

The Herald

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WHAT'S NEW?

The season of Autumn invites us back into old routines as well as offers opportunity for change. Below are some changes taking place at LCHT on Sunday:

THE LORDS PRAYER...You may have already noticed a return to the traditional Lord's Prayer on communion Sundays. We will rotate the traditional with the more contemporary version, which will be used on the Sundays we do not have communion. The reason is that it behooves us to be familiar with both versions as one or the other may be used at events other than LCHT worship, such as funerals or Memorial Day services.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE-Because we seldom have young children in worship we are changing the "children's message" to a "teaching moment" more suitable for older children and adults. This will tie into the confirmation ministry, a review of sorts, of our Lutheran understanding of the Christian faith. Should there be young children present (and we hope there will be!) I will accommodate them in some way.

PRAYER REQUESTS- The system of requesting prayers on Sunday morning has proven to be a bit awkward for me. Beginning in September we will no longer write prayer requests on the slips of paper now being provided outside the office. Instead we will have a sheet on the guest book stand where those requests will be made. The ushers will bring that sheet up prior to the prayers so that we are assured of their inclusion. We ask that you include your name and the date of the request for easier follow up. At your discretion you may want to add an address and or phone number so that contact may be made by the pastor or a member of the Pastoral Care Team.

READER/WORSHIP ASSISTANT RESPONSIBILITIES-Whereas the pastor has been reading the prayers on non communion Sundays, in the future we are hoping the readers of the lessons will be willing to read the prayers as well. If you are a scheduled reader you will be contacted prior to Sunday to ask if you are willing to do so. This added assistance in worship will be greatly appreciated.

HOLY COMMUNION-Lastly, though through the months of spring I encouraged a change to every Sunday communion and laid out my reasons for doing so, it has been decided (with my support) by the Worship and Music Committee to continue the communion schedule as it is, the 1st and 3rd Sundays.

Whether your church attendance is a time honored habit or a renewed commitment we look forward to seeing you soon!

Yours, in Christ, Pastor Sue Fox



WORSHIP AND MUSIC NOTES

The Worship and Music Committee met on August 15, 2019 at 7:00PM.

September worship services:

September 1- 12th Sunday after Pentecost, Communion service.

September 8 - 13th Sunday after Pentecost, God's Work Our Hands

September 15 - 14th Sunday after Pentecost, Communion service.

September 22 - 15th Sunday after Pentecost.

September 29 - 16th Sunday after Pentecost.

Other Notes:

• Next meeting is Sunday, October 6th at 10:30 following worship service.



6/30	34	
7/07	32	
7/14	32	
7/21	37	
7/28	32	
8/04	24	
8/11	33	
8/18	49	
8/25	43	

ROCKING HORSE PRESCHOOL

Submitted by Mrs. Woods and Mrs. Lesher



During our first month of school we will be learning about transportation, apples, and leaves. We will be taking our fall field trip on Sept 26th.



It's back to school time here at RHP. We've been busy this summer preparing our fresh new classroom for our little learners.

We want to give a huge Thank You to Diana Biehl, Sue Rieber, Dennis Beihl, Mike Lowey and many others for helping to redo our classroom this summer! It looks fantastic!



The school year is off to a great start. We had our meet and greet on Thursday August 22^{nd} . It was nice to see old and new faces excited for a new school year.



Little Caesars

Our first fundraiser this year will be Little Caesars Pizza Kits. Keep any eye out for the order form!

Wish List:

Small white paper plates (cheap \$1 plates) Skinny washable markers Hand Sanitizer

Thank you to everyone who has donated items so far.

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SEPTEMBER 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 12th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 AM Worship/Holy Communion	2 *** * * * * LABOR DAY ** * * * * *	3	4 3:30 PM Bern	5 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM NA Group Meeting	6 5K pre- registration & race t-shirt order deadline	7
8 13th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM Brunch and project for "GOD"S WORK. OUR HANDS" SUNDAY 5:30 PM Troop 160 PLC 6:00 PM Troop 160 planning meeting	9 1:00 PM WELCA 7:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal	10	7:00 PM Council Meeting	7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM NA Group Meeting	Apple Dump- lings	14 4-10 PM Leesport Community Days
15 14th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 AM Worship/Holy Communion 10:30 AM Confirmation Classes begin 2:00 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry	16 7:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	17	18	7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM NA Group Meeting	20 2:00 PM Food Pantry Delivery	21 9:00 AM Food Pantry Distribu- tion
22 15th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 AM Worship 6:00-7:30 PM Troop 160 meeting	23 7:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal	24	25	26 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal 7:00 PM Food Pantry Committee Meeting 7:30 PM NA Group Meeting	27	28 8:00 AM race registration 9:00 AM 5K Race starts
29 16th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 AM Worship 6:00-7:30 PM Troop 160 meeting	30 7:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal					

For up to date calendar information, visit our website, www.lcht.org and click on the on Calendar tab

APPLE DUMPLING FUNDRAISER SEPTEMBER 13

On Friday, September 13 there will be an Apple Dumpling Fundraiser. Price is \$3.50 each and will be available for pick up from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the lower level of the church.

Also, if you are interested in helping to make apple dumplings on Friday, September 13 @ 9:00 a.m. there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board or you can contact Daren DeAntonio @ 610-926-6402 with any questions.





Troop 160 is back from Florida Sea Base and we had an AWESOME time! We rowed 5 miles to an island where we stayed in tents for 4 nights. While on the island we kayaked through a mangrove maze, toured the island, snorkeled 3 times at the many coral reefs, went deep sea fishing among other activities.

In September, as in previous years, we will be participating in the Leesport Community Days on September 13th and 14th. More camping trips to come after we have our planning meeting. Thank you for supporting the Troop!

Come join us and have a ton of fun! For more information, call Karen Bausch at 610-334-9739.



NOTES ABOUT OUR FOLKS

- To all our shut-in members and all those who are on our prayer list.
- To all our servicemen, servicewomen and first responders at home & abroad.
- tion and the world.
- To all the peacekeepers and journalists in places of conflict.



THANKS TO:

- Our mowers, Ken Frankhouser and Dan DeAntonio.
- 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.)
- To all the leaders of our church, the nation and the world.
- To those who volunteered their skills to paint the RHPS room.



LCHT MINISTRIES INFORMATION

FOOD PANTRY:

To all the leaders of our church, the na- 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 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. There is an income guideline and a registration form to fill out, giving us your name and address as well as the number of family members in your household.

> Also, there are brochures and information available on heating assistance, ways to conserve energy and general concerns of limited income families. Please contact the church for further information.

Meets the third Sunday of the month, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. You do not have to come to the monthly get-togethers, you can work on projects anywhere. Please see Darlene Savage or anyone on the Social Ministry Committee for more information.

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PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY:

SEPTEMBER CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays:

- 03 Donald Mengel
- 04 Matthew Franklin
- 07 Kent Riegel Kevin Lenning
- 08 Dan DeAntonio Silas DeAntonio
- 10 Leon Degler
- 12 Charles Hoke, V
- 15- Jean Stoudt Maxx Franklin Charlotte Schwendeman Henry Schwendeman

- 17 Lollie Seaman
- 18 Raymond Reichard
- 19 Lorna Oswalt Tara Stoudt
- 21 Heather Griffin
- 23 Destiny Macrae
- 25 Dominic Lombardo
- 26 Mike Korpics
- 28 Neil Oswalt





Anniversaries:

- 01 Richard & Carole Imgrund
- 08 Daniel & Ashley Savage
- 09 Oliver & Yvonne Graeff
- 18 Roy & Lorna Oswalt Tom & Phyllis Heffner
- 28 Damien & Ashley DeAntonio

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: lchtsecretary@comcast.net. Thank you.

"God's Work, Our Hands" Sunday!

Sunday, September 8, 2019. This day is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor.

Service activities offer an opportunity for us to explore one of our most basic convictions as Lutherans: that all of life in Jesus Christ – every act of service, in every daily calling, in every corner of life – flows freely from a living, daring confidence in God's grace.

You work every day to make your community a better place. Let us continue doing this work together in 2019!

"God's Work, Our Hands" Sunday has been celebrated in ELCA congregations across the country on the second Sunday of September since 2013. It is an opportunity for us to remember that when we use our hands in service for the benefit of others we are doing the work God calls us to do.



A brunch will be served after worship followed by a service project on Sunday, September 8, 2019.



Lutheran Disaster Response Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

2017 Hurricanes Two Years Later

About two years ago, hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria swept through the United States and Caribbean, causing widespread damage and interrupting the lives of millions of our neighbors. Today we join in prayer for those who are still on the long road to recovery, and we reflect upon God's faithfulness along the journey. Thanks to the incredible generosity of this church, Lutheran Disaster Response has been able to support those whose lives were harmed by these catastrophic storms. Together, supporters donated nearly \$15 million in response, demonstrating Christ's love to hurricane survivors through practical support.

There's more to be done. Lutheran Disaster Response will be there until the work is finished; a full recovery is expected to take three to five years or more. Your continuing gifts help make this response and others like it possible.

Thank you, again, for your generosity and support. In Christ's service,

The Rev. Daniel Rift

Director, ELCA World Hunger and Lutheran Disaster Response Funding

SEPTEMBER VOLUNTEERS

Altar Flowers

01 - Dan & Daren DeAntonio

08 - Chuck & Rosemary Mowery

15 - Sue Reiber

22 - Scott & Janice Care

29 - Leon & Donna Degler

Bulletins

01 - Irvin & Nettie Kauffman

08 - Chuck & Rosemary Lowery

15 - Sue Reiber

22 - Scott & Janice Care

29 - availabe

See bulletin board to sign up to sponsor the weekly bulletins, and the altar flowers.

Ushers

01 - Mike Lowery, Ron Corl, Scott Care

08 - Mike Lowery, Diana Biehl, Scott Care

15 - Scott Care, Ron Corl, Dennis Biehl

22 - Mike Lowery, Diana Biehl, Ron Corl

29 - Scott Care, Mike Lowery, Dennis Biehl

Greeter

Vicki Fetterman

Acolytes TBD

Nursery

no attendant but room will be open

A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP ZEISER

ELCA: A Sanctuary Church Body

On Wednesday, August 7, the ELCA Churchwide Assembly in Milwaukee, WI adopted a resolution declaring the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America to be a sanctuary church body. You can find the entire resolution at the end of this message

There were 26 Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod voting members at the assembly, which was composed of approximately 950 voting members. It was clear during discussion of the then-proposed resolution that adoption would be significant in the life of this church.



Voting members from synods directly impacted by the presence of immigrants on their territories, as

well as others, spoke about ways congregations already assist immigrant families. That assistance takes many forms: provision of food, clothing, and other essentials; ESL classes; support through Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services and (a relatively new ELCA ministry) Accompanying Migrant Minors with Protection, Advocacy, Representation and Opportunities (AMMPARO*). I believe that these testimonies had a strong impact upon voting members.

It seems to me that voting members were also influenced by those who reminded the assembly that the Lutheran witness in the U.S. was begun by immigrants, namely Germans, Swedes, Africans, Norwegians, Slovaks, and many others. Many among those diverse groups were persecuted, oppressed, and marginalized in the course of their daily lives.

So, the declaration grows out of our self-understanding as an immigrant church, and it affirms ELCA ministries to migrants and refugees already taking place in border states. It is about Jesus' call to serve strangers in our midst who are in need (think: parable of the Prodigal Son). This declaration does not direct congregations to break the law. Some would say it this way: the declaration is descriptive, not prescriptive.

I have arranged three meetings on September 4 at different locations across the synod territory so that we can discuss the resolution together. You are welcome to attend any one of the meetings: St. Paul Lutheran Church, Dallas (10:00 a.m.); Lutheran Center, Schoenersville (1:00 p.m.); Bern Lutheran Church, Bern Township (3:30 p.m.).

With gratitude for your faithful ministry,

Samuel R. Faner

Bishop Samuel Zeiser

*I encourage you to read about AMMPARO on the ELCA website: (https://www.elca.org/ammparo).

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Fall Fest Scarecrow 5K Run/ walk



September 28th, 2019 8:00 am registration – rain or shine

For more information please contact
Diana Biehl @
dianabiehl@gmail.com or 484-256-0999

Registration starts @ 8:00 a.m., 5K @ 9:00 a.m., bib and shirt pick up in lower level of the Church

G-shirt to all pre-registrants and while supplies last.

AWARDS: \$50 for the top male and female.

New this year

\$25 award to the best scarecrow costume. Must be a registered runner/walker.

Registration is \$20 if registered by September 6th.

Afterwards and including the day of the race registration is \$25 and t-shirts will be available as long as supplies last.

Registration forms are available in the church narthex on the small table outside of the office



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."

Everyone is always welcome at the Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity. If you would like more information or have any questions, please contact Pastor Fox at her office number or home phone.

About The Herald:

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

Deadline for article submission is the 15th of each month.

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Worship at 9 a.m.

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