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Lehigh County has been downgraded to a covid transmission status of Medium (yellow). We are resuming our Covid protocol of "**masks optional**" on all activities of our congregation, including all worship services. Please be respectful of people's decisions regarding their masking preference.



JUNE 19, 2022

***8:30 AM Spirit Worship**

9:45 AM Family Worship

***10:30 AM Spirit Worship**

**Nursery Care is available
for all morning services**

Join us for Coffee Fellowship in between services in Rooms 117/119.

LIVESTREAM BROADCAST: Our services are live streamed and recorded. In-person attendance implies consent to be included in the live streamed and recorded worship service.

***You can join us for livestreaming on ZOOM - 8:30 & 10:30 am Spirit Worship**

If you are worshipping with us on Zoom, please remember to have bread, grape juice or wine available and ready for digital communion. **Bulletins are available on the website prior to the Sunday service for those who wish to follow along.**
Zoom Link: <https://zoom.us/j/5115048051> Meeting ID: 511 504 8051

If you are interested in watching the Pastor's Sermon and listening to the Gospel, please visit our website at www.lchsemmaus.org and click on the "Watch a video recorded Sunday service" button.



Pastor Ric & Deacon Jane's Retirement Celebration

Saturday, June 18th, 2022

4:30pm - 8:00pm

Come join us as we celebrate Pastor Ric and Deacon Jane's retirement.

Children are welcome and celebrated! The “Children’s Ministry” table and basket in the lobby contains a variety of items for children’s use during worship. Stop by to borrow a book, pick up some coloring sheets and crayons or take along a copy of this week’s children’s bulletin.

YOUTH NEWS:

MINI GOLF: On **July 10th**, if the weather permits, let's all meet at Putt U at **1:00** to play some mini golf together! Bring a friend! Sign up using the link so we know how many to tell Putt U!

[Holy Spirit Youth Group: Mini Golf at Putt U! \(signupgenius.com\)](https://signupgenius.com)

CAT CAMP: **The weekend of August 26th-28th** we will be having Catechism Camp!! Cat Camp takes place at Bear Creek Camp in Wilkes Barre, PA. This is such a special experience for our youth. When we ask kids about their experience they always have so much fun and have nothing but positives to say! Anyone entering 6th grade through 10th grade is welcome to attend and if you have older children, we are always looking for mentors! Students are required to go to Cat Camp before they are confirmed, so hopefully your child can join us this year. It's important in their faith formation. Please let me know if you have any questions! ~ Amber O'Brien

BLOOMIN' FAITH Thank you for your interest in our flower ministry. There are a variety of ways to support our ministry. Donations: \$25.00 is the suggested donation. Delivery People: deliver 2-4 small bouquets to our members. Our upcoming **delivery days are June 18, and July 23**. If you are interested in arranging flowers, or have flowers to donate, please contact Lisa Walton directly at lmwalton@aol.com. [Please click here to sign up.](#) Thank you.

PRIME TIMERS

Wednesday, June 29 – We will meet at 9:30 am in Camp Olympic Park (pavilion) for Trivia fun, goodies from Elsie, and fellowship. Bring your coffee and chair. After the meeting, we will have Book Club and discuss the book, “*American Dirt*”. Our next book is, “*The Lager Queen of Minnesota*” by J. Ryan Stradel.

THE FLY TO ABE GROUP plans on meeting on June 27th in Rooms 117-119 for a discussion on the book, “*Loving*”. Mildred Jeter, a woman of African and Native American descent wanted to marry Richard Loving in the state of Virginia, but it was against state law to consider an interracial marriage. They decided to marry in Washington D. C., where interracial marriages were legal, but when they returned to Virginia, they were arrested and jailed. The judge decided that they could avoid the jail sentencing if they left Virginia and stayed away for 25 years. On June 12 1967 the US Supreme Court made a decision in the case of “*Loving V. Virginia*”, to strike down state laws that banned interracial marriages. So, on June 12th each year, “*Loving Day*” is celebrated. This story is not only in book format, but in a movie format as well. Many of the local libraries have copies of both, that we can use, to hear of their story. Come and join us for a most provocative discussion on a real life issue in the US.



Preschool Employment Opportunities: Holy Spirit Christian Nursery School seeks a part time teacher and teacher aide contracted for 9-months. Candidates must love working with young children. The teacher candidate should possess a BA/BS in Early Childhood or Elementary Education. Email letter of interest and resume to kahler@holyspirit-emmaus.org or call (610) 965-5208.



June 20 – 24
9:30 am – 11:30 am

VBS DECORATING: Please join us as we transform our church space for our Knights of North Castle VBS. A **VBS decorating session is scheduled for Sunday, June 19th from 11:30 am - 1:30 pm.** Any questions about volunteering or VBS, please see Karin Kahler.

HAPPY
*Father's
Day*

THIS
WEEK'S
PRAYER
REQUESTS

Please remember these members and friends
of Holy Spirit in your prayers:

Our homebound members: Ray, Wilbur, Gloria, Tom, Richard, Phyllis, Deb, Jim, Peggy, Dick, Christopher, Kathy, Jean, Ed, Glenn, Norine, Jean and Billie.

Pray for God's healing for: Bobbie, Stephanie, Louise, Lea, Corbin and family, Darlene, Jace, Robbie, Paul, Pam, Pat, Helen, Elaine, Claire, Kevin, Linda, Leah, Tom, Donald, Ivan, Greg, Helen, Deacon Jane, Scott, Eric, Stephanie, Becky, Adam, Glenn, Jane, Denny, Millie, Lisa, Debora, Lisa, Marilyn, JoAnn, Patricia, Reinhold, Erin, Fred, Rosie, Christopher, Debby, Janie, John, Donna, Jim, Lester, Karen, Lisa, Douglas, Rachel, Nancy, Sue, Grayson, Azlee, Kathi, Maya, Jess, Matthew, Katie, Helen, Nick, Irene, Tonya, Ray, Ross, Deanna, Robert, Denise, Ksenia, Renee, Phil, Andrew, Jean, Peggy, Glenn, Sherri, Wilma, Al, Tammy, Timothy, Grace, Tony, Tori, Melanie, Mike, Don, Don, Ali, Doris, John, Judith and Betty Mae.

In times of joy for Elsie's 90th birthday with loving birthday wishes from her family.

In times of joy and celebration for the wedding of Emily and Paul.

In times of sorrow, we pray for the family and friends of Alice, Leona, and Patricia Ann.

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.

Financial Results and Discussion – May 2022

Operating Performance:

Operating cash to begin the month was \$141,050. May operating income was \$65,447 and operating expenses were \$56,542, giving us a surplus of \$8,905. Prepaid expenses being used netted \$249. YTD we have \$14,416 surplus. Most mission areas were close or under budget for May. With the May operating results our operating cash reserve is \$150,205.

Spirit Led, Spirit Alive Capital Campaign: The current total in our Spirit Led, Spirit Alive account is \$154,125. Total donations for the month of May were \$7,327. There was one expense for \$771 for a down payment for the Paschal candle. This was funded entirely through a donation for a special designation item.

Building Project Loan: The balance on our Mission Investment Fund loan for the Building Project at the end of May is \$713,403.

Lower Level Renovation Project: The current total in our Lower Level Renovation Project account is \$398,273. There were no donations in May. There was one expense for the first payment of the project to Arthur Funk & Sons (\$53,311).

Building Fund: Our building fund decreased to \$6,621 during the month of May. Donations totaled \$614. There was one expense to replace a light in the lower parking lot and to change remaining upper parking lot lights to LED (\$1,000). Thank you for your continued support of our Building Fund!

Thank you to those who have donated to our **Spirit Led, Spirit Alive special designation items**. Please see below for an update on what we have collected.

Items that have already been donated are: Baptismal font, Pascal candle, Bell tablecloth skirts, Communion rail cushions, 4 flower vases, 1 book cart, 8 worship center chairs. **Items still available to donate in memory or honor of:**

Flower tables (4) - \$1,500 each

Usher stands (2) - \$2,550 each

Book cart (1) - \$700

Worship center chairs (152) - \$100 each

Narthex TV monitors (2) - \$2,225 each

Narthex folding chairs (50) - \$55 each

Narthex information kiosk - (estimate \$3,500)

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

TURNING POINT/OUTREACH FOR CHILDREN IN DOMESTIC ABUSE SHELTERS

During June and July, Holy Spirit will be collecting diapers for Turning Point of the Lehigh Valley. Our Vacation Bible School children will join this effort by collecting diapers, baby shampoo, infant and preschool toys, baby wipes and baby teething rings from June 20-24. Anyone can donate any of these items and/or diapers by placing them in the bin in the coat closet outside the Fellowship Center. If the church is locked, there is a collection bin outside by the entrance at the center of the building.

Turning Point shelters provide a safe place for victims of domestic violence and their children to explore their options for approximately 30 days. Turning Point operates two emergency shelters in Lehigh and Northampton Counties, accommodating single women and women with children in a communal living environment. Women and their children living in the shelters are exposed to a living situation free from violence, often for the first time in their lives. Children learn by example that one can live without violence. Thank you on behalf of these very vulnerable children.

EMMAUS GARDEN CLUB BENEFIT FOR EAST PENN NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS

On June 25th the Emmaus Garden Club/East Penn Neighbors Helping Neighbors is hosting Garden Tours at 7 Emmaus Home Gardens. All proceeds go to East Penn Neighbors Helping Neighbors which serves families through multi-faceted short term assistance helping to restore and sustain healthy independent living. You can help this effort in a couple of ways. One, be a Garden Host for 90 minutes at one of the gardens. Or, purchase a ticket to view the gardens. Tickets are \$25 in advance and include lunch – see the flyer for details. The event is rain or shine.

Garden Host volunteers will sit in the gardens and check people's tickets as they come in. There is no expectation to sell or explain anything floral. If you'd like to volunteer please call the Emmaus Garden Club at 610-310-7497.

The German choral group, **Vivida Banda**, is planning a trip to the USA this August and they would like to give a concert at the church on Saturday August 13 and possibly a join us for a song in morning worship on Sunday August 14.

They really enjoyed their time at Holy Spirit in 2018. Of course, this time it is much more complicated post-pandemic. They have been working with similar limitations and restrictions and now they are preparing a two week stay in the states, first in Chicago, then Allentown, and finishing in NYC.

They are seeking homes who would host them for two nights - Aug 12 and Aug 13.

I am hoping that we can get the word out now so that families and individuals can begin thinking about this. What we did in 2018 worked extremely well and they are hoping to follow that same plan and schedule. Of course, they will provide us with information about everyone's vaccine status and negative Covid tests and will follow our masking guidelines. We know how things may change between now and August. But they are moving forward and would like a commitment for their stay with us.

The schedule would look something like this:

Arrival - Friday Aug 12 - light snack at host home

Sat Aug 13 - breakfast by host family, rehearsal at the church, lunch at a local restaurant, more rehearsal, light dinner at the church and then evening concert.

Sunday Aug 14 - Light breakfast at the church, participation in morning worship, lunch at the church, then departure for another local concert.

I have much of the letters and information from three years ago we can use as a blueprint. Of course things may be different if we cannot provide food at the church based on our guidelines since Covid. They will provide me with a list of names, including individual dietary needs and pets in the homes, etc. as soon as they have that information.

The concert last time was a blessing to all who attended, and their voices are truly beautiful - they have continued to win awards in Germany for their musicality.

Please contact [Cindy Ernst](#) if you are willing to be a host. Thank you.

SUNDAY, JUNE 19, WORSHIP LEADERS

	8:30	10:30
Assisting Ministers	Melanie Werley	Deacon Jane Elliott
Readers	Jimmy Lee Werley	Louise Davis
Ushers	Dean Black	Rick Slimmer
Greeters	Lorie Stout Sherman	Nancy Slimmer



Special Music for June 26, 2022 at 8:30am and 10:30am

Elizabeth Moessner and Vi Ballard, soloists
Rejoice and Sing
includes African American spiritual
"I'm Gonna Sing When the Spirit Says Sing"
additional words and music Rollo A, Dilworth

○ *Breathe On Me, O Breath of God*
Text: E. Hatch Tune: Traditional Irish Arranged by: S. DeCesare
A Blessing Jay Althouse
Elizabeth Moessner and Vi Ballard, soloists

CALENDAR

Sat. 6/18	9:30 AM	Bloomin' Faith (Parking Lot)
	3:00 PM	Wedding (WC)
	4:30 PM	Retirement Celebration for Pr Ric & Deacon Jane
Sun. 6/19	11:30 AM	VBS Set-up (Church)
Mon. 6/20	9:30 AM	Vacation Bible School
	10:00 AM	Counters (Office)
	3:00 PM	Knitting in Faith (ASR)
	7:00 PM	Finance Team (Tent)
	7:00 PM	Stephen Ministers (117/119 & ASR)
Tues. 6/21	9:30 AM	Vacation Bible School
	1:00 PM	Staff Meeting (117/119)
	7:00 PM	Congregation Council
	7:00 PM	Community Justice Panel (ASR)
Weds. 6/22	9:30 AM	Vacation Bible School
	6:30 PM	Outreach Mission Team (Zoom)
Thurs. 6/23	9:30 AM	Vacation Bible School
	Noon	Music Rehearsal (WC)
	2:30 PM	Music Rehearsal (WC)
	7:00 PM	Church Growth (Zoom)
Fri. 6/24	9:30 AM	Vacation Bible School
Sat. 6/25	2:00 PM	Tobey's Graduation Event (FC)
Mon. 6/27	10:00 AM	Counters (FC)
	10:00 AM	Fly to ABE (117/119)
Tues. 6/28	9:30 AM	Stitch-n-Chat (117/119)
	10:00 AM	Staff Meeting (FC)
	7:00 PM	Faith Formation for Children (Zoom)