

# ***BUFFALO VALLEY LUTHERAN PARISH NEWS***

## ***MAY 2022***

### ***PASTOR'S PARAGRAPHS***

Grace and peace to you!

In our Bible study, we have been studying Luther's Small Catechism, and we just finished the section on the Lord's Prayer. During this time, it got me thinking about prayer. I have noticed that I am always the one invited to pray almost any time I am invited to someone's home for dinner or some kind of gathering. Maybe you have noticed that a church meal or function doesn't start unless I say the blessing or say a prayer. I think for some, it's hard to pray in front of a large group, or maybe they feel that they need to say an award-winning prayer. Martin Luther himself admits that prayer is difficult, even stating that "prayer is even harder than preaching because preaching is God's work through us. Prayer, however, comes from us."

There are three things about prayer that we need to remember:

- 1) *You can pray anytime.*
- 2) *Prayer is about what's on your heart.*
- 3) *We never pray alone.*

How often do we say, "I'm praying for you"? Or we hear, "I'm keeping you in my prayers." But we don't always get to say those prayers or hear those prayers. So, I have a little challenge for you this month. I encourage you to write out and send your prayers to those you are praying for or give that person a call and pray with that person over the phone. I am challenging myself to get one of our youth to say a prayer at the end of the children's sermon by the end of May (that will be tough)!

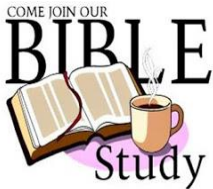
Remember, you don't always need to pray big fancy prayers. Luther also states: "The fewer the words, the better the prayer."

May you sense the power of prayer! May you hear the voice of Jesus praying for you! May you be surrounded and covered by His love for you!

Peace in Christ,  
Pastor Curt Wingert

## ***BIBLE STUDIES***

This month's Bible studies will take place as follows:



<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>
<b>1:30 p.m.</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Christ's United</b>	<b>First Lutheran</b>	<b>Christ's united</b>
<b>May 2</b>	<b>May 3</b>	<b>May 5</b>
<b>May 9 (@ FELC)</b>		<b>May 12</b>
<b>May 16 (@ FELC)</b>		<b>May 19</b>
<b>May 23 (@ FELC)</b>		<b>May 26</b>
<b>May 30 (@ FELC)</b>		<b>May 31</b>

**NOTE!** We are changing up our Bible studies a little. Beginning on May 9, we are only going to have one daytime study and it will be on Mondays at 1:30 p.m. in the multi-purpose room. On May 9 we will begin our study on the Book of Revelation at First in Mifflinburg. We will continue to have Bible Study on Thursday evenings at 4 Bells at 7 p.m.

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*A man and his wife were having an argument about who should brew the coffee each morning. The wife said, "You should do it, because you get up first, and then we don't have to wait as long to get our coffee." The husband said, "You are in charge of cooking around here and you should do it, because that is your job, and I can just wait for my coffee." Wife replies, "No, you should do it, and besides, it is in the Bible that the man should do the coffee." Husband replies, "I can't believe that, show me." So she fetched the Bible, and opened the New Testament and showed him at the top of several pages, that it indeed says: "HEBREWS"*

## ***BENEFIT 'DRIVE-THRU' TURKEY DINNER***



A 'Drive Through' Turkey Dinner is planned for **May 28** at Christ's United. All proceeds benefit our 'Hope's Haven' Food Pantry. The time is 3:30 p.m. until sold out. Advance orders also will be taken. Please check our Web Site at [www.4bellschurch.com](http://www.4bellschurch.com).

Dinners include Turkey, Mashed Potatoes, Stuffing, Gravy, Vegetable and Applesauce.

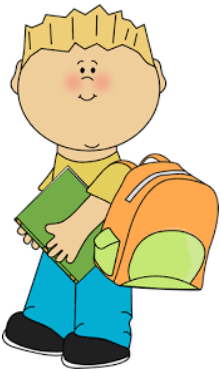
A workday may take place on Friday, May 27. Please let us know if you can help if we need to have a workday.

Help is needed Saturday, May 28, the day of the Turkey Dinner. At **9:00 a.m.**, help is needed to cook and cut the turkey, prepare the stuffing, vegetable, and mashed potatoes, and gravy; and to mix & put the applesauce into containers. Help is also needed as the day goes on for other duties including making up the dinners and taking them to the cars, as well as clean up. If you are experienced, that is great; if not, we will provide training!

If you have questions, or to volunteer to help, please call Kim Blyler at 570-716-5601 or email [kim@4bellschurch.com](mailto:kim@4bellschurch.com).

## ***MINISTERIUM BACKPACK PROGRAM***

The churches of the Mifflinburg Ministerium are providing backpacks of food for students in the Mifflinburg School District for weekends when they may not have a hot meal. The Ministerium is asking for help with this program through donations of the following items:



Single Serving Pudding Cups  
Granola or Cereal Bars – Fruit Snacks  
Single Serving Applesauce or Fruit Cups  
Individual Microwavable Macaroni & Cheese  
Individual Microwavable Chef Boyardee Products  
Single Serving Juice Pouch, Box or Hot Chocolate Packet  
Single Serving Cereals or Oatmeal Packets – Pop Tarts  
Snack Items (crackers, popcorn, chips, Rice Krispies treats, etc.)

First Lutheran will be filling the backpacks in May (and June if necessary).

# ***PENTECOST***



The two most common Pentecost symbols represent the Holy Spirit. A descending dove is frequently used to symbolize the coming of the Spirit, since the Gospel of Luke reports that the Holy Spirit came to Jesus at his baptism in the form of a dove. (Luke 3:22). Tongues of fire are also used to symbolize the Holy Spirit, based on the account of Pentecost found in Acts 2:1-4. The liturgical color for the Day of Pentecost is bright red, which reminds us of the fire of the Spirit.

Bright red is also the color of the geraniums we use to decorate the sanctuary on Pentecost. If you would like to donate some geraniums for this purpose (the plants will then be planted around the church), please fill out the form below and return it to Janice Wagner or Margie.

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## **GERANIUM ORDER FORM**

**Cost: \$3.50**

**Order Deadline: May 15**

**Return with payment to Margie Dunkle or Janice Wagner**

GIVEN BY \_\_\_\_\_

in memory of \_\_\_\_\_

in memory of \_\_\_\_\_

in honor of \_\_\_\_\_

in honor of \_\_\_\_\_

to the Glory of God \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF PLANTS ORDERED \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT ENCLOSED \_\_\_\_\_

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We will need a volunteer to plant the geraniums. If you would be willing to tackle that task, talk to Margie.



***FELC GERANIUMS FOR PENTECOST SUNDAY***

Pentecost is June 5. A tradition at Pentecost is to celebrate with geraniums. If you would like to provide flowers for this custom, fill out the following.

All orders must be in the First Lutheran office by May 10. All flowers need to be picked up after the service on June 5. Flowers will not be donated.

**FELC GERANIUM FLOWER ORDER FORM**

**Order Deadline: May 10**

**Return to First Lutheran Church Office**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

**QTY**

**4 1/2" Pots**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Rocky Mountain Red Geranium** **\$4.29** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **White Geranium** **\$4.29** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total** \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory/Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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*Flowers provided by Brookside Acres*

## CONDOLENCES



We extend sincerest condolences to the family of **John Dunkle**, who passed away at the age of 88 on April 7 at his home.

Surviving in addition to his wife (Mary Elizabeth 'Lib') of 67 years, are two sons and daughters-in-law, Blaine & Karen Dunkle of Mifflinburg and Blair & Melissa Dunkle of Selinsgrove; five grandchildren, Brady (Rhea) Dunkle, Brandon Dunkle, Olivia Dunkle, Spencer Dunkle, Alexa (Niels) Davidson, and one brother Roger (Margie) Dunkle.

Preceding him in death were two sons, Vance Dunkle & Bill Dunkle, his parents, Willis & Gladys Dunkle, a brother, Ken Dunkle, and two sisters, Thelma Aikey and Jean Klinger.

A Memorial Service will be held at First Evangelical Lutheran Church in Mifflinburg on May 14. Visitors may call from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. The funeral service, with Pastor Curt officiating, will follow the visitation and will be followed by a gathering in the church basement. The burial will be in the Mifflinburg Cemetery.

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS



Betty Goss  
270 Ridgecrest Circle  
Lewisburg Pa 17837

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*A librarian was sound asleep at two o'clock in the morning when her phone rang. The voice on the other end of the line said, "Ma'am, what time does the library open?" "Nine o'clock," answered the bleary-eyed librarian. "Why in the world are you calling me at home at this time of night with a question like that?" The caller sighed "Not until nine o'clock, huh?" "No," the librarian said, now angry. "What's so important that you need to get into the library before nine o'clock?" "Oh, I don't want to get in," said the caller, "I was asleep in the reading room when the library closed and now I want to get out."*

# ***YOUTH NEWS***

## **MACY (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade)**



**May 1 – 6:00 p.m.**  
CHOPPED @ Sawyer's

**June 12 – 10:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.**  
Youth Sunday @ church service  
Senior dinner (for all) and roast 😊 more details later

Looking @ possible retreat and/or whitewater rafting overnight w zip lining in June/July to end the school year. Will keep you posted! Any questions? Contact Kim Sawyer @ 570-713-4577.

## **VBS IS COMING** **July 24 -28, 2022** **6:00-8:15 p.m.**



Camp Mount Luther staff will be leading the sessions. Help from both churches will be needed with food preparation as well as serving & clean-up each evening. Older youth and adults will also be needed to help with games, activities & crafts. All volunteers must have their Free volunteer clearance prior to helping. Talk to Ann Beckley if you have questions.

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

## **CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

Anyone interested in volunteering to help with Children's Church at FELC, contact Ann Beckley 570-966-0646.

## **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.



## ***NEWS OF MEMBERS & FRIENDS***

### **REMEMBER IN THOUGHT & PRAYER**

#### **CHRIST'S UNITED**

Winifred Aikey  
Bev Catherman  
Roger Dunkle  
Doug & Pearl Gemberling  
Gary Hackenberg  
Dianne Shuck  
Chuck Spurr  
Tom Watters  
Roselle De De Newsmonger  
Gary & Barb Gemberling  
Doris & George (Mick) Guffey  
Scott Hummel  
Marlette Kline  
Dawn Moyer  
Harry Moyer  
Tammie Ranck  
Cliff Ressler  
Kim Roberts  
John Snook  
Carl & Tara Stumpf  
Rita Tinnes  
Glenn Wiand

**The Shut-Ins:** Winnie Aikey, Florence Boop, Betty Goss, Barbara Grimooris, Mary Hassinger, Helen Pirone, Meda Struble, Connie Wagner. **The Troops:** Brandi Gemberling.

*In an effort to keep the prayer list current, Christ's United will clear their list on a quarterly basis. Their list will be updated 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**

Harry Boyer  
Michael Culp  
Gladys Jamison

#### **The Shut Ins:**

Jim Beckley  
Pearl Culp  
Lois Elliott  
Ed Henry  
Doris Moll  
Ethel Musser

#### **The Troops:**

Thaddeus Miller  
Zachary Miller





## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

### CHRIST'S UNITED

#### Birthdays

- 1 - David Bickhart
- 2 - Daphne Clouser
- 3 - Kathy Spangler
- 4 - Joel Blyler
- 6 - Winifred Aikey
  - Laurie Harvey
  - Matthew Sanders
  - Linda Swartz
- 7 - Bev Catherman
- 9 - Gary Hackenberg
- 10 - Sheila Jean Levits
- 12 - Tom Greeney
- 19 - Lucas Harvey
- 21 - Frances Wenrich
- 22 - Sam Schnure
  - Elizabeth Shuck
- 23 - Brantley Baker
- 27 - Dottie Rathfon

#### Anniversaries

- 4 - Roger & Margie Dunkle  
(1968)
- 12 - Chris & Lindsey Snyder  
(2007)
- 16 - Forrest & Torey Showalter  
(1981)
- 19 - Kevin & Autumn Shuck  
(2001)
- 27 - Lucas & Mandie Flickinger  
(2010)

### FIRST LUTHERAN

#### Birthdays

- 1- Mike Mensch
  - Marianne Motto
- 2 - Pearl Culp
- 3 - Patrick Crossland
  - Clint Stetler
- 6 - Julie Alexander
  - Jere Motto
- 7 - Stanley Sauers
- 9 - Donna Michael
- 10 - Erma Hower
- 13 - Colby Libhart
- 16 - Charlie Behrent
- 18 - Wendy Wehr
- 20 - Greg Mensch
- 22 - Kim Sawyer
- 23 - Tyler Dorman
- 25 - Colin Gessner
  - Linda Skinner
- 27 - Ken Smith
- 28 - Whitney Dorman
  - Bret Girton
  - Kim Kuba
- 31 - Mandy Rothermel

#### Anniversaries

- 16 - Jim & Carol Schwartz (63 yrs)





## ***FOR YOUR INFORMATION***

### **COW CASH**

Income collected to date for Cow Cash - \$929.22

### **KEYS/FOB - FELC**

If anyone has a key or FOB to the church, please report it to the church office and the reason you need the key/FOB. We are trying to have an accurate count of church keys. Thank you.

### **FELC E-MAIL ADDRESS**

Church Email Address – When emailing the church, please use [felcmifflinburg@gmail.com](mailto:felcmifflinburg@gmail.com) and not [firstlu@windstream.net](mailto:firstlu@windstream.net). We are no longer using the Windstream email account.

### **OFFERING COUNTERS**

Christ's United's council members are looking for volunteers willing to be included in a rotation of offering counters who would then deposit the offering after worship. If you are interested, please discuss it with a Council member. Also, a sign-up sheet will be placed in the hallway.

### **COFFEE CANS**

Christ's United is in need of coffee cans to use for taking altar flowers after the worship service. If you have any to spare, put them in the kitchen or the small fellowship hall.

## WEIS/WENGER GIFT CARDS OFFER

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

### First Lutheran

Offers cards in denominations of \$25 or \$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 966-0727 or 412-1505.

***YOU receive the full value of the card and then Weis gives 5% & Wenger's gives 10% of purchase to FELC mission fund!***

### Christ's United

\$25 & \$50 gift cards for Weis, Wenger's and L&L Marketplace are also available from Christ's United. If you want to purchase cards, talk to Sue Blyler (570-922-4114). If you would like to pay by check, they should be made payable to "Christ's United Lutheran Church" and put "L&L, Weis or Wenger cards" on the memo line.

## ***LOOKING AHEAD***



### Christ's United

**Sunday, July 17 – Church Picnic**

**Sunday, July 24 – Thursday, July 28 - VBS**

**Sunday, September 11 – Church Picnic**

**Saturday, September 24– Turkey Dinner**

Drive-Thru Only - Online pre-ordering will be available at [4bellschurch.com](http://4bellschurch.com) or call 570-716-5601

**Saturday, November 5 – Pot Pie Sale - by the quart -**

Drive Thru Only – Online pre-ordering will be available at [4bellschurch.com](http://4bellschurch.com) or call 570-716-5601

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*A man and his wife were driving their RV across the country and were nearing a town spelled Kissimee. They noted the strange spelling and tried to figure how to pronounce it - KISS-a-me; kis-A-me; kis-a-ME. They grew more perplexed as they drove into the town. Since they were hungry, they pulled into a place to get something to eat. At the counter, the man said to the waitress: "My wife and I can't seem to be able to figure out how to pronounce this place. Will you tell me where we are and say it very slowly so that I can understand." The waitress looked at him and said: "Buuurrrgerrr Kiiiiinnng."*



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## **MOUNT LUTHER: CREATING MEMORIES THAT LAST**

Are you or your kids feeling disconnected from others because of the pandemic? Feeling cooped up inside and missing fresh air, cool breezes, and the beauty of creation? Want to learn new skills or set your kids up for future success? Then Camp Mount Luther is the place for you this summer! Since 1963, we've been a place to gather with others, grow, and Create Memories that Last!

Camp allows you to form a special community where great things happen. At camp, you make new friends, explore, and learn that **"I can" is much more powerful than "I can't."** According to American Camp Association research, camp helps you feel good about yourself, and allows you to do things that you were afraid to do at first. It also helps you learn more about others who are different, and you can feel accepted as a Child of God. Our welcome statement says:

*"In response to God's immeasurable love, and Jesus' radical calls for grace, inclusion, and freedom of expression, Camp Mount Luther believes all staff, campers, and guests shall be affirmed as children of God who are able to be loved, treated with dignity and justice, and shown grace. We are a community committed to the work of racial equity. Diversity and uniqueness are welcome here because God welcomes all, regardless of age, ability, ethnicity, gender identity or expression, life circumstances, race, relationship status, sexual orientation, socio-economic circumstances, or anything else that divides us. Our unity is in Christ."*

Camp provides children with the opportunity to connect with nature, and gain skills for living in the natural world. You can spend time unplugged in our 400 acres of trails, campsites, worship sites, fields, a pond, and cabins near Mifflinburg. We'll teach campers how to take care of creation.

Time at Mount Luther is an investment in one's life. We will help you make important memories, be adaptable, confident, creative, independent, and resilient. According to the Effective Camp Research Project, campers go home from camp and are more

positive, more interested in worship, and have a greater faith in God. Campers rated the following things that they learn most from camp: empathy, compassion, self-identity, faith, singing songs, and treating others better. Over time, camp also leads to more self-confidence, devotional practice, church attendance, and faith conversations.

**Our theme this year is *Boundless: God beyond Measure*.** We will enter the hopeful and saving story of God and God's people and experience the God's boundless creating, loving, and merciful power for us. Come and rediscover boundless goodness, love, welcome, forgiveness, and generosity.

Accredited by the American Camp Association, we are committed to being a safe place physically, emotionally, socially, mentally, and spiritually. There are over 300 standards that are reviewed at our facility for safety and program adherence. This includes our staff and volunteers, who are carefully selected and specially trained to supervise kids and be positive Christian role models.

In my 21 years as director, I've seen so many kids transformed by the power of camp, including my own. Watching this transformation and the relationships that are formed are why I've been involved in outdoor ministries for so long. Whether children are playing, exploring nature, conquering new heights, or becoming part of a camp family, they are creating memories that will last a lifetime. We want to welcome you to camp this summer. Remember, **we can't have a great summer without you!**



Chad Hershberger, Executive Director

Barry Spangler, who is serving as Christ's United's camperson again this year, has information on programs for the summer. Brochures are available at the church or on the camp's website. Our church will pay up to \$150.00 per person for any CULC congregational member's child or grandchild this year. Anyone from our congregation can receive "Camel Bucks" from Barry for use at the camp store this summer.

If you have any questions, contact Barry (570-966-0406) or the camp office at 570-922-1587 or [cml@campmountluther.org](mailto:cml@campmountluther.org). You can also check out the camp's website at [www.campmountluther.org](http://www.campmountluther.org).

**Camp Mount Luther is looking for summer staff, volunteer nurses and volunteer chaplains for this year's summer camp. If interested, contact the camp office.**

| 2022 Summer Schedule |                |                                                                 |                                                               |                                  |                                     |
|----------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Week                 | Dates          | Pioneers                                                        | Juniors                                                       | Intermediates                    | Senior High                         |
| 1                    | June 19-24     | Day Camp (June 20-24)                                           | Day Camp (June 20-24)<br>TNT (Traditional and New Things)     | TNT (Traditional and New Things) | Senior High X-Teen                  |
| 2                    | June 26-July 1 |                                                                 | Night Owls<br>Mini Junior Base Camp (June 26-28)              | Night Owls                       | Central PA Cycle                    |
| 3                    | July 5-8       | <b>NEW</b> Family Camp (for all ages); Family Pick-A-Day        |                                                               |                                  |                                     |
| 4                    | July 10-15     | Pick-A-Day Camp (July 11-15)                                    | <b>NEW</b> Elective Explosion                                 | <b>NEW</b> Elective Explosion    | Mission Trip (details out in April) |
| 5                    | July 17-22     | <b>NEW</b> Wild Pioneers<br>Mini Pioneer Base Camp (July 17-19) | <b>NEW</b> Wild Juniors<br>Mini Junior Base Camp (July 17-19) | <b>NEW</b> Wild Intermediates    | SALT                                |
| 6                    | July 25-29     | Off-Site Day Camps                                              |                                                               |                                  |                                     |
| 7                    | Aug 1-5        | Pick an Adventure; Virtual CML                                  |                                                               |                                  |                                     |

## Bishop's Open Golf Tournament May 9 @ 11:00 a.m.

The annual Bishop Open's Golf Classic is set for May 9, 2022, beginning at 11:00 a.m. at the Susquehanna Valley Country Club in Shamokin Dam. The tournament benefits Camp Mount Luther and the camp's annual fund.

Camp Mount Luther holds this event to have fun and raise funds to better our youth in a faith-based camping program. The rain or-shine event features lunch, a souvenir gift, and the following:

- A Four Person Scramble with Three Flights.
- Prizes for each flight, hole in one winner prizes up to \$5,000, closest to pin, longest drive, straightest drive, team that has most fun, free putting contest winner.
- Mulligans, forward tees, "Beat the Pro."
- Dress Code: shirt with collar; no cut-offs; no jeans.

### SCHEDULE

11:00 a.m. Registration  
11:30 a.m. In-House Lunch  
12:30 p.m. Golfing Shotgun Start

Immediately after all golfers are finished, there will be snacks, drinks, and prizes!

A flyer/bulletin insert containing information and registration form is available here: <https://www.campmountluther.org/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/2022-Golf-Tournament-Flyer.pdf>.

## **Spring Workday**

**May 21- 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

For all ages Saturday, May 21, 2022- 8:00 to 1:00 Bring supplies to do cleaning, mulching, raking, and light construction projects such as step ladders, buckets, or rakes. RSVP to [chad@campmountluther.org](mailto:chad@campmountluther.org) by May 17 for lunch, which is provided.

## **Kars for Kamp - All Cars, Street Rods, Trucks, Jeeps and Bikes.**

**June 11 – 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Rain Date - June 12)**

- Pre-entry by June 5...\$15 plus get a food ticket; To register e-mail [dbrobst @dejazzd.com](mailto:dbrobst@dejazzd.com)
- Day of Show Registration...\$20.00 – 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
- Spectators Free
- Awards Presented at 2:30 p.m.
  - Classes: Plaques for cars 65 and older – 66 to 79, 80 and Newer
  - Plaque for Street Rods, Trucks, Jeeps, Bikes
  - Plaque/Sheetz Card for Longest Distance Traveled
  - Trophy for Best of Show
- Music – 50/50 Drawing – Basket Auction
- Food – Breakfast Sandwiches, Pulled Pork, Hot Dogs, Burgers, Fries, Funnel Cakes, Drinks, Sandwiches/Platters (made by Camp Crew)
- Promoters and Camp are NOT RESPONSIBLE for Accidents, Injuries and/or Damages
- For more information call Donna (570-922-4459) or Ken (570-452-3339)
- Each participant will receive 1 ticket for a chance to win a Blue Rhino 4-Burner Flat Top Grill

**All proceeds benefit Camp Mount Luther – “Help Send a Kid to Camp”**

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### **Weather Lore**

*Ants are very busy, gnats bite,  
crickets are lively, spiders come out of their nests,  
and flies gather in houses just before rain.*



## ***SYNOD NEWS***

The Synod Assembly is scheduled to take place on **June 17 & 18** at Susquehanna University. We will be looking for volunteers from Christ's United and First Lutheran to attend as voting members. If you are willing to serve in this way or have questions, talk to Pastor Curt.

## ***WOMEN OF THE ELCA***

### **Blanket Sunday 2021**

Total collected -\$9,955.00, less 20% (\$2,102.40) for "Project Comfort" PROJECT COMFORT is a ministry that provides quilts to Lutheran World Relief. In addition to being a cozy bed-cover, a quilt can be a baby carrier tied around a mother's back, a color covering, a market display spread out on the ground piled with vegetables, or a sack for transporting goods to market, a sunshade, a shawl, and, most importantly, a constant reminder that someone far away cares. Total Blankets purchased...  
490 wool blankets/540 cotton blankets.

### **Looking Ahead in 2022**

**July 23** – 34th Annual Convention of the USSWO Camp Mt. Luther, Mifflinburg

Registration and full payment deadline – **June 1)**

(Margie has registration forms in the CULC office)

The Ingathering will be for Katie's Fund.

The In-kind Offering will go to Shelter Services of Lewistown

*(Consumable products which are needed: shampoos and conditioners, deodorant, toothpastes/brushes, hairbrushes, toiletries/hygiene, disinfectant wipes, tissues and paper towels, cloth laundry bags, laundry detergent, dish detergent, cleaning supplies)*

**October 2** – Blanket Sunday

**October 15** – Fall Retreat, Camp Mt. Luther The theme will be "Fruits of the Spirit" with Stina Schaeffer as our guest





## **MAY VOLUNTEERS**

### **CHRIST'S UNITED**

#### **Sound System**

Dianne Shuck

#### **Ushers**

Dave Bickhart

Barry Spangler

#### **Altar Guild**

Katherine Hassinger

Eugene Hassinger

#### **Lay Readers**

1 – Glenn Spangler

8 – Maurice Clouser

15 – Greg Shuck

22 – Barry Spangler

29 – Kathy Spangler

#### **Communion Assistants**

1 - Glenn Spangler

8 – Janice Wagner

15 – Greg Shuck

22 – Bev Catherman

29 – Lee Spangler

#### **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.*

### **FIRST LUTHERAN**

#### **Money Counters**

Linda Lewis

Nancy Snook

Trena Zeller

#### **Ushers**

Shirley Heasley, Chief Usher

1- Carol Klose & Kim Wagner

8 – Barb Randecker &  
Libby Loss

15 – Dewey Reed & Dave Weaver

22 – Sally & Craig Rothermel

29 – Kim Sawyer & Jeanne  
Sawyer

#### **Altar Guild**

Karen Boyer

#### **Lay Readers**

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8 - Tom Orren

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22 – Sally Rothermel

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29 – Liz Loss

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## **DON'T QUIT**

*When things go wrong, as they sometimes will,  
When the road you're trudging seems all uphill,  
When the funds are low and the debts are high,  
And you want to smile, but you have to sigh,  
When care is pressing you down a bit-  
Rest if you must, but don't you quit.*

*Life is queer with its twists and turns,  
As every one of us sometimes learns,  
And many a fellow turns about  
When he might have won had he stuck it out.  
Don't give up though the pace seems slow -  
You may succeed with another blow.*

*Often the goal is nearer than  
It seems to a faint and faltering man;  
Often the struggler has given up  
When he might have captured the victor's cup;  
And he learned too late when the night came down,  
How close he was to the golden crown.*

*Success is failure turned inside out -  
The silver tint in the clouds of doubt,  
And you never can tell how close you are,  
It might be near when it seems afar;  
So stick to the fight when you're hardest hit -  
It's when things seem worst that you must not quit.*

# MAY 2022

| Sunday                                                                                                                     | Monday                                                                                         | Tuesday                                | Wednesday                                                                                                                        | Thursday                                                                                       | Friday                                      | Saturday                                                            |
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| <b>1</b><br>8:30 Worship-CU<br>9:30 Koinonia Kafe-CULC<br>9:30 Sunday School-CULC<br>10:30 Worship- FELC<br>6:00 MACY-FELC | <b>2</b><br><br>1:30 Bible Study-CULC                                                          | <b>3</b><br><br>10:30 Bible Study-FELC | <b>4</b><br><br>10:00 Hope's Haven-CULC<br>10:00 Backpack Packing-FELC<br><br>6:30 Council – FELC<br>6:30 Choir Rehearsal - FELC | <b>5</b><br><br>12:00 – FELC WELCA Luncheon-Site to be determined<br><br>7:00 Bible Study-CULC | <b>6</b>                                    | <b>7</b>                                                            |
| <b>8</b><br>8:30 Worship-CULC<br>9:30 Sunday School – CULC<br>10:30 Worship- FELC                                          | <b>9</b><br><br>1:30 Bible Study-CULC/FELC                                                     | <b>10</b>                              | <b>11</b><br><br>10:00 Hope's Haven-CULC<br>10:00 Backpack Packing-FELC                                                          | <b>12</b><br><br>7:00 Bible Study-CULC                                                         | <b>13</b>                                   | <b>14</b><br><br>J Dunkle Memorial Service - FELC                   |
| <b>15</b><br>8:30 Worship-CULC<br>9:30 Sunday School-CULC<br>10:30 Worship- FELC                                           | <b>16</b><br><br>1:30 Bible Study-CULC/FELC                                                    | <b>17</b><br><br>7:00 Council - CULC   | <b>18</b><br><br>10:00 Hope's Haven-CULC<br>10:00 Backpack Packing-FELC                                                          | <b>19</b><br><br>7:00 Bible Study-CULC                                                         | <b>20</b><br><br><b>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</b> | <b>21</b><br><br>T Reimensnyder Memorial Lunch-CULC                 |
| <b>22</b><br>8:30 Worship-CULC<br>9:30 Sunday School-CULC<br>10:30 Worship- FELC<br>2:00 FELC Fellowship Hall Reserved     | <b>23</b><br><br>1:30 Bible Study-CULC/FELC<br>6:30 Parish Council – FELC<br>6:30 MACST - FELC | <b>24</b>                              | <b>25</b><br><br>10:00 Hope's Haven-CULC<br>10:00 Backpack Packing-FELC                                                          | <b>26</b><br><br>7:00 Bible Study-CULC                                                         | <b>27</b>                                   | <b>28</b><br><br>9:00 Supper Workday<br><br>3:30 Turkey Dinner-CULC |
| <b>29</b><br>8:30 Worship-CULC<br>9:30 Sunday School-CULC<br>10:30 Worship- FELC                                           | <b>30</b><br><br><b>Memorial Day</b><br><br><b>Church Offices Closed</b>                       | <b>31</b>                              |                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                |                                             |                                                                     |