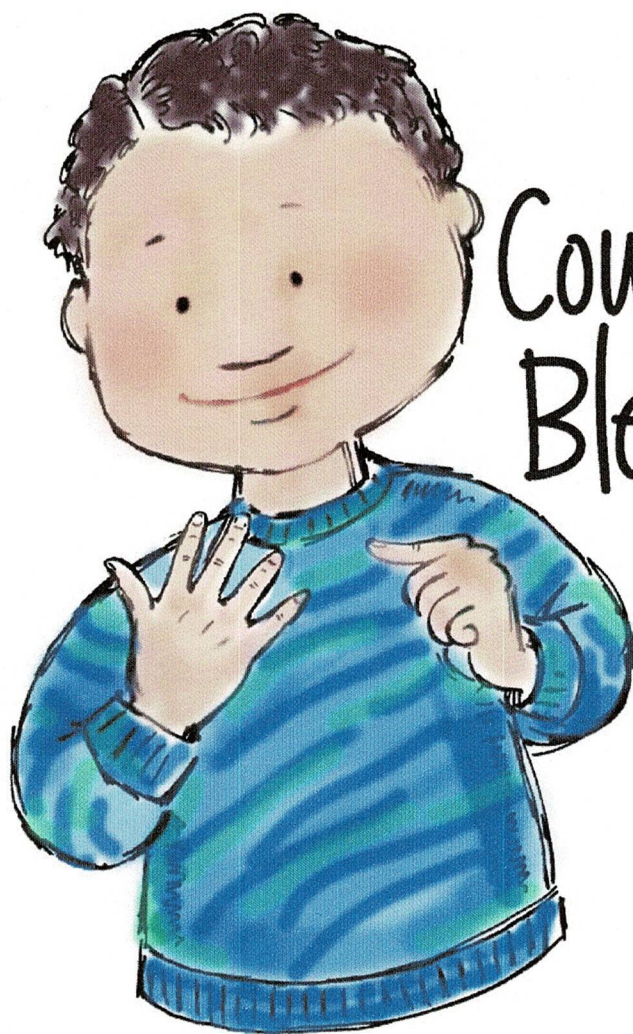


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Count Our
Blessings

CHURCH SERVICE 10:15 AM

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From the Pastor's Desk – November 2022



“Tithes and Offerings”

Now concerning the collection for the saints: you should follow the directions I gave to the churches of Galatia. On the first day of every week, each of you is to put aside and save whatever extra you earn, so that collections need not be taken when I come. 1 Corinthians 16:1-2 (NRSV)

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not regretfully or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written,

“He scatters abroad; he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever.”

He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness.

You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us, 2 Corinthians 9:6-11 (NRSV)

Many years ago, I was told that Christians, active church-going Christians in most of Western Europe (France, Germany, etc) were amazed that the churches in the United States were able to maintain their buildings and ministries with

voluntary giving alone. In Germany, for example, the major churches (and their clergy) are supported by what we would understand as government payments (paid out of tax dollars from all of those who pay taxes, regardless of their involvement in church).

And here we are . . . Surely our realities have changed greatly from the good-old days, the heydays when churches were full every Sunday and we had Sunday Schools and youth ministries filled with children and teens and all kinds of programs in which the so many were involved, and our buildings were hopping places. We carry on, don't we? We gather for worship. We hear the Word and share in the Blessed Sacraments God has given us, means of God's saving grace, mercy, and forgiveness in Jesus Christ our Lord. We engage with our neighbors, in our communities, caring for those in need and striving to shine the light of Christ in these places where God has planted us.

And you give of yourselves in support of our life and ministry. Your generous contributions continue to pay the bills, keep the doors open, the lights on, and the heat running so that we gather in comfort. Even through the pandemic, you made sure that your offerings got here, dropping them off or mailing them in when we weren't meeting together in person. I am so grateful for your support.

Now that we are coming out of our COVID cocoons and trying to get back to business, to life and ministry in full, we need your time and your talents and well as your financial giving. In so many ways, we need help. We need help in worship – on our choirs, as lectors, Communion assistants, ushers, greeters, and altar guild workers. We would love to have more people involved in Bible Study. Many of our committees could use more members to help in planning and in

carrying out aspects of our outreach and our ministry here among our own members. Both St. Matthew's and Holy Trinity are conducting business with less than full church councils and, as we near a new year, we will need still more council members. Can you help us? Yes, you can. Will you?

I was talking with a member recently and the subject of tithing came up – the Biblical idea (predominantly in the Old Testament) that a full ten percent of our income is to be given to the Lord. The phrase “tithes and offerings” presumes that the ten percent is the start and then offerings are given beyond that. In some traditions the tithe is put out there as the rule, as if it is LAW and required. We’ve never taught in that way, but I know that some of you strive to do that as your commitment to the Lord and to your church. Thanks for that. Our giving is a grateful response to all that God has done for us and given to us. We live not under law but under grace. God acts first. God gives first. We respond as we are able. We do so as individuals, as families, and as congregations. Thanks for your giving and for all you do.

Blessings to you and peace,
Pastor Mike

FINANCE

Sept. Monthly Envelope Offering:	\$ 5,344
Sept. St. Matthews Pastoral Service	\$ 3,173
Sept. Additional Income	\$ 559
Sept. Monthly Expenses:	\$ 9,734
Attendance:	
September 4, 2022	40
September 11, 2022	28
September 18, 2022	37
September 25, 2022	39

Larry Arner
Carol Heffelfinger

Treasurer
Financial Sec.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Terry Holland	President
Don Delich	Vice-President
Rich Hyer	Secretary
Larry Arner	Treasurer
Joe Solt	Ass't. Treasurer
Marlene Bollinger	
Teri Delich	
Scott Heinrich	
Jim Miller	
Ray Talamantes	
Gordon Walls	
Mary Walls	

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Nov 02 4:15 p.m. Worship & Music Committee
Nov 20 6:30 p.m. Council Meeting

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Mondays - 1:30—3:00 pm at St. Matthew's
Thursdays -10:30am-Noon – Adult Education Room

HOME VISITS

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

You can join us on Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting
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NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

November 29 Sandra and Warner Benson 36 years

WE WISH YOU A HAPPY BIRTHDAY

November 01 Tricia Pryce
November 09 Dennis Dorshimer
November 10 June Andreas
November 11 Kara Suarez
November 11 Nancy Young
November 15 James Miller
November 16 Stephen Schmidt
November 17 Sharon Bowman
November 17 James Brown
November 19 Suzanne Bloomfield
November 19 Kim Merkel, Jr.
November 21 Ashley Weiner
November 22 Katrina Schrag
November 23 Layla Schmidt
November 26 Michael Frost
November 27 Brittany Zeky



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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

children's special involvement in worship
is on hold until it is safe



CHILDREN'S SHOPPING 2022

The ever popular Children's shopping will take place on Dec. 10, 2022. From 9:00 to noon. Families can register as they enter the Fellowship Hall. Each family will be given a number in order to keep the 'first come-first served' order. The gifts will still be offered for 25¢ each. Moms and Dads can wrap the gifts before taking them home. There will be no refreshments. Hand sanitizer will be readily available in many locations. This shopping day gives children the opportunity to find nice gifts for their families and friends. So. What can the congregation do to help with this project? We need gifts for men and teenage boys – think after shave, boxes of candy, small tools, earbuds, packs of batteries, etc. Sports memorabilia is always popular. Gifts for teenage girls might include cute purses, hair bands or barrettes, perfume, etc. Coloring books that are still not colored in are good. We have lots of stuffed animals. We do not need wrapping paper, bows, or cards this year. But gift bags will certainly help speed up the wrapping process. The most popular gifts are Christmas decorations and knick-knacks. We also need volunteers to register families, direct traffic, and help our young customers find what they are looking for. Volunteers should be at the Fellowship Hall at 8:30. Please call Connie at 610-509-9873 if you have questions.

Once again, shopping will be Saturday, December 10 from 9:00 to noon. Children from 3-12 years old are welcome. As usual, they may buy one gift for each person on their list for only 25¢.

ADMINISTRATION



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Tues. Wed. Thurs. 8:30am-12:30pm

November 06, 2022 COMMUNION

Assisting Minister: Rich Hyer

Ushers: Scott & Kelly Heinrich

Altar Guild: Ray & Karen Talamantes

Flowers: Carol Heffelfinger

Bulletins:

Communion Bread: Kay Elyse Gerhart

Website: Marlene Bollinger

Times News Ad: Fred & Betsy Masenheimer

Worship Service 10:15 AM

November 13, 2022 COMMUNION

Assisting Minister: Krissy Keblish

Ushers: Ron Keblish w/ Taylor, Terry Holland

Altar Guild: Ray & Karen Talamantes

Flowers: The Keblish Family

Bulletins:

Communion Bread: Kay Elyse Gerhart

Website: Marlene Bollinger

Times News Ad: Fred & Betsy Masenheimer

Worship Service 10:15 AM

November 20, 2022 COMMUNION

Assisting Minister: Larry Arner

Ushers: Carol Heffelfinger, Loren LaRose

Altar Guild: Ray & Karen Talamantes

Flowers: Ray & Karen Talamantes

Bulletins:

Communion Bread: Kay Elyse Gerhart

Website: Marlene Bollinger

Times News Ad: Fred & Betsy Masenheimer

Worship Service 10:15 AM

November 27, 2022 COMMUNION

Assisting Minister: Lynn Perone

Ushers: Rich & Jeanette Hyer

Altar Guild: Ray & Karen Talamantes

Flowers: Carol Heffelfinger

Bulletins:

Communion Bread: Kay Elyse Gerhart

Website: Marlene Bollinger

Times News Ad: Fred & Betsy Masenheimer

Worship Service 10:15 AM



SNAPPLE FACTS



If you drive from Los Angeles to Reno, NV, you will be heading west.
Wisconsin has points located farther east than parts of Florida.

Sip on some knowledge. Most of these are the Real facts



HOLY TRINITY ACTION MINISTRY

Tues. 9AM- 12:30 PM Thrift Shop

WEATHER RELATED & SCHEDULING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Channel 13, Blue Ridge Cable, is Holy Trinity's place to look for weather related announcements. We will have the announcements on the air as soon as possible after they are made.

In addition a message will be left on phone system so if you call the office you will know if there is church.



These people joined the Church Triumphant between November 1, 2021 & October 31, 2022

Edith J. "Maude" Zellers	11/02/2021
*Ronald H. Rex	11/20/2021
Dorothy M. Berger	12/25/2021
Gloria L. LaBar	03/11/2022
*Carolyn V. Kuntzman	08/10/2022
Alice Henning	09/04/2022
*Terry Lee Smith	09/04/2022
Richard C. Snyder	09/09/2022
Jean A. Suarez	10/13/2022
*Eleanor Miller	10/14/2022

- Friends of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church



	Price	Color	Qty.	Cost
6.5 inch Pot (5+ blooms)	\$10.00 each	Red		
6.5 inch Pot (5+ blooms)	\$10.00 each	White		
6.5 inch Pot (5+ blooms)	\$10.00 each	Pink		
6.5 inch Pot (5+ blooms)	\$10.00 each	Marble		
TOTAL ORDERED				



In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

Ordered by _____

PLEASE ATTACH CHECK, PAYABLE TO "HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH" TO THIS FORM AND
PLACE IN OFFERING PLATE OR BRING/MAIL TO CHURCH OFFICE

ON OR BEFORE November 13, 2022 NO EXCEPTIONS



Our fall bazaar is on November 5th

We are busy bees and let's keep buzzing around!

We finished a successful festival run and now we move to our bazaar. Things needed for the bazaar first off are donations of cash and or gift cards for the raffle ticket. If you would like to sponsor a gift certificate, please see Larry or Sue Arner to do that. Then of course items for the white elephant sale, cause as we know your junk may be someone else's treasure so please keep that in mind. Handcrafted

items, we know our congregation is loaded with many talented folks so consider something you can or have made and donate to our craft table sewing, knitting, crocheting, jewelry making, painting just to name a few. As the date draws closer, we will need all hands on deck to prepare. We will have a bake sale for all our talented bakers to prepare their most popular items for others to purchase. Any time we can accept donations of new or handcrafted items for the brown bag raffle so think about clearance items when you're shopping that would make a great prize or perhaps an unwanted gift that you just never will use and now can donate to our raffle. Please send all donations to the church office and items for the bazaar can be dropped at the thrift shop during their regular hours.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS

Don't forget to turn back your clocks on Saturday Night , November 5, 2022



November 2022

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December 2022						
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Oct 30	31	Nov 1 Office Hours 8:30-12:30 9:00am Thrift Shop	2 Office Hours 8:30-12:30	3 Office Hours 8:30-12:30 10:30am Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)	4	5 Bazaar
6 10:15am Worship Service in Church and Zoom	7	8 Office Hours 8:30-12:30 9:00am Thrift Shop	9 Office Hours 8:30-12:30	10 Office Hours 8:30-12:30 10:30am Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)	11	12
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SYNOD NEWS

NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA SYNOD, ELCA

What's happening with Growing Young?

Growing Young is an initiative lived out in the NEPSynod, congregations, and individuals' ministry. Growing Young was our synod assembly theme in 2021, but it is not a once-and-done theme. Growing Young is something we strive to accomplish together, continually.

Congregations throughout our synod have been diving deep into the journey of Growing Young. Some are just beginning and exploring the concept whereas others are already incorporating it within their congregation and even helping beginners to gain the whole Growing Young experience. In case you are new to Growing Young, Growing Young is a movement in the NEPA Synod and throughout the greater ELCA and is based on a book of the same name. The book studied churches of all sizes, denominations, and locations throughout the country that are maintaining and engaging youth and young adults in their congregations. What does Growing Young really look like though?

Growing Young will look different for every congregation and the journey to get there will not be the same. Devoting time and commitment to the 6 core characteristics is the only way for your congregation to work towards a Growing Young outcome. These commitments orbit around a Jesus-centered community and help us truly become the church. Now is the time to pass down leadership and pastoral roles to those eager to assist and prioritize youth & young families everywhere. Now is the time to focus on warm relationships and empathize with today's youth. Now is the time to be the best neighbor and share Jesus' message seriously.

Is your congregation ready to Grow Young? Resources are available to help guide your community to the Growing Young mindset. For more information, visit godslove.org/growingyoung or by reaching out to the Growing Young coordinator, Stacey Burke at stacey@nepsynod.org or at 610-266-5101 ext. 10.

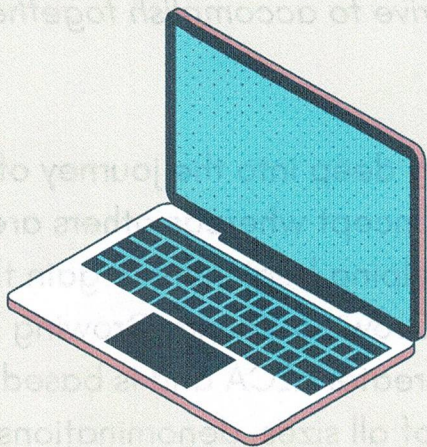
Let's Grow Young together!

COMING UP:

Nov. 5: WeLove

Nov. 12: Faith Formation Saturdays

Nov. 14-15: Bishop Conference



Visit us:

<http://www.Godslove.org/>

JUNE
1-3

SYNOD
ASSEMBLY
2023



SAVE
THE
DATE

"GIVE THANKS TO
THE LORD, FOR
GOD IS GOOD;
GOD'S LOVE
ENDURES
FOREVER."

1 CHRONICLES 16:34



Faith in Action

Hope's Table

A Synodically Authorized
Worshipping Community in
Reading, where the community
comes together to eat, worship,
and build relationships. A
community fostered in the
poorest neighborhood of the
city. It all started as a small
gathering but has grown into a
comfortable place for people
who wouldn't otherwise feel
comfortable within the walls of
a church.

Tuesdays 5:30PM
601 N Front St
Reading PA
Pastor Mary Wolfe