



BUFFALO VALLEY LUTHERAN PARISH NEWS

JUNE 2026

PASTOR'S PARAGRAPHS

Grace and peace to you!

This month, I am going to be writing about Pentecost and Holy Trinity Sunday. We will also learn about the colors and symbols used during these church seasons.

The Roman Catholic Church prefers to call this the Pentecost season and to refer to the Sundays of this season as “after Pentecost.” Most Lutheran congregations have continued this tradition as well, but some refer to the Sundays of the season as “after Trinity.”

Pentecost means fiftieth day, and the day of Pentecost comes fifty days after Easter. The Jews originally observed Pentecost as a feast at the end of the harvest. Later, the Jews came to associate Pentecost with the giving of the Law to Moses at Mt. Sinai, which, in a sense, became the founding of the Jewish church. And now Pentecost has become the birth of the Christian church.

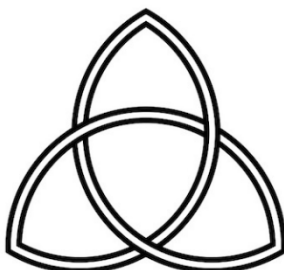
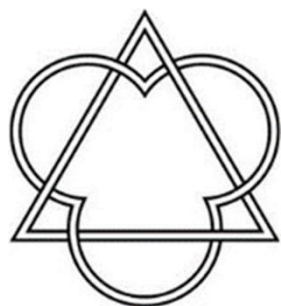
The Sunday following Pentecost is Holy Trinity Sunday. The festivals of the early church commemorated either events or people. Doctrinal festivals came later. Though it came later, the festival of the Holy Trinity is a very significant festival to the church. The first half of the church year was devoted to the life of Jesus; the second half of the church year has been devoted for Christian instruction. The Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit have been revealed and are studied and applied to life.

Red is used for Pentecost and white on Holy Trinity Sunday. Green is used from the Monday following Holy Trinity Sunday until the First Sunday in Advent, except for a few

special days when the appropriate color for the occasion is used. Green represents a time of growth.

The most common representation of the Holy Spirit is as a dove and appears in all four gospels. A flame has also been used to represent the Holy Spirit.

Following are examples of symbols used to represent the Holy Trinity:



I hope this information was helpful and answered any questions you had.

I continue to lift you up in prayer! If you have any pastoral care needs, please let me know.

Peace in Christ,

The Rev. Curt Wingert

PARISH NEWS

Pastor Curt's Vacation

Pastor Curt will be on vacation June 1-8.



Pastor Curt's & Andrea's Wedding

Pastor Curt and Andrea Mayeski will be exchanging wedding vows on June 7 during a combined worship service here at First Lutheran. We hope you will join us.



We would like to extend our congratulations to the following graduates:

CULC

Addalynn Zimmerman graduated from SUN Area Vo-Tech in May from the Patient Care Technician program. While there she won 1st place in Life Support Skills at the HOSA State Leadership Conference in Hershey, PA. She will attend Nationals in June in Indianapolis, IN. Addalynn will be graduating from Mifflinburg High School on June 3. She plans to work at Family Practice Center and eventually return to school to obtain her RN degree.

FELC

Sara Harter graduated from Penn State University in May.

Aaron Hackenburg graduated from Penn State University in May.

Ben Hornig graduated from Susquehanna University in May.

Jadyn I. Rothermel graduated from Penn State on May 10. She plans to pursue a medical career.

Reagyn L. Rothermel will graduate from Mifflinburg High School on June 3. She will be attending Penn State University in the Fall to major in Marketing.



YOUTH LOCK-IN ALERT: The Ultimate Overnight!

Ready for a night of zero sleep and maximum fun? Our Youth Lock-In is officially on the calendar!

Join us for an epic night filled with high energy games, late night snacks, and plenty of time to hang out with friends. Whether we are battling it out in the gym or chilling with a movie at 3:00 am, you will not want to miss it.

When: **Friday, June 26, 2026** Drop Off: **6:00 PM**

Pick up: **9-10:00 AM Saturday**

Where: Christ's United Lutheran Church (4 Bells)

What to Bring: Blankets, pillows, comfortable clothes, and your favorite snack to share!

RSVP By: **June 15th**. There will be a sign-up sheet at both churches. Also, check your email for online registration information.

Note: All participants must have a signed waiver to attend. The waivers will be at the lock-in for you to sign.

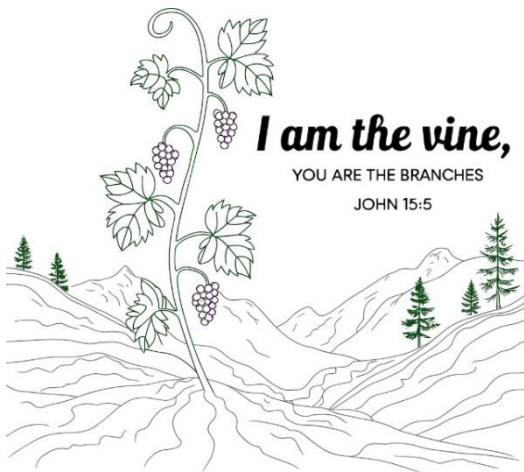
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Save the Date

Monday, July 6 – Thursday, July 9

**Buffalo Valley Lutheran Parish Community
Vacation Bible School**

Connect with us as we explore John 15:5



Community VBS Registration (July
6-9, 2026) Stay Connected to the
Vine



Who: anyone going into Kindergarten to Sixth Grade

Where: we will gather at the Mifflinburg Town Park Pavillion

Time: 6:00 -8:15 PM

Scan the QR code for Registration information



Please watch for details to be a part of Buffalo Valley Parish VBS...keep the dates open July 6th- 9th.

Keep in mind, any volunteers that will be working directly with the youth must have a volunteer clearance. The Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance (Certification) can now be submitted online through the Child Welfare Solution (CWIS) self-service portal. Plan ahead and get this taken care of.

<https://www.dhs.pa.gov/KeepKidsSafe/Clearances/Pages/PA-Child-Abuse-History-Clearance.aspx>

This certification is **FREE** for volunteers!!!



Our Parish will be sponsoring our 4th Group Workcamp July 18-24, 2027
The theme is UNFILTERED – Psalm 139: 23,24

I will attempt to share the needs as we progress through the year of planning. You may think it's a long time from now but many things need completed each and every month!

Our confirmands and youth will be campers! They will be staying at the school alongside hundreds of other youth traveling from across the country.

1. We will support this workcamp with fundraisers. We will need volunteers and supporters of those efforts. We are planning at least one or two public dinners and a drive through chicken barbeque.
2. We need to let everyone in our 3-county area know about the camp and distribute applications. We will serve 50-70 homeowners that are within 30 minutes of the Mifflinburg Middle School. Please make a list of individuals and families so applications can be given to them this summer.
3. We can do weatherization, light carpentry, interior and exterior painting, porch and wheelchair ramp construction and repair, and other labor intensive, reasonably simple work. We ask that the work be meaningful in improving the life of the resident and that the resident be financially or physically unable to perform the work on their own. We also ask that residents be home as much as possible during the camp, since having our participants connect with the resident is a very important aspect of our program.
4. It's important to share that 200-400 teenage young people and their adult leaders, members of churches from many different Christian denominations from all over America and Canada come to the community to volunteer their labor. Please know that they do not come to the community to evangelize but simply to work on homes at no cost to the resident.

As always, please contact me with any questions and of course to volunteer in so many ways. I previously shared – there is something for everyone to do – any age or ability!

Kim Sawyer, Group Workcamp Coordinator '27
kimssawyer@gmail.com (remember the two ss 😊) or 570-713-4577

FELC NEWS

Music at FIRST

Starting the first Sunday in June our service will be pre-recorded by Diane. After 30 years of dedicated service to First she has requested that her role change. Given the change, we will need volunteers to operate the organ during the service except during the contemporary services. This involves pushing a button at the appropriate time during the service. If you are willing to be one of our volunteers, please see Linda Lewis or Perri Hull for instruction or questions.

Special Music Needed for Upcoming Services

Do you have a song in your heart to share? We are looking for individuals or groups willing to provide special music during our upcoming church services. Whether you sing, play an instrument, or have another musical gift, your offering can be a blessing to our congregation and a beautiful way to glorify God.

If you feel led to participate, please contact **Perri Hull or Linda Lewis** to sign up for a date. Let's fill our worship with joyful sounds and heartfelt praise!

"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth; make a loud noise, and rejoice, and sing praise." – Psalm 98:4

Free Community Meal at FIRST

First Lutheran will be serving a free community meal on **Saturday, June 6, from 11:00 – 12:30**. All are welcome! Please enter the door in the alley behind the church. **There will NOT be a meal on Saturday, July 4**. The next meal for the summer quarter will be held on **August 1**.

Congregational Meeting – June 14 following worship

We will have a congregational meeting on **June 14** following worship to vote on the a/c repairs and to give a preview of upcoming projects.

Food Donations

The Mifflinburg Kiwanis Club provides food boxes each December to needy families within our school district. In an effort to fill these boxes, we are collecting a designated food item each month. Donations can be placed in the box in the hallway. Food should not go out of date before February 2026. For the month of June, we will be collecting **pasta sauce**.

Coffee Hour

We will **NOT** be having coffee hour in June, July, or August. We will resume in September. We will be meeting downstairs in the fellowship hall when we resume.

Adult Sunday School

Adult Sunday School will continue through the summer. We meet at 9 am. We would love to have you join us.

FELC Scholarships

Applications for the Wehr & Munson Memorial Scholarships are available in the office to students who have completed three semesters of college courses. The deadline for submission is August 1st.

Altar Flowers

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

Weis/Wenger's Gift Cards

Gift cards are available in denominations of \$25, \$50, or \$100 and make wonderful gifts for any occasion. Kim Sawyer is selling the cards, and they will be available on Sundays, before or after church; at her home; and in the church office when the secretary is in. She will also deliver; contact her at 570-713-4577. Make checks payable to "First Lutheran Church" and use them as cash or the recipient can do the same. **YOU receive the card's full value, and Weis gives 5% and Wenger's 10% of purchase to our mission fund!** Many thanks to all who support this mission.

A Note of Thanks

Thank you First Lutheran for honoring me during church and at coffee hour last Sunday. I am overwhelmed by the cards - (some with a few surprises in them) and gifts. It took me two days to get through them all! I have a lovely art work from the chancel and tone choirs. Many of you took the time to hand write scripture-which is quite lovely! Thank you for the beautiful canister with the ball with the engraving *"HOPE. Be strong & take heart, all you who hope in the Lord" Psalm 31:24* I can feel all the love that went into that homemade gift!

My memories are from the first day I was interviewed (Tom Muchler, Linda Schnure, Doris Moll, Earl Michael, and Pastor Dennis) to the 10-voiced treble choir that sang beautifully last Sunday! Thank you all for your support and guidance through the years. You'll still hear my music, I just won't be there in person.

Many Thanks,
Diane Scott



CULC NEWS

Mark Your Calendars for the Following Upcoming Meals

Saturday, June 20, 2026 – Ham Loaf Dinner, Drive Through Only

Saturday, September 26, 2026 – Turkey Dinner, Drive Through Only

Saturday, November 7, 2026 – Pot Pie Sale, Drive Through Only

Online pre-ordering is available for these meals at 4bellschurch.com or by calling 570-716-5601.

IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS

Tom Catherman
Donnie Chappel
Nicole Dunkle
Roger Dunkle
Rick & Darlene Endy
Melanie Eng
Amy Evers
Dorothy Furgison
Gary Gemberling
Pearl Gemberling
Linda Gingrich
Gary & Janet Hackenberg
Keith Hackenberg
Laurie Harvey
Eugene Hassinger
Paul & Sherri Klauger
Nancy Klinepeter
David Laudermilch
Roy Laudermilch
Kyleigh Leiser
Tonia Longer

Cathy Meiser
Scott Meiser
Tim Meiser
Brian Nogle
Larry Sampsell
Lucas Sanford
John Schnure
Leona Showalter
Lee & Kathy Spangler
Chuck Spurr
Don Swartzlander
Rhelda Valentine
Kerm Wagner
Marlene Walters
Tom Watters
Donald Weller
Alica Zimmerman

The Shut-Ins:

Mary 'Lib' Dunkle, Betty Goss, Doris Moll, June Ocker, Helen Pirone, Dottie Rathfon, Barb Reed, Sam Schnure, Dotty Seebold, Nancy Ulrich, Max & Trena Zeller

The Troops:

Thaddeus Miller, Zachary Miller

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.





- 1 – Bonnie Greeney (C)
- 2 – Denver Clouser (C), Michael Keister (C), June Ocker (F)
- 3 – Jonathan Fritz (F), Colbie Loss (F)
- 4 – Dianne Shuck (C)
- 5 – Daniel Crossland (F), Spencer Dunkle (F), Wanda Stamm (C)
- 8 – Karen Adams (C), Tony Masterson (C), Carol Miller (C), Sherri Uehling (F)
- 9 – Trena Zeller (F)
- 11 – Spencer Harvey (C), Dustin Kline (C), Latisha Spigelmyer (C)
- 13 – Earl Boop (C), Ben Hornig (F)
- 14 – Wendy Sauers (F), Asher Zimmerman (C)
- 16 – Debbie Dauberman (F), Jayden Zimmerman (C)
- 17 – Karen Troutman (C)
- 18 – Sherri Klauger (C), Dennis Wagner (F)
- 19 – Nathan Harvey (C), Jacob Marshall (C), Darlene Ulrich (C)
- 20 – Megan Mensch (F)
- 21 – Karen Boyer (F)
- 22 – Dion Kline (C)
- 23 – Logan Kuba (F)
- 24 – Carol Klose (F)
- 25 – Debra Parker (C), Tom Watters (C)
- 28 – Donna Hackenberg (F)
- 29 – Jed Loss (F), Mark Musser (F), Jim Sanders (C)
- 30 – Lindsey Snyder (C)

ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 – Terry & Sally Kline (1979) (C), Lee & Kathy Spangler (1979) (C)
- 8 – Bob & Eve Rantz (1968) (C)
- 15 – Tim & Carol Klose (30 yrs.) (F)
- 18 – William & Helen Donmoyer (49 yrs.) (F), Nicole & Joshua Klose (4 yrs.) (F)
- 20 – Mike & Ann Beckley (39 yrs.) (F), Maurice & Barb Clouser (1959) (C),
Dave & Linda Swartz (1987) (C), John & Sherri Uehling (39 yrs.) (F)
- 24 – Tom & Bonnie Greeney (1988) (C), Richard & Karen Troutman (1972) (C)
- 22 – Ray & Gloria Mincemoyer (68 yrs.) (F)
- 25 – Joe & Stacey Veley (1988) (C)



VOLUNTEERS

CULC

Date	Greeters	Lay Readers	Communion
6/07	Joint Service at FELC	-----	-----
6/14	Judy Moyer/Idella Zimmerman	Maurice Clouser	Judy Moyer
6/21	Judy Moyer/Idella Zimmerman	Glenn Spangler	Glenn Spangler
6/28	Joint Service at FELC	-----	-----

Sound System: Dianne Shuck **Altar Guild:** Janice Wagner

Ushers: Janice Wagner & Bob Goss

***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
6/07	Linda Skinner	Dewey Reed/Kim Wagner	Erica Boyer
6/14	Jeff Mensch	Jeff Mensch/Jim Schwartz	Brynn Umholtz
6/21	Andy Long	Jeannie Sawyer/Kim Sawyer	Owen Mayeski
6/28	Don Seebold II	Christian Boyer/Harry Boyer	Hannah Boyer

Chief Usher: Kim Sauers

Money Counters: Ann Beckley/Karen Boyer

Altar Guild: Bonnie Conrad

***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.*

BUFFALO VALLEY LUTHERAN PARISH

The Rev Curt Wingert, Pastor

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Greg Shuck, Teresa Shuck, Idella Zimmerman

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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

David Swartz & Barry Spangler,

Digital Music Arrangers

Loretta Martin, Custodian

Margie Dunkle, Secretary/Asst. Tr.

Brandi Zimmerman, Council Secretary

Dianne Shuck, Treasurer,

Financial Recording Secretary

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Joel Blyler – Dennis Boop

Gina Buttorff - Bev Catherman

Terry Kline – Duane Lapp

Lisa Lapp - Greg Shuck

Teresa Shuck - Linda Smith

Breonna Zimmerman - Idella Zimmerman

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STAFF MEMBERS

Sue Nentwig, Church Secretary

Katiann Lloyd, Financial Secretary

Gloria Mincemoyer, Treasurer

Dylan Maneval, Sexton

Kay Trick, Housekeeping

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Jamie Bartlett – Christian Boyer

Drew Christy - Perri Hull

Linda Lewis - Jeff Mensch

Barb Randecker – Kim Sauers -

Don Seebold II



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E-mail: cml@campmountluther.org

Camp is one of the best things you can do for your child's faith.

A week at Camp Mount Luther isn't just a week of fun and games. It's a week of deep spiritual formation. We are intentional about reminding each camper how much God loves them and how much God has planned for their life. Kids who come to camp walk away with deeper faith.

Camp Mount Luther is preparing for an exciting 2026 summer season, with registration now open for campers of all ages. Families who register by April 15 will receive an early registration discount. The summer season begins June 14, 2026, with resident and day camps running through August 4. Camp Mount Luther offers programs for children entering kindergarten through senior high, as well as opportunities for adults and families. Most sessions run one week, with additional half-week and day-only options available.

Adults are invited to participate in GROW and Lunch sessions offered on four Tuesdays throughout the summer.

The 2026 theme, "Wear Love," invites campers to explore how love is lived out in everyday life. Through Bible study, small-group conversations, and worship, campers will reflect on how they can embody Christ-like love at camp, at home, and in the wider world. Camp Mount Luther's signature "GROW Time" encourages campers to Gather and Reflect On the Word throughout the day. In addition to faith formation, campers enjoy a wide range of classic camp activities, including swimming, crafts, games, campfires, outdoor adventures, and music. Campers experience a balance of small-group connection and large-group fun, spending time in cabin groups led by trained staff while also participating in all-camp activities.

Amazon Wish List

Camp Mount Luther now has an Amazon Wish List. Please see the camp website for more details.

Synod Women's Convention

July 25

Location: United Lutheran Church, Sunbury

Cost: \$40

The day will include the necessary business meetings, a Bible study, and a breakout session involving the packing of 150 school kits which will go to CWS (Church World Services) for distribution. Items for the kits will be purchased by the USSWO Board. Churches are being asked to donate toward the cost of the items.

This year the In-Kind donation will be for pet supplies to be given to a pet shelter and a pet clinic in the area. The items requested include: dog treats, garbage bags, blankets, laundry detergents, towels, wet dog food, Piddle pads, small dog beds, belly and surgical suits.

Bring a friend or two and enjoy the day with other women from across the Synod. A registration form is available in the church office.

Upper Susquehanna Synod Office Hours

Beginning April 6, the synod office normally will be open Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Other times may be arranged by scheduling with Brenda or Bishop Miller. You can still reach office staff by phone during regular business hours five days a week.

Drive Through Ham Loaf Dinner

Saturday, June 20, 2026

3:30 until sold out

Dinners include

Ham Loaf, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans and Applesauce



\$14

Pre Orders accepted at
4bellschurch.com
or
call 570-716-5601

Christ's United Lutheran '4 Bells' Church



Located
3 ½ miles West of Mifflinburg
On Rt 45

June 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 6:00 Kiwanis-FELC Pastor's Vac. →	2	3 10:00 Hope's Haven-CULC	4	5	6 8:30-5:00 Synod Assembly-CML 11-12:30 Community Meal-FELC
7 Wedding 9:00 Adult SS-FELC 10:30 Joint Worship/Wedding-FELC Pastor's Vac. →	8	9	10	11	12	13 5:00 Father/Son Banquet-FELC
14 8:30 Worship-CULC 9:00 Adult SS-FELC 10:30 Worship-FELC Congregational Meeting-FELC	15 6:00 Kiwanis-FELC	16 7:00 Council-CULC	17 10:00 Hope's Haven-CULC	18	19 July Newsletter Articles Due	20
21 Father's Day 8:30 Worship-CULC 9:00 Adult SS-FELC 10:30 Worship-FELC	22	23	24	25	26 6:00 Youth Lock-In-CULC	27 9-10:00 AM Lock-In Ends
28 9:00 Adult SS-FELC 10:00 Joint Worship-FELC	29	30				