

We are:

**All Different
All Serving
All Served
All Loved**

Our Mission:

**To embody the
neighborly love
that Jesus teaches
us.**

THE GLENWORD

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OUR EASTER CELEBRATION



Christ is risen! Alleluia!

COOKING AND EATING WITH FOOD NOTBOMBS on Maundy Thursday



SEEING GOD THROUGH ART – Good Friday Art Tour led by Pr. Chris and Pr. Brenda (Grace Lutheran)



Forgiveness was the topic at the March meeting of ADAM (Able Disabled Awareness Ministry).



THE EASTER LAUGH

On Sunday, April 7th, we will celebrate a tradition of *Risus Paschalis*, the Easter Laugh. This is God's laugh at death and sin to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. Some churches tell jokes on this Sunday. At Glenwood, we will celebrate with Improvisational Acting. Pastor Chris will lead an 'Improv' Workshop during Adult Forum after worship. You will get a chance to practice the building blocks of improv *without* being put on the spot.

STOCK THE SHELVES

We are once again collecting non-perishable food items for Lutheran Social Services' emergency choice food pantry on Collingwood Blvd. Suggested items include canned meats, canned fruit, canned soups, peanut butter, cereal, oatmeal, and grits. The Stock the Shelves event ends with a drive-thru collection on May 17 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Lutheran Social Services. You can bring your items to Glenwood prior to then and we will deliver them on May 17th.



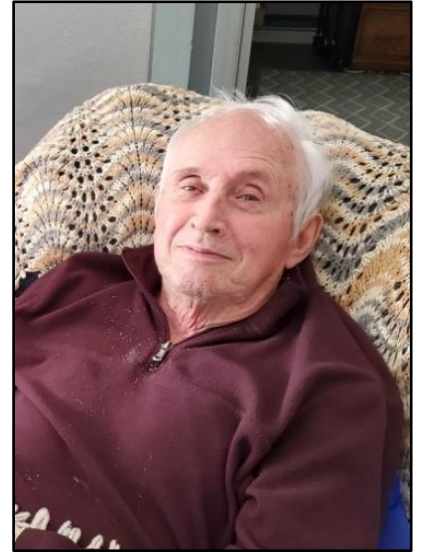
REACHING OUT WITH GOD'S LOVE THROUGH ADOPTION

On **Sunday, April 21st** at the end of worship, Kathy Schafer from the Adopt America Network will share with us the organization's efforts to find permanent loving families for children in US foster care. Adopt America Network (AAN) is a private non-profit adoption agency that does not charge fees to any family adopting from foster care. Since 1983, Adopt America has found homes for over 4,650 children across the country.

HOW THINGS WORK AT THE OHIO STATEHOUSE

The Multifaith Council to Reduce Gun Violence invites you to "How Things Work at the Ohio Statehouse" on Sun., April 14, 1-3 p.m. at Olivet Lutheran, 5840 Monroe St. Rachel Coyle will cover how a bill becomes a law in Ohio, share how Ohioans can get involved in state legislative advocacy, and provide key tips and resources. State Rep. Michele Grim will give an overview of gun legislation that is currently in process at the Ohio Statehouse. Register for the event by calling the Olivet office at 419-882-2077.

VISITS WITH OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS



Glenwood's Member Care Team visited with our homebound members during Holy Week, delivering spring plants to them. Three of our homebound members are featured above: Marilyn Huebner, Esther Rochte, and Jerry Bell.

OPTIONS FOR GENEROSITY

If you want to invest in the work of God happening through the community of Glenwood, there are a variety of options for giving.

- **Checks and cash**
- **Bank to Bank** – If you would like to give on a regular basis, just call the church for a Vanco application. You can set up a direct transfer from your savings or checking account. This method has the lowest fee of our giving platforms aside from cash or checks.
- **Credit/debit card** – Just click on Glenwood's website – glenwoodlutheranchurch.org and you have two options. You can click the "donate" link which will take you directly to PayPal or you can click the "mural" link and that will give you the option of giving through the online Vanco. The online Vanco allows you to designate your gift so you can direct it to "general giving", "mural", "memorial", "flowers", etc... The online Vanco also allows you to set up an automatic payment if you would like that option. The platform assesses a fee to use this credit card service and you may select to add this fee to your gift. Otherwise, Vanco or PayPal will simply remove it from the donation.
- You may also give directly **from an IRA account**, tax free if you're over 70 and a half! Please call the church for more information on this way to support the church.
- Also, you may want to include Glenwood in your **estate planning**. Please arrange an appointment with Pastor Chris to talk through what you might dream to do with a transformative gift through your estate planning.

Thank you so much for your generosity! Your gifts enable us to proclaim the risen Christ in word and deed.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Homebound: Dottie Arman, Jerry Bell, Dottie Cupps, Annelle Donaldson, Dorothy Harris, Marilyn Huebner, Barbara (Morgan) Johnson, Thelma Moore, Lenore Mortemore, Jeff & Carol Rae, Esther Rochte

For health, wellness, peace, comfort: Deborah A. and child, David Ash, Austin & the Martin family, Carol, Darlene, Tom Dellinger, Desiree and family, Leslie Donaldson, Rob Donaldson, Chris Donatini, Feed Your Neighbor clients, Ron & Peggy Gould, Jeff Greer, Bobby Griffin, Juanita Hollis, Therene Hollis & family, Joseph P., Jason Kiefer, Leonard, Lisa B., James Martin, Max, Mack McCarver, Paul McKaig, Keith Miles, Jamal Nelums Sr., Nilila Jean, Bobby Nix, Dorothy Penske, Linda Swanson, Terri & Tom, Steven and Donna Walker, Walter, Lloyd Whittle, Pr. Ellis Young



OUR SYMPATHY

We offer our condolences to Brian Miller upon the death of his mother, Lois Tester, and to Courtney Stewart upon the death of her mother, Constance "Connie" Frey. May God comfort them in their sorrow.

NATIONAL FAITH + CLIMATE FORUM

Calling congregants of all ages! You are invited to gather with others on April 16 from noon to 5:15 p.m. at Faith Lutheran, 620 Dodge ST., Swanton, OH for a National Faith + Climate Forum.

The forum aims to

- Engage congregations: Explore practical ways to engage our congregations in creation care through denominational and faith climate programs.
- Expand the Faith and Climate Community; Network with local and national faith-based leaders who share a common interest in advancing faith and climate work.
- Bolster Congregational Collaboration: join in person to cultivate collaboration within our community and across the nation

Register and learn more by visiting the website:

<https://nationalfaithandclimateforum.org/>

CELEBRATING APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1 – Sheri Bunting
4 – Mira Samson
12 – Jasmine Scarborough-Jewell
13 – Tandra Beach
18 – Nolan Finch
21 – Ginni Houttekier
23 – Esther Rochte

25 – Lenore Mortemore
27 – Saige Cook
30 - Fritz Hartkopf
30- Kortoe Malakpa
30 – Jack Smith
30 – Aiden Tavernier



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