THE ADVENTURE - 2024



ADVENT EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

OUR MISSION - FAITHFUL IN THE WORD

- + To *gather* as God's people and nurture one another.
- + To know the Word of God.
- + To *grow* in faith, love, and service.
- F To go into the world with the Good News of Jesus Christ.

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COVID-19 RECOMMENDATIONS

Advent Evangelical Lutheran Church continues to have these precautions:

- Respect for those who choose to mask.
- Respect for those who choose social distance.
- Please stay home if you have any symptoms of illness or have been in close contact with anyone with COVID.
- Worship will continue to be available online.
- Those distributing communion will continue to mask but will no longer wear gloves. Personal communion kits are available to those who prefer to commune in the pew or at home.
- We will continue to share the peace with hand waves, peace signs and air hugs.
- Our leadership will continue to gauge the situation week by week and will keep the congregation informed of any adjustment to our precautions.

SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP FOR SUNDAYS IN SEPTEMBER

SEPTEMBER 1 15th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:00 a.m. Summer Worship Service with Holy Communion

10:00 a.m. Fellowship Time: Open

SEPTEMBER 8 FALL SCHEDULE BEGINS

16th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:00 a.m. Traditional Holy Communion

9:30 a.m. Contemporary Holy Communion

10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time: George Henry

10:45 a.m. Church Council Meeting

SEPTEMBER 15 17th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:00 a.m. Traditional Holy Communion9:30 a.m. Contemporary Holy CommunionSunday School age 4 - grade 6

10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time: Dettra family

10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Study

SEPTEMBER 22 18th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:00 a.m. Traditional Holy Communion 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Holy Communion Sunday School age 4 - grade 6

10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time: Open

10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Study

SEPTEMBER 29 19th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:00 a.m. Traditional Holy Communion 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Holy Communion Sunday School age 4 - grade 6 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time: Open 10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Study

SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP FOR SUNDAYS IN OCTOBER

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Sunday School age 4 - grade 6

10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time: Open
10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Study

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10:45 a.m. Adult

OCTOBER 27 23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:00 a.m. Traditional Holy Communion 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Holy Communion Sunday School age 4 - grade 6 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time: Open 10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Study

ONLINE WORSHIP INFORMATION

Worship services may also be attended by Zoom and it will be live streamed on Facebook. A recording of the service will be uploaded to YouTube and linked to our website immediately after the service concludes.

ZOOM INFORMATION

While using Zoom, please mute yourself when you are not speaking. Phone instructions: Call 1-646-558-8656

SUMMER SCHEDULE

9:00 a.m. Topic: Advent Lutheran Church Summer Worship

Meeting ID: 815 4518 6885 Passcode: 500201

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81545186885?pwd=SFA1Q2IISnB4dE9MSzJISjNRNzI4dz09

Facebook: Go to the church Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/adventrichboropa/

ONLINE WORSHIP (cont'd)

YouTube: Click on the church website link after 12:00 p.m. Sunday

morning: https://www.adventrichboro.org/

Offering: Either before or after the service, please place your offering in the offering plate at the back of the sanctuary. Or please leave your offering on our website:

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CONTACTING PASTOR MATT

If you need to speak with Pastor Matt when he is not in the office, particularly in the case of a pastoral emergency, please feel free to call his cell phone 215-859-3778 or by email: pastor@adventrichboro.org If he is not available to take your call, leave a message and he will contact you.

PASTOR MATT'S MESSAGE FOR SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER



I have enjoyed watching the God Sightings Chain in the sanctuary grow since Pentecost Sunday. Each week folks have written on paper strips of paper ways they see God is active in their lives. They then bring the strips of paper to church and then loop and staple them on the end of the God Sightings Chain adding another link. I have encouraged everyone to name God Sightings at the end of each day as part of their daily devotions.

Why is doing God Sighting so important? Why are they so important that the Strategic Mission Team and I would encourage this Congregation activity to go from Pentecost through Reformation Sunday in October? First and foremost, as I have already share with the congregation many times, this is about the spiritual wellbeing of everyone one of us. One scientific study after another has shown that doing expressions of gratitude improves the emotional and spiritual health. We Christians have known the power of gratitude or "counting your blessings" for a long time.

Expressing gratitude to God specifically grows us spiritually. It enhances our sense of God's actual presence in our lives. It makes us sensitive to God activity around us. This heighten sense of God's presence and activity makes us more sensitive to how God wants to guide us to be present and active in the world and in the lives of those around us. As we encounter God blessings and as we become a blessing to others, our sense of faith in God's providence to guide our lives is deepened. This deepened faith casts aside our fears and insecurities, allowing us to live and love boldly.

The spiritual growth that comes from doing God Sightings in not only important for us individually, it is also important to Advent Lutheran Church. You see, the church is not the building nor is it captured

in a constitutional document. The church IS us. It is us, God's children, gathered in fellowship to worship God. So if Advent Lutheran Church is to change for the future, then by necessity we too are to change. If the Church is to grow in faith and vitality, then it means we grow in faith and vitality.

PASTOR MATT'S MESSAGE (cont'd)

All the spiritual growth associated with the God Sightings activity today will be needed by Advent Lutheran Church in the over the next several months and in the years to come. This Fall the Strategic Mission Team will be leading the congregation in some new activities:

- Worship Renewal Process- We will take time to learn about the part of worship and what purpose they serve in connecting us to God's love. We will learn about how the parts of worship are expressed in different styles of worship. All the while we will use our "sense of God's actual presence" to discern how God is calling us to worship.
- Spiritual Gifts Inventory- I know Advent has done these before, but this is different. In the past Spiritual gift inventories have been used exclusively to find out what people are good at so they can be asked to serve on a committee. This time the focus will be on how your gifts and the gift of the whole congregation can be used to share God's love. We will lean into a "heighten sense of God's presence and activity" to recognize how God wants to be active through us.

As we do these activities in the Fall it will set us up for forming a spirituality, both as a congregation and individually, that is evangelistic and of joyful stewardship. Our putting our blessings into words and sensing God presence, will better allow us to put words to the blessings of others and reveal God's presence to them. As we express gratitude to the activity of God's blessings in our lives, and participate in that activity by becoming a blessing to others, our gratitude will become generosity, as we joyfully give of what God has already given us. And as I wrote before, "This deepened faith casts aside our fears and insecurities, allowing us to live and love boldly."

So, continue to do those God Sightings and look forward to new adventures this Fall.

Peace,

Pastor Matt Ollikainen



SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS SEPTEMBER 15

church office with any questions, or if you would be interested in serving on our staff.

Children's Sunday School will begin on September 15 at **9:30 a.m.** Students will meet in the sanctuary for the opening of the worship service and the Children's Sermon, then proceed to the all-purpose room to begin their class. New students are welcome! Our weekly Bible lessons are based on the popular *Holy Moly* curriculum. Its creative short

videos bring the Bible stories to life for students age 4 through grade 6. The Bible Story Book is written in rhyme and illustrated in graphic novel style. These lessons are real conversation-starters! Learning together is fun! Look for a registration form in the church foyer or narthex or on our website to sign up. Student books and crafts will be ordered according to the number registered. Please contact the

Jeanne Gryszka, Sunday School Director





Adult Bible Study will be led by George Henry at **10:45 a.m.** on most Sunday mornings in the Parlor, located near the coffee bar. It will not be held on days when Church Council meets, which is usually the second Sunday of each month. (See

calendar.) All adults are welcome and are encouraged to bring questions - perhaps related to a recent sermon or about Christian faith.



STUDY THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW on ZOOM: THURSDAYS at 7:00 p.m.

Thursday Night Bible Study will begin September 26 at 7:00 p.m. by Zoom. We will Study the Gospel according to Matthew. We will be utilizing the "The Jewish"

Annotated New Testament" as one of our resources to delve deep into Jesus' times and to better understand this Gospel written to a Jewish-Christian audience.



ADVENT PRAYER LIST and PRAYER CHAIN

On Sundays we add names to the **Prayer List** to pray out loud <u>during the worship service</u> for those in need. We only ask for names without specifics, though God always knows what is in our hearts. This differs from the Prayer Chain.

For the **Prayer Chain**, more specifics can be prayed for (as much as you want to share). These prayers are confidential, known only to the prayer chain members. Each person added is kept on the list for 4 weeks, with the exception of those who need ongoing prayer, which we keep on until circumstances change. If you wish to add a name to the prayer chain, please fill out a **yellow prayer card** found in the pews or you can call or email **Gail Oines** at the church office with your request: adventlutheranrichboro@gmail.com



<u>PRAISE BAND AND VOCAL CHOIR PRACTICE BEGINS</u> WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Church Choirs are restarting this Fall! We currently have a praise band and a traditional vocal choir. Practices will be held on Wednesday evenings, beginning September 18, except on October 2, when Mitch McVicker will perform.

Praise Band practice is 6:30 - 7:15 p.m. Vocal Choir practice is 7:15 - 8:00 p.m. All are welcome and encouraged to join! Prior experience is not necessary. Please see Mike Dettra for more details.



UPDATE ON THE REBUILDING OF OUR CHURCH'S WEBSITE

The rebuilding of our Church's website is well underway. Advent's leadership team on the project (Pastor Matt, Katie Dettra, and Mike Sitler) have had several meetings to date with Heather Traum, the owner, and Lisa Baker, the creative director, of Janus

Advertising to discuss the website's conceptual design. A priority has been to meet the needs of our congregation, to include how we communicate with the world through this technology.

The development and rebuilding of the website consists of a multi-step process. Heather and Lisa joined us in worship on Sunday, July 28th, making a brief presentation about this process and seeking congregational engagement. Based on all of the input and feedback, they, in short order, proceeded to the design concept, which Pastor Matt presented at the beginning of worship on August 11, 2024.

CHURCH WEBSITE (cont'd)

Updates will be given and further congregational feedback will be sought as we move forward. Please engage in this important work as we proceed through its development. The goal is to have the new website launched by the end of November.

In support of the website rebuild, the congregation approved an open appeal allowing Advent Church members to personally support the work through a financial gift, helping to defray the costs totaling \$14,535 (for the rebuild and web hosting for one year). To date, over \$5,200 has been donated. There is still time to make a financial gift in support of this work . . . thanks to all who have made and will be making a financial gift in support of the appeal. Checks can be made out to Advent Evangelical Lutheran Church (memo line: Electronic Service Appeal), which will facilitate financial gifts being recorded on 2024 Giving Statements.

The new website will play an integral part in our current Strategic Mission Plan, which will be important in supporting and growing our congregation's current and future ministries.

LADIES LUNCH - SEPTEMBER 10 and OCTOBER 8



Here's an invitation to the women of Advent to meet & have lunch with one other, planned for the second **Tuesday** in both September and October. We'll gather in the all-purpose room at Advent at **noon** for a relaxing hour or so. **Bring your own lunch** and look forward to dining with a cheerful group of friends! Please note: If

either date needs to be changed, updates will be announced in the worship bulletin.

FLEA MARKET – SEPTEMBER 14









If you are still looking to "declutter/downsize items in your living space", please consider joining us and participating in this event.

On **SATURDAY**, **SEPTEMBER 14**, **2024**, Advent Lutheran Church is holding a **FLEA MARKET** in the church parking lot from 9 am to 1 pm. This is a rain or shine event (held indoors in the event of rain) for church members, friends, neighbors and members of the community to sell/buy items, or just browse. Water and soft pretzels will be available at the flea market at a cost of \$1.00 each.

Flea Market Registration Forms (with detailed information) can be found on the round table in the church Narthex or on the church's website at adventlutheranrichboro@gmail.org. A \$10.00 non-refundable registration fee must accompany your registration. Registrations will be accepted until the deadline of September 8, 2024, or until spaces are no longer available (participants must supply their own table to display their sale items).

We look forward to seeing you at the Flea Market and helping you "declutter/downsize" items you no longer can use but that others may. Contact Flea Market coordinators (Kathy Sitler (215-589-5423) or Cime Eklund (503-502-7691) with any questions that you may have regarding the Flea Market. Thank you for your interest and participation in this church-sponsored event.



PING PONG AT ADVENT BEGINS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

The Ping Pong season at Advent will begin Tuesday, September 17 and continue weekly from **6:30 pm to 8:30 pm.** Don't worry about how good you are! The goal is to provide some physical activity for all of us during the cold winter months. – Ray Heiss



MITCH McVICKER IN CONCERT AT ADVENT WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2 - 7:00 p.m.

Advent is again pleased to have Mitchell McVicker, Christian recording artist, with us in concert on Wednesday, October 2, at 7 p.m. McVicker's concerts are little bit Mark Twain meets MacGyver. His quirky and inventive approach includes insightful song lyrics,

unconventional instruments, and profound storytelling. His concert connects the everyday with the otherworldly. McVicker's theology is daringly simple - God's love washes over and through us regardless of our circumstances and situations. Come out for an evening of enjoyable and inspirational music. A free will offering will be taken.

MEN'S BREAKFAST – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12



The Men's Breakfast Board of Directors would not pay for the trip to France so that the chefs could explore new cuisine. Their advice was to put ketchup on anything and everything. Men's breakfast will meet on Saturday October 12.

We plan to serve at **8:30**. Coffee ready at **7:30**.

Kids' Team Advent



We have so many reasons to give thanks for our Vacation Bible School program! Great students, talented teachers, dedicated parents, kind volunteers, words of encouragement, donations of refreshments, a great playground and beautiful weather - all of the ingredients for a great week, where learning together was FUN. We designed our own Olympic-style challenges and were inspired by the Bible characters we studied in our lessons. Thank you to everyone who made VBS a success and thanks to families and others who donated a total of 42 containers of peanut butter and jelly for the Warminster Food Bank. Advent's 5-day program ran from August 12-16.

Thank you to our dedicated chairperson and talented staff members:

Christian Education Chairperson: John Flint

Pastor / VBS Teacher/Computer Manager: Rev. Matthew Ollikainen
Curriculum Planners & Teachers: Megan Ward, Eva Ollikainen,
Nancy Sclight, Rhona Slawter

Nancy Sclight, Rhona Slawter Jeanne Gryszka, Rose Herbert

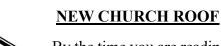
Music Teacher: Mike Dettra

Registration/Outreach: Kristi and Megan Ward; Jeanne Gryszka Snack Coordinators: Nancy Hill, Rhona Slawter, Nancy Sclight

Recreation Assistants: Teachers and Tony Gryszka

A/C Programming: Dave Shearer

[SEE PHOTOS, p. 13]



By the time you are reading this article, we should have a new roof on our church. The old roof was at the end of its normal lifespan, so time had come to replace it. Paramount Home Solutions was under contract to start and complete the work the week of August 19, 2024, weather

permitting. Replacement of the four narthex and multi-purpose room skylights were also part of the work.

Money set aside from the sale of our land was ear-marked to pay for the new roof. We are fortunate that our insurance carrier approved insurance coverage to pay part of the cost due to past storm damage, which will reduce out-of-pocket expenses for Advent Church. Although the final cost of the roof replacement is yet to be determined, we are optimistic that the net savings for Advent will allow for other capital projects to be addressed, which Church Council is currently assessing for prioritization. Further details about the roof replacement can be found in the email sent out to the congregation on July 26, 2024 or by speaking with Church Council President Mike Sitler.

All of this is a true blessing for our congregation at this point in our history. We can rejoice in the roof replacement and in having dedicated funds in reserve for future capital projects, which will serve us well into the future.



A FEW FOND MEMORIES of ADVENT Samples from our 60TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION – OCTOBER 8, 2023

Going to church with Mommy and Mama

Julianna W.

I like watching the show during Sunday School and playing musical instruments during VBS.

Timmy W.

Doing crafts.

Emma W.

George H.

About the third time I attended worship w/ Advent, someone was giving out a flyer with all of Advent's activities listed. I received one and started reading it. The last activity was "Koinonia". I had no idea what it was. I remembered Tom, so I asked him what it was. Tom replied by saying it's this Saturday, at my house and you will be there. This started my personal relationship with Jesus.

Jamie W.

- 1 The live activity with animals outside and choir singing, and Wunder the children's Christmas shows.
- 2 "Baa Baa" sheep stuffed animal used often for children's message.

When the children and youth of Advent did the program "It's Cool in the Furnace". Pastor Gardner was King Nebuchadnezar.

anonymous

Back in the 70's doing youth services during lent one year we did a Jesus

Jen M.

Christ super star type of service with dance & music & visited other churches

Gail O.

Our first time here Pastor Sorcek was away + Chuck Lepone (1993) preached. We decided to come again when Pastor Sorcek was back, although we liked what we saw + heard. Everyone was so nice & welcoming. Our return was just my son Alex and I, since Michele felt ill that day. Not only were we remembered, but so many people asked after Doug + Michele + she was prayed for. We stopped church shopping + joined.

DRIVE in AND DROP off FOOD COLLECTION



If you have food for the Warminster Food Bank that you or your friends would like to donate and the church is not open, just drive in and drop off the food under the seat of the bench outside the front door. You may still bring food into the church narthex during church and office hours. A list of the Food Bank's most needed items is updated weekly on the website *warminsterfoodbank.org*. Thank you for helping our neighbors in need.



ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATION

There are numerous dates available for 2023 to dedicate flowers to beautify the altar each Sunday. Please sign up on the sheet on the table in the narthex with your name and dedication. Two bouquets are available each week. The cost is \$25 per bouquet. In

addition to making the altar more beautiful, you take the flowers home after the late service to enjoy during the week. If you have any questions call Cindy Frey 267-205-0713.



FELLOWSHIP TIME

We encourage groups, friends or individuals to sign up to provide refreshments after the worship service. The sign-up sheet through October is on the fellowship table. Advent supplies hot beverages (i.e., coffee & tea) and all paper products.

For those who prefer to support Fellowship Time without the preparation, consider donating a few dollars now and then for someone else to purchase goodies. Thank you!

FOOD BANK DONATIONS - ALWAYS ENCOURAGED



Warminster Food Bank is grateful to the congregation at Advent Lutheran Church for the generous donations of <u>food</u>, <u>monetary donations</u> and <u>gift cards</u>. This year, Advent's congregation and our community have donated **136 lbs.** of food during the month of **July** through **August 12** and \$1,555.00 has been donated year-to-date.

Please continue donating whatever you can each month. Blue tote bags are available in the narthex. Food may be brought on Sunday and whenever the church office is open, or you can deposit your bags in the outdoor bench anytime. For suggestions on which items are requested each week, check their website: warminsterfoodbank.org - Thank-you for your continued support of our neighbors in this important mission!





NUEVA CREACION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Please consider supporting our sister congregation, Nueva Creación Lutheran Church, which does vital ministry in North Philadelphia. A sign-up sheet is found on the table in the narthex near the entrance to the sanctuary. There are openings available through the end of the year.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS SEPTEMBER – OCTOBER 2024

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	8:00 AM				
9/8	Rose Herbert				
9/15	Dave Elkin	Janice Hoffmann			
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9/29	George Henry				
10/6	Dave Elkin	Janice Hoffmann			
10/13	Rose Herbert				
10/20	TBD				
10/27	George Henry				

	9:30 AM				
9/8	Jennifer McQuiggan				
9/15	John Flint	Megan Ward			
9/22	Gail Oines	Kristi Ward			
9/29	TBD Joyce Heiss				
10/6	Jennifer McQuiggan				
10/13	John Flint	Megan Ward			
10/20	Gail Oines	Kristi Ward			
10/27	TBD Joyce Heiss				

ALTAR GUILD

Gail Oines, Nancy Sclight, Rhona Slawter

OUR TECH CREW

Pastor Matt, Mike Dettra, Gary Zimmerman, Tony Gryszka

FLOWER DISTRIBUTION

Linda Brownlee, Audrey Savchuck, Nancy Sclight, Rhona Slawter



SEPTEMBER

3 Cindy Frey	15 Emma Ward	22 Teena Hanlon
5 Paul Shearer	Timothy Ward	25 Rose Herbert
11 Mark Frey	16 Steven Urbaniak	26 Christopher Frey
Charles Welsh	17 John Kelly	27 Kelly Sitler
13 Courtney Kirschner	19 Jeanne Gryszka	28 Cathy Wills
15 Nicholas Masciotro	20 Luke Urbaniak	30 Peggy Spahn

OCTOBER

No birthdays on record

* Please contact the church office if you or someone you know has been omitted from the list.* Thank you.



THE ARMED FORCES

Please keep in your prayers all our service men and women and especially those related to our congregation:

Colonel Andrew M Frey, Jr. has a new position as Commander, 2nd Weather Group, Offutt AFB, Nebraska

US Air Force Major Fred Gouse is a pilot and instructor stationed at Holloman AFB, New Mexico.

US Army Colonel (Ret.) Jeff Williams is serving in Dubai, UAE as a military advisor.

US Army Ranger Liam McKendry, grandson of Pastor Jo Wright stationed in Fort Benning, GA

If there are any errors or omissions, please notify the church office. Thank you.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR JULY 2024

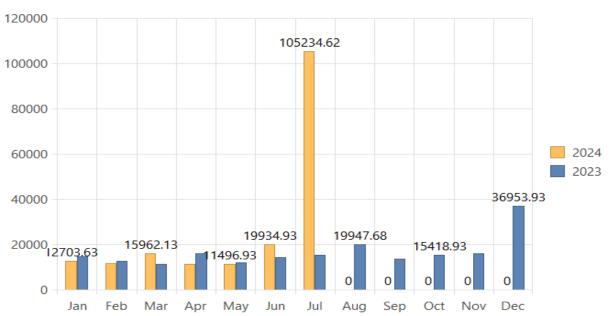
Thanks to everyone for your continued financial support of the church this year. We greatly appreciate it. There are numerous ways to continue your offerings.

- Drop off your offering at the church office. The office is usually open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday between 10 AM and 1 PM. Call to confirm hours.
- Mail a check to the church. The mailing address is "Advent Lutheran Church, 45 Worthington Mill Road, Richboro, PA 18954"
- Contribute online at www.adventrichboro.org. At the top of the page, click the "Give Now" link to see frequently asked questions. At the bottom of the page click the "Give Now" link for our Giving platform. You may also choose to set up recurring donations or a one-time donation.

Again, thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions concerning your offering please call Cindy Frey, Financial Secretary 267-205-0713

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR JULY 2024

Contribution Totals



Financial Report For July 2024

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	Rec'vd for July 2024	Budget for July 2024				
General Fund	\$13,816.93	\$17,482.00				
Mortgage	\$1,426	\$1,898.00				
Bene Synod Only	\$75	\$75				
Other Benevolence	\$240					
Insurance						
Settlement*	\$87,496.69					
Web Upgrade	\$2,180					
Total	\$105,234.62	\$19,455.00				
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Mortgage	\$79,642.50 \$11,969.00	7/31/24 \$122,374.00 \$13,286.00				
Mortgage Bene Synod Only	\$79,642.50 \$11,969.00 \$355.00	7/31/24 \$122,374.00 \$13,286.00				
Mortgage Bene Synod Only Other Benevolence	\$79,642.50 \$11,969.00 \$355.00	7/31/24 \$122,374.00 \$13,286.00				
Mortgage Bene Synod Only Other Benevolence Insurance	\$79,642.50 \$11,969.00 \$355.00 \$3,775.00	7/31/24 \$122,374.00 \$13,286.00				
Mortgage Bene Synod Only Other Benevolence Insurance Settlement*	\$79,642.50 \$11,969.00 \$355.00 \$3,775.00 \$87,496.69	7/31/24 \$122,374.00 \$13,286.00				

^{*}Funds received from the insurance company due to storm damage to the roof.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL PHOTOS



Singing for Families



Creating an Olympic Design



Ray Heiss demonstrates the accordion



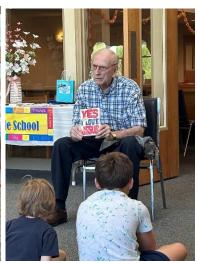
Pastor Matt & Eva lead instrumental song



Mike Dettra leads music class



Testing our active Olympic skills



John Flint inspires students



September 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 15 th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 am Summer Worship with Holy Communion 10:00 am Fellowship Time: Open	2	3	4	5	6 7:30 p.m. A.A. Step Meeting	7
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22 18 th Sunday after Pentecost	23 7:30 p.m.	24	25 Praise Band	26 Zoom Bible Study	27 7:30 p.m. A.A.	28
8:00 am Traditional Worship with Holy Communion	A.A. Open Meeting	Ping Pong 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.	6:30 - 7:15 p.m. Vocal Choir 7:15 - 8:00 p.m.	w/ Pastor Matt 7:00 p.m.	Step Meeting.	
9:30 am Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion Sunday School 9:30-10:30			·			
10:30 Fellowship Time - Open 10:45 Adult Bible Study						
29 19 TH Sunday after Pentecost	30 7:30 p.m.					
8:00 am Traditional Worship with Holy Communion	A.A. Open Meeting					
9:30 am Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion						
Sunday School 9:30-10:30 10:30 Fellowship Time - Open 10:45 Adult Bible Study						
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Ping Pong 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.	Mitch McVicker Performs 7:00 p.m. No choir / band practices	Zoom Bible Study w/ Pastor Matt 7:00 p.m.	4 7:30 p.m. A.A. Step Meeting	5
6 20 th Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 am Traditional Worship with Holy Communion 9:30 am Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion Sunday School 9:30-10:30 10:30 Fellowship Time - Open 10:45 Adult Bible Study	7 7:30 p.m. A.A. Open Meeting	8 Ladies' Lunch - Noon at Advent Ping Pong 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.	9 Praise Band 6:30 - 7:15 p.m. Vocal Choir 7:15 - 8:00 p.m.	200m Bible Study w/ Pastor Matt 7:00 p.m.	11 7:30 p.m. A.A. Step Meeting	12 Men's Breakfast 8:30 a.m.
13 21 ST Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 am Traditional Worship with Holy Communion 9:30 am Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion Sunday School 9:30-10:30 10:30 Fellowship Time - Open 10:45 Church Council Meeting	7:30 p.m. A.A. Open Meeting	15 Ping Pong 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.	16 Praise Band 6:30 - 7:15 p.m. Vocal Choir 7:15 - 8:00 p.m.	17 Zoom Bible Study w/ Pastor Matt 7:00 p.m.	18 7:30 p.m. A.A. Step Meeting.	19
20 22ND Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 am Traditional Worship with Holy Communion 9:30 am Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion Sunday School 9:30-10:30 10:30 Fellowship Time - Open 10:45 Adult Bible Study	7:30 p.m. A.A. Open Meeting	22 Ping Pong 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.	23 Praise Band 6:30 - 7:15 p.m. Vocal Choir 7:15 - 8:00 p.m.	Zoom Bible Study w/ Pastor Matt 7:00 p.m.	25 7:30 p.m. A.A. Step Meeting.	26
27 23 RD Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 am Traditional Worship with Holy Communion 9:30 am Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion Sunday School 9:30-10:30 10:30 Fellowship Time - Open 10:45 Adult Bible Study	7:30 p.m. A.A. Open Meeting	29 Ping Pong 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.	30 Praise Band 6:30 - 7:15 p.m. Vocal Choir 7:15 - 8:00 p.m.	31		