



HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH



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June 2024 Issue 1

Alleluia. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; God's glory fills the whole earth. Alleluia. Isa. 6:3

June Stewardship Special:

ELCA World Hunger

More than 820 million people - that's about 11 percent of people in our world today - are hungry.

As members of the ELCA, we are called to respond. We are a church that rolls up our sleeves and gets to work.

Working with and through our [congregations](#), in the United States, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands Lutheran churches overseas and other partners, **ELCA World Hunger** is uniquely positioned to reach communities in need. From health clinics to microloans, water wells to animal husbandry, community meals to advocacy, your gifts to ELCA World Hunger make it possible for the ELCA to respond, supporting sustainable solutions that get at the root causes of hunger and poverty.

Hunger facts

- 821 million people around the world - that's more than 1 in 10 - can't access the food they need to live active, healthy lives.
- According to the most recent estimates, 736 million people live in extreme poverty on less than \$1.90 per day. That's 10% of the world's population.
- At some point in 2017 (the most recent year available), more than 40 million people in the United States were unsure where their next meal might come from.
- 39.7 million Americans were living in poverty in 2017. For a family of four, this means their annual household income was below \$25,094.

It's church picnic time! JUNE 16

Our picnic will be at 12:00 noon at the Ephrata Township Park pavilion. 426 East Fulton St.

Our church service will be at 9:00 in our own Holy Trinity sanctuary!

Please sign up in the gathering area. We would appreciate knowing how many people will be attending. A sign up for donations of items will also be available. Please join us for food, fun, and of course, good fellowship!



Celebration of Pastor Mark's Ordination Anniversary

In June, Pastor Mark commemorates 20 years of ordination as a pastor in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. During the worship service Sunday, June 9, the congregation will observe this milestone. Following the worship service, there will be a reception in the Gathering Area. Please join us June 9 to celebrate with Pastor Mark.

The Property Committee continues to maintain the church facilities.

We are in the process of:

1. Repair of several roof leaks that have come up. Plan to be repaired in fall of this year.
2. Adding cameras as required to monitor the parking lot as we have had some negative activity the past months.
3. The electronic sign is over 11 years old and parts are no longer available to repair the sign should we have a problem. We are taking a pro-active approach and will be investigating options for replacing the sign and or other alternatives.
4. Continuing teams to clean the church. (Any volunteers are welcome to serve on a team or provide help as needed)
5. Property maintenance with grounds cleanup, flower bed (weed) maintenance, etc.
6. We currently will need approximately 7,000 gallons of oil for the coming winter season.

Thanks to all our members who help with the Property Committee goals.



THE ADULT (all adults are welcome) LUNCH BUNCH will be going to The Brickerville House after the liturgy on June 9. We'll meet downstairs immediately after the liturgy. All are welcome. Plan to join us! Please call Cheryl Plummer at 625-3187 to reserve your place!

At 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 9th, the Lower Susquehanna Synod Disaster Response Crew will be gathering in the Community Room at Luther Acres to tell the stories from our 24th disaster response mission trip. We are inviting you and your congregation to come out and see our pictures and hear our stories and allow us to thank you for supporting our efforts in helping to rebuild the Ft. Myers area following Hurricane Ian.

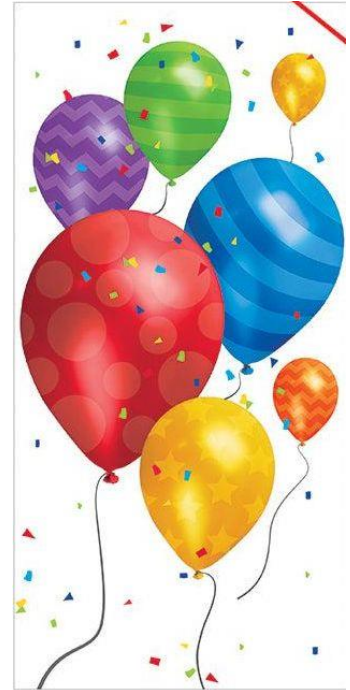
Happy Birthday

To the members of Holy Trinity who are 70 years and older and celebrating a birthday this month.

June

4 - Elaine Sernoffsky
6 - Doris Randall
6 - Cheryl Plummer
7- Phyllis Doughty
9 - Dave Bowers
10 - Donna Dinger
10 - Terry Gehman
11- Betty Albright
11- Bynrece Shreiner
11 - Barbara Hammaker
15 - Myrtle Lausch
17 - Mike Sernoffsky
24 - Peggy Wenzel

SEND THEM A BIRTHDAY CARD OR CALL THEM WITH YOUR GREETING. WE PRAY GOD GRANTS THEM MANY MORE YEARS IN THEIR PILGRIMAGE.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS

COMING! Children who have completed Kindergarten through Grade 5 are invited to join us for Bible-Learning experiences, songs, team-building games and more!

**Monday, July 15- Thursday July 18.
6:00 PM- 8:00 PM.**



Notes of **THANKS**

I wanted to thank the persons who were responsible for organizing the tea last Sunday. I had a very nice time and appreciated all the efforts put forth to present such a wonderful, beautiful time of fellowship. Thank you to all of you!

Blessings,
Charlann Brubaker

Child Protection Policy Review

Pastor Mark will be leading a review of the congregation's new Child Protection Policy following the 9:00 AM worship service on June 2. If you missed the policy review held in February and plan to work with or around children at Holy Trinity, please plan to be present for this review. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the

Gathering Area to let Pastor Mark know if you are attending, or you may speak to him directly. This review should not last more than an hour.

MOYER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

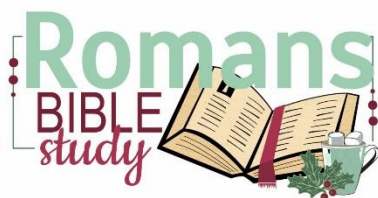
The John H. Moyer and Erma R. Moyer Scholarship Trust of The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity has been established through a gift by their son, John R. Moyer, to honor his parents and perpetuate the family's belief in the importance of higher education.

The Trust provides for a one-year scholarship of \$1,000.00 to be awarded annually to an active member of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. As the investment grows, the Finance Committee can recommend to the Congregational Council increasing the amount. The Finance Committee will notify the Congregation Council in June each year of the amount available to be awarded so the Council can determine the number of scholarships that can be offered.

Applications and detailed Scholarship selection information can be obtained from the Church office. Completed applications and transcripts must be returned to the Church office no later than July 15. Congregation Council will approve all applicable scholarship applications. Scholarship checks will be produced and presented to each approved applicant in September.

Summer Music

Our congregation is blessed with talented musicians! Please share your gift and sign-up to offer music during the summer on the sheet provided in the Gathering Area.



New Bible Exploration

Continuing on Tuesdays you are invited to join in a study of the book of *Romans*. The study will take place each Tuesday morning from 11:00 AM to roughly 12:00 PM. "In his *Preface to Romans* Martin Luther writes, 'this epistle is really the chief part of the New Testament, and is truly the purest gospel...It is a bright light, almost sufficient to illuminate the entire Holy Scriptures'" (*Martin Luther's Basic Theological Writings*, second ed., Fortress, 2005 pp. 98-99). *Romans* is also the most challenging of the Pauline epistles and will likely provide those participating with significant, in-depth discussion and new ideas to chew on as we wade through it and learn and grow together in our faith lives and our relationships with God and our Lord. There will be sign-up sheet in the Gathering Area for those who are interested in participating.



Strawberry Festival:

Saturday, June 1, 11AM- 1 PM
Luther Acres, 600 E Main St. Lititz.
\$7.00: Strawberries, Shortcake, Ice Cream, Whipped Cream
\$5.00: Hot Dog, Chips, Drink
+ Raffle- must be present to win strawberry themed items.

Proceeds benefit the charitable activities of the Luther Acres Residents' Council

Salem Lutheran Church invites you to join us at Dutch Apple Dinner Theater on Sunday, September 8, 2024 for: *Jersey Boys- a musical about Frankie Valli.* 5:30 -Buffet Dinner, 7:00- Show. You must provide your own transportation. Show includes some adult language. Cost: Adult- \$72, Students, age 13-18- \$34, Students, age 3-12- \$29. Reply by August 8. Send your check made payable to: Salem Lutheran Church office, 1331 W Main St. Ephrata, PA 17522.

Please use this link for the registration sheet:

<https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0?ui=2&ik=c00cbe78c2&attid=0.1&permmsgid=msg-f:1792608596884759021&th=18e0a0056ea0a1ed&view=att&disp=inline>

June 2-8 Calendar

Sunday, June 2	
9:00am	Worship
10:00am	Coffee Hour After Worship
Monday, June 3	
10:00am	Women's Prayer Group
6:30pm	Yoga
7:00pm	Evangelism
Tuesday, June 4	
8:00am	Pickleball
11:00am	Bible Study
7:00pm	Fellowship Committee Meeting
Thursday, June 6	
7:00pm	Property Committee
7:00pm	Yoga
7:00pm	Thursday Worship
Friday, June 7	
6:30pm	Friday Night Dinners
Saturday, June 8	
7:30am	Walking Group

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June 2nd Servers:

Council Team: Barry Kreider, John Weiss
Assisting Minister: Ed Quirke
Lector: Lisa Garrett
Acolytes:
Ushers: Steve Sweigart, Carl Rentschler, Andy Sweigart
Altar Guild: Denise Shirker, Kelly Homan, Ann & Bob Snader
Linens: Patricia Fassnacht
Flowers: Jo Hurst



Office Hours June 3-7, 2024

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
Office email: officeholyltrinity@ephratalutheran.org

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-4:00 PM	9:00 AM-12:30 PM
Thursday	8:00 AM-4:00 PM	9:00 AM-12:30 PM
Friday	OFF	OFF

Make Your Regular Offering Electronically

On the Holy Trinity website (www.holytrinityephrata.org), a tab on the menu bar called "Online Giving" will take you to a secure web site for you to give. You can also give your Regular Offering, your Special Appeal donation, your building fund, or your Homes of Hope fund donation by using your Smart Phone and following the QR code.



Thanks for reading! Have a great week ahead!

