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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 Barb Barry

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Fall is in the air! Mornings and evenings are crisp to enjoy walks or sit outside with fire pits. I'm not at all into scary but I enjoy the cute Halloween decorations with fun pumpkin faces, cheery scarecrows and little kids dressed up in their favorite characters. For my family, Halloween is the beginning of that long holiday stretch that ends with Epiphany on Jan 6. Fun and hectic times for sure!

Fall is also a time for spiritual reflection beginning with World Communion Sunday. World Communion Sunday is usually celebrated the first Sunday in October. However, Gwen (my new granddaughter), is arriving that week and I will be helping my daughter adjust to her new family. So, we'll celebrate World Communion Sunday on October 9.

The word Communion tells us all we need about why this day is so important. Frankly, why Holy Communion is so important at any time. Communion is a word that is deeper than connection. It points to a shared intimacy. Jesus tells us He is present in the bread and cup in a mysterious way we don't understand. When we receive Communion, we receive Jesus. We take Him into the very cells of our bodies. Communion is one of the ways we KNOW Jesus comes to us. We know because Jesus promised, and Jesus always keeps promises.

In Holy Communion, we also find ourselves connected to – in communion with -one another: those who are receiving Communion around the world, those who have gone before us into the arms of God, those who will come after. It's the very mysterious and wonderful unity of which

Paul speaks in his letter to the Corinthians. *We, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf.* (1 Cor 10:17)

The Worship and Music team are using World Communion Sunday as an opportunity to return to our pre-Covid Communion procedures. Some people expressed the desire to receive Jesus in their hands hearing those blessed words “given FOR YOU!” Others miss singing the Lamb of God and a hymn during Communion.

I strongly encourage you to take Holy Communion seriously. Communion isn’t a social time meant for conversation with one another. Instead, take that time to be with Jesus. Pray and meditate on the wondrous promise Jesus is here. Open your heart to receive God’s wondrous gift of love and forgiveness and be transformed.

Blessings on your journey,
Pastor Barb

Gospel Readings for OCTOBER:

- Sunday, October 2 – Luke 17:5-10
- Sunday, October 9 – Luke 17:11-19
- Sunday, October 16 – Luke 18:1-8
- Sunday, October 23 – Luke 18:9-14
- Sunday, October 30 – John 8:31-36



Serving in October

	10/2/22	10/9/22	10/16/22	10/23/22	10/30/22
Head Usher	Linda Berberich	Linda Berberich	Linda Berberich	Linda Berberich	Linda Berberich
Lector	Sam Mull	Richard Graven	Terry Fell	Wayne Dale	Janice McEntire
Acolyte	Sam Mull	Wayne Dale	Janice McEntire	Sarah Aldrich	Wayne Dale
Communion Set-Up	Svc of the Word	Ilona & Jerry Laney	Ilona & Jerry Laney	Ilona & Jerry Laney	Ilona & Jerry Laney
Communion Clean-Up	Svc of the Word	Linda Berberich	Linda Berberich	Linda Berberich	Linda Berberich
Bread Cubes	Svc of the Word	Zoe Mummert	Zoe Mummert	Zoe Mummert	Zoe Mummert
Communion Assistant	Svc of the Word	Ilona Laney/Marjorie Dale			
Securing Offering	Edna Harris & Becky Pecha				

News from the Worship & Music Committee



This month you will be receiving Time and Talent Sheets. Did you know that it takes several volunteers on a given Sunday to make the morning worship service happen?! These sheets are designed to give you an overview of what needs exist so you can see which ones best match your talents and interests.

In addition to the time and talent sheets, the Worship and Music Committee will once again be placing sign-up sheets on the tables in the Sunday School Room in November. You can volunteer on specific Sundays for the first six months of 2023. This approach offers you the opportunity to choose which dates accommodate your schedule.

“¹⁰ Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms.” 1 Peter 4:10

News from the Christian Education Committee

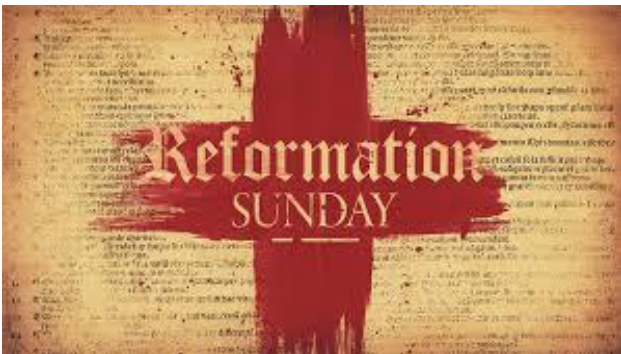
Sunday School is in Session - Adult Sunday School classes begin at 9:00 a.m. in the Sunday School room. Children’s Church will be held during morning worship and will meet downstairs at 10:20 a.m. Confirmation Class will be held at 9:00 a.m. in the Conference Room in the Fellowship Center.

News from the Fund-Raising Committee



Apple Butter and Candy Order Forms are Here!

Candy Making – Thursday 11/3/22 & Friday 11/4/22. We will be making candy on Thursday, November 3, 2022. Keep Friday, November 4, 2022 open as an extra day of candy making if needed. Apple Butter & Candy Order Forms are in the newsletter. Apple Butter orders will need to be turned in by Sunday, October 9, 2022. Candy orders will need to be turned in by Sunday, October 23, 2022. We will set up tables on Wednesday evening, November 2, 2022, at 6:30 pm.



Reformation Sunday, October 30th, is the day we remember Martin Luther nailing his 95 theses (ideas) on the Wittenburg Church door. It's a day the Holy Spirit breathed reform into the church. That day we will also reflect on the transformations of our hearts in Jesus both personally and as a congregation.

Wear red! Red is the color of the Holy Spirit.



CONFIRMATION 101 is now being offered in the daytime for folks who were unable to join us on Wednesday evening. Please join us for this special adult class in the **Conference Room in the Fellowship Center on October 20 at 1:00 PM.** We'll explore the meaning of some basic ideas in our life together as church. **What does it mean for us to be Lutheran Christians?** We'll discuss the meaning of Grace, Baptism, Holy Communion, the Bible and being part of the Body of Christ.



Solomon's has been invited to participate with several area congregations.

(1) **Trinity Lutheran Greencastle**, 1186 Jason Drive, Greencastle, 2PM Oct 2. Short service with individual animal blessings and includes a remembrance for pets who have died. Donations for the Cumberland Valley Animal Shelter will be accepted. (2) **St. Luke Chambersburg**, 2695 Luther Dr. Chambersburg, 4PM Oct 2. All are welcome!

You're Invited
Please join us in dedicating
Habitat's 52nd home in
Franklin County!



**Home Dedication
Ceremony**

402 E. Washington St
Chambersburg, PA
4:00 PM

**SUNDAY
October 16**

Seminar: *You are God's Dream, Aging in Christ.*



Saturday, October 22

9:30 – 11:30 AM

St Luke Lutheran Church

2695 Luther Drive

Chambersburg, PA 17202

Presenter: Sister Thelma B Steiger

To RSVP or for more information

call 717-261-1213 or email

office@stlukechambersburg.org



***To support & celebrate
the girls of Monarch's Way***

Antrim BIC Church

Family Life Center

24 Kauffman Road East

Chambersburg, PA 17202

Register & Info:

MWCELEBRATION.EVENTBRITE.COM

News from Social Ministry

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, individual packages of mac-n-cheese, Chef Boyardee, 8 oz bottles of water, juice boxes, and yahoo chocolate drink. See Edna Harris if you would like to give a monetary donation.

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU for supporting our Personal Care Kit mission. The goal of Social Ministry was to collect enough items to fill 30 kits, but with your help we were able to complete 35 kits. Also, thanks to those of you who helped assemble the kits on Rally Day.



Relay for Life 2023



Relay for Life – 2023 Relay of Franklin & Fulton Counties will be holding a combined fundraising event on November 13, 2022. Lori Cooper will be leading us as we paint a winter scene on a 16 x 20 canvas. Details are on the attached flyer. If you have any additional questions, please contact Becky Mull. Thank you for your support.

Also, please mark your calendar the 2023 Relay will be held on Friday, May 19, 2023 from 4:00 pm to 11:00 pm at the Greencastle Antrim High School.

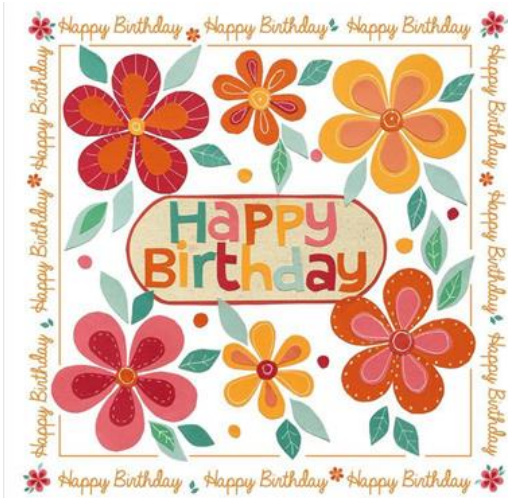
Special Worship Opportunities



Stewardship Sunday

October 23, 2022

As you prepare to complete your *Time and Talent* and *Commitment* sheets for next year, prayerfully consider what gifts God has given you. Please bring your completed *Time and Talent* and *Commitment* sheets with you to church on October 23rd or send them to the office. They will be given as an offering to God during the worship service.



Celebrating a Birthday in October....

10/2	Sally Gayman	10/18	Joe Mock
10/3	Roxy Bothe	10/20	Elizabeth Schultz
10/4	Richard Graven	10/22	John Wolfinger
10/9	Wayne Norman	10/24	Ginny Detwiler
10/9	Stephanie Crouch	10/29	Linda Hess
10/17	Ty Gross	10/31	Randy Hess

Celebrating a Wedding Anniversary in October...

10/20	Jere & Phyllis Brehm
10/29	Keith & Cathy Kuykendall



Friendly Reminders

If you would like to sign up for **altar flowers** the following dates are still available: 11/6, 11/27, 12/4. Please email or call Kimberly (office@solomonslutheran.org / 717 267-2266).

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

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Join us Sunday mornings!

10:15 a.m. Worship Service

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

OR check us out on *YouTube!*

Links are listed on our website.

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Pastor Bill Nienstedt

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

Philippians 4:13 (NRSV)