



We are a  
**Reconciling in Christ,  
Rejoicing Spirits, and  
Handicap Friendly  
Congregation**

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

July 14

Rejoicing Spirits Service

July 15 – 21

National Youth  
Gathering

July 19

Church Office Closed

# HOLY HAPPENINGS

Sunday, July 14, 2024

\*8:30 am Spirit Worship

9:00 – 10:30 Summer Breakfast

9:30 am Family Service

\*10:30 am Spirit Worship

2:30 pm Rejoicing Spirits

**Nursery Care is available at all  
morning services.**

**\*Our 8:30 and 10:30 am worship  
services are 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.

Zoom Link: Meeting ID: 511 504 8051  
Audio only: 929-205-6099

Bulletins are available on the [website](#)  
prior to the Sunday service for those who  
wish to follow along.

If you are interested in watching the  
Pastor's sermon and listening to the  
Gospel, please visit our [website](#) and click  
on the "Watch a video recorded Sunday  
service" button.

**WORSHIP ATTENDANCE**

**July 7, 2024**

**8:30 am**

**9:30 am**

**10:30 am**

**In-person**

**128**

**66**

**65**

**Zoom**

**8**

**N/A**

**17**

<b>July 14 WORSHIP HELPERS</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>10:30 AM</b>
Assisting Ministers	JoEllen Rooney		Victor Schmidt
Communion Assistants	Sue Smith Rob Smith	Bonnie Shive Jennifer Wetzel	Vi Ballard Theresa Schinkowitch
Readers	Lindsey K.	Maddy H.	Julie Timmcke
Children's Message		Melanie Werley	
Greeters	Carol Walrod	Jeanette Shoemaker	Nina McNally
Ushers	Don Walrod	Jeanette Shoemaker	Chuck Coe
Production/ Technology	Jimmy Lee Werley Diana Sorrentino Volunteer Needed	Jimmy Lee Werley Eric Kahler	Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed

**JULY 14 SUMMER BREAKFAST**

Enjoy breakfast and fellowship with other members of our congregation in the Fellowship Center between 9:00 – 10:30am. This week's breakfast is sponsored by Mary Jo Serfass. Free Will Offerings from the breakfast will go to the Tanzanian ministries to be visited by LCHS members in 2025.



The Rejoicing Spirits service on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 pm in the Worship Center will focus on its special message of "In God We Trust." Wear the patriotic colors of red, white, and blue and join us for our service and reception. ALL are welcome!

## MONDAY LUNCHES

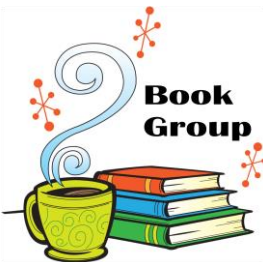
Join Pastor Wimmer for a brown bag lunch  
and discussion in the Fellowship Center



12:00 – 12:20 Lunch  
12:20 – 1:00 - Discussion

**July 15 – What if Holy Spirit...**  
**July 22 – Favorite Bible passage or story**

**Bring your own lunch.**  
**Coffee and water**  
**will be provided.**



### **Book Group**

Our next meeting is July 22. We will be discussing **Remarkably Bright Creatures** by Shelby Van Pelt. **NOTE TIME CHANGE - We will meet at 10:00 am.**



**CHILDREN ARE WELCOME AND CELEBRATED!**  
The "Children's Ministry" table and basket in the worship center 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.

Sign up to be a [Communion Assistant](#)  
Sign up to be on the [Production/Technology Team](#).  
Sign up to be a worship [Song Leader](#).



Training will be provided, and volunteers can choose how often they would like to serve!

**FAITH FORMATION NEEDS** for 2024-2025: Opportunities exist to get involved with our **Sunday School** program this fall. We are in need of teachers and teaching assistants for various ages. Please contact [Karin Kahler](#) to let her know of your interest in serving.



**BLOOMIN' FAITH** Thank you for your support of our monthly flower ministry Bloomin' Faith, which reaches all members of our church family no matter what their age: those who are grieving, those facing difficulties, those celebrating milestones, and in appreciation of church volunteers. Our next delivery date is **Saturday July 27**. [Click here](#) to find out how you can help.

### **CONGREGATIONAL WORSHIP SURVEY. . . . .**

As part of our efforts to continually monitor worship needs and expectations, we are asking that each member of your household complete the worship survey which will take approximately ten minutes. The survey will be made available July 15<sup>th</sup>.

Information received will serve as important data with regard to worship opportunities, style, time and any future decisions regarding the same. Please complete the survey by July 30<sup>th</sup>.

The survey can be completed online and is a fillable form. It is also available in paper form. If you elect to complete the paper survey, please return it to the church office no later than July 30<sup>th</sup>.

## **HELP SUPPORT OUR TANZANIAN MINISTRIES**

We are asking for donations throughout the summer for the Tanzanian Ministries Supported by Our Congregation.

This week's featured ministry is the Olchoki Primary School in northern Tanzania, which serves over 1,400 students from the urban center of Arusha.



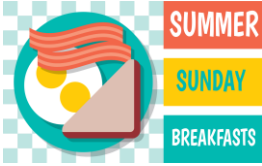
Any size donation would be greatly appreciated and will go directly towards supporting these critical ministries.

Here are the ways you can contribute:

- In Person: Place your donation in an envelope (decorated by our Sunday school) located in the nave.
- Online: Visit our website, click on "Give/Donate," choose "other," and designate your gift for "Tanzanian ministries."
- By Mail: Send a check to the church office, indicating that your donation is for the Tanzanian ministries.
- Using the kiosk in the Narthex.

As we look forward to the upcoming visit of our 12-member mission team to Tanzania in May 2025, we are reminded of the profound impact your generosity has had on the lives of many.





**SUNDAY SUMMER BREAKFASTS** go through Labor Day weekend. [Signup here](#) or use the QR code. **Available Sundays are: August 25; September 1.** Please provide your group's point of contact when signing up. Breakfast will be

served 9am-10:30am in the Fellowship Center to accommodate all services. Free will offerings will be graciously accepted and go towards the Tanzanian ministries to be visited by LCHS members in 2025. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Devine at 610-703-1471.



### **HOLY SPIRIT CHRISTIAN NURSERY SCHOOL**

Preschool Registration: The start of the 24-25 school year is just around the corner. Holy Spirit Christian Nursery School offers classes for children age 3, 4, and 5 years old. Limited openings remain and spaces are filled on a first come first serve basis. Registration can be completed online at: [Holy Spirit Nursery School - The Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit - Emmaus, PA \(lchsemmaus.org\)](http://Holy Spirit Nursery School - The Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit - Emmaus, PA (lchsemmaus.org)) or by contacting Karin Kahler.



### **PRIME TIMER'S EVENTS - All Are Welcome to join us.**

**MOVIE GROUP July 16** at 10:00 in the All Saints Room. Come join us to watch, "The Holiday". Discussion and lunch to follow.

**BOOK GROUP July 25** at 10:00 am in the All Saints Room. We will be reviewing "West with Giraffes" by Lyda Rutledge.

**MOVIE GROUP August 9** at 10:00 am. Join us to watch the movie, "The Old Man and the Gun" in the All Saints Room.

**BOOK GROUP August 22** at 10:00 am. We will be discussing the writer, Michael Connelly and sharing our books by him.

**COFFEE HOUR August 28** at 10:00 am. We meet for fellowship, baked goodies, trivia fun and laughter.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE YOUTH EVENTS!**



**July 15th-21st** ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans. Please keep your prayer partners and all of the participants in your prayers during this time!

**August 11th Youth Gathering Breakfast** Participants from the Youth Gathering will lead breakfast as a thank you to the congregation for all their prayers and support!



**August 16th-19th - Beach Trip to Ocean City New Jersey**

I just found out that **David Akers, former Eagles kicker** and the highest scorer in franchise history will be speaking at the OC Tabernacle the same weekend we have our beach trip! If you'd like to hear David and join us on our trip, please click the link below or use the QR Code. We have many youth signed up and are **looking for fabulous chaperones** who can drive and be present with us on our trip. This trip is for anyone entering grades 6th-12th. Anyone who has graduated high school is welcome to come as a mentor/chaperone. Please sign up no later than July 28th.

SIGN UP LINK:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084FA8A82FA4F8C16-49896423-ocean>

Contact Amber O'Brien for any questions!





**SUMMER TRAVEL REMINDER:** Planning to travel this summer and may miss some Sundays? Remember that Holy Spirit has multiple electronic giving options detailed on the congregation's website at [Holy Spirit Giving Options](#)

For additional questions on electronic giving, please contact our Financial Secretary at

[finsec@holyspirit-emmaus.org](mailto:finsec@holyspirit-emmaus.org) .

We appreciate your efforts to make consistent donations throughout the year!! ~ Stewardship Mission Team



### SKIN CANCER AWARENESS

Summer has arrived, and it's time to enjoy the outdoors and have fun in the sun. Spending time outside not only allows for physical activity and stress reduction but also helps in getting vitamin D.

However, it's important to be aware of the risks of overexposure to the sun. Most skin cancers are caused by excessive exposure to ultraviolet (UV) radiation. To protect yourself, make sure to stay in the shade, wear clothing that covers your arms and legs, put on a wide-brim hat that shades your face, ears, and neck, and use sunglasses that are rated for UVA and UVB radiation. Additionally, always use sunscreen with an SPF rating of 15 or more. Stay informed by regularly checking the UV index, which ranges from 1 to 11+. Take precautions when the UV index is 3 or above.

You can get more information on the web at The Skin Cancer Foundation ([skincancer.org](http://skincancer.org)), American Cancer Society ([cancer.org](http://cancer.org)), American Optometric Association ([aoa.org](http://aoa.org)), or talk to your healthcare team. ~ Dean Black, Faith Community Nurse





If you are not currently receiving electronic communications from the church or would like to, please contact Nikki in the church office at 610-967-2220, ext. 101. Electronic communication is our main form of communication with the congregation. We send out our weekly Holy Happenings, information on upcoming events, updates from Church Council along with other newsletters, notices and information so you can stay informed on what's happening, what's coming up and general church news.



**UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFO**

HAVE YOU MOVED?

GOTTEN RID OF YOUR LAND LINE?

CHANGED YOUR CELLPHONE NUMBER?

GOTTEN A NEW EMAIL ADDRESS?

Please let the church office know.  
We would love to stay in touch.



IN OUR

# Thoughts and Prayers



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

**Our homebound members:** Ray, Dale, Helen, Judith, Phyllis, Dick, Linda, Gordon, Christopher, Grayson, Darla, Jean, Norine, Billie, Trevor, Bob, and Don.

**Pray for God's healing for:** Joe, Connie, Gale, Scott, Vicki, Glenn, Dan, Ed, Beth, Charles, Irene, Lester, Nancy, Bob, Royal, Patrick, Robbie, Tom, Nancy, Wilma, and Sherri.

On Sunday, **we celebrate the baptism** of Wyatt Michael and welcome him into the body of Christ and the fellowship here at Holy Spirit.

**Please continue to pray for the youth and adults attending the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans this coming week.**

**Youth:** Isabella, Nathan, Hayden, Mackenzie, Jonah, Emma, Joshua, Kate, Maddox, Hannah, Luke, and Anna. **Adults:** Thomas Doherty, Adam Fermier, Amber O'Brien, and Theresa Schinkowitch.

**Prayer Request Reminder:** Prayers requested for a particular individual will be spoken by name at Sunday worship for one month following the date of the request. Should prayers be desired beyond this initial period, another request may certainly be made. The names of our homebound members will be offered in worship at least once a month. The full names of those for whom we are currently praying, including our homebound members, will continue to appear weekly in Holy Happenings.

**In the Event of a Pastoral Emergency,** 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.

## CALENDAR

Mon. 7/15	10:00 am	Counters (116)
	12:00 pm	Lunch with Pastor Wimmer (FC)
	7:00 pm	Finance Committee (FC)
	7:00 pm	Stephen Ministers (ASR & 117/119)
Tues. 7/16	10:00 am	Staff Meeting (117/119)
	10:00 am	Prime Timer's Movie Group (ASR)
	7:00 pm	Congregation Council (117/119)
	7:00 pm	Community Justice Panel (SC)
Weds. 7/17	9:30 am	Stitch-n-Chat (113)
Thurs. 7/18	3:00 pm	Quartet Rehearsal (WC)
Fri. 7/19	<b>Church Office Closed</b>	
Mon. 7/22	10:00 am	Counters (116)
	10:00 am	LCHS Book Group (FC)
	12:00 pm	Lunch with Pastor Wimmer (FC)
	7:00 pm	Faith Formation for Children (117)
Tues. 7/23	10:00 am	Staff Meeting (117/119)
Weds. 7/24	1:00 pm	Outreach Mission Team (Zoom)
Thurs. 7/25	10:00 am	Prime Timer's Book Group (ASR)
Fri. 7/26	10:00 am	Bloomin' Faith (Kitchen)
Sat. 7/27	9:30 am	Bloomin' Faith (Parking Lot)
Mon. 7/29	10:00 am	Counters (116)
Tues. 7/30	10:00 am	Staff Meeting (117/119)
Weds. 7/31	9:30 am	Stitch-n-Chat (113)
	7:00 pm	Stewardship Team (117/119)



**Holy Spirit is a place of welcome for people of all sexual orientations and gender identities and their families, friends and allies. We are a Reconciling in Christ congregation. All Are Welcome!**

