



The Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit
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AUGUST 7, 2022

***8:30 AM Spirit Worship**
9:45 AM Family Worship
***10:30 AM Spirit Worship**

Nursery Care is available at all morning services.

Coffee / Tea available in Room 117/119 via Keurig machines.



We are continuing with our Covid protocol of "**masks optional**" on all activities of our congregation, including all worship services (with the exception of Rejoicing Spirits). Please be respectful of people's decisions regarding their masking preference.

***We are livestreaming our 8:30 & 10:30 am worship services on Zoom**

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.

HOST FAMILIES NEEDED: The award-winning German choir, Vivida Banda is coming to Holy Spirit for a concert on Saturday August 13 at 7 pm. They will also be singing in Sunday morning worship services the next day. We are still seeking a few host homes for this group. If you have any questions or would like to host 2-3 students, please contact Cindy Ernst at cindyernst88@gmail.com or 484-553-6536. They will only need a place to sleep and breakfast as they will be gone every day from morning to evening. All members of Vivida Banda will be taking a rapid test on the bus prior to their arrival as part of their Covid-Security-Plan and to ensure the safety of their host families. Thanks for your consideration!

REJOICING SPIRITS *“Let Your Light Shine”* is the special message for the Rejoicing Spirits service on August 14th at 2:30 pm in the Worship Center. Please join us. Masking is still required.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION: Do you know someone looking for a quality preschool experience for their child? We would love to show them all that Holy Spirit Christian Nursery School has to offer. Holy Spirit Christian Nursery School has been proudly serving the children of our community since 1975. Visit <https://lchsemmaus.org/nursery-school/> to learn more about our class offerings. Limited openings remain for the 2022-2023 school year so don't delay!

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. 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](#)



Another huge Thank You to the Bloomin' Faith team. Your gifts of flowers delivered smiles and joy. Thank you to the congregation for your prayers, cards, and calls.
~ Peace and love, Don Walrod

Thank you for all the cards and well wishes we received for our anniversary. Thank you as well for the flowers John received for his recovery from surgery. The best part was being able to visit with Bob and Anne. We're so glad you "ventured" into Berks County! We feel blessed to be a part of Holy Spirit.
~ John and Carol Osenbach



AUGUST PRIME TIMER'S EVENTS: All Are Welcome! Go to lchsemmaus.org to see more of our upcoming events.

10:00 am - August 18 – **Book Group** will meet at Camp Olympic Park, unless it's too hot, then we will meet at the church. We will be discussing, "*Classified as Murder*" by Miranda James followed by lunch.

10:00 am – August 19 – **Movie Group** will meet at Church to watch, "Joy" with Robert DeNiro, Jennifer Lawrence, and Bradley Cooper.

9:30 am – August 31 – **Coffee Hour** at Camp Olympic Park or, if it's too hot, at church for trivia, upcoming events, fellowship, and goodies. Bring your coffee.



CHILDREN'S Ministry

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: As we prepare for the start of a new faith formation year, we are seeking a variety of volunteers to support our Children's ministry program. Materials and support will be provided.

Volunteers are needed in the following areas:

- Presenting the message during Family Worship (Children's Sermon)
- Elementary Classroom leaders - Prepare and present a craft/drama/follow up lesson related to the Bible lesson
- Elementary Classroom assistants

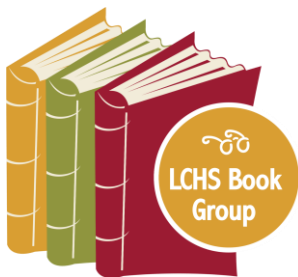
You can volunteer to be a part of the program on a bi-monthly, monthly or yearly basis. Please contact Karin Kahler (kahler@holyspirit-emmaus.org) if you are interested in serving.

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS Join us on Sunday, August 28th as we mark the start of another school year by blessing our students backpacks. We ask that our students bring along their backpacks to be blessed. Our students will receive a tag and cross key chain as a visual reminder that God is always with them.

BLOOMIN' FAITH: Thank you all for your generous continuing support of the Bloomin' Faith flower ministry. With your assistance, we have been able to reach over 200 of our members and reassure them of God's love and our support as they struggle through difficult times, rejoiced with them as they celebrated milestones, or simply thanked them for their efforts. As the days shorten, the flowers respond to the cooler weather with bountiful blooms. We'd love to share the healing joy of flowers with more of our church family: please consider delivering flowers either August 27 or September 24 so that we can deliver flowers to an additional 4-8 members those two months. If you have questions, please contact Lisa Walton at 484-431-7298. You can sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050A4CA4A6292-bloomin6>.

HELP NEEDED: LCHS is searching/recruiting for a part time Financial Manager. This position oversees the daily financial operations of the Congregation and prepares the monthly and annual financial reports. This salaried position reports to the Senior Pastor and works closely with the Financial Secretary, the Treasurer, the Assistant Treasurer and the Business Manager. If interested, please submit a resume to the church office.



LCHS BOOK GROUP (formerly Fly to ABE) will be meeting on September 26th, at 10 AM. All are welcome - male or female, to our very interesting book discussions. Our book selection for the 26th of September is "*Rising out of Hatred. The Awakening of a Former White Nationalist*" by Eli Saslow. Please feel free to join us for a very interesting, provocative, and current topic. Marilyn Egner



FROM THE MUSIC MINISTRY

UPCOMING EVENT - VIVIDA BANDA, is a youth and young adult choir from Germany, will be in concert August 13, at 7pm and will participate in our 8:30 and 10:30 Worships on August 14.

SAVE THE DATE - November 6, 2022, at 4pm we will have the Dedication of the New Rodgers Organ and we will also perform *Requiem for the Living*.

ADULT CHOIR rehearsals start September 8 at 6:30pm in the Nave.

SPIRIT RINGERS rehearsals start September 7 at 6pm in the Nave.

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS: We will be celebrating God's Work our Hands on Sunday, September 11th from noon-2pm. Bring the whole family for an afternoon of helping, sharing and fun! Our goal is to fill 200 drawstring backpacks with school supplies. We need your help and your contributions. Supplies needed are listed below. Please bring the supplies to the church office or to the Fellowship Center prior to September 10.

We are collecting: one box of 16 or 20 crayons; No. 2 unsharpened pencils; one pair of blunt scissors (safety scissors with imbedded steel blades); black and blue ballpoint pens (NO gel ink); 70 sheet notebooks wide or college ruled 8 x 10/12" notebooks (NO loose-leaf paper) for each backpack.

Other projects we will work on during God's Work Our Hands:

- A group will be going to the Union and West End Cemetery to help clean up.
- Faith Formation will be assembling "Birthday Bags" for the local Boys and Girls Club.
- Rejoicing Spirits members will be making greeting cards (masks required)
- Our Stitch and Chat group will be cutting squares and tying fleece quilts for the Kindness Project for local foster children.



FALL FEST/TRUNK OR TREAT 2022 - OCTOBER 16

Mark your calendars for Sunday, October 16th from 1:00-2:30 and prepare to have fun! If you are willing to be involved with planning and implementing the Fall Fest/Trunk-or-Treat at Holy Spirit please contact Pr. Tami Reichley (prreichley@holyspirit-emmaus.org) or Lorie Stout Sherman (stouts2@ptd.net) Watch for more information coming soon!

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, Darlene, Jace, Robbie, Paul, Pam, Pat, Elaine, Claire, Kevin, Linda, Leah, Tom, Donald, Janice, Greg, Marilyn, Helen, Scott, Eric, Becky, Adam, Glenn, Jane, Denny, Millie, Lisa, Debora, Lisa, Marilyn, Patricia, Reinhold, Fred, Rosie, Christopher, Debby, Janie, John, Donna, Jim, Lester, Karen, Lisa, Douglas, Rachel, Nancy, Grayson, Azlee, Frank, Katie, Helen, Nick, Ray, Ann, Debbie, Ross, Robert, Denise, Ed, Ksenia, Renee, Phil, Andrew, Jean, Peggy, Glenn, Sherri, Tammy, Wilma, Al, Timothy, Grace, Tony, Tori, Melanie, Mike, Elaine, Don, Don, Mel, Ali, Doris, Judith and Betty Mae.

In times of sorrow we pray for the family and friends of Joann and Mia.

About Our Prayer List...

If you have submitted a name or names to be published on our prayer list, please review the list regularly to make sure those for whom we are praying are still in need of our prayers. Contact the church office with any updates. Thank you.

If you, or a member of your family, are 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.

CALENDAR

Mon. 8/8 9:30 AM Stitch-n-Chat (117/119)
 10:00 AM Counters (FC)
 Tues. 8/9 10:00 AM Staff Meeting (117/119)
 Sat. 8/13 7:00 PM Vivada Banda Concert (WC)
 Sun 8/14 2:30 PM Rejoicing Spirits (WC)
 Mon. 8/15 10:00 AM Counters (117/119)
 6:00 PM Bldg. Project Leadership Team (FC)
 7:00 PM Finance Committee (FC)
 7:00 PM Stephen Ministers (ASR/117/119)
 Tues. 8/16 10:00 AM Staff Meeting (117/119)
 7:00 PM Congregation Council (117/119)
 7:00 PM Community Justice Panel (ASR)
 Weds. 8/17 6:00 PM Building Re-Opening Team (Zoom)
 Fri. 8/19 10:00 AM Prime Timer’s Movie Group (117/119)

AUGUST 7 WORSHIP HELPERS	8:30	10:30
Assisting Ministers	Dave Evans	Liz Moessner
Readers	Dianna Olszewski	Cassidy M.
Ushers	Angie Niland	Brenda Truhe
Greeters	Ricki Stringfellow	Marian Harrison

