

# HOLY HAPPENINGS

*Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

September 10, 2017

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610-967-2220

**We welcome all who worship with us today.** Visitors are invited to sign the guest register in the Lobby. If you are interested in joining our family of faith, please talk with Pastor Ric Elliott.

**Today's flowers** are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Pat's brother, Charles Stangl, by Pat and Frank Mattes.

**Children are welcomed and embraced.** We know kids are in worship and make noise. The psalmist David said, "make a joyful noise to the Lord!" It's great to hear all people respond during worship. If your child should need a break, there is child care available in room 110 during the 8:45 and 10:45 am worship services. Parents are always welcome to stay with their children there. Parents must sign children in and out of nursery care.

**Clipboards and Bible bags** are available for children's use during worship and can be found at the "Children's Ministry" table in the Lobby.

**Prayer cards are available** at the guest register in the Lobby should you need to request special prayer. Completed prayer cards may be given to a pastor for inclusion in the morning prayers. During the week, please notify the church office if you or a member of your family is hospitalized.

**Large Print Bulletins** are available at the Usher's Stand.

**Members and guests** are invited to sign the *Friendship Register*, pass it down the row for other worshippers to sign, and introduce yourself to those worshipping around you.

**Name Tags—do you have one?** All members are encouraged to wear their name tags so that you may greet those worshipping around you by name. If you are visiting, please see an usher for a temporary name tag.

**SUNDAY MORNING FAITH FORMATION, 9:50am**

**CENTER FOR FAITH & LIFE** provides Holy Spirit's Adult Sunday School programs with a mission to deepen our faith. Sessions are held Sunday mornings at 9:50 am in the Fellowship Center/Multipurpose Room (unless otherwise noted) and can be freely attended by simply showing up. No pre-notification or registration is required. All are Welcome!

**This Week: Grandparent Sunday and Affirmation of GO! Challenge, Deacon Jane Elliott and Fran Derhammer:** CFL will celebrate the gift of grandchildren and grandparents. We will share stories of grandparents at Holy Spirit, the difference they are making to create meaningful relationships with their grandchildren, ideas of ways to connect and things to do together, joys and challenges. We will close by linking arms with fellow grandparents to pray for our grandchildren. Come, celebrate the blessing of grandchildren. We will also celebrate the progress of the "stretch goals" of those who accepted the summer Go! Challenge - by living well as a whole people of God, we can better enhance the lives of others.

**Next Week: Council Forum, Lorie Stout Sherman, Council President**  
The Fall Council Forum will provide up to date information concerning the congregation's fiscal status, property issues including the nave/narthex HVAC and project funding, the status of the search for an Associate Pastor focusing on youth and young adults and their families, as well as a Mission Statement revision.

**Faith Formation for Children**

At 9:45 am TODAY **PARENTS, CHILDREN & YOUTH (age 3 – fifth grade)** are invited to a kick off event. Children will have a "Sunday School Sneak Peek" from 9:45 am – 10:10 am in their respective Sunday School classes. We ask parents to join us downstairs in the Speary Café during that time to share some highlights of the upcoming year in faith formation, as well as a few housekeeping details. Following the Sneak Peek, children and their families will have the opportunity to enjoy refreshments and a time of fellowship in the Speary Café.

**CATECHISM & SENIOR HIGH classes** begins with a parents' meeting on TODAY at 9:45 am in Room 4/9. Regular classes will start on Sept. 17th. Also, TODAY from 6-8pm there will be a Youth Group Kickoff Event with a pizza and game party.

**HEALING WORSHIP,** TODAY at 12:30 pm in the All Saints Room. All are welcome as we gather to pray, hear God's word, lay on hands, bless with oil. We will worship in the All Saints Room.

**Sunday School, CAT and High School Staff: 2017-2018**

Elsie Anderson	3 year old
Katie Bashus	3 year old
Paul and Pearl Bashus	3 year old
Amy Scott	3 year old
Tanya Herring	4 year old
John McClain	4 year old
Kelby McNally	4 year old
Mark Stanziola	4 year old
Michele Doherty	Kindergarten
Emma Fermier	Kindergarten
Terri Lehr	Kindergarten
Leigh-Anne Wimmer	Kindergarten
Carolyn Croy	First Grade
Lauren Sands	First Grade
Michelle Schumaker	First Grade
Paige Mathieu	Second/Third Grade
Sue Mathieu	Second/Third Grade
Tena Rapp	Second/Third Grade
Karen Schaffer	Second/Third Grade
Jeff and Audrey Erb	Fourth Grade
Denise Rohrbach	Fifth Grade
Candi Rosazza	Fifth Grade
Victor Schmidt	Fifth Grade
Nina McNally	Attendance
Sharon MacCabe	Music
Pete and Marian Schneck	Catechism Class
Kristin Ervin	Catechism Class
Christine and Adam Fermier	Catechism Class
Pastor Ric Elliott	Catechism Class
Pastor Jim Bowers	Catechism Class
Bill Smith	High School



## This Week at Holy Spirit

SUNDAY, 9/10/2017	<b>WORSHIP SCHEDULE: 7:30, 8:45, 10:45 am</b> 9:45 AM Faith Formation for All Ages, CFL 9:45 AM Fellowship & Hospitality, 117/119 12:30 PM Healing Service, ASR 2:30 PM Rejoicing Spirits, WC, FC 6:00 PM Youth Kick-off Event, Speary Cafe
MONDAY, 9/11/2017	9:00 AM Nursery School Begins 9:30 AM Stitch and Chat, MR 6:00 PM Stitch and Chat, MR 6:15 PM Band Rehearsal, WC 7:00 PM Property Mission Team, 117/119 7:15 PM Requiem Quartet Rehearsal, WC
TUESDAY, 9/12/2017	1:00 PM Staff Meeting, 117/119 6:15 PM Nursery School Board, ASR 7:00 PM Church Growth Mission Team, 117/119
WED., 9/13/2017	6:30 PM Table Talk, Speary Café 7:15 PM Spirit Ringers, WC
THURSDAY, 9/14/2017	10:00 AM Prime Timers Book Club, ASR 7:15 PM Adult Choir, WC
FRIDAY, 9/15/2017	
SAT., 9/16/2017	
SUNDAY, 9/17/2017	<b>WORSHIP SCHEDULE: 7:30, 8:45, 10:45 am</b> 9:45 AM Faith Formation for All Ages, CFL 9:45 AM Fellowship & Hospitality, 117/119 4:00 PM Lutheran @500 Study, ASR

ASR=All Saints Room    L=Lobby    MR=Music Room  
WC=Worship Center    FC = Fellowship Center (MPR)

On Sunday, Sept. 10th, **CELEBRATE THE SUMMER GO! CHALLENGE:**

- Pick up your sticker
- Write down your “stretch” goal
- Stick it on the **Go! Challenge** bulletin board
- Congratulate yourself for taking steps to live well as a whole person of God.

**REJOICING SPIRITS** Worship and Annual Picnic, TODAY at 2:30 pm in the Fellowship Center. All are welcome.

**TABLE TALK** meets on Wednesday, Sept. 13 at 6:30 pm downstairs in the Speary Café to discuss current HOT topic—**FORGIVENESS**— from a Lutheran perspective. Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share and sign up at the Event Signup Center in the lobby. Please park and enter by the downstairs door.

**M&M's, Too**, an inspirational time for women to talk, connect, and pray together will meet on Wednesday, Sept. 20 at 9:30 am in the Speary Café downstairs. Please park and enter by the downstairs door.

**FESTIVAL CHOIR REHEARSALS** begin Thursday, Sept. 21 at 8 pm in the Worship Center.

**BIBLE SUNDAY** is Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>. Bibles will be available in the lobby for adults to immerse themselves in God’s Word. Try another format or version and join the conversation with God. Open scripture, become fluent in the first language of faith.

On Sept. 25, **FLY TO ABE** will discuss *The Prophet* by Kahlil Gibran. On Oct. 23, we will discuss *The Harbinger* by Jonathan Cahn. We meet in room 1 / 2 downstairs. Please park and enter by the downstairs door.

**DANCING UNDER THE STARS**  
Friday evening, Sept. 29th  
with The Royalties  
Bring a dessert to share.



**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**, Saturday, October 7th at 2pm. This year marks our 10th annual service of blessing our pets. After the service enjoy a time of fellowship with friends, relatives, and pets. Please bring your tail-gating chairs for the parking lot. Pastors will bless each pet individually.



**Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1:00 to 2:30 pm:**  
 Holy Spirit's first ever **TRUNK -or- TREAT**  
**Event.** Trunk-or-Treat, is an occasion for Holy Spirit members to decorate their vehicle's "trunks", in our lower parking lot and hand-out individually wrapped candy or items to children. In addition, there will be pumpkin decorating and face painting. We'll have hot dogs, s'mores and hot chocolate. If the weather is inclement, the Fall Event will move indoors and be held on the same date and time. **To sponsor a vehicle**, enter this link into a search engine: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090f45a5ab2da1f94-1stannual> and follow the instructions. There are many ways to prepare for and participate in the Trunk-or-Treat. Contact Karin Kahler, [Kahler@holyspirit-emmaus.org](mailto:Kahler@holyspirit-emmaus.org) or Melanie Wilttrout, [mlwilttrout@hotmail.com](mailto:mlwilttrout@hotmail.com) for more information.

**REFORMATION 500:**

**TV: Martin Luther: The Idea that Changed the World** on Tues, Sept. 12, 8:00 pm on PBS. At a few other times, check your listings.

**CLASSES: LUTHER @ 500** includes Luther's key ideas as a Reformer and their significance for faith and life today, taught by Dr. Franklin Sherman. Identical sessions on Sunday from 4:00 to 5:15 p.m. and Monday from 7:00 to 8:15 pm, beginning on Sunday/Monday Sept. 17/18 and concluding on Oct. 22/23 in ASR.

**MOVIE:** Rick Steve's DVD **Luther and the Reformation** on Reformation weekend Oct. 29 at 4 pm & Oct. 30 at 7 pm in ASR.



**SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION:** Thank you for your support of this collection. We are still in need of the following items: Please provide the exact item listed as LWR has specific guidelines that must be followed. **We still need:**

**God's work.  
Our hands.**

- 632 70 sheet spiral bound notebooks (plain cover)
- 92 Crayons (16 or 24 count boxes)
- 196 Scissors (blunt tip)
- 229 Rulers (labeled 30 centimeters one side and inches the other)
- 160 Erasers (2.5")

Reminder: These items will be collated and packed on Sunday, Oct. 8th at 9:45 am in the Fellowship Center in an inter-generational event. Everyone is welcome to join the fun as we pack school supplies for children around the world.

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

*Remember these members and friends of Holy Spirit in your prayers.*

**Shut In/Homebound—prayers for God's presence...**

Andy Beible, Dottie Blomster, Doris Boehmer, Betty Buehrle, Phyllis Fenstermacher, Larry Gilbert, Doris Giles, Esther Harmony, Ray Karoly, Grace and Francis Kratz, Joan Lauffer, Christopher Limpar, James Miller, Glenn and Norine Shafer, Bob Slaby, Karen Wilhelm.

**In Times of Illness for God's healing....**Pr. Larry Arganbright, Stephanie Ashford, Susan Baldwin, Lea Bertha, Family of Bob Bisbing, Mary Bridger, Sue Brower, Michael Bubernack, Hank Cassler, Jane Cella, Kitty Chandler, Linda Coughlin, Deacon Deb Detweiler, Carol Eroh, Ken Fairchild, Cheryl Fatzinger, Glenn Fretz, Pam Fritz, Jim Geiling, Reinhold Guignet, Peter Hermley, JoAnne Herron, Andrew James, Heather James, Marilyn Justesen, Paul Kammerer, John and Jane Keene, Don Krall, Paul and Irene Lasagna, Jim Leffler, Art Livingston, Jr., Eleanor Livingston, Verna MacGeorge, Family of Bob McKeever, Kelly Mensch, Kevin Mensch, Bill Moyer, Mary Ellen Oberdorf, Irene Olsakowsky, Richard Pahr, Kailee Pauley, Dan Potts, Deanna Quay, Rita Remitz, Denise Rohrbach, Justina Satrio, Harry Schell, Fred Schlerf, Bob Schoenly, Cliff Schoemaker, Bob Shovlin, Vince and Gloria Sileo, Aimee Sims, Heidi Slansky, Richard Slimmer, Pam Steigerwalt, Wilma Stewart, Melanie Tozer, Lauren Vilchinsky, Jarrett Wetherhold, Ron Wetherhold, Doris Wilhauck, Dillon Wilkinson, Roy Wolff, John Woloschuk.

**In times of loss...**for the family of Robert G. Bisbing who died this past week. Funeral services were held in the church Saturday. Please remember Pattie and the Bisbing family in your prayers.

For the family of Bob McKeever, former choir director at Holy Spirit, who died this past week.

**In the Event of a Pastoral Emergency,** at any time, you find you are in emergency need of having a pastor contact you, Call the office at 610-967-2220 and press #3 after the general announcement.

**If you, or a member of your family, are ever hospitalized,** please let the pastors know by contacting the church office at 610-967-2220. The hospitals no longer notify the church due to HIPAA laws.

**Prayer cards are available** at the Information Desk. Completed prayer cards may be given to a pastor for inclusion in the morning prayers. During the week, please notify the church office if you or a member of your family is hospitalized.

## TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

8:45 am

10:45 am

Worship Coordinator		Jackie Leipert
Crucifer		Anne Dordal
Acolytes		Hayden and Emma Fermier
Assisting Minister	Jane Elliott	Vi Ballard
Reader	Ava Killingsworth	Paul Bashus
Communion Assistants	David and Sharon Nash	Chuck and Jan Coe Louise Davis, Yvonne Gilbert
Ushers	Chuck Whirl, Rob Smith Mike Epperly, Barb Roba	Diane McMenamin, Trevor Tormann, Mike and Kitti Berkheimer
Greeters	Fran and Bill Derhammer	Ava and Larry Killingsworth
Nursery Volunteers	Maddie McGrath	Sarah Flanders
Flower Delivery	Ann Krall	
Praise Band: Bob Schuchart, Joe Tobey, Frank Mattes, Justin Schaffer, Paige Mathieu		
Altar Care: Linda Letts, Julie Timmcke, Deb Stevens, Joie Wenner, Vee McClain, Pat Horwat, Nancy McClain		

OUR STAFF

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### Weekend On-Call Schedule:

September 9/10—Pastor Ric Elliott, 610-304-7924  
 September 16/17—Pastor Ric Elliott, 610-304-7924  
 September 23/24—Pastor Jim Bowers, 610-248-3949

### Financial Results and Discussion, July 2017:

**Operating Performance:** July was a very strong month on the revenue side. Revenues totaled \$70,741 while expenses were \$60,037, giving us a surplus of \$10,704. We had budgeted a deficit of \$3,832.

Revenues exceeded budget by \$9,291. Pledged revenue was \$8,081 over budget. Unpledged revenue was \$1,107 over budget.

Overall expenses were under budget by \$4,580. Approximately \$4,000 were savings from the Director of Youth salary and benefits. Most mission areas were close or slightly under budget, with the exception of Resources for Ministry which was \$910 over budget. Service agreements were over budget by \$804 due to copier maintenance. Service contracts were over budget by \$878 due to a bill to mow the embankment. Our \$828 savings in electricity made up for these two overages. Year to date, we have a surplus of \$44,900 vs. a budgeted surplus of \$23,423. The strong revenue in July helped to keep us ahead of budget year to date.

**Available Operating Cash:** We ended the month with an available cash balance for operations of \$111,633.02 up \$10,704 from June. **Building Fund:** The balance in the fund increased to \$6,699. There were no expenses for the month of July. **Available Capital Campaign Cash:** Our available cash balance in the capital campaign fund decreased to \$49,298. The major expenditure was \$5,961 for the second installment and professional fees for the total HVAC contract.

**HOLY SPIRIT'S GIVING KIOSK** is in the Lobby. If you would like to do your giving or make a donation via a credit/debit card, please feel free to use the kiosk in the Lobby. The kiosk is set up to receive credit/debit card payments e.g. Project Help, VBS registration payments, Nursery School. If you register, thereafter you will be able to log in using your phone number. Your giving will be recorded and a receipt sent to your e-mail address. You may also make an anonymous donation. Instructions--contact Sherilyn Scheetz, Lorie Stout Sherman, or Pam Harshey.

**GIVE BY TEXT:** You can now make a contribution to The Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit with a quick text message! Simply send a text to 610-981-1312 with the amount you would like to contribute. Make sure to include the dollar sign before the amount. Example: \$25. Within a few minutes, you'll be sent a text with a link to register. Click on the link and enter your cardholder name and credit or debit card information. Once your registration is complete, you will receive a text verification and a receipt via email. For future giving, simply send a text with the amount you wish to give, and it will process automatically!