

AKRON OHIO STAKE NEWSLETTER

September 2026

UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

SEPTEMBER

- 6 Fast Sunday
- 13 General Priesthood Meeting
- 19 Youth – Multi-Stake Beach Dance
- 20 Stake Primary Valiant Devotional
- 26 Single Adult Temple Session

OCTOBER

- 3 – 4 General Conference
- 10 Stake Relief Society Activity
- 11 Fast Sunday
- 11 Single Adult Cleveland Temple President Fireside
- 17 Stake Youth Service Project
- 17 Multi-Stake Barn Dance

NOVEMBER

- 1 Fast Sunday
- 1 Worldwide Devotional for Young Adults
- 7 – 8 Stake Conference
- 8 Single Adult Lunch after Stake Conference

[Click here for Akron Stake Calendar](#)

To submit Stake or Area events to the Newsletter Calendar please contact LeAnn Snyder leann.snyder@outlook.com

[Single Adult Facebook Page Link](#)

Stake Single Adults



The Single Adult Committee is also looking forward to the rest of the year with these events on the calendar.

Be sure to note them on your calendars so you can participate!

SATURDAY
SEP
26



Temple Day at the Cleveland Temple

The session time is not set yet.

SUNDAY
OCT
11



Cleveland Temple President Fireside

The new Cleveland temple president and matron, Sidney and Melody Ann Connor, will speak to us.

🕒 6:30 PM in the Akron building

👥 The Cleveland, Hyrum, Kirtland, and Akron single adults will be invited.

SUNDAY
NOV
8



Single Adult Luncheon

Immediately after the Sunday session of stake conference.



CONNECT. GROW. HAVE FUN.
You belong here.





Emergency Preparedness

**From Br. Paul McPherson
Akron Stake High Council**

To Those in Medina County: As part of our ongoing efforts to strengthen emergency preparedness, we want to make you aware of an opportunity to sign up for Medina County Emergency Alerts. These alerts can provide timely information and help support the best possible response during local emergencies. This resource is completely optional and is intended for those members who reside in Medina County.

We hope it may be helpful to you and your families. Please click on the link below for additional information.

<https://www.medinacountyema.org/services/medina-county-emergency-alerts/>



Come to the Temple

Cleveland Temple Information

To schedule at the Cleveland Ohio Temple, you can call 216-487-6970 or use the Tools App. You can also email CLEVE-OFF@ChurchofJesusChrist.org for assistance.

There is a Stake Single Adult Temple Session planned for **Saturday, September 26 for the 10 am session.**



Salt Lake Temple Tour Reservations

It is now possible to reserve a spot to tour the newly renovated Salt Lake Temple. Thursday, September 1, visitors can reserve up to six tickets online. The Salt Lake City Temple will open its doors to the public for a six-month long open house starting on April 5. During that time, church members and non-members alike will be able to tour the newly renovated historic building. The

four times will take place between 8:40 am and 8 pm Monday through Saturday, and noon to 8 pm on Sundays from April to October. After Oct 1, the temple will only be open to church members with active temple recommends.

The next wave of tickets will be made available starting at 6 pm on September 15th and again at the same time on October 1st.

Want to keep up or know more? [CLICK HERE](#)

Just Serve Corner

"Go, and do thou likewise." – Luke 10:37

Saltbox Ministries: After delivering an America250 food truck to the Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank in July, the



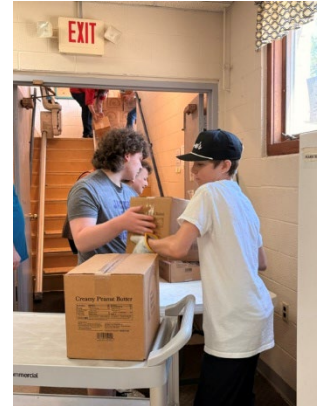
Church once again blessed the people in our Stake with a donation of another half a food truck (20,000 lbs. or 13

pallets) of shelf stable food to the Saltbox Ministries housed in the St. John Lutheran Church in Canal Fulton on August 3rd. Brenda White, director of the ministry for 17 years, had been traveling long distance to our Bishop's Storehouse in Brecksville to obtain food for her ministry. Seeing what she did, Elder Kent

Packer, a senior service missionary at the time, suggested Mrs. White to apply for a donation from our church's humanitarian service.



On the day of delivery, a lot of volunteers from both the ministry and the Massillon Ward showed up to help. Brother Eric Taylor, High Counselor advising JustServe, invited members from the Massillon Ward to help unload and shelf the boxed food. Everyone was serving happily. The sense of community was very strong.



The Saltbox Ministries also shared the donation with a nearby smaller food pantry by the Saints Philip and James Church. Some Massillon Ward members were so kind to go over there to continue to help.



Ashland Ward Members Serving in the Community: Brother Greg Gorrell and Sister Gayle Gorrell of the Ashland Ward are always going about doing good. Sister Gorrell volunteered eight and half hours over 2 days for a rummage sale in August to raise money for the Peace Lutheran Church to help Ashland County cancer patients.



Brother Gorrell along with Brother Derrick Kensan of the Ashland Ward served over 15 hours each in the three-day Veterans Appreciation event in Ashland County. They helped move, set up and take down the World War II,

Korean War, and Vietnam War memorials featured at the event. They also provided security of the memorials.



Aria and Afton Knight and the Dial family were among those who volunteered there.

Akron Ward Youth Provide Service: On June 3rd, the Young Men and Young Women of Akron Ward, along with the Valiant boys and girls, all got together and tied blankets for the Akron community's

Mitzvah Day, in conjunction with Project Linus.



Mitzvah Day in Summit County, Ohio, is an annual multi-faith weekend of community

service and social action organized by Temple Israel Akron alongside more than 20 area congregations and organizations. Project Linus is a non-profit organization that provides new, handmade, washable blankets to seriously ill, traumatized, or needy children aged newborn to 18.



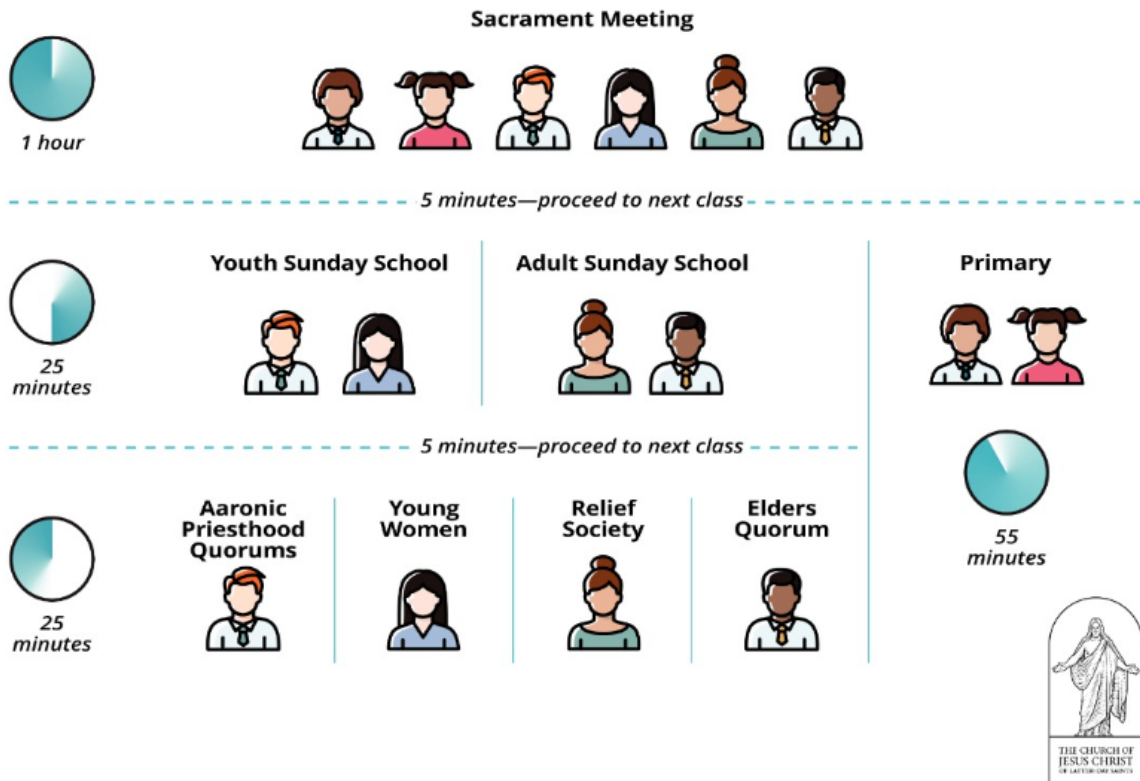
Medina Ward Serve with the Salvation Army Summer Program: Medina Ward members provided a month-long service to the Salvation Army Summer Program for kids that had no place to go during the long holiday. Throughout July, members

from the ward were there almost every day to help prepare food for kids. Sister Debbie Oda, Medina Ward JustServe Specialist, organized the volunteer service. The program director, Geri, was very grateful for the help. It really lightened her load.



Please see the following link for more details: [Changes to the Sunday Meeting Schedule](#)

CHANGES TO THE SUNDAY CLASS MEETING SCHEDULE





Healing Through the Savior

The Addiction Recovery Program



Recovery Meetings
Meet Weekly on Zoom

Sundays at 3:00 pm

[Click HERE for more information](#)

[Click HERE to find additional meetings](#)

Spouse and Family Support Group
Meets Weekly on Zoom

Tuesdays at 8:00 pm

[Click HERE for more information](#)

[Click HERE to find additional meetings](#)



Announced 2026 Churchwide Broadcasts



Here are the announced dates for 2026. Make sure to mark your calendars for these special broadcasts/events:

- **September 13** – Friend to Friend Video for Children
- **October 3 & 4** – General Conference
- **November 1** – Worldwide Devotional for Young Adults
- **December 6** – First Presidency’s Christmas Devotional
- **December 20** – Sacrament Meeting Only

2026 Stake Dates to Note:

- **September 13** – Stake General Priesthood Meeting (6:30 pm)
- **September 26** – Single Adult Temple Session - Cleveland Temple
- **October 10** – Relief Society Activity
- **October 11** – Fast Sunday
- **October 11** – Single Adult Fireside with the Cleveland Temple President – 6:30 pm Akron Building
- **November 7 & 8** – Stake Conference
- **November 8** – Single Adult Lunch after Stake Conference
- **December 31** – Single Adult New Year’s Eve Party