



Calendar of Events

Sunday, February 12

8:30 am Confirmation Class
9:30 am Worship w/communion
10:40 am Sunday School
1:30 pm South Little League Local
District 12

Monday, February 13

Tuesday, February 14

6:30 pm Girl Scouts



Wednesday, February 15

3:00 pm Odyssey of the Mind SWSD
1:00 pm Backpacks Packing
7:00 pm Bible Study

Thursday, February 16

7:30 pm NA

Friday, February 17

Saturday, February 18

6:00 pm WELCA "Trivia Night"



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Spaghetti Dinner



Saturday, March 11, 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Dine in or Take out

Messiah Lutheran Church

324 South Howard Street, South Williamsport

(Corner of West Southern Avenue/Howard Street – use Bald Eagle Alley Entrance)

Tickets may be purchased at the door or in advance.

- ❖ **Adults ... \$12.00**
- ❖ **Children 12 and under ... \$6.00**
- ❖ **Children 3 and under ... FREE**

Advance tickets call Dianne Larson 570-220-3702, Connie McLaughlin 570 - 337-5180 or Mary Schultz 570-772-8021

Tickets will also be available Sunday, February 26 and Sunday, March 5 in the Narthex after worship service.

**~ Benefits Mountie Backpack Program ~
Feeding Hungry Children in the South Williamsport School District**

February 12, 2023

Service Assistants	9:30
Ushers	Jody Fullmer, Rita & Dave Strickler, Arch Watkins, Jimmy Gardner
Lay Assistant	Janet Stroble
Communion Assistant	Rhonda Koch
Altar Guild	Jody Fullmer, Jean Bower
Greeters/Communion Presenters	Doris Butt, Pam Eveleth
Acolyte	Dylan Sherman
Cantor	Janet Stroble
Flower Delivery	Jody Fullmer

Sunday, February 5, 2023 Attendance: **80**; Offering: **\$ 7776.26**; Capital Campaign: **\$20**

Correction for Sunday, January 29, 2023 Attendance:**72**; Offering: **\$2562.**; Capital Campaign:**\$20**

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Clyde (Jake) and Doris Shellman by the Eisner and Shellman families.

Bible Readings

Sunday Feb. 12 *Deuteronomy 30:15-20; 1 Corinthians 3:1-9; Matthew 5:21-37*
Monday Feb. 13 *Psalms 119:9-16; Exodus 20:1-21; James 1:2-8*
Tuesday Feb. 14 *Psalms 119:9-16; Deuteronomy 23:21-24:4, 10-15; James 2:1-13*
Wednesday Feb. 15 *Psalms 119:9-16; Proverbs 2:1-15; Matthew 19:1-12*
Thursday Feb. 16 *Psalms 2; Exodus 6:2-9; Hebrews 8:1-7*
Friday Feb. 17 *Psalms 2; Exodus 19:9b-25; Hebrews 11:23-28*
Saturday Feb. 18 *Psalms 2; 1 Kings 21:20-29; Mark 9:9-13*



Pastoral Care Number: Please call (570) 326-9171. (Available 24 hours a day) During work hours office staff will assist you. After hours, please press "3" for a Pastoral Emergency to be connected directly to the Pastor.

Reminder: Articles for the Messenger are due in the office by Monday at Noon.

Bible Study is on Wednesdays at 7p.m. in Shaheen Hall. Everyone is Welcome!



The anthem for this Sunday will be “We are Marching in the Light of God”. Meet at 8:45 in the music room to rehearse and then join us in singing during the worship service.



The Library Corner – Highlighted Books



Children – **Happy Valentine's Day, Mouse!** Join Mouse as he celebrates Valentine's Day with all the friends he loves. This board book is in the Other Holidays section of our Library.

Adult – **Listen to the Heart - Story Meditations on the Fruits of the Spirit** - This book is a great way to read great stories about the fruits of the spirit and get insights into each - love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. This book is in the Poems, Prayers, Devotional and Meditations section of our library.

The storage room (next to the council room) on the third floor of the Christian Education Building is going to be cleaned out. There are numerous pieces of electronic equipment plus lots of other “junk.” Please contact the church office if there is anything you want to claim or ensure that is not destroyed.

Attention Thrivent Members: The deadline for directing Choice dollars is **Friday, March 31, 2023**. Messiah Lutheran Church and Messiah Lutheran Preschool are among the non-profits which can be designated. Go to www.thrivent.com or call 800-847-4836.



Soup sale will be March 25th, 9-noon. More details to come.



Sunday, February 12, is Souper Bowl Sunday –
One more week to vote for your favorite team! The score following the first half is:

Kansas City Chiefs – 7 food items and \$20 cash

Philadelphia Eagles – 163 food items and \$36 cash

Way to go Team Messiah- you're scoring big points in our fight against hunger!



Women of the **ELCA** 

**"TRIVIA NIGHT" sponsored by
WELCA is Saturday, February**

18th at 6:00 pm in Shaheen Hall to benefit Messiah Preschool's Scholarship Fund. George Jansson is the Trivia Master; teams of six will form to play. Registration is \$8.00 per person; \$15.00 per couple. Pizza and beverages will be provided; everyone is asked to bring food to share. *Hope to see you there!*



Daniel's Closet at Redeemer Lutheran is in need of winter hats, gloves, scarves, boots, and coats in addition to the ever-present needs of children's clothing size 4 and up and men's clothing in all sizes. If you have time during this "stay-in-the house" weather, please look through your winter clothes and see what

you would be able to donate.

Please place items in the large blue bin in the alcove by the Chapel. Help is also needed to sort the clothing on Thursday, February 23, 4:00-6:00 p.m. And remember, all ***are also welcome to "shop" the closet as well!*** Next one coming up is Saturday, February 25. 8:30-11:00 a.m.



All youth in 6-12th grade are invited to attend this synod youth retreat on March 17-18. The theme of this year's event will be Baptism. Experience your Creator, play winter games and find refreshment in the peace of camp in winter.

Discounts are available for members of Messiah. Contact the church office for details and watch for more information to come.



Shepherd of the Streets is ***always*** in need of the following items:

(Bring regular sizes please) Deodorant - Soap - Combs - Shaving Cream and Razors - Tissues - Toilet Paper - Toothpaste - Toothbrushes - Shampoo and Conditioner - Towels - Wash Cloths - Women's Hygiene Products. **Baby Needs:** Diapers, Shampoo, Powder, Oil, Q-Tips, Wipes. This is the complete list of hygiene items they use. Thank you to all of you who collect them as well as bedding and blankets (***Please, NO pillows.***)

Items may be placed in the bin in the elevator alcove.



Needed: A new coordinator for the “Dresses and Britches” for Africa project. After many years of serving as Coordinator, Doris Butt has resigned. Thank you to Doris for all the time and devotion you have given to this project. This position is not that difficult or time consuming. Doris has all the necessary information and materials for the project. Members of the congregation do the sewing. Anyone interested call the office (570)-326-9171, Carol Winter (570)-447-2176 or Doris Butt at (570)-326-0483. *Thank you.*

Copies of *Man of Sorrows, People of Joy*, a Lenten devotional Booklet will be available Sunday, February 12. Brought to you in partnership with the Lutheran Hour Ministries, the devotions are written by Dr. Kari Vo. Lenten Self-Denial Calendars & Banks that benefit Shepherd of the Streets are also at the church office plus current copies of the devotional booklets, Christ in Our Home and The Upper Room are available. Booklets, calendars and banks can be picked up during current office hours.

Report from the Council Treasurer, Craig Kropp
2022 Year End Annual Income and Expense Summary

Fund Name	2022 Budget Annual Summary	Actual Income	Actual Expenses	Overage or Shortfall
General Fund	\$295,821.00	\$231,798.07	\$233,302.99	-\$ 1,504.92
Rebuilding Fund	\$ 43,000.00	\$ 47,740.08	\$ 31,284.34	\$16,455.74
Children's Ministry	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 15,729.67	\$ 5,177.80	\$10,551.87
Preschool 7/2022-6/2023	\$ 37,260.00	\$ 21,363.43	\$ 17,716.27	\$ 3,647.16
Capital Campaign	Goal:	\$260,500.00	Actual Received	\$198,246.75

