

HOLY TRINITY NEWS

SEPTEMBER 2022

VOLUME 57 NO. 09



September

CHURCH SERVICE 10:15 AM

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH 610-826-2524

502 LAFAYETTE AVE. PALMERTON, PA 18071

E-MAIL

htlcoppa@ptd.net

FACEBOOK

facebook.com/HolyTrinityPalmerton

WEB PAGE

www.HolyTrinityPalmerton.org

REV. MICHAEL FROST

570-620-8189

PASTOR E-MAIL ADDRESS

htpastor@ptd.net

From the Pastor's Desk –



September 2022 “Lifelong Learning”

⁴ “Hear, O Israel: The LORD is our God, the LORD alone. ⁵ You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. ⁶ Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. ⁷ Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. ⁸ Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, ⁹ and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

Deuteronomy 6:4-8 (NRSV)

As I write these words, the new school year is still ahead of us, but not by much. In just a few days our children and our grandchildren will be headed off to school – to elementary school, to middle school, to high school, or to college. They will be taught things they do not know. They will be challenged with tasks they have never had to do before. They will be confronted with new ideas, new ways of seeing the world and understanding other people. It will not be easy. It may be easier for some than for others, but that speaks to the remarkable diversity that is the human race. We are all different. We are unique individuals who learn in our own unique ways. This is true for the basic instruction of elementary school and middle school, but it is also true for the more advanced material taught in high school and college. It is true to say that we are all learning, every minute or every day, as we take in the world around us and as we meet new people in new situations.

All of this is no less true here in the church. Christian education – being taught and learning the things of God and of God’s Word – is a lifelong process. Living as a child of God means being open to what God is saying to us through all of the varied experiences of life.

In our baptismal liturgy, parents bringing their children to the font are asked to make this promise for their children:

*To live with them among God’s faithful people,
bring them to the word of God and the holy supper,
teach them the Lord’s Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,
place in their hands the holy scriptures, and nurture them in faith and prayer,
so that your children may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.*

In the church of my childhood, as here, there was no programmed Christian education once a young person had been confirmed. There was no Sunday School class for high school or college age students. There was no adult Sunday School. It was almost as if we had all been told that we had learned everything there was to learn about God and living our faith by the time we were thirteen years old. How absurd!

While it is vitally important, as we read in the passage from Deuteronomy above, to teach God’s Word to our children, that God’s Word needs to be part of our home and family life; as adults we need ongoing learning, ongoing educational opportunities, if we are to manage all of the changes and challenges of life as people of God in Jesus Christ. The Bible stories, the simple lessons taught to us as young children, will not be a sufficient foundation for living out our faith in today’s world. We need to be in God’s Word, to be talking with one another about the difficult issues we face in life, if we are to stand firm in the faith.

Leading Bible study for our adults is one of the most enjoyable aspects of my ministry as your pastor. At the same time, one of my great disappointments is how few of our members take advantage of the opportunities presented to them. Between

our two congregations, two Bible study groups meet each week – Monday afternoons from 1:30-3:00p.m. at St. Matthew's and Thursday mornings from 10:30a.m. til 12:00noon. I've offered evening opportunities, but they have not been successful. The groups we have are not large but those participating have found great value in the learning, the sharing, and the Christian fellowship and support we offer to each other. I invite you to consider being a part of one of these groups if they work with your schedule.

Rally Day 2022 is Sunday September 11 at St. Matthew's, the kickoff to a new Sunday School year. Alas, in these COVID and post-COVID years we have not been able to hold Sunday School at Holy Trinity. Our Bible studies resume after our summer hiatus the week following September 11 – Monday, the 12th at St. Matthew's and Thursday, the 15th at Holy Trinity. Life as the people of God, as disciples of Jesus Christ is all about lifelong learning. Please challenge yourselves to get into the Word of God in your own devotional reading and study or in some group. The challenges we face in this life require us to build on a firm foundation and there is no firmer foundation than we have in Jesus Christ and in God's Word in the Holy Scriptures.

See you in church,
Pastor Mike

HOME VISITS

Home visits and shut-in visits are being planned for September. If anyone would like to receive communion from Pastor Mike, please call the office @ 610-826-2524.



Happy Anniversary!

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

September 11	James & Lisa Engle	40 years
September 13	Nicole & Christopher Jahelka	14 years
September 15	Larry & Susan Arner	43 years
September 24	Gale & George Husack	17 years
September 24	Tricia & Jason Pryce	11 years
September 25	Eugene & Lynn Perone	12 years
September 29	Gordon & Mary Walls	38 years

WE WISH YOU A HAPPY BIRTHDAY



September 02	Amy Broadfield
September 06	Lee Arner
September 06	Terry Holland
September 07	Alice Henning
September 09	Aliyah Snyder
September 15	David Blocker
September 16	Damon Mertz
September 16	Larry Mertz, Jr.
September 18	Joseph Herman
September 18	Jesse Ruch
September 19	Alex Kuneck
September 19	Dr. Robert Reinhart
September 19	Jan Sosik
September 20	Aaron Pryce
September 24	Julianna Snyder
September 25	Amy Steigerwalt
September 26	Robert Treskot
September 28	Jereme Barkanic
September 29	Frederick Young, Jr.

[NOTE: If we have omitted your birthday or anniversary, please let us know.]



HOLY TRINITY ACTION MINISTRIES

Tues. 9AM- 12:30 PM Thrift Shop

REDNER'S SAVE A TAPE

This is a reminder that we do collect

Redner's register tapes.

There is a box in the Narthex for the Redner's register tapes. Redner's Markets provides us with a **1% rebate** for all register tapes turned in. Ask for a save a tape card at the desk at Redner's. This is required to participate.



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

HOURS
8:30am-12:30ppm

September 4, 2022 COMMUNION

Assisting Minister: Rich Hyer

Ushers: Scott & Kelly Heinrich

Altar Guild: The Keblish Family

Flowers: Ray & Karen Talamantes

Bulletins:

Communion Bread: Barb & Joe Herman

Website: Marlene Bollinger

Times News Ad: Fred & Betsy Masenheimer

Worship Service 10:15 AM

September 11, 2022 COMMUNION

Assisting Minister: Krissy Keblish

Ushers: Ron Keblish w/Taylor, Terry Holland

Altar Guild: The Keblish Family

Bulletins: Jean Suarez

Communion Bread: Jean Suarez

Website: Marlene Bollinger

Times News Ad: Fred & Betsy Masenheimer

Worship Service 10:15 AM

September 18, 2022 COMMUNION

Assisting Minister: Lynn Perone

Ushers: Carol Heffelfinger & Loren LaRose

Altar Guild: The Keblish Family

Flowers: The Sosik Family

Bulletins: Barb & Joe Herman

Communion Bread: Barb & Joe Herman

Website: Marlene Bollinger

Times News Ad: Fred & Betsy Masenheimer

Worship Service 10:15 AM

September 25, 2022 COMMUNION

Assisting Minister: Larry Arner

Ushers: Richard & Jeanette Hyer

Altar Guild: The Keblish Family

Flowers: Keblish Family

Bulletins:

Communion Bread: Debbie & Steve Hansut

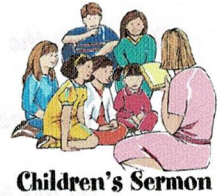
Website: Marlene Bollinger

Times News Ad: Fred & Betsy Masenheimer

Worship Service 10:15 AM

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Children's special involvement in worship is postponed until the children can participate safely.



Children's Sermon

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Sept 07 4:15 p.m. Worship & Music
Sept 18 6:30 p.m. Council Meeting

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Rich Hyer	President
Don Delich	Vice-President
Karen Talamantes	Secretary
Marlene Bollinger	
Don Delich	
Teri Delich	
Scott Heinrich	
Eric Reif	
Ray Talamantes	
Gordon Walls	
Mary Walls	

FINANCIAL PERSONNEL

Larry Arner	Treasurer
Carol Heffelfinger	Financial Sec.

FINANCE

Jul. Monthly Envelope Offering:	\$ 10,513
Jul. St. Matthews Pastoral Service	\$ 3,173
Jul. Additional Income	\$ 3,027
Jul. Monthly Expenses:	\$ 16,545
Attendance:	
July 3, 2022	30
July 10, 2022	42
July 17, 2022	34
July 24, 2022	36
July 31, 2022	36

*Rejoice in the Lord always, again I will say,
Rejoice.*

Let your gentleness be known to everyone.

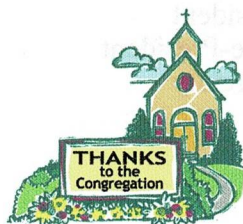
The Lord is near.

Do not be anxious about anything,

*But in everything by prayer and supplication
with*

*thanksgiving let your requests be made known to
God.*

*And the peace of God,
which passes all understanding,
will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ
Jesus.*



Our Family and friends at
Holy Trinity,

In the midst of difficult
days and weeks your love
and support have been such
a gift and blessing to us all.

The gift certificates were/are

an unexpected blessing and we have certainly
made good use of them over these weeks. Mos
of all we thank you for your prayers, which God
has surely answered.

Peace,

Pastor Mike & Ginny



Join the Choir...

**You'll Be Glad
You Did!**

CHOIR NEWS

Choir rehearsals begin on September 11th at
11:30 am. following the service. Please
consider joining us. There are robes just your
size waiting in the choir room.

Bells will rehearse Sundays at 9:00 AM, beginning on
October 2.

You can join us on Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9636129008?
pwd=YzhTQ1M0OCtnV285RWwhJeXdsM
mJHZZz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9636129008?pwd=YzhTQ1M0OCtnV285RWwhJeXdsMmJHZZz09)

Meeting ID: 963 612 9008

Password: 119675

One tap mobile

+13126266799,,9636129008#,,1#,119675#

US (Chicago)

+16465588656,,9636129008#,,1#,119675#

US (New York)

Dial by your location

+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

+1 301 715 8592 US (Germantown)

+1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)

+1 669 900 9128 US (San Jose)

+1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)

Meeting ID: 963 612 9008

Password: 119675

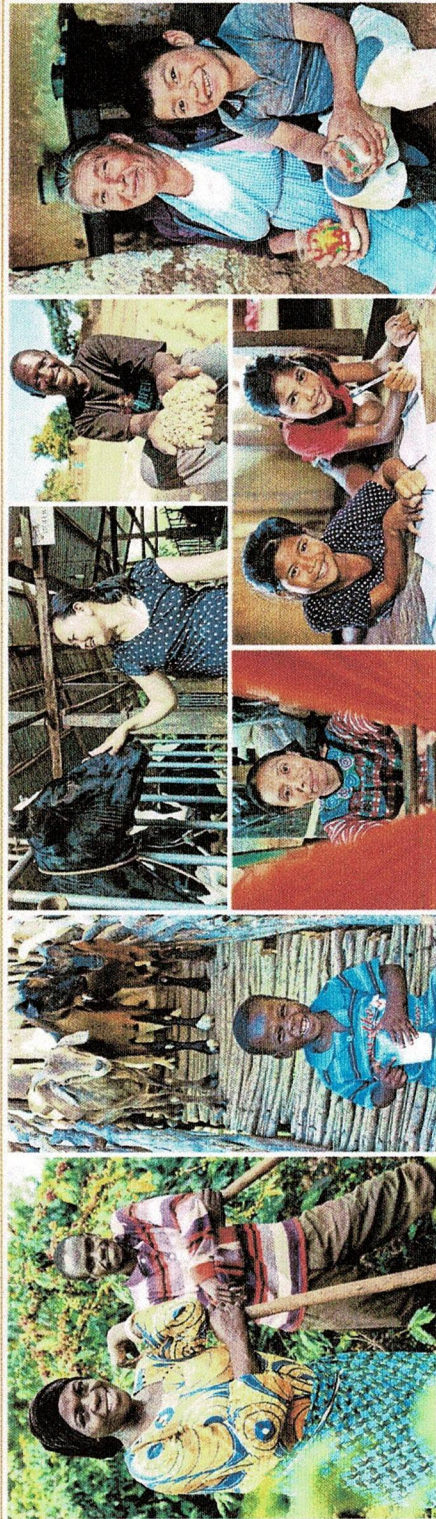
Find your local number: [https://
us02web.zoom.us/j/9636129008?pwd=YzhTQ1M0OCtnV285RWwhJeXdsMmJHZZz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9636129008?pwd=YzhTQ1M0OCtnV285RWwhJeXdsMmJHZZz09)

Sunday School News

God on the Go begins again soon on
Facebook if Don & Teri can make it
work. Thank You Don & Teri Delich,
you make Bible Stories so interesting
and easy to adapt to today's world.

Palmerton Festival

The Festival is September 9-11. There
are sign-up sheets in the Narthex for
baking and working the stand. You can
also email htlcoppa@ptd.net or call the
office at 610-826-2524 to volunteer.



Heifer International gratefully recognizes

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

for your contribution of healthy animals and training
in their care to help struggling families overcome a life of hunger and poverty.

"The Earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein." Psalm 24:1



July 2022

Date

Pierre N. Fumani

Heifer International

000000014

CONCERT

September 2022

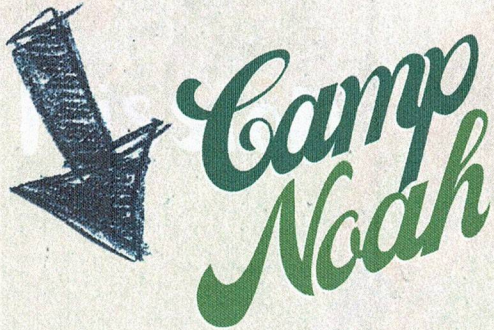
September 2022						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

October 2022						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Aug 28	29	30	31	Sep 1 Office Hours 8:30-12:30	2	3
4 10:15am Worship Service in Church and Zoom	5	6 Office Hours 8:30-12:30 9:00am Thrift Shop	7 Office Hours 8:30-12:30	8 Office Hours 8:30-12:30 10:30am Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)	9	10
11 10:15am Worship Service in Church and Zoom	12	13 Office Hours 8:30-12:30 9:00am Thrift Shop	14 Office Hours 8:30-12:30	15 Office Hours 8:30-12:30 10:30am Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)	16	17
18 10:15am Worship Service in Church and Zoom	19 office hours 8:30-12:30	20 Secretary out 9:00am Thrift Shop	21 Office Hours 8:30-12:30	22 Office Hours 8:30-12:30 10:30am Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)	23	24
25 10:15am Worship Service in Church and Zoom	26	27 Office Hours 8:30-12:30 9:00am Thrift Shop	28 Office Hours 8:30-12:30	29 Office Hours 8:30-12:30 10:30am Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)	30	Oct 1

SYNOD NEWS

NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA SYNOD, ELCA



STRONGER Together

So Noah went out with his sons and his wife and his sons' wives. And every animal, every creeping thing, and every bird, everything that moves on the earth, went out of the ark by families.... God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth."

(Genesis 8:18-19; 9:12-13)

Following the flood – a disaster horrific in scope and cause – God brought forth a time and a place, where healing and renewal could begin. Camp Noah is a ministry, carrying on in God's covenantal promises of care and life, especially for families and especially for children whose loved ones may no longer be there to protect and nurture them. The "ark" that gets built, comes in the form of congregations and volunteers, along with professionals in counseling and in faith, who create a safe and supportive environment – where, for a day or a week, children can gather to run and play, draw and paint, sing and listen, pray and build new connections of love and care, new trust that God loves them and that the future can be better, brighter and bolder than the past. Christ is the rainbow and the rock, that provides new colors to paint and safe waters to drink and to splash in, without fear of drowning in grief and despair. As the Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod, we are honored and grateful to take part in this life-giving ministry, offering our resources, our time and our spaces, to make a bright new day for these kids, these families, and "for all future generations."

+ Bishop Christopher deForest

Have you ever felt overwhelmed and unable to cope with a situation? There have been times during covid that many have felt that way—worry about those who were sick—concerned for families who had lost someone. It was hard enough for adults—but what about children? Camp Noah is a Lutheran camping organization run out of Minnesota that provides weeklong camp experiences for children who have experienced traumatizing natural disasters like tornados, floods, hurricanes—and covid. This past summer, just such a camp was held in Oley, PA. Camp Noah provided a week of fun and engaging experiences through books, crafts, music, art, and games that allowed kids to express their feelings and concerns regarding covid. One young camper said, “this camp has been a blessing.” And it was! Everyone involved—including adult volunteers—felt the healing presence of God among them! Thank you to the many congregations whose Mission Support dollars to the Northeast Pennsylvania Synod provided grant money to help fund Camp Noah. It really was a blessing to all!

+ Pastor Julie Osterhout,
Trinity Lutheran-Wernersville

