

SOLOMON'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH GRINDSTONE HILL

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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

"Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak...but Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me'...then the man said, 'You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.'" Genesis 32:24-28

I have always liked the story of Jacob wrestling with the mysterious man of God. Even though Jacob's hip was put out of joint, he did not give up. This encourages me in my wrestling with faith.

One of the key Lutheran theological principles is that the finite is capable of the infinite. God comes to us through physical, tangible means, which we often wrestle with to gain understanding. The Bible contains God's Word for us. And in Holy Communion, the promises of God are given in and through ordinary bread and wine which reveal the true presence of Jesus. In Holy Baptism, we are incorporated into the body of Christ through plain water and the powerful spoken words of the Trinity—"In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

I once saw a bumper sticker that read, "The Bible says it, I believe it, that settles it!" Oh, if were only that simple. It's true; the Bible is the inspired word of God, but it requires study and reflection to gain understanding. Martin Luther wrote that Scripture was like the manger in which Jesus was laid. Jesus himself is the incarnate Word that comes down from heaven. "And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory of a Father's only Son, full of grace and truth." John 1:14

Paul writes, "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God—not the result of works, so that no one can boast." Ephesians 2:8-9

This fall, I encourage you to wrestle with your faith. Read the Bible. Participate in a Bible study. Join me on Wednesdays, beginning September 8, at 10:00 a.m., in the conference room as we wrestle with the Gospel of Luke. Or you can form an informal Bible study in your home or with another group. Come to Sunday school at 9:00 a.m. Sundays, beginning September 26, as we discuss the appointed readings for the day. Attend worship on Sundays to be nourished by word and sacrament and be strengthened in prayer and song as we give glory to God for our Lord Jesus Christ.

I look forward to wrestling with our faith together. See you in church!

Peace and joy in Christ,

Pastor Bill

Gospel Readings for SEPTEMBER:



Sunday, September 5th – Mark 7:24-37 Sunday, September 12th – Mark 8:27-38 Sunday, September 19th – Mark 9:30-37 Sunday, September 26th – Mark 9:38-50



Welcome New Member!

On Sunday, July 11, 2021, Solomon's welcomed its newest disciple, Earl "Sarge" Weaver during the morning worship service. We will share more about Sarge in next month's newsletter. In the meantime, please be sure and introduce yourself if you haven't already done so.

Passages

Our Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Nelle Mummert who was called to her eternal home on Tuesday, July 6, 2021. She was 81 years old.

A celebration of Nelle's life was held on Friday, July 9th at Solomon's Lutheran Church. Pastor Bill Nienstedt officiated. Interment was across the street in Grindstone Hill Cemetery.

Nelle was born August 2, 1939, in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, to the late Laban and Eleanor (nee Brubaker) Stoner. She graduated from Chambersburg Area Senior High School (CASHS) in 1957. Early in her life, she worked for the family business, Stoner's Drive-In. She worked for Sheetz for 37 years until her retirement on October 30, 2020. She very much enjoyed her customers.

Nelle married Glenn Mummert on March 12, 1961. Married for 44 years, they were blessed with two children, Sharon and Doug. He preceded her in death in 2005. Nelle loved spending time with her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Nelle is survived by her daughter Sharon (son-in-law Randall Scott) and her son Doug (daughter-in-law Zoe). Nelle also leaves behind her four grandchildren (Brandon, Shane, Kayla, and Jared) and five great grandchildren. Her sister and brother-in-law, Jane and Bill Brindle, also survive her. Nelle was preceded in death by six siblings: Doris, Anna, Celia, Esther, Donna, and Harold.

We give thanks to God for our time with Nelle. May God comfort her family with the hope of a blessed reunion in heaven. Everyone at Solomon's will greatly miss her kindness of heart and sweet smile.



Our Christian sympathy is extended to Norm and Nan Kuykendall and their extended family on the passing of Norm's brother, Kenneth Kuykendall, on June 27, 2021, in Virginia. He was 81 years old. A celebration of Kenneth's life was held at Mt. Pleasant Mennonite Church in Chesapeake, Virginia on July 1st. May God comfort Norm, Nan, and their family with the hope of a blessed reunion in heaven.

A Note of Thanks

To my Solomon's "Family,"

It has unfortunately been a very long time since I have been able to see most of you in person. Please know I miss you all! I very much appreciate your prayers, cards, emails, phone calls, and texts as I have recuperated from my surgeries. Thank you also for the meals and flowers. The Nienstedts feel extremely blessed to have such a wonderful faith community supporting us. God bless you all! I look forward to *finally* joining you again this Fall in worship once my COVID-19 vaccinations are complete.

In Christian love,
Kristy Nienstedt

From our Director of Music, Doug Mummert

Choir Practice Resumes - Our adult choir will resume its regular weekly practice sessions beginning on Thursday, Sept. 9th at 7 p.m. in the Choir Room in the church building. All are welcome!

Serving in September

	9/5/21	9/12/21	9/19/21	9/26/21	
Head Usher	Linda Berberich	Linda Berberich	Linda Berberich	Linda Berberich	
Lector	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	
Acolyte	Katy Nienstedt	Sam Nienstedt	Outdoor Service	Aaron Shreiner	
Communion Set-Up	Peggy & Richard Craven	Margie & Wayne Dale	Outdoor Service	Peggy & Richard Craven	
Communion Clean-Up	Peggy & Richard Craven	Margie & Wayne Dale	Outdoor Service	Peggy & Richard Craven	
Communion Assistant	Janice McEntire				
Bread Cubes	Frances Reichard				
Securing Offering	Becky Mull & Zoe Mummert				

Relay for Life Update

ACS - Relay for Life 2021

Like most events these past 18 months, Relay will look a little different. Our past 24-hour event will now be a 4-hour event. Still the same great things – opening ceremony, recognizing our survivors and care givers, basket alley, fun laps, and luminary service. Mark your calendars for Friday evening, **September 17. The event will begin at 6 pm and end at 10 pm.**

We are not permitted to sell food at the park, but feel free to bring your own snacks. Don't forget to bring a lawn chair and enjoy the evening.

If you would like to join the Solomon's team, please log onto the website, or call 1-800-227-2345. Please listen to the prompts & press #4 for help with registering. Shirts will not be handed out at the Relay event this year. If you would like a shirt, please be sure to register and contact Becky Mull for additional details.

Attached is a luminary form if you would like to honor a survivor or remember a loved one. Suggested donation is only \$10.00 per name.

If you would like to make a donation to our team, send your check to the Church or place it in the offering plate. Please remember to mark the memo line Relay for Life and turn in by September 12, 2021.

We are also collecting scratch off lottery tickets in any dollar amount to create our raffle basket.

Please feel free to contact Becky Mull with any questions.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you at the Relay event!





Relay For Life Chambersburg

Day of Event Schedule 2021

Registration Opens Basket Alley Drop-Off	8:15	Line Dancing	
Welcome & Opening Ceremony With Survivor Recognition	8:30	Line Dancing	
Survivor Lap & reception	8:45	Birthday Laps 1st lap by age,	
True Colors Lap Wear the color of your cancer ribbon		2 nd lap by month	
Patriot Lap	8:45pm	Basket Alley closes All Money turned in	
Crazy Sock Lap	9:00pm	Luminaria Ceremony	
Fight Back Lap Ding-a-Ling - Bring your bells and let's make some noise	9:30	Glow With Hope Lap Silent Lap Light the Night with your flashlights	
	etc.		
	9:45	Closing Announcements	
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Team Captain & Team Spirit	10pm	Benediction Prayer	
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ALL LAPS AND ACTIVITIES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DEPENDING ON WEATHER CONDITIONS!



Relay For Life of Chambersburg American Cancer Society Relay For Life Luminaria Form



When the sun goes down at every American Cancer Society Relay For Life event, hope shines the brightest. During the Luminaria Ceremony, hundreds of luminaria light the track to celebrate the lives of those who have battled cancer, remember those who have lost their battle, and fight back against a disease that has taken too much. This ceremony of light symbolizes the hope and perseverance with which we all continue to fight. The suggested Luminaria donation amount is \$10 each. Please send your tax-deductible donation, payable to the American Cancer Society to the address below by Monday, August 16 2021!

We invite you to be a part of the fight against cancer within our community. Please fill out the form below of your Luminaria for each friend and loved one who has faced cancer. Your contributions will make a difference and save lives! Thank you!

If you wish to pay by credit card, please visit the Relay's website at www.relayforlife.org/pachambersburg

Please light a candle in honor or memory of my loved one who has/had cancer. I understand the proceeds will benefit the

Name Address City Phone Email Solomon's Lutheran Church I am placing my Luminaria order through: Team Member to credit Team to credit Please create Luminaria Please create Luminaria In Honor Of: In Memory Of: (\$10 Suggested Minimum Donation per Luminaria): Total # of Luminaria: Total Donation \$_

Send Luminaria Form with Donation to:

American Cancer Society in the fight against cancer.

American Cancer Society - Chambersburg RFL 320 Bilmar Dr, Pittsburgh, PA 15205

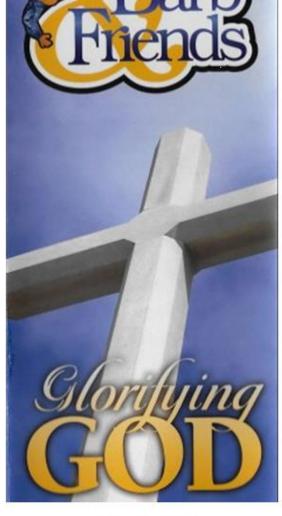
The official registration and financial information of the American Cancer Society, Fast Central Division, Inc. may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by culting toll free, within Pennsylvania, 800 732 0999. Segistration does not imply endursement. Ohio residents may call 717 783 1720.

Special Worship Events & Bible Study



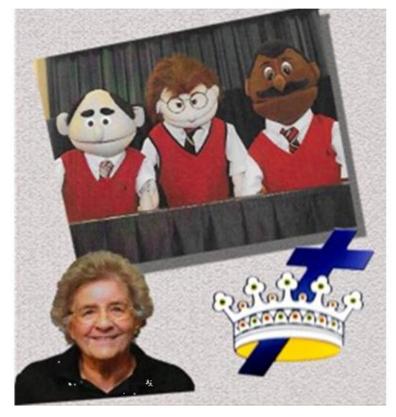
Breakfast - 8:30 a.m.
Barb & Friends Puppet Show - 8:45 a.m.
All ages encouraged to attend

Hosted by the Christian Education Committee



Breakfast Menu:

Egg Casseroles w/meat Sticky Buns Fresh Fruit Bacon Juice, Coffee, Milk





We will have an outdoor worship service in the Woods on September 19 at 10:15 a.m., weather permitting. Following the service, we will gather in the picnic shelter for a potluck lunch. Beverages, plates, napkins, and cutlery will be provided. Please bring a dish to share and a camp chair. If it rains, we will worship in the church and eat in the Fellowship Center.

- Last name beginning with A-G bring a dessert
- Last name beginning with H-N bring a main dish
- Last name beginning with O-Z bring a side dish

Bible Study Begins September 8

Join Pastor Bill in the conference room on Wednesdays from 10:00-11:30 a.m. for an informal Bible Study. Starting September 8, we will be studying the Gospel of Luke. Luke will be featured in the lectionary readings for Year B, beginning in Advent. No experience is necessary, and all are welcome.

Adult Sunday School Begins September 26

Pastor Bill will lead a discussion of the Sunday lectionary texts at 9:00 a.m., in the Sunday School Room. All are welcome. You can prepare by reading the Old Testament lesson, Psalm, Epistle and Gospel texts appointed for the day.

God's Work, Our Hands Sunday is September 12



Solomon's is participating with thousands of other congregations across the country to serve our communities on *God's Work Our Hands Sunday*. Join Social Ministry in the Fellowship Center immediately following worship to assemble personal care kits for those in need. In the meantime, consider donating items needed for the kits. A board listing items requested, and a collection box are located next to the piano in the sanctuary.

News from Social Ministry

Personal Care Kits: Social Ministry has extended the collection of items for Personal Care Kits through the end of August. **The kits will be assembled during Rally Day in September**. Items needed for each kit are:

One light weight bath-size towel (20" x 40" or 52" x 27")

Two or three bath-size bars of soap equaling 8 to 9 oz, any brand in original wrapper

One adult-size toothbrush in original package

One sturdy comb like the one on display in the Sunday school room

One metal nail clipper (attached file optional)

You may purchase any part of the kit and place it in the gray tote under the display.

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.

Fund Raising Committee

Apple Butter — We will be selling homemade Apple Butter in ½ Pint \$4.00 and Pint Jars \$7.00. Orders due Sunday October 10th. Pick up dates will be Saturday Oct 30th between 10 am and 12:00 pm and Sunday Oct 31st after Church.

Candy Making – Thursday October 28th & Friday October 29th (if needed) - Set-up – Wednesday October 27th – Sign-up to help make candy – 6:30 am – Need people to stir chocolate during melting process; 8:00 am – dip chocolate into paper cups – Sign-up sheets will be in the Sunday School room, or you can call Zoe Mummert 717 267-1777 please leave a message with dates and times you can help. You can also email Zoe at zemummert@gmail.com. We will have stations spaced throughout the gym in small groups. You'll have to wear gloves and hat/hairnet, mask if required at the time (gloves and hairnets will be provided). Chocolate Candy \$12.00/1 lb. bag & \$7.00/1/2 lb. bag. Orders due Sunday, October 10th. Pick up dates will be Saturday, October 30th between 10 am and 12:00 pm and Sunday, October 31st after Church. Please make sure you hand in your candy orders before Candy Making Day, so we can plan on how much we're making. You can always add on at any time. Thank you for your help and support.

Needed: 8oz. canning jars for Apple Butter. If you have any you would like to donate, we would appreciate your help. Please see Zoe Mummer or Frances Reichard.

Finance Committee News

Reminder to Committees. Please have your proposed budget for 2022 completed and turned in to Kimberly no later than September 24, 2021.

Opportunity for Fun & Fellowship

Youth Family Campfire-Picnic



Saturday Evening - September 18, 2021

6:00pm in the Picnic Woods

Hot Dogs, Mac & Cheese, Chips and S'mores

Bring your lawn chairs

Friendly Reminders

Youth Sunday School classes will also resume on September 26th at 9:00 a.m.

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

Have an item for the October newsletter?! Deadline is **September 17th**. Email Kimberly at office@solomonslutheran.org.



Michael's BBQ Chicken

Saturday, September 4th

10:30am - until sold out

(Drive through only)

\$12.00/Dinner

<u>Dinners include:</u> ½ chicken, baked beans, applesauce, macaroni salad, and Martin's rolls

Location – In front of Lowe's, LWE, Chambersburg

Sponsored by SpiriTrust Lutheran Chambersburg Auxiliary

All proceeds benefit SpiriTrust Lutheran, The Village at Luther Ridge and SpiriTrust Lutheran Homecare & Hospice



Celebrating a Birthday in September....

9/13 Aaron Shreiner

9/13 Keith Kuykendall

9/15 Sean Kindall

9/19 Karen Wolfinger

9/21 Hattie Mummert

9/25 Bill Brindle



Celebrating a Wedding Anniversary in September...

9/6 Clif & Carole Rau

9/8 Mike & Abby Gayman-Hoover

9/11 Bernie & Edna Harris

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Join us Sunday mornings!

10:15 a.m. Worship Service 9:00 a.m. Sunday School (resumes 9/26)

OR check us out on *YouTube*! Links are listed on our website.

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"I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.."
Philippians 4:13 (NRSV)