



Soundings



Lambertville United Methodist Church

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Pastor Bryan Kilpatrick

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Easter Impact

*He said to them, "Don't be alarmed! You are looking for
Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified.
He has been raised!"*

- **Mark 16:6**

Easter greetings to you, brothers and sisters in Christ!

I hope this Easter season is treating you well! I want to begin today by giving you a question to ponder as you read through the rest of this article: ***Has Easter made an impact on your life?*** Easter serves as the most important holiday in the Christian faith, for without Easter there is no salvation. Yet at the same time, it often seems that we simply lump Easter in with every other holiday; moving on to the next one as soon as we can. When I was a child, I remember the impact Easter had on me. I remember dyeing the eggs a night or two before the big day, and the way that my mouth would start watering as I absorbed the contents of my Easter basket (I've always been a sucker for jelly beans, save for the black ones. Yuck). And of course I have fond memories of searching for the hidden eggs around the house. After all of that was finished, my mom would get us dressed in our Easter best and we would go to church. We would be surrounded by the smell of lilacs and the celebratory feel of the service. As I look back now I see that the intended impact of Easter, the celebration of the risen Christ, was lost on me for the tastes, smells, and sounds.

But today, as an adult and father of three children, I find that there are times when Easter doesn't seem to impact me the way I think it should. I find myself asking the very question above: ***Has Easter made an impact on my life?***

Sometimes in the hustle and bustle of the season (just like Christmas), we forget that ***Easter changes everything***. We forget that Easter is not only a celebration of what Christ has done for us, but a new call to faith every year. Easter is meant to be celebrated each day with everything we have, for we are Easter people and we are the hands and feet of Christ. Easter is meant to have an ***impact*** not only on ourselves, but on the entirety of the world. Therefore, I would like to invite you into our series for the season of May, a series that we will be calling ***An Impactful Easter***. Each week, we will engage with the book of Acts as well as other scripture selections to see not only the impact that the first Easter had on the followers of Christ, but how Easter can still impact our lives on a daily basis. We will see how Easter can impact the way we approach new and unexpected things in life, how our faith can impact the world around us, and how Easter must be our driving motivation in this world. In the middle of this series we will be taking a Sunday off from "traditional worship" to worship with our hands and feet on ***Impact Sunday*** (May 18th), literally providing us an opportunity to share Easter with our community and the surrounding communities.

I hope that Easter has impacted you this year, but if it hasn't, I hope that this series will provide all of us with guidance and understanding as we seek that impact. Perhaps we will remember that there's more to Easter than dyed eggs and candy. Perhaps we will remember the joy of Easter as we move about our lives. Perhaps, just maybe, we will get to a place where Easter will not only impact us on the day, but for the rest of our lives.

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Grubby Sunday

Please join us on **Sunday, May 4** for Grubby Sunday. This is a time where we spruce up the church for spring. We will meet right after second service and get working. Lunch will be provided for all those willing to stay. We have many projects to complete, the more hands the better.

Trustees—Cemetery Lots for sale

The church is in possession of several cemetery lots at Toledo Memorial Park. They are being offered to the congregation at \$800 per lot (current price from Toledo Memorial Park is \$1200 per lot). If you are interested in purchasing a lot or lots, please contact the office.

Morning Bible Study

Every Wednesday we have a Bible Study in the narthex at 9:30am. During this hour of study we focus on a specific book of the Bible and gradually read through it while discussing what is happening. It is a very informative and fun group to be part of. Come on out and see what this group is about! We are currently reading through 1 Kings.

Thank you

Thank you to the Worship team for all your hard work during Holy Week. All the services turned out fantastic and everything was so beautiful on Easter morning!

Thank you to Pastor Bryan for all the time that was put into Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter, a lot of hard work was put in and it really showed.

Thank you to Debbie and Kent for all the beautiful music that was shared on Good Friday and Easter morning. It made the services so special.

Thank you to Jacob for doing sound board for Good Friday and Easter. Services, everything ran smoothly.

Thank you to our Audit team, they worked so hard to get our 2023 audit completed. Thank you for all your long hours and meticulous work!

.10 cent returnable can/bottle donations

We're collecting .10 cent returnable cans/bottles to help fund Zach Krabach's Eagle Scout Project. Your donations will directly contribute to building picnic tables for LUMC. The funds will be used to purchase materials for the tables. Excess funds will be kept by the church to support ongoing efforts.

Bed Build Fundraiser

As you probably noticed, we have a bunk bed set up in the narthex. This is the bunk bed that we will be making in May as our May mission. We also need bedding for these beds. They need twin or twin XL sheets, pillow-cases and comforters. The gentlemen in charge said that heavy comforters, quilts or fleece tie blankets are needed. Please put any donations directly on the bed. Thank you! This mission will be ongoing from now until our bed build on **May 18th**. So far, we have raised **\$4145** We need to raise **\$7500** before May to cover our church's portion of materials.



Impact Sunday t-shirts

If you would like to order a T-shirt for Impact Sunday please fill out your information on the order form. The T-shirts are \$20 and all proceeds go to fund the other activities happening on Impact Sunday. **Please make all checks out to Crossroads and leave any cash/check in the office on the top tray on the desk.** Please have all money in by **May 4**. Also, mark if you have paid on the sheet.

Kroger rebate

If you have a Kroger card and would like to add our church to your community rewards, we would greatly appreciate it. This costs nothing to you, but our church gets a check quarterly for all who put our name down. If you need help with this process, please ask the office and we would be happy to assist you.

Lawn mowing

It's that time of year again. We are still needing volunteers to mow the lawn on a weekly basis. If we have enough people sign up this would only require you to mow once a month or less. If you have never mowed before and would like to help out with this, reach out to the office and we will get you set up for a tutorial on the mowers. Please call the office or talk to Kent if this is something you can help with Thank you!



Membership News

"I urge that petitions, prayers, requests, and thanksgiving be offered to God for all people."

(1 Timothy 2:1)

General Intercessory Prayers:

Families dealing with Depression, Grieving Families, Marriages, Missionaries, Service Men & Women, Shut-ins, Unemployed, Unspoken, Youth

Individual Intercessory Prayers:

Ward Gambrell, Joyce Zuccarell, Marcia Brown, Terrie Houck, Brenda Wobser, Jan Harvey, Bob Houck, Rich Schroeder, Phyllis Dudek, Mary Jones, Don McConnaughey, Pat Villarreal, Cathy Roberts, Debbie Krabach

Shut-Ins:

Colleen Fisher, Sue Roach, Barb Frobel, Vicki Clouse, Rose Leighty, Elsie Rochlitz, Marcia Smotherman, Ethel Mull

Extended Church family & community:

Cindy Vedra's brother, friend, Lyndell and friend, Jim, Debbie Needle's, brother, Kay Platt's brother Wayne Stewart and sister-in-law, Ruby, Cathy Robert's cousin, Sister Ann, Dianna Snyder's son, Jeremiah and husband, Tom, Kilpatrick's cousins, Jamie and Terral, McIntire's sister-in-law, Marianna, Jim Villarreal's cousin, Barbara, brother, Ron and sister-in-law, Karen, and sister, Ellie, Brooke Brown's mom, father-in-law, sister, and friend's, Bonnie and Steve, Susie Chandler's brother, Jim, Carole Rayle's daughter, Tori and mother-in-law, Bonnie, Aileen Pyle's brother, Don, Bobbie Garrison's sister, Joann, Heidi Barnette's niece, Isabella, Phyllis Dudek's son, Jeff, Ed Smith's Grandson, Garrett, Sandy Reilly

Military serving :

Alex Perry
Amanda Needles

Sympathies

Our sympathies go out to Paul and Linda Leonhard on the loss of Linda's mom

Our sympathies go out to Virginia Jordan on the loss of her aunt

***If you would like to remove or add your loved one to the list please contact the office at:**



Graduation

Do you know someone that is graduating this year from High School or College? We would love to recognize them at our worship service on Sunday, June 8. Please reach out to the office and we will get them the proper forms to fill out.

Game afternoon

We are going to continue with game Sundays every fourth Sunday of the month. Our next one will be Sunday, June 22 from 3:00pm-5.



The Grog on facebook/GrogComics



**May Soundings
are sponsored by:**

Pam Bolton-
In Memory of her mom, dad
and sister, Barb



A Mother's Love

*No gift on earth is greater,
No treasure held above,
The joy that comes from knowing,
A mother's endless love.*

*In spite of how it's tested,
It grows from year to year,
Providing strength and comfort...
It gently draws us near.*

*It warms and it protects us,
And guides us from afar.
Shedding light upon us,
Like a bright and shining star.*

*And when all things are measured,
Not one shall rise above,
Or be compared in value,
To a Mother's endless love!*


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Memorial Day

FOREVER REMEMBERED

IN SOLEMN SILENCE, WE GATHER NEAR,
TO HONOR HEROES WE HOLD DEAR.
THEIR COURAGE AND SACRIFICE WE RECALL,
ON THIS MEMORIAL DAY, WE STAND TALL.
THEY FOUGHT FOR FREEDOM, GAVE THEIR ALL,
ANSWERED DUTY'S UNWAVERING CALL.
THEIR MEMORY WE CHERISH, HEARTS EMBRACE,
WITH GRATITUDE, LOVE, AND SOLEMN GRACE.
FOR THE FALLEN, OUR GRATITUDE WILL NEVER FADE,
ON THIS DAY, THEIR SACRIFICE FOREVER DISPLAYED.
IN THEIR HONOR, WE SOLEMNLY PRAY,
REMEMBERING THEM ON THIS MEMORIAL DAY.



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MAY BIRTHDAYS 2025

- 1– Linda Leonhard
- 1– Ken Hobson
- 3– Sue Roach
- 4– Fred Duvendack
- 5– Donald Clouse
- 5– Joanna Brown
- 7– Laura Reuss
- 8– Joanne Smitley
- 10– Brenda Wobser
- 11– Wally Rojem
- 12– Barbara Taylor
- 12– Norm Spohler
- 14– Janet Shadler
- 16– Devin Smith
- 17– Dave Galbraith

- 18– Dave Stephens
- 19– Pastor Bryan
- 22– Larry Williams
- 23– Kay Williams
- 25– Debbie Galbraith
- 26– Laurie Digby
- 28– Hannah Sexton
- 28– Ethel Mull
- 29– Bradley Kilpatrick
- 29– Henry Taylor
- 30– Linda Smotherman
- 30– Ethan Tennant
- 31– Brian Anderson
- 31– Jason Frye





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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>27 8:30 am Worship 10:30 am Worship 10:30am Jr. church 2:30pm Youth group outing 3:00pm-5- Game day 8:00pm Basketball</p>	<p>28 10:00am- Pickleball 6:30pm Basketball</p>	<p>29 10-11am food pantry 9am- Figure factory 5:00pm- Twirl MI 5:45pm Girl scouts 6:00pm Sofiball 8:00pm- Basketball</p>	<p>30 9:30am Bible Study 10:00am- Pickleball 1:00pm Custodial cleaning 6:00pm Sofiball 7:30pm Basketball</p>	<p>1 9am- Figure factory 5pm-6 food pantry 5:00pm- Twirl MI</p>	<p>2 10:00am- Kathy Anderson's school 7:00pm Basketball</p>	<p>3 8:30am Basketball 9:00am Farmer's Market</p>
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<p>18 IMPACT SUNDAY NO WORSHIP SERVICES 6:30pm Youth group 8:00pm Basketball</p>	<p>19 10:00am- Pickleball 6:30pm Basketball</p>	<p>20 10-11am food pantry 9am- Figure factory 12pm- Red Cross blood drive 5:00pm Twirl MI 6:00pm Sofiball 8:00pm Basketball</p>	<p>21 9:30am Bible Study 10:00am- Pickleball 1:00pm Custodial cleaning 6:00pm Sofiball 7:30pm Basketball</p>	<p>22 9am- Figure factory 5pm-6 food pantry 5:00pm Twirl MI</p>	<p>23 10:00am- Kathy Anderson's school 7:00pm- Basketball</p>	<p>24 8:30am Basketball 9:00am Farmer's Market</p>
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