

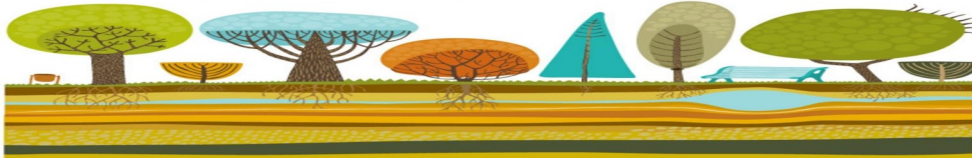
OCTOBER

From Our Pastor...

Buffalo Valley Lutheran Parish

2020

worship in the park



WORSHIP IN THE PARK

To all our Sisters and Brothers in Christ,
Please join us for a joyful, uplifting worship experience on Sunday, October 4th at 10:00 AM at the Mifflinburg Community Park around the gazebo as the congregations of Christ's United Lutheran and First Evangelical Lutheran come together to celebrate the life we share as followers of Jesus.

Our Biblical focus for the day will be from Acts 2: 32-47, a passage that includes Peter's Pentecost sermon and the joyful beginnings of the church. Peter indicates that Jesus was raised from the dead, and "God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified." Those listening to Peter "were cut to the heart", and asked how they should respond to this news. "Repent and be baptized... For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who might be far away." Over 3000 welcomed this message and were baptized into God's promise in Christ.

The believing community came together, sharing their resources and concerns so that they held "all things in common" and had goodwill of all people. They broke bread together "with glad and generous hearts."

So, bring your lawn chairs and hearts for Jesus and join us on October 4th at the park for a shared, spiritual experience, including refreshments as part of the service, a hearkening back to the Moraivian tradition of "lovefeast." Holy Communion will also be shared. We will follow the safety guidelines of mask wearing and social-distancing at this gathering as per Borough guidelines.

In the meantime, take at glance at Acts 2, share this opportunity with others throughout the community, and give praise to God in thought, prayer, and deed.

*Blessings,
Pr. John*

Pastor Appreciation Month

Although some folks believe that pastors only work a few hours, one day a week, the truth is they're on call 24/7. Pastors work vigorously, often neglecting personal needs to give us comfort and direction.

Every Christian needs encouragement, and pastors are no exception. Because he is used by God to bless and encourage you, it's important that you do the same for him.

In October, church members get the chance to show their pastors just how much they're loved and appreciated as it is Pastor Appreciation Month. The entire month of October becomes a time when congregational members can pause, deliberately take the time, and expend the effort to let pastors know they are deeply appreciated.

This month intentionally take the time, and expend the effort to let Pastor John know he is deeply appreciated, not just in October, but all year through.

***Thank You Pastor John
for ALL you do for us!
May God Bless you Always!***

Parish Pastor **Pastor John Yost**

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Happy Anniversary!

Thomas & Candi Taylor	10/07	31 yrs
Bob & Karen Musser	10/09	37 yrs
Paul & Sherri Klauger	10/10	45 yrs
Eugene & Katherine Hassinger	10/11	61 yrs
Jace & Carla Watson	10/12	31 yrs
Thomas & Shelly Orren	10/13	30 yrs
Linn & Carol Mensch	10/15	65 yrs
Jim & Karen Zimmerman	10/16	44 yrs
David & Dayna Bickhart	10/20	41 yrs
Tom & Judy Mecouch	10/21	48 yrs
Michael & Tracy Mensch	10/21	31 yrs
Fredrick & Linda Dale	10/23	49 yrs
Adam & Mimi Hackenberg	10/24	22 yrs
Justin & Jodi Marshall	10/27	13 yrs

Thank you!

Thank You Dave Murray!

A huge thank you to Dave Murray for taping the worship service every Sunday since this pandemic began! Your dedication and service are greatly appreciated!

Note of Thanks to CULC...

Thank you for all the thoughts and prayers during our time of sorrow.

Thank you,
Kenneth Leach family



Sarah Alexander	10/01	Idella Zimmerman	10/14
David Swartz	10/01	Mary Hassinger	10/15
Kris Ruhl	10/02	Nancy Klinepeter	10/15
Arlene Behrent	10/03	Kyle Baker	10/16
Gertrude Mitchell	10/03	Eugene Phillips	10/16
Parker Scott	10/04	Barb Reed	10/16
Michael Christy	10/06	Mary Wehr	10/16
Justin Marshall	10/07	Jan Beckley	10/17
Bryanna Yost	10/07	Preston Hosterman	10/17
Judy Shirk	10/08	Ava McBryan	10/17
Quinton Bartlett	10/09	Sherry Zimmerman	10/17
Joan Herman	10/09	Meda Struble	10/18
Emil Stenger Jr.	10/10	Doris Moll	10/19
Michael Wagner	10/10	Polly Hornig	10/20
Don Seebold II	10/11	Dryden Yost	10/20
Richard Troutman	10/11	Shayne Reed	10/22
Samantha Orren	10/12	Barry Spangler	10/22
Marjorie Dunkle	10/13	Christian Boyer	10/24
Victoria Harvey	10/14	Gloria Mincemoyer	10/24
		Andre Roupp	10/24
		Chad Shuck	10/24
		Linda Dale	10/25
		Gregory Swenson	10/25
		Cathy Brungard	10/26
		Rebecca Forcheskie	10/26
		Lois Elliott	10/27
		Pearl Gemberling	10/29
		Karen Libhart	10/30

Congratulations!

FELC Confirmands!

On Sunday, October 25th, Paige and Quinton Bartlett will become baptized confirmed members of First Lutheran during worship. Congratulations Quinton and Paige!

In Our Prayers:

Winifred Aikey	John Snook	Joan Herman
Jan Beckley	Helen Troup	Georgie Linke
Roger Dunkle	Tom Watters	Betty Loudenslager
Mike Flickinger	In Our Military:	Dr. Bill & Ethel Musser
Doug & Pearl Gemberling	Brandi Gemberling	Helen Pirone
Janet Hileman	Thaddeus Miller	Richard Schnure
Dustin Kline	Zachary Miller	Meda Struble
Ron & Darlene Ulrich & family	Our Shut-Ins:	Family of Marie VonNeida
Tom Watters	Jim & Jan Beckley	Connie Wagner
Dr. Bill & Ethel Musser	Jim & Florence Boop	Hertha Wehr
Eric Powell & Family	Carolyn Bowersox	
Ken Smith	Barbara Grimooris	



FELC Email

The new email for FELC is: felcmifflinburg@gmail.com. This enables the church to maintain the same email regardless of our carrier. Please use this email going forward for all correspondence.

Boscov's Fundraiser

This year Christ's United and First Lutheran are participating in Boscov's Friends Helping Friends event.

The event is scheduled for October 14th & 15th from 9AM - 9PM. Shoppers will receive a 20% discount on the lowest sale prices on almost everything purchased during the event and select *Christ's United Lutheran Church or First Evangelical Lutheran Church* from the list of participating non-profit organizations. Boscov's will then donate 5% of the total purchase to FELC.

No tickets or coupons needed. Just shop away on either day! Shop in store or online.

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
- Single Serving cereals or Pop Tarts
- Peanut Butter or Cheese Cracker Packs
- Single Serving Applesauce or Fruit Cups
- Individual Microwavable Macaroni & Cheese
- Gummies - Dried Fruit - Granola or Protein Bars
- Individual Microwavable Chef Boy R Dee Products
- Microwavable Individual Pasta Meals (e.g.: Chef Boy-R-Dee, Mac & Cheese)

We aren't sure what month CULC and FELC will be responsible for providing the backpacks, but you can start collecting items now and bringing them in to either church so we have them when needed.

FELC Office Hours

Office hours will continue as Tuesday and Thursday from 9AM-2PM after Labor Day. ***Please call the office first to ensure someone is available. There is various work that occurs outside of the office in addition to vacations and illnesses.* Thank you!

MACY/Mini-MACY

Mini MACY & MACY delivered 48 "blessing bags" to our youth! We included eye glasses to defray blue light on computers, spray hand sanitizer (made in the USA), a rock for their desk at home with a positive word (children got "I'm a child of God"), a tea light to remind them to be the light for others, a twizzler to relate to this twisted school year, pixy stix to encourage them to sprinkle sweetness on others, small wooden cross for the bottom of their backpack, mask and lanyard for the mask with a blessing card and a blessing card for their school year. Back to school prayers for students, parents and teachers!

CULC Bon-Bons

CULC's council voted to make bon bons at some future date. More information will be coming as it is available.

Our Condolences...

Our condolences to the family of Marie VonNeida, 91, who passed away on September 12 at Centre Crest in Bellefonte. Marie was a dedicated member of Christ's United and when health permitted served the church in many ways, not only in faithful attendance, but also as a Sunday school teacher, council member and a member of the Women of the ELCA. She is survived by one son, Scott VonNeida; two grandchildren, Wendy & Kurtis VonNeida; and three great-grandchildren, Trevor & Raven VonNeida and Lyla Worth. She is also survived by one brother, Wayne Rishel of Millheim; sisters, Phyllis Musser of Vestal, NY; Leona Haugh of Hughesville and Cindy Decker of Centre Hall and numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to her granddaughter, Allison VonNeida, she was preceded in death by siblings, Gladys Hartley, Allen Rishel, Grace Luttner, Beatrice Stover, Dorothy Long, Donald Rishel, Richard Rishel, and Dean Rishel. A memorial service was held at Christ's United on August 19.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4 Worship in the Park 10:00 AM - Mifflinburg Community Park	5 10:30AM: Bible Study - CULC	6 10:30AM: Bible Study - FELC	7 10:00AM: Hope's Ha- ven - CULC 7:00PM: FELC Council 7:00PM: Bible Study - CULC	8	9	10
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25 Worship: Reformation Day 8:30AM: CULC 10:30 AM: FELC	26 10:30AM: Bible Study - CULC	27 10:30AM: Bible Study - FELC	28 10:00AM: Hope's Ha- ven - CULC	29	30	31

October Bible Study Schedule

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>
10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	7:00 p.m.
<i>CULC</i>	<i>FELC</i>	<i>CULC</i>
Oct. 5th	Oct. 6th	Oct. 7th
Oct. 12th	Oct. 13th	Oct. 14th
Oct. 19th	Oct. 20th	Oct. 21st
Oct. 26th	Oct. 27th	Oct. 28th

CULC October Volunteers:
Altar: Barry Spangler
No other volunteers at this time

FELC October Volunteers:
Chief Usher: Linda Skinner
Ushers:
10/4: At the park
10/11: Carol Klose
10/18: Troy Smith
10/25: Andy Long

