



Confirmation class will begin a new year on September 8th during the Sunday School hour. Seventh grade and older students are eligible to enroll. Please call the church office if interested. Questions can be directed to Pastor Kathy.

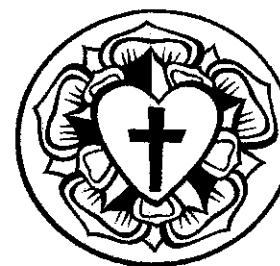


Thank you all so much for the care packages over the years! It was always a pick-me-up during the stressful parts of the semester. It's hard to believe that it is coming to an end! Thank you for all of your prayers and support.

I hope to see you all soon!

Matthew Troxell

You may now make an offering to the church through our website www.SummerHillLutheran.org. Simply click on the online giving button on our home page and you will be directed to a secure site to make a one time or on-going offering. You may direct your offering from your checking or savings account or a credit or debit card. Use this QR code to go directly to the contribution page.



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Saturday Holy Communion Service - 5 pm

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Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9 am - 3 pm

Closed from 12:00 pm to 12:30 pm for lunch



During the church service on Sunday, May 5th, Signs of Faith signed while the Church Choir sang their anthem.

On Sunday, May 19th, during the Music Sunday Service, we signed the anthems, "He Is Risen" and "When in Our Music God is Glorified."

During the church service on Sunday, June 2nd, the anthem "When We All Get to Heaven" was signed. We are in the process of learning an anthem to be signed at the church service on July 7th.



Please mark your calendars! **Organ Concert**
Our Director of Music, Matthew Hayes, will give an organ concert here at St. Paul's on Sunday, August 11, 2019 at 3:00pm. This concert is part of the celebration of having our organ back in service. A free will offering to support the organ fund will be taken.

To Mars And Beyond VBS

28 children, 5 youth, and 14 adults blasted off to Mars Vacation Bible School June 9 to 13. Awesome decorations, spaceship, EP3-20 robot created by the Bright family set the scene for VBS. Each evening, everyone gathered in the church annex where Mission Commander PK (Pastor Kathy) and EP3-20 (Grace Bright) laid the foundation for the evening's session. The opening session included songs, Bible story, Power Launcher and Vector Verse.

Following the opening the children split into classes where they reviewed the Bible story and constructed crafts. Pastor Kathy with the help of Grace Bright and Logan Rollman led the children in games. Each session ended with snacks created by Nick Wisner and helpers. Mission Commander PK and EP3-20 recapped the lesson for the evening.

The offering collected totaled \$ 191.50. The money will be used to purchase school supplies for families who can't afford school supplies.

A huge thank you to all who helped make this a successful VBS; the teachers and helpers, those who donated food for the snacks, Thrivent Financial for providing seed money, and the parents and grandparents for bringing their children and grandchildren to VBS. Also thank you to Linda and Eva for the "behind the scenes" help with advertising, retrieving packages, opening and closing the church each evening, and cleaning up after us.

Sunday School will begin Sunday, September 8th.
Hope to see you there!

"It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name, O Most High; to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night."

Psalm 92: 1-2

Dear Folks,

Recently I heard an interview with one of my favorite musicians, Yo-Yo Ma, who was talking about his 3rd release of the Bach Cello Suites. He first recorded this music of Bach for cello in his 20's, then in his 40's, and now again in his 60's. One of the questions he was asked was why record the same music again when there is so much music available to him. Why spend his time, energy and precious days on music he has recorded twice before? He answered that throughout life we are different people who bring different experiences and perspectives to the same material.

I think the same thing can be said about reading scripture or worshipping on a Saturday evening or Sunday morning. One can take the attitude that I was there last week, I can take off this week. Or, it's summer, time for a break from church. One can think that after some time, worship or scripture becomes optional. Been there, done that, now on to different things.

Yet we never stay the same. Our life is constantly being impacted by the experiences we have and the people we meet. We are not static people. For example, our scripture lessons for worship rotate through a three-year cycle called the lectionary. This means that every three years, and sometimes more often, I am preaching on the same texts. Yet every time I approach the appointed scriptures, life and the church are in a different place. I find myself, by the Spirit's work, being taken to a different part of the reading or focusing on a word or passage I never saw in the same light before. We may read the

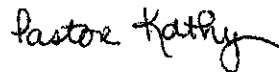
same Bible story, but because we are in a different place in our life, God has something new to say. New experiences of life reveal new truths in the scripture, which in turn offers us new perspectives for living our life.

In the interview Yo-Yo Ma said there is something about this music that makes things whole. We gather as a community in worship for a common experience to hear the Word of God and come to the Lord's Table. Even if the last time we worshipped was only the week before, we have the possibility of being touched in a new way – in a way that makes us a more whole person. Every time we return to hear and read a familiar Bible story, we are at a different place in our lives, with different concerns, worries, and joys. God comes to us, each and every day, where we are, revealing the truth of God's love for us. Please don't miss what God has to offer you.

If you're enjoying a vacation and can't join us, go to www.elca.org and click on "Find a Congregation" and you'll be able to find a Lutheran congregation in your area. Camping for the weekend, away from community, take your Bible and the daily reading calendar. Open up your Bible to begin your day. Read a psalm or a passage from the gospels. Discover what new treasures and perspectives it holds for you. For those digitally astute, subscribe to a daily devotional app. Begin your day with scripture and prayer.

God is speaking to you. Are you listening?

Serving in the name of Christ,



The Rev. Kathleen Ash-Flashner
Pastor



As summer is now upon us some of you may notice that our choir is taking a summer recess. With that in mind, this is the time of year where I am always looking for people to offer their musical talents to fill this void. Please consider offering some special music over the summer, the schedule is still fairly open.

Matthew Hayes
Director of Music

Social Ministry News



CHRISTIANS
Caring for each other

The Social Ministry Committee will have the schoolhouse in the narthex from Saturday, July 27th until Sunday, August 11th to collect back-to-school items. These items will be divided between the children from Schuylkill County Children and Youth and Schuylkill Women in Crisis. Items to be donated include backpacks, notebooks, pens, pencils, crayons, glue, markers, or any other appropriate school items for children. Thank you for your continuing generosity and thoughtfulness.



Evangelism News

By Charles Hawk, Sr.

Our committee is studying a publication titled "The Invitational Christian". It is about reaching out as Christians in the changing world

we live. Hopefully it will help us do God's Will. All churches are affected in these changing and sometimes frightening times. You hear about churches closing their doors for lack of attendance. Why? There are many reasons and hence we need to get a handle on these fearful times. It is not only affecting the churches in our area, but ALL MAIN LINE DEMONINATIONS. I read recently, in the city of Reading alone the number of empty buildings (once filled with God fearing congregations) is scary. My friends tell me this is happening everywhere. Hopefully as our committee studies this book and discusses some of the ways that are recommended for change, we can help with some solutions. We, God's people have changed. GOD IS THE SAME TODAY AS YESTERDAY AND TOMORROW. If you, as members of our congregation have any ideas that could be helpful, please let our committee, church council, and the pastor know so we may discuss them.



Thank you all so much for the care package. I truly appreciate everyone's support as I pursued my education. It's hard to believe I am finally finished. Looking forward to seeing you all at church soon!

Love,
Rachel Troxell

Keep in your prayers:



Richard Paxson, Dennis Ryan, Jane Frantz, Ron Boris, Jr., Gary & Shirley Krammes, Irene Peiffer, Arlene Lickman, Betty Freeman, Leonard & Yvonne Szpara, Thelma Brensinger, Chester Johnson, Shirley Fessler, Barbara Pennypacker, Angie Lewis, Mark Fidler, Hayley Moyer, Helen Runkle, Eleanor Jamison,

Adam Brink, Glenn Curtis, Georgia Sandler, Arlene Moyer, John Weegar, Charles Wernert, Stephen Curtis, Brayden Crews, John Strauch, Jr., Dianna Curry, Fern Staller, Carol Glaser, Pat Stevens, Lawrence Latsko, Rosemary Meade, Tyler Boland, Ray Yeich, Neal Brensinger, Nancy Blankenhorn, Jay Sticker, David Axtt, Paul Baruka, Greg Phillips, Gaylene Ebling, Chrissy Kull, and Robert & Joyce Zeledonis. Those serving in the military: Brandon Felty, Karen Hall, Tom Leganza, Tyler Weller, Edward Hossler, Nick Lentz, Jake Schaeffer, Scott Aungst, Tyler Wolfe, Michael Hamilton, Kristian Svenson, Mark Weinus, Jr., Justin Weller, Jeremy Weaver, Cameron Lutz, Stephanie Boyer, and Brad Renninger.

**Pastoral visits and home communions are available anytime.
Please call the office or Pastor Kathy.**



The deadline for items for the September newsletter is **August 15th.**

Happy July Birthday To:

7/1 - Cheryl Thomas
7/2 - Donald Paxson, Sr.;
Tyler Schweigert
7/3 - Milton Sholl; Kate Thomas
7/4 - Isaiah Arnett, Olivia Reber
7/6 - Cindy Brown
7/7 - Devin Carroll; Rita Lehman
7/8 - Alex Mullins
7/9 - Elaine Paxson; Joyce Zeledonis
7/10 - Taylor Fidler
7/11 - Ella Bubeck; Meghan Hall
7/12 - Warren Baker, Sr.; Jill Gordon
7/14 - Randy Fessler; Hannah Lea Krammes
7/17 - Brian Krammes; Laura Llewellyn; Jennie Raudenbush
7/18 - Julie Wisner
7/19 - Harrison Ciavarella; Sydnie Harig; Aiden Platt
7/20 - Tessa Benedict
7/22 - Lori Fidler; Shawn Frankenstein; Gregory Sholl;
Corey Staller; Lisa Sweigert; Ian Tokarick
7/23 - Emily Gordon
7/26 - Teresa Chappell; William Wolfe
7/27 - Thomas Bright
7/28 - Russell Fidler
7/29 - Jacquelyn Albert; Heather Geiger;
Cecelia Reber; Bonnie Bernat
7/30 - Dustin Honicker; Tyler Reber; Kaleen Zerbe;
Annabell Hossler



Happy August Birthday To:

8/1 - Alan Fessler; Suzanne Russell; Lisa Wisner
8/2 - Bruce Bailey; Blair Freeman; Diane Kimmel;
Thomas Shearn, Jr.
8/4 - Alexander Deal; Jeremy Swiger;
Nicholas Wisner
8/5 - Trisha Krause; Jay Riegel, Jr
8/6 - Paul Fabian; Aletha Heinbaugh, Dawn Hoffman
8/8 - Zachary Reber; Lisa White
8/9 - Dorothy Moyer; Matthew Troxell; Greyson Woll
8/10 - John Edwards
8/11 - Evan Wisner
8/12 - Jack Schwenk
8/14 - Kenneth Dowell: Ashley Roberts; Naomi Reber
8/15 - Cory Buchanan; Lee Ann Llewellyn
8/16 - Harry Ciavarella; Tony Sisko
8/17 - Thomas Gordon; Emma Schweigert;
Ashley Nespeca; Confey Maldonado, Jr.
8/18 - Abree Reed
8/20 - Joy Petrie
8/21 - Carol Glaser; Tabatha Vega
8/22 - Ryan Bailey; Suzanne Riegel
8/23 - Christopher Tokarick; Alyvia Trostle
8/24 - Frank Reber; Richard Reinert
8/26 - Beverly Trumbo
8/28 - Sharon Emerich; Laura Gordon; Jonathan Hummel
8/29 - Elizabeth Thomas
8/30 - Joan Axtt; Tracy Geiger; Brianna Leonard
8/31 - Jarett Felty; Linda Angstadt



We celebrate with these graduates and their families as they complete this milestone of their lives. Our prayers are with them as they look to the future.

SYDNE REBECCA HARIG – graduating from Blue Mt. High School. She will attend Delaware Valley University for Horticulture/Agriculture.

COLE MICHAEL JEWETT – graduating from Schuylkill Haven Area High School. His plans are undecided.

LAUREN FUHENG LEADER - graduated from Point Park University, Pittsburgh, Pa. with a degree in dance. She has a job with Disney Cruise Lines. Lauren is the granddaughter of Jerry and Eileen Heffleger.

MATTHEW JACOB MAIROSE – graduating from Schuylkill Haven Area High School. He plans to attend Penn State- University Park majoring in Engineering.

MAGGIE JANE MOSS- graduating from George Washington University, Washington, DC. Maggie is the granddaughter of Georgia Sandler.

LINDSEY GRACE PETRIE - graduating from Schuylkill Haven Area High School. She will be attending Joseph F McCloskey School of Nursing Program.

JULIANN MARIE REAZOR - graduating from Penn Tech.

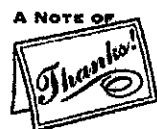
KELSEY RAE SISKO - graduating from Bloomsburg.

EMMA CAROL SCHWEIGERT – graduated from LaSalle University with a BS in Marketing and Finance. She has accepted the position of CEO of a Saxbys cafe in Center City Philadelphia PA.

TYLER SCHWEIGERT – graduating in August from DeSales University with a Doctorate in Physical Therapy and plans to get a job in the Allentown area.

MATTHEW MICHAEL TROXELL - graduated from The John L. Grove School of Business and The Woods Honor College at Shippensburg University on May 11, 2019. He received a bachelor's degree in finance and marketing. He has accepted a position with the private banking group of J.P. Morgan.

RACHAEL MARIE TROXELL – graduated from the University of Pittsburgh on April 28, 2019 with a Doctor of Physical Therapy degree. She will be relocating to Lancaster to work as an acute care physical therapist at Lancaster General Health.



Thank you very much for the college care package that I received. It was very nice of you to remember me while I am attending college at Drexel in Philadelphia.

Jonathan Schwenk

Lectionary Calendar for July 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Psalm 140 Genesis 24:34-41, 50-67 1 John 2:7-11	2 Psalm 140 Jeremiah 3:15-18 Ephesians 5:6-20	3 Psalm 140 Jeremiah 23:16-22 Matthew 10:16-25	4 Psalm 66:1-9 2 Kings 21:1-15 Romans 7:14-25	5 Psalm 66:1-9 Jeremiah 51:47-58 2 Corinthians 8:1-7	6 Psalm 66:1-9 Zechariah 14:10-21 Luke 9:1-6
7 Third Sunday after Pentecost	8 Psalm 119:73-80 Jeremiah 6:10-19 Acts 19:21-27	9 Psalm 119:73-80 Jeremiah 8:4-13 Acts 19:28-41	10 Psalm 119:73-80 Joshua 23:1-16 Luke 10:13-16	11 Psalm 25:1-10 Genesis 41:14-36 James 2:14-26	12 Psalm 25:1-10 Genesis 41:37-49 Acts 7:9-16	13 Psalm 25:1-10 Leviticus 19:1-4, 32-37 John 3:16-21
14 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost	15 Psalm 25:11-20 Job 24:1-8 James 2:1-7	16 Psalm 25:11-20 Proverbs 19:1-17 1 John 3:11-17	17 Psalm 25:11-20 Ecclesiastes 9:13-18 Matthew 25:31-46	18 Psalm 15 Genesis 12:10-20 Hebrews 5:1-6	19 Psalm 15 Genesis 13:1-18 Ephesians 3:14-21	20 Psalm 15 Genesis 14:1-16 Luke 8:4-10
21 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost	22 Psalm 119:97-104 Exodus 18:1-12 Colossians 1:27—2:7	23 Psalm 119:97-104 Proverbs 9:1-18 1 John 2:1-6	24 Psalm 119:97-104 Deuteronomy 12:1-12 John 6:41-51	25 Psalm 138 Esther 2:19—3:6 Acts 1:15-20	26 Psalm 138 Esther 3:7-15 Acts 2:22-36	27 Psalm 138 Esther 4:1-17 Luke 8:22-25
28 Sixth Sunday after Pentecost	29 Psalm 55:16-23 Esther 5:1-14 Colossians 2:16—3:1	30 Psalm 55:16-23 Esther 6:1—7:6 Romans 9:30—10:4	31 Psalm 55:16-23 Esther 7:7—8:17 Matthew 5:43-48			

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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost	Psalm 127 Ecclesiastes 2:1-17 Colossians 3:18—4:1	Psalm 127 Ecclesiastes 3:16—4:8 Colossians 4:2-6	Psalm 127 Ecclesiastes 12:1-8, 13-14 Luke 12:22-31	Psalm 33:12-22 Job 21:1-16 Romans 9:1-9	Psalm 33:12-22 Ecclesiastes 6:1-6 Acts 7:1-8	Psalm 33:12-22 Genesis 11:27-32 Matthew 6:19-24
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost	Psalm 89:1-18 2 Chronicles 33:1-17 Hebrews 11:1-7	Psalm 89:1-18 2 Chronicles 34:22-33 Hebrews 11:17-28	Psalm 89:1-18 Jeremiah 33:14-26 Luke 12:41-48	Psalm 82 Joshua 7:1, 10-26 Hebrews 10:26-31	Psalm 82 1 Samuel 5:1-12 Hebrews 10:32-39	Psalm 82 1 Samuel 6:1-16 Matthew 24:15-27
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost	Psalm 32 Jeremiah 23:30-40 1 John 4:1-6	Psalm 32 Jeremiah 25:15-29 Acts 7:44-53	Psalm 32 Jeremiah 25:30-38 Luke 19:45-48	Psalm 103:1-8 Numbers 15:32-41 Hebrews 12:3-17	Psalm 103:1-8 2 Chronicles 8:12-15 Acts 17:1-9	Psalm 103:1-8 Nehemiah 13:15-22 Luke 6:1-5
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost	Psalm 109:21-31 Ezekiel 20:1-17 Hebrews 3:7—4:11	Psalm 109:21-31 Ezekiel 20:18-32 Revelation 3:7-13	Psalm 109:21-31 Ezekiel 20:33-44 Luke 6:6-11	Psalm 112 Proverbs 15:13-17 1 Peter 3:8-12	Psalm 112 Proverbs 18:6-12 1 Peter 4:7-11	Psalm 112 Proverbs 21:1-4, 24-26 Matthew 20:20-28

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30 9am Holy Communion	1 10am Prayer Shawl	2 10:30 am Christian Education 12:30pm Jolly Quilters	3	4 Office Closed	5	6 5pm Holy Communion service
7 9am Holy Communion	8 10am Prayer Shawl	9	10 1pm Evangelism Meeting 7pm Church Council	11	12 Office Closed	13 5pm Holy Communion service
14 9am Holy Communion	15 10am Prayer Shawl	16 12:30pm Jolly Quilters	17 7pm Property	18	19	20 5pm Holy Communion service
21 9am Holy Communion	22 10am Prayer Shawl 7pm Finance	23 7 pm Council of Churches @ St. Mark's Browns Church	24	25	26	27 5pm Holy Communion service
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