

We are an ELCA, Reconciling in Christ, and Rejoicing Spirits, congregation.

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#### **Upcoming Events**

June 29 & 30 RIC Sessions

<u>Sundays</u> Summer Breakfast

<u>July 4</u> Church Office Closed

<u>July 13</u> Rejoicing Spirits

<u>July 19</u> Iron Pigs Game

# HOLY HAPPENINGS

Sunday, June 29, 2025

\*8:30 am Spirit Worship

9:00- 10:30 am Summer Breakfast sponsored by Congregation Council

9:45 am Family Service

\*10:45 am Worship

Nursery Care is available at all morning services in Room 113.

\*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 <u>website</u> 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 <u>website</u> and click on the "Watch a video recorded Sunday service" button.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE				
June 22, 20 8:30 am 9:45 am 10:45 am	25 In Person 131 41 101	<b>Zoom</b> 15 N/A 12		
June 29 WORSHIP HELPERS	8:30 AM	9:45 AM	10:45 AM	
Assisting Ministers	Lori Stout Sherman		Craig Scott	
Communion Assistants	Sue Mathieu Michael Epperly	Sheila Huff Jennifer Wetzel	Volunteers Needed	
Readers	Kitti Berkheimer	Landon S.	Deb Stevens	
Children's Message		Jimmy Lee Werley		
Greeters	Becky Keane	Malkovsky Family	Fern Schlegel	
Ushers	Chuck Whirl	Malkovsky Family	Ken Schlegel	
Production/ Technology	Jimmy Lee Werley Jeff Gross Bill Keane	Jimmy Lee Werley Bill Keane	Carol Osenbach John Osenbach	

**SUMMER BREAKFASTS:** Sunday's Breakfast is sponsored by the Congregation Council and will be served 9:00 am -10:30am in the Fellowship Center to accommodate all services. Please join us.





**Donations for Summer Breakfast will go toward scholarships** for students in need at Holy Spirit Nursery School. In giving thanks for providing a ministry of education to preschoolers and their families in our community, we can provide ways for students to

continue to participate in preschool even if a family's situation changes. In supporting Summer Breakfast, we connect as a church community and support a ministry that is located in our building throughout the school year. Join us in being generous with time to connect with each other while supporting the good work that has happened for 50 years of Holy Spirit Nursery School.



#### RECONCILING IN CHRIST (RIC) WELCOME STATEMENT

Please plan to attend one of the sessions to help shape our revised RIC welcome statement. Your voice is important to this process.

- In Person Sun. June 29 from 9:35 10:35 AM in 117/119
- On Zoom\* Mon. June 30 from 6-7 PM

We value your participation.

\*Zoom opportunity will be through the worship link



#### FAMILY WORSHIP COLLECTION

We will be collecting new or gently used books for Cops 'n' Kids literacy project from June 15<sup>th</sup> – July 6<sup>th</sup>. Picture books through chapter books are

welcome. These books should be suitable for early elementary through middle school. You can learn more about this important program by <u>clicking here</u>.

<u>ALL SAINTS REQUIEM REHEARSALS</u> The Spirit Voices are beginning preparation for the annual Requiem to be presented on All Saints Sunday, November 2nd. This year's Requiem will be by Heather Sorenson. Rehearsals will be held through the summer on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm beginning July 9th. All are invited to join us. If you have any questions or would like a copy of the music, please speak to Reylene.



#### SUPPORT BEAR CREEK CAMP'S SUMMER STAFF!

We have heard from the full-time summer staff that one of the things they miss while serving on

summer staff is having snacks available for them during their off-time. So . . . we will be collecting and delivering snacks to the camp by the end of June. Suggested items include: 12-oz bottles of Gatorade, <u>individual-size</u> snacks (chips, popcorn, pretzels, crackers, etc.). You are invited to help support our church camp by placing donations in the bin outside the Fellowship Center. Thank you.

~ Deacon Mel & Jimmy Lee Werley



#### HOLY SPIRIT NURSERY SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Let your friends and family know that registration for the 2025-2026 school year is now occurring. *Limited openings remain*. Please contact <u>Karin Kahler</u> if you are interested in registering or want to schedule a tour.

**BEWARE OF SCAMMERS** Scammers often impersonate trusted sources, friends, colleagues, or agencies, such as medical offices, the Social Security Administration, or other well-known organizations. **Never give out personal information** to anyone who calls you unexpectedly or emails you requesting money. On the information table in the Narthex and in the Fellowship Center, you'll find details about health care scams and phone scams. Feel free to take the information to learn about some of the tactics used in these scams. Don't be deceived. Be safe.

**<u>CHILDREN ARE WELCOME AND CELEBRATED!</u>** 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 or pick up some coloring sheets and crayons.



#### SIGN UP FOR CAT CAMP THIS FALL

We are preparing for Catechism Camp this fall. CAT Classes/Camp available for those entering  $6^{th}$  through  $9^{th}$  arade. Please save the dates of October

10th-12th in your calendar and sign up using this link so we know how many kids to expect! We would love to have parents as volunteer chaperones as well. This is such a fun experience for our kids! We love going in October because of the beautiful fall weather! Please indicate your interest by signing up now so we can plan appropriately! <u>CAT CAMP SIGN UP</u>

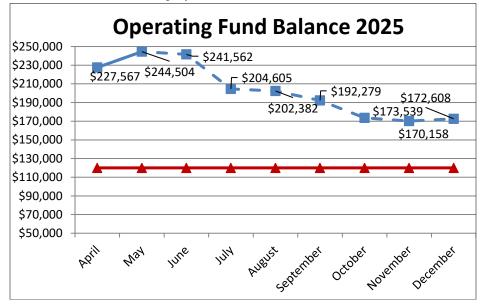
JOIN OUR YOUTH PLANNING TEAM! We are looking to put together a team of CAT Class youth as well as their parent(s) to help plan out the calendar year with events. If you and/or your youth is interested, please indicate your availability using this google form! FORM FOR PLANNING TEAM. If you have any questions, please email Amber at: <u>obrien@holyspirit-emmaus.org</u>.

#### Financial Results and Discussion – May 2025

**Operating Performance:** May income was \$89,689, \$10,245 or 12.90% above budget. Operating expenses were \$72,752, \$6,035 or 7.66% below budget. We finished May with a \$16,937 surplus,-compared to a budgeted surplus of \$656. The graph below presents our operating cash balance shown against our monthly cash requirement **April - December.** 

Thank you to everyone that continues to share their financial gifts in support of our ministries!

- Straight Line at \$120,000: Represents our 6-week cash requirement to operate the church.
- **Upper Straight Line**: Represents our **current** operating cash balance at the end of each month.
- Upper Dotted Line: Represents our projected operating cash balance through year end.



**Building Fund:** The building fund increased \$1,025.00 during the month and has a balance of \$6,277.44.

**Mortgage Update:** The mortgage balance as of May 31, 2025, is \$352,731.22.



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

**Our homebound members:** Ray, Dale, Judith, Fern, Phyllis, Joan, Dick, Gordon, Christopher, Lee, Darla, Larry, Jean, Norine, Billie, and Bob.

Prayers current as of June 25, 2025

**Pray for God's healing for our members and friends:** Alex, Vi, Ben, Tom, Joe, Rod, Tom, Scott, Allison, David, Glenn, Gemma, Gayle, Brad, Cheryl, Jameson, Laura, Lester, Eleanor, Marcus, Sue, Nancy, Sue, Jan, Megan, Helen, Jayne, Angie, Beth, Fred, Laura, Nancy, Sherri, Margie, and Don.

This weekend we celebrate the baptism of Austin William. We welcome Austin into the body of Christ and our fellowship here at Holy Spirit.

In the Event of a Pastoral Emergency If you are in emergency need of having a pastor contact you, please call the church 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.

<u>**Prayer Request Reminder:**</u> 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.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR

Sun. 6/29 Mon. 6/30	9:35 am 10:00 am 11:00 am 6:00 pm	RIC (117/119) Counters (116) Pastor's Meeting (Office) RIC (Zoom)	
Tues. 7/1	6:30 pm 10:15 am 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Stewardship Team (116) Staff Meeting (116) Community Justice Panel (SC) Tech Team (Zoom)	
Fri. 7/4	Church Office Closed		
Mon. 7/7	10:00 am	Counters (116)	
	11:00 am Noon 7:00 pm	Pastors Meeting (Office) Lunch with Pastor Shari Stephen Ministers (ASR & 117/119)	
Tues. 7/8	10:15 am 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Staff Meeting (116) Property Committee (116) Faith Formation Children (117/119)	
Weds. 7/9	6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Requiem Rehearsal (WC) Adult Faith Formation (Zoom)	
Sun. 7/13	2:30 pm	Rejoicing Spirits (WC & FC)	

#### **SUMMER OFFICE HOURS**

The office will be closing at 1:00 pm on Fridays, through August 29, 2025



# make this summer matter DONATE BLOOD

### **UPCOMING COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE**

# Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit 3461 S Cedar crest Blvd, Emmaus, PA

## Wednesday, July 30th 1:00 pm – 7:00 pm

To schedule an appointment: Scan the QR Code OR Call Miller-Keystone at 800-223-6667, ext. 2 and mention Sponsor Code 0743



#### **APPOINTMENTS REQUIRED**

All donors must present valid ID with: • First & Last Name

Photo &/or Signature

Veterans, ask your coordinator about our complimentary MKBC Military Challenge Coin.



Before you donate, remember to drink plenty of fluids & eat within 2-3 hours of donation. GIVEaPINT.org 800-B-A-DONOR Figure 3

#### VBS 2025

Pastor Shari and Scout introduce our theme for the day.





Thank you to the Wotring Endowment and Thrivent Choice Grants for supporting our VBS program and our Kona Ice treat!





There were crafts, storytelling, singing and dancing.







Indoor games were a hit in the rain and our openings rocked!



And of course, VBS wouldn't be possible without our dedicated volunteers. A huge thank you to all!