

CHRIST'S UNITED'S NEWS & VIEWS

SEPTEMBER 2010

PASTOR'S PARAGRAPHS

A WORLD OF HOPE BY FAITH

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." So begins the creation account found in Genesis 1. Throughout this rendition is an oft repeated phrase: "And God saw that it was good." Our world is filled with God's blessing and goodness. God provides abundantly with love and mercy. God's creation is filled with awe and wonder, and we are called to respond with reverence and steadfast care. In our world, joy and peace are to meet and justice and righteousness are to embrace.

How are we now to face this world and embrace God's presence and promise amidst visions and sounds of terror, violence, hate, intolerance, suffering, fear, apathy, and mean-spiritedness found in almost every nook and cranny of God's good creation? As people of faith, how are we to address a world that is increasingly subject to rhetoric than incessantly fans the flames of hatred and terror and wills that some peoples because of perceived differences can and should be treated with violence, disdain, and indifference? Are we still able to look upon humanity throughout the world and simply see children of God, or do we reduce and subject peoples to classifications that support division and separation? Are we to believe that God's world redeemed and sanctified in Christ should be identified solely by our perceived differences between liberal and conservative, rich and poor, black, brown or white? Does God define us by the color of our skin or the languages we speak or the politics we profess? Regardless of the religious clothing we may wrap our thoughts and opinions in, hate is hate and terror is terror and neither are in accordance with God's will and purpose.

A world of division fueled by hate and indifference is not a world viewed from one whose outstretched arms hung upon a cross, and whose dying words expressed forgiveness for those of us who do not seem to know what we are doing. If this is God's world as we profess it to be, and if we continue to profess that Jesus is our Lord and savior, and if we believe we are called as disciples to carry forth the ministry and mission of Jesus throughout the world, ought we to proceed by adopting a vision of the world as God intends it to be? Ought we to engage this world with hope rather than despair, love rather than harm?

A vision of God's will for the world amidst the cries of separation and terror-driven fear is found in Isaiah 11. The world then dealt with aggressive nations seeking to impose their will upon others as we have now. Then, some peoples tried to suppress the beliefs of others through economic and military oppression as we have now. God was not deterred as God is not now. God has raised up for us, all of us, One whose Spirit of understanding and might rests solely upon God's eternal vision of justice and peace for all. God's vision is for a world without predator and preyed upon, oppressor and victim, have at the expense of have-nots.

May we be able to follow Christ as we hear and respond to the counsel of St. Paul in 2 Corinthians 5: "For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them."

To be sure, wickedness, terror and evil are active in many places in our world. We see so much suffering and hurt throughout the world. But we, as followers of Christ, shall not fall prey or victim to the rhetoric of hate and intolerance, here or abroad, "for in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to US."

--Pastor John

BIBLE STUDIES

We invite everyone to join us as we continue the study of the Book of Acts at our weekly Bible studies. September's schedule is as follows:



10:30 a.m.

September 13
September 20
September 27

7:00 p.m.

September 1
September 8
September 15
September 22

There is nothing wrong with men possessing riches. The wrong comes when riches possess men.
--Billy Graham

CRAFT GROUP



The Christ's United Crafters will resume their weekly crafting get-togethers on **Thursday, September 2, at 1:00 p.m.** to work on items for the craft bazaar that is scheduled to be held **November 13.**

If anyone would like to join in the fellowship and crafting, please stop in on any Thursday afternoon at 1:00 p.m. The group meets in the small fellowship hall. If you're not a "crafty" person, stop-in anyway and share in the fellowship.

- Any questions or suggestions, talk to Sue Pantaleo.

CHOIR PRACTICE RESUMES



The composers and writers of hymns and anthems used in our worship service are inspired by the Word of God. This music can lift the heart of the weary and give special beauty to life. The choir leads the singing of our liturgy and hymns and sings anthems that help enrich our lives. There is room for you in the choir. Come, help us fill the sanctuary with beautiful music!

Chancel choir practice will resume on **September 9 at 7:00 p.m.** and will be the same as usual—rehearsals on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays, and singing the 1st, 4th, and 5th (if there is one) Sundays. There is room for you in the choir...Just a small commitment (4 or 5 days out of the month)... for such an enjoyable and important ministry.

If you have any questions you want answered, contact Paula Christy.

ANGEL FOOD MINISTRIES

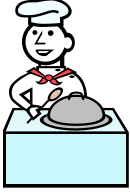
Orders for September will be taken on **September 10 from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon and on September 13 from 5:00-7:00 p.m.** There are menus and order forms available on the bulletin board outside of the office.

Help will be needed with the distribution that will take place on **September 18 from 9:00-10:00 a.m.**

If you would like to make a donation toward the purchase of an Angel Food package to help those in need, a donation box is in the hall for your convenience.

If you have any questions about any aspect of the Angel Food program, talk to Al Pantaleo or Kim Blyler.

ELIJAH'S TABLE



The planning for two upcoming Elijah's Table meals is currently underway. The first one will be a pasta meal, which will be served on **September 15 from 11:00 a.m.-12:00 noon.**

The second meal being planned is a Thanksgiving meal. Details for this meal will be announced as they become available.

All are welcome to share in this luncheon.

2010 BANQUET SCHEDULE



The banquets scheduled for the remainder of 2010 are as follows:

September 16
7:00 p.m.
Farm Bureau

October 7
6:30 p.m.
Lions Club

November 20
TBA
IHC

Help will be needed in both the dining room and kitchen. Watch the bulletin board across from the sanctuary for sign-up sheets for dining room help. If you are able to help in the kitchen, talk to Shirley Kerstetter (966-0034).

Cakes will also be needed for these banquets. If you are able to provide one or two, sign up on the attached form or talk to Shirley. All help is greatly appreciated

BANQUET CAKES

I will provide a cake(s) for the following banquet(s). Please list number to be provided

_____ **September 16**
7:00 p.m.
Farm Bureau

_____ **October 7**
6:30 p.m.
Lions Club

_____ **November 20**
TBA (evening meal)
IHC

Signed _____
Telephone _____

Most people want to serve God, but only in an advisory position.

MIFFLINBURG FOOD BANK



Our church is once again going to have the month of September to help pack the grocery bags for the Mifflinburg Food Bank. We need 6-8 people to volunteer to help with this. The packing day is **Friday, September 17, at 10:00 a.m.** They like us to be there 5-10 minutes early. The food bank distribution takes place at the Mifflinburg United Methodist Church.

Please talk to Linda Swartz volunteer.

CONGREGATION APPRECIATION LUNCH



At a recent fellowship committee meeting, it was decided to combine the Mother & Daughter Banquet, Father & Son Banquet, the Harvest Home and Homecoming/Fall Kick-off meals into one special event. It was also decided to make it a meal that everyone could sit down and enjoy and not be tied down preparing for it.

Thus the idea of a Congregation Appreciation Lunch was formed. The meal will take place on **Sunday, September 19.** It will be a catered meal with the following menu that will be served buffet style:

Garden Salad - Filled Chicken Breast – Vegetable Lasagna
Seasoned Baby Red Potatoes – Pie – Drink

You must purchase a ticket to attend this meal. The costs of the tickets are:

Adult - \$11.00 Ages 4-10 – \$5.50 Under 4 - Free

The deadline for purchasing tickets is **September 5.** They are available from Shirley Kerstetter, John Stamm or the church office.

Since this is going to be a catered event, we must know how many are planning to attend

YOU MUST HAVE A TICKET TO ATTEND

If you would like more information, talk to Shirley, John, or Pastor John.

If God brings you to it, He will bring you through it.

2010 CONCERT SERIES

The schedule as of this printing for upcoming concerts is as follows:

September 19 – DeBark Ministries
October 17 – Saving Grace

The concerts start promptly at **6:00 p.m.** and last until approximately 8:00 p.m. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. A free will offering is collected and refreshments are served.



BLANKET SUNDAY



Think about how comforting and warm a blanket feels when it is wrapped around you. Now, think how comforting and necessary it would become if you were experiencing the aftermath of a hurricane or disaster.

Or what if you did not even own a blanket and your very survival was in doubt. How lucky most of us are never to experience that kind of pain.

On Blanket Sunday, **October 3**, there will be an envelope in the bulletin for you to use to place a donation for the purchase of such a blanket. For every five dollars collected the Church World Service/Lutheran World Relief will purchase and distribute a blanket to our brothers and sisters in their time of need throughout the world.

NOTE! Even though we have an annual “Blanket Sunday” to focus on blankets and provide special envelopes for contributing to the purchase of LWR blankets you don’t have to wait for that one day. You can contribute at any time by indicating “blankets” on the designated gift line of your offering envelope.

HARVEST HOME



We thank you, our creator, for all things bright and good, the seedtime and the harvest, our life, our health, our food. No gifts have we to offer for all your love imparts but what you most would treasure—our humble thankful hearts.

On **Sunday, October 10**, we will gather together to offer our heartfelt thanks and praise for the bounty and variety of God’s creation, the succession of the seasons, the productiveness of the soil, the harvest of land and sea.

We ask that in thankfulness for the good gifts you have been given, when you come to church on the 10th, you bring one or more non-perishable items to share with those less fortunate. Donations will be used through Hope's Haven outreach.

This special Sunday the sanctuary will be decorated with glories of the harvest. If you can provide any of the following items to help us do that, please have them here by **9:00 a.m. on October 9.**

**Crates - Baskets
Corn Ears - Corn Stalks
Fresh Fruit – Fresh Vegetables
Indian Corn – Pumpkins - Gourds
Fall Leaves – Fresh or Dried Flowers
Home Canned Items**

SENIOR MEMBER DINNER

“Old folks are worth a fortune, with silver in their hair, gold in their teeth, stones in their kidneys, lead in their feet and gas in their stomachs.”



The fellowship committee invites our “older folks” (anyone born in or prior to 1948), along with a guest, to attend our annual Senior Member Dinner.

This year’s dinner will be held on **Sunday, October 17.** The meal will be served at **noon**, which will allow time for some fellowship after worship and before the meal begins.

Reservations are not necessary, but would be very helpful to us in planning the meal. Just fill out the attached and return it to the church office.

Mark your calendars and plan to be present for a tasty meal and good fellowship.

SENIOR MEMBER DINNER **October 17**

Number of reservations _____

Signed _____

Telephone _____

Treat each person as if he is worth something.



WOMEN OF THE ELCA

Sewing Days

September 14 & 28

We are resuming our quilt/blanket knotting days on **Tuesday, September 14**. The workdays begin at **9:00 a.m.** and usually end at noon. All sewers and non-sewers are invited to help with this worthwhile outreach. We need all skills including sewers, cutters and knotters, Can't make this workday? Other workdays are scheduled for the second and fourth Tuesday of every month. Join us and enjoy good company and great results!

Along with the school kits that will be assembled at the WELCA September meeting, the completed blankets will be sent to Lutheran World Relief following Blanket Sunday on October 3.

Women's Retreat at Mount Luther

September 18

All women are invited to be participants at Camp Mount Luther's Fall Women's Retreat. The retreat will feature a presentation by Debbie Best of Diakon Lutheran Social Services. The retreat will take place at the camp on **Saturday, September 18, 2010. It will run from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.** The day will begin with refreshments and registration at 9:30 a.m. There will be three sessions during the day led by Mrs. Best. Her topic will be "HEY CINDERELLA... DOES THE SLIPPER STILL FIT?" It will focus on women's transformations in body, mind and spirit with age. There will be singing, prayer, and devotions. The day will end around 2:30 p.m. following lunch and devotions. Cost for the retreat is \$16.00, which includes coffee and tea, snacks, lunch and the program. We encourage you to bring a friend! Registration deadline is **September 10**. To register, contact Mount Luther, 355 Mt. Luther Lane, Mifflinburg, PA 17844. Checks should be made payable to Camp Mount Luther. If you have questions, call the camp at (570) 922-1587 or e-mail cml@campmountluther.org

School Kit Assembly and Fall Meeting

September 21

The next meeting of the Women of the ELCA will be held on **Tuesday, September 21, at 7:00 p.m.** at which time we will be assembling school kits for Lutheran World Relief.

Janet has been working diligently the last several months purchasing items at the best possible prices and will organize the assembly line to get the bags packed and ready for shipping. Drop off whatever items you would like to donate in the church office or bring them along to the meeting and help to get this project completed.

A description of what is needed for the schoolbags is attached to this newsletter

Please Note!! If you are planning to buy items for school kits and have not done so yet, please do not buy notebooks, construction paper or crayons. Last year we had a surplus of these items. If you have already purchased these items, we will gladly include them in our school kits.

If you have any questions about this project, talk to Janet Hileman.

Peace Pole Service

October 16

9:00 a.m.

The Women of the ELCA will gather at the Upper Susquehanna Synod Office for their annual Peace Pole Service on **October 16 beginning at 9:00 a.m.** The theme will be “God’s work. Our hands.” The presenter will be Sarah Hoyes. The event happens rain or shine and a continental breakfast follows.

ALL WOMEN OF CHRIST'S UNITED ARE INVITED TO JOIN US AT ANY OF OUR MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES.

HELP WANTED



We are in need of a council secretary. Duties include taking minutes at council and congregational meetings. If you are interested, talk to Chad Shuck, Dave Bickhart, or Pastor John.

HOPE'S HAVEN



We are now distributing fall/winter clothing at Hope’s Haven. The summer things have been packed up and given to the American Rescue Workers and Haven Ministry. When cleaning out your closets this fall, please keep Hope’s Haven in mind when disposing of appropriate unwanted items.

We are also in need of food items. Weis Markets have very generously supplied us with provisions, but they are receiving more requests from other food banks and have had to limit what they provide, so they can meet other needs. Please remember the food bank when you do your grocery shopping and include some items for Hope’s Haven in your purchases.

Prayer is a launching pad for ministers—the one in the pew as well as the one in the pulpit.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Vacation Bible School was held here at Christ's United from June 13 – 18. Our theme this year was King of Kings. Our program started out Sunday night with a marketplace. We had period food, demonstrations and fun activities for all ages. Georgette Bowes and Mary Kahl came up with some interesting crafts for all to participate in. David and Lori Jo Showalter had a demonstration on wheat trashing and spinning wool. Deb Wilson had a demonstration on basket making. Meanwhile Pastor John and Pastor Mark came up with some interesting games for everyone to participate in.

Our teachers this year were Denise Hosterman, Annette Bilger, Wendy Doebler, Bev Catherman and Dottie Rathfon. Monday evening we started the work with Bible Study led by Pastor John and Pastor Mark.

Shirley Kerstetter and crew had the job of feeding us all. Sunday night everyone was walking around eating chicken legs. She did a wonderful job with the help of Shirley and Sam Diehl and Kim and Sue Blyler. Amy Shuck led the music department and even took time to make musical instruments with the children.

Georgette Bowes and Mary Kahl had us all excited with their crafts. We made crowns, T-shirts and the cutest clothes pin men. The discovery center was led by Lori Jo Showalter. They played all kinds of games. You should have seen the children going through an obstacle course with armor on. Chad Shuck led our games. It sure was fun seeing the children throwing water balloons at him. We ended the week by breaking piñatas.

As you can see we all had a wonderful time. We want to thank the church for all their support. We also want to really thank all the helpers and anyone who contributed to Bible School in any way. Without all your help we couldn't provide the program we do. The children we have in attendance always seem to have a wonderful time and at the same time we hope they learn about Jesus' love for them

--The Vacation Bible School Staff

SEPTEMBER

*A road like brown ribbon
A sky that is blue
A forest of green
With that sky peeping through.
Asters, deep purple,
A grasshopper's call,
Today it is summer,
Tomorrow is fall.*



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

West End Fair

TOTAL MEALS SERVED

		<u>Adult</u>	<u>Child</u>		
Smoked Ham Dinners	-	54	27	Hot Turkey Sandwich Platter	27
Turkey Dinners	-	224	79	Barbecue Platter	11
Roast Beef Dinners	-	40	18	Barbecue Sandwiches	89
Chicken Pot Pie Dinners	-	46	21		
Ham Pot Pie Dinners	-	43	17	Cake (pieces)	6
Roast Pork Dinners	-	53	11	Pie (pieces)	227
Pork & Sauerkraut	-	44	15		
				Chicken Potpie Quarts	9
				Ham Potpie Quarts	11
				<i>(does not include what the help bought)</i>	

Communions

Communions for all confirmed members must be recorded in the parish register annually. If you do not commune on a regular basis, we ask that you fill out a communion record card (one per year is all we need) so we know you have communed. The cards are located in the racks on the back of the pews. Cards may be put in the offering plate or handed to an usher.

Communicants have the option to partake of wine or grape juice at both worship services. The inner rings of the serving trays contain prefilled glasses of grape juice. ***If you choose juice rather than wine, please proceed as follows:*** Take the juice from the tray and approach the communion rail. Receive the blessing, take and eat the bread; then wait for the communion helper that is distributing the wine to stop in front of you and give the blessing for the juice. Drink the juice.

Memorabilia

The following memorabilia items are still available for anyone interested in purchasing anything:

Wooden Miniatures of the Church - \$18.00
Church Prints - \$25.00
Blankets - \$25.00
Christmas Cards - \$15.00
12 cards per box feature a winter picture of the church

Talk to Judy Moyer if you have questions about, or would like to purchase, any of these items.

Informants Wanted

We like to publish news about our members in the newsletter, but we need your help to do so. If you know of interesting information about any of our members (youth or adult), i.e. an award or recognition, a funny tale or exciting adventure, please let Margie know about it so we can include it in an issue of *Christ's United's News & Views*.

Do We Have Your E-Mail Address?

If you have an e-mail address that you have never given to us or if it has changed, please fill out the following and drop it off on Margie's desk or give her a call.

Name _____

E-Mail Address _____

Have a Favorite Hymn?

The worship & music committee needs your help to compile a list of your favorite hymns and gospel songs. Please put the title or first line of your song(s) on a piece of paper and give it to Margie, or any member of the committee (Bev Catherman, Paula Christy, Gary Hackenberg, Judy Mecouch, Dave Reed, Amy Shuck or Barry Spangler).

Hymn Request

Fellowship Committee Request

The fellowship committee would like input from the members of the congregation regarding what social/fellowship activities they would like to have. If you have any suggestions, drop a note on Margie's desk or talk to John Stamm, Jr.

Fellowship Events

Building & Ground Needs

Do you know of any physical problems (or potential problems) that should be addressed by our property committee? Your insight is important. Maybe you have seen something that no one else has noticed yet. You can talk to Pastor John, any council member or Margie if you know of something that needs attention, or fill out the following and put it on Margie's desk or in the offering plate.

Building & Ground Needs:

Prayer Chain

If you would like to be a part of the prayer chain, please fill out the following and return it to Margie

How does the prayer chain work? When a prayer request is received, that request is passed on to the second person on the prayer chain who in turns passes it on to the third person, the third person to the fourth, and so on. When and how you pray is up to you.

Prayer Chain Calling List

I would like to be included on the prayer chain calling list.

Name _____

Telephone Number _____

Ongoing Collections

(Collection boxes are in the hallway)

(1) Haven Ministry

(no deadline)

Packaged & Canned Food Items

Personal Hygiene Items

Cleaning Supplies

(2) Rock Point Mission

(no deadline)

UPC codes and box tops from:

Campbell's

Pepperidge Farm

Market Day

Franco American

Swanson

V-8 Juices

PLEASE NOTE!! There has been a change in what Campbell's is accepting in the label redemption program. They are now taking only the UPC CODE piece from the label and box tops, not the front label.

Susquehanna Valley Women in Transition

(no deadline)

Paper Towels	Large Size Diapers
Baby Car Items	Prepaid Phone Cards
Gift Certificates to Department Stores	Toilet Paper
Laundry Detergent	Clorox
60 Watt Light Bulbs	AA and AAA Batteries
"Sippy" Cups	First Aid Ointment
Sterile Pads	First Aid Foam/Waterproof Tape
Alcohol Swabs	Children's Tylenol
Children's Motrin	Comtrex
Advil Cold and Sinus	Robitussin CF & DM
Freezer Bags: Quart & Gallon Size	Cling Wrap & Aluminum Foil
Garbage Bags: Kitchen, Lawn & Garden	

(3) The Shriners

Can Tabs

WORDS OF WISDOM FROM KIDS

- *No time is a good time to hear, "Daddy, your tires are 'hissssing.'"*
- *You never want to hear, "Watch me fly!" coming from the roof.*
- *Nor do you want to hear, "Your new cell phone doesn't work underwater."*
- *Driveway seal coating and children DO NOT MIX!*
- *Never light fireworks inside.*
- *Bugs are not a dietary supplement.*
- *Walnuts make the blender act funny.*
- *Scissors and hair are often a dangerous combination.*
- *Collecting things is good. Collecting things that come out of your nose is not.*
- *Finger painting is good. Finger painting walls is dangerous.*
- *If you hear the words, "Guess what's in my hands," you don't want to know.*
- *If you hear the words, "Guess what's in my mouth," you REALLY don't want to know.*
- *'Fan' and 'flour' should never be heard in the same sentence.*
- *The toilet does not make a permanent fish aquarium.*
- *Most toilets cannot consume an entire roll of toilet paper without choking.*
- *Any sentence which contains the word 'Oooops' is bad.*
- *Any sentence beginning with, "How much do you love me?" means 'prepare for bad news'.*
- *Throwing daddy's wallet in the trash compactor can change his mood.*
- *MacGyver can teach us many things we didn't want to know. So can Tarzan.*
- *Hiding parts of daddy's computer can make your butt hurt.*
- *Lipstick on the TV screen changes mommy's mood.*
- *Fish can not use a remote control, even if placed in their tank.*



NEWS OF MEMBERS & FRIENDS

Deaths

On July 28, Christ's United lost a dear sister when **Miriam Frank** joined the Saints Triumphant. The funeral service was held in Rockville, Md. with a private interment in Lewisburg. Expressions of sympathy may be sent to her daughter and son-in-law:

Michael & Rebecca Carpenter
904 River Road
Newport News, VA 23601

Births

by Diane Valentine

Reeves Orin Moyer

Orin and Ginger (Spangler) Moyer's son, Reeves Orin, was born in Reading Hospital on May 17, 2010 at 8:13 p.m. He was 21 inches long, weighed 8 pounds and had blonde hair and blue eyes. He is their first child.

Reeves arrived about 7 days late. He missed being born on Kathy's grandmother's birth date by one day.

The name of Reeves was chosen because Ginger and Orin liked the name. "Reevis" is becoming his nick name.

The baby is getting to sleep in a wicker basket that belonged to Lee's mother, Martha. It was actually used for Martha to sleep in when she was an infant. Ginger and her sisters also slept in the same basket when they were babies.

Grandparents Kathy and Lee Spangler have four daughters so they are beaming with pride as they welcome 3 little boys to their family. Reeves joins cousins Jonathan and Ethan. Grandma Kathy calls them her boys club!

In addition to his grandparents he has great grandparents, Gene and June Spangler, great uncles, Barry and Glenn, and a great aunt, Pat, here at CULC

Loving and warm wishes for God's many blessings are extended to the Moyer family along with our congratulations. Your church family welcomes you little Reeves.

Camden Cole Shuck

Little Camden Cole is the newest addition to Kevin and Autumn Shuck's family. On June 14, 2010 Camden was born at Evangelical Community Hospital. He weighed 7 pounds 6½ ounces and was 18 ½ inches long. He was born at 1:13 PM by C-section. Like his brothers he was born with dark hair.

Camden is the 4th baby boy born to Autumn and Kevin. His brothers and Graydyn, Rylan and Kaelex. All of their names share the same letter for their first and middle names - CC, GG, RR and KK.

Congratulations to the Shucks on their new little life. Also congratulations to grandparents Teresa and Greg Shuck and all the other aunts, uncles (including the "greats") and cousins that are happy to add Camden to their family.

Welcome to your church family little Camden and may God bless you and your family always.

Anniversaries

September

1 – Nelson & Vickie Kahler	(1974)
2 – Carl & Jeanne Sampsell	(1950)
6 – Cliff & Diane Valentine	(1969)
8 - John & Betty Stamm	(1951)
9 – Tom & Evelyn Rice	(1972)
16 - Donald & Judy Everitt	(1961)
Kris & Carla Ruhl	(1978)
17 – Ryan & Cortney Klose	(2005)
18 – Zachary & Abby Harvey	(2004)
21 – Paul & Patty Kahler	(1985)
25 - Joe & Sherry Zimmerman	(1976)
27 - Barry & Regina Hosterman	(1986)
29 – Ken & Patty Emery	(1973)

Birthdays

September

1 – Steve Wenner
3 - Paul Kahler
5 – Debbie Welker
7 – Amanda Welker
Luke Welker
12 – Joyce Herb

- 13 – Pauline Davenport
- 14 – Merrill Buoy
 - Sandra Sanders
 - Karen Zimmerman
- 15 – Doug Gemberling, Jr.
 - Gayle Zerbe
- 16 – Jim Mitchell
 - Bryan Zimmerman
- 17 – Diane Knause
 - Stephen Wenner
- 19 – Elizabeth Mecouch
 - Forrest Showalter
- 20 – Doug Gemberling III
- 21 – Terry Kline
- 22 - Jacob Moyer
- 23 – Jodi Marshall
- 24 – Michael Glennon
 - John Yost
 - Mindy Yost
- 25 – Betty Stamm
- 26 - Eugene Hassinger
 - Sara Moyer
 - Jason Zimmerman
- 27 – Adam Hackenberg
- 29 – Ashleigh Boyer
- 30 – Donald Knause

Remember In Thought And Prayer

Please help us keep our prayer list current by letting us know of any names that should be added or removed

Our Members

Gordon Aikey
 Carolyn Bowersox
 Bob Lauf
 Alice Reitz
 Winifred Sell

Kass Beebe
 Josephine Haggy
 Diane Reamer
 Henry Sanders
 Ethel Wenrich

Our Friends & Relatives

Karla Benfer
 Elmer Cook
 Annette Feltman
 Liz Gaugler
 Eleanor Hackenburg
 Richard Harvey
 Emily Kerstetter
 Robert Kline
 Pam Kramer
 Roy Laudermilch
 Brianna Lohr

Kaya Bush
 Forrest Emery
 Adam Garman
 Mary Gonzalez
 Sara-Todd Hammer
 Larry Heimbach
 Joanne Kerstetter
 Mary Jane Koonsman
 Thomas Kramer
 Madeline Layos
 Candy Mitchell

Patrick Mitchell
Sandra Murphy
Mike Osgood
Alexis Ripka
Jack Rudesil
Marcella Shingler
Barbara Stamm
John Swartz
Janet VanBuskirk
Ed Zimmerman

Harry Moyer
Molly O'Keefe
Zachary Prochasko
Shirley Rishel
Bill & Bess Ruhl
Kris Sledge
Iris Stergon
Richard & Rita Tinnes
Becky Ann Wenrich

Our Shut-Ins

Merrill Buoy
Mary Erdley
Sally Kenamond
Richard Schnure

Carolyn Catherman
Margaret Himes
Bob & Betty Lauf
Connie Wagner

The Men And Women Serving In The Military

John Hosterman
David & Kristin Huston

Brandi Gemberling
Tristan Roupp

THANK YOU, GOD!...

...for the wife who says it's hot dogs tonight, because she is home with me, and not out with someone else.
...for the husband who is on the sofa being a couch potato, because he is home with me and not out at the bars.
...for the teenager who is complaining about doing dishes, because it means she is a home, not on the streets.
...for the taxes I pay, because it means I am employed.
...for the mess to clean after a party, because it means I have been surrounded by friends.
...for the clothes that fit a little too snug, because it means I have enough to eat.
...for my shadow that watches me work, because it means I am out in the sunshine.
...for a lawn that needs mowing, windows that need cleaning, and gutters that need fixing, because it means I have a home.
...for all the complaining I hear about the government, because it means we have freedom of speech.
...for the parking spot I find at the far end of the parking lot, because it means I am capable of walking and I have been blessed with transportation.
...for my huge heating bill, because it means I am warm.
...for the lady behind me in church who sings off key, because it means I can hear.
...for the pile of laundry and ironing, because it means I have clothes to wear.
...for weariness and aching muscles at the end of the day, because it means I have been capable of working hard.
...for the alarm that goes off in the early morning hours, because it means I am alive.
And finally, for too much e-mail, because it means I have friends who are thinking of me.



IN THE MAIL

ATTENTION MARRIED COUPLES: Could your relationship use a tune up? The final Pennsylvania Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend for 2010 is set for **October 22-24 at the Radisson Hotel Sharon in Sharon, PA, an hour north of Pittsburgh.** Weekends are for ALL marriages, and offer a time to escape daily pressures and responsibilities to search out and discover a warmer, closer, more joyful relationship with each other. Weekends run from Friday night at 8 PM to Sunday at 5 PM. All costs for 2 nights lodging, meals and supplies are covered by a \$45.00 per couple registration fee plus a confidential contribution of whatever amount you choose to make toward the end of the weekend. The Radisson in Sharon is a very popular location as the hotel boasts a lovely tropical atrium, and each room has a king bed and an in-room hot tub; so don't delay, sign up today to avoid ending up on a waiting list. To register, simply go to the website: www.GodLovesMarriage.org and sign up; or for questions or if you would like a brochure with registration form mailed to you, contact Pennsylvania Directors of Lutheran Marriage Encounter, Fred & Julie Schamber at 724-325-3166 or email: fjschamber@comcast.net.

Cleaning For A Reason

If you know any woman currently undergoing chemo, please pass the word to her that there is a cleaning service that provides FREE housecleaning - 1 time per month for 4 months while she is in treatment. All she has to do is sign up and have her doctor fax a note confirming the treatment.

Cleaning for a Reason will have a participating maid service in her zip code area arrange for the service. This organization serves the entire USA and currently has 547 partners to help these women. It's our job to pass the word and let them know that there are people out there that care.

Be a blessing to someone and pass this information along.

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

NOTE: I've checked this out, and it appears to be legitimate. Please share the information with your congregations and care receivers. Blessings!

*Debbie Best, Program Coordinator
Family Life Services, Training & Consultation
Diakon Lutheran Social Ministries
522 N. Grier Street
Williamsport, PA 17701*



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Dandelion Trail Run at Mount Luther

September 4

Camp Mount Luther in Mifflinburg will be holding a 5 and 10 Kilometer trail run race at the camp Labor Day Weekend. This will be an entry-level trail race on Mount Luther grounds with proceeds going to the camp. It is being organized by Joel and Shelley Heasley of Middleburg.

The Dandelion Run was named in honor and memory of Rev. Glenn Heasley, former Assistant to the Bishop of the Upper Susquehanna Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Glenn's favorite "flower" was the dandelion.

The date of the race is Saturday, September 4, 2010. The start time for the race is 9:00 a.m. Runners decide on race day if they want to do a 5k or 10K (a double loop of the 5K) run. Age group awards will be presented and pre-registered participants will receive a drawstring sports pack. (A limited number will also be available on race day.) Price for entry is \$15 if you pre-register before August 27th. Race day registration is \$20. Registration opens at 7:30 a.m. on race day.

A kid's fun run (registration for that is one dollar) and a one-mile fun walk will also be held. The same registration fees and amenities apply for the fun walk which will take place on a dirt road. Awards will be given for overall male and female race time, three awards for each age group and an overall master's for male and female in both the 5K and the 10K.

Spectators are welcome as well. The awards ceremony will be immediately following the race. All miles for the course will be marked and there is one water stop on the course. Timing will be electronically done. Registration forms are posted on the camp's website at <http://www.campmountluther.org> or you can contact Joel Heasley at 570-765-0267. Shower facilities are available after the race.

ARC Blood Drives

September 14

Bucknell University

10:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.

September 20

Riverwoods

12:00 noon-5:00 p.m.

September 22

Mifflinburg United Methodist Church

1:00-7:00 p.m.

Call 524-0400 or visit www.givelife.org for an appointment. Walk-in donors are always appreciated but appointments are available if your time is limited.

ARC Health & Safety Classes

September 7 Adult CPR & AED	6:00-10:00 p.m.
September 14 Infant/Child CPR	6:00-9:00 p.m.
September 21 First Aid	6:00-10:00 p.m.
September 28 Adult/Infant Child CPR & AED Recertification	6:00-9:00 p.m.

All classes are held at the Red Cross office at 249 Farley Circle, Lewisburg. Contact the chapter at 524-0400 or unionarhealth@dejazzd.com to register for any of these classes or to gain more information.

Babysitter Training

September 25 Day I	9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
September 26 Day II	12:30 -3:30 p.m.

Training will take place at Mifflinburg United Methodist Church. Cost is \$50.00. Students will learn how to:

- ☺ Perform First Aid and get professional medical help fast
- ☺ Learn Infant & Child CPR
- ☺ Make good responsible decisions
- ☺ Supervise infants through school-age children
- ☺ Choose safe and age-appropriate toys & games
- ☺ Perform basic care routines like diapering, feeding, dressing
- ☺ Prepare simple meals & snacks
- ☺ Handle bedtime issues
- ☺ Find & interview for babysitting jobs

Every participant will receive a handbook, an Emergency Reference Guide and CD and a babysitter's portfolio with first aid kit.

For information and registration call 524-0400.

WEATHER LORE

*The more rain, the more rest...
Fair weather's not always the best.*



NOTES OF APPRECIATION

THANK YOU TO...

Everyone who helped in any way with the fair stand. Thank you, wonderful volunteers! Without you we wouldn't be able to continue to operate the stand. The key to our success rests in people like you, who embody the spirit of beneficence by saying, "Yes I can."

I would like to thank everyone who contributed to the West End Fair stand in anyway—from donations of food to donations of their time. Your help is always greatly appreciated. Thanks again for a wonderful week. I look forward to next year.

--Thank You,
Becky Dunkle

I want to thank everyone including Pastor John for all the prayers, beautiful get well cards, flowers, and visits you have extended me during this time of recovery.

--Love,
Sally Kenamond

I want to thank everyone for the cards, flowers and telephone calls upon the loss of my sister. I want to thank Pastor John for his telephone calls and concerns to see if I was OK. I appreciate all the support from my church family. God bless you all.

--With Love,
Shirley Kerstetter

Dear Friends at Christ's United,

Thank you so much for your continued support of the West End Community Vacation Bible School. Through your generous prayers and donations of time and materials, and the use of your church building, we were once again given opportunity to make God's word come alive through Bible study, songs, crafts, and games, and provide tasty snacks to the children during a wonderful week of VBS.

--Thank You
West End Bible School

If you know of someone in our church who could use a pat on the back for a job well done, and for ministry that was meaningful to you please let us know at the church office and when you see these people remember to thank them for helping to make Christ's United a church that ministers in Jesus' name.



First Evangelical Lutheran Church
404 Market Street
Mifflinburg, PA 17844

July 28, 2010

Christ's United Lutheran Church
13765 Old Turnpike Road
Millmont, PA 17845

Dear Church Family,

WOW! Our church and the local communities recently hosted an amazing week of Workcamp. Together we served 53 residents in Union and Snyder counties. Free home repairs were made but also lives were changed through these repairs and the impressions left on the hearts of the residents.

Your church family certainly contributed to the success of the week by hosting an absolutely wonderful treat following the evening devotions. The Rita's Italian Ice was a huge hit to those who lived outside Pennsylvania (98% of the campers)! It was also a welcome treat after a long day of working in hot and humid weather!

Please know how valuable this delicious treat and the expression of hospitality was to the success of the Workcamp. The campers could not stop raving about the treats and how nice everyone was that served.

I also want to thank Idella Zimmerman for her assistance in many areas. So many others from your church family provided hand sewn bags for the welcome items, donated items for the bags. We cannot thank you enough.

It's refreshing to see churches, organizations and businesses work together on a project that benefits so many people. Our youth grow spiritually and our neighbors benefit from their generosity! Thanks again for all you do for our community!

Sincerely,

Kimberley S. Sawyer, Coordinator

SCHOOL KITS

A school kit may provide the only supplies for children returning to school after the disruption of war. School kits help parents continue their children's education, even while living in a refugee camp, for example. A school kit may also be used in adult literacy classes.

Your group can also help LWR get school kits to the people who need them by donating a brick on the [Good Samaritan Quilt Plaza](#) or by making a contribution to the [Project Comfort Fund](#).

Review the [General Assembly Instructions](#) before collecting items for the school kits.

Include the following items in each school kit:

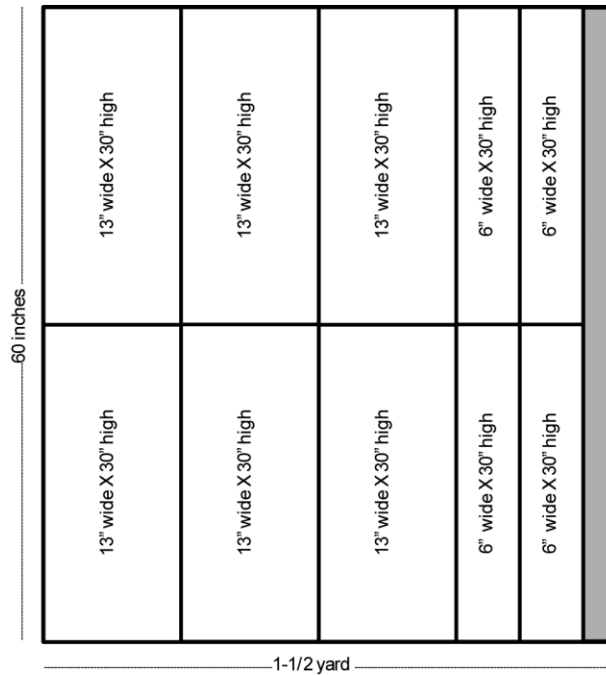
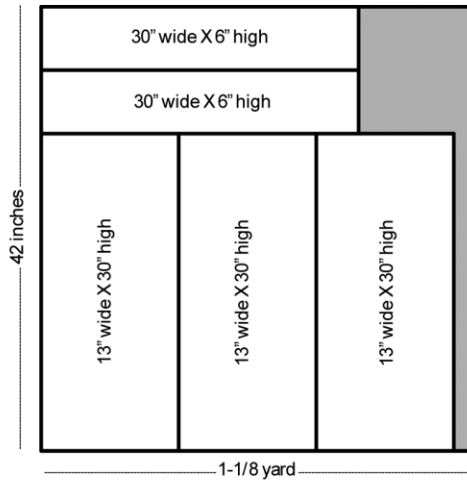
- Notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper approximately 8" x 10 ½" totaling 150-200 sheets (if using 70-sheet notebooks, please include three); no loose-leaf paper
- One blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
- One 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- One pencil sharpener
- Six new, unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band
- One eraser approximately 2 ½" long
- 12 sheets of construction paper in assorted colors (if necessary, fold in half to fit into the school kit bag)
- One box of 16 or 24 crayons
- One sturdy cloth bag approximately 12" X 14" with cloth handles or drawstring closure (see below for downloadable patterns)

Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed. All items should be new and in good condition. Remove any excess packaging and pack items in the bag, fold the handles over, and secure with two large rubber bands or tie with yarn.



TOTE-STYLE SCHOOL BAG

- Choose your fabric. Sturdy fabrics such as denim, corduroy or twill are excellent choices.
 - 1-1/8 yard of 42"-44" wide fabric yields three 12" X 14" bags
 - 1-1/4 yard of 60" wide fabric yields six 12" X 14" bags
- Use the illustrations below to cut pieces.



- Finish the short sides of the 13" X 30" rectangle to prevent fraying: zigzag the edge then fold over 1/2" towards the wrong side; stitch approximately 3/8" from folded edge.
- Fold rectangle in half, right sides together, to form bag. Sew sides with a 1/2" seam. Zigzag edges to prevent fraying. Turn right side out.
- For the handles, fold each 6" X 30" rectangle in half lengthwise, right sides together. Sew a 1/2" seam for form a tube. Cut into three 10" pieces and turn each tube right side out. Zigzag across short ends to prevent fraying. Attach one handle to each side of bag.

Christ's United Lutheran Church

Shirt Order Form

Item	Colors Available	Price
Short Sleeve Adult 50/50 T-Shirt Style 29	Aqua, Azalea, Bamboo Green, Birch, Black, Burnt Orange, California Blue, Cardinal, Classic Brown, Cornflower Blue, Cyber Pink, Dark Graphite, Dark Lavender, Deep Purple, Forest Green, Fossil Grey, Gold, Green Mist, Island Yellow, Jade, Kelly, Khaki Brown, Kiwi, Light Blue, Light Orange, Maroon, Natural, North Carolina Blue, Olive Green, Oxford, Periblu, Pink, Safety Green, Sandstone, Tennessee Orange, Texas Orange, True Navy, True Red, True Royal, Vegas Gold, Yellow Haze, White	S – XL..... \$ 6.25 2X, 3X.....\$ 9.50
Youth 50/50 Short Sleeve T-Shirt Style 29B	Azalea, Birch, Black, Burnt Orange, California Blue, Cardinal, Classic Brown, Cyber Pink, Deep Purple, Forest Green, Gold, Island Yellow, Jade, Kelly, Khaki Brown, Kiwi, Light Blue, Light Orange, Maroon, Natural, North Carolina Blue, Oxford, Periblu, Pink, Safety Green, Sandstone, Tennessee Orange, Texas Orange, True Navy, True Red, True Royal, Vegas Gold, White, Yellow Haze	XS – XL....\$ 6.00
Ladies Short Sleeve 50/50 Polo Shirt Style 337	Black, Light Blue, Maize, Oxford, Pink, True Navy, True Red, White	S – XL.....\$12.75 2X..... \$16.00
Adult 50/50 Short Sleeve Polo Shirt Style 437	Birch , Black, Burnt Orange, California Blue, Deep Purple, Forest Green , Gold, Jade, Kelly, Light Blue, Maroon , Maize, Oxford, Putty, Safety Green, True Navy, True Red, True Royal, White	S – XL.....\$12.75 2X, 3X..... \$16.00

NOTE: Pricing is based on an order of 24 shirts or more. Order will be placed after we have 24 shirts ordered. Please fill out bottom portion and return to Margie. If you would like to see the actual colors, please see Margie or visit the web site at www.4bellschurch.com. Please note: Polo Shirts will be printed on left chest and T-Shirts will be printed on Left chest and full back. Dark colored shirts will have White imprint and Light colored shirts will have dark imprint.

Name	Phone	E-Mail
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Shirt	Quantity	Color / Size	Price

Total Due \$ _____



***Lutheran
World Relief***

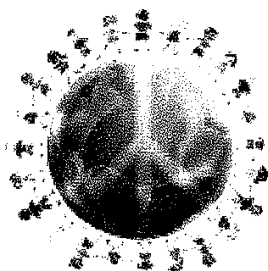
To others, through others.

**BLANKET SUNDAY
OCTOBER 3, 2010**



**Sponsored Jointly By
The Women Of The ELCA and
The Committee For Global Missions
Upper Susquehanna Synod Of The ELCA**

**2010
PEACE POLE SERVICE**



THEME: God's Work, Our Hands

SPEAKER: Sarah Hoyes

OCTOBER 16, 2010

9:00 am

SYNOD OFFICE

RAIN OR SHINE

Sunshine = outdoors (bring a lawn chair)

Rain = indoors (bring yourself)

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST PROVIDED AFTER THE SERVICE

ALTAR GUILD

Mary Hassinger
Delight Showalter
Ethel Wenrich

USHERS

Pearl Gemberling, Capt.
Tom Catherman
Don Fornwalt
Doug Gemberling

LAY READERS

8:00 a.m.

5 - Mike Flickinger
12 – Jonna Zimmerman
19 – No Service
26 – Greg Shuck

COMMUNION HELPERS

8:00 a.m.

5 – Judy Moyer
12 – Sara Moyer
19 – No Service
26 – Alica Zimmerman

MUSIC PROVIDERS

8:00 a.m.

5 – Dave Swartz
12 – Barry Spangler
19 – No Service
26 – Gary Hackenberg



SEPTEMBER

SOUND SYSTEM

Chad Shuck

10:15 GREETERS

5 – Mary Hassinger
12 – Linda Smith
19 – Mary Ellen VonNeida
26 - Kris & Carla Ruhl

LAY READERS

10:15 a.m.

5 – Drew Christy
12 – Maurice Clouser
19 – Barry Spangler
26 – Janet Hackenberg

COMMUNION HELPERS

10:15 a.m.

5 – Bev Catherman
Tom Catherman
12 – Dianne Shuck
Janice Wagner
19 – Audrey Crone
Don Everitt
26 – Janet Hackenberg
Judy Mecouch

MUSIC PROVIDERS

10:15 a.m.

5 – Paula Christy
12 – Paula Christy
19 – Diane Valentine
26 - Gary Hackenberg

REMINDER

1. ***YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR FINDING A SUBSTITUTE IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO BE HERE WHEN SCHEDULED.***
2. ***ALTAR GUILD MEMBERS, SOUND SYSTEM OPERATORS & USHERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY SPECIAL SERVICES SCHEDULED DURING THE MONTH.***

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pastor's e-mail:
 pastorjohn@4bellschurch.com
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 Fri – 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon

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THE DEADLINE FOR
 ARTICLES FOR THE

OCTOBER

NEWSLETTER IS:

SEPTEMBER 20

**PLEASE CALL THE
 CHURCH OFFICE...**

...when a member of your family is sick or is admitted to the hospital, so that visits can be made and the proper people notified.

...when your phone number is changed, so the church records can be corrected.

...when you move—out of town or locally.

...when a new baby arrives in your family or in the family of another church member.

...when a member of your family leaves home for college or to establish a new residence.

...when a new family moves into your neighborhood.

...when your class or group plans to have a meeting, so that it can be cleared and placed on the church calendar.

...when something good happens to you or your family.

...when you feel the church can assist you in any way.

September 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 10:00am Hope's Haven 7:00pm Bible Study	2 1:00pm Craft Group	3	4
5 8:00am Service of Word & Sacrament 9:00am Sunday School 10:15am Service of Word & Sacrament	6 LABOR DAY	7	8 10:00am Hope's Haven 7:00pm Bible Study	9 1:00pm Craft Group 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal	10 9:00am AFM Ordering	11
12 8:00am Service of Word & Sacrament 9:00am Sunday School 10:15am Service of Word & Sacrament 7:00pm WBS Committee	13 10:30am Bible Study 5:00pm AFM Ordering	14 9:00am Quilt Knotting Workday 7:00pm Council	15 10:00am Hope's Haven 11:00am Elijah's Table 7:00pm Bible Study	16 7:00pm Farm Bureau Banquet	17	18 9:00am AFM Distribution
19 9:00am Sunday School 10:15am Service of Word & Sacrament 12:00pm Congregation Appreciation Luncheon 6:00pm Debank Ministries Concert	20 10:30am Bible Study	21 7:00pm WELCA	22 10:00am Hope's Haven 7:00pm Bible Study	23 Choir Rehearsal 1:00pm Craft Group	24	25 Ambulance Assn Using Parking Lot
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