

April 13, 2025
Contemporary Worship
9:00 AM



First Evangelical Lutheran Church
19419 Royalton Road
Strongsville, Ohio

MISSION STATEMENT

*Living God's love through our devotion to
service, worship, and one another.*

Welcome!

**If you are a visitor today, welcome to worship.
We hope to see you again soon!**

Sunday Schedule for Next Week, April 20, 2025

Easter Sunday

Planting of the Easter Cross 8:45 AM

Contemporary Worship 9:00 AM

NO Sunday School

Traditional Worship 11:15 AM

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Don't forget that if you ever have any questions or concerns,
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Music

Welcome and Announcements

Commissioning of Stephen Ministers

Call to Worship Hosanna

Processional Gospel *Luke 19:28-40*
Blessing of the Palms

Song *"Hosanna"*

Prayer

The Reading *Philippians 2:5-11* *Jeanine Kowalewski*

Song *"Way Maker"*

Offering

THE PASSION NARRATIVE ACCORDING TO ST. LUKE

Part One *Luke 22:14-27* *Lindee Flater*
Luke 22:28-38 *Petr Kowalewski*

Holy Communion

Song: *"The Table"*

Part Two *Luke 22:39-53* *Tony Rugar*

Song: *"Don't Stop Praying"*

The Prayers of the Church

Part Three

Luke 22:54-71

Mike Thellman

Luke 23:1-25

Laurie Uline

Silence

Part Four

Luke 23:26-38

Evan Hartman

Luke 23:39-56

Madi Snyder

Silence

Lord's Prayer

Blessing

Song

"Amazing Love"

Dismissal

Music

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

Ushers: Ron and Maureen Shorts

Reader: Jeanine Kowalewski

Passion Narrative Readers: Lindee Flater, Petr Kowalewski, Mike Thellman,
Tony Rugar, Laurie Uline, Evan Hartman, Madi Snyder

Comm Assts: Jeanine Kowalewski, Pam & Herb Simpson

Altar Guild: Tricia Nolder, Beth David, Sheri Gist

Counting Team: Terri Mosley, Bob Jacob, Wade Zwingler, Jeff Stanley

Communion Bread: Linda Lauschin

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Maundy Thursday – April 17

Worship at 7:30 PM with Holy Communion and Stripping of the Altar

Good Friday – April 18

Meditations on the Seven Last Words of Christ at 7:30 PM

Easter Sunday – April 20

Planting of the Easter Cross at 8:45 AM

Contemporary Worship at 9:00 AM

Traditional Worship at 11:15 AM

No Sunday School on Easter Sunday

There will be an Easter Breakfast served in the Fellowship Hall
from 8:00 AM – 11:00 AM

PRAYERS

Hospitalized/Home and Recuperating

Don McKelvey, Karil Piskur, Clark Buckley, Paula McKee, Marj Gray, Carla Kulka, Pastor Dave Anderson, Dennis Bailey, Dawn Evangelista, The Salay Family, Eleanor Preston

Military Members

Austin Holley, Deacon Nemet, Matthew and Teresa Dittman, Haley Uline

Stephen Ministry Team

Maureen Harris, Sam Reichert, Becky Piper, Beth David, Pat Sauernheimer, Pam Simpson, Marsha Ginley, Phil King, and Bob Strong

On-going Prayers

Natalie David, Linda Stanley, Nighman Family, Heidi Balicki, Tia (Simpson) Russell, The Fox Family, Ron and Joanne Cvelbar, Cheryl Mooney, Elaine, Rob Shoens, Connie, Michael Otto, Jessica Walsh, Sue Widdows, Wanda Woods, Stephania, Susan & George Bodovetz, Carol Rosenblum, Bonnie Bailey, Josh, Cynthia, Sara, Darlene and Jim Cassidy, Carrie Deal, Curt Kowalewski, Sarah Franko, Bill Bartkus, Jim Taylor, Sue Sutton, Chelsea, Erica Kaminski, Jeanette Paus, Matt & Pat, Claudia Lenarz, Kevin, Zach Russell, Andrew Lee, Ryan Kuchta, Morgan Popple, Trish Nolder, Peter Duffy, Roberta Ress, Salay Family, Richard, Karyn Kasnik, Scott Hurley, John Walker

Homebound

Mary Jane Knaack, June Beck, Marj Wilder, Audie Kiplinger, Sheryl Clark, Ron & Mary Jane Warzel

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Maundy Thursday -	04/17/2025 – 7:30 PM
Good Friday –	04/18/2025 – 7:30 PM
Easter Sunday –	04/20/2025 - 8:45 AM Resurrection Cross Planting 04/20/2025 – 9 AM Contemporary Easter Service 04/20/2025 – 11:15 AM Traditional Easter Service

EASTER BREAKFAST – PANCAKES ANYONE??

Easter Breakfast will be served between 8-11 am Easter morning and ALL are welcome and encouraged to attend! We're talking pancakes, sausage, yogurt, oatmeal and more...YUM! Gluten free items will also be available. To better prepare, we're asking for an INDICATION, of your intent to attend. PLEASE scan the QR code or use this link bit.ly/EBKFST25 to let us know IF you and your family are THINKING of joining us for Easter Breakfast. Sign up is NOT required to attend; the more the merrier!



SPRING CLEANING

Please join us on Saturday 04/19 from 9 am- noon for our Annual Spring Cleaning of the church. Use the QR code or the bitly link <https://bit.ly/FLCClean2025> to sign up!

FIRST CHURCH WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB - APRIL

Our next book is The Mostly True Story of Tanner and Louise by Colleen Oakley. We'll meet at 88 Fox Hollow in Brunswick on April 26th at 10:00. Happy reading!

FIRST CHURCH WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB – MAY

Mark your calendar for May 17 when we will be joined by author Angie Hockman. We will be discussing her book, Dream On at 10:00 at 88 Fox Hollow in Brunswick. Hope you can join us.

STRONGSVILLE EMERGENCY FOOD BANK - DONATIONS

The Strongsville Food Bank is in need of the following items: Ramen Soup, Pork & Beans, Baked Beans, Mac & Cheese, Pasta- 1 LB(Penne, Rotini, Shells), Tuna Fish (all sizes) Canned Vegetables, Jelly: Squeeze Bottle, 30 oz, 32 oz, Peanut Butter (all sizes), Boxed Baked Goods, Snacks (please nothing that will crush, like potato chips)

SUMMER VBS IS BACK – SHORT TERM SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

Road Trip On The Go With God June 23 - 26, 2025, 9 AM – 11:30 AM

Be a part of something special! VBS is a unique opportunity for children to connect with God and their community, and your volunteer time can make that happen. Your help at VBS will make a lasting impact on the lives of children while helping them learn about God and have a fun, faith-filled 4 days this summer. We have opportunities for volunteers to help as a preschool program leader and session/activity leaders, primary session/activity leaders and the need for helpers in a variety of different roles for both the pre-school and primary programs. Adult and teen volunteers are welcome, as many volunteers are needed to make the program successful.

Please sign up to be a session leader or helper by filling out the volunteer form, using this link <https://bit.ly/2025flcvbs> or by scanning the QR code



If you have any questions, please contact:

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STEPHEN MINISTRY UPDATE

Congratulations to our Stephen Ministers who are being commissioned today!

If you or someone you know in our congregation would benefit from having a Stephen Minister, please contact Beth David at (440) 212-6859 for more information.

PRODUCE DISTRIBUTION AT NEW COVENANT LUTHERAN CHURCH

New Covenant Lutheran Church, our sister church in East Cleveland, will continue their 2025 monthly produce distribution, schedules for Saturday, April 26th. Anyone interested in participating should contact Bruce Holderead at vancepack@yahoo.com or 440-655-1523.

BICYCLE RELOCATION PROGRAM

Do you have a bicycle (adult- or child-size) that could use a second life? Please contact Pierre David and he will pick it up, repair it so that it is “like new” (if necessary), and then take to the Redeemer Crisis Center on W. 30th Street in Cleveland. Pierre can be contacted at pdavid@bw.edu or 216-213-8386

ONLINE GIVING OPTION

Due to requests for people to have the option to give their offering electronically, we are providing a QR code to allow anyone who would like to give electronically.



SCAN ME

MILITARY PRAYER REQUESTS

If you know someone in the military serving our country, we want to include them in prayer. Please scan the QR code or go to bit.ly/FLCMilitaryPrayers to add them to the list



**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**



The Bulletins are given to
the Glory of God by the
Bailey Family in celebration
of Tracey Chapman's
Birthday

Last Week's Attendance

9 AM - 69
11:15 AM - 51
Online - 28

Upcoming Worship Times

Dates – Times

Maundy Thursday

04/17 – 7:30 PM

Good Friday

04/18 – 7:30 PM

Easter Sunday

04/20 -8:45 AM, 9 AM, 11:15 AM

04/27 – 9 AM & 11:15 AM

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Monday, 04/14

AA – 8:00 PM

Confirmation Class – 7 PM – 9 PM

Tuesday, 04/15

Council Meeting – 6:30 PM

Al Anon - 7:00 PM

Toastmasters – 7:00 PM

Thursday, 04/17

Maundy Thursday Service - 7:30 PM

Friday, 04/18

Good Friday Service - 7:30 PM

Saturday, 04/19

Spring Cleaning – 9 AM - Noon