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Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. John 6:68

ELM Update

Ephrata Lutheran Ministry (ELM), which is the shared ministry between Holy Trinity and Bergstrasse Lutheran Church that was birthed during the early stages of the pandemic, continues to meet and foster new ways for our two congregations to carry out ministry in the Ephrata area and beyond. Recently, we determined there are three logical and relevant areas of ministry for us to pursue together—social ministry, fellowship, and worship. We have already participated in each of these areas with positive results during the past two years. To better involve the laity of both congregations in spurring activity in these areas, six persons from each congregation are now serving in these three areas of ministry, two in each area. These are Rob Gilbert and Bob Snader (social ministry), Kathy Kuhns and Denise Shirker (fellowship), Deb Olson and Carlene Kerschner (worship). At a recent meeting of the worship group the idea of an informal outdoor campfire worship service was developed and is scheduled for Saturday, August 13 at 7:00 PM. It is early in the planning stages, so as the details become solidified, information will be shared with both congregations. We are hopeful this is a positive sign of future shared ministry activities in the future. Likewise, those events that are unique to each congregation are being shared, and you are encouraged to participate as the Spirit moves you to so and in support of each other's ministries. So much more can be achieved when we faithfully work together, melding the unique gifts of each congregation to bring God's love to the community and the world.

This Week At Holy Trinity: June 26-July 2

Sunday, June 26		
CHURCH	PICNIC	
10:30am	Worship & Congregation Picnic	
Monday, June 27		
10:00am	Women's Prayer Group	
6:30pm	Zoom Yoga	
Tuesday, June 28		
9:00am	Coffee Klatch	
6:00pm	God on Tap	
6:30pm	VBS Decorating Committee	
Thursday, June 30		
7:00pm	Zoom Yoga	
7:00pm	Thursday Worship	
Friday, July 1		
6:00pm	Friday Night Dinners	
Saturday, July 2		
7:30am	Walking Group	

View This Month's Calendar Here

Office Hours: June 27-July 1

We recommend you call the office prior to stopping in to ensure hours have not changed.

Day	Sue	Pastor
Monday	8AM - 4PM	9AM - 12:30PM
Tuesday	8AM - 4PM	9AM - 12:30PM
Wednesday	8AM - 4PM	9AM - 12:30PM
Thursday	Off	10:30AM - 12:30PM
Friday	8AM - 12PM	Off

More Info For You

I recently read the following: "The church is called to be faithful in sharing the gospel through word and deed." I was particularly struck by the idea of sharing the gospel "through . . . deed," and as I reflected how we, as Holy Trinity Lutheran

Church in Ephrata, share the gospel through deed, I realized how seriously we take this charge. The latest example is the congregation's response to send a child to church camp. The overwhelming response is allowing us to send THREE children to Camp Kirchenwald in July! Responses to food collections, Christmas gifts for children, Vacation Bible School, Trini Mini, Mazon, Love INC . . . and the list goes on . . . is amazing. It is so impressive to see our church respond to sharing the gospel through deed. As we move forward, we cannot stop or forget about what we're currently doing, and we must consider other deeds that allow us to share the gospel.

Pastor Mark recently met with the school social worker from Fulton Street School to determine what needs the children from the school face. The social worker shared that many children have very limited occasions to participate in any experiences beyond school and home. We would like to pull together a group of people to explore what, if anything, Holy Trinity might be able to do. At this point this would be only a brainstorming group. If you would be interested in sharing ideas, please email Pastor Mark at PrLuscombe@hotmail.com or John Weiss at jeweiss@hotmail.com.



SUMMER MUSIC OPPORTUNITIES

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.

Game Days, 1st Sunday of the month: 2 – 4 PM.
Table Games. Corn Hole.
Free Play in the Gym.
Families, Oldsters &
Youths
Youth in middle school and below must come with an adult.

Please join us for fun, food, and fellowship with **Friday Night Dinners**. The next one is planned to be held



Vacation Bible School July 25-28, 6:15-8:30pm. Monumental -Celebrating God's

Volunteers please signup on the sheet on the piano in the gathering area

Greatness

A simple meal will be offered at 5:30pm for families attending the program.

VBS Decorating Committee

Tuesday from 6:30-8:00PM in the Social Hall ***STAFF MEETING: All staff please attend one of these meetings.
Sunday, July 17 OR Sunday July 24- right after church service at 10:15.



Moyer Memorial Scholarship

The John H. Moyer and Erma R. Mover Scholarship Trust of the Evangelical Lutheran Church at the Holy Trinity has been established through a gift by their son, John R. Moyer, to honor his parents and perpetuate the family's belief in the importance of higher education. The Trust provides for a oneyear scholarship of \$1,000 to be awarded annually to an active member of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. Applications and details can be obtained from the Church office. Completed applications and transcripts must be

Friday, July 1 at 6PM.
The sign up will be available in the gathering area. All are welcome, singles, couples, & friends, for this event, with every first Friday of the month thereafter. A sign-up sheet with more information will be available in the back of the church. Please come out and support this fellowship.

Thank you to all who came out to help mulch! 6 scoops of mulch was spread around the building in just 2 hours thanks to all the volunteers!



returned to the Church office no later than **July** 15.

THE ADULT (all adults are welcome) LUNCH BUNCH will be going to Willow Street Diner on July 10. Reservations can be made by calling Cheryl Plummer at 717-625-3187 by July 9.

We are looking for volunteers to run the Coffee Hour after the service for July and August. If you are able to help please contact Michelle Cable or sign up in Gathering Area.



God on Tap Tuesday, June 28, at Nonna Rosa Italian Restaurant in Akron, 6:00 if you plan to eat, 7:00 if you want to join the conversation. Email

bergluth@dejazzd.com or call 717-733-7808 by Sunday, June 26 if you plan to attend. Topic: After several months of getting to know someone, they ask you this question, "Why or why not do you think Christianity is relevant to your life?" IF you were to bring up God, what would you say about God from your experience?

Prayers for Summer Camp:

We pray for the ministry of the Lutheran Camping Corporation. As the summer season begins, send your spirit to create cultures of acceptance and faithfulness at Camps Kirchenwald and Nawakwa. May the children and adults who participate in this ministry be encouraged and strengthened in their faithfulness. We pray that they may return to their homes and congregations with a greater sense of Your boundless love for all creation, and a renewed eagerness to serve You.

Find more Summer Camp Prayers you can use in your congregation here: https://www.lutherancamping.org/campperson/PrayersForCamp.pdf
Still Time to Register

There is still time to register for Summer Camp! Kids, families, adults...something for everyone! Don't miss out and REGISTER TODAY!

https://www.lutherancamping.org/summer-camp/



Looking for more information not included in this week's newsletter?

Be sure to checkout our website!

Thanks for reading! Have a great week ahead!







