

# the voice

Hosanna Lutheran Church



July 2021

Beloved People of God, in June our Sunday messages were about igniting our personal evangelism skills to be better at inviting others to faith in Jesus. So, I thought I would recap what we talked about in June. Remember each of the sermons in June (and every month for that matter) are available online on Hosanna's Facebook and YouTube pages and can be accessed to watch again or for the first time to get a more detailed explanation of the methods we will be highlighting in my newsletter article here.

## **Ignite Principle #1:**

**My testimony is a powerful tool that Jesus will use to lead others to faith in Him.**



How do you use your faith story to change the world?  
(See June 6, 2021 Sermon)

A: CONFIRM your faith story.

Are you really a follower of Jesus? If so, when did you first believe in Jesus?

Think about what was going on in your life at the time.

B: COMPLETE your faith story.

Write it out and practice giving your story. As you write it, remember: to be concise and simple; avoid any religious jargon or clichés; be direct and to the point (2 to 4 minutes preferred); Emphasize aspects of your story that will relate to your friend.

Remember (BC) ☩ (AD): What was my life like (BC) *before Jesus*? Why did I follow Him (☩)?

What has my life been like (AD) *after I made a decision* to follow Jesus?

C: COMMIT your faith story to God.

Ask God to use your story.

## **Ignite Principle #2:**

**My response to pressure opens up doors to share my faith.**

FIVE HABITS OF A  
WORSHIP-FULL LIFE  
(See June 13, 2021 Sermon)



### 1: Regular Daily Devotions

Spend time reading the Bible, and when you do you begin to recognize how God wants you to respond in situations when they come your way. Aim for 7 days of the week, and hit 5 days. Five days a week spending time in devotion will make a difference in how you are able to withstand the storms of life.

### 2: Faithful Sunday Worship Attendance

Whether in-person or watching online, gathering together with the larger church family helps to encourage you in your faith and helps you to be an encouragement to others.

### 3: Active Growth Group Participation

You need the large group when it comes to Sunday fellowship, but you also need a small group for accountability, deeper learning, to be prayed for and to study and grow in your faith. Growth Groups normalize Sunday Attendance. Our Adult Ministry Team will be offering multiple Growth Group options starting in September. These groups will only exist for 8 to 10 weeks; then you will be released and get a month off to find the next growth group you will attend in January. More about Growth Groups in August.

### 4: Consistent Sacrificial Giving

When you honor God by giving God a percentage of your income you can have financial peace in your life even during recessions. This is because you learn to live with what you have already been blessed with. Proportional giving forces you to actually look at how you are spending your money, and in the process develop better spending and saving habits. These habits will be a blessing when the hard times come.

### 5: Prayerful and Sincere Witnessing

As you are filled up with God, God will give you opportunities to share your faith with others. For as your faith grows, it then overflows to other people. When you are inviting others to come to faith in Jesus, it causes you to become more consistent in your devotions, more fervent in your worship, more consistent in your small group participation, and more faithful in your giving.

### Ignite Principle #3:

God uses me when I am prepared to be used.



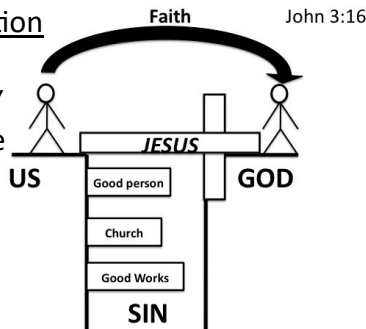
FIVE WAYS TO BE READY TO SHARE MY FAITH AT ANYTIME (See June 20, 2021 Sermon)

#### 1: Tell Your Faith Story

(See Above) Why write out your faith story? Because: your friends are interested (because they care about you); they can relate to it (you have things in common); they can't argue with it (it's your experience); and God will use it.

#### 2: Use the Bridge Illustration

This illustration shows how Jesus is the ONLY bridge that crosses the chasm (that exists because of our sin) between us and God.



#### 3: Use the DO vs DONE Illustration

This illustration simply points out the biblical truth that we can't DO anything to save ourselves for eternal life. That has been already been DONE for us by God sending Jesus to die for us.

#### 4: Use the Morality Ladder

We tend to put everyone (including ourselves) on a morality ladder. And depending on where you are on the ladder determines if you are going to heaven or hell. We put people with high moral character near the top of the ladder, and those with low moral character near the bottom. We also put ourselves about two thirds of the way up on the ladder, and usually above where



the heaven/hell line is. (*We see ourselves just good enough to go to heaven.*) The problem is that God draws the line not near the middle, but at the very top (PERFECTION). Even Mother Theresa wasn't perfect! God know this so God gave us a solution to overcoming the Gap between perfection and where we are on the morality ladder...God gave us Jesus to bridge the gap so we can have eternity with God in Heaven. And have meaning and fulfillment in our life right now.

#### 5: My Invitation

### Ignite Principle #4:

God wants me to invite my friends to come to church with me.



HOW CAN MY INVITATION CHANGE THE WORLD? (See June 27, 2021 Sermon)

#### 1: I have to believe that Jesus can change lives.

We really have to believe the power of Jesus to change lives: now and in the life to come.

#### 2: You need to recognize that Jesus wants to use you to change lives.

God has you where you are for a reason...to use you to influence people in your life for Jesus. If you don't invite them, who else will? You may be the only person in your friends' lives who is a Christian.

The number one reason why people come to church for the very first time is because a friend invited them.

#### 3: Identify people in your sphere of influence to invite.

Prayerfully identify the people in your life who God might want you to invite to church with you. Those closest to you: in your FAMILY and amongst your FRIENDS. Your co-workers, classmates, neighbors and others.

#### 4: Care enough to extend an invitation to church

If you really believe that Jesus is the way to eternal life and real life in the here and now, and you have identified people in your life who need Jesus then all you need to do is just care about them a little bit. And at the very least you can extend an invitation to come with you to church.

#### 5: Experience God's Blessing in your own life.

When you step out and live out your faith and invite others to come and see Jesus you get to hear from our Lord these wonderful words, "Well done good and faithful servant!"

# RUMMAGE SALE 2021

# fundraising

## Previous Year's Totals

2014 - \$4,200.00  
 2015 - \$5,036.26  
 2016 - \$5,772.88  
 2017 - \$5,567.13  
 2018 - \$5,199.16  
 2019 - \$5,406.68  
 2020 - COVID - No Sale  
 2021 - \$5,153.26

## 2021 Daily Breakdown

Thurs. \$2,485.08  
 Fri. \$2,121.98  
 Free Day Donations (Sat)  
 \$ 546.20  
**Total: \$5,153.26**

Since the email from the final day of the sale, we had a \$20 donation to make it \$5,153.26. We have also sold a few more items for \$154.85. That money is in addition to the total. We are still selling some other items online. If you have large furniture items to sell throughout the year or items that are worth more than a rummage sale price, please contact the church office and we can try to sell those online.



## Breakdown by Payment Type Changes to the sale this year:

	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Total
<b>Cash</b>	\$1614.13	\$1,300	\$467.81	\$3381.94
<b>Check</b>	\$500.00	\$650	\$0	\$1150.00
<b>Credit</b>	\$370.95	\$171.98	\$78.39	\$621.32
<b>Total</b>	\$2,485.08	\$2,121.98	\$546.20	<b>Grand Total \$5,153.26</b>

• Items were collected for 4 Sundays prior to the sale. Each Sunday, items were cleaned, priced, and sorted ahead of time. The many volunteers made this process go smoothly and quickly.



• The majority of items were intended to be outside due to COVID. Friday's forecast looked like rain so we opened a day early on Thursday.

• On the day of the sale, we borrowed carts from Lynds. Customers filled up with more items, and we had less piles to watch.

- Customers could pay by Credit Card using Square. (Square collects a 10 cent charge per transaction + 2.6% of the amount charged.)
- Total Amount Charged: \$641.00
- Minus Total Fees: \$19.68
- Total Collected: \$621.32
- This money goes directly into Hosanna's checking account and can then be allocated to NYG.

The money from the Rummage Sale usually goes towards Day Camp. Day Camp 2020 was cancelled due to COVID. We received a full refund so that money is still in the account to pay for Day Camp 2022. Therefore, the entire amount of money raised from this Rummage Sale will go towards the National Youth Gathering 2022. That's absolutely amazing!



## A HUGE Thank you to our volunteers!

**We had more than 40 volunteers. Wow! A MILLION thanks to all of you. We couldn't do it without you. Every year we have more and more volunteers which makes the work so much easier.**

Barbara Bloomfield  
 Emma & Jared Brandt  
 Sherry Brooker  
 Lori Butts  
 Karen Combs  
 Pat Crawford  
 Brandy & Gary Daniels  
 Russell Dobbins  
 Allie, Abby, & Susan Downs  
 Gary & JoAnn Fettrow



Pam Forkner  
 Cindy & Nakotah Kaufman  
 Angie, Sam, Jake, & Camryn Kennedy  
 Charlotte Kurt  
 Phyllis Marcum  
 John & Rhea Mathias

Brad Miller  
 Lois Peterson  
 Lynn Pope  
 Emily & Nancy Rich  
 PBret & Melissa Rizzo  
 Kathy Scarmack  
 Butch Sims  
 Dr. Jim Southard  
 Sue Starn  
 Becki Stockdale  
 Denny & Julie Weinzierl  
 Tricia, Emily, Madeline & Paige Whitmer  
 Vickie Zeune



And anyone else we may have forgotten!

## Special thanks . . .

- Thank you Sue Starn for the Subway gift card and for doing some online sales for us.
- Thanks to Thrivent for the \$250 gift card to buy supplies like labels and food for our volunteers.
- Thanks to Dave Lynd for providing the carts so customers could buy more items without having to make a pile.



- Thanks to the Kaufman & Morrison families and LEADS (Karen Howard) for letting us borrow their clothing racks.
- Thanks for Patty Willey for taking the leftover clothes for Storehouse for Jesus.



- Thanks to everyone who donated items and bought items!!!
- And thanks to our security guards (pictured here).



### Facebook

We are live streaming from the new Hosanna page, as well as posting events and messages for the congregation. Here is the link. Please like it so you can find it later.

<https://www.facebook.com/HosannaLutheranChurchPataskala>

### Hosanna YouTube

If you subscribe you will receive notifications when we upload new videos.

The video will be uploaded after the service. We are working on going live on YouTube too.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYeZzISWk1gZLiSU57EmtnQ/playlists>

# Pataskala Street Fair Booth 2021

After the cancellation of the Street Fair in 2020, it is Street Fair time once again. You know what that means! We need some help to staff our booth at the Street Fair, August 18<sup>th</sup> through the 21<sup>st</sup>.

This is a community outreach organized by "Evangelism" and in conjunction with "Do Something" and "HLCC".

This is our opportunity to promote Hosanna and HLCC to the Pataskala community.

### **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!**

We are again staffing in 2-hour shifts. As always, no experience necessary, just a friendly smile and welcoming attitude. You'll likely be there anyway!

We will be giving out balloons and information about Hosanna and HLCC.

Sign-up sheet is in the Narthex.

#### **Wed August 18th**

⇒ 6 PM to 8 PM  
Need 2  
⇒ 8 PM to 10 PM  
Need 2

#### **Thursday August 19th**

⇒ 6 PM to 8 PM  
Need 3  
⇒ 8 PM to 10 PM  
Need 3

#### **Friday August 20th**

⇒ 6 PM to 8 PM  
Need 3  
⇒ 8 PM to 10 PM  
Need 3

#### **Saturday August 21st**

⇒ 1 PM to 4 PM  
Need 3  
⇒ 4 PM to 6 PM  
Need 3  
⇒ 6 PM to 8 PM  
Need 3  
⇒ 8 PM to 10 PM  
Need 3

**Thank You for Volunteering!**



### Back to School Supplies

It's that time of year again.

We are collecting school supplies: backpacks, crayons, markers, glue sticks, scissors and pencils .

**Look for the box in the Narthex.**

# Note from the VP

## Members of Hosanna:

I have taken over the office of Church Council Vice President for this coming year. I am happy to be serving you, but I, along with our Church, need your help. Part of my responsibilities is to fill vacant council seats. The Facilities Chair is vacant. Several members have stepped up and taken specific roles under the Facilities umbrella, but we need someone to come forward and manage the process and these willing members. I ask each of you to pray about this open position and I hope God will ask one of you to help. This is an important position for our Church. If you have the desire to help, please call me.

Thank you for praying with me.

I believe this is an exciting time at Hosanna. We are coming out of the pandemic running. Pastor's Ignite sermon series really makes us think about ourselves and our relationship with God and our Church. Many committees are in the planning stages of fellowship activities. I have been in other churches where small worship groups help church growth and build stronger friendships within and without the church. I really hope each of you will attend one of these groups.

I hope through prayer and thoughtful consideration you will each join in and make Hosanna a beacon of God's love.

Thank you., Larry Beckwith

## NEW BEGINNINGS

They need paper towels, TP, disinfecting wipes, over the counter cold and flu medicine, first aid supplies, laundry baskets, non-bleach floor cleaner, multi-purpose cleaner, kitchen trash bags, batteries: AA, AAA, person of color products (hair care, lotion, hair tools), body wash, deodorant (men & women), sugar, coffee creamer, and \$10 gas cards.

## THANK YOU

To our volunteers who have made in-person worship and online worship possible. *You are amazing.*

We are looking for new people to help out!

Contact the office or Pastor Bret!

# Church Leadership

Position	First	Last	Term
Pastor	Bret	Rizzo	-
<b>Officers:</b>			
President	Jim	Southard	2022*
Vice-President	Larry	Beckwith	2022*
Secretary	Sue	Starn	2022*
Treasurer	Julie	Martin	2022*
<b>Council Chairs:</b>			
Adult Ministries	Charlotte	Kurt	2024
Care	Karen	Howard	2023*
Evangelism	Denny	Weinzierl	2022*
Facilities	<b>VACANT</b>	<b>VACANT</b>	
Fellowship	Pennie	Southard	2023*
Stewardship	Mary	Seal	2024
Worship	Kevin	Howard	2024*
Youth	JoAnn	Fettrow	2022
<b>Committees:</b>			
HLCC Liasion	Becky	Morrison	-
Do Something	Julie	Weinzierl	-
<b>Trust Fund:</b>			
	Steve	Jones	2023*
	Mike	Killilea	2022
	Cathy	Konkler	2022
	Terri	Gibbons	2022
	Fred	Kaufman	2023*
<b>Hosanna House</b>			
HHEC Board Pres.	Carole	McGonigal	-
HHEC Event Coord.	Kaite	McCoy	-
<b>Employees</b>			
Bookkeeper	Brandy	Daniels	-
Pianist	Mark	Waite	-
Office Admin	Angela	Kennedy	-
*Eligible to be	elected	for more	terms



**HOSANNA LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**8th Annual  
Car Show with  
Food Trucks  
POMPEII'S INFERNO,  
POPPY'S &  
WHIT'S ICE CREAM  
Friday, August 6, 2021**

Registration 4 p.m. – 7 p.m.,  
Trophies @ 8 p.m.

Trophies for Top 30, People's  
Choice & Best in Show

Food, Dash  
Plaques to 1<sup>st</sup> 50,  
Door Prizes &  
50-50 Drawing



DJ By: TNT Karaoke  
& DJ, Brian Mykel of Kool 101.7 FM  
Rain Date: Friday August 13, 2021  
Registration \$10 all Makes & Models

**7714 Hazelton-Etna Rd. SW, Pataskala, Ohio 43062  
(On State Route 310, North of Route 40)**

Not responsible for damage due to accidents or lost or  
stolen property

Contact Info: 740-927-3548

## WE LOVE BABIES PROJECT

A big thank you to everyone who donated diapers and wipes during the month of May for our WE LOVE BABIES project! We also thank Thrivent who gave us an Action Team grant to buy diapers and to Target and Walmart who gave us gift cards to buy additional diapers. Hosanna, along with the above businesses, collected 3,347 diapers and 824 wipes. These were all delivered to LEADS. If you know anyone who is in need of these products, send them to LEADS!

**Your Do Something Committee**

*Hosanna,  
We would like to thank  
you for your very generous  
diaper gifts! There will be  
dry bottoms!  
Thanks again!  
Karen  
LEADS*

**LEADS** has a food pantry, and we assist with electric and gas bills, rent assistance, home weatherization and repairs, and car repairs.

We are currently looking for volunteers at our facility. We are in need of help in our food pantry, which is different for certain days. On Mondays and Wednesdays they are pulling groceries and bagging them, as if they were grocery shopping. On Tuesdays and Thursdays they are restocking the shelves and marking the groceries with their expiration date. The third Friday of every month, the Food Pantry truck arrives around 7:30 a.m. The delivery is then separated by product and placed on the shelves.

I am asking if you would be so kind as to let the congregation know of our needs. We are looking for individuals who can work one of those days, or additional days if they want too.

Thank you for your help, Karen Howard, 740-927-9861  
Customer Service Manager, LEADS – Pataskala

**LEADS is accepting Donations:** The most needed items are canned soups, dish soap (Not dishwasher), dog and cat food.

## Summer Activities for 2021

Area churches will have Vacation Bible Schools this summer if you want to check them out.

**Hosanna plans to be back in 2022.**

**LOMO CAMPS** are open for registration for Summer Camp. They have put many procedures in place to keep it clean and safe. If you want more information, go to [www.lomocamps.org](http://www.lomocamps.org)  
PATAS200 – Regular code  
PATAS250 – For the bring a friend discount  
PATAS300 – For a new youth camper to LMC (this can be used by a former Mowana camper or someone who has never attended LMC)

**NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING** has been postponed to July 24-28, 2022 in Minneapolis, MN. Youth who will be 8th-12th graders during the 2021-2022 school year are eligible to register. We'll send out info soon to those eligible youth. Rummage Sale proceeds will help these Youth attend the trip.

**Emily Rich** Thank you all again for donating to help with my jaw reconstruction surgery scheduled for Tuesday, June 29. Your generosity is overwhelming and this surgery wouldn't be possible without the help of all of you. Please pray especially for my pain tolerance, my surgeon Dr Henry, a miraculous recovery. And to be able to eat by end of July. I will keep everyone updated. God Bless you all!  
She would appreciate cards  
145 Town Center Loop  
Pataskala, OH 43062



**HOSANNA LUTHERAN  
Childhood Center**

**Registration  
2021 - 2022**

2 OR 3 day half day preschool:

9 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.

12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.

2 OR 3 day all day pre-k:

9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Questions? Director: Lori Butts

[www.hlccpreschool.org](http://www.hlccpreschool.org), 740-964-6333

# Celebration of Life

## Lillian Meade

Saturday, July 17, 2021 from 11:30 AM to 2 PM

Summit Station Lions Club

7600 Summit Road SW, Pataskala, OH 43062

Larry and his family would love to see her friends and church family on that day. No R.S.V.P. required!



Business is picking up at the Hosanna House Event Center! Book your summer/fall event before it is too late by visiting the Hosanna House website at [www.hosanna-house-event-center.org](http://www.hosanna-house-event-center.org) or by contacting our event coordinator Kaite McCoy at 614-557-6374 or email [HHECOH@gmail.com](mailto:HHECOH@gmail.com)



## Blood Drive Hosanna Lutheran Church

Fellowship Hall  
7714 Hazelton-Etna Road  
Pataskala, OH 43062

**Monday, August 2, 2021  
1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

To schedule an appointment call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org), sponsor code: HLC.

Those who come to donate blood, platelets or plasma with the Red Cross in the Central and Southern Ohio Region May 1 through August 31 will receive a buy-one-get-one free entry coupon to the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium, while supplies last. See coupon for details.

**Share the vibe. Give blood to help save lives.**

Download the Blood Donor App | [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) | Call 1-800-RED CROSS

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# TREASURER'S REPORT

## Hosanna Monthly Financial Report

	Month (May 2021)	YTD (as of 5/31/2021)
Total Budgeted Income	\$24,498	\$108,390
Actual Income Received	\$17,592	\$108,774
Below Budget for Month	-\$6,906	\$384
Total Budgeted Expenses	\$23,518	\$117,590
Actual Expenses Paid	\$19,098	\$102,426
Below Budget for Month	\$4,420	\$15,164
Income Received	\$17,592	\$108,774
Expenses Paid	\$19,098	\$102,426
Negative Net Position	-\$1,506	\$6,348



## WAYS TO GIVE TO HOSANNA

Offerings to Hosanna can still be made by one of the following 4 options. Which option works best for you?

1. Drop it in the offering plate on Sundays
2. Send in your check to the office 7714 Hazelton-Etna Road Pataskala, OH 43062)
3. "Bill Pay" through your financial institution. The member simply requests their bank to automatically do an electronic withdraw.
4. MyChurch App, Download today!

Text **HLCOHIO APP** (all upper case) to

**(833) 245-6142**

### Download the MyChurch App

Near the bottom, click on the heart with GIVE under it. And complete the necessary required info

Or Donate from our website:

<https://hosanna-lutheran.org/>

Click on GIVING, Complete the information.

Thank you for your continued financial support for Hosanna Lutheran Church.

## MY CHURCH APP



Hosanna has an App!

And It's Free!

*How do I get the app?*

1. Go to your App Store, search for My church App, download, use the code HLC OHIO.
2. Text **HLC OHIO APP** (all uppercase) **(833) 245-6142**. Download the MyChurch App

### App Features

**Upcoming Events, Calendar, Live and Recorded Services, Online Giving & Payments, Notifications**

Coming soon...Newsletters,

Volunteer Opportunities, Directory.

We are learning new things each day!

If you have a suggestions of something you would like to see, contact the office.

## Kroger Community Rewards



If you aren't enrolled yet, it's not too late. Register your card today. We received a Quarterly Donation of \$414.41 just for

buying your groceries.

<https://www.kroger.com/signin?redirectUrl=/account/communityrewards>

This quarter Hosanna received \$55.15. But it could be so much more! So when you buy from Amazon, use [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com) to make your purchases and designate Hosanna to receive the donation. Now you are able to make purchases in the Amazon App with Smile.

