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JUNE

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 OFFICE HOURS 8am-1pm Boy Scouts 7pm	2 OFFICE HOURS 8am-1pm Thrift Shop 9-12:30	3 OFFICE HOURS 8am-1pm	4	5 Iron Pigs Game 	6
7 WORSHIP SERVICE 9am Girl Scouts 1:30pm	8 OFFICE HOURS 8am-1pm Boy Scouts 7pm	9 OFFICE HOURS 8am-1pm Thrift Shop 9-12:30	10 OFFICE HOURS 8am-1pm	11 Girl Scouts Awards in Hall 5pm-8pm	12	13
14 WORSHIP SERVICE 9am Girl Scouts 1:30pm & 6pm	15 OFFICE HOURS 8am-1pm Boy Scouts 7pm	16 OFFICE HOURS 8am-1pm Thrift Shop 9-12:30	17 OFFICE HOURS 8am-1pm	18	19	20
21 WORSHIP SERVICE 9am GS 1:30 COUNCIL MEETING 6pm	22 OFFICE HOURS 8am-1pm Boy Scouts 7pm	23 OFFICE HOURS 8am-1pm Thrift Shop 9-12:30	24 OFFICE HOURS 8am-1pm	25 Camera Club 6:30-10pm	26	27
28 WORSHIP SERVICE 9am Girl Scouts 1:30pm & 6pm	29 OFFICE HOURS 8am-1pm Boy Scouts 7pm	30 OFFICE HOURS 8am-1pm Thrift Shop 9-12:30				



"How good and pleasant it is when God's people dwell in unity!" -Psalm 133:1 (NIV)

By the end of this month, we will have come to an entire year of my serving the Holy Trinity and 4.5 years at St. John's (where does the time go?). Today, I am giving thanks for the willingness of these two congregations to work together. We have shared a few events together as well as a few worship services. A pastor always worries about these relationships. "What if people complain that something isn't in their building?" ... "What if congregations get jealous of each other when one needs more attention?" ... "What if personalities clash and people don't get along?"

I am blessed in that I have heard nothing but incredibly positive feedback from both congregations about the relationships that have been formed and are continued to be transformed by the Spirit's work in these two congregations. Last year, you made a commitment to each other. It is a commitment because legally (church rules), it is a loose contract that either St. John's, Holy Trinity, or myself can just up and say, "Nope, we're done." Even with an easy out, you have all committed yourselves to making this relationship and this situation of having a part time pastor (or in the case of Holy Trinity, a very part time pastor) work out.

I look forward to us doing more together. This Fall, we will move to a shared bulletin between both congregations (hopefully making the work of our staff a little easier than making two separate bulletins that basically say the same thing). It will be a work in progress, so please feel free to give honest (but loving) feedback as we seek to find something that will serve guests and members of both congregations.

Prompted by many members talking about "the church closing someday", I have tasked the council of Holy Trinity to appoint six members to a committee I am calling the "Legacy and Purpose Committee." They will meet for about two years and make recommendations on Holy Trinity's future. There are many options to explore, some of which maintain or grow the congregation in its current place, some of which may suggest vacating the building in the near or distant future. There will be options for lots of conversation as we decide together, and with God's help, what is best for us and this community moving forward.

I give thanks for all of you as I remember you in my prayers. Keep up the faithful work.

Blessings,

Pastor Ken



**THE
BLESSINGS
THRIFT SHOP:
Tuesday 9am-12:30pm**

***Unbelievable Summer Styles, *Unbeatable Prices!**



June Anniversaries

- June 05 Loren & Lorene LaRose 49 years
- June 12 Richard & Jeanette Hyer 16 years
- June 15 Morris & Suzanne Bloomfield 52 years
- June 17 Christopher & Jessyca Fredericks 26 years
- June 30 Jon & Jessica Kistler 08 years



LOOK WHO HAS A BIRTHDAY!

- June 01 Kelly Heinrich
- June 02 Wyatt Spalding
- June 05 Deb Hansut
- June 05 Kathy Jahelka
- June 08 Andrew Hollywood
- June 14 Benjamin Jahelka
- June 16 David Stemler
- June 19 Eric Reif
- June 24 Gerry Dorshimer
- June 25 Nancy Treskot
- June 28 George Husack IV
- June 28 Janene Smith



**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS
MONDAY – WEDNESDAY
8AM-1PM**

**COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 21 6:00PM**



COUNCIL MEMBERS

- Jon Kistler* **President**
- Steve Berger* **Vice-President**
- Rich Hyer* **Secretary**
- Jim Miller* **Asst. Treasurer**
- Krissy Keblish*
- Ron Keblish*
- Gerry Dorshimer*
- Scott Heinrich*
- Eric Reif*
- Gordon Walls*
- Deb Hansut*
- Don Delich*

FINANCIAL PERSONNEL

- Larry Arner* **Treasurer**
- Jessica Hansen* **Financial Sec.**

APRIL FINANCES & ATTENDANCE

April - Envelope Offering:	\$5,757
April – Additional Income:	\$5,129
April – Expenses:	\$8,396
<i>Attendance:</i>	
April 2, Maundy Thursday	102
April 5, Easter Sunday	64
April 12	33
April 19	31
April 26	26



SUNDAY WORSHIP – 9:00 AM
JUNE 07

Assisting Minister: Rich Hyer
Ushers: Kelly & Scott Heinrich
Altar Guild: Deb & Steve Hansut, Gerry Dorshimer
Flowers: The Sosik Family – IHO Michael’s BDay
Bulletins: **NEEDED**
Times News / Website: Fred & Betsy Masenheimer

JUNE 14

Assisting Minister: Krissy Keblish
Ushers: Ron Keblish, Terry Holland, Taylor Keblish
Altar Guild: Deb & Steve Hansut, Gerry Dorshimer
Flowers: Gerry Dorshimer– IHO Deb Hansut’s BDay
Bulletins: **NEEDED**
Times News / Website: Fred & Betsy Masenheimer

JUNE 21

Assisting Minister: Deb Hansut
Ushers: Carol Heffelfinger & Loren LaRose
Altar Guild: Deb & Steve Hansut, Gerry Dorshimer
Flowers: Deb & Steve Hansut– Gerry Dorshimer’s BDay
Bulletins: **NEEDED**
Times News / Website: Fred & Betsy Masenheimer

JUNE 28

Assisting Minister: Larry Arner
Ushers: Rich & Jeanette Hyer
Altar Guild: Deb & Steve Hansut, Gerry Dorshimer
Flowers: **NEEDED**
Bulletins: **NEEDED**
Times News / Website: Fred & Betsy Masenheimer

HOME VISITS

Home & shut-in visits are being planned.
If anyone would like to receive communion, please contact Pastor Ken or the office.

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study is held at Holy Trinity on Wednesdays, 10:30am-12:00pm



Come and join us for an adventure!
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

“ROAD TRIP: ON THE GO WITH GOD”

July 27-31, 2026

6:00-8:00 p.m. - Age 3 to Grade 6

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
175 S. 3rd Street – Lehigh PA

Registration forms are available at the church office or online at www.tclehighton.com

For more information, call 610-377-4303 or email telc1872@ptd.net

All are welcome! Bring a friend!

SPONSORS NEEDED!

We have many openings on the sponsor board. Please help us offset our costs by generously sponsoring flowers or bulletins. Thank You!

DID YOU KNOW?

Panama is the only country in the world where you can see the sun rise over the Pacific Ocean and set over the Atlantic (Caribbean Sea).

This unique phenomenon is due to the country’s narrow, S-Shaped isthmus connecting North and South America. The curvature of the land means that, in certain central locations, the **Atlantic side lies further west than the Pacific side.**





PENNSYLVANIA

State Parks



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| BELTZVILLE | HICKORY RUN | MCCONNELLS MILL | RACCOON CREEK |
| BIG POCONO | JACOBSBURG | MORaine | RICKETTS GLEN |
| CALEDONIA | KINGS GAP | NOCKAMIXON | RIDLEY CREEK |
| EVANSBURG | KINZUA BRIDGE | NOLDE FOREST | SWATARA |
| FRENCH CREEK | LAUREL HILL | OHIOPLYE | TOBYHANNA |
| GIFFORD PINCHOT | LEHIGH GORGE | PROMISED LAND | WORLDS END |



NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA SYNOD MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Meeting Neighbors Where They Are

Written by Pastor Jim Farnsworth of St Mark Lutheran Church, Birdsboro



When congregations across the Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod share Mission Support, they are participating in something much bigger than any one ministry. Together, we are making it possible for congregations to dream, collaborate, and step into new ways of loving, healing, and engaging like Jesus.

One powerful example comes from St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Birdsboro, whose Witness & Service Grant helped support their Our Daily Bread Mobile Food Ministry. What began as an idea discussed for years became a reality through faith, partnership, and community support. Within just a few months, they raised \$54,000 to launch a fully equipped mobile kitchen, allowing them to bring meals directly to people in need.

Today, that mobile kitchen is on the move, serving at veterans' events, supporting local outreach efforts, partnering with other ministries, and showing up in places where people may not otherwise experience the Church. Rather than waiting for neighbors to come through their doors, St. Mark's is going out to meet people where they are, offering both nourishment and connection.

Through this ministry, relationships are being built across congregations, nonprofits, and community organizations. Volunteers and partners are working side by side, and new connections continue to grow. As those involved share, they see God at work in the faces and stories of the people they serve, reminding them that those they encounter are "the treasures of the Church."

This is what Mission Support makes possible.





Through your shared gifts, the synod is able to invest in ministries like this through initiatives such as Witness & Service Grants, equipping congregations to respond to real needs in their communities. These are not just projects, they are expressions of the Gospel in action, rooted in relationships and shaped by the hope of Christ.

Together, we are connecting congregations for life-giving mission and ministry, so that, as a synod, we can continue to love like Jesus, heal like Jesus, and engage like Jesus, bringing the good news beyond our walls and into the world.

Thank you for the ways you make this work possible through your Mission Support.

DID YOU KNOW that your Mission Support helps fund areas of the synod and ELCA like this one and many other important initiatives? Your contributions are making a significant impact and helping others grow in faith, supporting the synod's lanes of Growing Young, Gaining Strength, and Going Beyond Death to Life, along with the directions of loving like Jesus, healing like Jesus, and engaging like Jesus. To learn more, visit godslove.org/missionsupport.

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Would you like to propel an idea into action, engaging both congregation and broader community leaders?

A variety of learning opportunities are available including:

- Small- and Large-Scale Context Mapping
- World and Spirit Cafe Methodologies
- Launching Fresh Expressions
- Demographics Research
- Biblical Models of Evangelism
- Forming Action Plans
- And More!

EXPLORING & CREATING NEW MINISTRIES

QUESTIONS

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Do you have an idea that you would like to explore with other leaders?

Learn More
godslove.org/new-ministries