

Good Soil Lutheran Ministries  
*Growing Together in Christ to Love and Serve*



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## Welcome

Reflecting the abundant welcome of the Kingdom of God as revealed by Jesus, GSLM welcomes all who seek God's love and grace. We affirm and celebrate the diversity of humanity in all its races, cultures, sexual orientations, gender identities, gender expressions, social and economic circumstances, abilities, and disabilities. Together, we commit ourselves to racial equity and to justice for all, because in God's kingdom, we are all beloved children of God.

## For Parents with Children

Good Soil loves kids and the "holy noise" they bring! Your children are warmly welcome in worship. Sing, pray, and respond; your children will learn by worshiping with you. There's also a "prayground" area in the back of the sanctuary and a nursery/cry room behind that on the back left side. We pray that worshiping together as a family is a meaningful experience!

## For Those Needing Hearing Assistance

Ask an usher about hearing assistance devices to enhance your worship experience.

## Holy Communion

Christ is truly present with us in worship and through this meal. All are welcome to participate in Holy Communion here at Good Soil. Children may commune with elements or receive a blessing depending on parent/guardian preference. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available upon request.

### Bulletin Key

**Bold Font** – Spoken by the Congregation

*Regular Font* – Spoken by the Pastor or Worship Assistant

† – Please stand as you are able, in body or spirit.



**RECONCILING IN CHRIST**

## Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

It's a miracle! The waters of holy baptism have healed us. The body and blood of Jesus in holy communion have made us clean. We have died with Christ and been raised with him. For all this we have returned to offer thanks. From this place we are sent on our way, growing in gratitude and generosity and rejoicing to share the good news.

### Gathering

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

#### **Prelude and Welcome**

*This Call to Worship is based on our scripture today from 1 Cor. 3 and includes Good Soil's purpose statement: "Growing Together in Christ to Love and Serve"*

#### **† Call to Worship**

Gardeners plant, not fully knowing if their gardens will grow. Yet, they kneel in the dirt, dig with their hands, and bury one seed at a time.  
**They plant and trust that a harvest will come, and God gives the growth.**

God's word tells us that we are to be co-workers in service to others. Yet many times, we don't see how our meager support can help.  
**We plant and trust that a harvest will come, and God gives the growth.**

For we are God's servants, working together.  
**One plants. Another waters. But God gives the growth.**

We rejoice, trusting in God's goodness:  
**Growing together in Christ to love and serve. Amen.**

#### **† Gathering Hymn: God is Here! (ELW 526) v. 1, 2, 4**

- 1 God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer, may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.
- 2 Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace; here are table, font, and pulpit; here the cross has central place. Here in honesty of preaching,

here in silence, as in speech,  
here, in newness and renewal,  
God the Spirit comes to each.

4 Lord of all, of church and kingdom,  
in an age of change and doubt,  
keep us faithful to the gospel;  
help us work your purpose out.  
Here, in this day's dedication,  
all we have to give, receive;  
we, who cannot live without you,  
we adore you! We believe!

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*The assembly and  
presiding minister  
greet each other  
(scripture ref.  
2 Corinthians)*

### † Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the  
communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

### † Hymn of Praise



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.

*The Prayer of the  
Day highlights  
themes in  
today's scripture.*

### † Prayer of the Day

Almighty and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness fills all  
creation. Keep us whole and well in body and spirit, that we may with  
grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus  
Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## The Word

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

### **New Testament Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:3b-10**

To put this reading into context:

*Human leaders in the church are not the ones who control ministry. Rather they are coworkers who belong to God, the one who truly controls and continuously empowers the ministry of the church.*

Hear now the reading.

<sup>3b</sup> For as long as there is jealousy and quarreling among you, you are behaving according to human inclinations and not spiritual inclinations. <sup>4</sup> For when one says, “I belong to Paul,” and another, “I belong to Apollos,” are you not all too human?

<sup>5</sup> What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. <sup>6</sup> I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. <sup>7</sup> So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. <sup>8</sup> The one who plants and the one who waters have one purpose, and each will receive wages according to their own labor. <sup>9</sup> For we are God’s coworkers, working together; you are God’s field, God’s building. <sup>10</sup> According to the grace of God given to me, like a wise master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Let each builder choose with care how to build on it.

Word of God. Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 111:1-5, 7-9**

<sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,  
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

<sup>2</sup> **Great are your works, O LORD,  
pondered by all who delight in them.**

<sup>3</sup> Majesty and splendor mark your deeds,  
and your righteousness endures forever.

<sup>4</sup> **You cause your wonders to be remembered;  
you are gracious and full of compassion.**

<sup>5</sup> You give food to those who love you,

remembering forever your covenant.

<sup>7</sup> **The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice;  
all of your precepts are sure.**

<sup>8</sup> They stand fast forever and ever,  
because they are done in truth and equity.

<sup>9</sup> **You sent redemption to your people and commanded your  
covenant forever; holy and awesome is your name.**

*We welcome  
the gospel by  
singing the  
Gospel  
Acclamation.  
We rise, if able,  
to anticipate  
Christ being  
revealed to us in  
the Living Word  
of the Gospel.*

† **Gospel Acclamation: Great Is Thy Faithfulness, v. 1 and refrain**

1 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
there is no shadow of turning with thee;  
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;  
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

*Refrain:* Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;  
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

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*Before and after  
the reading of  
the Gospel, we  
give thanks and  
praise to Jesus  
Christ, who is  
revealed to us  
through the  
Gospel reading.*

† **Gospel Reading: Luke 17:11-19**

To put this reading into context:

*Jesus' mission includes making people clean again. Unexpectedly, a Samaritan healed of leprosy becomes a model for those who would praise and worship God and give thanks for God's blessings.*

The holy Gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>11</sup> On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup> As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, <sup>13</sup> they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" <sup>14</sup> When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. <sup>15</sup> Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. <sup>16</sup> He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup> Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine?" <sup>18</sup> Did none of them return to give glory to God

except this foreigner?”<sup>19</sup> Then he said to him, “Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.”

The gospel of the Lord.  
Praise to you, O Christ.

### Children’s Sermon

*After the children’s sermon, children grade 4 and younger are invited to step out with our Sunday School teachers for “Learn and Grow in Faith” class during the sermon. They’ll return during the Passing of the Peace.*

### Sermon: The Rev. Marissa Harrison

*Silence for Reflection. Thinking theologically is a spiritual practice.  
You’re invited to reflect on the following question:*

*What are you grateful to God for? How can you incorporate gratitude into your prayers this week? How does gratitude influence your spiritual practice of giving?*

*The Hymn of the Day is the assembly’s response to the sermon—making the sermon event a mutual faith conversation.*

### † Hymn of the Day: Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing (ELW 886) v. 1, 2, 3

- 1 Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing  
my great Redeemer's praise,  
the glories of my God and King,  
the triumphs of his grace!
- 2 My gracious Master and my God,  
assist me to proclaim,  
to spread through all the earth abroad  
the honors of your name.
- 3 The name of Jesus charms our fears  
and bids our sorrows cease,  
sings music in the sinner's ears,  
brings life and health and peace.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.

*As the church, we pray for those in our community and around the*

### † Prayers of the Church

Renewed in God’s everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation. *A brief silence.*

*world. The prayers are also responsive, emphasizing our participation.*

*Each petition addresses a different topic, often in the same pattern:*

*+ The Church  
+ Creation  
+ Nations and leaders  
+ Those in need  
+ This faith community  
+ The great cloud of witnesses/those resting with God*

Gracious God, you lead your people to faith. By your Spirit, teach the church to share your word for the sake of the world. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Creating God, you provide cleansing and healing waters. Water the earth's lands in parched places. Restore clean water to all communities, and guide the work of all who advocate for safe and abundant water supplies. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Righteous One, you bring justice & wholeness throughout the world, & your righteousness endures forever. By your spirit, guide leaders of all nations & lands to right relationship with you & with one another. Bring an end to war, violence, & oppression. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Merciful God, you know the needs of your people. Show mercy to those suffering and comfort those in need of healing. We especially pray for Dale, Dave, friends & family of Helen especially George, Tom, Mike, Gail, Mary Lou, the Busby family, Joe, friends & family of Paula, Jon D, Frank, Matthew, Brendan, Ed & Verna, Sara, Donna, Mary Lou & Glenn, Toni, Kate, Stan & Ann, Charley & Cindy, Bill, Susan, Sally, Thomas, Ruth, Katie the Sburlea Family, Andrew, Diane, Jeanette, Khams & his community in Manipur, ...and those we name aloud or in our hearts. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Life-giving God, everything we have comes from you. Help us be aware of our blessings, turn back to give praise & thanks to you, & go on our way, blessed to be a blessing to others. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Holy God, thank you for the witness of those who have died in faith. Guide us to trust in the baptismal promise of resurrection in Christ. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*A practice of the ancient church, we share in Christ's peace & recognize it in each other.*

### **† Passing of the Peace**

The Peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

*The people greet one another saying, "Peace" or "Peace be with you" sharing the peace of Christ with one another in a no-touch or low-touch way, such as a wave, peace sign, or elbow bump.*

*God entrusts us with everything we have. Our offering is one way we give thanks to God and support the ministry of the church.*

## The Meal

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

### **Offering**

God's ministry through Good Soil makes a difference, and your offering makes that possible. Help Good Soil keep making an impact by giving today using the QR code or at [pushpay.com/g/goodsoillutheran](http://pushpay.com/g/goodsoillutheran)



*Aim your phone camera at the QR code, but don't take a picture. A link will appear to click on that will take you to Good Soil's support page.*

*The offering is brought forward to the altar to signify our gratitude for God's blessings.*

### **† Offering Hymn: Give Thanks**

Give thanks with a grateful heart,  
give thanks to the Holy One,  
give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son.

And now let the weak say, "I am strong,"  
let the poor say, "I am rich,"  
because of what the Lord has done for us.  
Give thanks!

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### **† Offering Prayer**

Lord of the harvest,  
we return to you a portion of what you have given to us.  
Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches,  
but on you, who richly provides for us.  
Multiply what we have gathered  
to bless all who are suffering and in need,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **† Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

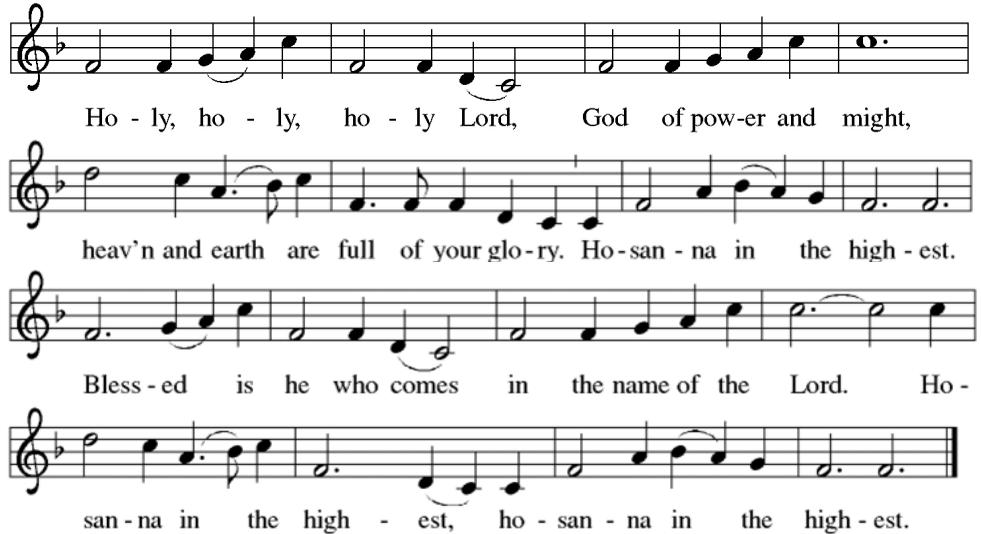
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

† Preface

† Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

† Words of Institution

† Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus first taught us:  
**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.**

† Invitation to the Table

Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. Come to this meal of mercy.

**Communion**

*Christ is with us in this meal. All who are hungry for the presence of Jesus are welcome to commune here at Good Soil.*

*Children are welcome to come to the Lord's table for communion or for a blessing, depending on parent/guardian's preference.*

*When you receive the elements, you are invited to respond with "Amen" or "Thanks be to God."*

*Please wait for the usher to release your row before proceeding up front. You are invited to stand or kneel at the altar rail.*

*Gluten-free bread is available on request. The wine (red) is in the outer rings of the tray, the grape juice (white) is in the center. Communion cups can be returned at the end tables on your way back to your seat.*

### **Communion Hymn: How Firm a Foundation (ELW 796)**

- 1 How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord,  
is laid for your faith in Christ Jesus, the Word!  
What more can he say than to you he has said  
who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?
- 2 "Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dismayed,  
for I am your God and will still give you aid;  
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,  
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand."
- 3 "When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,  
my grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply.  
The flames shall not hurt you; I only design  
your dross to consume and your gold to refine."
- 4 "Throughout all their lifetime my people shall prove  
my sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love;  
and then, when gray hairs shall their temples adorn,  
like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne."

Text: J. Rippon, *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787, alt.

### **Communion Hymn: Faith of our Fathers (Tune ELW 812, Text ELW 813)**

- 1 Faith of our fathers, living still  
in spite of dungeon, fire, and sword.  
Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy  
whene'er we hear that glorious word.  
Faith of our fathers, holy faith,  
we will be true to you till death.
- 2 Faith of our mothers, daring faith,  
your work for Christ is love revealed,  
spreading God's word from pole to pole,  
making love known and freedom real.

Faith of our mothers, holy faith,  
we will be true to you till death.

3 Faith of our sisters, brothers too,  
who still must bear oppression's might,  
raising on high, in prisons dark,  
the cross of Christ still burning bright.  
Faith for today, O living faith,  
we will be true to you till death.

4 Faith born of God, oh, call us yet,  
bind us with all who follow you,  
sharing the struggle of your cross  
until the world is made anew.  
Faith born of God, O living faith,  
we will be true to you till death.

Text: Frederick W. Faber, 1814-1863, st. 1, alt.; Joseph R. Alfred, b. 1947, sts. 2-4  
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### † Post-Communion Table Blessing

Now may the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you  
and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

### The Sending

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

### † Blessing

The God of righteousness,  
who gives justice to the oppressed,  
who gives food to the hungry,  
who sets the prisoners free,  
‡ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

*Through the  
sending hymn  
we are sent out  
into the world  
to follow Jesus.*

### † Sending Hymn: My Hope is Built on Nothing Less (ELW 596) v. 1, 3, 4

1 My hope is built on nothing less  
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
no merit of my own I claim,  
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

*Refrain:* On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;  
all other ground is sinking sand,  
all other ground is sinking sand.

- 3 His oath, his covenant, his blood sustain me in the raging flood; when all supports are washed away, he then is all my hope and stay. *Refrain*
- 4 When he shall come with trumpet sound, oh, may I then in him be found, clothed in his righteousness alone, redeemed to stand before the throne! *Refrain*

Text: Edward Mote, 1797-1874, alt.

*The dismissal sends us out as Christ's Body: nourished, fed, & ready to serve. Worship has ended, and our service begins!*

### † Dismissal

Go in peace. Do not lose heart.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### Postlude

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*All are warmly welcomed after worship to join for coffee fellowship!*

### Today's Worship Servants:

Ushers: Larry & Chris Jacobson	Livestream: Sean Lanter
Reader: Anne Paine	Acolyte: TJ Lanter
Counters: Kirsten Reading & Barbara Munch	Cantor: Brenna Connor
Online Usher: Karen Sperli	Altar Care:
Communion Bread: Chris Jacobson	



## Announcements from Good Soil for Sunday, October 12, 2025

**Especially in our prayers:** Dale Alexander, Dave, friends and family of Helen Andrews, especially George, Tom Beck, Mike Bishop, Gail Boggs, Mary Lou Busby, the Busby family, Joe Cassatta, friends and family of Paula Cooper, Jon Deye, Frank Dunaway, Matthew Eaton, Brendan Erchul, Ed & Verna Fink, Sara Gresh, Donna Handy, Mary Lou & Glenn Kolke, Toni Kulma, Kate Labuda, Stan & Ann Layman, Charley & Cindy McCabe, Bill Meyer, Susan Omerod, Sally Pate, Thomas Pate, Ruth Patrick, Katie Rininger, The Sburlea Family, Andrew Sykaluk, Diane Traxler, Jeannette Weidlich, Khams Zotal & his people in Manipur, the people of Ukraine, Russia, Israel, and Gaza.

**For those celebrating birthdays this week:** Sarah Sburlea (10/15), Anna Sykaluk (10/15), & Denise Johnson (10/16).

**For those celebrating baptism anniversaries this week:** Taylor Nichols (10/13), Louise DeBell (10/14), Corey Mattson (10/14), & John Shumaker (10/14).

**The flowers adorning the altar today are given to the Glory of God in honor of Jennie Rose Stearns birthday.**

**All Saints Names-** You're invited to submit the names of loved ones who have died since All Saints Sunday 2024 (11/3/24) to remember during our Candle lighting rite on All Saints Sunday, 11/2/25. Please send names to Cara at [clc@goodsoillutheran.org](mailto:clc@goodsoillutheran.org).

**Please hold the Sburlea family in your prayers:** Council President Sarah Sburlea and her family—Husband Alin, Son Luca and Daughter Maddie—suffered a destructive house fire (electrical), and they are no longer able to live at their home in Westlake. No one was hurt, but the damage to their property and all of their belongings is severe. Please surround them with your prayers and love as their church family. If you'd like to do something in addition to prayers, consider mailing greeting cards and/or grocery cards to Nancie Smith, Sarah's mom: Sburlea Family c/o Nancie Smith, 30009 Shadow Creek Dr. Westlake, OH 44145.

**Coffee & Conversation Returns THIS Sunday!** Coffee fellowship following worship returns TODAY. "Second Sunday Coffee Fellowship" will continue through 2025 into 2026. This flexible monthly opportunity for conversation and refreshments complements Good Soil's other Sunday community activities, such as guest speaker talks, service opportunities, bible study groups, celebrations for special occasions, and more. We have a lot going on! Join In!

**Additional Home Communion Ministry Training** Chaplain Linda Weidenbach will conduct a follow-up session and training for Good Soil's home communion ministry after service November 9. If you're already involved in this ministry, bring your questions. If you're interested in learning about this ministry or becoming part of it, you're also welcome!

**Looking to put your faith into action?** Hunger continues growing in our community affecting people of all ages and backgrounds. You can be part of the solution by volunteering with Lakewood Fresh Produce Distribution: 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month, 9am-12pm, through 11/15/25 at the Lakewood Congregational Church parking lot, 1375 W. Clifton Blvd at Detroit Ave, Lakewood. This opportunity takes place rain or shine. No sign-up needed. You'll help fill bags with fresh, nourishing produce and distribute them to waiting pre-qualified recipients cafeteria style. Put your faith into action and share God's love with others! Good Soil is also collecting plastic grocery bags for these ministries in the black cannister in the hallway.

**Conference-Wide Disaster Relief Trip (11/2/25-11/7/25, Roan Mountain, TN)** -- Consider participating in this "spiritual retreat with nails" and share Christian compassion and love with this TN community as they continue to recover from Hurricane Helene. Participants will leave 11/2 after worship and return on 11/7. Contact Conference Dean Pr. Angela Freeman to learn more or with questions. [pastor.angela@bethesdaonthebay.org](mailto:pastor.angela@bethesdaonthebay.org) or call (440) 871-2276.

**Congregational Renewal Activities-** The Renewal Committee reflected on the congregation's interest in meaningful activities centered on rest based on the sign-up sheets in the hallway. Four areas emerged as priorities for Good Soil at this time:

1. Creative Rest: Hands-on *crafting* activities to inspire joy and creativity.
2. Spiritual Rest: A *Book Club* will be held to encourage deep reflection & rich discussion.
3. Physical Rest: *Hikes in Nature* with the Holy Hikes Northeast Ohio planned events (4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of every month, see Holy Hikes-Northeast Ohio Facebook Page for details).
4. Social Rest: There was interest in a *potluck*, but we need someone to plan the event. If you'd like to volunteer to organize a time of relaxation & connection over good food, music, & conversation in the coming months, contact [admin@goodsoillutheran.org](mailto:admin@goodsoillutheran.org).

More details provided as each group meets and makes plans in the coming weeks & months.

**Knitting Lessons-** As part of our congregational renewal activities, Anne Paine is offering knitting lessons. The group meets on Thursdays at 7 pm. If you'd like to learn or have questions, contact Anne at [anne.c.paine@gmail.com](mailto:anne.c.paine@gmail.com), or text her at 440-670-4917.



**Bethesda Staff Partnership-** Scan the QR code to read an update from Good Soil and Bethesda on the Bay Lutheran's call committee as they engage the call process seeking a shared Minister for Christian Formation. Please pray for our joint call committee as they journey together. Read additional info below:

**Call Committee Work-** The joint call committee members are Chris Webner (co-leader), Lynne Zeidler, Scott Pohlkamp, & Lisa Hanson from Bethesda, and JoAnne Wancata (co-leader), Evan Paine, Emma Sleva, & Amelia Forshey from Good Soil. Feel free to reach out to any of them. The committee has begun their work, utilizing an ELCA guide. One of the committee's primary goals is to regularly communicate with and involve congregants throughout the search. The committee will be holding informative and participative meetings with the congregations, during or after service, throughout the search. Please consider answering the reflection questions (using the above QR code or handouts on the welcome table) and submitting those responses to JoAnne Wancata [jwancata@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jwancata@sbcglobal.net) if you haven't already.

**MOW looking for Drivers-** West Shore Rocky River-Lakewood Meals on Wheels operates out of Good Soil’s kitchen 5 days a week! They’re in search of drivers to deliver meals to recipients, especially Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Please contact 440-333-6298 or [rrlwcoordinator@westshoremow.org](mailto:rrlwcoordinator@westshoremow.org) for further info.

**Flower Sign-Up-** Interested in adorning Christ's altar with flowers for worship? Sign up on the flower list on the hallway bulletin board or online using this QR code. Please note: The physical bulletin board list has priority. Best efforts are made to ensure the digital calendar matches the physical one. If you sign up online for a date that is taken on the physical list, we will reach out to reschedule. Each vase costs \$20. You may bring your own flowers instead of buying through Good Soil, but please still sign up. Questions about flowers? Contact Cara Rovella at [cclc@goodsoillutheran.org](mailto:cclc@goodsoillutheran.org).



**Newsletter-** Want to keep up with news at Good Soil or share the e-news with friends? Sign up or share our newsletter using the QR code or URL to the right: <https://tinyurl.com/bddik7yp> Questions about the E-news? Contact Cara Rovella at [cclc@goodsoillutheran.org](mailto:cclc@goodsoillutheran.org).

**Calendar of Events**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Time</b>
Sun, Oct 12	<b>In-Person &amp; Livestream Worship: Generosity Emphasis kicks off</b>	9:30 am
Sun, Oct 12	Regular Coffee Fellowship resumes	10:30 am
Mon, Oct 13	<i>Indigenous Peoples’ Day (church office closed)</i>	
Sat, Oct 18	Lakewood Fresh Produce Distribution, 1375 W. Clifton Blvd at Detroit Ave, Lakewood	9:00 am
Sun, Oct 19	<b>In-Person &amp; Livestream Worship</b> <i>Pastor Marissa’s final Sunday before maternity leave</i>	9:30 am
Sun, Oct 19	Acolyte Training (2 <sup>nd</sup> grade and up)	10:30 am
Sun, Oct 19	Secret Sister Tea in the lounge	3:00 pm