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July 2025 Issue 2

*Alleluia. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,
and your neighbor as yourself. Alleluia. Luke 10:27*

SPECIAL METING TO DISCUSS ELEVATOR REPAIR AND UPGRADE

There will be a special congregational meeting on **Sunday, August 3**, immediately following worship to discuss and make decisions regarding the necessary repairs to the elevator and upgrade it, so that it will reliably serve our present and growing needs as well as that of all persons who visit and utilize our building. This meeting may include a motion to use the special benevolence fund to support this effort and discussions regarding strategic ways to fund the project. Please be in prayer around these important decisions and come prepared to discuss creative and faithful ways to fund these needed repairs and upgrades.

United Lutheran Seminary—July Stewardship Focus

Andrea Oslikova, Senior Director of Major Gifts and Engagement & Co-Director of Worship Life, will be our guest at our worship service on Sunday, July 20 to offer a temple talk and answer questions about United Lutheran Seminary (ULS) and its important ministry. Our ELCA seminaries faithfully provide quality theological education that prepares those feeling called to serve God's church as ordained rostered leaders. As the church, we are called to offer our generous support to ULS and the seminaries of the ELCA, while prayerfully identifying potential candidates who feel called to serve the church in its varied expressions of ministry. Please consider giving generously, as the Spirit moves you, in support of our partnership with the seminary and its critical mission.



Notes of **THANKS**

Dear Siblings in Christ at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church:

Thank you for your recent gift of \$7,000 designated for unrestricted, capital projects use. As we celebrate Christ's victory over death and the new life that he gives us, we celebrate the summer camping season with appreciation for devoted and supportive friends such as you. Thanks you so much for your generosity. (entire letter can be read on the bulletin board).

May the peace that transcends time and place be with you.

Yours in Christ, Michael Youse, Executive Director

Weekly Faith Conversations

Please join in weekly faith conversations on Tuesday mornings at 11:00 AM at Holy Trinity. Those gathered in the Conference Room will use Pastor Karen Minnich-Sadler's book, *Spiritual Reflections for the Human Journey*, as a guide for reflection and conversation around areas of our faith lives that we share as we accompany one another on our journey of faithful discipleship.

Concert to benefit Ephrata Area Social Services: July 27, 2025 at 4PM at Mellinger's Lutheran Church, 80 Gockley Rd. Stevens, PA. Admission is free. The concert is by AHAVA. Please bring a non-perishable food or toiletry item for the EASS pantry. Social Ministry will provide a picnic-style supper following the concert. A free-will offering will be collected for EASS and to support the picnic-style supper.



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, Peanut Butter Laundry detergent, Oatmeal, Pancake mix and syrup, Paper towels, Pasta - gluten free 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!

HOLY TRINITY HAS A NEW FACEBOOK PAGE!!

Please follow this link to the new page:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61563831542098&mibextid=LQQJ4d>

July 13-18 Calendar

13 JUL, SUN

● PENTECOST 5

- 9am Worship
- 10am Coffee Hour After Worship
- 11am Lunch Bunch

14 JUL, MON

- 10am Women's prayer group
- 6:30pm Evangelism ZOOM
- 6:30pm Yoga

15 JUL, TUE

- 11am Faith Conversations
- 6pm Pickleball

16 JUL, WED

- 12pm Luther Lunch Ladies

17 JUL, THU

- 7pm Thursday Worship

19 JUL, SAT

- 7:30am Walking Group

20 JUL, SUN

● PENTECOST 6

- 9am Worship
- 10am Coffee Hour After Worship

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

July 13th Servers:

Council Team: Barry Kreider, Lisa Garrett

Assisting Minister: Ed Quirke

Lector: Mike Sernoffsky

Acolytes: Lillian Doughty

Ushers: John Fuehrer, Candy Snyder, Mark Mull,
Whip Zimmerman

Altar Guild: Barb & Steve Sweigart, Andy Sweigart

Linens: Patricia Fassnacht

Flowers: Winnie Gerlach



Office Hours July 14-18, 2025

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

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Day	Sue	Pastor
Monday	OFF	9:00 AM-12:30 PM
Tuesday	OFF	9:00 AM-12:30 PM
Wednesday	OFF	9:00 AM-12:30 PM
Thursday	OFF	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!