

CEDAR LUTHERAN CHURCH

C-NEWS – OUR WEEKLY EMAIL NEWSLETTER

Wednesday, July 25, 2018



Sachs Covered Bridge in Gettysburg, PA

Calendar for the Week

Wed., July 25 th	6:45 PM	ACA
Thur., July 26 th	5:00 PM	AA
	6:30 PM	TOPS
	7:00 PM	Long Term Planning Meeting
Fri., July 27 th	8:30 PM	NA
Sat., July 28 th	7:30 AM	Health Professionals
	10:00 AM	NA
Sun., July 29 th		10th Sunday after Pentecost
	7:30 AM	Worship/Communion
	9:00 AM	Worship
Mon., July 30 th	7:00 PM	Cedar Bowling League Meeting
Tues., July 31 st	9:00 AM	AA
Wed., Aug. 1 st	6:45 PM	ACA

Psalm 145:10-18

¹⁰All your works shall praise you, O LORD, and your faithful ones shall bless you.

*¹¹**They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power,***

¹²that all people may know of your power and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

*¹³**Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages. You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.***

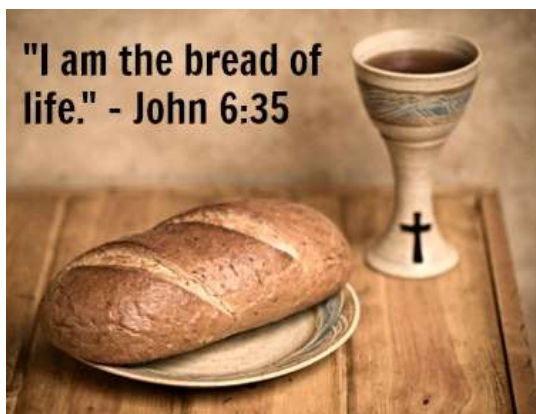
¹⁴The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up those who are bowed down.

*¹⁵**The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD, and you give them their food in due season.***

¹⁶You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

*¹⁷**You are righteous in all your ways and loving in all your works.***

¹⁸You are near to all who call upon you, to all who call upon you faithfully.



Today is the first of five Sundays with gospel readings from John 6, the first four of which focus on Jesus as bread of life. Today Jesus feeds thousands of people with five loaves and two fish. What we have, what we bring to Jesus' table, seems like it is not nearly enough to meet all the needs we see around us. But it is not the adequacy of our supplies or our skills that finally makes the difference: it is the power of Jesus working in the littlest and least to transform this world into the world God desires, a world where all the hungry are satisfied.

First Reading: 2 Kings 4:42-44

Today's reading is part of a larger section of 2 Kings that describes the miracles of Elisha, the successor to Elijah. Here the prophet gives food to a hungry crowd. Though there is not enough food to go around, Elisha trusts God, who provides enough and even more to satisfy the need.

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:14-21

We have been rooted and grounded in the love of Christ, which surpasses all human knowledge. Because Christ dwells in our hearts, our lives are continuously strengthened and empowered by the ongoing presence of the Spirit.

Gospel: John 6:1-21

In John's gospel, the miracles of Jesus are called "signs," because they reveal the true character of God. As such, they remain within the mystery of God and cannot be brought under human control.

Upcoming Events at Cedar

Vacation Bible School

VBS has been cancelled due to lack of interest.

The **youth group** is **holding a Christmas in July food collection** for the **Lowhill Food Pantry**. We will collect nonperishable items **starting July 11th, through Aug 1**. The shopping cart will be in the church for your donations. Thank you for your support, as we help those in our community.

Upcoming Events at the NEPA Synod

August 13-17. Camp Noah in Reading. A local Camp Noah, hosted at St. Luke, Reading, is designed to be bi-lingual in order to serve people displaced to the Reading area by the 2017 hurricanes which impacted Puerto Rico. For more information, please contact Pr. Rebecca W. Knox at RevKnox7@gmail.com or 610-823-8343.

September 13. Urban Ministry Affinity Group. The group met on Monday, June 11 to discuss issues of concern for those engaged in ministry in the city, and will meet again on Thursday, September 13, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon at Christ, Allentown. This group is open to anyone involved with ministry in an urban context.

October 3. Educational Retreat Series. The Lehigh, Northern Lehigh Valley, and Bethlehem/Easton Mission Districts are sponsoring a five-week educational retreat series on addiction within the context of the Christian community. The event will be held at Nativity Lutheran Church in Allentown every Wednesday in October from 6:45 – 9:00 PM: October 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31. All are welcome and encouraged to attend including the afflicted, their loved ones, all members of the community including counselors, nurses, chaplains, social workers, pastors, those in the criminal justice system, first responders, educators, etc. More information, including registration forms will be available in the future.

July 2018

If you would be able to help with any of these tasks, please call the designated person.	SUNDAY July 1st 9:00 AM Communion	SUNDAY July 8th 9:00 AM Non-Communion	SUNDAY July 15th 9:00 AM Communion	SUNDAY July 22nd No Service Joint Picnic/Worship	SUNDAY July 29th 9:00 AM Non-Communion
Worship Assistant Marian Bastian 610-395-9158	Ellen Sherer	Ellen Sherer	Lindsay Ott		Lindsay Ott
Bread Offering Linda Knauss 610-432-0460	Nancy Otto		Jean Cope		
Communion Assistants Marian Bastian 610-395-9158	Cindy & Ken Borger		Cindy & Ken Borger		
Hosts Betty Derhammer 610-797-9518					
Lector Jean Cope 610-433-1301	Ellen Sherer	June Knecht	Marian Bastian		Jean Cope
Usher Helper Chris Ellis					
Altar Flowers Mary Ann Herring 610-395-9204	Ethel Pudleiner & Gary	Sandy & Ed Reichard/Homer Williams	Pat & George Minnich		



Bulletins					
Mary Ann Herring	Mary Ann & Carl Herring	Jean Cope	Sand & Ed Reichard		
610-395-9204					

Whole-Month Assistants

Altar Guild Nancy Otto 610-395-1605	7:30 AM- Nancy Otto 9:00 AM- Jean Cope
Assistant Usher Nancy Otto 610-395-1605	Ashley Borger
Ushers Jeannine Leonard	Marian Bastian & Nancy Otto
Lead Counter	Robin Derhammer
Daybreak (\$50.00)	
Church Windows Software (\$65)	Phil Horlacher

Stewardship Snippet

Psalm 145:15, 16 – The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season. You open your hand, satisfying the desire of every living thing. *Our God is a god of abundance. As steward/disciples we look to God for all that we need, knowing that God provides.*

July 2018						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 6th Sunday after Pentecost 7:30 AM- Worship 9:00 AM- Worship/Comm 10AM-Social	2 2:15 PM- Daybreak	3 9 AM-AA	4 Independence Day 	5 5 PM-AA 6:30 PM-TOPS	6 8:30 PM-NA	7 7:30 AM-Health Professionals 10:00 AM-NA
8 7th Sunday after Pentecost 7:30 AM- Worship 9:00 AM-Worship	9	10 9 AM-AA 7 PM Council	11 5:30 PM-7:30 PM-VBS 6:45 PM-ACA	12 5 PM-AA 6:30 PM-TOPS	13 8:30 PM-NA	14 7:30 AM-Health Professionals 10:00 AM-NA
15 8th Sunday after Pentecost 7:30 AM- Worship 9:00 AM- Worship/Comm	16 VBS	17 9 AM-AA 6:30 PM-Property 7 PM-Joint Board	18 5:30 PM-7:30 PM-VBS 6:45 PM-ACA	19 5 PM-AA 6:30 PM-TOPS	20 8:30 PM-NA	21 7:30 AM-Health Professionals 10:00 AM-NA
22 9th Sunday after Pentecost 11:00 AM-Joint Worship/Picnic	23	24 9 AM-AA	25 5:30 PM-7:30 PM-VBS 6:45 PM-ACA	26 5 PM-AA 6:30 PM-TOPS	27 8:30 PM-NA	28 7:30 AM-Health Professionals 10:00 AM-NA
29 10th Sunday after Pentecost 7:30 AM- Worship 9:00 AM- Worship/Comm	30	31 9 AM-AA				

Deadline for CNews, Announcements & Quarterly Newsletter

Deadline for the announcement page in the bulletin is Wednesdays.

Deadline for the weekly CNews is Mondays.

Deadline for the quarterly newsletter for September-December is August 15th.

Council Highlights

The finance committee is welcoming members to join, and is need of a chairperson.

The LYF Assembly is on July 28th, at the SYNOD office.
The young adult group is looking for new members.

VBS is scheduled for July 11, 19, 25, and Aug 1st 2018, Dinner starting at 5:30, followed by a bible lesson, crafts, garden time, and games. It will end at 7:30 pm.

A Girl Scout Daisy troop will meet here at Cedar, from 6:30 to 7:30 Tues evenings beginning Sept. 11, 2018. They will meet in the social hall.

On Saturday May 12, pruning and removal of shrubbery was completed. The monument was power washed.

A new toilet was installed on the 3rd floor, a sub pump is being installed, and a new refrigerator was bought, since the one we had stopped working.

The next social will be on Sept. 16, 2018

The long term strategic planning committee is meeting at the end of July, it has 3 members of the Lutheran congregation and 3 members of the UCC congregation.

The church picnic is on July 27, starting at 11 am at Lone Lane Park, No church services will be held at the church that Sunday. There are sign-up sheets in the Narthex. Zach Borger will be presenting his ideas to the joint board as to making the signage outside more visible from the road.

As we prepare to say goodbye to one another, Pastor Camp reflected over the past 6 years together in service to our Lord Jesus.