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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

“Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.” Romans 12:12

As we look forward to the waning of the COVID-19 pandemic, we remember in our prayers all those who lost loved ones or were seriously affected by the disease. We continue to pray for areas in the world that are still experiencing severe disease, especially in Asia and South America. We give thanks for health care workers, first responders, front-line workers and those who served to improve our lives during the past year. And we give thanks to God for providing the wisdom to scientists to develop vaccines which have proven to be highly effective against the COVID-19 virus.

As we move forward, I want to give you an update on our ministries at Solomon's.

Worship will continue to begin at 10:15 a.m. each Sunday. Sunday school for children and adults will resume in September. Following CDC guidelines, those who are fully vaccinated are not required to wear face masks in worship. Those who are not vaccinated, including children, are highly encouraged to wear face covering for their safety and the safety of others. We will continue safety practices including socially-distanced passing of the peace and communion and “softly singing” for the time being. We will continue to monitor developments and communicate changes on a regular basis.

I will continue to produce a written home worship service, but it will *only* be sent to our homebound families and those who request it. We will discontinue the weekly emails to all members of the congregation. We plan to continue to livestream the worship via Zoom and upload the service to YouTube for the time being. Links to Zoom and YouTube will be posted on the Solomon's website, along with the service bulletin. Please note that there will be **no**

YouTube or Zoom livestream on June 6 (join us in the Picnic Woods for outdoor worship at 10:15 a.m. followed by a provided lunch) and there will be no Zoom livestream on June 13.

Vacation Bible School is planned for the week of June 21-25, followed by a special worship service in the Fellowship Center on June 27. We will plan to livestream this service on Zoom and possibly upload it to YouTube.

As I have been fully vaccinated, I am now doing home visits and visits to care communities (as allowed). If you would like me to visit you at home, please call me or the office. Hospital visitors are still limited due to the continued spread of the virus but hopefully this will abate as the virus recedes.

I want to encourage you to get vaccinated as you are able. The vaccine has proven to be safe and highly effective in preventing and transmitting the virus. If you are hesitant, please check with your doctor. As Christians, we are called to care for our neighbors and ourselves. Paul writes in 1 Corinthians, “Your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God.” God has given us the knowledge and ability to protect ourselves. Let’s do it!

I look forward to seeing you in church.

Peace and joy in Christ!

Pastor Bill



Gospel Readings for JUNE:

- Sunday, June 6th – Mark 3:20-35
- Sunday, June 13th – Mark 4:26-34
- Sunday, June 20th – Mark 4:35-41
- Sunday, June 27th – Mark 5:21-43

Gospel Readings for JULY:	Gospel Readings for AUGUST:
Sunday, July 4 th – Mark 6:1-13	Sunday, August 1 st – 6:24-35
Sunday, July 11 th – Mark 6:14-29	Sunday, August 8 th – John 6:35, 41-51
Sunday, July 18 th – Mark 6:30-34, 53-56	Sunday, August 15 th – John 6:51-58
Sunday, July 25 th – John 6:1-21	Sunday, August 22 nd – John 6:56-69
	Sunday, August 29 th – Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23

Passages

Our Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Isabel Overcash who passed away on May 17, 2021. She was 81 years old. Isabel served as Solomon's faithful custodian for 14 years.

A celebration of her life was held at the New Franklin Assembly of God on May 24th. Interment was at Parklawns Memorial Garden in Chambersburg.

We give thanks for the many years of Isabel's faithful service to Solomon's. May her family find comfort in the promise of the Resurrection.



Our Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Joyce Wildeson who was called to her eternal home on May 22, 2021. She was 81 years old.

A celebration of Joyce's life was held on Thursday, May 27, 2021, at 10 a.m. at Solomon's Lutheran Church. Pastor Bill Nienstedt officiated. Interment was held privately at Parklawns.

Joyce was born December 20, 1939, in Waynesboro, PA, to the late Melvin and Elverta (Daywait) Bonner. She married Donald Wildeson on December 20, 1958. They were blessed with three daughters, Lori, Karen, and Tracey.

Joyce worked for 20 years at the former Stanley Company in Chambersburg. From there she went on to work for Chambersburg Hospital for 15 years until she retired in 2005.

In her spare time, Joyce enjoyed cooking, sewing, interior design, and spending time with her seven grandchildren.

She is survived by her beloved husband, Don, her three daughters, her three son-in-laws, her seven grandchildren, and three siblings. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by four siblings.

We give thanks to God for our time with Joyce. May God comfort Don, Lori, Karen, Tracey, and the rest of the family with the hope of a blessed reunion in heaven. Everyone at Solomon's will miss Joyce's sweet smile, gentle manner, and kind words.

Vacation Bible School

A promotional poster for Rocky Railway Vacation Bible School. The top half features a steam locomotive chugging through a mountainous landscape with a rainbow in the sky. Below the image is a shield-shaped logo with the text 'ROCKY RAILWAY' and 'JESUS' POWER PULLS US THROUGH'. The bottom half contains the invitation details.

**ROCKY
RAILWAY**
JESUS' POWER PULLS US THROUGH

You're Invited
AGES 3 - 6TH GRADE

When: June 21-25
Time: 6:30-8:30
Where: Solomon's Lutheran Church
717-267-2266
VBS Celebration: Sunday, June 27 at
10:15am

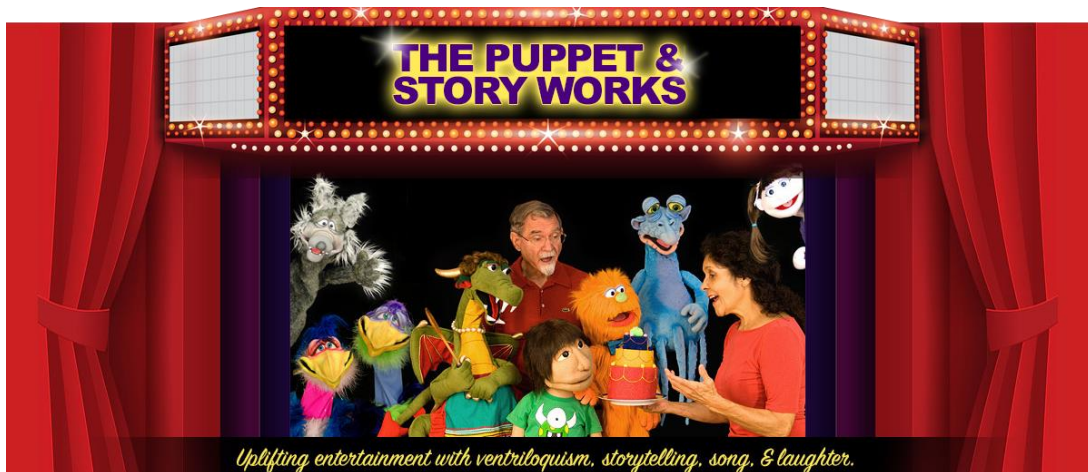
Miscellaneous

Contact Frances Reichard for all reservations for the rental of the gym. (717) 263-1705 or (717) 360-5243.

Save the Date!

Rally Day Sunday Sunday School Brunch September 12 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Join us at 9:00 am in the Fellowship Center to observe Rally Day Sunday. The Christian Education Committee will be serving a delicious brunch! The Puppet & Story Works show will feature ventriloquist, Dotti Seitz, and storyteller, Steve Seitz. For more information you can visit www.puppetandstoryworks.com.



Employment Opportunity

Custodian needed for cleaning of church and S.F.C. If any members of our congregation are interested or know of anyone that would be interested in this job, please call Rich McEntire at 717-658-9429.

Special Worship Events

Sunday, June 27th Vacation Bible School Celebration Service 10:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Center

“ROCKY RAILWAY” Vacation Bible School students will share what they learned the previous week through songs and skits during the morning worship service.



Outdoor Service Sunday, June 6th

The service will be held in the Picnic Woods beginning at 10:15 a.m. The menu will be ham and turkey sandwiches, chips, macaroni and potato salad, brownies, cookies, and bottled water. Bring a camping chair and dress casually. In the event of rain, the service will be moved inside.

Friendly Reminders

There will be no Sunday School classes during the summer months (5/30/21 - 9/5/21).

If you would like to sign up for **altar flowers** the following Sundays are still available: 9/26, 10/3, 10/24, 10/31, 11/14, 11/21, 11/28, and 12/12. Please email or call Kimberly (office@solomonslutheran.org / 717 267-2266).

Have an item for the September newsletter?! Deadline is **August 18th**. Email Kimberly at office@solomonslutheran.org.

Finance Committee News

Please start planning your budget items for the 2022 proposed budget and turn in to Kimberly no later than September 30, 2021.

News from Social Ministry

Personal Care Kits: Social Ministry will begin collecting items to create Personal Care Kits during the month of June. Items needed are:

- One light weight bath-size towel (20" x 40" to 52" x 27"), dark color
- Two or three bath-size bars of soap equaling 8 to 9 oz any brand in original wrapping
- One adult-size toothbrush in original packaging
- One sturdy comb like the one on display in the Sunday school room
- One metal nail clippers (attached file optional)

You may purchase any item or items from the list and place them in the gray tote in the Sunday school room.

Social Ministry: Shawl Ministry - Because there is not the usual crowd attending church, communications between members is not there. So please let me know if you or a member of the congregation who is ill and would like a prayer shawl. Social Ministry really has no other way to know who would appreciate one. Edna Harris bernedna@centurylink.net or 717-352-4392.

Power Pack Meals: The need for nutritious food for New Franklin Elementary School students in need is an on-going project. Please consider donating individual serving size fruit and vegetable cups. See Pastor Bill if you would like to give a monetary donation.

Serving in June

	6/6/21	6/13/21	6/20/21	6/27/21	
Head Usher	Frances Reichard	Barbara Aldrich	Barbara Aldrich	Barbara Aldrich	
Lector	Richard Graven	Leah Wolfinger	Sam Mull	Alan Johnson	
Acolyte	Outdoor Service	Sarah Aldrich	Aaron Shreiner	Katy Nienstedt	
Communion Assistant	Becky Mull				
Bread Cubes	Peggy Craven				
Communion Set-Up	Peggy Craven				
Communion Clean-Up	Peggy Craven				
Securing Offering	Samuel Mull, Phil Johnson				



Celebrating a Birthday in June....

6/1	Jared Mummert	6/15	Nancy Deardorff
6/2	Rosalie Hoffman	6/15	Connie Bikle
6/4	Annabelle Hoover	6/24	Lisa Mentzer
6/7	Genny Grant	6/24	Dot Hunter
6/11	Don Wildeson	6/27	Erin Mummert
6/13	Darrell Veilleux	6/28	William Hoover



Celebrating a Wedding Anniversary in June...

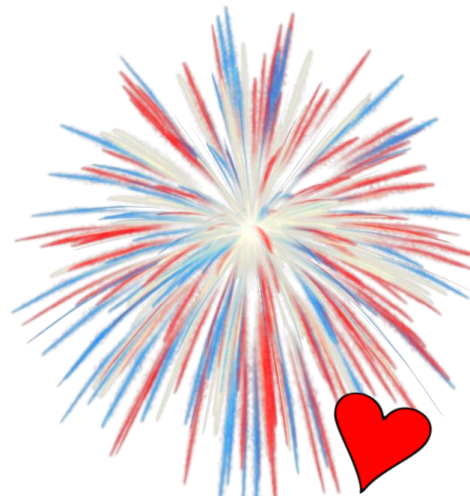
6/1	Jay & Lois Kanagy (20 th)
6/2	Randy & Mary Jane Hess
6/5	Pastor Bill & Kristy Nienstedt
6/5	Glenn & Patsy Wildeson
6/6	Jesse & Tonya Reichard (40 th)
6/11	Tytus & Hollie Taylor
6/14	Phil & Colleen Johnson
6/25	Wayne & Margie Dale
6/28	Todd & Marie Dovey
6/30	Zach & Kristen Parr



Celebrating a Birthday in July....

7/8 Linda Russ
7/11 Rob Floyd
7/16 Joe Wolfinger
7/18 Frances Kramer
7/20 Zoe Mummert

7/22 Paizley Parr
7/23 Mary Jane Hess
7/27 John David Schultz
7/28 Rich McEntire
7/29 Brian Coldsmith



Celebrating a Wedding Anniversary in July...

7/2 Brandon & Erin Mummert (10th)
7/8 Lee & Carol Locke
7/29 Darrell & Martie Veilleux
7/29 Ed & Frances Reichard
7/31 Curtis & Autumn Reichard
7/31 Todd & Abby Schultz



Celebrating a Birthday in August....

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



Celebrating a Wedding Anniversary in August...

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| 8/1 | Bill & Linda Wepking |
| 8/12 | Blaine & Lisa Mentzer |
| 8/20 | Paul & Mary Jo Skelly |
| 8/23 | Rich & Janice McEntire |
| 8/31 | Doug & Zoe Mummert |

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"I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.."

Philippians 4:13 (NRSV)