

Calendar of Events



Sunday, May 14

Happy Mother's Day

8:30 am Confirmation Class

9:30 am Worship w/communion

9:30 am Sunday School

Monday, May 15

6:00 pm Sit Happens

6:30 pm Missional Outreach

6:30 pm Executive Committee

Tuesday, May 16

7:00 am Election Day

-Municipal Primary

6:30 pm Girl Scouts



Wednesday, May 17

7:00 pm Bible Study

Thursday, May 18

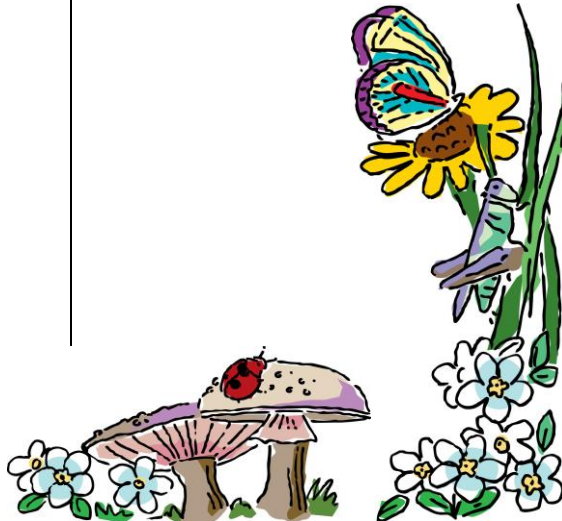
1:00 pm Backpacks packing

7:30 pm NA

Friday, May 19

9:00 am Life Skills Picnic
(only if it rains)

Saturday, May 20



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A Mother's Love

There's no love like a mother's,
Her heart is filled with care.
With Christ as her example,
Her Savior's love she'll share.

A mother's love is endless,
Not changing for all time.
When needed by her children,
A mother's love will shine.

God bless these special mothers,
God bless them every one.
For all their tears and heartaches,
And special work they've done.

When days on earth are over,
A mother's love lives on,
Through many generations,
God's blessings on each one.

Be thankful for our mothers,
Who love with higher love,
From power God has given,
And strength from up above.

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May 14, 2023

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| Service Assistants | 9:30 |
| Ushers | Mike Larson, Brian Bair, Bill Reasner, Sally Congdon, Mike Gardner |
| Lay Assistant | Susan Bryan |
| Communion Assistant | Debbie Day |
| Altar Guild | Sue Shoemaker, Yvonne Kaiser |
| Greeters/Communion Presenters | Arthur and Candy Watkins |
| Acolyte/Crucifer | Brennen Hess |
| Cantor | Dave Bausinger |
| Flower Delivery | Paul Weaver |

Sunday, May 7, 2023 Attendance: **96**; Offering: **\$8923.00**; Capital Campaign: **\$20.00**

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Jim Armstrong, by his wife, Carol.

The Basket of Flowers is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Percy Batey and Gladys Reigel Batey, the Steiner, McCracken and Packard families.

Bible Readings

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| Sunday, May 14 | <i>Acts 17:22-31; 1 Peter 3:13-22; John 14:15-21</i> |
| Monday, May 15 | <i>Psalms 93; Genesis 9:8-17; Acts 27:39-44</i> |
| Tuesday, May 16 | <i>Psalms 93; Deuteronomy 5:22-33; 1 Peter 3:8-12</i> |
| Wednesday, May 17 | <i>Psalms 93; Deuteronomy 31:1-13; John 16:16-24</i> |
| Thursday, May 18 | <i>Psalms 47; Ephesians 1:15-32; Luke 24:44-53</i> |
| Friday, May 19 | <i>Psalms 93; 2 Kings 2:1-12; Ephesians 2:1-7</i> |
| Saturday, May 20 | <i>Psalms 93; 2 Kings 2:13-15; John 8:21-30</i> |



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.



Food Pantry: *Items most needed this week* are mashed potatoes, mac and cheese, rice, jelly. Granola bars and crackers. Please note: NO spaghetti or other shapes of pasta, please, and NO applesauce - We currently have an overabundance of these.

Eucharistic Ministers will be sent out Sunday, May 21st. Please let the office know if you are not available that Sunday. If anyone is home and can't get to church and would like to receive communion, please notify the church office @570-326-9171.



The Library Corner – Highlighted Books



Children - - **Bible Birds and Beasties** - Did you hear about the donkey who talked? Or the man who lived inside a big fish? Children will love this collection of best-loved Bible Stories, with Noah, Jonah, Daniel, Elijah, the stories of Jesus--and a few surprises too, all quirkily illustrated by the amazing T. S. Spookytooth! Book on Children's shelf.

Adult - **From God's Heart to Yours** - What could be more divine than living under God's approval--to feel His smile upon your life, to experience His blessing of peace and immeasurable rest. This book is a wonderful journey through scripture and inspirational thought. It is a reminder that His blessings of peace, mercy, hope and joy are forever and abundantly yours--and yours to share. This book is in the Poems, Prayers, Devotional and Meditations section of our library.

The annual Memorial Service at Old Immanuel Lutheran Church, Muncy, will be held this year on Sunday, June 4, 2023 at 2:30 pm. The Rev. Ben Lander, pastor at St. Andrew Lutheran, Muncy, will be preaching at the service. Old Immanuel is recognized as being the “Mother Church of Lutheranism” in Lycoming County, Light refreshments will be served on the church lawn. Everyone is invited to participate in the service, tour the historic church, and stay for a time of fellowship afterwards. Please be advised that there is no electricity or running water available on site. We hope to see you there!

Attention Sew-ers! This year's Vacation Bible School date has been set for June 12-16. It's now crunch time to get as many backpacks sewn that we can, so the older VBS kids can string them. We know you've been working hard on bags because the pile over in the office is growing. Won't you please consider taking even more material from the office/Narthex to make the pile even higher? Last year the VBS kids had the bags strung in 3 1/2 days. Each day they challenged themselves to string more bags than the previous day; they were disappointed when we ran out. **If you haven't tried** making the bags and would like to give it a shot, call Sally at 570-547-6193, and she will coach you! They are very easy! So... let's put the "pedal (sewing pedal, that is) to the metal" and try to beat last year's total of 219 bags!





To Messiah Church,

OB & I would like to thank all our Messiah's Family & Friends for all their prayers & cards. Hope to be back soon.

Rod & Gail O'Brien

Thank you to all who came and helped with the spring clean-up and mulching on Saturday. You did a wonderful job and it looks beautiful. God's blessings to all, The Property Committee

Greetings: Messiah Lutheran Church,

Just wish to express my appreciation in regards to the use of your beautiful sanctuary for our Hospice-Gatehouse presentation with Dr. Nesbitt. Many people expressed how lovely the presentation was in the Sanctuary along with the amount of educational information they had received. Thank you for making the night a successful community event.

God Bless, Betty Balzer



Vacation Bible School – June 12-16! We are looking for volunteers, both adults and youth. If you are interested please contact Kathryn Pratt, 570-244-6964 or the church office 570-326-9171.



In addition to wearing red on Pentecost Sunday, May 28, Messiah will be decorating the chancel with red geraniums. If you would like to sponsor a geranium, please submit the order form to the church office by May 19. Those who order geraniums may pick them up immediately after the Worship Service on Pentecost Sunday, or on Tuesday, May 30th. Call the church office at (570) 326-9171 if you have any questions.

Please join us on Wednesday evenings for Bible Study at 7:00 pm. All are welcome!



Shepherd of the Streets is in need of the following **adult hygiene items**: combs, shampoo, conditioner, large bars of soap, and deodorant. **Children's and infants' hygiene items needed include**: children's toothbrushes, combs, hair ties, baby shampoo, baby lotion, baby soap, and baby powder. Donated items may be placed in the gray bin in the elevator alcove or brought to the church office during normal business hours. Thank you for your support of this vital ministry to our community!

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Young Adult Fellowship: Are you a young adult finding yourself in need of connecting spiritually with your peers? Camp Mount Luther's Young Adult Fellowship meets via Zoom on the last Wednesday of every month. This month's meeting will be May 31 at 8:00 p.m. If you consider yourself a young adult, you can join us! Questions or want the link? Email jim@campmountluther.org.



Enrollment for Camp Mt. Luther is still open. Families will need to pay the initial registration fee(s) and the church will pay the remaining cost of the camp. ***The Registration fee(s) will be reimbursed following camp attendance.*** If there are financial concerns with the Registration fee(s) please contact the church office.



What's new at Camp Mount Luther? Exciting things are happening! For starters, their logo! After 22 years with the old logo, it was time for a change. The new logo comes as they prepare to kick off their new capital campaign (more on that later!) Visit <https://www.campmountluther.org/news/> to stay current on all of the Camp Mount Luther news or subscribe to the Camel Tracks newsletter.

∞ Scholarship Available to the Pennsylvania State University

The Jane Elizabeth Newlin and Everett Mason Batschelet Memorial Scholarship is offered annually to an incoming first year student who will be enrolled at any campus of the Pennsylvania State University *including the Pennsylvania College of Technology*. To qualify for the Newlin-Batschelet scholarship, an applicant must be a public high school graduate or prospective graduate. The recipient will be nominated by a committee appointed by our Congregation Council. Nominees will be submitted to the Pennsylvania State University in order to verify the nominee's financial eligibility as determined by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Approved candidates will be informed by Penn State and will receive an annual scholarship of \$5,000.00 for a maximum of four years, as long as they are enrolled as a full-time student on a Penn State campus, remain eligible, and funds are available.

Applications for this scholarship may be obtained by calling the church office. **All applications are due in the church office by Monday, May 15th.** Because references, SAT scores, and transcripts must also be filed, applicants should obtain an application as soon as possible.

