

Avon Lake Presbyterian Church

Eat This Book

May 17, 2026 – 10:00 am



Gathering Music	<i>As the Deer</i>	
Welcome		
Anthem	<i>As the Deer</i>	Bell Choir
Invitation		
Hymn*	<i>As the Deer</i>	No. 626
Confession/Assurance		
Passing of the Peace		
First Reading	Ephesians 1:15-23	Tim Strauch
Message	“Seated in Heaven”	Kristian Bendoraitis
Hymn*	<i>All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name</i>	No. 263
Second Reading	Acts 1:1-12	Tim Strauch
Message	“Living in the Power”	Kristian Bendoraitis
Offering		
Anthem	<i>Make Me an Instrument</i>	Chancel Choir
Prayers of the People		Clay Dusek
Benediction		
Postlude	<i>All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name</i>	

Prayer Concerns

Georgene Meador – for strength, comfort, and the reassurance of God’s presence

Ed Homer – for strength

Jan, a Cornerstone teacher – for peace as her sister-in-law is in the process of dying from cancer

Barb Weidl – recovering from knee replacement surgery

Deb Reichlin – for strength and reassurance as she deals with ongoing pain

Ed Carter – in hospital being treated for blood clots in the lungs

The Week Ahead

May 17 – 24

Today! **Giving Sunday**
11 am The Chosen Group Study
CE Room

Monday
8:30 am Walking Group
7 pm Session Meeting
Church Office

Tuesday
10:30 am Yarn Ministry
Narthex
1:30 pm Church Staff Lunch
CE Office
3 pm Prayer Group
on Zoom

Wednesday
All Day Cornerstone Sports Day
Front Lawn & Hart Hall
8:30 am Walking Group
10 am Circle of Hope
CE Office
7 pm Chancel Choir Practice
7:45 pm Choir Celebration
Jake's On the Lake

Thursday
12 pm Bible Reading
CE Office
5 pm Cornerstone Graduation
Sanctuary

Friday
8:30 am Walking Group

Saturday
10 am Order of St. Luke

Sunday
10 am Worship
11 am The Chosen Group Study
CE Room
Mission Meal Prep
Hart Hall

Announcements

Who doesn't love a parade? Sign up in the narthex to march in Avon Lake's **Memorial Day Parade** and represent ALPC on Monday, May 25 at 10 am.

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Save the dates for **upcoming memorial services** honoring two beloved members of our community. A service for Jim Hough will be held on Saturday, May 30 at 11 am. Visitation with the Kurak family will begin at 2 pm on Sunday, May 31, followed by a service for Tim Kurak 3 pm.

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Interested in nurturing faith across generations? The **Christian Education Committee** is looking for new members! Contact Terry Vine to learn more.

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Pentecost is Sunday, May 24. The Worship & Spiritual Life Committee encourages all worshippers to wear red to church that Sunday.

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We're excited to share that John Knox Presbyterian Church has invited the children and youth of Avon Lake Presbyterian Church to join them for **Vacation Bible School** this summer! VBS will run June 22-25 (Monday-Thursday) in the evenings, with a final celebration session on Sunday, June 28. More details are coming soon, but we're thrilled to offer our families a fresh opportunity to connect, explore, and experience something meaningful.

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There will be a brief **Congregational Meeting** following the worship service on Sunday, May 24 to vote to elect one additional Elder to Session.

Financial Update

The overall financial position of ALPC is strong. We have healthy checking, savings, and long-term investment balances. The Session approved the 2026 ALPC budget, which indicated an anticipated \$19,634.98 deficit as of April; however, our current Net Income is \$20,511.57.

	Year to Date Actual	Year to Date Anticipated
Receipts	\$134,166.96	\$96,193.33
Expenses	\$113,655.39	\$115,828.31
Net Income (Loss)	\$20,511.57	(\$19,634.98)

Office Hours

Monday – Thursday | 9:30 am – 3 pm
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