

This Week at Holy Spirit

SUNDAY, 4/14/2019	Worship Schedule: 7:30, 8:45, 10:45 am	
PALM SUNDAY	9:45 AM	Coffee Fellowship, 117/119
	9:50 AM	Faith Formation for All Ages, CFL
	12:00 PM	Easter Egg Filling, FC
	2:30 PM	Rejoicing Spirits, WC
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MONDAY, 4/15/2019	3:00 PM	Knitting in Faith, ASR
	7:00 PM	Stephen Ministers Meeting
	7:00 PM	Meeting God at the Cross, FC
	7:30 PM	Lenten Book Study, ASR
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TUESDAY, 4/16/2019	9:00 AM	Prime Timers, 117/119
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WED, 4/17/2019	9:30 AM	M&M's Too, 117/119
SPY WEDNESDAY	12:00 PM	Spy Wednesday Worship, FC
	12:30 PM	Lenten Bible Study, ASR
	4:15 PM	Rejoicing Ringers, WC
	6:00 PM	Easter Choir, WC
	7:00 PM	Spy Wednesday Worship, FC
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THURSDAY, 4/18/2019	12:00 PM	Maundy Thursday Worship, WC
	MAUNDY THURSDAY	7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Worship, WC
	8:00 PM	Adult Choir, WC
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FRIDAY, 4/19/2019	12:00 PM	Good Friday Worship, FC
	GOOD FRIDAY	7:00 PM Good Friday Worship, FC
	8:00 PM	Prayer Vigil, ASR
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SATURDAY, 4/20/2019	9:30 AM	Spirit Alive Rehearsal, WC
	HOLY SATURDAY	8:00 AM Prayer Vigil, ASR
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SUNDAY, 4/21/2019	7:15 AM	Traditional Easter Worship
	EASTER	8:30 AM <i>Spirit Alive</i> Celebration
	9:45 AM	Family Easter Celebration
	10:30 AM	Children's Easter Egg Hunt
	11:00 AM	Festival of the Resurrection

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

Palm Sunday

April 14, 2019

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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.

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 am 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.

Would you like to honor a family member or friend with Sunday flowers? Please see the flower chart in the coat room and select a date to remember someone special. The cost is \$22.50.

Nametags— With new members and new staff, please remember to wear your name tag. You have a few names to remember, they have many. If you need a name tag, please contact Nikki Clark in the office at: clark@holyspirit-emmaus.org.

Happenings at Holy Spirit

CENTER FOR FAITH & LIFE- Holy Spirit's Adult Sunday School program.

THIS WEEK IN CFL: **Journey to the Bible Lands, Vicar Tami Reichley**
Come learn and explore the 'Promised Land' of Abraham, the terrain where Jesus walked his earthly ministry and the modern day conflict that exists in the 'land of the Bible'. Join Vicar Tami as she shares her experiences of her recent trip to Israel/Palestine/Jordan. Engage in discussion of the political, religious, and cultural significance of the land of the Bible...both then and now.

NEXT WEEK IN CFL: April 21st—Easter, No CFL. He is risen indeed!

FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN

Three Year Olds: Palm Sunday

Four Year Olds: Holy Week

Kindergarten: Jesus in Jerusalem

First Grade: Palm Sunday

Second Grade: Luke's Holy Week

Third and Fourth: Luke's Holy Week

Fifth Grade: Palm Sunday

HAVE AN EASTER BASKET TO FILL? The Youth and Leaders going to the 2021 ELCA Youth Gathering are selling **homemade candy** (chocolate/milk chocolate covered pretzels, chocolate bark, and chocolate rice krispie treats) between church services today. No pre-ordering required. Stop by our table in the Narthex to purchase a treat for your family, friends or yourself! All proceeds go towards our fundraising efforts.

EASTER SUNDAY 9:45 AM HAND BELL CHOIR – Rehearsal is Wednesday, April 17 at 6:00 pm.



EASTER EGG FILLING – We will gather at 12:00 pm **today** in the Fellowship Center to fill eggs for our annual Easter Egg Hunt. Many hands make this a quick process. We hope you can join in the egg filling fun!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for Holy Week and Easter Sunday services. Please see the poster in the lobby, if you can help. We need: ushers, communion assistants, readers, greeters and acolytes. Thanks for helping.

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, Paul & Betty Buerhle, Tom Devine, Bill Diehl, Phyllis Fenstermacher, Jim Geiling, Doris Giles, Ray Karoly, Joan Lauffer, Christopher Limpar, Midge Mosser, Lois Roberts, Glenn & Norine Shafer, Bob Shovlin, Billie Stubbman.

In Times of Illness for God's healing, Stephanie Ashford, Cherie Baird, Lea Bertha, Sylvia Bobbit, Christopher Booth, Jim Bott, Jace Brensinger, MaryPat Brewer, Courtney Cappelluzzo, Hank Cassler, Kitty Chandler, Sheri Keegan, Kevin Coleman, Linda Coughlin, Alma Deibert, Dorothy and David Diehl, Mark Dismuke, Donna, Scott Engelter, Carol Eroh, Sarah Foose, Glenn Fretz, Susan Friend, Lisa Galucia, Harry Gesner, Dick and Doris Giles, Reinhold Guignet, Max Horst, Andrew James, Heather James, Dianne Justesen, Laura Kalbach, Kevin, Kimberly, George Kirchner, Chris Kline, Judy Klofach, Diane Koerber-Wycoff, Paula Kosciolk, Dorothy Kovak, Don Krall, Grace and Francis Kratz, Paul and Irene Lasagna, Margaret Legenhausen, Brian Lippai, Carolyn Long, Kathleen Lutz, Pastor Susan Lynch, Miller family, Helen Morris, Ryan Musser, Ann Neitz, Kailee Pauley, Barbara Punzi, Meridy Rachor, Thomas Ritter, Rosalie Rodriguez, Helena Rosati, Michael Rosazza, Walker Schantz, Wendy Scheetz, Fred Schlerf, Jean Schoemaker, Heidi Slansky, Wilma Stewart, Todd, Gretchen Timmcke, Visili Tsamoutalict, Ron Wetherhold, Bill and Doris Wilhauck, and Roy Wolff.

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:

April 13/14, Pastor Spencer Steele, 949-374-2090

April 20/21, Pastor Ric Elliott, 610-304-7924

April 27/28, Pastor Ric Elliott, 610-304-7924

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

	8:45	10:45
Worship Coordinator		Doreen Micheletti
Crucifer		Doreen Micheletti
Acolytes		Griffin Messenlehner Cassidy Messenlehner
Assisting Minister	Mark Wimmer	Bob Stevens
Reader	David Nash	Marian Snyder
Communion Assistants	Bill and Fran Derhammer	James and Susan Madara John Mosovosky Bob Mueller
Ushers	Ken Schumaker Michael Epperly Barbara Roba	Yvonne Gilbert Debbie Hartman Jeff Hartman Richard Micheletti
Greeters	Debbie Walsh	Marian Harrison
Nursery Care	Joanne Volkert and Amy Pirrotta	
Praise Band:	Chris Kline, Frank Mattes, Justin Schaffer, Mackenzie Schaffer, Bob Schuchart, Joe Tobey	
Altar Care	Cindy Hastings, Suzanne Wendt, Marian Harrison, Mary Anne Keating, Louise Metka, Lynda Swartz, Yvonne Gilbert, Judy Hausman, Scott Wetherhold	

OUR STAFF

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News...News...News

If you are interested in attending Alice's farewell luncheon, please RSVP to Patti Bisbing at 610-390-1521 as soon as possible. There are a limited number of seats still available.

OFFICE CHANGES: As Alice is slowly transitioning her position, all emails for the office should be sent to Nikki Clark at clark@holyspirit-emmaus.org.

PRIME TIMERS Intellectual Stimulation, Tuesday, April 16th, 9am in Room 117/119. Every religion has extreme groups. Are we being good Christians to our moderate Muslims? Movie and discussion.

M&M's, Too, an inspirational time for women to talk, connect, and pray together meets on Wednesday, April 17 at 9:30 am. We will meet in Room 117/119.

WE ARE OFFERING A PRAYER VIGIL to pray about the sacrificial death of Christ for us which will be held following our Good Friday worship on April 19th from 8:00 pm until 11:00 pm and then on Saturday, April 20th from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm in the All Saints Room. Please sign up in the narthex to be a pray-er or a watch-er. A "watch-er" provides a safe place for the "pray-er". Anyone may submit a prayer request for the pray-er. Prayer Request forms are on the shelf near the sanctuary entrance. Questions, please contact Deacon Jane Elliott.

GRAND SUNDAY, April 28th, at the 8:45 service we will learn about Sts. Joachim and Anne as we celebrate Grand Sunday. The service will focus on the interconnectedness of generations, our grand relationship with God and that we are all Grandchildren. We encourage all grandparents to bring their grandchildren and children. We invite grandchildren to ask Gramma and Pops to come along. Please join us after the service for a Grand Fair celebration in the FC.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Planning for VBS 2019 has begun. Our next decorating session will be Monday, April 29, 6:30-8:30. **VBS 2019 – To Mars and Beyond** will be held the week of June 24 – 28th. Registration and volunteer forms are now available.

FLY to ABE (Adult Book Energy) will meet on Monday, April 29, 2019 (Please note it's a week later) we will discuss *Blinded by Hope* by Meg McGuire. Please park and enter by the downstairs door. We meet in room 1/2. Please sign up on the Signup Center in the lobby.

Did you know...

NURSERY SCHOOL REGISTRATION: Holy Spirit Christian Nursery School Registration for the 2019-2020 school year is now occurring. Limited openings remain. Spaces are filled on a first come first served basis. Please contact Karin Kahler at 610-967-2220 with any questions.

SAVE THE DATE: Jon Satrom in Concert, Saturday, May 11th at 4pm.

SPRING CLEAN UP of the church property—please sign-up or show-up on Saturday May 11 and Saturday May 25 from 9am to 1pm. Bring the kids and help make the grounds look good for the coming season. Please bring your favorite tools, glove and water. All ages are welcome to join the clean-up.

TABLE TALK will meet on Wednesday, May 8, 2019 at 6:30 pm in the Speary Cafe. Join us for the Lutheran perspective on the next Sunday's Bible readings which are: Acts 11:1-18 *Peter's vision: God give the Gentiles repentance that leads to life;* Psalm 148 *The splendor of the LORD is over earth and heaven. (Ps. 148:13);* Revelation 21:1-6 *New heaven, new earth: springs of living water in the new Jerusalem;* John 13:31-35 *Jesus gives a new commandment: Love one another as I have loved you.* Signup in the lobby to bring an appetizer or dessert. Bring your favorite Bible translation too. Please park and enter by the lower entrance. All are welcome!

GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY: on Sunday, May 19th we will be celebrating all recent graduates during the 8:45 and 10:45 am worship services. There will be a reception in the Fellowship Center at 9:45 to celebrate graduates. If a graduate wants to be included, please contact PrSteele@holyspirit-emmaus.org by May 13. Please include name, school, picture, awards received, and future plans.

IRONPIGS BASEBALL GAME, Friday, June 14 at 7:05 pm. Gates open at 5:45 pm – Fireworks after the game. \$11/person for field level seat with \$2 to spend at vendors included in ticket barcode. Only 90 tickets available. Sign-up at the Event Center. Make checks payable to LCHS. Please mark "Iron Pigs" in the memo line. Payment may be placed in the offering, taken to the office or made at the Kiosk by May 1st.

NEPA SYNOD YOUTH MINISTRY is hosting May Play Day at Bear Creek Camp. It is a great time to explore camp before summer, Sunday, May 5th from 2-7. \$4 for children 12 years and younger. Everyone else is \$8. Send Registration and payment to Synod office. Sign up form: <http://nepasynod.org/documents/2019-may-play-day-registration-form.pdf>

Financial Results and Discussion—March 2019

Operating Performance: March net income turned out to be slightly less than what we expected. Income was \$90,002 and expenses were \$76,257 which gave us a surplus of \$13,745. We had budgeted a surplus of \$15,185.

Thrivent totals were \$3,060 while we had budgeted \$2,480.

Total expenses were over budget by \$7,871. They totaled \$76,257 while we had anticipated expenses to be \$68,386. Most of the overage was in the area of Resources for Ministry, specifically in the areas of Building Maintenance and Service Contracts. We were over \$2,313 in Building Maintenance due to water damage remediation expenses. We were over \$4,287 in Service Contracts due to snow removal charges being higher than expected.

Pledged revenue was \$7,114 more than plan and unpledged revenue was \$1,872 less than plan. Overall our income was \$90,002 while we had budgeted \$83,571, a \$6,431 difference.

Operating Cash Reserve: As a result of our March surplus, operating cash reserve increased to \$143,668.

Capital Campaign Cash: Our capital campaign balance decreased during March to \$27,805 due to expenses totaling \$3,973. These include a HVAC repair, computer model for proposed changes, interest on our Mission Investment Fund loan, and the first invoice for our Capital Campaign fee from Kirby-Smith Associates. Donations totaled \$178.

HVAC System: The balance on our Mission Investment Fund for the HVAC system is \$124,030.

Building Fund: Our building fund decreased to \$3,887 due to a \$4,200 expense to replace the heating/air conditioning units in 117 and the All Saints Room. Donations totaled \$1,239 for the month of March.

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT: Aidan Mathieu, is a Boy Scout with Troop 5 and a member of Holy Spirit who is working towards his Eagle Scout Rank. His project will be making a protective fence around a sewage drain and a waterproof donation bin for the community to donate food, toys, and other supplies. He has set up a gofundme page to help cover the cost. This page would allow anyone to donate to the cost of his project. The link to the gofundme page is: <https://www.gofundme.com/sanctuary-at-haafsville-eagle-scout-project> Thank you for your support.