



Calendar of Events

Sunday, September 29

9:30 am Worship/Communion
9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Ushers Meeting

Monday, September 30

5:30 pm Sit Happens
7:30 pm Worship and Music
Committee

Tuesday, October 1

7:00 pm Council Meeting

Wednesday, October 2

6:30 pm Bible Study

Thursday, October 3

10:00 am Knitters for Neighbors
1:00 pm Back Pack Packing
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
7:30 pm NA

Friday, October 4

Saturday, October 5

10:00 am Harvest Home Set-Up



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Our Missional Outreach Committee is hard at work.

MISSION TO SEAFARERS



Did you realize that **90%** of **everything we wear, use, and consume**, comes 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 (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 **October 27th**. *Thank you.*

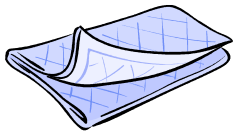


Dresses and Britches for Africa

Please help the needy children of Africa by sewing dresses and/or britches.

Shirts, pillowcases and trim are available in the Narthex on and under the table display, also included are the instructions. For questions contact Ann Marie

Hohman, 570-244-1226 and leave a message. *Thank you.*



Blanket Sunday: Donated blankets and quilts will be distributed by Lutheran World Relief. Please place clean blankets or quilts in the **gray** bin located in the elevator entrance **no later than October 5. Monetary gifts may be placed in an envelope on which you mark "Blankets."**

Checks should be made payable to "Messiah Lutheran Church." These

monetary gifts also will be received during the singing of the Hymn of Praise. **ONE NOTE**, LWR does not want fleece blankets, BECAUSE people wash them in streams, and the lint pollutes the streams. Thank you for your help!

Sunday, September 29, 2024

Service Assistants	
USHERS	Mike Larson, Brian Bair, Bill Reasner, Sally Congdon, Mike Gardner
LAY ASSISTANT	Carol Waltz
COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Debbie Day
ACOLYTE	Dylan Sherman
ALTAR GUILD	Marie Welter, April Gardner
GREETERS/COMMUNION PRESENTER	Carl Gee, Jody Fullmer
CANTOR	Bob Schweppenheiser
FLOWER DELIVERY	Arch Watkins

Sunday, September 22: Attendance: 77; Offering: \$2,684.66; Capital Campaign: \$10.00

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Gladys Reigel Batey by her daughters, Evelyn, Merry and Penny.

The Basket of Flowers is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Dorothy and Gordon Ritter by their daughter Deborah Leonard and family.

Bible Readings

Sunday, September 29: Daniel 10:10-14; 12:1-3; Revelation 12:7-12; Luke 10:17-20

Monday, September 30: Psalm 5; Zechariah 6:9-15; 1 Peter 1:3-9

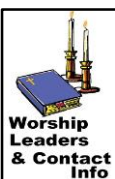
Tuesday, October 1: Psalm 5; Zechariah 8:18-23; 1 John 2:18-23

Wednesday, October 2: Psalm 5; Zechariah 10:1-12; Matthew 18:6-9

Thursday, October 3: Psalm 8; Genesis 20:1-18; Galatians 3:23-29

Friday, October 4: Psalm 8; Genesis 21:22-34; Romans 8:1-11

Saturday, October 5: Psalm 8; Genesis 23:1-20; Luke 16:14-18



Presiding over our worship this Sunday, September 29, will be Ray Huff, ALWL. Next Sunday, October 6, will be Pastor Ron Montgomery.

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 PastoralEmergency to be connected directly to the Pastor.

Articles for the Messenger and Bulletin are due in the office by Monday at noon



Ushers' Meeting: Current ushers and anyone willing to serve please plan on meeting in the Chapel following worship on Sunday, Sept. 29th. Thank you.



To my Messiah Family,
It is so nice to get well wishes and prayers from my
Messiah friends. Thank you so much to all of you!

Doris Butt

The Library Corner



Children - **Quigley's Village - The Super Shoot-for-the-Stars Space Ship DVD** - The Quigley's Village kids want to buy a Super Shoot for the Stars Space ship for their treehouse, so they decide to have a lemonade sale to raise money. But when Bubba accidentally breaks Mr. Quigley's glass pitcher, they have to decide on the responsible thing to do. DVD found in the DVD Religious Section.

Adult - **What's so Amazing about Grace?** In this book by the best-selling Philip Yancey it explores grace at street level. If grace is God's love for the undeserving, he asks, then what does it look like in action? And if Christians are its sole dispensers, then how are we doing at lavishing grace on a world that knows far more of cruelty and unforgiveness than it does of mercy? Yancey sets grace in the midst of life's stark images, tests it mettle against horrific "ungrace". Book in our Adult fiction section.

Preschool Mums Fundraiser! We still have tickets left! The deadline to pick up your mums is September 30. Tickets are \$10.00 each. Take your ticket to the Potting Bench and pick out your mum.



Mums for loved ones: If anyone would like to help the preschool by donating a mum to the church, Kathy will plant the mums around the church and the office building in memory of your loved ones. If you would like the name of your loved one listed in the Messenger, please provide the information to the church office. Your donation will add to the beauty of our church – possibly for years to come! Mums that were planted last year are thriving and now grace our entrance.

The Mountie Backpack Program is ready for the new school year. Bagging is on



Mountie
Backpack Program

Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. in Shaheen Hall beginning September 26th. Needed again are two volunteers to deliver the food bags on Fridays to Central Elementary School. Please contact Dianne Larson, 570-220-3702; Connie McLaughlin, 570-326-3618, or Mary Schultz, 570-772-8021.
Many hands lighten the load



Please join us for Bible Study and fellowship on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm. We will start with Psalm 139.
All are welcome!



Food Pantry: *Items most needed this week* are peanut butter, jelly, tuna, mixed fruit or any canned fruit, cream of mushroom soup, tomato soup, baked beans, egg noodles, misc. pasta, canned and boxed potatoes, coffee, hot chocolate, pudding packs, saltine or Ritz crackers, fruit drinks, hot chocolate, tea, and jello.

Harvest Home and Blanket Sunday is on Sunday, October 6, 2024. Worshippers will be invited to bring forward their gifts of canned goods, boxes of pasta, or monetary offerings for the hungry during the singing of the Hymn of Praise. **Decorating for Harvest Home** will take place on Saturday, October 5 at 10:00 am. Donations of fresh produce (pumpkins, potatoes, apples, squash, etc.), cornstalks and gourds to use in decorating *are very much needed*. **These perishable items** may be dropped off at the church office any time Thursday-Friday, October 3-4, or by 10 a.m. on Saturday, October 5. **Monetary gifts in lieu of in-kind gifts may be placed in plain envelopes marked "Harvest Home."** *Checks should be made payable to "Messiah Lutheran Church"*.



Tickets for the Preschool "Gift Card Bingo" on Saturday, October 26th, at 11:30am are now available before and after worship on Sundays in the Narthex, 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 18th for the gift cards and themed baskets. Baked goods are due Friday, October 25 by noon in the church office or bring to Independent Fire Company on the day of the event.



P R E S C H O O L

CAMP MOUNT LUTHER
presents
an evening at
Shade Mountain Winery & Vineyard
November 1 • 6:00-8:00 p.m.
SPACE IS LIMITED
Make your reservation today!
contact: 570-922-1587 or
cml@campmountluther.org
All proceeds benefit Camp Mount Luther

Fall Frisbee Fun Day
NOVEMBER 3 AT 2:30 PM
CAMP MOUNT LUTHER





WELCA News and Upcoming Events:

Messiah's Women of the ELCA will meet in Shaheen Hall on **Tuesday, October 15, at 7:00 p.m.** **The Rev. C. Angeliqe Labadie Cihanawyz**, executive director of Sojourner Truth Ministries will be the guest speaker.



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 **by November 10**. 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 **on or before November 19th** and marked "for **WELCA**".

Mark your Calendars: "Trivia Night" is November 16th at 6:00 pm.



Church Women United -World Community Day Celebration, Saturday, November 2, 10:00 a.m. at Pennsdale Trinity United Methodist Church, 658 Village Road, Muncy.



*Did you know ... that Messiah accepts clothing donations year-round for **Daniel's Closet**? Daniel's Closet* is a ministry of Redeemer Lutheran Church on Washington Boulevard to provide free clothing to anyone who has a need. Clothing and accessories (belts, shoes, ties, gloves, purses, bags, etc.) may be placed in the large blue bin inside the alley entrance at Messiah on Sunday mornings or whenever the church is open for other functions.

Please bag all clothing in kitchen size trash bags or smaller so that our volunteers can handle them ... clothing is heavy! *All are welcome to "shop" the closet, too! Please take only what you can use personally or share with a friend. The next closet will be open Saturday, September 28, 8:30-11 a.m. All are welcome!*

