

**April 27, 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.*

Good Morning!

If you are a visitor today,

Welcome!

Sunday Schedule for Next Week, Date

Contemporary Worship at 9:00 AM

Sunday School at 10:15 AM

Traditional Worship at 11:15 AM

To contact the Church, call the office at 440-238-7890

or email firstchurchalive@hotmail.com

Secretary Office Hours are Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9 AM - Noon

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CONTACT INFORMATION

Don't forget that if you ever have any questions or concerns,
you may contact your Council representatives:

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Music

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Song: *"God is Great"*
"Glorious Day"

Prayer

Lesson: John 20:19-31

Children's Sharing Time

Sermon *"Navigating the Doubts"*

Song: *"I Believe"*

Offering

Prayers of the Faithful to "Our Father"
Lord's Prayer

Blessing

Song: *"God's Not Dead (Like a Lion)"*

Dismissal

Music

PRAYERS

Death in the Family

The Antley Family and the people of St. Stephen's Church as they mourn the loss of Kristen

Hospitalized/Home and Recuperating

Dennis Bailey, 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, Michael Otto, Jessica Walsh, Sue Widdows, Wanda Woods, Stephania, Susan & George Bodovetz, Carol Rosenblum, Bonnie Bailey, Darlene and Jim Cassidy, Carrie Deal, Curt Kowalewski, Sarah Franko, Bill Bartkus, Jim Taylor, Sue Sutton, Erica Kaminski, Jeanette Paus, Matt & Pat, Kevin, Zach Russell, Ryan Kuchta, Morgan Popple, Trish Nolder, Peter Duffy, Roberta Ress, Salay Family, Richard, Scott Hurley, John Walker, Marilyn Sommerfeld, Don McKelvey, Karil Piskur, Clark Buckley

Homebound

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

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 9:30 AM 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:

Vicki Hughes 216-559-4156 / VLHP829@gmail.com or

Barb Nalette 216-970-4131 / mistylakenalette@gmail.com

STEPHEN MINISTRY UPDATE

Please continue to prayer for our Stephen Ministry Team and their care receivers.

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.

DELEGATES FOR NE OHIO SYNOD ASSEMBLY

We need one female and one male delegate for the Synod Assembly on Saturday 05/17 from 9 AM to Noon. This year the assembly will be an online zoom meeting. Please see Pastor Kathy if you are interested in attending.

SPOTLIGHT MINISTRY AND VOLUNTEER

Sue Ludwig - Prayer and Care Card Ministry

The Prayer and Care Card Ministry is a long-standing program at the church, sending cards to members of the congregation and their referrals with ongoing health or caregiving concerns, bereavement, loneliness, or similar issues. Cards are also sent to shut-ins to remind them they are not forgotten. Sue Ludwig has been involved as a coordinator of this ministry for over 20 years. She has been motivated by her belief in the healing power of cards. A different card is sent each month, and a personalized message is added to each card. At one time the ministry was very active with 50 cards or more sent each month by a committee of volunteers. Over the years the committee members dropped off and the number of cards sent each month declined. Currently 25 cards are sent at the beginning of each month. After years of dedicated service, Sue needs to step away from the program.

We are currently seeking one coordinator for this ministry and invite volunteers to join the committee. If you have any questions, you can reach out to Barb Nalette by calling 216-970-4131.

Please use this link: <https://bit.ly/FLCVolunteers> or scan the QR code to let us know you are interested



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



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



**The Altar Flowers are given
to the Glory of God by
The Evangelista Family in
celebration of Alan's
70th Birthday and
Pat Sauernheimer in loving
memory of her parents,
Howard and Ann Polonus.
The bulletins are given by
Jackie Wojciehowski
In Loving Memory of
Janet Matey Alexander.**

Last Week's Attendance

**9 AM – 166
11:15 AM - 110
Online – 42**

**Upcoming Worship Times
Dates – Times**

**05/04 – 9 AM & 11:15 AM
05/11 – 9 AM & 11:15 AM
05/18 – 9 AM & 11:15 AM
05/25 – 9 AM & 11:15 AM**

**Thank you to the following
volunteers:**

Reader

Vanessa Smith Whitford

Ushers

Mary Barnes, Carolyn Roman

Counters

Daphne Leon, Ingrid Naso
Pat Sauernheimer

Altar Guild

Trish Nolder, Beth David

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Sunday, April 27

Bible Bonanza – 6 PM – 8 PM

Monday, April 28

Confirmation 7 PM – 9 PM

AA at 7:30 PM

Tuesday, April 29

Toastmaster's at 7:00 PM

Al Anon at 7:00 PM

Thursday, April 30

BW Quilting Class, 10 AM – Noon