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Alleluia. My word shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. Alleluia. Isa. 55:11

Lancaster County Food Hub Stewardship special giving Focus July 2023

Since 1947, the Lancaster County Food Hub (LCFH), formally the Lancaster County Council of Churches, has served the most needy and marginalized members of our society as well as the working poor struggling to make ends meet. The overarching goal of our organization is to help fill the gap for these individuals and families by providing services in three key areas. They are Food, Clothing, and Shelter.

The Hub has seen a significant rise in requests over the last few years, and in response to the increased demand purchased and renovated a 27,000 square foot warehouse in downtown Lancaster. Housed in this warehouse is a 7500 square foot Food Hub that serves as the largest food distribution site in Lancaster County. The Hub also operates the largest free Clothing Bank in our area as well as holds the contract to operate the PA Workwear program in Lancaster County. The PA Workwear Program works in conjunction with Career Link to provide interview appropriate attire for individuals preparing for a job interview. After they have secured employment, they receive a week's worth of work clothing as well as proper footwear if needed such as steel toed boots, nurse's shoes and non-skid shoes. The clothing bank is open to anyone and is available for individuals to come every 60 days. Additionally, the Hub has a fully stocked Hygiene Bank which provides all toiletry items as well as laundry detergent for clients once a month.

The Welcome Place is an emergency overnight shelter that offers a safe place to sleep 365 days a year, as well as a Drop-In Center, open 5 days per week to Operating in partnership with LanCO My Home, we collaborate with many local agencies to support our neighbors in need find hope and confidence as they navigate difficult situations all in a trusting, healthy and supportive atmosphere.

To support Lancaster food Hub, use your special giving envelope or just mark your giving for the Hub. Thanks in advance for supporting this valuable nonprofit in our area.



THE ADULT (all adults are welcome) LUNCH BUNCH

Will be going Mt. Joy Family Diner after the liturgy on August 13. We'll meet downstairs after the liturgy. All are welcome. For reservations, please call Cheryl Plummer by August 12 at 625-3187. Plan to join us!

Half Year Financial Report June, 2023

Unified Budget Expenses through June 30 \$166,601.03

Unified Budget Income through June 30 \$147,028.57

Through June 30, the Unified Budget had a **deficit** of **\$19,572.46**. As of June 30, the income is 46% of the anticipated annual income and the expenses are 43% of the anticipated annual expenses.

Thank you for your financial support through the first half of this year. We ask for your continued financial support so we can limit the deficit for this year.

Salem Lutheran Church, Ephrata, invites you on a two-night bus trip to the Pittsburgh area on October 17-19, 2023. Highlights include the Flight 93 National Memorial, the Quecreek Mine Rescue site, guided driving tour of Pittsburgh, the Duquesne Incline, the National Aviary, Fallingwater, and more. Lunches included at the Grand Concourse Restaurant and the Historic Stone House Restaurant. Price is \$608. per person (double). Reservations are due September 13, 2023. For information call Stephanie Frymyer at 717-733-6057,

Servant Stage Comes to Ephrata

Does Gospel or Bluegrass music get your feet tapping, your head bobbing, and your hands clapping? Come on over to Bergstrasse Lutheran Church on Tuesday July 25 at 7:00 PM to experience live theater and music presented by Servant Stage. Here is a review of their current production,

Servant Stage's audience-favorite revue is returning to Lancaster this summer! I'll Fly Away features a live folk band, stunning vocalists, and beautiful renditions of some of the most famous and inspirational songs ever written! With toe-tapping arrangements of old-time favorites, classic hymns, and more, this original tribute to Gospel and Bluegrass music is sure to be a treat for the ears and a balm for the soul!

Bergstrasse Lutheran Church, located on the hill at the intersection of US 322 and US 222 in Ephrata, offers this opportunity for all ages. Servant Stage offers this production on a pay-what-you-will basis. Your donation, regardless of the amount, supports their mission to offer live entertainment to the people of Lancaster County.

Summer Camp

Thank you for your ongoing generosity in support of outdoor ministry through your giving to both the Lutheran Camping Corporation and the camper fund of Holy Trinity. Your generosity has once again made it possible to send three extremely excited youth to camp this summer at Camp Kirchenwald. The cost of one week at camp averages \$600 per camper, which for many families is cost prohibitive, especially if you are trying to send more than one camper. To help continue this important ministry, which changes young lives for the better, please consider giving once again as the Spirit moves you so we can continue to provide youth with the camp experience. To do so, you are invited to use one of the *Camp Fund* envelopes located on the table in the Gathering Area and either place it along with your donation in the offering plate or mail it to or bring it by the church office. Please write *Camper Fund* on the memo line of your check. Again, thank you for your faithful generosity!!



A sign-up sheet will be in the Gathering Area for musicians willing to offer special music during the prelude for our summer liturgies. Please sign-up.

July 23-29 Calendar

Sunday, July 23	
10:00am	Coffee Hour After Worship
Monday, July 24	
10:00am	Women's Prayer Group
6:30pm	Yoga
Tuesday, July 25	
6:00pm	God on Tap
Thursday, July 27	
7:00pm	Yoga
7:00pm	Thursday Worship
Friday, July 28	
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	
Saturday, July 29	
7:30am	Walking Group

[View This Month's Interactive Calendar Here](#)

July 23th Servers

Council: Christy Boos, Norm Wangman
Assisting Minister: John Fuehrer
Lector: Norm Wangman
Acolyte: Natale Mull
Ushers: Steve Sweigart, Carl Rentschler, Andy Sweigart
Altar Guild: Michelle Cable, Denise Shirker
Linen: Patrice Mull
Deliver Flower: Jo Hurst



Office Hours: July 24-28

We recommend you call the office prior to stopping in to ensure hours have not changed.
Office Phone: 717-733-4134 Pastor's Cell: 315-317-8517 Donna's Cell: 717-669-7831

Day	Sue	Pastor
Monday	8:00 AM - 4:00 PM	9:00 AM - 12:30 PM
Tuesday	8:00 AM - 4:00 PM	9:00 AM - 12:30 PM
Wednesday	8:00 AM - 2:00 PM	9:00 AM - 12:30 PM
Thursday	OFF	9:00 AM - 12:30 PM
Friday	OFF- church office closed	OFF



MAY I HAVE YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE! Ephrata Area Social Service is in need of food items this summer and we need to start stocking their shelves now. With financial hardship and rising food prices it is getting harder and harder for some of our local families to provide meals for themselves. Items needed –

- Beverage products (Kool-Aid, Crystal Light-Drink mixes, etc.)
- Canned fruits - sugar-free, Canned hearty soups
- Canned meats and pastas (spaghetti, spam, tuna, ravioli, etc.), Canned vegetables
- Condiments, Dish soap, Hamburger helper, Individual snack packs (chips, pretzels, crackers)
- Instant potatoes, Jelly, Laundry detergent, Oatmeal, Pancake mix and syrup, Paper towels
- Pasta - gluten free, Peanut Butter, Premixed Jell-O snacks, Spices

Gift cards to Giant, Redner's, or Weis to support fresh produce, meat, and dairy items.

This year our goal is to provide **60 full** boxes of food items this summer and we need your help! Please bring one or two items each week to help reach our goal. If everyone donates – *“many hands make light work”*. Let's help those in need in our community. The Social Ministry Committee thanks you for your continued support!

