HOLY TRINITY

Evangelical Lutheran Church ECHOES NEWSLETTER

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Pastor

The Rev. Dr. Maurice Y. Lee

Staff

Mrs. Jacqueline Smith, *B. Mus. M. Mus., Director of Music*Mrs. Deborah Mumford, *Office Administrator*

Worship Services

Saturday at 5 p.m. Sunday at 9 a.m. (also live-streamed) Sunday Church School at 10:30 a.m.

Holy Communion

Saturday evening, Sunday morning & Festival Days

Deadline for submission of material for the Echoes Newsletter is 9 a.m. on the 15th of each month.

From the Pastor:

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

This month we'll make the transition, again, from saying the Nicene Creed in our main worship service to saying the Apostles' Creed. (I've been asked a few times why and when we go from one to the other. I usually respond with some form of the explanation given by Philip H. Pfatteicher in his *Manual on the Liturgy*: "The *Lutheran Book of Worship* establishes the Nicene Creed as the more solemn or festive creed and permits the Apostles' Creed on Sundays for which the color is green.")

That we say a creed at all — an ancient creed, one that did not originate with Lutherans, or in English, or in any modern time and culture — is quite remarkable, as is the formula, preceding our recitation, that implies that the creed represents a, not only local, but global, commonality of Christian faith. (The formula varies. I usually say something like: "Let us confess our faith in the words of..."; but there are other possibilities, like "Let us affirm together the faith we share," and so on.)

In an informative little book, Christian philosopher Phillip Cary (author of an important earlier work on Lutheranism, *The Meaning of Protestant Theology*) recently wrote:

"The Nicene Creed has come to be accepted as *the* ecumenical Creed, the confession of the faith of the whole *ecumene*, and is incorporated into the regular worship of the vast majority of Christians around the globe, including Eastern Orthodox, Roman Catholics, and most Protestants who use a regular liturgy" (*The Nicene Creed: An Introduction* [Lexham Press, 2023], 7).

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Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

Mission Statement

We proclaim the
Gospel of Jesus Christ,
worshipping,
making disciples and
serving in his name.



The Altar Flowers have been presented to the Glory of God by the people of Holy Trinity. Altar Flowers must be ordered no later than the Tuesday afternoon preceding the Sunday they are presented. They may be ordered through the Church Office (215-659-2642). You may pay by placing \$20.00 in a small white pew envelope checked, "Altar Flowers." If you know it, indicate your envelope number.

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I am by no means insinuating that churches and congregations which don't recite the Apostles' Creed or the Nicene Creed in worship are somehow less proper, less orthodox, or less Christian. That's not the case. (I grew up in a church like that!) However, I think that there's a strong positive argument to be made for including — and let's lift up the strongest term possible, *confessing* — the creed, in one of its common forms, every week. One of my favorite Lutheran theologians, Wolfhart Pannenberg (1928–2014), put it like this:

"Christian confession always has the character of personal involvement for Jesus and for the God revealed in him. It is not primarily a matter of adopting a doctrine. The point is taking sides for Jesus" (*Systematic Theology* [Eerdmans, 1988–1993], 3: 114–115).

To confess the creed, the Christian creed, together, is to take a side, to be a partisan, to fly a flag — a flag which we did not choose for ourselves, but which, like all battle colors, shows by whom our whole life, and indeed our death, has been claimed, without remainder and without compromise. Worship, the thing for which we were most fundamentally made as human beings, is in this age spiritual warfare, and the creed is our declaration of whose army we belong to.

There are aspects of the gospel that our creeds don't include. (I've had discussions about this too.) Our creeds are not meant to be the Wikipedia of our faith and obedience. They're not *all* we need. But they do say: "This is the God who created us, who saves us, and who will bring us to his eternal kingdom in Christ." The glory goes to him alone.

Believing the true God with you, Pastor Maurice





Prayer cards are available in a basket on the Altar in the Chapel of the Good Shepherd. Fill out your prayer requests and members of the Healing Prayer Ministry will pray for your needs. If you leave your contact information a team member will contact you.

Women's **Prayer Group**

The Holy Trinity Women's Prayer Group **Meets 2nd Monday**

of each month. at **7:00 p.m.**

Contact Rosemary @

Rosemaryhinkle@comcast.net

for more information.

All women are welcome to join. For the sick and the grieving.

2023 Schedule June 12

"All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers."

Acts 1:14

Prayer List

One of the beautiful aspects of Christian Fellowship is that we can share one another's concerns through prayer. Please pray for the following:

Please pray for the following individuals & their families: (we cannot add last names or initials) Adam, Alexis, Allan, Allyson, Amanda, Amy, Antonette, April, Arthur, Audrey, Barb, Beth, Bob, Bruce, Caliq, Carly, Carol, Cathy, Christopher, Cindy, Cody, Colin, Colleen, Dallas, Dan, David, Deana, Derek, Diane, Dolores, Dottie, Doug, Ed, Edie, Ekaterina, Elena, Emersyn, Eric, Erica, Festo, Frank, Gabe, Gail, Gavin, George, Gilbert, Greg, Ian, Igor, Iolanta, Ivan, Jason, Jeff, Jennifer, Jerry, Jesse, Jill, Jim, Joan, Joanne, John, Julia, Julie, Kate, Katherin, Kathy, Kelly, Kristopher, Larry, Laura, Leonida, Leslee, Levi, Linda, Logan, Lorraine, Luke, Maggie, Margot, Marlene, Maryjane, Matthew, Megan, Micah, Michael, Mikhail, Mya, Nikki, Ozzie, Paul, Paula, Phil, Prisca, Randy, Raymond, Renée, Rhonda, Rick, Roger, Roman, Rudi, Ruth, Ryan, Sandra, Shannon, Sharon, Shem, Sophia, Stephen, Todd, Tom, Troy, Trudy, Tyler, Steve, Valentina, Vicki, Walter, Wanda, Willow, Zack.

All of the families of Holy Trinity, together with those they love and pray for; especially we pray for: Ambrose, Barnes, Bertsch, Bradley, Britton, Concepcion, Custer, Darreff, Dobbins, Eisenmann, Ganther, Gregg, Hamilton, Hamlin, Hendrickson, Huddleston, Klass, Lacy, LaGrossa, Lee, Lewis, Lockhart, Lynch, Maieron, Matteo, Meade, Neavil, Novak, Panzo, Powell, Puhl, Schauder, Schenck, Singley, Staedtler, Steinhofer, Sterner, Tolton, Trickel, Werner, Witwer, Wright, Zbinden.

Please pray for the following petitions:

That God would bless and protect all members of Holy Trinity, together with those they love and pray for. That God would guide each of us to grow in grace and that He would please send workers into the Harvest. For all who are chronically ill and/or shut-in. For all who are fighting addiction to drugs and alcohol.

For those who are struggling with cancer of any kind.

For all congregations of the NALC.

For all travelers and for the dying.

For the military and their families.

For all Native Americans living on U.S. reservations.

For refugees and immigrants.

The unemployed, the underemployed & the uninsured, especially those in our own families.

All Caregivers, rescue workers, doctors, nurses, firefighters, EMTs,

For the members of the Mekane Yesus Lutheran Church in Ethiopia, and for the Nifas Silk Congregation.

For our sister congregations: Nifas Silk in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia and First Lutheran in Kirkland Illinois.

For all Christians who are being persecuted for the faith throughout the world.

For the victims of rains, wildfires, earthquakes, hurricanes; for favorable weather & an abundance of crops.

For all in financial difficulty that they may be totally restored.

For those suffering from racial injustice, bigotry, and oppression in our nation and in the world.

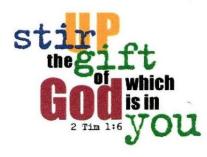
For the people of Ukraine.

For peace in the world and shootings to stop in our cities.

For a peaceful political atmosphere.



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As a way of offering insight and enlightenment we present to you - a monthly column on the many areas of service that God may be tugging on your heartstrings to jump in and become a participant -- even if for just one event or annual activity.

We are all God's handiwork and in him we move and have our very being. Offer the sacrifice of your time and talents to serve others and through that service give glory to God.

Upcoming Events:

May through to September: This is a busy gardening time and our Memorial Garden is always in need of tending. Got a green thumb? Calling all Gardeners, contact Nancy King-Berkovitz to dig in and help nckb520@verizon.net

June 3: We will be holding a breakfast to learn more about the work of **Christ's Home** in Warminster. This Christian Charity is home to many children in need and we hold several fundraisers to help. Contact Rosemary Hinkle **arhinkle@comcast.net** if you feel called to lend a hand.

June 4: Church Picnic/Cornhole Competition Annual picnic immediately after service. Bring your favorite side dish! Sign-up sheet will be in the narthex.

June 11: Commissioning of Stephen Ministers at the worship service. This is our first team of Stephen Ministers (but certainly not our last) to go through the training. We are excited to begin serving any who are experiencing a time of crisis or simply need someone to talk to. If you are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister or would like to have a Stephen Minister, contact Deb at secretary@holytrinity.net

June 11: LCW Spring Program and General Meeting at 11:45 a.m. "Best Dressed Ladies" hosted by Ingrid Reinhert who will be discussing and displaying her impressive collection of antique jewelry.

June 17: Narnia book reading with food 1 p.m. Parents, grandparents and children of all ages are invited to share in this wonderful tale read aloud with sumptuous treats to eat!

June 22: Holy Trinity will be manning a table at the Abington Community Task Force Fair and Forum from 6 - 7 p.m. Come out and help represent our church family to our local community.

June through September: Bread of Heaven Food Pantry which operates one day a week usually sees an increase in need as schools are closed that might otherwise provide a free lunch.

If you have time to shop or can volunteer Thursday mornings 10 - Noon contact Benet Donnelly benetpd@gmail.com

July 14: Red Cross Blood Drive. Our Social Ministry committee is always looking for volunteers to donate blood and/or if you feel so called to volunteer to help contact Marilynn Murphy MVetal4@verizon.net

July 31: Vacation Bible School week. Held annually Mon. through Fri. 9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. We are always looking for volunteers to fill the many positions it takes to run a fun and successful VBS! Contact Nancy Ischinger nancymaeisch@yahoo.com to learn more.

July 31: Evening 5 - 9 p.m. Holy Trinity has a table at the **Abington Pre-night Out** event promoting activities, churches and other organizations and civic opportunities in the Abington area. We give away Bibles, water, and candy as we spread God's love through his Word and our worship. Come out and join us in front of the table or behind it! Contact Tom Schied **schiedtom463@gmail.com** for more info.

August 5: And they're off! The race begins at 8 a.m. Sign up to run/walk, grab some sponsors or simply come out to volunteer, this is the place to be! Our 7th Annual Water Mission 5K Run/
2.5 mile walk. Every year this event has grown in participation and enthusiasm! Raising money to provide fresh drinking water to impoverished communities and sharing the love of Christ with a thirsty world! Enjoy free soft pretzels and water ice. Contact Tom Schied schiedtom463@gmail.com for more info.

Coveted spots open for service in worship: Summer brings vacations and openings to help as:

Ushers- Be the first smiling face that a visitor sees, greeting people with the love of God and a bulletin. Interested? Contact Phil Diener weather-or-not@comcast.net

Acolytes Lighting the candles and helping with Communion are important parts of worship, contact Charlie Tolton ctolton@comcast.net

Crucifers The Cross is central to our worship and identity as followers of Christ. If you would like to be trained as a crucifer contact Charlie Tolton ctolton@comcast.net

Lectors We can always use more volunteers to read God's Word contact Nancy Necker nnecker52@gmail.com to sign up.

Presenters of Gifts We are bringing this ministry back this summer contact secretary@holytrinity.net if you would like to be a part of bringing the gifts up to the altar for Communion.

Stream Team Live-streaming provides a lifeline to those who desire to worship but cannot come in-person. Free on-site training, contact Charlie Tolton ctolton@comcast.net

In Christ, Your Stewardship Team



SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP IS AVAILABLE LIVE ON YOUTUBE (thehtlconline) OR OUR WEBSITE HOLYTRINITY.NET JOIN US AT 9 AM ON SUNDAYS

Treasurer's Report

April 30, 2023 (For the Year 2023)

	Holy Trinity Ministries	Wider Church
Year to date received for current income	\$ 150,112.16	\$ 29,557.30
Carry over from 2022	(\$7,077.02)	\$ 42,122.25
Expenses paid to date	\$ 143,179.84	\$ 32,596.83
Surplus/(Deficit)2023	(\$144.70)	\$ 39,082.72

Luther Quotes:

"Peace if possible; truth at all costs."

"You should not believe your conscience and your feelings more than the Word which the Lord who receives sinners preaches to you."

"We need to hear the Gospel every day because we forget it every day."

"Nothing good ever comes of violence."

"You are not only responsible for what you say, but also for what you do not say."

Support Us

Please consider a gift of appreciated securities to Holy Trinity as you do your tax planning for this year. You may direct questions about how to do this to Alan Hinkle @ alanhinkle@comcast.net

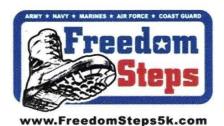
Keep in your prayers the following individuals serving in the armed forces:

Christopher Biehl
Michael Boerner
Conor Gowton
Shaun Hall
Eric Henderson
C.J. Hess
Nathan Quinlan
Vikas Shah
Jonathan Skilton, MD
Jeremy Zar

Please remember your Church in your will.



NOTE OF THANKS



PO Box 118 Willow Grove PA 19090

May 2023

On behalf of the Freedom Steps committee and volunteers, we would like to thank you for your sponsorship of the 2023 Freedom Steps' 5K. Without local support from businesses such as yours, we would never be able to fulfill the mission of our organization. We strive to support our service members in any way we can, those both deployed at home and abroad. Your support is integral to that mission and is greatly appreciated. Below is a reminder of the level of sponsorship you provided.

Sponsorship: Brigade

We were thrilled to return to Masons Mill Park for this year's 5k and we had wonderful weather for the entire event. Members from the community joined together to celebrate the 15th anniversary of this organization and also remember those servicemembers, veterans, family, and friends, who are no longer with us. Our mission has hit some roadblocks over the last couple years due to the restrictions in place due to the pandemic, however, we were still able to ship over 50 deployed service men and women. Each of our contacts were thrilled with their packages and so were their fellow troops.

Over the last 15 years, we have shipped over 1,000 boxes around the world, each of which has enough supplies for approximately ten people. Your sponsorship not only helps with expenses from the 5k but even more importantly, your sponsorship helps purchase the supplies for the troops as well as cover the cost of mailing all these boxes. We couldn't do it without you!

Enclosed you will find an Event Program where we listed your business as a contributor to our event. In addition, we are giving you a complimentary T-shirt from this year's event. We hope that you will continue to support our organization in the future, and we once again thank you for your current support not only of Freedom Steps but also of our troops. Freedom Steps 5k is an official 501c3 non-profit organization and your donation is tax-deductible.

To stay updated on Freedom Steps' happenings "Like" us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/FreedomSteps or "Follow" us on Instagram at @FreedomSteps5k.

Respectfully,

The Freedom Steps Committee



Sunday, June 4th

following the worship service, for Holy Trinity's annual church picnic.

Come out and meet new members and catch up with those you haven't seen in a while. Hamburgers and Hot Dogs will be provided. Families are encouraged to bring a side dish to share.

Once again we will be having our 2nd Annual Cornhole competition,

so grab a partner and sign-up to compete.



New this year will be a church pie / cake raffle. Donations of cakes and pies (baked by our wonderful church members) will be raffled off and all proceeds will be donated to the Bread of Heaven Food Pantry. You will purchase raffle tickets (1 ticket is \$2.00 or 3 tickets for \$5.00) and place your ticket(s) by the cake or pie you want to win. Winning tickets will be drawn after the cornhole competition and hopefully you go home with a delicious cake or pie (and maybe a cornhole trophy!!)

A Sign-up sheet is in the Narthex for:

- Attendance & Side Dish
- Donations of a cake or pie
- Cornhole competition



Malcolm (Mac) Mosley

1537 Edgehill Road Abington, PA 19001 267 - 496 - 4217

Congratulations on the Baptism of Chase Christopher Traylor Sunday, May 28, 2023

Son of Sara Rothermel & Christopher Traylor Grandson of Barbara Rothermel

> Through water and the word you have become a child of God and are sealed as Christ's own forever.





Holy Trinity is hosting a blood drive On Friday, July 14, 2023

1:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Did you know...

That every 2 seconds, someone in the US needs blood

That every unit donated can save up to three lives

That type O blood is the blood that hospitals request most

That 16-year-olds can donate blood with their parent's permission

That you can donate blood every 56 days

If you are able and willing to donate please call Karen McGovern at 267-968-5485 for an appointment.



Unofficially **SUMMER HAS ARRIVED!**

There is a great need at Sarnelli House for gently used warm weather clothing -



Shorts, tee-shirts, sneakers, sandals & hats.

New men's and women's underwear is an urgent and on-going need.

Thank you for your continued consideration of this vital ministry.



Do you know of any graduating seniors that should be on our list for 2023 (high school, college, graduate school)

email Deb at **secretary@holytrinity.net** so we can be sure to include their names and info in our upcoming July/August Echoes.

Christ's Home

Caring. Compassion. Community.

Saturday, June 3, at 9 AM for Breakfast

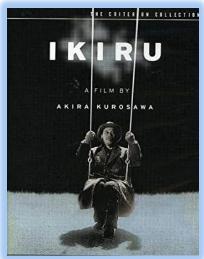
with Christ's Home featuring Anthony Cartusceillo, Administrator for Children & Family Services!

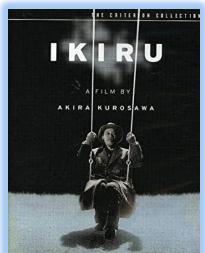
Come out to learn about this impactful organization and learn how Holy Trinity's giving impacts its Christ-centered mission!



Coram Deo Movie Night

Monday, June 12 at 6:30 PM "Ikiru" directed by Akira Kurosawa





Maybe These Were One of Your Shoeboxes!

Chief Says No to Jesus

In a village in Benin where voodoo statues prevailed, Samaritan's Purse tried to distribute shoeboxes but the chief said, "We don't want your Jesus here." So for the next year, church leaders prayed regularly. The following year, Samaritan's Purse came again with the shoeboxes and this time the chief allowed them to distribute the gifts to the children in his village. His 5-year-old grandson received a box containing a pair of size 13 shoes, the chief's size. These shoes so thrilled him that he announced that the workers could now bring Jesus. It is notable that no one in the processing center, where shoeboxes are inspected before leaving the country, changed **the age.**

As Bombs Explode Around Ukrainian Church

During a shelling in one area, families had to shelter in a church basement for 15 days. Shoeboxes had arrived early but had not yet been given out. The boxes were opened, and the children discovered toothbrushes and flashlights as well as school supplies that enabled them to continue to learn in their underground shelter. Especially remarkable, one box contained a tool that was used to fix the generator as bombs went off around the church.

Dirt Road Divides Muslims and Christians

In an African village with one dirt road in and out, Christians live on one side and Muslims on the other side. For years, neither group spoke to one another. Then Samaritan's Purse came with two cartons full of shoeboxes and decided to open them in the middle of the road. Children came from both sides and received their boxes. They went home and told their parents about Jesus who had been shared with them at the shoebox distribution. Next, something amazing happened. The children started gathering to pray together with their shoeboxes, and that made the adults realize it was time to make changes. The Muslims opened a well for the Christians to use and allowed the Christians to build a church on their side.

Notable

- There are places in the Middle East where the only way Jesus can be shared is by giving the children shoeboxes.
- Currently, there are an estimated 960 million children between the ages of two and 14 in the receiving world. In 2022, 10.5 million shoeboxes were sent from the United States, the U.K, Germany, Korea, Australia, and New Zealand.
- Every person who has packed shoeboxes enabled Samaritan's Purse to reach 100 million children in their first 17 years of ministry. Ten years later, they had given out 200 million shoeboxes. That is 200 million Gospel opportunities, but the number of those reached is even greater as shoebox gifts bring entire families to Jesus.

Will You Start Packing Shoeboxes this Summer?

Tis the season of many sales...after July 4th, back-to-school, change of seasons.

Please think of the children throughout the world who have never received a gift, which is hard for us to grasp. Think of the children and their families who do not know Jesus and how knowing Him and going a church community of worshippers would change their lives...forever!

Later in June, we will set out a carton of shoeboxes for you to take and fill. The shoeboxes will contain a brochure to answer most of your questions. Additional questions can be directed to Rosemary Hinkle or Nancy Ischinger.

If you are packing shoeboxes with children or teens, it is fun for them to pack for boys or girls their age. They not only know what they would like to receive, but also if they provide their name and email and even a photo, the receiving child might be excited to correspond.

And When You Are in the Stores...Would you consider purchasing a WOW Gift?

WOW gifts are those special toys or clothing items that make a child's eyes pop and bring so much joy. We would like to add these to our boxes at the packing party. Ideas include:

Purse

Dolls (Barbie, Chelsea, ragdolls)

Soccer Ball & Pump

Stuffed animal larger than Beanie Babies

Lego Kits

Jewelry Making Kit

Vehicles Tops to Spin

Sketch book and artist pencils

Shoes and Flip-Flops

The Shoe that Grows can be ordered from

becauseinternational.org/christmas-shoebox-wow-item







Ideas for Packing Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

NO toothpaste, food, liquids, creams, or war-related items permitted.

Select your Gender & Age Groups:
Boys and Girls 2-4, 5-9, 10-14
All Children Need A Shoebox!
Boys 10-14 & 2-4 receive the fewest number.



Ideas to Get Started!

School Supplies

Notebooks, Pads, Journals Pencils, Pens, Sharpener, Crayons/Colored Pencils Ruler, Eraser, Glue Stick, Scotch Tape, Scissors Solar Calculator Stencils, Stickers

Toiletries

Soap, Wash cloth, Toothbrush Nail clippers, Emery Boards, Band-Aids, Chap Sticks, Comb, Sports Towel, Tissue Pack

Accessories

Socks, Gloves, Scarves, T-Shirts
Ball Caps or Visors, Sun Glasses
Barrettes, Hair Ties, Headbands
String bags, Small Zipper Bags (Cosmetic size)

Toys

Stuffed Animals, Dolls
Marbles, Glo Sticks, fold-up Frisbees, Yoyos
Coloring, Maze, & Dot-to-Dot Books
Vehicles of all kinds (no war)
Puzzles, Legos, or K-Nex Kits
Hand-held Games, Uno, Playing Cards
Musical Instruments: Harmonica, Kazoo, etc.
Definitely A Ball! (Pinky, bouncy, beach, sports)
Play Doh, Modeling Clay, Water Colors/Brush (dry)

Misc.

Flashlight with extra set of batteries (tape ends) Mini Hammer, Screw Driver Tool Set Manicure Set

BE CREATIVE!

<u>Please remember that quality is essential. This shoebox might be the only gift</u> a child receives, and we want the items to have staying power.

Dates for Your Calendar!

Church Packing Party—Saturday, November 11

Holy Trinity Serves as Area Receiving Church for Shoeboxes Monday, November 13—Monday, November 20

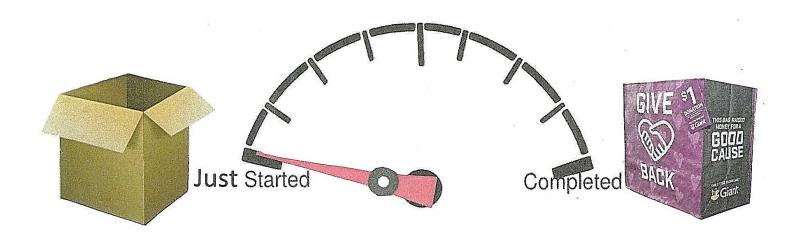


It's Back! A-BOX-O-BAG-A-METER

(If you say it fast, it won't sound so bad)

Bread of Heaven is again in need of NEW Reusable grocery bags.
Giant bags or that size fits the paper bags best!

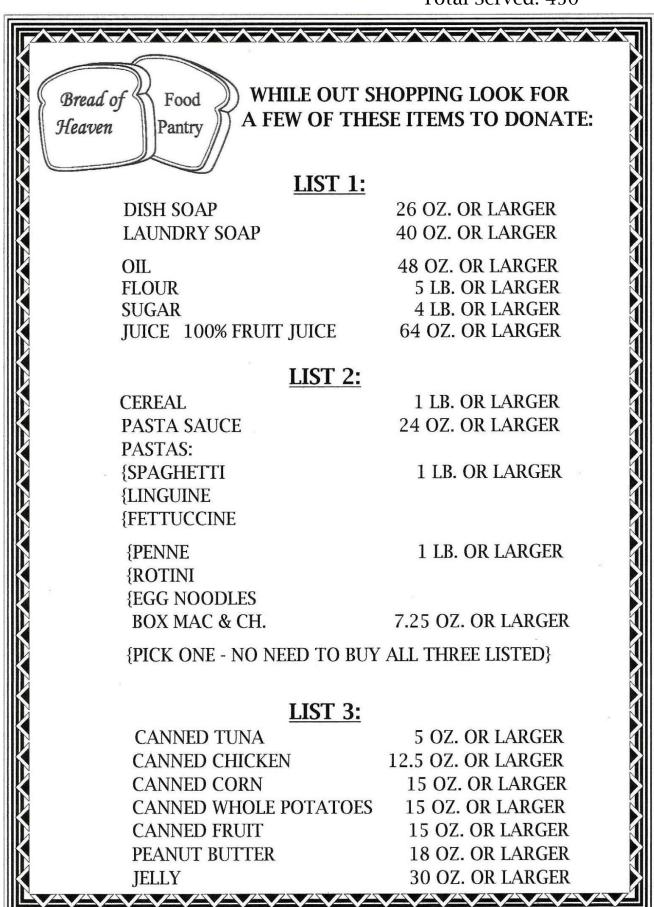
Starting JUNE 4_{TH} Fill the BOX -O -BAG Move the Meter



(Giant Grocery Store offers the bags for 99¢ with a percentage going to charity)

Numbers for month of May: Guests: 105

Total Served: 450



Lutheran Church Women's Circle Bible Study



Pearls from Proverbs Conclusion

"Let the wise hear and increase in learning, and the one who understands obtain guidance."

Proverbs 1:5

We have finished our study of the truths of Proverbs. Just as a piece of jewelry can enhance our physical appearance, so any of the "pearls" from Proverbs - these traits, virtues, truths - will enhance us spiritually, emotionally, socially.

As we conclude our year's topic, each of us must ask, "What am I going to do with what I have learned?" King Solomon said a wise person hears and adds to her learning. The key to obeying the Word of God goes back to fearing him; recognizing who he is and responding to him accordingly. Remember, "Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised" (Proverbs 31:30). Are you wearing your pearls?

Our LCW Circle meetings end in June before taking a summer break. This month Circles may gather for a special lunch or dinner and enjoy a time of fellowship and socializing. We will reconvene in September to begin a new bible study.

Ruth Circle - Wednesday, June 7 at 5:30 p.m.

Potluck dinner at Nancy Matteo's 2060 Kenmore Ave., Glenside

Leader: Katie Beyer (215) 572-6864 kbeyer0403@gmail.com

Eve Circle - **Thursday, June 8 at 6:30 p.m.** meet at Carrabba's in Willow Grove

Leader: Sue Tolton (215) 659 - 7054 suetolton@comcast.net

<u>Miriam Circle</u> - Monday, June 12 at 12:30 p.m. in SS Peter & Andrew Study Leader: Sandy Schmidt (215) 657 - 5065 <u>sandyschmidt19001@yahoo.com</u>

Regarding the LCW's Giant Gift Card Program...



- If you don't happen to shop at the Giant you could buy the cards to donate to the *Bread of Heaven* Food Pantry...
- Every card purchased goes to help the LCW provide scholarships for the women of Holy Trinity...
- It's easy to order-speak to Nancy Ischinger any given Sunday.
- Card purchases are offered in any denomination...
- Now that you know why not order some...



The LCW invites all women to join us for:

Sunday, June 11 at 11:30 in Fellowship Hall

Program: Best Dressed Ladies

Presenter: Ingrid Reinert

Menu: Quiche, garden salad, fruit salad

General Meeting following the program



Sign-up sheet is in the Narthex or email secretary@holytrinity.net to rsvp.



This year are collecting cleaning supplies for Life Turning Point and Cradle of Hope.

The official Sunday is June 4th.

The blue basket is in the Narthex now.

Please give all gift cards to Katie Beyer. Things will be split evenly between the 2 unless you mark your bag specifically for one or the other.

Cradle of Hope needs:

Paper towels, toilet paper, Kleenex, household cleaners, Liquid laundry soap for adults & babies, Tin foil, plastic bags, Saran wrap Diapers sizes 3, 4, 5; baby wipes Gift cards in any amount to any major retailers

Life Turning Point needs:

Bleach, Cleanser (Comet, Ajax)
Windex, Pine Sol,
Dishwasher pods,
Professional Dawn
Large Vinyl gloves:
latex & powder-free
Crib sheets,
Shower curtain liners
Gift cards to Target, Walmart

Thursday Morning Meanderings

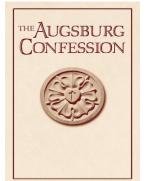
Biblical and theological discussions with Pastor Maurice, started on **Thursday**, **May 18**, **at 10:00 a.m.** and going through the summer at least.

We'll talk about classic and contemporary books, lectures, and art, always with an interest in "taking every thought captive to obey Christ" (2 Corinthians 10:5).



I am open to suggestions, but for a sense of the kinds of things I'm interested in, take a look at Dietrich Bonhoeffer's *Life Together* (Fortress Press, 1996) and Donald E. Knuth's *3:16 Bible Texts Illuminated* (A-R Editions, 1991).

Bagels and such on the house, of course!



July Term Adult Study: The Augsburg Confession

One of the greatest challenges facing the Christian Church in our day is to avoid losing our hold on the foundations of our Biblical Faith. Belief systems that appear to be more "in tune" with the fads of modern culture tempt Christians to abandon the Word of God.

Lutherans are the heirs of a deep and rich theological tradition that comes out of this era. By studying the original confessions of faith

that were written at the time of the Reformation, we can come to better understand the central themes of "Grace alone, Faith alone, and Scripture alone" as they apply to our lives of faith.

The Augsburg Confession is the first major document of Lutheran Faith contained in the *Book of Concord*. Written by Luther's colleague, Philip Melanchthon in 1530 A.D., it was presented to Emperor Charles V at the imperial diet he had called to meet in Augsburg, Germany. It was the Lutheran position on basic articles of faith upholding the Biblical tradition of the Christian Church.

Join us as we read and discover the basic teachings of our Lutheran Faith. There will be an opportunity to read the Augsburg Confession, discuss, question, and search the Scriptures. Our aim is to grow in the knowledge and understanding of the faith that we as Lutheran Christians Believe, Teach, and Confess.

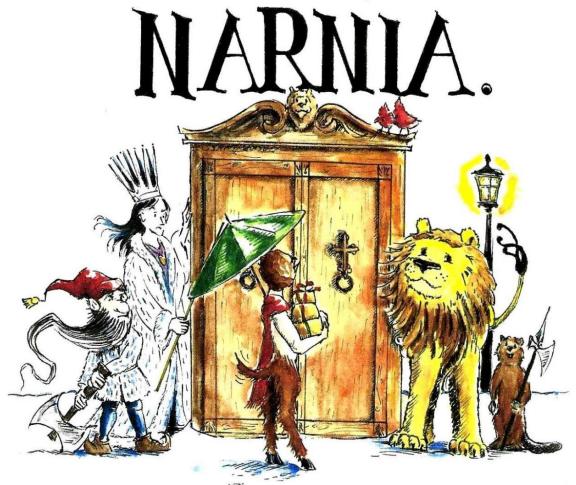
All are welcome. Come one Sunday or all five Sundays in July, in the Fellowship Hall immediately following 9:00 worship. Pastor Guenzel will lead the class.

In order to have enough class materials, please sign up for the class on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

ATTENTION:

PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, CHILDREN OF ALL AGES!

Join us for a fun, live reading of The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe of the Narnia Book Series by C. S. Lewis



A beloved children's novel full of a magical land, mysterious creatures and brave children - experience the adventure - tremble when they do - laugh when they do - and eat when they do - Fun food provided!

Saturday, June 17, 2023 at 12:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

RSVP to secretary@holytrinity.net or use sign-up sheet in the Narthex



2023 Vacation Bible School

Yes, it's that time of year again.

Spring has sprung & summer is not far off.

With that in mind, we are beginning to plan this year's VBS.

Our theme for VBS 2023 is "Keepers of the Kingdom"

We need *your* prayers, and we also need <u>your participation</u> to provide the best Vacation Bible School possible. We need all kinds of people, with all kinds of gifts and abilities. Please consider volunteering your time and talent to make this year's VBS one of the best weeks of the summer for the children in our community.

Thank you for your willingness to help! Please place the volunteer form in the offering plate or return it to the office. The earlier I have the classes and centers staffed, the sooner I can distribute all of the necessary materials. If you have any questions please contact Nancy Ischinger at 267-803-1384 or email at nancymaeisch@yahoo.com.

9.00 AM to 12.15 PM

VRS Dates: July 31^{st} to August 4^{th}

Be a Vacation Bible School Volunteer! Don't miss the fun!!				
Name:	Phone:			
Full Address:Yes! I would like to help with VBS in the are				
Pre-School teacher/helper	Bible Story Center leader/helper.			
Kindergarten teacher/helper	Game center leader/helper			
Art Center teacher/ helper	Group Guide			
Snack Center	helper			

All volunteers over the age of 18, will need to provide a copy of their PA state clearances in order to volunteer

HOLY TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH 2023 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION FORM

STUDENT'S NAME:				
BIRTH DATE:	AGE:	SCHOOL GRADE IN FALL:		
ALLERGIES, MEDICAL				
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BROTHERS & SISTERS:				

The Water Mission is looking for **SPONSORS** for the upcoming 5K. If your work, or someone you know would like to be a sponsor, sponsor forms are in the Narthex.



If you wish to donate on your own, please visit **RUNTHEDAY.COM** and search for **'Water Mission**".

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE WATER MISSION 5K!!!

When: Saturday August 5th race begins at 8 AM

Where: Roychester Park Field House, Abington

<u>What:</u> Volunteers will be asked to assist runners on the route, direct intersections, assist with registration and handing out t-shirts.

Please sign up *as soon as possible* so we know we have a solid group of volunteers to help out on the day of the run.

We can't run the race without our volunteers. Will you help?

The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex, or you can e-mail Tom Schied at tschied63@gmail.com



June Worship Assistants Schedule



June 4			_
Usher 2	Lectors-Sat Sun Eric Gregg	Cantor	Deb Mumford
Stream Charlie Tolton Team	Acolyte Sophia Morales		
	Crucifer Frank Ganther		
June 11			
Usher 3	Lectors-Sat Karen McGovern Sun Larry Guenzel	Cantor	-
Stream Rob Ischinger Team	Acolyte Benet Donnelly		
	Crucifer Steph Templeton		
June 18			
Usher 4	Lectors - Sat Karen McGovern Sun Suzanne Brown	Cantor	
Stream Frank Ganther Team	Acolyte Jonathan Mutashobya		
	Crucifer Allan Shikhvarg		
June 25			
Usher 5	Lectors-Sat Sun Helen Haun	Cantor	
Stream Gloria Ischinger Team	Acolyte Linda Borkowski		
	Crucifer Jim Necker		

If you cannot serve please contact someone on the list for that particular service team and find a replacement. If you cannot find a replacement contact the office (215)659-2642 or email Db at **secretary@holytrinity.net**





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SPECIAL DATES:

- *Flag Day, *June 14, 2023*
- *Father's Day, *June 18, 2023*
- *First day of summer, June 21, 2023
- *Saint John the Baptist, June 24, 2023

