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Solomon's Says

A Newsletter from the Faith Community of Solomon's Evangelical Lutheran Church

"Solomon's Evangelical Lutheran Church, following the example of Jesus Christ, seeks to live in the confidence and fullness of God's grace; to preach the Good News boldly and truthfully; to support and serve others in faith; to work in harmony with all creation."

Pastoral Letter – Pastor Bill Nienstedt

"More than ever the word about Jesus spread abroad; many crowds would gather to hear him and be cured of their diseases. But he would withdraw to deserted places and pray." Luke 5:15-16

As we again prepare for the long days of summer, many of us are planning picnics, vacations and family reunions. Some of us plan to read books, garden, hike or enjoy a trip to the beach or lazy days at the pool. I'm sure you have a favorite activity that you especially enjoy alone or with your family and friends.

All of these activities are ways we can live well in Christ. Living well in Christ is about balance and wholeness. These include intellectual wellness, spiritual wellness, physical wellness and social/relational wellness. In addition, financial wellness, environmental wellness and occupational wellness are important components for our wellbeing. As children of God, we are called to be stewards of our bodies, our neighbors and the world we live in.

No doubt, you can probably identify some healthy habits you are already practicing in your life to live well in Christ. In the creation story, God modeled balance and rest as vitally important—*So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.*" (Genesis 2:3) In his ministry, Jesus modeled the importance of healthy relationships, caring for creation and especially the need for rest and rejuvenation.

The Rev. Dr. Dick Hardel, a retired pastor, has created a list of wellness activities which you may find helpful as you grow and develop your own spiritual and personal life this summer. I encourage you to work with a good friend or family member to identify some of these activities you are already practicing and add to them as you are able. Working with a partner, you can coach each other and offer mutual support. Following are Dr. Hardel's Wellness Practices:

-Exercise 3x/week -Write a will and plan for the future -Pray and meditate daily

-Maintain a healthy diet -Nurture relationships and life skills -Be in a support group

-Worship regularly -Be an effective problem-solver -Develop close and lasting relationships

- Get some on-the-job training -Read the Bible daily -Model and teach children generosity*
- Practice faith in the home with family and friends -Start a new hobby -Be close with family*
- Communicate effectively -Deal with loss in a healthy manner -Set occupational goals*
- Express faith well with others -Read for fun -Smile and laugh -Have regular recreation*
- Practice lifelong learning -Carry out a household recycling plan -Be happy with yourself*
- Be joyful about life -Give thanks to God by serving others -Model financial responsibility*

I plan to work on these practices during the summer months and I hope you do as well. I am thankful for all of you who have nurtured me and my family and helped us to live well in Christ.

Have a blessed and safe summer!

Peace and joy in Christ!
Pastor Bill

Gospel Readings for June:

Sunday, June 3rd—Mark 2:23-3:6
 Sunday, June 10th—Mark 3:20-35
 Sunday, June 17th—Mark 4:26-34
 Sunday, June 24th—Luke 1:57-67

NOTE: Readings for July and August may be found on page 11 of the newsletter.

Special Worship Event

Sunday, June 24th
Vacation Bible School Celebration Service
9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Center

“Shipwrecked: Rescued by Jesus” Vacation Bible School students will share what they learned the previous week through songs and skits during the morning worship service.

NOTE: SUMMER SCHEDULE BEGINS ON JUNE 3rd. Morning Worship will be at 9:30 a.m. June 3rd thru Sept. 2nd.

Save the Date!

Rally Day Sunday

Sunday School Breakfast

September 9th

Join us at 9:00 am in the Fellowship Center to observe Rally Day Sunday.

The Christian Education Committee will be serving a delicious breakfast featuring egg casserole, sticky buns, and fresh fruit. There will be a special guest speaker for the adults and a fun lesson to kick-off the new school year for the children.



News from the Church Council

Storage Facility Project Update—A congregational voters' meeting was held on Sunday, May 20th for the sole purpose of voting on the recommendation of the church council to approve plans to build a storage facility adjacent to the existing Fellowship Center. After discussion from the floor, a vote was taken and the project was approved. More detailed minutes from the meeting will be published in the September newsletter.

News from Social Ministry

Lunch, Learn, and Play—The next Lunch, Learn, and Play event is scheduled for **June 6th** beginning at 12 noon in the Fellowship Center. **REMINDER** – There will be **NO July** "Lunch Learn and Play." We will meet again on **August 1st** for another fun afternoon of food and fellowship. All are welcome!

Project Big Love-- June 19th is our next meeting. Watch for updated information on Project Big Love in upcoming Sunday worship bulletins.

News from Christian Education

Vacation Bible School Donations Needed--We are seeking "gently used" **bath towels** and **beach towels** for use during VBS for water games. Please see Zoe Mummert if you are able to donate towels and /or have questions. A **sign-up sheet** has also been posted on the bulletin board in the old Sunday School room with **specific items** being sought **for crafts and snack time**. Thanks in advance for your support of this important ministry!

Fall Youth Fun Night--Be sure and save the date for our annual Fall Fun Night to be held on **Saturday, October 6th** from 6-8 p.m.

Updated Clearances--Hard to believe but it has been five years since volunteer clearances were submitted. We will need to begin gathering updated forms in the Fall. If you are planning on volunteering for ANY youth activities, you must have clearances on file with our church office.

Update from Solomon's Relay for Life Team

Just a reminder our event is **June 8th and 9th** at Norlo Park. We hope you will be able to stop by and enjoy the activities as we celebrate, honor, and remember all those who have been touched by cancer. The event will kick-off at 5 p.m. on Friday and close at 2 p.m. on Saturday. Friday evening will include a ceremony for cancer survivors and their caregivers with a meal being served to them following the ceremony. Saturday morning starts with early morning yoga and a 5K run/walk. Kids' Camp begins at 10 a.m. and is open until 12 noon. There will be games, bounce houses, face painting, and much more! Our quilt raffle will also be held during the event on Saturday. Thank you to everyone who has supported our team and our fundraising events!!



Opportunities for Fun & Fellowship

Lunch, Learn, & Play!

Wednesdays, June 6th and August 1st

12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Solomon's Fellowship Center

Lunch will be served with fun and games to follow!

Sign up in the old Sunday School room. Need transportation? Contact Edna Harris.

Fall Fundraising

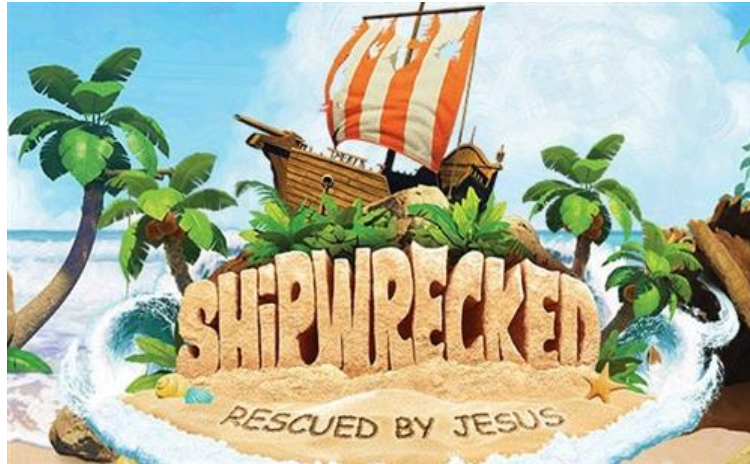
Apple Fest 2018

Mark Your Calendars...

Apple Dumpling Production Returns!

October 15-19

Vacation Bible School



June 18th - 22nd
6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Each night features music, games, crafts, snacks, and lessons of God's love for us!

This adventure is for children age 3 years old to those who have just completed 6th grade.

Invite your friends, neighbors, or grandchildren to join us for this special week!

**A registration form is included at the end of this newsletter.
Completed forms may be given to Jared Mummert, VBS Director.**

As in years past, our daily VBS offering will be given to a local ministry. Loose coins and bills collected during the Sunday Celebration Worship Service will also be added to the week's total. This year's designated beneficiary is the Good News Club of Chambersburg.

Good News Club

What is Good News Club?

Good News Club® is a ministry of *Child Evangelism Fellowship* in which trained teachers meet with groups of children in schools, homes, community centers, churches, apartment complexes, just about anywhere the children can easily and safely meet with their parent's permission. Each week the teacher presents an exciting Bible lesson using colorful materials from *CEF Press*. This action-packed time also includes songs, Scripture memory, a missions story and review games or other activities focused on the lesson's theme.

As with all *CEF* ministries, the purpose of *Good News Club* is to evangelize boys and girls with the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ and establish (disciple) them in the Word of God and in a local church for Christian living.

Happening In Our Larger Community...

The **Wellness Talk** for June is scheduled for **Tuesday, June 19th at 1 p.m.** Dr. Michael DeCriscio from Summit Health Center for Dizziness & Balance Disorders will present an informative session on balance disorders and fall prevention. Free balance screenings will be provided after the presentation. The talk will take place at the Fleck Center at SpiriTrust Lutheran, The Village at Luther Ridge, 2998 Luther Drive, Chambersburg. Please R.S.V.P. to 267-1665 if you plan to attend this informative session.

Dinner at the Ridge will be held at **12:00 p.m.** at the Fleck Center on **Wednesday, June 13.** The cost is \$7.50. The menu for June is tossed salad, spaghetti with turkey meatballs, Italian bread, vegetable medley, assorted desserts, and a beverage. Please call **264-3212** to make your reservation. Deadline for reservations is noon on Thursday, June 8th. Watch the weekly Sunday bulletin to learn the dates and menus for July and August.



The Franklin County Library System Bookmobile Bus/Van will stop in our parking lot for the convenience of our members and others who live in our community. They will be here **the first Thursday of every month from 10:30-11:00 a.m.** The schedule for the summer is **June 7th, July 5th, and August 2nd.** If you come and don't see the Bookmobile Bus, look for the Bookmobile Van.

SpiriTrust Lutheran Auxiliary News

Music at the Ridge-- This summer everyone is invited to an evening of food, fellowship, and music on the lawn of the Fleck Center at The Village at Luther Ridge. On Wednesday, **June 27th,** Cormorants Fancy will be on hand to perform Dearest Home Appalachian, American Folk, Patriotic & Favorites from the Carter Family. On Wednesday, **July 18th,** The Evans Sisters will be presenting One Heart One Voice Gospel Music. A food stand with grilled hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, soda, and water will be available beginning at 5:00 p.m. **Music will begin at 6:00 p.m.** A free will offering will be taken to support the SpiriTrust Lutheran Chambersburg Auxiliary. In the case of bad weather, the event will move inside the Fleck Center.

News from the Lower Susquehanna Synod

As reported in our April newsletter, our Bishop, the Rev. Jim Dunlop, was called to serve as the Acting President of the United Lutheran Seminary while they sought an Interim President. The Rev. Tom McKee was named Acting Bishop in his absence. On May 16th, the United Lutheran Seminary Board of Trustees unanimously approved Dr. Richard Green as the Interim President. He will begin on June 1st.

The United Lutheran Seminary also recently announced a \$30 million anonymous gift given in memory of James Franklin Kelly and Hope Eyster Kelly. This legacy gift is one of the largest ever received by an ELCA seminary. It has been specifically designated for use for a new faculty chair and student scholarships.

Serving in June

	6/3/18	6/10/18	6/17/18	6/24/18	
Assisting Minister		Leah Wolfinger			
Lector	Richard Graven	Alan Johnson	Jay Hunter	Wayne Dale	
Acolyte	Audrey Shenberger	Rebekah Aldrich	Katy Nienstedt	Aaron Shreiner	
Head Usher	Jay Hunter	Duane Shenberger	Clif Rau	Clif Rau	
Ushers	Richard Graven, Peggy Craven, Clif & Carole Rau				
Greeters	Joyce Skelly Zoe Mummert	Becky Pecha Nan Kuykendall	Jay Hunter Judy Johnson	Phyllis & Jere Brehm	
Children's Church		On hiatus		On hiatus	
Nursery	Available upon request				
After Service Coffee	Becky Mull	Lilly Chiado	Patsy Wildeson	VBS: Christian Education Members	
Communion Assistants	Sam Mull (Challis), Becky Mull (Cups), Gladys Mull (Trays)				
Communion Bread	Marjorie Dale (Wafers 6/24: VBS Service)				
Communion Set-Up	Richard Graven and Peggy Craven (6/24: VBS Service in Fellowship Center)				
Communion Clean-Up	Rose Wishard and Carolyn McCleaf (6/24: VBS Service in Fellowship Center)				
Flower Delivery	Lilly Chiado				
Securing Offering	Bill Chiado, Bernie Harris				
Paraments & Altar Linens	Annamarie Schwartz				

Celebrating a *Birth*day in June

6/1 Jared Mummert
 6/4 Annabelle Hoover
 6/7 Genny Grant
 6/11 Don Wildeson (80th)
 6/12 Ruth McNeill
 6/15 Nancy Deardorff (85th)
 6/15 Connie Bikle
 6/24 Lisa Mentzer
 6/24 Dot Hunter
 6/26 Megan Mull
 6/27 Erin Mummert

Celebrating an *Ann*iversary in June...

6/1 Jay & Lois Kanagy
 6/2 Randy & Mary Jane Hess
 6/5 Pastor Bill & Kristy Nienstedt
 6/5 Glenn & Patsy Wildeson
 6/6 Jesse & Tonya Reichard
 6/11 Tytus & Hollie Taylor
 6/13 Hugh & Ruth McNeill (20th)
 6/14 Phil & Colleen Johnson
 6/25 Wayne & Margie Dale (30th)
 6/28 Todd & Marie Dovey (10th)
 6/30 Zach & Kristen Parr

Serving in July

	7/1/18	7/8/18	7/15/18	7/22/18	7/29/18
Assisting Minister	On hiatus				
Lector	Sam Mull	Gladys Mull	Patricia Yetter	Karen Wolfinger	Rich McEntire
Acolyte	Audrey Shenberger	Rebekah Aldrich	Karen Wolfinger	Aaron Shreiner	Clark Shenberger.
Head Usher	Carole Darr				
Ushers	Bill & Lilly Chiado, Bernie & Edna Harris				
Greeters	Clif & Carole Rau	Glenn & Patsy Wildeson	Patricia Yetter Margie Dale	Phyllis & Jere Brehm	Barbara & Rebekah Aldrich
Children's Church		On hiatus		On hiatus	
Nursery	Available upon request				
After Service Coffee	Alan & Marilys Johnson	Gladys Mull	Tana Vance & Margie Dale	Phyllis Brehm	Richard Graven & Peggy Craven
Communion Assistants	Lilly Chiado (Challis), Bernie Harris (Cups), Karen Wolfinger (Trays)				
Communion Bread	Lilly Chiado				
Communion Set-Up	Bill & Lilly Chiado				
Communion Clean-Up	Judy Johnson, Patricia Yetter				
Flower Delivery	Rose Wishard				
Securing Offering	Jack Bowen, Ilona Laney				
Paraments & Altar Linens	Gladys Mull				

Celebrating a *Birth*day in July

7/9 Gladys Mull
 7/11 Rob Floyd
 7/16 Joe Wolfinger
 7/18 Frances Kramer
 7/20 Zoe Mummert
 7/22 Jack Bowen
 7/22 Paizley Parr (5th)
 7/23 Mary Jane Hess
 7/27 John David Schultz
 7/28 Rich McEntire
 7/29 Brian Coldsmith

Celebrating an *Ann*iversary in July...

7/2 Brandon & Erin Mummert
 7/6 Dustin & Megan Mull (5th)
 7/29 Ed & Frances Reichard
 7/31 Curtis & Autumn Reichard
 7/31 Todd & Abby Schultz

Serving in August

	8/5/18	8/12/18	8/19/18	8/26/18	
Assisting Minister	On hiatus				
Lector	Richard Graven	Jay Hunter	Alan Johnson	Wayne Dale	
Acolyte	Audrey Shenberger	Rebekah Aldrich	Clark Shenberger	Aaron Shreiner	
Head Usher	Becky Mull				
Ushers	Don Wildeson, Rich McEntire, Richard Graven, Peggy Craven				
Greeters	Bill & Lilly Chiado	Jay Hunter Linda Berberich	Sam & Becky Mull	Zoe Mummert Becky Pecha	
Children's Church		On hiatus		On hiatus	
Nursery	Available upon request				
After Service Coffee	Lilly Chiado	Karen Wolfinger	Tana Vance & Margie Dale	Zoe Mummert	
Communion Assistants	Gladys Mull (Challis), Becky Mull (Cups), Ilona Laney (Trays)				
Communion Bread	Ilona Laney				
Communion Set-Up	Jerry & Ilona Laney				
Communion Clean-Up	Jerry & Ilona Laney				
Flower Delivery	Gladys Mull				
Securing Offering	Janice McEntire, Don Wildeson				
Paraments & Altar Linens	Annamarie Schwartz				

Celebrating a *Birth*day in August

8/1 Norm Kuykendall
 8/2 Nelle Mummert
 8/5 Annamarie Schwartz (85th)
 8/5 Calvin Mentzer
 8/9 Bill Wepking
 8/11 Jere Brehm
 8/14 Matthew Reichard
 8/16 Dustin Mull
 8/16 Lena Graven
 8/17 Reed Weiss (5th)
 8/20 Marty Wenger
 8/20 Tana Vance
 8/21 Mark Kuykendall
 8/23 Rose Wishard
 8/23 Isabelle Schultz (10th)
 8/24 Bernie Harris
 8/25 Marjorie McMullin
 8/29 Tarryn Taylor

Celebrating an *Ann*iversary in August...

8/1 Bill & Linda Wepking
 8/12 Blaine & Lisa Mentzer (30th)
 8/18 Trinity & Katie Garcia
 8/20 Paul & Mary Jo Skelly (25th)
 8/23 Rich & Janice McEntire
 8/24 Jay & Dot Hunter (50th)
 8/31 Doug & Zoe Mummert

Passages

Our Christian sympathy is extended to the family of James "Jim" Bowen who was called to his eternal home on Monday, April 30th. He was 65 years old.

A celebration of Jim's life was held at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, May 4th, at Solomon's Lutheran Church. There was a funeral luncheon following interment at Parklawns Memorial Gardens.

Jim was born January 2, 1953, in Chambersburg. His parents were Jack and the late Winifred Bowen. He was a graduate of Chambersburg High School and Juniata College. Jim worked as an accountant for Nitterhouse Concrete Products for 44 years.

On June 6, 1981, he married Kathy Douglas. He is survived by his wife, their son Matthew and daughter-in-law Cathy, his three granddaughters, one great-grandson, and his father, Jack, and brothers, Dave and Bill, sister Denise, sister-in-law, Missy, and his nieces and nephews.

Jim was an active member of Solomon's Lutheran Church throughout his lifetime. He will be remembered for his leadership and participation in the Rural Parish Bowling League on behalf of the Grindstone Hill team. Jim also loved acting and appeared in nine Crusaders for Christ dinner theatre productions with roles ranging from a food critic to a pirate to a nerd. He was especially proud when his granddaughters Brooklyn and Lexie performed alongside him and Kathy in the last two plays. In recent years, Jim also enjoyed helping out with the "games" station during Vacation Bible School.

We give thanks to God for our time with Jim. May God comfort his family with the hope of a blessed reunion in heaven. His smile, warmth, and enthusiasm for life will be dearly missed by his Solomon's family.

Summer Gospel Readings

July

Sunday, July 1st—Mark 5:21-43
Sunday, July 8th—Mark 6:1-13
Sunday, July 15th—Mark 6:14-29
Sunday, July 22nd—Mark 6:30-34,53-56
Sunday, July 29th—John 6:1-21

August

Sunday, August 5th—John 6:24-35
Sunday, August 12th—John 6:35,41-51
Sunday, August 19th—John 6:51-58
Sunday, August 26th—John 6:56-69

From the Editor

Have an item for the *September* newsletter?! **Deadline is August 15th.**
Email Kristy Nienstedt at kristynienstedt@gmail.com or place it in her church mailbox.

Stewardship Bouquets

Thank you to our Director of Music, Doug Mummert, and our wonderful Adult Choir Members for SY 2017-2018: Connie Bikle, Kathy Bowen, Wayne Dale, Carole Darr, Sally Gayman, Esther Gift, Alan Johnson, Judy Johnson, Norm Kuykendall, Jerry Laney, Lisa Mentzer, Gladys Mull, Sam Mull, Jared Mummert, Peggi Norman, Frances Reichard, Marty Wenger, and Patricia Yetter. They gave us beautiful anthems, two amazing cantatas, and served as cantors some Sundays. They will take a well-deserved break for the summer and resume singing in September. And of course, they are always seeking new members to join them come Fall!

Thank you to our SY2017-2018 Adult and Youth Sunday School Teachers and our Christian Education Committee Members: Barbara Aldrich, Carolyn Clouser, Bonney Coldsmith, Ilona & Jerry Laney, Janice McEntire, Zoe Mummert, Kristy Nienstedt, Pastor Bill Nienstedt, Frances Reichard, Gertie Reichard, and Heidi Shenberger. And welcome to our newest teacher Leah Wolfinger.

Thank you to the all the members who helped out with the Bowen funeral luncheon.

Thank you to the Worship & Music committee members who assisted with the Memorial Day outdoor worship service and to the Social Ministry committee members who hosted the potluck picnic.

Thank you to everyone who took part in the SpiriTrust Lutheran Auxiliary membership drive.

Thank you to everyone who supported the Relay for Life's Luminaria campaign, bought a raffle ticket, or donated a basket for Basket Alley at the event.

Thank you to the Social Ministry team for hosting the May "Lunch, Learn, and Play!" Program.

Thank you to Alan and Marilys Johnson for agreeing to again be this year's delegates to the Lower Susquehanna Synod Assembly.

Thank you to everyone who donated food items for the Central Pennsylvania Food Bank Drive. Pastor Bill and the Johnsons will be delivering them at the LSS Assembly.

Correction!

Please make note in your church address directories and/or on last month's newsletter of the following correction. Rebecca "Becky" McCleary's address was missing a line! Apologies to her!! Here is her **FULL** address:

And in case you missed it earlier....**Summer Worship Schedule begins on June 3rd. Sunday Morning Worship will be at 9:30 a.m. June 3rd thru Labor Day Weekend, Sept. 2nd. Rally Day is Sunday, September 9th!**

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9:30 a.m. Worship Service

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Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."

Acts 2:38 (NRSV)