

## In-Person Pulpit Supply List

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The following list is a resource to support your congregation during times when you need a supply preacher. This is a list of those who are available and authorized to provide pulpit supply in the Southern Ohio Synod. It includes, pastors, deacons, clergy from other traditions, lay worship leaders, seminarians, seminary graduates, and other candidates for rostered ministry. This list will be updated regularly so please check back before each use.

### Obtaining a Preacher for In-Person Pulpit Supply

1. Consider the person's **Home City** and **Miles Willing to Travel**, which are provided in the listing. If your location is beyond the distance that a supply person is willing to travel, please do not reach out to them.
2. Contact the potential preacher from the following In-Person Pulpit Supply List via email. Include date(s), time(s), and location. Include a copy of your congregation's COVID-19 gathering for worship plan. A phone conversation is a good next step if the potential supply person agrees. Feel free to ask about the potential preacher's COVID safety practices to see if they match your expectations for entering your community. If they do, work out the details.
3. Typically, the preacher will need the following information:
  - a. worship time;
  - b. which hymnal and service (e.g., ELW, Setting 4);
  - c. whether or not communion is planned;
  - d. a copy of the bulletin in advance (if there is a bulletin);
  - e. any additional driving directions for locations that might be challenging for GPS;
  - f. your contact information;
  - g. any additional information that you or they deem helpful.
4. You will need the following information:
  - a. the correct spelling of the supply preacher's name;
  - b. the preacher's address so that a check can be available when they arrive at the church;
  - c. phone number (especially for notification in the event worship is canceled);
  - d. any additional information that you deem helpful.

The Southern Ohio Synod Compensation Guidelines for pulpit supply are as follows:

- Sundays – 1 service in the morning: \$175; add \$25 for each additional Sunday morning service, plus mileage.
- Same weekend evening services (in addition to Sunday morning): \$90.00 plus mileage for each evening, otherwise compensate at the Sunday rate.
- Wednesday services are considered a separate service and should be compensated at the Sunday rate.
- Round-trip mileage should be paid at the IRS standard mileage rate for employee reimbursements (see [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) for the current rate).
- Additional prearranged activities such as educational events: \$50
- As a courtesy to in-person supply preachers, it is appreciated to have a check ready to give them on the Sunday they provide leadership.

Name & Email	Role	Authorized to Preside?	Home City	Miles Willing to Travel	Additional Comments
<b>Preachers <u>Not</u> Authorized to Preside</b>					
<b>Bates, Deacon Nick</b> nick@hungernetohio.com	Deacon	No	Columbus	150 mi each way. (2 hours).	
<b>Blust, Jeff</b> j2ablust@embarqmail.com	Lay Worship Leader	No	Sidney	I am not limited to a distance.	
<b>Clifton, Frank</b> frank.clifton12@columbus.rr.com	Lay Worship Leader	No	Duncan Falls	50 miles one way	Prefer only the 1st Sunday each month
<b>Eady, Deacon Tammy</b> tammyeady@yahoo.com	Deacon	No	Trenton, Ohio	50 Miles	
<b>Fingerle, Julius</b> jbf240@att.net	Lay Worship Leader	No	Springboro	As needed	
<b>Grimes, Peg</b> grimesx2@roadrunner.com	Lay Worship Leader	No	Lancaster	Fairfield County	
<b>Hensley, The Rev. Mark</b> mhensley090@gmail.com	Candidate	No	Lewis Center	I am open and willing	
<b>Lapp, Wilbert</b> lappwl43@gmail.com	Lay Worship Leader	No	Springboro	100	
<b>Mach, Kervyn</b> kdmach@att.net	Lay Worship Leader	No	Huber Heights	50, give or take.	
<b>Oswalt, Mark</b> autocharge@embarqmail.com	Lay Worship Leader	No	Arcanum	12-150	
<b>Peterson, Matthew</b> mpetersen77@icloud.com	Diaconal Candidate	No	Cincinnati	100 mi	
<b>Poppe, Dale</b> daleleopoppe@gmail.com	Lay Worship Leader	No	Botkins	Unlimited	
<b>Queen, Heath</b> hqueen001@luthersem.edu	Seminarian	No	Columbus	Whatever is needed.	
<b>Roberts, Stewart</b> sturob@columbus.rr.com	Sem Grad	No	Hilliard	80	

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<b>Sprick-Kruse, Deacon Linda</b> deaconkruse@gmail.com	Deacon	No	New Carlisle and Athens	open...	I am bilocating - Athens and Springfield. Can do supply based on either location.
<b>Ware, Doug</b> dpware@centurylink.net	Lay Worship Leader	No	Jackson Center	150 mi roundtrip	

### Preachers Authorized to Preside

<b>Althausser, The Rev. Michael</b> malthausser@woh.rr.com	Pastor	Yes	Anna	100 mi	
<b>Batterman, The Rev. Thomas</b> battermantw@hotmail.com	Pastor	Yes	Beavercreek Township	Usually within a 45 min drive	
<b>Becker, The Rev. Stephan</b> seb1096@aol.com	Pastor	Yes	Centerville	100 round trip.	
<b>Bengson, The Rev. Glen</b> gabengson@gmail.com	Pastor	Yes	Powell/Lewis Center	50-75	
<b>Browning, The Rev. Robert</b> rbrowning@zoomtown.com	Pastor	Yes	West Chester	Preferably with 100 mi	
<b>Buckwell, The Rev. Brenda</b> brenda@livingstreamsflowingwater.com	United Methodist ordained pastor in the order of elder.	Yes	Hilliard	Up to an hour drive from my home address. I could also supply in the Dayton or Toledo area, in these locations I would go the night before staying with family.	
<b>Burgeson, The Rev. Paul</b> paulrburgeson1@gmail.com	Pastor	Yes	Delaware	50 miles one way, 100 miles round trip	
<b>Childs, The Rev. James</b> jmchilds39@gmail.com	Pastor	Yes	Reynoldsburg	I'm open to driving as long as 45 minutes but it depends on service time and number of services	

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<b>Debelak, The Rev. Al</b> fadebelak@icloud.com	Pastor	Yes	Columbus	Under two hours - one way. In winter, some remote parishes may be tough but willing to try.	
<b>Fisher, The Rev. Martha</b> MJF1146@YAHOO.COM	Pastor	Yes	Pickerington	whatever is needed.	
<b>Funk, The Rev. William</b> wmandhffunk@gmail.com	Pastor	Yes	West Chester	As many as necessary, willing to take a motel in order be at an early service	
<b>Hancock, The Rev. Jeffrey</b> BJH5052@AOL.com	Pastor	Yes	Marietta	Up to 80 miles	
<b>Hitzeroth, The Rev. John</b> jhitzeroth@hotmail.com	Pastor	Yes	Wilmington	60	Available 2-3 weekends/Sundays a month.
<b>Jacobs, The Rev. Douglas</b> douglasnjacobs@gmail.com	Pastor	Yes	Tipp City	100 miles, round trip	Prefer to drive in the daylight.
<b>Kimpel, The Rev. Dr. Steve</b> s_kimpel@yahoo.com	Pastor	Yes	Miami Township (Dayton)	Unlimited	
<b>Michles, The Rev. John</b> jandjmichles@yahoo.com	Pastor	Yes	Circleville	100	
<b>Mills, The Rev. Todd</b> tmills@capital.edu	Pastor	Yes	Columbus	Willing to travel throughout entire Synod	
<b>Mtui, The Rev. Rogers</b> kingrogersdot@yahoo.com	Pastor	Yes	Beavercreek	70	
<b>Pairan, The Rev. Anne</b> nkyanne@yahoo.com	Pastor	Yes	Chillicothe	40	
<b>Pursley, The Rev. Bill</b> george.pursley72@gmail.com	Episcopal priest	Yes	Lancaster	40 miles	Not available until mid-October
<b>Rice, The Rev. Steven</b> srice14@columbus.rr.com	Pastor	Yes	Columbus	100 mile radius from Columbus	Also available for Bible Study before or after worship.
<b>Rutherford, The Rev. Thomas</b> 1967tlr@gmail.com	Pastor	Yes	Centerville	50 MILES (APPROX)	If congregation is at a lengthy distance, prefer not to have 8:00 service.
<b>Saunders, The Rev. William</b> williamsaunders714@gmail.com	Pastor	Yes	Columbus	Any	I prefer to only do pulpit supply twice a month (plus 5th Sundays) but am also available for emergency or last-minute need arises.
<b>Scheuller, The Rev. Christina</b> revtinasc@gmail.com	Pastor	Yes	West Carrollton (south Dayton suburb)	40 min. from home	Not available until July.

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<b>Seitz, The Rev. Merlyn</b> mclyn@aol.com	Pastor	Yes	Circleville	80	
<b>Setley, The Rev. Anthony</b> chaplain@lutheranmountaineer.org	Pastor	Yes	Morgantown, WV	115 mi	
<b>Stroup, The Rev. Dr. John</b> pastorjd58@aol.com	Pastor	Yes	Groveport	50	I am available to supply for any congregation within 50 miles of Columbus
<b>Sumo, The Rev. Alexander</b> saq9000@yahoo.com	Pastor	Yes	Columbus	50-75 miles during summer, spring and fall. 20-30 miles during winter.	
<b>Swanson, The Rev. Timothy</b> tswanson1@yahoo.com	Pastor	Yes	Fairfield Twp	50	
<b>Trover, The Rev. Larry</b> pastortrover@hotmail.com	Pastor	Yes	Columbus	~50	
<b>Tucker, The Rev. Drew</b> dtucker@capital.edu	Pastor	Yes	Columbus	More during summer. During the school year, I prefer to stay within the Greater Columbus Area	
<b>Ward, The Rev. Bob</b> bobward010101@gmail.com	Pastor	Yes	Columbus	It depends. I have traveled to Ohio River town.	
<b>Wiechers, The Rev. Michael</b> wiechersmike@yahoo.com	Pastor	Yes	Russells Point	20	Available May through October.
<b>Yarkpazuo, The Rev. Varney</b> varneyyarkpazuo@gmail.com	Pastor	Yes	Columbus	50 - 75 miles out of Columbus -Springs, Summer and Fall.	Winter- willing to travel up to 35 miles