, Michael Franklin and Kyle Schmehl who are in the service. Please pray for them, their family, and their safe return home.

**Christian Sympathy** to the Family of Eileen Schamp, sister to Janice Suchland.

**Thank you** to everyone who attended the Creative Crafters demonstration last week for the "Art of Spinning". The Creative Crafters future dates and events will be held on October 22, November 12, and December 9...Mark your calendars!

**The loose offering** for the month of September each Wednesday & Sunday is earmarked for the North West Ohio Mission District of the NALC. Check out the September newsletter for more information on our Mission District.

**The Over 70 Dinner** will be held **Sunday, October 1**, in the auditorium, at 12 noon. If you are over 70, come and bring your spouse for an afternoon of good food and fellowship. Auglaize County Sheriff, Mike Vorhees will speak on Elderly Scams. Please sign up in the September "I Worship Today" by **Sunday, September 24**.

**Wayne Street Church** presents "Women Conference 2023" on **Friday, September 29**, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. and **Saturday, September 30**, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. "Hope" Jeremiah 29:11. Guest speaker: Shannon Maier from Journey Living Ministries. Join us for praise and worship, various speakers, DIY project and plenty of fellowship and food. Register by email: [WoWaynestreet@gmail.com](mailto:WoWaynestreet@gmail.com) Cost: \$30 (with t-shirt) or \$20 (no t-shirt).

**Join Us For A Special Tour**, Sacred Spaces of St. Marys: **Sunday October 1**, 1 to 4 pm; free and open to the public. First Baptist Church, Holy Rosary Catholic Church, St. Paul's United Church of Christ, Zion Lutheran Church, and the chapel at Elm Grove Cemetery will participate in the Sacred Spaces Tour of St. Marys, organized by the 175th Auglaize County Anniversary Committee. All are welcome to learn more about the architecture, history, and mission of these community institutions. Begin your tour at any of the five sites, where you will receive a booklet about the history of the participating churches/chapel.

We are part of this tour and are in need of volunteers. If you are willing to help, please contact the church office, 419-394-3115.

**Zion's library** will be reopening on **Sunday, October 8**. Betty Hussey and Sue Hecht have worked at cleaning and reorganizing the library. They hope that members will use the library for

reference material and enjoyment reading material. Watch for more information coming and come to the dedication of our library.

**The Creative Crafters** will be making a Halloween Pocket Pillow. We will meet in the all-purpose room on **Sunday, October 22**, at 1:30 p.m., for this project. The \$15 fee will include all supplies, fabric, pillow form and thread. Pillow will be on display in the Narthex, sign up in the notebook if you plan to attend.

**Zion Women** – please look at the bulletin board and showcase of Women display in the narthex. These are programs we have for women here at Zion. See if there is a group you would like to be a part of. We can always use more volunteer help. Is the Spirit calling you?

**If you would like to** leave a phone message for the church office, please call our phone number, 419-394-3115, and let it ring 5 times. After the fifth ring you will be prompted to leave your message.

**Warm Winter Coat & Gloves Drive:** Agape is accepting donations of New & Gently Used adult and children’s winter coats and new winter waterproof gloves until **Tuesday, October 31**. Drop off coats in the barrel provided in our portico or take them to the Agape Client Services Building, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday. If dropping the coats off at Agape Thrift Store, you must specify it is for the Warm Winter Coat Drive.

<b>Weekly Budget</b>	<b>37 Week Budget</b>	<b>37 Week Income</b>	<b>Received 9/10</b>
\$6,133--Current	\$226,921	\$206,425	\$6,359
\$290--NALC Offering	\$10,730	\$10,736	\$143