



Messiah

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September 2024 Newsletter

Sit At My Table

Come sit at my table, there is an empty space.
I have been waiting for you and saving your place.
The food I am serving is the bread of life and love.
You just have to believe in the heavenly Father above.
He is the guiding hand and you should follow the lead.
He will give you peace and fill your every need.

Come sit at my table where you will be shown grace.
May the glow of his love shine on your face.
I will quench your thirst and turn water into wine.
I will always be here for you if you come here to dine.

My arms are open and I will wrap you in them to keep you warm.
I will get you through the storm.
I will nourish your mind, body and soul.
I will leave you feeling at peace and whole.
I will be here when others let you down.
When you need guidance, I will always be around.

Come sit at my table and be filled with an abundance of love.
What I am offering is more than you can ever get enough of.
I am the Way, the Truth and the Light that shines bright.
You will always be my child and I will hold you tight.

Blessings,

Beverly Hoffman

Synod Approved Minister

Ladies Night

Tuesday, October 8 @ 6:30 pm

Ladies, this will be a fun night of dessert, shopping and African adventures! Come meet my friend, Prisca Kambole from Zambia, Africa. She is the Founder and Executive Director of P.L.A.E.P (Promoting Life and Education Project) You would not believe the amazing work that is being done! I am very passionate about this ministry and so proud of the work. Please, please, please, if only to make your church secretary happy, come to Ladies Night. If you worry about her accent, there is no need. She speaks English beautifully and is very easy to understand. If you're still worried ask some of the ladies (Mim Keister, Miriam Milbrand, Jean Sauers) who met her last year. It will be lots of fun!

We are in desperate need of Communion Volunteers !!!!

This is a very easy job and it is very necessary to the church worship service. Don't be afraid. You do not have to go before the congregation. **There are instructions written out in the Sacristy. Everything you need to know to do the job is written out for you.** It might take one Sunday to get in the rhythm of things but soon you'll be able to tell others how to do it! Easy peasy! Give it a try.

1. Set up the day before or arrive @ 8:30 on Sunday mornings.
2. I am told that people in the congregation help bring down the elements so clean up after church is easy.



Blanket Sunday

This year Blanket Sunday is October 6th. Please look for special envelopes in the foyer to make a donation or send your donation to the church office with "Blanket Sunday" written in the memo.

Synod Happenings!

The synod's **Youth Ministry Initiative**, led by youth from around the synod, kicks off with monthly events. Join the fun on **October 20** with Murder Mystery from 2-5 p.m. at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Shamokin Dam. Murder Mystery is so much fun and there's sure to be a lot of laughter. Come join the fun and yes, there's snacks!

Other dates for gathering with your Synod friends:

November 17- A Ping Pong Tournament (time and place TBA)

December 15- Advent Holy Hike and Christmas Party from 2-5 p.m. at Camp Mount Luther

Theology On Tap

Theology on Tap will resume Wednesday, September 18, 6:00 pm at Rusty Rail restaurant in Mifflinburg. Join sisters and brothers from United in Christ, Christ Evangelical, and Milton Lutheran in fellowship. Over dinner, dessert or just a beverage attendees can present questions for the pastors to discuss. This is the place where you can ask all the things you've ever wondered about the Christian faith or about being Lutheran. So, don't miss out on the fun and learning. Join us September 18 at Rusty Rail.

A New Young Adult Group

Milton Lutheran has started a Young Adult Group for anyone ages 18-30. The group mostly meets online to accommodate those attending college but they do meet for activities and get-togethers from time to time. All are welcome, even if you do not attend Milton Lutheran. If you have any questions, please contact:

CarolAnn Miller @ 347-633-2982 or email her @ office@miltonlutheranchurch.org

No longer want to receive our newsletter?

We hate to see you go!

But if you insist, just send an email to:

Christine@newberlinlutherans.com or


call the church office at:

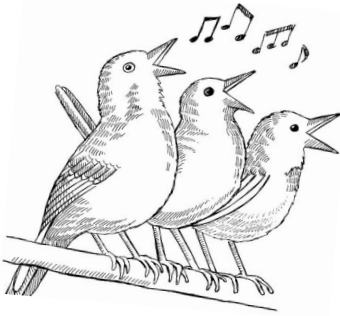
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Time for Fall Cleaning!

The Fall Season is the perfect time to clean out all your unwanted items before you have to dig out the Thanksgiving and Christmas décor. Please set aside these items during September in preparation for a Donation Drive. No, we are not putting on a Yard Sale this year. Instead we will be participating in a Donation Drive the whole month of October! “Why”, you ask? The Yard Sale is soooooo much work. This way, the ladies in the congregation can focus on things like being an acolyte or setting up communion. Okay, okay, I’ll stop dreaming. Partnering with Community Aid through a intentional donation drive has a lot of benefits in helping Messiah be able to get the items needed for our outreach ministries like Baby Care Kits, School Kits, and the Food Pantry. The more we donate, the higher our ranking as a partner which gives us greater access to grant money. Grant money... now that’s an easily attainable dream. All you have to do is bring your clean and gently used items to Community Aid and give them our partnership number when you drop off your items. Our partnership # is **#30190. That’s 30190.**

If you have trouble getting out to Selinsgrove to make your donation, give Kathleen Ferster a call @ 570 259-1754. Tell your friends, so they can help us meet our goals too. Below is a list of things Community Aid accepts. Happy Purging!

	Donations Accepted	Donations Not Accepted
CLOTHING	New & used men’s, women’s, and children’s clothing	Garments that are stained, torn, inappropriate, etc.
ACCESSORIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shoes • Purses/Wallets • Backpacks • Hats • Belts • Scarves • Ties • Wigs • Jewelry 	
TOYS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Toys • Games • Stuffed Animals • Dolls • Puzzles 	
HOUSEHOLD ITEMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pots/Pans • Dishes • Glassware • Small Appliances • Lamps • Shelves 	
DECORATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Artwork • Collectibles • Stoneware • Baskets • Stationary • Seasonal/Holiday & decorations 	
LINENS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curtains • Sheets • Towels • Rugs • Fabric • Blankets without fillers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quilts • Any items with batting • Comforters • Pillows
ELECTRONICS	<p>In working condition including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flat panel TVs and computer monitors • Radios • Alarm Clocks • Computer accessories (i.e. mouse, keyboard, speakers, etc.) • VCR & DVD players 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tube style TVs and computer monitors • Computer CPUs • Devices without sufficient cords



Let's All Sing!

Choir has begun rehearsals for the 2024-2025 year. They meet for rehearsal every other week right after Fellowship. If you would like to join the choir, please see Frank Shue. He will be able to tell what part you sing without even having to audition!

See how easy it is to join choir?!?

Food Pantry

On August 15, the food pantry served 40 families and 133 individuals. Our next Food Pantry distribution will be September 19. Any donations of canned goods is greatly appreciated. And as always, your community thanks you for your generosity.

And speaking of the Food Pantry....

Beginning September 22, gift cards will be available for purchase from Kathleen Ferster after Sunday church services, or by stopping at the church office. Please call Christine @ 916 799-7403. She usually works Mondays and Thursdays, but she spends less time in the office during summer and fall.

Weis and Giant cards will be available in \$25 and \$100 increments. L & L cards will be available in \$50 and \$100 increments. If paying by check, please make it out to Messiah Evangelical Lutheran Church with a note at the bottom of the check that it is for Food Pantry Gift Cards. Cash payment will also be accepted.

Fellowship After The Service

Join us for fellowship every Sunday after worship
in the Fellowship Hall

- Sept. 15 **YOU ARE NEEDED!!!**
- Sept. 22 *Chancel Choir*
- Oct. 6 *Becky Beaver and Miriam Milbrand*
- Oct. 13 *John and Nancy Showers*
- Oct. 20 *W.E.L.C.A.*
- Oct. 27 *Ronald and Frances Blatchley*



In our prayers

Healing, wholeness, and encouragement

Long Term

Alicia Saxon, Noah Navickas, Matthew Myers, Steve Boonie, Lori Haines, Jeffrey Ames, Oliver Auman, Aimee Erdley, Betty Reber, John Hollenbach, Eric Brosious, Kay Fleming, Logan Roush, Mary Hoover, Laurie Thomas, John Wagner, Craig Stumpff, George Hauck, Sandy Raymond, Kathy Spangler, Dianne Bailor, Loretta Weatherill, Melissa Boonie, Adam Guzinski, Julia Hauck, Ellie Crane, Jami and Dylan Crane, Tracy Sassaman, Paul Burkholder, Sue Ulrich, Charlie Stabler, Shawna St. Claire, Stanley St. Claire, Larry St. Claire, Daytona Wentzel, Tim Walsh, Jared Mowen, Ted Kolvich, Glenn Keister, Ron Trick, Cameron Osgood, June Bingaman, Belle McCreary

Short Term

Mary Wagner, Ken Walter, Rev. John Burk, Mikayla Keister, Rev. Wayne Lupole

Providence and protection for first responders and military service men and women

Stanley Miller, Benjamin Pilko

Companionship and support for our homebound

Carol McJilton, Valda Sassaman, Julia Fetter, Mick and Mary Hauck, Harold Spangler, Nancy Hummel

Comfort for those who grieve

For the family and friends of Velma Solomon and Kay Hestor



Have a prayer request?

Fill out the yellow Prayer Request card and drop it in the offering plate or use the form on the website.

Need immediate prayers? Contact Tom Milbrand (570-966-1352), Diane Walter (570-966-0333), or Frances Blatchley (570-966-0288) to have prayers shared on the prayer chain.



September

BIRTHDAYS

September 1
September 9
September 15

September 17
September 20

Mary Eaton
Madison Styers
Claiden Styers
Hayden Hampshire
CarolAnn Miller
Edward Pilko
Rick Hauck

September 21

September 22
September 25
September 28

Katelyn Hauck
Kelsey Hauck
Kay Trick
Natalie Resseguie
Ashley Keister
Charles Dando



September

ANNIVERSARIES

September 4
September 11
September 20

Robert and Jean Sauers
Harold and Pam Erdley
Jeremy and Michelle Resseguie

Worship Leaders 6 weeks out!

Please remember, if you cannot attend worship the day you are scheduled, please find a replacement (switch with someone or find someone to fill in for you) and notify the church office of the change. If you are not currently on our list of worship leaders, and would like to be, please, contact the church office.

Sunday, September 22

Presiding: Beverly Hoffman
Greeter/s: Jean Sauers
Lector: Miriam Milbrand
Acolyte/s: Mea Long and JR Erdley
Cantor/s: JR Erdley
Music Dir.: Frank Shue
Video Op.: Kay Trick
Altar Flowers

Sunday, September 29

Presiding: Beverly Hoffman
Greeter/s: The Mitchell Family
Lector: John Showers
Acolyte/s: Ava and Emma Mitchell
Cantor/s: Tom Milbrand
Music Dir.: Frank Shue
Video Op.
Altar Flowers

Sunday, October 6

Presiding: Beverly Hoffman
Greeter/s: Betty Hollenbach
Lector: Desiree Brown
Acolyte/s: Mea Long and Desiree Brown
Cantor/s: Miriam Milbrand
Music Dir.: Frank Shue
Video Op.
Altar Flowers: John and Nancy Showers

Sunday, October 13

Presiding: Beverly Hoffman
Greeter/s: Clyde and Diane Walter
Lector: Kathleen Ferster
Acolyte/s: Emma Mitchell
Audrey Resseguie
Cantor/s: Alicia Saxon
Music Dir.: Frank Shue
Video Op.
Altar Flowers: JR and Pam Erdley

Sunday, October 20

Presiding: Beverly Hoffman
Greeter/s: Jean Sauers
Lector: Nancy Morgan
Acolyte/s: Nancy Morgan & CarolAnn Miller
Cantor/s: CarolAnn Miller
Music Dir.: Frank Shue
Video Op.
Altar Flowers: Ken and Emily Moyer

Sunday, October 27

Presiding: Beverly Hoffman
Greeter/s: The Mitchell Family
Lector: Deb Wetzel
Acolyte/s: Emma Mitchell
Audrey Resseguie
Cantor/s: CarolAnn Mitchell
Music Dir.: Frank Shue
Video Op.: Nancy Morgan
Flowers: Jerry and Deb Boyer

Communion Bread Bakers for September: Linda Resseguie
Communion Volunteer for September: **YOU ARE NEEDED**

Communion Bread Baker for October: Ginny Engel
Communion Volunteer for October: Kay Trick

Calendar of Events for September 2024

- Sunday, September 15** **9 am** **Worship @ Messiah**
Fellowship
Sunday School
- Tues., September 17** **12:30 pm** **Quilt Tying**
- Wed. September 18** **6 pm** **Theology on Tap @ Rusty Rail**
- Thurs. September 19** **10 am** **Food Pantry**
- Sunday, September 22** **9 am** **Worship at Messiah**
Fellowship
Choir Rehearsal
- Wed. September 25** **11:30 am** **XYZ Luncheon @ Gram's in Lewisburg**
- Sunday, September 29** **9 am** **Worship at Messiah**
Fellowship
Sunday School
- Sunday, October 6** **9 am** **Worship at Messiah**
Fellowship
Choir Rehearsal
- Mon. October 7** **6:30 pm** **Faith Life Committee**
- Tues. October 8** **6:30 pm** **Ladies Night Out**

Can't make it to church in-person?

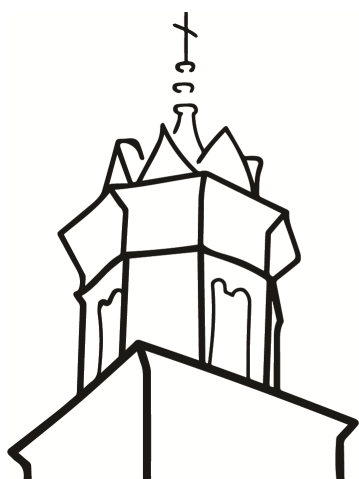
Attend remotely on Facebook, YouTube and the phone.

To listen in on the phone, call 570-989-8899.

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