In-Person Pulpit Supply List (Last Updated: 6/29/2020)

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. 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.
- 2. 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.
- 3. 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 addition information that you deem helpful.

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

- One Service: \$175
- \$25.00 for leading worship each additional time that same weekend
- Round-trip mileage should be paid at the IRS standard mileage rate for employee reimbursements (see www.irs.gov for the current rate).
- 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
Armstrong, The Rev. Joan armstrongj5202@yahoo.com	Pastor	Yes	Fairfield	30 mi	Not available until the end of July
Bates, Deacon Nick nick@hungernetohio.com	Deacon	No	Columbus	150 mi each way. (2 hours).	
Batterman, The Rev. Thomas battermantw@hotmail.com	Pastor	Yes	Beavercreek Township	Usually within a 45 min drive	

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Becker, The Rev. Stephan seb1096@aol.com	Pastor	Yes	Centerville	100 round trip.	
Bengson, The Rev. Glen gabengson@gmail.com	Pastor	Yes	Powell/Lewis Center	50-75	
Blust, Jeff j2ablust@embarqmail.com	Lay Worship Leader	No	Sidney	I am not limited to a distance.	
Browning, The Rev. Robert rbrowning@zoomtown.com	Pastor	Yes	West Chester	Preferably with 100 mi	
Buckwell, The Rev. Brenda brenda@livingstreamsflowingwat er.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.	
Burgeson, The Rev. Paul paulrburgeson1@gmail.com	Pastor	Yes	Delaware	50 miles one way, 100 miles round trip	
Campbell, The Rev. Paul dougndar2@twc.com	Pastor	Yes	Wilmington	As needs	Not currently available
Childs, The Rev. James 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	
Clifton, Frank frank.clifton12@columbus.rr.com	Lay Worship Leader	No	Duncan Falls	50 miles one way	Prefer only the 1st Sunday each month
Debelak, The Rev. Al fadebelak@icloud.com	Pastor	Yes	Columbus	Under two hours - one way. In winter, some remote parishes may be tough but willing to try.	
Eady, Deacon Tammy tammyeady@yahoo.com	Deacon	No	Trenton, Ohio	50 Miles	
Eichhorn, The Rev. Gary gary@eichhorn-family.com	Pastor	Yes	Dayton	100 miles, round trip	
Fingerle, Julius jbf240@att.net	Lay Worship Leader	No	Springboro	As needed	
Fisher, The Rev. Martha MJF1146@YAHOO.COM	Pastor	Yes	Pickerington	whatever is needed.	
Funk, The Rev. William wmandhffunk@gmail.com	Pastor	Yes	West Chester	As many as necessary, willing to take a motel in order be at an early service	
Gesalman, The Rev. Carol revcrg@woh.rr.com	Pastor	Yes	Springfield	30 miles	
Hancock, The Rev. Jeffrey BJH5052@AOL.com	Pastor	Yes	Marietta	Up to 80 miles	

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Hensley, The Rev. Mark mhensley090@gmail.com	Candidate	No	Lewis Center	I am open and willing	
Hitzeroth, The Rev. John jhitzeroth@hotmail.com	Pastor	Yes	Wilmington	around 60	Not available until mid-July
Jacobs, The Rev. Douglas dnjacobs76@frontier.com	Pastor	Yes	Bethel Twsp.	About an hour away; 45-60 miles when it is light outside. I try not to drive after dark unless I have to (winter).	
Kimpel, The Rev. Dr. Steve s_kimpel@yahoo.com	Pastor	Yes	Miami Twsp (Dayton)	Unlimited	
Lapp, Wilbert lappwl43@gmail.com	Lay Worship Leader	No	Springboro	100	
Mach, Kervyn kdmach@att.net	Lay Worship Leader	No	Huber Heights	50, give or take.	
Mills, The Rev. Todd tmills@capital.edu	Pastor	Yes	Columbus	Willing to travel throughout entire Synod	
Mtui, The Rev. Rogers kingrogersdot@yahoo.com	Pastor	Yes	Beavercreek	70	
Oswalt, Mark autocharge@embarqmail.com	Lay Worship Leader	No	Arcanum	120 miles, more if need be.	
Pairan, The Rev. Anne nkyanne@yahoo.com	Pastor	Yes	Chillicothe	40	
Poppe, Dale daleleopoppe@gmail.com	Lay Worship Leader	No	Botkins	Unlimited	
Potter, David aewron11@att.net	Lay Worship Leader	No	New Carlisle, Ohio	30 miles	
Pursley, The Rev. Bill george.pursley72@gmail.com	Episcopal priest	Yes	Lancaster	40 miles	Not available until mid-October
Queen, Heath hqueen001@luthersem.edu	Seminarian	No	Columbus	Whatever is needed.	
Rice, The Rev. Steven srice14@columbus.rr.com	Pastor	Yes	Columbus	100 mile radius from Columbus	Also available for Bible Study before or after worship.
Roberts, Stewart sturob@columbus.rr.com	Sem Grad	No	Hilliard	80	
Roegner, Jack jroegner@uls.edu	Seminarian	No	Richmond, IN	60	
Rutherford, The Rev. Thomas TomRutherford@outlook.com	Pastor	Yes	Centerville	50 MILES (APPROX)	If congregation is at a lengthy distance, prefer not to have 8:00 service.

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Saunders, The Rev. William 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.
Scheuller, The Rev. Christina revtinasche@gmail.com	Pastor	Yes	West Carrollton (south Dayton suburb)	40 min. from home	Not available until July.
Seitz, The Rev. Merlyn mclyn@aol.com	Pastor	Yes	Circleville	80 mi	
Setley, The Rev. Anthony chaplain@lutheranmountaineer. org	Pastor	Yes	Morgantown, WV	115 mi	
Sprick-Kruse, Deacon Linda deaconkruse@gmail.com	Deacon	No	New Carlisle and Athens	open	I am bilocating - Athens and Springfield. Can do supply based on either location.
Stroup, The Rev. Dr. John pastorjd58@aol.com	Pastor	Yes	Groveport	50 mi	I am available to supply for any congregation within 50 miles of Columbus
Sumo, The Rev. Alexander saq9000@yahoo.com	Pastor	Yes	Columbus	50-75 miles during summer, spring and fall. 20-30 miles during winter.	
Trover, The Rev. Larry pastortrover@hotmail.com	Pastor	Yes	Columbus	~50 mi	
Tucker, The Rev. Drew dtucker@capital.edu	Pastor	Yes	Columbus	More during summer. During the school year, I prefer to stay within the Greater Columbus Area	
Ward, The Rev. Bob bobward010101@gmail.com	Pastor	Yes	Columbus	It depends. I have traveled to Ohio River town.	
Ware, Doug dpware@centurylink.net	Lay Worship Leader	No	Jackson Center	150 mi roundtrip	
Wiechers, The Rev. Michael wiechersmike@yahoo.com	Pastor	Yes	Russells Point	20	Available May through October.
Yarkpazuo, The Rev. Varney varneyyarkpazuo@gmail.com	Candidate	No	Columbus	50 - 70 miles out of Columbus -Spring, Summer and Fall.	Winter- willing to travel up 15- 30 miles