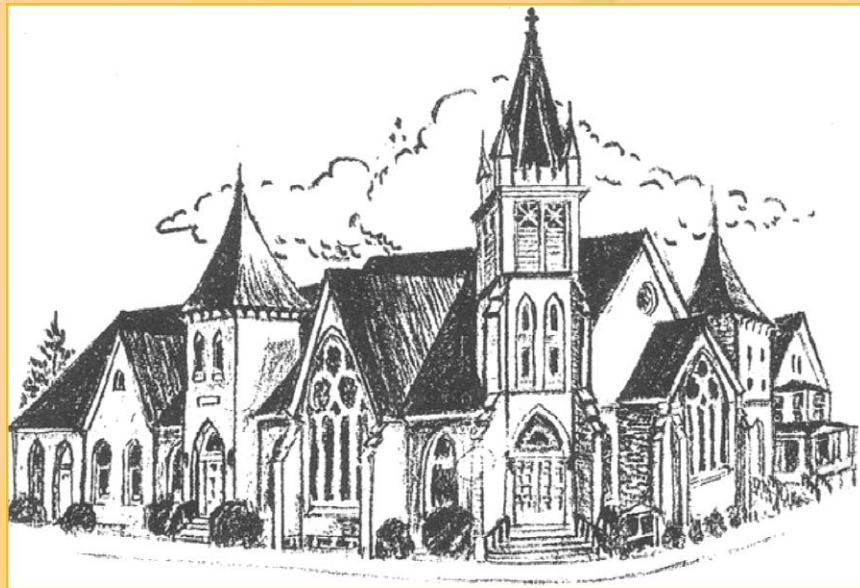


THE MESSIAH HERALD



AUGUST, 2015

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MESSIAH CHURCH CALENDAR

USS-ARK NEWSLETTER

THE LUTHERAN MAGAZINE

DAILY HOME BIBLE READINGS

August	1: Ephesians 4:1-16
August	2: John 6:24-35
August	3: Psalm 81
August	4: Ruth 2:1-23
August	5: Matthew 7:7-11
August	6: 1 Kings 19:4-8
August	7: Psalm 34:1-8
August	8: Ephesians 4:25--5:2
August	9: John 6:35, 41-51
August	10: Genesis 43:1-15
August	11: Genesis 45:1-15
August	12: Proverbs 9:1-6
August	13: Psalm 34:9-14
August	14: Ephesians 5:15-20
August	15: Isaiah 61:7-11
August	16: John 6:51-58
August	17: Acts 6:1-7
August	18: Nehemiah 9:1-15
August	19: Nehemiah 9:16-31
August	20: Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18
August	21: Psalm 34:15-22
August	22: Ephesians 6:10-20
August	23: John 6:56-69
August	24: 1 Corinthians 12:27-31a
August	25: 1 Peter 2:19-25
August	26: Deuteronomy 4:21-40
August	27: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9
August	28: Psalm 15
August	29: James 1:17-27
August	30: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
August	31: Hebrews 11:29--12:2



PRAYER CHAIN

Any time you wish to add a name to our prayer list, please contact Stacie Kint at dskint@nmax.net or 436-6341.

If at any time you would like to receive emails with prayer requests, please also contact Stacie.

DIAL-A-PRAYER (436-2100) IS AVAILABLE 24 HOURS DAILY!

AUGUST SCHEDULES

LECTORS

2:	Marina Holderman
9:	Cynthia Smith
16:	Bob St. Clair
23:	Barb S. Geedey
30:	Andrea Cameron

ALTAR GUILD

July 27—Aug. 2	Linda Clark
Aug. 3—Aug. 16	Sandy Pines & Michelle Stoner
Aug. 17—Aug. 30	Barb S. Geedey
Aug. 31—Sept. 6	Linda Clark

ALTAR FLOWERS

2:	Carole Nace
9:	Edith Nipple
16:	OPEN
23:	OPEN
30:	Dot Zeiders



WELCA met on Thursday, July 9 at 7:00 p.m. The program was presented by Cynthia Smith. Ann Beaver presided over the business meeting (thank you Ann and Cynthia). Items discussed were the Farm Project which has currently collected \$488.58. The scarves which have been knitted can be sent with the Seafarers' Project as long as there is a hat to match. Linda Leister has directions for a hat which some of us can work on between now and when the items go to Synod in the fall. We are planning to begin our knitting again in the fall with a dishcloth and possibly hats.

Seafarers Project – Items needed are: sweatshirts (preferably hooded sizes L-XL), thermal or white gym socks (no dress socks), casual pull-over T-shirts sizes M-L, and heavy knit winter caps. Place items on the table in the Adult Sunday School Room.

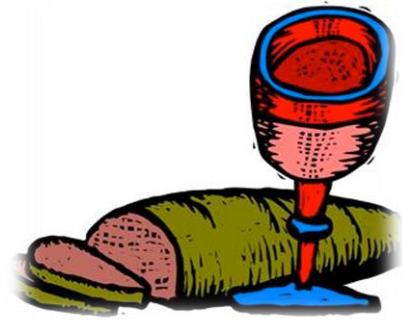
We are now collecting items for our School Kits as sales are now in progress. Items needed are 4—70 sheet notebooks of wide or college-ruled paper 8" X 10½", one 30-centimeter ruler or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other, one pencil sharpener, one pair of blunt scissors, 5 unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers, 5 ballpoint pens, one box of 16 or 24 crayons, and one 2½" eraser. The items should be placed on the round table in the Adult Sunday School Room.

Family Farm Project – Raising money for ELCA Good Gifts and in particular, a Family Farm. Cost of the Family Farm is \$715.00 and will provide a cow, goats, a dozen chicks, two pigs, farming tools, agricultural training and marketing support. Checks or cash will be accepted. Checks should be made payable to WELCA with a note for "Farm Project."

Refreshments were provided by Barb Geedey and Velma Suloff.

Our next meeting will be held on August 13, 2015 at 7:00 in the Youth Area with Ann Beaver as the devotional leader. We will be assembling the Seafarers' Kits to see what is still needed.

MESSIAH WOMEN OF THE ELCA continuously collect new bath-size bars of soap (4oz. to 5oz., preferably Ivory or unscented Dove) as an on-going project for Lutheran World Relief. Please place soap in the basket on the blue table in the Adult Sunday School Room.



WEDNESDAY SUMMER COMMUNION

Wednesday evening "informal communion" will be held during the summer months at 6:30 p.m. in the Junior Church Room for those who cannot make it to the services on Sunday mornings and still wish to partake of the Lord's Supper.



MEALS-ON-WHEELS

Volunteer cooks, drivers, and people to help assemble meals are needed. **Cooks are especially needed for the 5th Tuesday and 5th Friday of the month.**

If you have some spare time and can help, please call Dottie Heck at 436-6002 or 717-348-1950 (cell).

Individuals, church groups, or Sunday School classes who would like to make a contribution to the Meals-On-Wheels program, your continued support would be greatly appreciated. Contributions can be sent to:

Juniata Meals-On-Wheels
P.O. Box 251
Mifflintown, PA 17059

“JUMP-START” BLOG

The teacher recruitment for Children's and Youth Sunday School continues, but now at a stepped-up pace. As to be expected, summer is a difficult time to contact people because many are away from home on a long anticipated vacation. There are also those candidates who legitimately need time to think and pray prior to making the commitment to be a Sunday School teacher. To join the church school faculty is an important step not to be taken lightly. Not only is a steady dedication demanded, but in most cases this church job brings with it the need to reassess and reprioritize one's personal life.

Preparation and teaching both demand personal time, and by necessity, a spiritual commitment such as this now must compete with routine secular activities.



We are pleased to report that the Board of Christian Education has, to date, received the commitment to teach from four persons: Nasreen Kepler, Kate Swailes, Sandy Pines and Linda Clark. Linda has also agreed to be the real-time, on site facilitator. If we were to start Sunday School tomorrow, we now have the teachers in place to make it work! However, to fit our model of two teachers per class, we are half-way there. Our goal is to have a complete resolution by the end of the month.

While this goal has assumed priority, we see our focus slowly shifting to Jump Starting the Young Adult Class to be made up largely of the parents of the children in our children's Sunday School. This start up is extremely important as it represents a platform for rejuvenating our entire church. More on this later.

THANK YOU

We are so grateful to Messiah Lutheran Church for the donation that was made to our ministry. These gifts will be used to help so many women and children in our community. We feel blessed to have received such thoughtful gifts from our fellow believers.

Thank you so very much for choosing to bless us!

In Christ,
Jennifer Cohenour
Client Services Director
Crossroads Pregnancy Center

SYNOD GROW TEAM (SAVE THE DATES)

- September 13, 2015: God's Work, Our Hands Sunday
- September 20, 2015: Knoebel's Day for the Synod
- October 31, 2015: Building Youth Groups at Camp Mount Luther
- November 21, 2015: Family Advent Night at Messiah in Williamsport
- February 19-20 or 26-27, 2016: GROW in the SNOW Retreat at Camp Mount Luther



JUNIATA COUNTY RADIO

**SPORTS *NEWS*

**COUNTRY *OLDIES*

LISTEN ONLINE AT:

www.juniatacountyradio.com

On September 1, 2015 radio stations WJUN-FM Country 92.5 & WLZS-FM Wheels 106.1 will be leaving their studios in Mexico, Juniata County and moving to Lewistown and will be rebranded as Bigfoot Country 92 and Bigfoot Country 106.

When this move was announced it left Juniata County high school sports without a local radio home, and, in order to fill this gap Steve Harris, Seth Hart (Shane Nelson), Pete Primak, and Central PA Alerts administrators have teamed up to form Juniata County Radio. This will make Juniata County sports available worldwide on the Internet via www.juniatacountyradio.com while also keeping a radio station in Juniata County. The site is a long way from being finished; however, it will be up and running by the time high school sports begin in September. Once the sports portion of the site is up and running, a permanent Country Music and Oldies station will be added. More details will be made available as the site is developed. Nobody mentioned in this article has anything to do with the WJUN and WLZS relocation. We are filling the gap they will leave when the stations move.

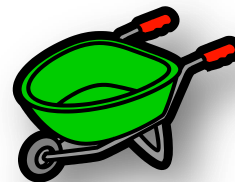


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HELP AVAILABLE

If you or someone you know needs help with home repairs or yard work, there are volunteers in our community who may be able to help.

For more information, contact Michael "Doc" Johnston at 436-9209.

JUNIATA COUNTY FOOD PANTRY AUGUST UPDATE

Dear Friends,

As the summer heats up, we are reminded that Hunger does NOT take a vacation! Please don't forget your neighbors struggling to keep their families fed while everyone else enjoys summer vacation. Thanks to all of you who are bringing in fresh produce from your gardens! What a blessing straight from the Lord is fresh produce to those who rarely taste any but the canned variety, and very little of that.

In June 2015, the Food Pantry served 374 families in need – a total of 1009 individuals! In addition, our Summer Backpack Program provided 1040 lunches for 108 school age children who otherwise would be facing a hungry summer vacation. A special thank you to Messiah Lutheran Church for providing volunteers for the month.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR AUGUST:
FRESH PRODUCE AND ANY NON-PERISHABLE FOODS;
TOOTHPASTE, TOOTHBRUSHES, SHAMPOO, LOTION,
BATH SOAP, OVER-THE-COUNTER PAIN AND COLD MEDICINES,
BAND-AIDS AND ANTIBIOTIC OINTMENT

**WE ALSO GLADLY ACCEPT DONATIONS OF CASH AND GIFT CARDS
FOR LOCAL GROCERY AND DISCOUNT STORES**

Address: P.O. Box 44, 114 N. Main St., Mifflintown, PA 17059

Phone #: 717-436-9718

Hours: Tuesday 9-12 & 2-6, Saturday 9-12

Our vestibule is open 24 hours a day to drop off donations!

Visit our **Website:** www.jcfoodpantry.com

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**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO THE JUNIATACOUNTY FOOD PANTRY. (CONTACT PERSON: KATHY QUEITZSCH). Email: jcfoodpantry@embarqmail.com*

