



HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH



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*Alleluia. A great prophet has risen among us!
God has looked favorably on us! Alleluia. Luke 7:16*

Gather On The Hill

In partnership with Ephrata Area Social Services (EASS), Bergstrasse Lutheran Church has begun a new program for area senior citizens called Gather On The Hill. It takes place on the first Tuesday of each month at the church (9 Hahnstown Rd., Ephrata) from 11:30 – 2:00 PM. Each gathering includes games and other fellowship activities. The event is free to the public, and lunch is provided at no cost. Need a ride? EASS provides free transportation for those who are interested. Please call EASS at (717) 733-0345 to RSVP no later than the Friday prior. To arrange for transportation, please dial ext. 112. See you on the hill!

Stewardship Special Giving for JULY: Ephrata Area Social Services

Neighbors Helping Neighbors:

Started in 1971 by a group of local churches, Ephrata Area Social Services was formed with a commitment to the ideal of "Neighbors Helping Neighbors." The Planning Committee, in October of 1970 challenged the community with a dream to become a "community of the concerned." To recognize that "in the midst of a flourishing economy, there are those in need who are all but forgotten to their community." It is with those inspirations that EASS has grown to be a diverse provider of services capable of meeting an ever increasing demand from neighbors in need.

EASS is a non-profit organization serving the Ephrata and Cocalico Regions of Northern Lancaster County. The criterion for eligibility is the expression of a legitimate need for help. EASS receives its support from the community. Donations come from churches, civic organizations, private individuals, businesses and local foundations. EASS receives no public funds...

Ephrata Area Social Services, a tradition of reliability, providing services to those in need living in the Ephrata and Cocalico region.

Mission Statement

The mission of Ephrata Area Social Services is to effectively channel community resources into a network of support for neighbors in need of human resources.

Bible Study - Summer 2024

Michael Williams will lead four one-hour sessions this summer. They will be held in the Conference Room on Tuesdays at 11:00am. These meetings will provide an overview of several of Paul's letters to various churches. They are offered so that we can stay in touch throughout the summer. Everyone is welcome.

Dates and subjects:

August 6 – Finish Corinthians; begin Galatians

August 13 – Finish Galatians



Notes of **THANKS**

Dear Holy Trinity Family,

This note is to thank you for your prayers, cards, and caring at the loss of my dad.

It meant so much to us.

Sincerely,

Earl and Donna Dinger

Heartfelt thanks to Pastor Mark and Donna Nace for my mother's beautiful memorial service; it was as near to perfection as it could have possibly been. Also, my deep appreciation for the sympathy and assistance I was granted during this time of transition. And of course, thanks to the members of Trinity for the many messages of sympathy on my mother's passing-so very much appreciated. We will all be together some day- our Lord has assured us we will never be alone. We are all so very blessed! Thank you again, Sincerely, Vicki (Long) Strock and family on the passing of mother, Grace Long

Help Wanted -- Lutheran camping organization

I'm sending this message out in wide broadcast fashion, asking for your help. Please feel free to pass it along so that it can reach even more friends of Nawakwa who may be able to assist or share this request further.

We are seeking help at camp in two areas. First, we need someone to cover the camp health officer role during the weeks of July 14 - 19 and July 28 - August 2. This role is typically filled by a nurse, but it could also be handled by an EMT or other healthcare professionals. Even someone with First Aid, CPR, and AED certifications would be suitable.

Secondly, we are looking for assistance in the kitchen, especially next week (July 7 - 12) and again during the week of July 28 - August 2. This could be someone we hire for the remainder of the summer or week-long volunteers. Duties include general kitchen work such as meal prep and clean-up, dishwashing, sweeping, floor mopping, and other related tasks.

Please let me know if you have any leads and feel free to pass this along to those who might be able to help or know someone who can.

Thank you,

Mike Youse, Executive Director myouse@lutherancamping.org

717-677-8211

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 **50 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!

THE ADULT (all adults are welcome) LUNCH BUNCH will be going to The Pancake Farm after the liturgy on August 4. 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!



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.



July 28- August 3 Calendar

| Sunday, July 28 | |
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| 9:00am | Worship |
| 10:00am | Coffee Hour After Worship |
| Monday, July 29 | |
| 10:00am | Women's Prayer Group |
| 6:30pm | Yoga |
| Tuesday, July 30 | |
| 8:00am | Pickleball |
| Thursday, August 1 | |
| 7:00pm | Property Committee |
| 7:00pm | Yoga |
| 7:00pm | Thursday Worship |
| Saturday, August 3 | |
| 7:30am | Walking Group |

The fourth Tuesday morning Coffee Klatch will not be held over the summer. The next time it will meet will be in October.

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

July 28th Servers:

Council Team: Ed Quirke, Bill Spitzer

Assisting Minister: John Fuehrer

Lector: Lori Spitzer

Acolytes: Anya Gilbert

Ushers: Peggy Dean, Ed Quirke

Altar Guild: Barb & Steve Sweigart, Andy Sweigart

Linens: Patty Fassnacht

Flowers: Jo Hurst



Office Hours July 29-August 2, 2024

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

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| Day | Sue | Pastor |
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| 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 |

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

Make Your Regular Offering Electronically

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