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May 2026

The Good News



Annual Baby Bottle Campaign Mother's Day to Father's Day May 10th to June 21st

CARE  **NET** Hebron Lutheran Church will be supporting CareNet Pregnancy Services of Northern Kentucky again this year. Starting on **Mother's Day, May 10th**, baby bottles will be passed out for individuals and families to take home and fill with coins or a **check made out to Care Net**. You can also donate online at **carenetnky.org**. If donating online, chose Virtual Baby Bottle Campaign as your designation and enter **Hebron Lutheran Church** in the "Notes" box. The bottles should be returned by **Father's Day, June 21st**. The Northern Kentucky Pregnancy Center is a non-profit Christian organization. All of their services are **FREE**, confidential and include pregnancy tests, options education, abstinence advocacy, post-abortion recovery group, parenting program and material assistance. Through the Generosity Fund, Hebron Lutheran will be matching the donations given through the church during the Baby Bottle Campaign (up to \$5,000).



2026 Graduate Recognition Sunday, May 31st

Hebron Lutheran Church rejoices to celebrate our new 2026 graduates as they launch out further into their adventure of life with God! We will celebrate their accomplishments and be invoking God's blessings upon them as they embark on a new stage of their life mission with God. In fact, we celebrate ***all graduates of secondary and post-secondary schools, including vocational schools and training programs.*** If you or someone you know will be graduating, e-mail: **sonya@hebronlutheran.org** as soon as possible, no later than May 15th. Include your name, school name, any special honors you have received, future plans and any other information you would like to share in the next newsletter. Graduates will receive a special blessing by the worshippers and Pastor at the end of the service. Those who have received the **Conrad-Aylor-Anderson Scholarship Award** will be presented with their scholarship certificate and check during the unity service on **Sunday, May 31st**.

Unity Service 10AM/ Quarterly Forum/ Congregational Potluck! Sunday, May 31st

Everyone is invited to our Congregational Potluck Luncheon immediately following our Unity church service and Congregational Forum on **Sunday, May 31st**. Join your brothers and sisters in Christ for good food and fellowship as we celebrate the blessing of our wonderful church family that God has given us at Hebron Lutheran Church. **This is a great opportunity to meet those who you don't know and reacquaint yourself with those who you do know!** Please invite visitors and new members sitting around you to attend, mark your calendars, and make plans to join us! Chicken will be provided by the church. If you are able, please bring a side dish and/or a salad to share.

Hebron Lutheran Church's 2026 Vacation Bible School



Vacation Bible School is quickly approaching! **We hope to see you June 1st-5th for Rainforest Falls Vacation Bible School 2026 at Hebron Lutheran Church from 9:00 a.m. - Noon.** Anyone 3 years old and potty trained through entering 5th grade can register for free to join us on a fun-filled adventure exploring the nature of God! **We are also in need of volunteers in a variety of areas as well as material donations.** Child registration, volunteer forms, and an Amazon list can all be found at the link below or by scanning the QR code.
<https://vbspro.events/p/21838d>



**MEMORIAL DAY, MAY 25, 2026,
Church Office Will Be Closed!**

*Sunday Services are listed
on the back of the newsletter.*

Staff & Ministry Resources:

Senior Pastor:

Pastor Michael Stoops

Director of Operations:

David Eichenberg

Director of Worship:

Kathy Bowman

**Director of Children's Ministry
& Nursery:**

Sydney Spaulding

Director of Youth Ministry:

Joe Hopperton

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Sonya Perry

Custodian:

Tim Schwartz

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Brenda Hopperton

Newsletter: *Sonya Perry*

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Gina Ford	Mark Goetting
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Randy Long	Katie Saunders
Keith Sholander	Jim Wakefield

President: *Randy Long*

Vice President: *Keith Sholander*

Secretary: *Mark Goetting*

Treasurer: *Debbie Kloos*

Children / Youth

Annual Easter Egg Hunt!



The Easter Egg Hunt was well attended. We would like to thank everyone who helped, and donated eggs and/or candy.

Second Sunday Fellowship



Our next Second Sunday Fellowship is scheduled for **Sunday, May 10th**.

We are in NEED of a host/hostess.

If you are interested, please sign up on the bulletin board in the Hospitality Room, call or email the church office. If we don't have a host/hostess, we will NOT have Second Sunday Fellowship in May.

May Prime Timers



Prime Timers we will meet on **Monday, May 11th at 11:45 a.m. in the Hospitality Room.**

All adults age 55 or older are welcome to attend. Please bring a dish or two to share for each person attending. Tableware and drinks will be provided. **Linda Bryant & Greg & Cyndi Kuhn will be our host/hostess.** If you are interested in hosting this year, please sign up on the bulletin board in the Hospitality Room. **If we don't have a host/hostess signed up for any month, we will NOT have Prime Timers for that month.** We look forward to seeing you!

Hope Cardmakers



Hope Cardmakers meet on the **second Wednesday of the month in the Hospitality Room at 10:00 a.m.** Our next meeting will be **Wednesday, May 13th**. Supplies are provided, but some people choose to bring their own. We can always use more hands. **No experience is needed.** Join us for fun, fellowship and an opportunity to share God's love with cards. Cards have been sent to our shut-ins, our card people of the week and many of the people on our weekly prayer list. Please call the church office 859-689-7590 for more information.

Helpers Circle

Helpers Circle will meet **Thursday, May 28th**, at Hebron Lutheran Church at 7:00 p.m. in the Hospitality Room. Please join this fun group of women for food and fellowship. For information about Helpers Circle contact Julie Utz at 859-760-4844.

Outreach



Through the end of May we will be gathering hygiene items for **Operation Christmas Child!** We are looking for items such as: *shoes, slippers, flip flops, sandals & socks, t-shirts, tank tops, underwear, etc. for children aged 2 years to 14 years old.* Please remember **NO liquid items and NO bars of soap.** You can place your donated items in the bin in the Hospitality Room.

Join us for a **Shoebox Wrapping/Organizing Day**—We will be wrapping boxes, making jump ropes, and organizing donations. You have lots of opportunities to find your favorite activity to support this ministry.

Join us for some great fellowship, **Monday, May 4th - Meet at Hebron Grille for lunch at 12:30 p.m. and church at 1:30 p.m.**

5/11 - Meet at McDonald's for lunch at 12:30 p.m. and church at 1:30 p.m.





Hebron Lutheran Church Financial Summary March - 2026

(At the printing of this newsletter the April 2026 financials were not yet closed for the month.)

General Offering & Other Income

March 2026 income was	\$ 41,750
Budgeted income was	\$ 43,280
Total Income YTD for 2026 is	\$ 124,917
Budgeted Income YTD for 2026 is	\$ 129,840

We want to be intentionally generous as a church. Therefore in 2026, we set aside 5% of our offerings each month to go directly to fund ministry and mission outside the walls of Hebron Lutheran Church. During the month of January we set aside \$2,055 for this purpose.

General Expenses

March 2026 expenses were	\$ 46,199
Budgeted expenses were	\$ 43,280
Total Expenses YTD for 2026 are	\$ 137,827
Budgeted expenses YTD for 2026 are	\$ 129,840

To review financial statements or for additional details, please call the church office at 859-689-7590 or e-mail David Eichenberg at: davide@hebronlutheran.org.

AC Replacement Update

DeBra-Kuempel is entering the last phase of their work to replace four of our five HVAC units. The fifth unit which serves the upstairs back hallway, including the upstairs restrooms, was replaced in the fall of 2023. Currently the new sanctuary unit is being installed.

We wish to thank everyone who has contributed to the AC Replacement Fund. We appreciate your generosity in helping us to pay the \$311,836 cost for this project. The chart below shows the total amount needed from the congregation for the project, including what has been received through April 26th as well as the funds still needed to complete the project. A final payment will be made once DeBra-Kuempel finishes their work.

We only need \$19,575 to complete the entire project. If you have not yet given to the AC Replacement Fund, it is not too late to do so. Please put AC replacements in the memo line of your check or use the other button through our online giving portal and specify "AC replacement."

Amount Needed from the Congregation	Amount Received from the Congregation through April 26 th	Funds Still Needed to Complete the Project
\$58,336	\$38,761	\$19,575



Office Hours: Monday thru Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
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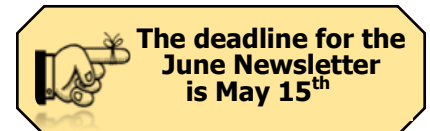


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Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Sunday Morning Schedule

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service

11:00 a.m. Modern Worship Service

*Nursery available for 6 years and under**Kids' Church for K - 5th Grade*

					1 5:30 PM Bandits Wrestling	2 8:30 AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study in the Hospitality Room
3 Deadline for Graduate Scholarship Applications	4 1:30 PM Operation Christmas Child Organizing and Wrapping Day 5:30 PM Bandits Wrestling 7:00 PM AI-Anon	5 11:30 AM NKY Networking Group 7:00 PM AA Group	6 5:00 PM Prayer Team 8:00 PM Table4Twelve Practice	7 7:00 PM Lions Club	8 5:30 PM Bandits Wrestling	9 8:30 AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study in the Hospitality Room
10 Annual Baby Bottle Campaign Begins Happy Mother's Day Second Sunday Fellowship	11 11:45 AM Prime Timers' Potluck Luncheon 1:30 PM Operation Christmas Child Organizing and Wrapping Day 5:30 PM Bandits Wrestling 7:00 PM AI-Anon	12 11:30 AM NKY Networking Group 6:30 PM Church Council 7:00 PM AA Group	13 10:00 AM Hope Cardmakers in the Hospitality Room 5:00 PM Prayer Team 6:00 PM Youth Group for 7th - 12th Grade 8:00 PM Table4Twelve Practice	14	15 5:30 PM Bandits Wrestling	16 8:30 AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study in the Hospitality Room
17 12:15 PM VBS Volunteer Meeting Congregational Forum after each worship service Last Day for Kids' Church for the summer	18 5:30 PM Bandits Wrestling 7:00 PM AI-Anon	19 11:30 AM NKY Networking Group 7:00 PM AA Group 7:00 PM Foundation Meeting	20 5:00 PM Prayer Team 6:00 PM VBS Prep Party 8:00 PM Table4Twelve Practice	21	22 5:30 PM Bandits Wrestling	23
24 Pentecost Sunday	25 5:30 PM Bandits Wrestling 7:00 PM AI-Anon Church Office Closed	26 11:30 AM NKY Networking Group 7:00 PM AA Group	27 5:00 PM Prayer Team 6:00 PM Youth Group for 7th - 12th Grade 6:30 PM God's Table Meal 8:00 PM Table4Twelve Practice	28 7:00 PM Helpers Circle	29 5:30 PM Bandits Wrestling Last Day of School for Boone County	30 8:30 AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study in the Hospitality Room
31 Graduate Sunday Unity Service 10AM/Quarterly Forum/Congregational Potluck! VBS Decorating after the Potluck Luncheon						

Opportunities for You to Sign Up to Serve!

<u>Worship Assistants</u>	<u>9:00 a.m.</u>
5/3/2026	Judy Stacy / Mike Ford
5/10/2026	Bill Martin
5/17/2026	Pam Goetting
5/24/2026	Jim Wakefield
5/31/2026	Unity Service 10:00 AM

Interested in serving in this ministry?
Call **Judy Stacy** at 859-663-1539 or by email.

<u>Scripture Readers</u>	<u>9:00 a.m.</u>
5/3/2026	Jeff Kern
5/10/2026	<i>Open</i>
5/17/2026	Greg Kuhn
5/24/2026	Mark Goetting
5/31/2026	Judy Stacy

Would you like to read the Sunday Lessons?
Contact **Sonya Perry** at 859-689-7590 or by email.

<u>Communion Servers for 9:00 a.m. for the Month of May</u>
Randy Graves* Ray Brake Annette Kern Jeff Kern
<i>*Team Captain</i>

Interested in serving in this ministry?
Call **Judy Stacy** at 859-663-1539 or by email.

<u>11:00 a.m.</u>	<u>Communion Servers</u>
5/3/2026	Hopperton Family
5/10/2026	Dixon Family
5/17/2026	Linda Gayhart
5/24/2026	<i>Open</i>
5/31/2026	Unity Service 10:00 AM (Doug & Priscilla Mueller)

Would you like to help serve communion? Contact
David Eichenberg at 859-689-7590 or by email.

<u>Altar Flowers</u>	
5/3/2026	Mark & Pam Goetting
5/10/2026	Harvey & Nancy Richardson
5/17/2026	Greg & Jeanie Goodridge
5/24/2026	Bill & Diane Martin
5/31/2026	Juanita Robertson

Please sign-up on the bulletin board in the Hospitality Room, call the **Church Office** at 859-689-7590 or by email.

<u>Second Sunday Fellowship</u>	
5/10/2026	<i>Open</i>
6/14/2026	<i>Open</i>
7/12/2026	<i>Open</i>
8/9/2026	<i>Open</i>

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<u>Nursery Volunteers</u>	<u>9:00 a.m.</u>	<u>11:00 a.m.</u>
5/3/2026		
5/10/2026		
5/17/2026		
5/24/2026		
5/31/2026		Unity Service 10:00 AM

Would you like to help serve in the Nursery? Contact
Sydney Spaulding at 859-757-8686 or by email.

<u>Greeters</u>	<u>9:00 a.m.</u>	<u>11:00 a.m.</u>
5/3/2026	Butch Whitefoot	
5/10/2026		
5/17/2026	Linda Bryant	
5/24/2026		
5/31/2026		Unity Service 10:00 AM

Interested in serving in our Greeting Ministry?
Call **Verna Noel** at 859-322-0224 or email.

Hebron Lutheran Church

Kid's Ministry



VBS 2026

Upcoming Events

Zoo Trip

June 21st 10 AM | Cincinnati Zoo

Families with children birth through fifth grade (including older siblings) are welcome to join us at the zoo to enjoy some of God's creations! (If you have a zoo membership with guest passes and would like to help provide entry for other families, please let me know you intend to do so and how many passes you have available.)

Park Playdate

July 25th 10 AM to 12 PM | Hebron Lutheran Church

Join us at the park for a morning of fun before things get too hot. We'll have a few snacks and drinks available for the kids!



Vacation Bible School is for children 3 years old and potty trained through the 5th grade. Join us for a fun-filled week learning the nature of God: June 1st-5th from 9 AM to Noon. Register by scanning or holding down on the QR code.



Let me know you're interested!



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Sunday Mornings

Memory Verses

Every month we have a new memory verse that we practice each week to imprint on our hearts and minds. These are some memory verses we've had since the start of Kid's Church in the fall so you can practice them more at home!

When I'm afraid, I put my trust in you. —Psalm 56:3

It is much better to get wisdom than gold. It is much better to choose understanding than silver. —Proverbs 16:16

Those who trust in the LORD will receive new strength. They will fly as high as eagles. They will run and not get tired. They will walk and not grow weak. —Isaiah 40:31

Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you. He is the Messiah, the Lord. —Luke 2:11

Training the body has some value. But being godly has value in every way. It promises help for the life you are now living and the life to come. —1 Timothy 4:8

'I give you a new command. Love one another. You must love one another, just as I have loved you' — John 13:34



Sunday Funday

Every Sunday morning, we have Kid's Church at both the 9 AM and 11 AM service. Since the fall, we have built our own rollercoasters, designed homemade ornaments, fashioned scepters and crowns, and more all while learning about the love of God!



While we do hands on learning through these activities, we also have engaging bible lessons that tie together with the games, crafts, and memory verses to help reinforce what we are learning for the month.

"The Bottom Line"

In addition to monthly memory verses, we also have a "Bottom Line" each week that reminds us of something important about our relationship with God. Some of the bottom lines we've had this year are "God loves the whole world," "If you want to be wise, focus on God," "God can give you courage when you don't know what's next," and countless more!

VBS

Volunteer

Opportunities



VBS Volunteer Meeting

If you are volunteering for Vacation Bible School, we will have a volunteer meeting on Sunday May 17th directly after church at 12:15 PM. We will provide pizza and drinks and will review our roles for VBS, safety protocol, the VBS schedule and more. Directly following the VBS meeting we will have a child safety training. Unless you have been re-trained for child safety in the past few months this training is mandatory for all church volunteers who work with children (even if you have completed it in the past). If you are unable to make the child safety training please reach out to me so we can ensure you are trained prior to VBS.

VBS Prep Party

Not available for VBS but want to help us get things ready? Or are you volunteering, but still want to lend an extra hand in advance? Help us cut construction paper leaves, make vines, assemble decor, prep leader kits and more on Wednesday May 20th from 6-8 PM. While we will be decorating after church on May 31st, there is a lot of prep work that needs to be done, and we could use a hand (or a few of them). There will be snacks provided. We hope to see you there!



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Vacation Bible School



Fall Festival and Trunk or Treat



Kid's Christmas Party



Getting Involved



Sunday Servant Rotation

We are always in need of servants to join our Sunday morning rotation for serving in both the nursery and Kid's Church. This commitment can be as large or small as you would like - even one service one Sunday a month makes a huge difference! We have servants that serve every week and servants that serve every other month and they are all vital in making our Sunday mornings run smoothly.

Annual Events

Our Easter Egg Hunt, Vacation Bible School, Fall Festival, and Christmas Party all need volunteers! These dates are scheduled a year in advance, so if you are interested in serving for any of them reach out and we can give you more information. Just like on Sunday mornings, there are a range of roles and commitment levels for these events and all of them are important! VBS servants are especially needed right now since it is in the beginning of JUNE.

Donations

Depending on the time of year, we may be accepting donations for various events. In March we collect candy for the Egg Hunt, in the spring we are collecting materials donations for Vacation Bible School, and in the fall, we will be accepting donations for Trunk-or-Treat. If you'd like more information, please contact Sydney Spaulding, the Director of Children's Ministry and Nursery.



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This Year at a Glance



Mar. & Apr.

March 29th - Easter
Egg Hunt @ 10 AM

April 5th - Easter Kid's
Church @ 9 & 11 AM

May

May 17th - Last Week of
Kid's Church

June

June 1st through 5th -
Vacation Bible School

June 21st - Cincinnati
Zoo Trip @ 10 AM

July

July 25th - Park
Playdate @ 10 AM

August

August 23rd - First
Week of Kid's Church

August 30th - Church
Picnic

September

September 26th - Race
for Recovery 5K @ 9
AM (kid's ministry
walks together)

October

October 17th - Fall
Festival and Trunk or
Treat @ 5 PM

November

November 18th - Assist
in Operation Christmas
Child Packing Party

December

December 12th - Kid's
Christmas Party @ 12
PM

December 24th - Kid's
Church @ 3 and 5 PM