



## Calendar of Events

### Sunday, April 27

9:30 am Worship/Communion  
9:30 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Choir Rehearsal

### Monday, April 28

6:30 pm Life Long Faith Formation  
7:00 pm Property Committee

### Tuesday, April 29

### Wednesday, April 30

6:30 pm Bible Study and Fellowship

### Thursday, May 1

10:00 am Knitters for Neighbors  
1:00 pm Backpack packing  
7:00 pm Choir  
7:30 pm NA

### Friday, May 2

### Saturday, May 3

9:00 am - Noon Kids in Mission



**OUR GRADUATES** **Seeking Names of Graduates:** Please call the church office by June 1st, with the name/address of anyone in your family who is graduating from High School and Undergrad or Grad School this spring. Your Messiah family would like to recognize your accomplishment. *Thank you!*

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# JOIN US FOR....



**Saturday, April 26 at 6:00 pm** Join us for **TRIVIA NIGHT** in Shaheen Hall, with George Jansson as our Quizmaster.

Registration is \$8.00 per person; \$15.00 per couple to benefit Messiah Pre-School's Scholarship Fund. Bring food to share; pizza and beverages will be provided. Tables of six will compete for the evening's championship ... *may the best wits win!*



**Kids Helping Kids!** In addition to our Advent/Lenten Kids in Mission event, we are going to hold a **second springtime Kids in Mission this year on May 3**. Our service project for that event will be to decorate and assemble **Children's Care Kits for Shepherd of the Streets**. More information on this event inside.

**Volunteers are needed to help with the May 3<sup>rd</sup> Kids in Mission.** *If you are able to help, please contact Kathryn Pratt as soon as possible to let her know. Watch for more information to come!*



Tickets are now available in the narthex for the **Mother's Day Dinner on Tuesday, May 6 at 6:00 p.m.** Prices are as follows: Adults - \$13.00; Children age 6-12 - \$6.00; Children age 5 and under – FREE. Dave Bausinger is the Head Chef; Sandy Grier is Mistress of Ceremonies; Bob Schweppenheiser and Quinn Kline will provide musical entertainment. Family members and friends will enjoy the evening.



**Save the Date:** Spring Clean-up will be Saturday, May 10, 9:00 am – Noon. Rain date will be Saturday, May 17, 9:00 am – Noon.



**Messiah Preschool will celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> year**, and a celebration will take place May 18<sup>th</sup> immediately following worship in the Narthex.



**April 27, 2025**

**Service Assistants**

**Ushers:** Charles Luppert, Larry & Donna Britton, Rhonda Koch, Sylvia McCarty, Larry Solomon; **Lay Assistant:** Georgette Copp; **Communion Assistant:** Mary Schultz  
**Acolyte:** Jordan Morris; **Altar Guild:** Sue Shoemaker, Yvonne Kaiser  
**Greeters/Presenters:** Howard and Jean Wilt; **Cantor:** Candy Watkins  
**Flower Delivery:** Cindy Bennett

**Thursday, April 17:** Attendance: *In Church: 49; Online: 7*

**Friday, April 18:** Attendance: *In Church: 31; Online: 12*

**Sunday, April 20, 2025:** Attendance: *In Church: 177; Online: 14; Offering: \$4,153.40*

**IN BLESSED MEMORY**

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Harold C. Kropp by his wife, Martha and family.

**Bible Readings**

**Sunday, April 27:** Acts 5:27-32; Revelation 1:4-8; John 20:19-31

**Monday, April 28:** Psalm 122; Esther 7:1-10; Revelation 1:9-20

**Tuesday, April 29:** Psalm 122; Esther 8:1-17; Revelation 2:8-11

**Wednesday, April 30:** Psalm 122; Esther 9:1-5, 18-23; Luke 12:4-12

**Thursday, May 1:** Psalm 30; Isaiah 5:11-17; Revelation 3:14-22

**Friday, May 2:** Psalm 30; Isaiah 6:1-4; Revelation 4:1-11

**Saturday, May 3:** Psalm 30; Genesis 18:1-8; Luke 14:12-14



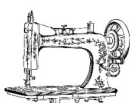
**Pastoral Care Number:** Please call (570) 326-9171. (Available 24 hours a day) During work hours the office staff will assist you. After hours, please press "3" for a Pastoral Emergency to be connected directly to the Pastor.

***Reminder: Articles for the Messenger and Bulletin are due in the office by Monday at noon.***



**Most Needed Items for the Food Pantry this week: tuna fish and canned chicken.**

*Thank you for your continued commitment to feeding the hungry!*



**Lutheran World Relief School Kits** More fabric has been marked and cut. Fabric pieces as well as instruction sheets are available in the narthex or in the church office for those who wish to help by sewing at home ... either by simply sewing a hem around the edges or by sewing a complete bag.

**Questions?? Call Sally Congdon at 570-547-6193 or Kathy Wither at 570-651-2802.**



*Thank you to my Messiah family for the Easter cards and flowers.  
It was so thoughtful of you.*

*Margaret Huyck*

## The Library Corner – Highlighted Books



### **Twelve Ordinary Men - How the Master shaped His disciples for Greatness and what He wants to do with you**

- What is most amazing about the disciples is that Jesus ever selected them at all: among them, a handful of common fishermen, a hated tax collector, and an impulsive political zealot. When you take a fresh look at the disciples, you'll be faced with a stunning fact: The men the Savior chose were ordinary. Hopelessly human. Remarkably unremarkable.

But they were available and obedient to the Master's call. And, under Jesus' teaching and touch, they became a force that forever changed the world. This book, brings you face to face with the disciples as you've never seen them before. You'll walk in their shoes. You'll understand their doubts and hopes. And you'll hear the power of Jesus' words in a whole new way. The message of this book is clear. If Christ can accomplish His purposes through the lives of common men like these, imagine what He has in store for you! This book is in the Biography section of the library.



**LIVE STREAM OPERATORS NEEDED!** The livestream of our worship services have been a great resource for many of our homebound members, friends of the congregation living far away from Williamsport, and as a low-stakes way of visitors to check out worship at Messiah. We are currently in need of a few more adults to facilitate the broadcast. It is a relatively simple operation; if you know how to point and click on a computer, you can learn how to run the livestream! Training will be provided. Please contact the church office if you are interested.



### **Last Week for the Kids Helping Kids Collection!**

Our service project for the May 3 Kids in Mission event will be to decorate and assemble **Children's Care Kits for Shepherd of the Streets ... and we can use your help!** Throughout the month of April, we will be collecting items to fill the kits. The following **children's** items are needed: *toothbrushes and toothpaste, band aids, hair ties, combs, socks, kids' soap, kids' shampoo, crayons and coloring or activity books, and small toys or fun items* (think dollar store toys which will fit inside a large lunch bag). ***Please place your items in the container in the narthex on Sundays or drop them off at the church office during the week. We will accept donations through Sunday, April 27. Thank you for your help!***



**May Friendship Day – “Friends love at all times”,** May 2, at St. John Newberry UMC. Lunch starts at noon. RSVP by April 24<sup>th</sup> at (570)322-1110. The cost is \$20/person.



**There is still time to add your voice** to the anthem to be sung on Sunday, May 4. Stay for rehearsal in the choir loft this Sunday, April 27, after the worship service; or come to the music room at 7 PM on Thursday, May 1; or come to the choir loft at 8:45 on Sunday, May 4. We'd love to have you join us.

**\*Correction\* Bible Study and Fellowship is at 6:30 pm not 7:00 pm**