



# The Herald

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## What's in a Name?

There are two seemingly simple questions that are difficult for me to answer. The first is, "Where are you from?" The second is, "What do you want to be called?"

The problem is that there have been a lot of changes in my life....changes of residence and changes of name. For example, while I was born in Tennessee I can hardly claim to be from there as my family moved soon after. The older I get I claim Columbus, Ohio as my home although I only lived there briefly in my childhood. Why do I feel "from Columbus?" It's where my parents grew up; where we visited my grandparents every summer; where my ancestors are buried, and where I still have family.

And what to be called? My childhood moniker was "Susie," but as I got older I came to prefer Susan. For some reason many people quickly shorten Susan to "Sue." I became "Mom" at the age of 21, "Pastor" at 42 and "Grammy Sue" at 46. And to my husband? He most often calls me "Mrs. Fox." Except on Sundays when he respectfully greets me with "Reverend."

Sounds formal but said with a twinkle in his eye, are clearly terms of endearment.

Because I am your pastor that is what I like to be called. It's an important role I play here at LCHT and an important relationship. It denotes specific responsibilities and a certain presence in your midst. Pastor Sue is okay but since I consistently hear previous pastors referred to by their last names I will refer to myself as "Pastor Fox."

I hope you are still reading because the more important question is, "What do you call Jesus?" Do you call him at all? Outside of church or in the silence of your own thoughts that is. Do you credit him by name for the way you live, the choices you make, the love you give?

Jesus is many things to many people...a teacher, an example, a healer, God in person, the Messiah, a Savior, a friend. What you call him defines your relationship with him. Call on him, be called by him, and.... May we be worthy of his name,

Pastor Fox

## BAD WEATHER INFORMATION

In the event of bad weather, please refer to the following for cancellation notification:

- On the internet: [www.wfmz.com](http://www.wfmz.com)
- On television: channel 69 news
- By telephone: 610-926-7176 option 5 for special announcements



# WORSHIP AND MUSIC NOTES

Submitted by Renee Lenning, Chairperson

## Worship services for the month of March are as follows:



March 3 - Transfiguration of Our Lord – Holy Communion

March 6 - ASH WEDNESDAY service at LCHT - 7:00 p.m.

March 10 - First Sunday in Lent

followed by Congregation meeting and brunch.

March 17 - 2nd Sunday in Lent - Holy Communion.

Bell choir will play.

March 24 -3rd Sunday in Lent.

March 31 - 4th Sunday in Lent.

### Other Notes:

LCHT will be hosting mid-week Lenten service on April 3 following a soup and sandwich meal starting at 6:00 p.m.

## Worship Attendance



1/27	43
2/03	49
2/10	49
2/17	53
2/24	

## NOTES ABOUT OUR FOLKS

### PRAYERS:

- \* John & Shirley Weist, at home
- \* Robert & Kathy Seltzer
- \* Pastor Dennis Ritter, at home
- \* Scott Care
- \* Ralph & Delores Seaman, at Rittenhouse
- \* Jerry Leutze, at the Masonic Home in Elizabethtown
- \* Cynthia Leutze, at home
- \* Pauline Bond, at Maiden creek Place
- \* Scott Biehl
- \* Carole Imgrund



### THANKS TO:

- \* Ron & Judy Corl and all our other volunteers who help with the SV Food Pantry.
- \* Everyone who has and continues to support the Gift Card program.
- \* Those who save Redner's tapes. (Remember to use your save-a-tape card.)

### CONGREGATIONAL & COUNCIL OFFICERS FOR 2019:

- \*Renee Lenning, President
- \*Mike Lowery, Vice-President
- \*Sue Reiber, Secretary
- \*Sue Hawkins, Financial Secretary
- \*Pat Miller, Treasurer



## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Submitted by Karen Bausher

Troop 160 is trying to raise money for a High Adventure Trip to the Florida Sea Base – Out Island Adventure.

We will be having a trash bag sale (sponsored by our local Council) in March. The orders and money are due by April 7<sup>th</sup>.

The order sheet will be hung on the bulletin board at the church.

Any support will be appreciated!



# March 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
<b>3</b> <i>Transfiguration of Our Lord</i> <b>9:00 AM</b> Worship/ Holy Communion <b>4:30 PM</b> Troop 160 PLC <b>6:00 PM</b> Troop 160 meet- ing	<b>4</b> <b>1:00 PM</b> WELCA meets <b>7:00 PM</b> Bell Choir Rehearsal	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> <i>Ash</i> <i>Wednesday</i> Worship: <i>Holy</i> Communion at LCHT	<b>7</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Choir Rehearsal <b>7:30 PM</b> NA Group Mtg	<b>8</b> <b>4:30 PM</b> Girl Scout Troop 1266 meeting	<b>9</b> <b>6:30 PM</b> Movie Night "Indivisible"
<b>10</b> <i>1st Sunday in Lent</i> <b>9:00 AM</b> Worship <b>10:30 AM</b> Congregational meeting & Meal <b>6:00 PM</b> Troop 160 meet- ing <b>6:00 PM</b> Venom Institute Meeting	<b>11</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Bell Choir Rehearsal	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> <b>6:00 PM</b> Mid- week Worship at St. John, Gernants <b>7:00 PM</b> Troop 160 Roundtable meeting	<b>14</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Choir Rehearsal <b>7:30 PM</b> NA Group Mtg	<b>15</b> <b>2:00 PM</b> Food Pantry Delivery  <b>NEWSLETTER</b> <b>DEADLINE</b>	<b>16</b> <i>St. Patrick's Day</i> <b>9:00 AM</b> Food Pantry Distribution <b>3:00 PM</b> Hall rented
<b>17</b> <i>2nd Sunday in Lent</i> <b>9:00 AM</b> Worship/ Holy Communion <b>2:00 PM</b> Prayer Shawl Ministry <b>6:00 PM</b> Troop 160 Meet- ing	<b>18</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Bell Choir Rehearsal <b>7:00 PM</b> Troop 160 Committee Meeting	<b>19</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Council Meeting	<b>20</b> <b>6:00 PM</b> Mid- week Worship at Bern Lutheran	<b>21</b> <b>5:30 PM</b> Soul Supper <b>7:00 PM</b> Choir Rehearsal <b>7:30 PM</b> NA Group Mtg	<b>22</b> <b>4:30 PM</b> Girl Scout Troop 1266 meeting	<b>23</b> <b>11:00-4:00</b> Hall rented
<b>24</b> <i>3rd Sunday in Lent</i> <b>9:00 AM</b> Worship <b>9:00 AM- 2:00PM</b> Hall rented <b>6:00 PM</b> Troop160 Meet- ing <b>6:00 PM</b> Venom Institute Meeting	<b>25</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Bell Choir Rehearsal	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> <b>6:00 PM</b> Mid- week Worship at Epler's UCC	<b>28</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Choir Rehearsal <b>7:30 PM</b> NA Group Mtg	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>31</b> <i>4th Sunday in Lent</i> <b>9:00 AM</b> Worship						

For up to date calendar information, visit our website, [www.lcht.org](http://www.lcht.org) and click on the Calendar tab.

## MARCH VOLUNTEERS

### Altar Flowers

3- Donald Kauffman  
10- *available*  
17- Ron Davidheiser  
24- Dennis & Sue Biehl  
31- *available*

### Bulletins

3- Nettie Kauffman  
10- Leon & Donna Degler  
17- Ron Davidheiser  
24- Dennis & Sue Biehl  
31- *available*

### Nursery

*no attendant but room will be open*

### Acolytes

03-Evan Lash  
10-Jayce Gruber  
17-Evan Lash  
24-Jayce Gruber  
31-TBD

### Greeter:

Glenn Miller

### Ushers

03-Lowery, Dennis Biehl,  
P. Heffner  
06-Diana Biehl, P. Heffner, Corl  
10-S. Care, Lowery, Dennis Biehl  
17- P. Heffner, Corl, Diana Biehl  
24-Dennis Biehl, Corl, S. Care  
31-S. Care, Lowery, P. Heffner



## MARCH CELEBRATIONS

### Birthdays:

01 - Sally Miller  
02 - Judy Geisinger  
06 - Hunter Billig  
08 - JoAnn Gruber  
11 - Kerry Miller  
16 - Kenneth Frankhouser  
18 - Macy Zimmerman  
19 - Darlene Savage  
20 - Linda Reichard  
21- Judd Weber  
27- Sarah Strause  
31- Carole Imgrund



### Anniversaries:

07 - David & Patricia Easterbrook  
24 - John & Shirley Weist  
Dave & Tracy Stoudt

*If you do not see your Birthday or Anniversary listed, it means the office is missing this information. Please write your information down, drop it by the office, or email it to: [lichtsecretary@comcast.net](mailto:lichtsecretary@comcast.net). Thank you.*

## CONGREGATION COUNCIL

### FOR 2019

Dennis Biehl  
Ron Corl  
Ron Davidheiser  
Phyllis Heffner  
Renee Lenning  
Mike Lowery  
Scott Care  
Diana Biehl  
Suzanne Reiber



# ROCKING HORSE PRESCHOOL

Submitted by Mrs. Woods and Mrs. Leshner



Unfortunately with all the snow days we will be using most of our spring break. However, we will “think spring” while we work on learning the last few letters of our alphabet, the zoo, the wild west and flowers! We will be looking Easter in the month April!

Well Phil says spring is on the way but all of this weather lately has proved differently.

Thank you to those of you who participated in our Hoss’s fundraiser.

Our last fundraiser will be the Little Caesar’s Pizza Kit sale.

The sale will run from March 5<sup>th</sup> through March 21<sup>st</sup>.

Delivery will be April 9<sup>th</sup>.

These kits are great for those busy nights this spring when sports start back up!



Cotton Balls

White Beans (dry)

Skinny Washable Markers

Glue Dots (small)



## GIFT CARD PROGRAM QUESTIONS

- 1. WHY BUY A GIFT CARD FROM THE CHURCH?** Our church will receive a 5% rebate with each gift card you purchase. The proceeds from the sales of these gift cards goes towards the capital improvement fund.
- 2. DOES THE GIFT CARDS COST ME ADDITIONAL MONEY?** No! If you buy a \$50 gift card, it is worth \$50. The proceeds the church gets is from the store, not from you!
- 3. MY STORE OFFERS FUEL PERKS. WILL I STILL GET THEM IF I USE A GIFT CARD FOR MY PURCHASE?** Absolutely! The gift card is just a way for you to pay for your purchase, you will still get all your store’s perks.
- 4. WHAT STORES CAN I GET GIFT CARDS TO?** Gift cards can be purchased for Redner’s or Weis. The Redner’s gift cards may be used at any Redner’s (including the pharmacy) or Redner’s Quick Shoppes. Cards may be used to purchase gas; you would have to pre-pay with the card. Weis cards may also be used at the following stores: Cressler’s, King’s, Mr. Z’s or Scot’s Lo Cost.
- 5. WHAT AMOUNTS CAN I BUY THE GIFT CARDS FOR?** Cards in amounts of \$25, \$50, \$100 are available and can be paid for with cash or checks made payable to The Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity.
- 6. REMEMBER** with the gift cards from Redner’s you can buy other gift cards like Sears, Olive Garden & etc.
- 7. WHAT IF I STILL HAVE QUESTIONS?** Please see Phyllis or Tom Heffner, or see back of card for details.



# LCHT MINISTRIES INFORMATION

**LCHT 2019 Mission Trip:** Our 2019 mission trip is being planned for April 6 to April 13, 2019. If you are interested in joining us please keep those dates open and contact Dan DeAntonio. We are hoping to travel to North Carolina to support victims of Hurricane Florence. At this point we do not have any specific details on an exact location. Watch the newsletter and bulletins for the next planning meeting.



## **PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY:**

The prayer shawl ministry group meets the third Sunday of the month from 2 to 4 p.m. Ideas for new projects are always welcome.

Tower Health is providing us with yarn to make chemo and preemie hats for patients.

You do not have to come to the monthly get-togethers, you can work on projects anywhere.

Anyone who has any questions or suggestions, see Darlene Savage.



## **FOOD PANTRY:**

Our church is the distribution site for the Schuylkill Valley Food Pantry. It is a monthly distribution done on the third Saturday of each month, from 9 to 11 a.m. Please contact the church for further information.

**Due to the increase in the number of families requiring assistance, the food pantry is currently in need of canned fruits and vegetables.**



# WOMEN OF THE ELCA

## **MONTHLY MEETING**

Join us on Monday, March 4 at 1:00 p.m. for our monthly meeting.

## **REDNER'S REGISTER TAPES**

*Submitted by Janet Kleffel*

Did you know that Redner's Warehouse Markets gives 1% of purchases back to the Women of the ELCA? This one percent can really add up! And the monies goes to good things like the Mission Trip, VFW, Berk's Women in Crisis, just to name a few.

In order for Redner's to count the receipt (a.k.a. - register tape), it has to be the ENTIRE receipt, and it has to have a "save-a-tape" number on it. How do you insure this? Well,

you must use your pump perks card or save-a-tape card at the checkout. Then, just drop the ENTIRE receipt in the box at the ushers station in the narthex. DO NOT cut the bottom off. We only get credit for COMPLETE tapes! Also, please be sure to turn your tapes in in a timely manner, as Redner's will not accept any over three years old.

Your help is so appreciated. If you have any questions, please see Janet Kleffel.

**Veterans Making a Difference** is an ongoing project through WELCA and Pastoral Care. There is a box in the narthex for collecting needed items for the veterans. Items will be delivered as they accumulate. Requests include personal care items, laundry detergent, large size winter coats, boxer shorts, white socks, large size flannel night pants, Crest toothpaste and Old Spice deodorant.



## LCHT NEWS

### Reading Fightin' Phillies

Saturday, June 29th join us at The Reading Fightin' Phils @ 6:35 pm in the Club 67 Area for food and fun. Cost will be around \$30 per person. See Dennis Biehl for details and tickets.



### LCHT MOVIE NIGHT SATURDAY, MARCH 9

**6:30 p.m.**

The movie will be shown  
downstairs in the  
Fellowship Hall.

Indivisible is the extraordinary true story of Army Chaplain Darren Turner and his wife Heather, whose lives are fully devoted to serving God, family, and country. But when war etches deep battle scars – both overseas and on the home front – the Turners' rock-solid marriage is shaken to its core.

**Deadline for submissions for the  
April Newsletter will be  
Friday, March 15.**

## IN OUR COMMUNITY

### **Homemade Pot Pie Dinner:**

Family Style **Sat. Mar. 2, 2019 4:00pm to 7:00pm.**

**ST. JOHN'S GERNANT'S CHURCH Memorial Hall**

13 Gernant's Church Road, Leesport, PA

Donation- Adults \$10.00, Children 5-11 \$5.00

### **Gift Basket and Meat Tray Bingo:** Sunday, April 14.

Doors open at 12:30pm.

**ST. JOHN'S GERNANT'S CHURCH Memorial Hall**

13 Gernant's Church Road, Leesport, PA

Advance tickets cost \$20. Tickets at the door are \$25.

Price includes hot dog and drink.

Call Sam Reimert at 484-269-4205.



### **Saturday, March 16.**

### **Farm Family Appreciation Celebration.**

Doors open at 6:15 PM, but no earlier. Dinner buffet – 7:00 to 8:00 PM (Tables will be held for families that work late.)

Square Dance, Classic and Modern Country Music by "The Majestics," with line dance music between sets: 8:00 to 11:00 p.m.

Theme: Sports. Feel free to support your favorite team by wearing their colors!

Hamburg Field House, Hamburg, PA - Exit #30 off I-78.

For more information and to register, visit the [synod website](#).



# About The Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity

## Our Mission:

*"The Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity is a worshipping community of faith in Christ Jesus, led by the Holy Spirit to reach out and serve all people with God's love."*

## About The Herald:

*The Holy Trinity Herald* is a newsletter distributed at the beginning of each month, except August. Articles can be submitted to the church office or e-mailed to the Secretary (preferred).

Deadline for article submission is the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month.

## LCHT Sunday Schedule:

Worship at 9 a.m.

## LCHT Staff Information:

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## Rocking Horse Preschool Information:

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