

#### **Calendar of Events**

Sunday, October 8 9:30 am Worship w/Communion 9:30 am Sunday School 5:00 pm Sit Happens (Advanced Class)

Monday, October 9 6:30 pm Sit Happens

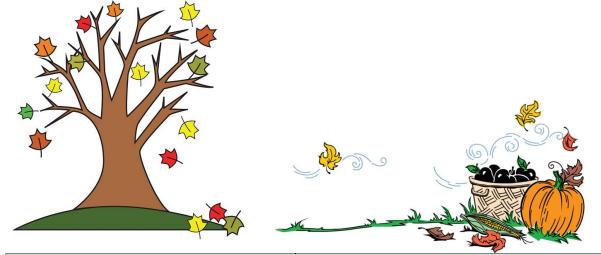
**Tuesday, October 10** 

Wednesday, October 11 7:00 pm Bible Study

**Thursday, October 12** 1:00 pm Mountie Back Pack packing 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm NA

Friday, October 13

Saturday, October 14



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### WELCA PRESENTS...





## Messiah Lutheran Church Saturday, October 7 at 6:00 pm In Shaheen Hall \$8 per person | \$15 couple

Gather your six-member team and be prepared for wideranging topics, picked by our Quiz Master George Jansson.

Please bring food to share. Pizza and beverages will be provided.

# Proceeds to benefit Messiah's Backpack program.

October 8, 2023

Service Assistants	9:30
Ushers	Carl Gee, Dave and Rita Strickler, Jody Fullmer,
	Arch Watkins, Jimmy Gardner
Lay Assistant	Anita Bair
Communion Assistant	Candy Watkins
Acolyte	Dylan Sherman
Altar Guild	Vicki Bair, Doris Butt
<b>Greeters/Communion Presenters</b>	Dave and Rita Strickler
Cantor	Bob Schweppenheiser
Flower Delivery	Arch Watkins
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**Sunday, October 1, 2023,** Attendance: **71**; Offering: **\$7,299.98.00** Cap. Campaign: **\$80.** 

**The Altar Flowers** are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Howard and B.Z. Goodbrod and Hazel Rosenbaum with love by Don and Mary Ellen Rosenbaum. **The Basket of Flowers** is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Pat Hammaker on the anniversary of her birthday, October 9<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Bible Readings**

Sunday, October 8	Isaiah 5:1-7; Philippians 3:4b-14; Matthew 21:33-46
Monday, October 9	Psalm 144; Ezekiel 19:10-14; 1 Peter 2:4-10
Tuesday, October 10	Psalm 144; Isaiah 27:1-6; 2 Corinthians 5:17-21
Wednesday, October 11	Psalm 144; Song of Solomon 8:5-14; John 11:45-57
Thursday, October 12	Psalm 23; Isaiah 22:1-8a; 1 Peter 5:1-5, 12-14
Friday, October 13	Psalm 23; Isaiah 22: 8b-14; James 4:4-10
Saturday, October 14	Psalm 23; Isaiah 24:17-23; Mark 2:18-22



**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** is in need of egg noodles, boxed potatoes, baked beans, dry milk, spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, jelly, canned chicken, tuna fish, crackers, jello, beef stew and chili.

**The mums that grace the Howard Street entrance of the church** are given to the glory of God and planted in memory of Jamie Wither by Kathy Wither, with a little help from a friend.

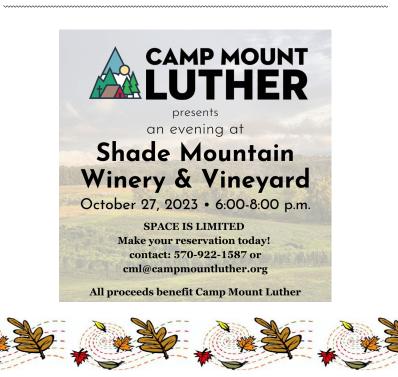
#### The Library Corner – Highlighted Books



Youth - **Home is Where Your Horse Is** - It's spring and Sarah is winter weary and ready to spring into the new season. She befriends Twila, the owner of a mare and the foal Sarah delivered one snowbound morning some months ago. Twila genuinely admires Sarah's talents and invites her to help at her ranch. Sarah's friends see

amazing similarities between Twila and her. And Twila was married a long time ago. Is it possible that Twila is Sarah's birth mother? Sarah is determined to find out. Read this book to find out what happens. It's in the Youth Fiction section of our library.

Adult - **The Augsburg Confession** - A confession of Faith presented in Augsburg by certain princes and cities to His Imperial Majesty Charles V in 1530. This small book gives a brief background and history of this monumental event. It also has the confession included as well. This year is the 493<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of that event. Read why it's so important and how it affected so many people. This book is in the Church History and Theology section of our library.



## Women ELCA



Messiah's Women of the ELCA will meet in Shaheen Hall on **Tuesday**, **October 17, at 7:00 p.m.** The program will feature the owner of Home Town Floral demonstrating how to make a "Fall Floral Decoration" which will then go to some lucky lady in the audience. Devotions will be led by Carol Winter; Hostesses are Carol and Marilyn Winter. Everyone is welcome!

Messiah's Women of the ELCA will pack **"Cookie Boxes"** in November for college students and military personnel. PLEASE GIVE NAMES AND ADDRESSES to the Church Office <u>by November 10</u>. We will also pack **"Cookie Tins"** for Messiah's home-bound members and ask that the congregation help to provide "sweet treats" (and some "non-sugar") to be brought to the Church Kitchen <u>on or before November 12</u> and marked "for WELCA".





**Tickets for the Preschool "Gift Card Bingo" on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am** are available in the church office or by contacting Mary Schultz at 570-772-8021. We are still taking donations of gift cards, themed baskets and baked goods for the event. The deadline is October 15<sup>th</sup> for the gift cards and themed baskets. Baked goods are due Friday, November 3 by noon in the church office or bring to the Duboistown Fire hall on the day of the event.

**\*\*REMINDER** Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023, **3pm-9:30pm.** Dine in or take-out at Texas Roadhouse and they will donate 10% of your total purchased food. Please remember to take your coupon with you, you must have it to get the 10% discount. Coupons are available on Sunday morning on the Usher's table or call the church office.





**First Communion class** will be held at 8:30 AM on Sunday, October 22 in Jensen Lounge. Any young people in third grade or higher are welcome to attend. First Communion will be celebrated on Reformation Sunday, October 29, during the worship service. Please contact the church office to register.



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

#### MISSION TO SEAFARERS



Did you realize that **90%** of **everything we wear, use, and consume,** come to us by merchant ships, operated by 1.5 million seafarers? On ships for 9 to 10 months at a time, the seafarers face many hardships: storms, piracy, abandonment, and loss of contact with their families. Often the only contact they have beyond the ship, the Chaplains provide emotional and spiritual support.

Join in the Chaplains' mission of showing Christ's love.

Remember Matthew 25: 35, "I was a stranger and you welcomed me." Help fill gift satchels that the Chaplains deliver to the seafarers, in the weeks before Christmas. Each satchel should contain the following:

1 sweatshirt, unhooded or hooded (the preferred) - size M, L or XL

3 pair of socks, thermal or white gym

1 casual pullover T shirt – size M, L or XL

1 heavy knit winter cap

1 can of nuts or large bar of chocolate

Christmas card

#### NO ADDITIONS AND NO SUBSTITUTIONS

Items need to be at the church by NOVEMBER 1. Thank you.



