

“God will meet you  
where you are in order  
to take you where  
He wants you to go.”

**TONY EVANS**

## **JUNE 2026**

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

MAY 18, 2026

7:00 PM

In attendance: Pastor Sharon, Bruce Williams, Barbara Lynne, Kathy Hayes, Laura Huston, Paula Blankenbicker and Judie Shannon.

Bruce read from Judges 6: 1-10. When Joshua led the Israelites, they obeyed God and walked in peace. Then for 7 years they strayed and fell apart from God. They were being attacked. They begged God for help. God rescued them, but then the same thing happened again and again where they would follow the Lord, slip back into unwise behavior, plead to God for help, etc. Something like we do over and over again. We have a good, gracious and forgiving God that when we sin and repent He lovingly takes us back again and again. How blessed we are.

### **MINUTES:**

Minutes read. Barbara motioned to approve the minutes with corrections. Paula B. seconded. All in favor.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Laura said that the final payment on the parsonage windows will be made by the end of June. This will fulfill our commitment to have them paid off by August.

Laura is working on getting the title for the Scout trailer in order.

Kathy motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report. Barbara seconded. All in favor.

### **PASTOR'S REPORT:**

A very busy month of May.

The Healing Service was beautiful. Pastor Sharon stated that she intends to continue having 2 Healing Services each year.

She had the opportunity to preach at Laurel View Village on May 17<sup>th</sup>. She said she really enjoys that and would like to possibly have the bells play there one day.

The LVE/Mellon Carnival event was a huge success. Pastor Sharon, Ken Hughes, Tammie Saxton and Judie Shannon manned the booth. We had rock painting, handed out "Little Jesus" and church literature. We ran out of rocks. Our booth was very well received.

The Ladies Tea was a wonderful event with approximately 24 participants.

Holly's recital was very nice. We're glad she likes to have her event here.

Bible2School has ended for another year with their wrap-up meeting. Pastor Sharon said a few things need tweaking such as more communication with LVE and Mellon B2S teachers, as well as the administration. Pastor Sharon said she would love to include the 5<sup>th</sup> grade in the program. We do need more teachers/helpers, especially in the kitchen.

We will be doing Funnel Cakes during the New Florence Community Days on June 6<sup>th</sup>. We had a trial run of making them and hope that it will go well that day. We need at least 6-7 helpers for the cakes and for our Prayer Booth.

The Blessing of the Bikes was such a good event. Hope to do it again.

Pastor Sharon will be a part of the United High School Baccalaureate service.

We will host Trinity Church for our Memorial Day Service on May 24<sup>th</sup>. We will have light snacks after service.

On June 20<sup>th</sup>, Pastor Sharon will do a blessing of the Bikes at the New Florence Fire Hall.

### **SPRC:**

Pastor Sharon is looking into writing a policy to address the issues of a Pastor having a leave of absence/retirement, etc. We currently do not have a clear policy regarding these issues. She will work on this and have copies for the SPRC members to review. This all came about when Pastor Sharon attended a training session which brought this need to light.

### **TRUSTEES:**

The lawn tractor is up and running. There is some concern about going up to the pulpit on the steps by Choir Loft. Rick Wozniak did some research and found a possible solution. Further investigation will determine whether this will work. More information will be coming.

### **MISSIONS:**

The Ladies Tea was a great success as always. Paige had a rendition of the history of New Florence. Interesting!

Bags of food will be taken to the New Florence Manor on June 13<sup>th</sup>. These will be distributed to the single family homes.

**WORSHIP:**

We are ready for our joint service with Trinity on May 24<sup>th</sup>. We will be having Holy Communion.

**SCOUTS:**

Flags were placed on the graves of our fallen soldiers at the Catholic Church cemetery and Furnace Lane cemetery. Still working on getting the title for the Scout trailer.

**OLD:**

Kathy asked if we could try to clean the space by the Elevette as neat as possible. We have many Choir robes that we could possibly donate. Pastor Sharon will ask the Ministerium. Laura suggested we put them on EBay.

**NEW:**

N/A

Kathy made a motion to adjourn. Paula B. seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 pm.

## **JUNE HAPPENINGS**

<b>JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup></b>	<b>MISSIONS 1:00</b>
<b>JUNE 6<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>NEW FLORENCE DAYS</b>
	<b>FUNNELCAKE BOOTH / PRAYER TABLE</b>
<b>JUNE 7<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>
<b>JUNE 21<sup>ST</sup></b>	<b>FATHER'S DAY</b>
<b>JUNE 28<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>JOHN WESLEY'S BIRTHDAY</b>

### **ELECTRONIC TITHING**

You are now able to tithe electronically. Below is the QR code. Just scan it and choose any of the options available. We hope this makes it easier for some. Thank you for your prayers and support.



# CHANGE – FOR – CHANGE 2026

**JANUARY – Compassion International \$130.65**

**FEBRUARY – Four Footed Friends \$151.38**

**MARCH – New Florence Senior Center \$194.92**

**APRIL – Wesley Woods \$304.05**

**MAY – Homes for our Troops**

**JUNE – New Florence Fire Department (water)**

**JULY – New Florence Library**

**AUGUST – Camp Allegheny**

**SEPTEMBER – Tunnels to Towers**

**OCTOBER – Breast Cancer Research Foundation**

**NOVEMBER – Squirrel Hunt Club**

**DECEMBER – Make a Wish**



To New Florence Methodist Church: Thank you for another year of being able to use the church for my yearly spring recital. I appreciate your continued support.

Hollie

## *Sermon Titles for JUNE*

**JUNE 7 CALLED: GROWING IN PURPOSE**

**JUNE 14 HEART: GROWING IN PURITY**

**JUNE 21 ACTION: GROWING IN LOVE**

**JUNE 28 SPREAD: GROWING IN MISSION**

## **OUR CHURCH**

### **Tithing:**

We, as a church encourage you to mail **or electronically** send your tithe to the church when you are unable to attend. This allows us to maintain our records and budget easier. Again, thank you for being so faithful in your giving. You can either send in your tithe (NFMC, 196 9<sup>th</sup> Street, PO Box 267) or slip it under the door of the church office or even place it in the offering plates.

Thank you for your continued support.

### **PRAYER CONCERNS & BLESSINGS:**

Thank you for answered prayers!

Pray for continued growth in our church.  
Pray for your family and friends daily.  
Pray for our leaders to make good decisions.  
Pray for those who question God's existence.  
Pray for all wars to cease.

***God's promise to us is not the absence of storms, instead he promises His presence in the midst of every storm.***

## **LITURGIST SCHEDULE FOR JUNE**

**JUNE 7<sup>TH</sup> JUDIE SHANNON**

**JUNE 14 PATTY ALBAUGH**

**JUNE 21 RICK WOZNIAK**

**JUNE 28 ED KELEMEN**

### **STILL WORTH MORE THAN YOU KNOW**



A speaker opened his seminar by holding up a \$20 bill and asking a crowd of 200 people, "Who would like this?"

Nearly every hand went up.

"I'll give it to one of you," he said. "But first..." He crumpled the bill tightly in his fist. "Who still wants it?" Hands remained in the air.

He dropped it to the floor and ground it under his shoe. Then he picked up the wrinkled, dirty bill. "How about now?"

The hands rose again.

"My friends," he said, "you've just learned an important lesson. No matter what I did to the money, it never lost its value. It was still worth \$20." Life can feel the same way. We are dropped, crumpled and ground down by our choices and by circumstances beyond our control. At times, we may even feel worthless. But our value does not change.

In God's eyes, you are never less than priceless. Clean or dirty, wrinkled or whole, you remain precious to Him. As Isaiah 43:4 says in the NIV, "You are precious and honored in my sight, and because I love you."



## THEY WALKED EVERYWHERE

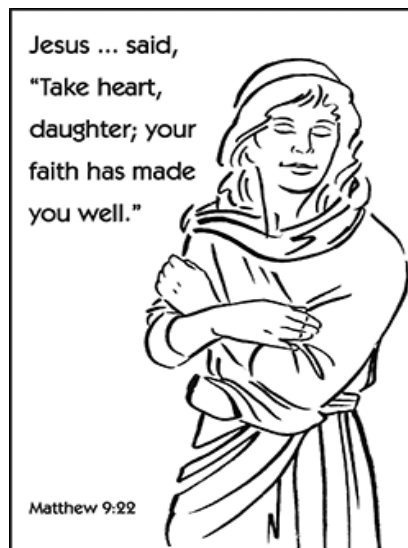


When a teenager earned his driving permit, he approached his father, a minister, to discuss using the car. His dad replied, "I'll make you a deal. Raise your grades, spend some time in your Bible and get your hair cut. Then we'll talk."

A month later, the young man came back. "Son, I'm proud of you," his father said. "Your grades are up, and you've been faithful in your Bible study. But you didn't get your hair cut."

The teenager paused. "Well, Dad, I've been thinking. Samson had long hair. Moses had long hair. Noah had long hair. Even Jesus had long hair."

His father nodded. "That's true. And they walked everywhere they went."



# JUNE

## BIRTHDAYS


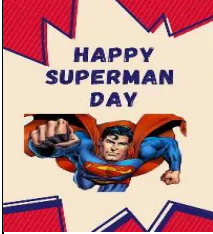






6	2	Donna Matthews
6	5	Barbara Marsh
6	13	Daniel Gemas
	15	Erin Horrell
6	18	Paula Gregory
6	19	Philip Fuller, Sr.
6	19	Carrie Ann Oberley
6	19	David Oberley
6	21	Lewis Caldwell
6	21	Mark Fuller
6	22	Ryan Perry
6	23	Ragan Hall
6	30	Judy Korchnak

## ANNIVERSARIES

6	9	Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Armel
6	12	Mr. & Mrs. George Caldwell
6	25	Mr. & Mrs. Joel Valentine
6	27	Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Bartlebaugh



# JUNE

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 <b>MISSIONS</b> 1:00	2 <b>PRAYER GROUP 11:00</b> <b>BIBLE DISCUSSION</b> 7:00	3  <b>World Cider Day</b>	4  <b>SCOUTS 7:00</b>	5  <b>HOT AIR BALLOON DAY</b> JUNE 5	6  <b>COMMUNITY YARD SALE</b>
7 <b>HOLY COMMUNION</b> 	8  <b>Happy National Best Friends Day!</b>	9 <b>PRAYER GROUP 11:00</b>	10  <b>NATIONAL ICED TEA DAY</b>	11  <b>SCOUTS 7:00</b>	12  <b>HAPPY SUPERMAN DAY</b>	13  <b>WORLD SOFTBALL DAY</b>
14  <b>WORLD BLOOD DONOR DAY</b>	15  <b>NATIONAL LOBSTER DAY</b>	16 <b>PRAYER GROUP 11:00</b>	17  <b>NATIONAL APPLE STRUDEL DAY</b>	18  <b>SCOUTS 7:00</b>	19  <b>IT'S NATIONAL GARFIELD THE CAT DAY!</b>	20  <b>National Ice Cream Day</b>
21  <b>Happy Father's Day</b>	22  <b>NATIONAL ONION RING DAY</b> JUNE 22	23 <b>PRAYER GROUP 11:00</b>	24  <b>Fairy Day</b> 24 June	25  <b>SCOUTS 7:00</b>	26  <b>NATIONAL CLEAN OUT YOUR REFRIGERATOR DAY</b>	27  <b>NATIONAL BINGO DAY</b>
28  <b>LOG CABIN DAY</b>	29  <b>NATIONAL CAMERA DAY</b> JUNE 29	30 <b>PRAYER GROUP 11:00</b>				