

BUFFALO VALLEY LUTHERAN PARISH NEWS

FEBRUARY 2024

PASTOR'S PARAGRAPHS

Grace and peace to you!

Last month, we looked back at 2023; this month, we will look into the future and see what 2024 will look like for us as a parish!

In my evaluation back in November, I set goals for myself and also for the parish. The parish has already accomplished one of those goals: to start a contemporary worship service. On January 14, Emily Seebold started our first contemporary service, bringing many community members together to worship! Our contemporary service will continue on the third Sunday of each month at 6 pm at First. These services will be approximately 30 minutes and food will be available. Also, starting in February, following the contemporary service, we will have time for the youth to gather downstairs for games and social time. After the February 18 service, we are playing bingo.

This year, the parish will focus on six committees to help with our ministries. Those committees are: Inreach (what we do together), Outreach (what we do in the community), Worship & Music, Eucharist Visitation, Youth, and Finance. A parish council member will be leading each committee. Committee chairs will seek volunteers from each congregation to serve on those committees. Please let me know if you would like to serve on one of the committees.

One of the bigger goals this year will be community outreach. The parish will be taking over the bingo stand at the West End Fair. We will designate the funds we make that week to go to a needy family. We will also plan some sit-down meals, with those proceeds going to a Helping Hands fund to help those in need in our community. We will continue to be involved in the community, cultivating a culture of invitation and welcome.

Our other goals for this year are to expand and prioritize youth ministries, create intergenerational ministries, and develop our evangelism ministry. Jesus said, "Come and see," and now I invite you to come and see where the Holy Spirit is guiding us this year!

Peace in Christ,
The Rev. Curt Wingert



Bible Study

The weekly Bible study will take place on Mondays at First Lutheran at **1:30 p.m.** We began a study on 1 & 2 Kings on January 29. All are welcome.

Parish Council's Communication to our Congregations:

o Council has elected the following as its main officers for 2024 listed below.

Officers:

President	Jennifer Keister
Vice President	Shirley Heasley
Council Secretary	Barry Spangler

Dianne Shuck was reappointed as Parish Treasurer. The following joint Parish committees have a Parish Council member leading it. Much help will be needed from our fellow members from both congregations.

Inreach:	Marianne Motto
Outreach:	Linda Lewis
Worship & Music:	Barry Spangler
Eucharist/Visitation:	Shirley Heasley
Youth:	Jennifer Keister
Finance	Turk Kline

o Alternative Praise Worship services will be held every third Sunday evening at 6:00 p.m. at First Lutheran.

Lenten Sermon Series

For our Midweek, Holy Week, and Easter Services I will be doing a sermon series called "Return to the Lord."

In the Book of Joel, the prophet paints a vivid picture of the coming judgment of God, the Day of the Lord. The imagery is bold and terrifying: hordes of locusts swarming over the land and decimating everything. Joel's prophecy has teeth even today as wars rage, natural disasters threaten and destroy, and our culture seems to be unraveling. But right in the middle of this frightening portent, we find a tender invitation from the Lord: "Return to the Lord your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and He relents over disaster" (Joel 2:13). God's invitation and promise finds its fullness in Jesus Christ, who personifies and accomplishes all that God declares. During this season of Lent, we will consider the theme "Return to the Lord" and examine how the call to return played out in practical ways for the people who walked alongside Christ as He demonstrated and carried out God's grace and mercy on our behalf, taking God's wrath upon Himself, setting the stage for God to "turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind Him" (Joel 2:14).

Each sermon in this series focuses on a particular event in the Passion, with a special focus on the people involved in the event. Studying the events and people helps to connect the hearers with their own sinful nature, to emphasize how we have turned away from the Lord, and to reinforce and rejoice in God's call for us to return to Him with all our heart. ~ Pastor Curt

Lenten Meals Being Served at First Lutheran

February 21 – Spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, bread, and dessert

March 6 – Chicken corn & chicken noodle soups, ham & chicken salad sandwiches, and dessert

March 20 – Ham/green beans/potatoes, bread, applesauce, and dessert

March 28 – Maundy Thursday – BBQ, macaroni and cheese, dessert

Benefit Dinner



A Chicken & Waffle Benefit Dinner for Kathy Spangler will take place on **Saturday, February 17, from 4:00-7:00 p.m.** at Christ's United. The meal will consist of Chicken & Waffles, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Harvard Beets, Coleslaw and Dessert. There is no charge for the meal, but donations to help with Kathy's medical expenses are requested. Talk to Teresa Shuck (570-966-2053) for more information. Help is needed for the benefit dinner. If anyone is willing and able to show up at these times, it would be greatly appreciated:

Workday Prep: Friday, February 16 - 10 AM

Morning Day Prep: Saturday, February 17 - 10 AM

Serving Prep: Saturday, February 17 - 2 PM

Evening Acoustic Praise Worship – February 18

The Buffalo Valley Lutheran Parish invites everyone to an acoustic praise worship service on Sunday, February 18, at 6:00 p.m. at First Evangelical Lutheran Church, 404 Market Street, Mifflinburg.

Come as you are for a time together! All are welcome! Our Parish will be holding acoustic praise worship services every third Sunday evening of the month at First Lutheran.



Breaking Bread (formerly known as the Progressive Dinner)

Breaking Bread is a time to get together with others in the Parish to have a meal/food and get to know others with whom you don't usually socialize.

Invite 4-10 others to gather on a day that works for you. It can be in your home, at the park, at a favorite ice cream or breakfast or pizza shop. The importance is being together for an hour or two and sharing "bread" which could be in the form of pizza, appetizers, ice cream or a meal. Feel free to ask those joining you to bring something if hosting a meal at your home and be aware of any food allergies.

There are no set rules! It's great to invite those in our church family that have never had social interaction with you in the past. Ask them to bring a friend! If an individual doesn't have transportation – offer to pick them up! Mix up ages and backgrounds – so interesting!

Play cards or games, put a puzzle together while chatting...expect that when you say good-bye that it will not be the last time you see or talk to each other.

Give it a try! We are planning to start this very soon! If you have any questions, please reach out to Kim Sawyer or Jennifer Keister.

Oyster Supper – February 6

The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Turbotville welcomes you to their 90th Annual Oyster Supper on Tuesday, February 6, at 6 pm in their fellowship hall. A donation of \$20.00 per person will be requested at the door, the amount depending upon the cost of oysters just prior to the supper. Drive-Thru, Take-Out is available from 4-5:30 pm. You are asked to call ahead with large orders. Reservations are not required, but would be helpful. If you could give some indication a week prior about how many will be attending, this will enable them to adequately plan for the supper. If you have any questions, call 570-649-5195.



Parish Council has set the date and time for this year's Community Easter Egg Hunt. It will be Saturday, March 30 at Christ's United, starting at 1 PM and will be for ages 0 - 12.

We will need plastic eggs, candy, and snacks that can fit inside the eggs, and we need volunteers to fill the eggs, and helpers with the actual egg hunt. More information will follow.

Weis/Wenger's Gift Cards Offer

Gift cards make wonderful gifts for college students, birthdays, weddings, ♥ day, holidays, birth of a new baby, a new neighbor....the list is endless....such a useful gift!

First Lutheran - offers cards in denominations of \$25, \$50 or \$100. Simply make checks payable to "First Lutheran Church" and use them as cash or the grateful recipient can do the same. Don Seebold will even deliver! Give him a call at 570-412-1505. ***YOU receive the full value of the card and then Weis gives 5% & Wenger's gives 10% of the purchase to the FELC mission fund!***

Christ's United - Grocery cards can now be purchased from Idella Zimmerman (570-966-1340). Available grocery cards in denominations of \$25 or \$50 will be for Weis Markets, L & L Marketplace, and Wenger's. If you would like to pay by check, it should be made payable to "Christ's United Lutheran Church" and put "Grocery cards" on the memo line.

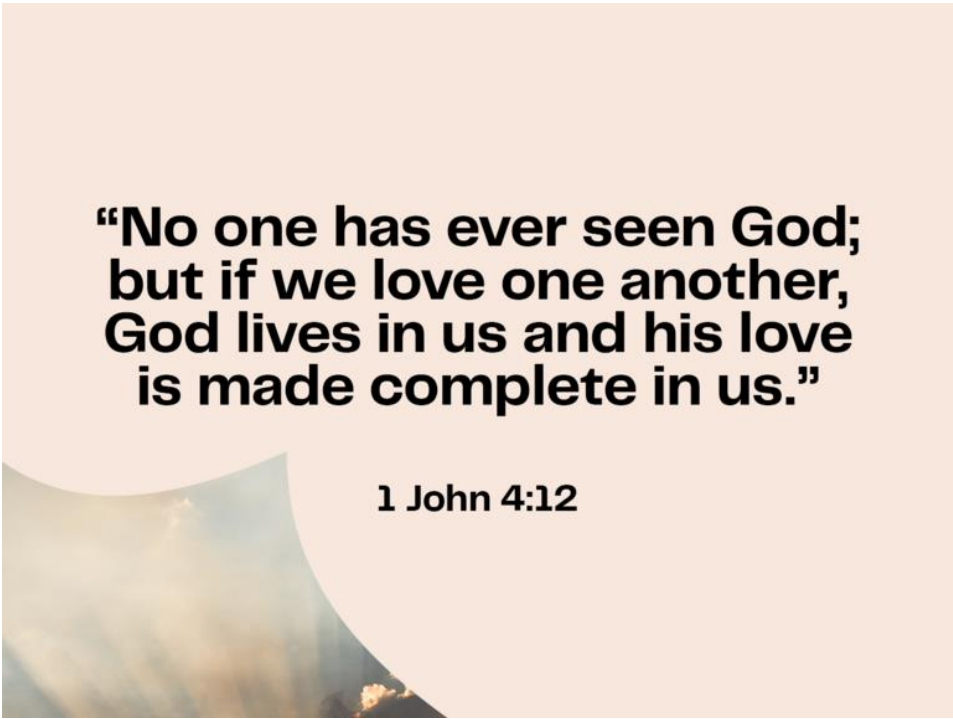
Mark Your Calendars for the Upcoming 2024 Meals at CULC:

April 27 – Ham Loaf Dinner

May 25 – Turkey Dinner

September 28 – Turkey Dinner

November 2 – Pot Pie Quart Sale



**“No one has ever seen God;
but if we love one another,
God lives in us and his love
is made complete in us.”**

1 John 4:12

JOINT PARISH WORSHIP DATES FOR LENT AND EASTER

Tuesday, February 13

Shrove Tuesday Pancake & Sausage Supper - Christ's United – **5-7:00 p.m.**

Wednesday, February 14

Ash Wednesday Service - Christ's United - **7:00 p.m.**

February 21 - March 20

Holden Midweek Light Supper & Devotions
Meal at **6:00 p.m.** Service at **7:00 p.m.**

Wednesday, February 21: First Lutheran

Wednesday, February 28: Christ's United

Wednesday, March 6: First Lutheran

Wednesday, March 13: Christ's United

Wednesday, March 20: First Lutheran

Sunday, March 24

Palm Sunday Services
8:30 a.m. CULC ~ 10:30 a.m. FELC

Thursday, March 28

Maundy Thursday Service & Meal, First Lutheran
6:00 p.m. Meal 7:00 p.m. Worship in Sanctuary

Friday, March 29

Good Friday Service, Christ's United - **7:00 p.m.**

Sunday, March 31

Sunrise Service, Christ's United - **6:30 AM**

Easter Breakfast, Christ's United - **7:30 AM**

Mid-Morning Service, Christ's United - **8:30 AM**

Festival of the Resurrection, First Lutheran - **10:30 AM**

CULC NEWS

Scout Sunday

Scout Sunday will take place on **February 4**.

Fellowship Hall Rental Dates:

Saturday, February 17: Benefit Chicken & Waffle Supper for Kathy Spangler.

Thursday, February 22: Hallmark Feeds meeting and noon meal. Help needed for the meal.

Thursday, February 29: Hubner Seeds meeting and noon meal. Help needed for the meal.

Potpie Supper

On **Saturday, March 3**, we will be holding our “drive through” pot pie sale. Help will be needed on the Friday before and the day of the event. More information will be forthcoming.

Backpacks

For a number of years, we have joined with the Mifflinburg Area Ministerium to supply healthy meals over the weekend for children who receive subsidized lunches through the school. Eligible students in the elementary and intermediate schools receive a filled backpack on Friday with food for the weekend. Christ’s United was in charge of the December distribution. We provided between 180-191 each week. With funds from the Buffalo Valley Brethren Church and Teresa & Greg Shuck’s access to Sam’s Club, we were able to get more items for less. The cost of the December program this year was \$1,972.00.

Offering Envelopes

In 2024, we are continuing to use our “homemade” offering envelopes. If you need some, contact Kim Blyler (570-716-5601).

CULC Money Counters

We are still in need of additional offering counters after worship services. If interested, contact Barry Spangler (570-966-0406).

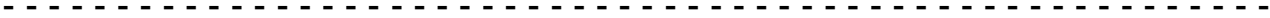




CULC EASTER FLOWERS

One of the customs of this season at Christ's United is to celebrate the risen Christ with a bevy of flowers adorning the sanctuary on Easter Sunday.

If you would like to provide flowers to decorate the sanctuary for Easter, fill out the form below and return it to Janice Wagner or Margie.



EASTER FLOWER ORDER FORM

**Order Deadline: March 1
Return with payment to Margie Dunkle or Janice Wagner**

_____ 4" Pansy @ \$3.00	
_____ 6" Mini Daffodil @ \$10.25	
_____ 6" Hyacinth @ \$10.25	
_____ 6" Tulip @ \$10.25	
_____ 4-6 Bloom Lily @ 12.25	
TOTAL	

GIVEN BY _____

in memory of _____

in memory of _____

in honor of _____

in honor of _____

to the Glory of God _____

(Supplier - Brookside Acres Greenhouse)

Drive Through
Pot Pie Sale
by The Quart Only

Sat. March 2, 2024
serving from 3:30pm until Sold Out

Beef, Chicken or Ham

Pot Pie

\$10 / Quart

Home Made

Pickled Cabbage

\$5 / Pint

Christ's United '4 Bell' Lutheran Church
3 1/2 miles West of Mifflinburg on Rt. 45

Pre Orders accepted at 4bellchurch.com

FELC NEWS

Free Community Meal at FIRST – Saturday, February 3

First Lutheran will be serving a free community meal on **Saturday, February 3, from 11:00–12:00**. All are welcome! Please enter the door in the alley behind the church. Meals for the remainder of the quarter will be held on **March 2**.

Monthly Coffee Hour – Sunday, February 18

We will be holding our next monthly coffee hour on **Sunday, February 18, following worship**. We have a monthly coffee hour on the 3rd Sunday of each month. It is held in the MPR following the service. We need 2 or 3 people to volunteer each month by making food items. The set-up and beverages are provided. There is a volunteer sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Please consider signing up.

Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting – Sunday, February 25

The semi-annual meeting will be held on **Sunday, February 25**. We will have basement church with a potluck meal afterwards. The meeting will follow the meal. Church members are asked to bring food and the church will provide the drinks.

Altar Flowers

The cost of altar flowers is now \$50 for 2 vases, instead of \$40.

Empty Coffee Cans Needed

We are in need of empty #1 coffee cans for altar flowers. You may place them on the pew in the office hallway.

Ministerium Backpack Program

First Lutheran is in charge of the May/June backpack distribution for students in the Mifflinburg School District who may be lacking what they need on days away from school, such as weekends. The churches of the Mifflinburg Ministerium have been providing the backpacks of food since 2015. FIRST will be accepting monetary donations for the distribution.

Christian Ed. Info

We will only have a SPECIAL Young Followers Church on the SECOND Sunday of each month following the Young Followers message. We will be using the Sparks Story Bible that corresponds with the weekly scripture.

These monthly lessons will include Sparks Story Reading, Coloring Page, and a Craft.

~ **February 11** Sparks Story [Mark 9:2-9](#) *Revelation of Christ as God's beloved Son*

~ **March 10** Sparks Story [John 3:14-21](#) *The lifting up of the Son of Man (Lenten/Easter Special Idea, too)*

- ~ April 14 Sparks Story [Luke 24:36b-48](#) *Eating with the risen Christ*
- ~ May 12 Sparks Story [Acts 1:15-17, 21-26](#) *Matthias added to the apostles*
- ~ June, July, August – off

Young Followers Church Volunteer Schedule

February 11 – Nicole Klose
March 10 – Shirley Heasley
April 14 – Christian and Buffy Boyer
May 12 – Kortney McBryan

If you are unable to fulfill your month, please try to make an exchange with another month's volunteer. If that is not possible, contact one of the following substitutes: Sally Rothermel, Liz Loss, Sherri Neece, Mandy Rothermel, Libby Loss. If you are still unable to get a replacement, contact Ann Beckley. Lesson plans will be e-mailed to you two weeks prior to your assigned month.

Young Followers Activities

If you would like to be added to the group texts, please contact Liz at 570-412-5598.

Share Your Faith with Our Youth

If you wrote a devotional, what would it sound like? I am looking for some adults to share their faith journey, how they found faith, or where they have seen Jesus in their lives with our Young Followers (grades 6-12). Instead of having these youth read a devotional, I would like for them to hear a "live" devotional. Please reach out if you would be interested. Thank you! Liz: 570-412-5598.

Notes of Appreciation

~ Thank you so much, First Evangelical Lutheran Church for the generous donation of hats, gloves, and scarfs for our students. This will be of great use during these cold winter months. Your outreach is incredibly appreciated. Our sincere thanks!
Happy New Year! ~ Lauren Purdy, School Counselor Mifflinburg Intermediate School

~ Max and I would like to thank all our First Lutheran friends for the prayers that you have been lifting for Max and me. We got fantastic news that Max does not have cancer. He has been such a trouper!

I ask if you would still pray for me as I'm still trying to work out what is causing my crippling anxiety. I appreciate your prayers. I wish I could participate in our church services (and especially the beautiful service at Christmas), however, I am not able to attend at this time.

I thank Pastor Curt for his personal prayers and Shirley Heasley, our Home pastor and communion distributor. Max and I enjoy and appreciate her fellowship and good stories.

May God continue to bless each and every one of us at First Lutheran. ~ In His love,
Max and Trena Zeller



FELC EASTER FLOWERS

A tradition at Easter is to celebrate the risen Christ with a bevy of flowers. Easter is March 31, 2024. If you would like to provide flowers for this custom, please fill out the form below. Flowers are provided by Brookside Acres and include foil.

All orders must be in the First Lutheran office by **February 26**. All flowers need to be picked up by April 7.

FELC EASTER FLOWER ORDER FORM

Order Deadline: **February 26**

Return to First Lutheran Church Office

_____ 6" Tulip (red, yellow, purple, pink, orange, white) \$10.00 _____
(Please circle color)

_____ 6" Hyacinth (pink, white, blue, purple) or (see below) \$10.00 _____
(purple, pink and white mixed hyacinth in one pot) (Please circle color)

_____ 6" Mini Daffodil \$10.00 _____

_____ 8" Large Daffodil \$12.00 _____

_____ 4-6 Bloom Lilies \$12.00 _____

Total _____

Given by _____

In memory of _____

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In honor of _____

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To the Glory of God _____



CHRIST'S UNITED

Winifred Aikey
Paul Brann
Roger Dunkle
Darlene Endy
Rozelle DeDe Ensminger
Amy Evers
Annette Feltman
Gary Gemberling
Pearl Gemberling
George (Mick) Guffey
Gary & Janet Hackenberg
Roy Laudermilch
John Morrison
Harry Moyer
Dave Oberlin
Eve Rantz
Louise Ritter
Larry Sampsell
Sam & Ethel Schnure
Lee & Kathy Spangler
Tom Watters
Jesica Wheeler
Glenn Wiand

The Shut-Ins:

Winnie Aikey, Betty Goss,
Helen Pirone, Dottie Rathfon

In an effort to keep the prayer list current, Christ's United will clear their current list on a quarterly basis. A new list will begin in January, April, July, and October. If you want to continue an existing prayer request or have a new prayer concern, please contact Margie.

FIRST LUTHERAN

Cathy Hower Brungard
Amanda Galer
Ruth Gessner
Logan Roush

The Shut-Ins

Mary Lib Dunkle
Lois Elliott
Doris Moll
Ethel Musser
June Ocker
Barb Reed
Dotty Seebold
James Shipton
Ken & Pat Smith
Nancy Ulrich
Trena Zeller

The Troops

Thaddeus Miller
Zachary Miller



FEBRUARY

CULC BIRTHDAYS

- 2 – Addalynn Zimmerman
- 8 – Barbara Clouser
- 9 – Nichole Ammon
- 10 – Teresa Shuck
- 11 – Gailyn Baker
- 14 – Lucas Flickinger
- 15 – Kenneth Emery
- 19 – Glenn Spangler
- 22 – Deken Kline
- 23 – Andrew Clouser, Max Miller
- 24 – Scott Sampsell
- 26 – Clayton Gemberling
Mahayla Gemberling
- 27 – Kendra Kline, Rose Wenrich
- 28 – Alica Zimmerman

CULC ANNIVERSARIES

- 13 – Duane & Carol Miller (1988)



FELC BIRTHDAYS

- 1 – Jeffrey Hackenburg
- 3 – Nathan McBryan
- 4 – Ethel Musser, Kim Wagner
- 5 – Jamie Bartlett
- 6 – Heather Klose
- 8 – Sheryl Fetter
- 9 – Drew Christy
- 10 – Cher Girton, Ashley Uehling
- 12 – Crystal Bollinger,
Mary “Lib” Dunkle
- 13 – Michael Hackenberg
- 14 – Ed Libhart
- 18 – Scott Smith
- 19 – Linn Mensch
- 21 – Kim Sauers, Dotty Seebold
- 22 – Caroline Herman
- 23 – Madison Reed,
Wayne Shively
- 24 – Jeffrey Clouser
- 25 – Lisa Woodring
- 27 – Cynthia Harvey,
Deborah Johnson

FELC ANNIVERSARIES

No anniversaries this month.



February
VOLUNTEERS

CULC

Date:	Greeters:	Lay Reader:	Communion Assist.:
4	Scouts	Scouts	Barry Spangler
11	Joe Dressler	Lisa Lapp	Dianne Shuck
14	Ash Wednesday Service	Greg Shuck	Greg Shuck
18	Ben Wenrich	Maurice Clouser	Janice Wagner
25	June Wenrich	Glenn Spangler	Glenn Spangler
28	Lenten Service	Barry Spangler	Barry Spangler

Sound System: Dave Bickhart

Altar Guild: Eugene & Katherine Hassinger

Ushers: Feb. 4 – Scouts; Greg Shuck & Linda Smith

REMINDER! You are responsible for finding a substitute if you are unable to be here when scheduled. Altar Guild Members, Sound System Operators & Ushers are responsible for any special services scheduled during the month.

FELC

Date:	Lay Reader:	Ushers:	Acolytes:
4	Bethany Boyer	Bethany Boyer/Libby Loss	Basement Church
11	Sally Rothermel	Craig & Sally Rothermel	Ava McBryan
18	Don Seebold II	Tom Orren/Kim Wagner	Brynn Umholtz
25	Jane Moore	Jane Moore/Jim Schwartz	Basement Church

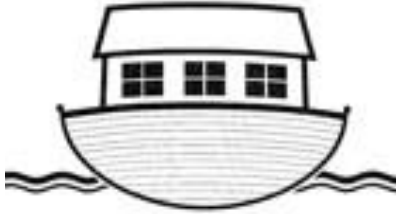
Young Followers: Feb. 11 – Nicole Klose

Chief Usher: Christian Boyer

Money Counters: Kim Sauers/Nancy Snook

Altar Guild: Sue Jows/Libby Loss

Volunteers, Please Note: If you are scheduled to help with the service and are unable to fulfill your responsibility, please contact the head usher. If you are scheduled to count money and are unable to do so, please find a substitute.



SYNOD NEWS

Lutheran Summer Music

It's time to nominate students for Lutheran Summer Music. Each year, the primary way that music students find their way to LSM is through the encouragement of their church musician! LSM offers opportunities for musicians of all kinds: brass, winds, strings, percussion, piano, organ, voice, harp, guitar, handbells, and more. Know a young person (grades 8-12) who would benefit from the life-giving and joyful musical community at LSM? Nominate them for LSM today at LSMacademy.org/nominate



CAMP MOUNT LUTHER

355 Mt. Luther Lane, Mifflinburg, PA 17844

Phone: (570) 922-1587 E-mail: cml@campmountluther.org

Upcoming Events

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| February 11 | Camp Mount Luther Sunday/Taste of Camp |
| March 13-14 | Raise the Region |
| March 15-16 | GROW in the Snow |

Taste of Camp – February 11, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Hungry for camp but can't wait until the summer? Always wanted to try camp, but not sure you'll like it? Camp Mount Luther has an event for you! On February 11, 2024, from 2:00-4:00 p.m., you can get a Taste of Camp! Enjoy songs, food, games, a campfire program, information on the 2024 program, and more! Those who attend will get Camel Bucks to spend in the

camp store this summer. Camp persons from synod congregations who attend this event (or sign up to be a camp person with the director) will get Camel Bucks for all their congregation's Summer 2024 campers.

This year's summer camp season will begin on June 23 and run until August 2. There are programs for all ages from elementary to senior high, and for adults and families. If you're looking for a place where your child can grow in faith and have fun doing it, Camp Mount Luther is that place. Don't settle for second-rate summer programs. Camp Mount Luther has been giving kids fun, exciting, faith-filled, outdoor experiences for 60 years. If you have questions about our summer programs, feel free to reach out to us at cml@campmountluther.org.

Camp Mount Luther Sunday - February 11, All Day

The Upper Susquehanna Synod Council has designated Transfiguration Sunday each year as "Camp Mount Luther Sunday" to help promote outdoor ministries in the synod. Members of USS congregations are encouraged to celebrate outdoor ministries on February 11, 2024.

Help Camp "Raise The Region"

Camp Mount Luther is participating in The First Community Foundation Partnership of PA's "Raise the Region" on March 13-14, 2024. It is a 30-hour fundraising event starting at 6:00 p.m. and ending the next day at 11:59 p.m. Money donated by the Blaise Alexander Family Dealerships will help stretch donations made to organizations that day. Additional monetary prizes and incentives will be awarded, too. Proceeds raised for CML will contribute to the Annual Fund unless a donor contacts the camp office to designate otherwise. To be part of "Raise the Region", visit www.raisetheregion.org during the event and make an online donation to camp. Running totals will be shown throughout the day at the "Raise the Region" website. CML has participated in "Raise the Region" for 11 years and has garnered about \$206,345 in donations over that time. We hope you will help us to have another successful year!

GROW In The Snow - March 15-16

All youth in 6-12th grade and their youth leaders are invited to attend this synod youth retreat on March 15-16. This year's theme is "Break Forth in Song" based on Psalm 98. Experience your Creator, play winter games, and find refreshment in the peace of camp in winter. The retreat is from

Friday night to Saturday afternoon, but there is an option for youth and leaders to come just for the day on Saturday. The cost is \$79 for the whole program. Each registered group should provide one adult (21 or over) for every seven youth, and at least one adult for each gender represented. Cabin assignments will be made based on available adults and the number of youth attending. A flyer and registration form are coming soon.

Winterfest 2024

Chad and Jim represented Camp Mount Luther at [Winterfest](#), an ELCA Youth event in Lancaster. Jim served as the chaplain for the event and Chad went as an observer. The weekend's theme was "The Way", and we explored how Jesus walks with us throughout life. Participants enjoyed large group sessions, worship, workshop electives, games, and a concert with hip-hop artist, [Peabod](#). About 200 youth and adults participated in the events. The Upper Susquehanna Synod hopes to send a large contingent of high school and young adult youth to this program next year! Contact jim@campmountluther.org for more information.

Summer Staff

Every summer, Camp Mount Luther depends on responsible young people to serve as role models for our campers. Whether serving as a counselor, lifeguard, or kitchen personnel, a job at camp can be an amazing and rewarding work experience. Please spread the word and help us find quality candidates for Summer 2024. If you know someone who would be a good fit, direct them to chad@campmountluther.org.



BUFFALO VALLEY LUTHERAN PARISH

The Rev Curt Wingert, Pastor

Pastor Curt's e-mail: pastorbuffalovalleyparish@gmail.com

Parish Council Members: Shirley Heasley, Jennifer Keister, Terry Kline,
Linda Lewis, Marianne Motto, Barry Spangler

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CULC e-mail: culc@4bellschurch.com
CULC Website: www.4bellschurch.com
CULC Facebook:
<https://www.facebook.com/4bellchurch1>

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Thursday – 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

STAFF MEMBERS

The Members of the Congregation,
The Ministers

Matthew Wagner, Organist

Diane Valentine & Karen
Zimmerman, Pianists

Barry Spangler, Digital Music Arranger

Loretta Martin, Custodian

Margie Dunkle, Secretary/Asst. Treas.

Dianne Shuck, Treasurer

Janet Hackenberg, Asst. Treasurer

Tammy Boop, Financial Recording
Secretary

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Greg Shuck, Council President

Lee Spangler, Council Vice President

Barry Spangler, Secretary

Teresa Shuck, Treasurer

Joel Blyler, Council

Kim Blyler, Council

Gina Buttorff, Council

Bev Catherman, Council

Terry Kline, Council

Lisa Lapp, Council

Linda Smith, Council

Idella Zimmerman, Council

**FIRST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN
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Monday, Tuesday, Thursday –
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STAFF MEMBERS

Sue Nentwig, Church Secretary

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 9:00 BV Conference Meeting-FELC 1:00 WELCA-FELC	2 	3 11-12:00 Community Meal-FELC
4 8:30 Worship/Scout Sunday-CULC 9:30 Koinonia Kafe-CULC 10:30 Worship-FELC No Rehearsal-FELC	5 1:30 Parish Bible Study-FELC	6 6:30 Scouts-FELC	7 10:00 Hope's Haven-CULC No Council-FELC 6-6:30 Chimes Rehearsal-FELC	8	9	10
11 8:30 Worship-CULC 10:30 Worship-FELC Choir Rehearsal-FELC	12 1:30 Parish Bible Study-FELC	13 Shrove Tues. 5-7:00 Pancake Supper-CULC 6:30 Scouts-FELC	14 Ash Wed. 10:00 Hope's Haven-CULC 7:00 Service-CULC No Rehearsal-FELC	15	16 10:00 Work Day-CULC	17 4-7:00 Benefit Dinner for Kathy Spangler-CULC
18 8:30 Worship-CULC 10:30 Worship-FELC No Rehearsal-FELC 6:00 Acoustic Praise Worship-FELC	19 1:30 Parish Bible Study-FELC	20 6:30 Scouts-FELC 7:00 Council-CULC March Newsletter Articles Due	21 10:00 Hope's Haven-CULC 6:00 Lenten Meal/Service-FELC Chimes Rehearsal -FELC	22 12:00 Hallmark Seeds Meal-CULC	23	24
25 8:30 Worship-CULC 10:30 Basement Church/Meal/Congregational Mtg.-FELC No Rehearsal-FELC	26 1:30 Parish Bible Study-FELC	27 6:30 Scouts-FELC	28 10:00 Hope's Haven-CULC 6:00 Lenten Meal/Service-CULC No Rehearsal - FELC 7:00 Young Adult Fellowship-Zoom	29		

