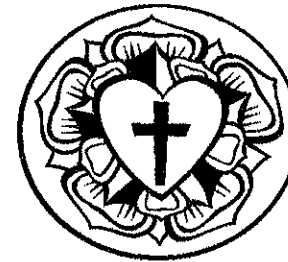




On Sunday, October 6th, our church will join others in the Schuylkill Haven Area Council of Churches to walk the streets of Schuylkill Haven to end hunger. The annual Crop Walk will begin and end at the Schuylkill Haven

Food Pantry (rear of the Walk-In Shoe Building). Registration is at 12:30 pm and the walk begins at 1:00 pm. Monies collected will benefit the Schuylkill Haven Food Pantry, as well as people around the world through the Church World Service. Dig out those sneakers and walk with other church members of our area churches. Registration forms are available on the table in the church Narthex. Any questions, please see Pastor Kathy.

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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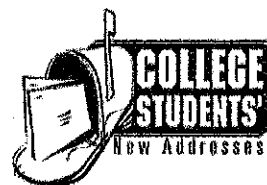
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The annual Thanksgiving Dinner for Seniors, sponsored by the Social Ministry Committee, will be held in the pavilion on Saturday, November 23rd at 12:00 noon. All seniors from our church and the surrounding area are invited to attend the dinner and enjoy some fun and fellowship. If you plan to attend, please contact the church office or give your name to Harry Schwenk by Friday, November 15th.



The Social Ministry Committee is once again seeking the names and addresses of church members who are college students. Twice a school year, at midterms and finals, we send care packages to the students. Each year we begin with a new list, so parents and grandparents please provide us with this important information. Information may be given to the church office or to any member of Social Ministry (Karen Curtis, Charlene Egan, Harry Russell or Harry Schwenk)..



During the church service on Sunday, September 1st, Signs of Faith signed the anthem, “We Are One.” Emily Schwenk and Katelyn Schwenk assisted us in Signing.

We are in the process of learning an anthem to be signed on Sunday, October 6th.

The origin of World Communion

In 1933, a Pittsburgh pastor, Hugh Thompson Kerr, had a unique idea. What if churches all around the world celebrated Holy Communion on the same Sunday? He contacted leaders of various denominations worldwide. His idea was met with such warm enthusiasm that celebrating the sacrament on the first Sunday of October is now an annual affair. It unites Christians throughout the world, or in the words of the popular hymn:

In Christ there is no east or west,
In Him no south or north;
But one great fellowship of love
Throughout the whole wide earth.

**For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.
Matthew 6:21**

Dear Folks,

Just as the changing color of the leaves and the cooler temperatures mark the end of summer and the beginning of the fall season, so there are predictable signs within the church that it is fall. Within worship, our lessons highlight God’s concern for the needs of the world. We hear the call of Jesus to serve others with compassion and mercy. It is an invitation to consider the blessings of our lives and how we can share those blessings with others.

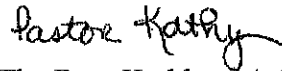
As committee work gears up in the fall, each committee also begins to form their budgets for 2020. Looking at past expenditures and considering what will be needed next year, each committee carefully and faithfully considers their financial needs. Part of every committee discussion is not only “what do we need,” but also “is there anywhere we can cut.” This doesn’t even count the personal donations committee members make for a special event or project. At the heart this committee work is the desire to be faithful stewards of the resources we have and to reach out in service to others. When the Committees have submitted their work, the Treasurer collates the requests of each committee to form the larger church budget. The Finance Committee takes a comprehensive look at what will be needed as well as considers staff salaries and total income requirements. The proposed budget is presented to the Church Council for review. It is the Church Council’s task to approve the budget for the congregation’s consideration at the November Congregational Meeting. The 2020 budget becomes official at the Congregational Meeting upon a positive vote.

While each committee is working with the Treasurer to build the 2020 budget, the Stewardship Committee goes into high gear to highlight the call to stewardship within our congregation. Through Temple talks and the Time and Talent sheets, the committee invites us to consider our stewardship of time, talent and treasure. Our congregation has been blessed with faithful stewards over the years and this continues to be the case. To highlight this faithful giving and to say, "Thank You!" the Stewardship Committee is providing a made-to-order breakfast on Sunday, November 10th, following the 10am service. Please mark your calendars to attend this fellowship event.

The Fall also brings the Time and Talent Sheet for the coming year. Every member is invited to consider how they might share of their time and talents. In sharing what we have, we heed Jesus' call to serve others in the name of Christ.

As you consider your financial support as well as your giving of time and talents, please pray. Pray that God may direct you in loving service. Pray for the many members who do the work of our congregation's ministry and consider joining them. Pray for the partners in ministry we have – the Council of Churches, the NEPS and wider church, and the many social agencies within our communities with whom we work. Pray that we might always be faithful in our work.

Serving to the glory of God,



The Rev. Kathleen Ash-Flashner
Pastor

Happy October Birthday To:

- 1 - Harry Russell
- 2 - Matthew Mairose
- 3 - Denise Johnson
- 4 - Bryson Schrader, Sheree Bright
- 5 - Rachel Troxell; Tyler Weller
- 7 - Ruth Sholl
- 8 - Darrel Deal
- 9 - Joseph Freeman; Jerald Heffleger; Dale Reed
- 10 - Robert Emerich; Melissa Sisko
- 11 - Mary Sweigert
- 12 - Laura Woll; Beth Ulsh
- 13 - The Rev. Kathleen Ash-Flashner
- 14 - Diane Bailey
- 15 - Dennis Gordon; Gary Sholl
- 17 - Evan Freeman; David Reber, Jr.; Mark Sandler
- 18 - Stephen Fessler; Joshua Mairose
- 19 - Sadie Tokarick
- 20 - Melissa Cleary
- 22 - David Kahl
- 23 - Stephen Fessler, Jr.; Elijah Strauss
- 25 - Elma Brown; Faye Williams, Kyran Murphy
- 26 - Russell Moyer
- 28 - Courtney Brown; Helen Runkle; Justin Weller
- 29 - Kevin Reber
- 30 - Corey Engle; Bennett Platt
- 31 - Nicholas Frankenstein





Evangelism News

By Charles Hawk, Sr.

We are now in a new Sunday School year. The adult class is using a book this year called the Miracles of Jesus. It involves watching a video and having a class discussion with what we saw, coupled with what we read. It is very interesting, and we are learning more about our Lord and Saviour. I would invite any adult who may want more knowledge and is thirsting for education to come sit with us. The book we are using is very good about giving us thought-provoking topics regarding the miracles of Jesus you may not have known before. It is apparent we are going to have a very exciting SCS year. COME JOIN US.

Be a good steward

Various committees are writing the church budget for the coming year. They're placing their trust in God and believing in our members and friends to support the church's ministry. Let us all show our faithfulness with good stewardship through our time, talents and treasures.

Keep in your prayers:



Richard Paxson, Dennis Ryan, 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 & Linda 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, 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 November newsletter is **October 15th.**

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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 29 8:45am Sunday School 10am Holy Communion | 30 10am Prayer Shawl | 1 12:30pm Jolly Quilters 6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal | 2 6pm Christian Education 7pm Church Council | 3 7:30pm Choir Rehearsal | 4 | 5 5pm Holy Communion service |
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Lectionary Calendar for October 2019

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| 6 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost | 7 Psalm 3 Habakkuk 1:5-17 James 1:2-11 | 8 Psalm 3 Habakkuk 2:5-11 1 John 5:1-5, 13-21 | 9 Psalm 3 Habakkuk 2:12-20 Mark 11:12-14, 20-24 | 10 Psalm 111 Leviticus 14:33-53 2 Timothy 1:13-18 | 11 Psalm 111 Numbers 4:34—5:4 2 Timothy 2:1-7 | 12 Psalm 111 Numbers 12:1-15 Luke 5:12-16 |
| 13 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost | 14 Psalm 61 2 Kings 5:15-19a Acts 26:24-29 | 15 Psalm 61 2 Kings 5:19b-27 Ephesians 6:10-20 | 16 Psalm 61 2 Kings 15:1-7 Matthew 10:5-15 | 17 Psalm 121 Isaiah 54:11-17 Acts 17:22-34 | 18 Psalm 121 Genesis 31:43—32:2 2 Timothy 2:14-26 | 19 Psalm 121 Genesis 32:3-21 Mark 10:46-52 |
| 20 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost | 21 Psalm 57 1 Samuel 25:2-22 1 Corinthians 6:1-11 | 22 Psalm 57 1 Samuel 25:23-35 James 5:7-12 | 23 Psalm 57 1 Samuel 25:36-42 Luke 22:39-46 | 24 Psalm 84:1-7 Jeremiah 9:1-16 2 Timothy 3:1-9 | 25 Psalm 84:1-7 Jeremiah 9:17-26 2 Timothy 3:10-15 | 26 Psalm 84:1-7 Jeremiah 14:1-6 Luke 1:46-55 |
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