

## This Week at Holy Spirit

SUNDAY, 11/11/2018	<b>Worship Schedule: 7:30, 8:45, 10:45 am</b> 9:45 AM Coffee Fellowship, 117/119 9:50 AM Faith Formation for All Ages, CFL 2:30 PM Rejoicing Spirits, WC/FC 4:00 PM <b>Spirit Led—Spirit Alive Forum, WC</b>
MONDAY, 11/12/2018	9:30 AM Stitch and Chat, 117/119 6:00 PM Stitch and Chat, 117/119 6:30 PM Vicar Tami's Support Team, ASR <b>7:00 PM Spirit Led—Spirit Alive Forum, WC</b> <b>7:15 PM Band Rehearsal, WC</b>
TUESDAY, 11/13/2018	1:00 PM Staff Meeting, 117/119 4:00 PM <b>Dine to Donate at Trexlertown Panera</b> 7:00 PM Faith Formation for Children, ASR
WED., 11/14/2018	4:15 PM Rejoicing Ringers, WC 6:30 PM Table Talk, SC 7:15 PM Spirit Ringers, WC
THUR., 11/15/2018	10:00 AM Prime Timers Book Club, ASR 7:15 PM Adult Choir, WC
FRIDAY, 11/16/2018	3:00 PM CAT Camp, Bear Creek Camp
SAT., 11/17/2018	9:00 AM CAT Camp, Bear Creek Camp 1:00 PM Rejoicing Spirits Pizza & Bingo, FC
SUNDAY, 11/18/2018	<b>Worship Schedule: 7:30, 8:45, 10:45 am</b> 9:45 AM Coffee Fellowship, 117/119 <b>9:45 AM Spirit Led—Spirit Alive Forum, ASR</b> 9:50 AM Faith Formation for All Ages, CFL

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

## Holy Happenings

*Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit*  
*25th Sunday after Pentecost*

November 11, 2018

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**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 by John and Elsie Guignet in celebration of their 68th wedding anniversary, and by Kevin and Susan Minnich in loving memory of Susan's father, James Fenstermaker.

**Today we celebrate** the baptism of Owen Patrick Serfass. We welcome him into the body of Christ and the fellowship we share.

**Children are welcomed and celebrated.** 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 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.

**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.

**New handicap parking now available.** The upper driveway off Pine Street has been lined for three new handicap parking spaces closer to the worship center. **Name tags** support our message that "All Are Welcome." Wear yours to introduce yourself to others. Vicar Tami was pleased to meet you with the help of name tags!

## Happenings at Holy Spirit

**CENTER FOR FAITH & LIFE (CFL)** provides Holy Spirit's Adult Sunday School programs with a mission to deepen our faith.

### **THIS WEEK IN CFL: Making Fair Districts in PA, Terry Schettini**

Pennsylvania is one of the most gerrymandered states in the nation. Gerrymandering is the drawing of legislative boundaries that favors one party and protects incumbents; this has led to our state legislature focusing on maintaining power and control rather than representing their voters or governing effectively. Fair Districts PA is a non-partisan coalition of citizens and organizations seeking to reform Pennsylvania's redistricting rules to make the process of drawing legislative districts impartial, transparent, and accountable. Come learn more about gerrymandering, why it is a problem, and how you can help.

### **NEXT WEEK IN CFL: Hoping Against Hope"...a reflection from the book of Romans, Vicar Tami Reichley:**

In what ways can we live out the message that God is ONE? What does the faith of Abraham ~ the 'patriarch of faith' ~ mean in today's world? In Paul's letter to the Romans he 'opens up the view', explaining that God's promises extend to ALL people. We will discuss how we live out Romans 4:16, "...the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all", within our culture of religious pluralism.

### **Faith Formation for Children**

Three Year Olds:	David and Goliath
Four Year Olds:	Ten Commandments
Kindergarten:	Daniel in the Lion's Den
First Grade:	Daniel in the Lion's Den
Second Grade:	Elijah and Elisha
Third – Fifth Grade:	Pageant Preparation

**REJOICING SPIRITS** Thanksgiving Service TODAY at 2:30 pm. All are welcome. Fellowship and refreshments following the service.

**SPIRIT LED ↔ SPIRIT ALIVE: Vision for the Future:** Congregation Council will be hosting several informational forums relating to the future vision for ministry at Holy Spirit based on the materials mailed to the congregation last week. Forums will be held Sunday, November 11th at 4 pm and Monday, November 12th at 7pm. An additional forum aimed at parents will be held Sunday November 18 in the All Saints Room during the Sunday School hour. **Please join the discussion, give us your feedback, your thoughts and ideas.**

## PRAYER CONCERNS

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

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

Dottie Blomster, Doris Boehmer, Betty Buehrle, Bill Diehl, Phyllis Fenstermacher, Jim Geiling, Larry Gilbert, Ray Karoly, Joan Lauffer, Christopher Limpar, Glenn & Norine Shafer, Bob Shovlin, Al and Billie Stubbman.

### **In Times of Illness for God's healing....**

Stephanie Ashford, Cherie Baird, Lea Bertha, Wesley Black, Sylvia Bobbit, Linda Bollinger, Jace Brensinger, MaryPat Brewer, Sue Brower, Debbie Burke, Hank Cassler, Kitty Chandler, Terry Cole, Linda Coughlin, Alma Deibert, Dorothy and David Diehl, Lena Divano, Orietta Divano, Donna, Scott Engelter, Carol Eroh, Sarah Foose, Glenn Fretz, Pam Fritz, Lisa Galucia, Gee, Larry Gilbert, Dick and Doris Giles, Reinhold Guignet, Cindy Hastings, Jane Haszko, Lillian Haszko, Gloria Henry, Andrew James, Heather James, John and Jane Keane, Kevin, Kimberly, Chris Kline, Diane Koerber-Wycoff, Paula Kosciolk, Don Krall, Grace and Francis Kratz, Paul and Irene Lasagna, Brian Lippai, Carolyn Long, Chuck McClain, Lee Minnich, Ryan Musser, Mary Ellen Oberdorf, Ryan O'Donnell Huff, Kailee Pauley, Dan Potts, Barbara Punzi, Meridy Rachor, Thomas Ritter, Barb and Larry Roba, Jim Roth, Helena Rosati, Joni Scandola, Mackenzie Schaffer, Wendy Scheetz, Jean Schoemaker, John Schultz, Heidi Slansky, George Slater, Wilma Stewart, Julie Timmcke, Todd, Ralph Trull, Jr., Visili Tsamoutalict, Lauren Vilchinsky, Bill and Doris Wilhauck, Nancy Wiltrout, Roy Wolff, Rylie York.

**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 the number 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.

### **Weekend On-Call Schedule:**

November 10/11, Pastor Ric Elliott, 610-304-7924  
November 17/18, Pastor Ric Elliott, 610-304-7924  
November 24/25, Pastor Ric Elliott, 610-304-7924

## TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

	8:45	10:45
Worship Coordinator		Jackie Leipert
Crucifer		Chuck Coe
Acolytes		Sylvia Sokolofski Sarah Sokolofski
Assisting Minister	Becky Keane	Bob Mueller
Reader	Courtney David	Craig Scott
Communion Assistants	Erika Krick, Irv Keister	Alice Mudge Glynnis Rea Becky Neitz, Bob Neitz
Ushers	Tom Gutekunst Betty and Fred Schlerf Brenda Truhe	Bruce Zimmerman Nate Zimmerman Brandie Barndt Tom Eichelberger
Greeters	John and Nancy McClain	Gayle Getz
Nursery Care	Joanne Volkert, Amy Pirrotta	
Flower Delivery	Chris McGrath	
Praise Band:	Chris Kline, Frank Mattes, Justin Schaffer, Mackenzie Schaffer, Bob Schuchart, Joe Tobey, Lincoln Walton	
Altar Care	Barb Roba, Robbie Flynn, Carol McKee, Kathy Schuessler, Betty Slaby	

### OUR STAFF

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## News...News...News...

**PRE-SCHOOL FUNDRAISER: EAT @ PANERA—DINE TO DONATE** to support the preschool equipment fund on Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup> from 4 – 8 pm (Trexlerstown location only). Panera will donate 20% of dine in and take-out orders purchased between 4 – 8 pm. Flyers must be presented when ordering (electronic or paper copy.) Flyers are available on the Children's Ministry table in the Lobby. Flyers may be shared with family and friends.

**THANKSGIVING MID-WEEK WORSHIP**, Wednesday, Nov. 21st at noon. We will gather around tables in the Fellowship Center to give thanks to God. If you are going to be away for Thanksgiving or the weekend, why not start your holiday in worship?

**POINSETTIA ORDERS** to decorate the church on Christmas Eve are now being taken. Plants cost \$9.00. Flower Envelopes can be found at the Guest Register in the Lobby or can be picked up in the church office. **The deadline for ordering is November 25th.** Be sure to indicate your color choice—red, white or marble.



**ADVENT CRAFT LEADERS NEEDED** for our Advent Workshop – December 2nd. During the afternoon (4:00 pm-5:30 pm) we will have a family friendly Advent Workshop. We are seeking individuals interested in preparing and leading a child friendly craft station. If interested, please contact Karin Kahler at [kahler@holyspirit-emmaus.org](mailto:kahler@holyspirit-emmaus.org).

**ADVENT FAMILY EVENT:** A family friendly Advent Workshop is planned for Sunday, December 2 to celebrate the season of Advent. From 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm we will making crafts, cards for shut-ins and an Advent chain. Dinner will be served at 5:30 pm. Donations of desserts and beverages are greatly appreciated. Please sign up at the Event Center so that we can plan for food and craft supplies. All are welcome.

**TABLE TALK** will meet on Wednesday, Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm at home of Pr. Ric and Jane Elliott, 1857 Valley Forge Rd., Allentown. Join us for the Lutheran perspective on the next Sunday's Bible readings which are Daniel 12:1-3; Psalm 16; Hebrews 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25; Mark 13:1-8. Sign up in the lobby to bring an appetizer or dessert. Bring your favorite Bible translation. All are welcome!

**Fly to ABE** (Adult Book Energy) will meet next on Monday, November 19 at 10 am we will discuss *Gilead* by Marilynne Robinson. Please park and enter by the downstairs door. We meet in room 1 / 2. Please sign up on the Signup Center in the lobby.

**THE REJOICING SPIRITS TEAM** invites you to support their *Christmas Gifts for Rejoicers* program. We are requesting an \$10 donation. This year's gift is an insulated lunch bag with a Christmas Ornament and craft. Please see the poster in the narthex with instructions for making a donation. Thank you for your generous support of this project and the Rejoicing Spirits ministry. The Rejoicing Spirits team invites you to the Annual Christmas Pageant on Sunday, December 9th at 2:30pm followed by a Christmas Party with great food, a Christmas sing-a-long and craft.

**CHRISTMAS INGATHERING** is scheduled for Wednesday Dec. 5, 2018. It's not too late to share your blessings this Holiday Season by choosing a child's name from the poster in the Narthex or bringing unwrapped gifts from the list in the bulletin. The list is also available at the information desk. All wrapped gifts should be placed in the marked box in the narthex no later than Sunday November 25th. All unwrapped donations can be brought in through December 2nd. Anyone interested in volunteering to sort & pack the gifts at St. John's in Emmaus on December 5th from 10:30am – 12:30pm please contact Diane McMenamin at 610-776-1416.

**WEEKEND SNOW SHOVELING VOLUNTEERS needed** - Every year, we use volunteers to cover shoveling on Saturday and Sunday mornings helping assure a clear path, as well as saving costs to pay an outside firm. Parking areas are cleared professionally, but the doorways and sidewalks (shoveling and salting) are our responsibility. Please sign up in the Narthex if you are available to help.

**STEPHEN MINISTERS: Learn, Grow and Serve by Becoming a Stephen Minister:** Do you have gifts of caring, encouragement, and listening? If so, please prayerfully consider becoming a Stephen Minister. LCHS will begin training another class of Stephen Ministers in **February, 2019**. Stephen Ministers provide emotional and spiritual support and care to people who are going through a difficult time such as divorce, grief, hospitalization, unemployment, terminal illness, relocation, chronic illness, or loneliness. To find out more about becoming a Stephen Minister talk with one of our Stephen Leaders: Fran or Bill Derhammer at 610-967-3092, Kitti Berkheimer at 610-509-1674, or Mike Berkheimer at 610-509-1673.

**PLEASE RETURN** your 2019 *Estimate of Giving* card on or before Dec. 2nd. Your financial commitment allows our congregation to more accurately estimate revenue, budget effectively and better plan our ministries for 2019. Thank you for your generosity.

**Financial Results and Discussion, Operating Performance, October 2018:** In October pledged revenue came in at \$56,152 while we had budgeted \$58,796. As a friendly reminder, please try to stay current with your pledges--thank you! Unpledged revenue came in at \$10,076 while we had budgeted \$7,367. Overall income was \$69,004 while we had budgeted a total of \$68,036.

Overall expenses were \$2,482 under budget. Most mission areas were close or under budget.

For October we had a \$1,979 surplus while we had budgeted a \$1,471 deficit. YTD our income less expense is still ahead with a \$14,559 surplus while we had budgeted a \$7,076 deficit.

Thrivent totals came in at \$208 this month while we had budgeted \$203. YTD we have \$7,771 and had budgeted \$4,973.

**Operating Cash Reserve:** As a result of our October surplus, we ended the month with an available cash balance for operations of \$123,156.

**Capital Campaign Cash:** Our capital campaign balance increased during October to \$30,035 due to several generous donations totaling \$2,771. Expenses included a deposit for the fence for the HVAC unit, interest on the Mission Investment Fund loan, and vision statements for the Capital Campaign.

**HVAC System:** To date we've borrowed \$170,465 from the Mission Investment Fund for our HVAC system. **Building Fund:** Our building fund increased to \$9,852 due to generous donations totaling \$1,761 during October.



**KINDNESS IS MAGIC, INC.**, a local non-profit, is collecting gently used and new shoes. Funds raised by the charity will go towards paying off student lunch debt in the East Penn School District and Bethlehem Area School District. Holy Spirit's Nursery School alumni are leading this program. The collection ends on Nov. 25th.



**ANGEL NETWORK COLLECTION:** Thank you for your very generous support of the Angel Network. **We only need 80 bottles of liquid laundry detergent.** Donations are needed TODAY and can be left in the Fellowship Center Lobby.