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BIBLICAL SYMBOLISM BEHIND THE 4TH OF JULY -- BY MIKE SHREVE

One of the most amazing facts about the Founding Fathers is this--the one referred to as the "voice" of the revolution (John Adams) and the one referred to as the "pen" of the revolution (Thomas Jefferson) both died on the same day, July 4, 1826, exactly 50 years from the formation of the United States of America in 1776. Some would call this a mere "coincidence;" I prefer to call it a "God-incidence," a sign of the Creator's providential care and divine involvement in the formation of this unique and blessed nation.

It is doubly amazing to see that the number 50 actually represents "liberty" in Biblical symbolism. Why? Because every 50 years, the Jewish people were commanded to celebrate a special year called the "Year of Jubilee." This was a year when prisoners were set free, debts were forgiven and land was restored to its original owners. Great joy reigned over all the land. Interestingly, a phrase from the section of Scripture describing that recurring event is even found on one of our most beloved national emblems, the Liberty Bell: *"Proclaim LIBERTY throughout all the land to all the inhabitants thereof."* (Lev. 25:10)

This double-sign, in my opinion, is double-proof that it was God, and not just man, that raised up this bastion of freedom for His purposes to be accomplished in the earth. Not only have we been the natural bread-basket of the world; we have been the spiritual bread-basket of the world as well. We cannot lose sight of this "calling" in the face of so much anti-American sentiment and even the disappointment we may feel concerning our own government. Yes, there have been abuses of both political and military power and selfish corporate agendas that have fouled the waters of our influence among the nations. But there are still many rivers of living water, flowing out of the bedrock of this republic, from multiplied thousands of ministries and Christian-run businesses who have changed the world in significant ways: financially, educationally, socially, governmentally, and most of all, spiritually. Now our freedoms are being challenged in many ways. More than ever, it is time for the church to arise, on both a local and national level, and claim our

nation for the Kingdom of God. For the sake of our heritage and the ones who sacrificed to pass it on to us, we must increase our efforts. For the sake of our children, we must strive to purify our society and culture. For the sake of the Kingdom of God, we must keep preaching the Good News and lifting up the Name of Jesus.

The Liberty Bell was actually created in 1753, after two failed attempts. This speaks a very important truth to us: that we should never give up on an ideal. Instead, may we tenaciously hold on to our vision, even in times when it seems to fail or when it doesn't work right.

It is also vital to understand that the Liberty Bell was first ordered as a 50-year memorial of William Penn's extraordinary "Charter of Privileges" in Pennsylvania. Little did the forgers know that it would ultimately represent something far greater and far more important--on a national scale. In like manner, our efforts in spreading the Gospel may, at times, seem small compared to the need, but the *"God who gives the increase" can magnify and amplify our work by His supernatural power* (I Cor. 3:7).

According to one of the most popular legends, the Liberty Bell cracked when it was rung at the death of Chief Justice John Marshall in 1835. And so it is, that when justice "dies" (as in the horrendous slaughtering the unborn in our society), then the "liberty" of this republic is seriously and severely damaged. Justice must reign for all, if liberty is to reign for all.

Finally, let us not shrink before those who would ridicule our faith. Instead, let us hold to the truth that standing for the Bible is one of the most American things that we can do. Immediately after the Declaration of Independence, the newly formed Continental Congress ordered 20,000 copies of the Bible to be distributed in the colonies. America's leaders were passionate about the spreading of God's Word in that day—and it's part of our heritage, regardless of what the post-modern secularists want America to be now.

On this July 4th, let us unite together in prayer that God will heal our land by sending another

"Great Awakening," not only taking us back to our roots, but taking us deeper than ever into a culture that is both God-honoring and Bible-based. That is our only hope. No political, social, or economic program will cure our ills unless we experience another great outpouring from the throne room of God. *The God of heaven has done it before; He can do it again!*

Mike Shreve is the author of 11 books, has been involved in full-time ministry and evangelism since 1971, sharing the gospel around the world. His passion is to see authentic New Testament Christianity in the earth, the release of God's glory, the manifestation of His gifts, and the fulfillment of His promises. He and his wife, Elizabeth, reside in Cleveland, TN, with their two children.

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PRAYER REQUEST REMINDER!!

PRAYER REQUESTS will be placed in the Sunday bulletin for one month. If you wish to have someone included in the prayer list for an additional month, please contact Judy directly at the church office at 436-6213 or at messiahlutheran@pa.net! If you have anyone who is a "last minute" addition after the bulletin has been printed on Fridays, please fill out an orange prayer card in the pew and lay it on the stand where the gluten free wafers are placed PRIOR to the morning worship service.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS & PRAYER FOCUS

JULY 1----- ROMANS 6:12-23
THOSE IN NEED OF GOD'S GRACE

JULY 2----- MATTHEW 10:40-42
PRISON MINISTRIES

JULY 3----- EPHESIANS 4:11-16
FAMILY MEMBERS

JULY 4----- ROMANS 7:1-6
THOSE IMMOBILIZED BY GUILT

JULY 5----- ZECHARIAH 4:1-7
THOSE WHO ARE GRIEVING

JULY 6----- ZECHARIAH 9:9-12
TEACHERS

JULY 7----- PSALM 145:8-14
FOOD BANK VOLUNTEERS

JULY 8----- ROMANS 7:15-25A
THOSE WEIGHED DOWN BY GUILT

JULY 9----- MATTHEW 11:16-19, 25-30
CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE

JULY 10----- ISAIAH 48:1-5
PASTORS

JULY 11----- ROMANS 15:14-21
CAREGIVERS

JULY 12----- JOHN 12:44-50
MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS

JULY 13----- ISAIAH 55:10-13
THOSE MOURNING THE DEATH OF A CHILD

JULY 14----- PSALM 65:(1-8), 9-13
THOSE WHO HAVE TROUBLE SEEING OR HEARING

JULY 15----- ROMANS 8:1-11
THOSE WORKING IN ADVERTISING AND MARKETING

JULY 16----- MATTHEW 13:1-9, 18-23
THOSE STRUGGLING WITH ADDICTION

JULY 17----- HEBREWS 2:1-9
THOSE DRIFTING AWAY FROM THE FAITH

JULY 18----- HEBREWS 6:13-20
AT-RISK STUDENTS

JULY 19----- ISAIAH 44:6-8
THOSE BEING BULLIED

JULY 20----- PSALM 86:11-17
THOSE LEARNING TO DRIVE

JULY 21----- ROMANS 8:12-25
CHILDREN LIVING IN ORPHANAGES

JULY 22----- JOHN 20:1-2, 11-18
MISSIONARIES

JULY 23----- MATTHEW 13:24-30, 36-43
THOSE YOU HAVE MISJUDGED

JULY 24----- 1 CORINTHIANS 4:14-20
MENTORS, COACHES, AND ADVISORS

JULY 25----- MARK 10:35-45
WORKERS IN SHELTERS AND CRISIS CENTERS

JULY 26----- 1 KINGS 2:1-4
THOSE WITH TERMINAL ILLNESSES

JULY 27----- 1 KINGS 3:5-12
GOVERNMENT LEADERS

JULY 28----- PSALM 119:129-136
CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

JULY 29----- ROMANS 8:26-39
THOSE AWAITING DONOR ORGANS

JULY 30----- MATTHEW 13:31-33, 44-52
NURSING HOME RESIDENTS AND STAFF

JULY 31----- PROVERBS 10:1-5
PARENTS

JULY SERVANTS

LECTORS

- 2 Kate Swailes
- 9 Jean Compton
- 16 Barb Geedey
- 23 Linda Bahorik
- 30 Andrea Cameron

ALTAR GUILD

- June 19 to July 2.....Christie Holderman
- July 3 to 16 Linda Clark
- July 17 to 30Sandy Pines & Michelle Stoner

ALTAR FLOWERS

- 2 OPEN
- 9 Kitty Walters & family
- 16 In memory of dear friends
- 23 OPEN
- 30 Carole Nace

ACOLYTES

- 2 Nate Swailes & Tyler Rosenberry
- 9 Haley Mummah & Hannah Ehrisman
- 16 Garrett Berry & Caden Swailes
- 23 Jace White & Braedon Walton
- 30 Harrison Mummah & Sloan Smith

UPCOMING PASTORS & WORSHIP LEADERS

- July 2.....Stephen Rodgers
- July 9.....Deborah Hackenberger
- July 16Richard Beck
- July 23.....Rev. Paul Kampa
- July 30.....Andrea Cameron



WELCA did not meet in June. Cynthia will be in charge of our July meeting.

The Upper Susquehanna Synodical Women's Convention will be held at Camp Mt. Luther on Saturday, July 22. The theme is "All Anew-Renewal of Spirit and Hope". Scripture is 2 Corinthians 4:16-18 and the hymn will be Shine, Jesus, Shine. If anyone is interested in attending please contact Barb or Linda. Registration is due by July 1. The cost is \$40.00 to cover Brunch,

Lunch, Facilities, and Cost of Speakers. It is a fun day and you get to meet a lot of women from throughout the Synod.

School kits are just around the corner – stay tuned here for items we'll be collecting this year!

STORE GIFT CARDS

Weis and Giant gift cards are available to purchase from the Disciples Class. This is a very important outreach ministry that helps neighbors in need in our own community. We thank each and every one for continued support of this very worthwhile project.

MEALS-ON-WHEELS

Individuals, church groups, or Sunday School classes who would like to contribute 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.**

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SHUT-INS

LOCUST GROVE

(190 JAM HOUSE RD., COTTAGE #5, MIFFLIN, PA 17058)
Jean McNaight

BROOKLINE MANOR & REHAB SERVICES

(2 MANOR BLVD., MIFFLINTOWN, PA 17059)
Sara Ann Aurand, Reba Sigler

BROOKLINE RETIREMENT VILLAGE

(92 VILLAGE DRIVE, MIFFLINTOWN, PA 17059)
Jane Marhefka

BERRY'S PERSONAL CARE CENTER

(62 LEXI STREET, MIFFLINTOWN, PA 17059)
Carol Simonton

NORTHRIDGE CENTER FOR ASSISTED LIVING

(99 NORTHRIDGE DR., MCALISTERVILLE, PA 17049)
Dorothy Cleck Dottie Smith

HONNEMAN HOUSE

(58 HONNEMAN HOUSE DR., APT. 108,
THOMPSONTOWN, PA 17094)
Ruth Cisney Ray Bramm

LEHIGH CENTER

(1718 SPRING CREEK ROAD, ROOM 205B, MACUNGIE,
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Lura Aughey

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Mifflintown, PA 17059 Mifflintown, PA 17059

Kitty Walters Mona Lawson
P.O. Box 61 2792 William Penn Hwy.
Port Royal, PA 17082 Mifflintown, PA 17059

PRAYER LIST AS OF JUNE 29TH

Bob & Jeanette St. Clair	Jim Woltman
Avonel & Rick Waller, Sr.	Michal Gayer
Andrea & Bob Cameron	Seth Arentz
Letha Swab	Joyce Doyle
John Miller	Randy Clark
Mary Ernest	Joan Fulkroad
Don Clark	Jeff Sanders
Teresa Kauffman	Margaret Lowrey
Butch & Sandy Pines	Tammy Metz
Tom Lyter	Charlie Stouffer
Tom Ernest	Janet Fultz
Pat Fisher	Esther Rhine
Joyce Bradley	Barbara P. Geedey
The Family of Eugene Rhine	

CHRIST IN OUR HOME

A reminder to anyone who would like a daily devotional to jump start their day. There are plenty of devotionals in "Christ in our Home," which can be picked up and are FREE.....and are located at the back of the adult Sunday school room. Get yours today!

THANK YOU!

Thank you to members of Messiah for your prayers, cards, and flowers during my recent surgery and recovery. -PAT FISHER

Thank you for the beautiful altar flowers I received from the worship service on Sunday, June 25th. They were very much appreciated. -LINDA BAHORIK

Thank you so much to our friends at Messiah Lutheran Church for your generous donations to the Summer Backpack Program at the Juniata County Food Pantry. Many families will benefit from your donations by receiving nutritious food for their children during the summer months. Thank you for your support! -PAT BROWN, Summer Backpack Program Coordinator

The Fellowship Board deserves our hearty thank you for the Sunday, June 18, luncheon and for all the other events they sponsored and worked for throughout the past church year. They work hard and well, planning enjoyable events for us even though we sometimes forget to show our appreciation. Thank you so much to Barb and her committee for their continuing service of creating opportunities for sharing fellowship and food. *THANK YOU FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE!!*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY!

FOR THE MONTH OF JULY, 2017.....BIRTHDAYS!
JULY 4 - Shane Grimm JULY 6 - Bob St. Clair
JULY 7 - Jace White JULY 10 - Linda Bahorik
JULY 12 - Larry Covert JULY 26 - Claire Mummah
JULY 28 - Jean Compton

.....AND ANNIVERSARIES!
JULY 17 - Zach & Tammy Smith
JULY 30 - Matt & Erin Harris
JULY 30 - Bob, Sr. & Jeanette St. Clair

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Thursday - 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Friday - 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

MESSIAH ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS -- JUNE 4 TO JUNE 25, 2017

DATE	ATTENDANCE	TOTAL OFFERING	GENERAL FUND OFFERING	OTHER FUNDS OFFERING
JUNE 4	48 - WORSHIP	\$1,785.00	\$1,285.00	BENEVOLENCE -- \$155.00 SUMMER CAMP -- \$100.00 BUILDING FUND -- \$220.00 BIBLE SCHOOL -- \$25.00
JUNE 11	52 - WORSHIP	\$4,837.00	\$4,550.00	BENEVOLENCE -- \$85.00 SUMMER CAMP -- \$75.00 BUILDING FUND -- \$105.00 FLOWERS -- \$22.00
JUNE 18	61 - WORSHIP	\$2,272.00	\$1,437.00	BENEVOLENCE -- \$95.00 SUMMER CAMP -- \$205.00 BUILDING FUND -- \$435.00 WORLD HUNGER -- \$100.00
JUNE 25	69 - WORSHIP	\$3,192.00	\$2,448.00	BENEVOLENCE -- \$290.00 SUMMER CAMP -- \$300.00 BUILDING FUND -- \$110.00 FLOWERS -- \$44.00



IMPORTANT REMINDER FOR CHURCH-GOERS!! Access to Cross Street in Mifflintown Borough has been restricted since Monday, June 5th. The road will remain closed to all vehicle and foot traffic until the borough of Mifflintown has the funds to fix the bridge that is underneath the roadway. Anyone who uses Cross Street on a regular basis to come to or leave church will need to now travel to and utilize Route 35 to access or leave the church.



We extend our sympathy to Esther Rhine and daughters on the death of their husband and father, R. Eugene Rhine, who died on June 12, 2017 at Locust Grove. Please keep the family in your prayers.

JUNIATA COUNTY FOOD PANTRY JULY UPDATE

It's been a busy summer at the Food Pantry with the Summer Backpack lunch program in full swing. Thank you so much for all the great community support! So

far our Backpack program has signed up over 140 children in grades K-8 – children who might otherwise be going hungry this summer are instead filling up their backpacks with nutritious lunches.

In May 2017, the Food Pantry served 317 families in need – a total of 865 individuals. A special thank you to Free Spring Church of the Brethren for providing volunteers for the month of May.

Donations are beginning to slow down as families head off on vacation. Please don't forget that hunger doesn't take a vacation in the summer! If you'd like to come give us a hand we can always use volunteers.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR JULY:

BACKPACK PROGRAM: Single serve fruit cups and single serve mac and cheese. we also need dish soap and paper towels. We also gladly accept donations of cash and gift cards for grocery & discount stores!

PO Box 44, 114 N. Main St, Mifflintown, PA 17059

Phone: 717-436-9718

Hours: Tue 9-12 and 1-5, and Sat 9-12

Our vestibule is open 24 hours a day to receive donations. Cash, checks or gift cards may be deposited in the vestibule's mail slot. *Non-perishable foods and non-food items may be dropped off at any time in our vestibule. Please deliver perishable foods only when someone is here to receive them. Thank you!

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



FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED

Volunteers are needed at our local Juniata County Food Pantry. The following positions need such volunteers:

- ✚ **Food Box Packer** – Organized person who works well without supervision to pack supplemental food boxes for our elderly and children's programs.
- ✚ **Summer Backpack Program** – Help register eligible families and fill food boxes with lunch items for children throughout the summer months (June-August). Times available: Monday 9-12, Tuesday 9-12 and 1-5, and Saturday 9-12.
- ✚ **Cleaning Angel** – Person with a God-given talent for cleaning and organizing. Approximately 4-6 hours per week.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT LOCUST GROVE

Locust Grove Retirement Home outside of Mifflin, along Route 35 North, is looking for volunteers (individuals or groups) to spend time with our residents. Some of the ways you can volunteer are: assist with activities, read, bingo caller, religious activities, music, pet visits, crafts, nail painting, games, birthday parties, and visits with residents. If you are interested in becoming Director at 717-436-8921.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

FOOD PANTRY OPPORTUNITY FOR CHURCH GROUPS, YOUTH AND/OR ADULTS TO HELP CARE FOR THE POOR AND NEEDY!

Every month the Food Pantry carries food and supplies to a church on the outskirts of Juniata County to reach families who have trouble traveling to Mifflintown for food.



Six months each year, every other month, we travel to Turkey Valley Methodist near Seven Stars, and the

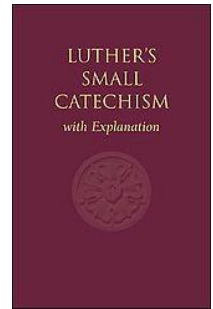
other six months is McCoysville Presbyterian near Honey Grove. We are looking for a group of 6-10 teens to adults who are willing to serve at the McCoysville Presbyterian Church, 9 a.m. to 12 noon the 3rd Saturday of every other month (February, April, June, August, October, and December). Duties include unloading the Food Pantry truck, setting up the food and distributing the food to families, loading groceries, and inventorying supplies. Call the Food Pantry at 436-9718 if you can help.

DID YOU KNOW??

The Full Buck Moon on July 9th is named as such because July is normally the month when the new antlers of buck deer push out of their foreheads in coatings of velvety fur. It is also often called the Full Thunder Moon, because thunderstorms are most frequent during this time. Another name for this month's Moon is the Full Hay Moon.

CONGRATULATIONS!!

Congratulations to Tyler Lee Rosenberry, son of Gary and Alissa Rosenberry, on the completion of his confirmation training and requirements. Tyler made affirmation of his baptism during the morning worship service on Sunday, June 4th. A reception was held in Tyler's honor after the service in order for church-goers to congratulate him on this wonderful accomplishment!



SEND A GIRL TO SCHOOL

Send A Girl To School is the new project for the Women of the ELCA. We are setting a goal of \$1000.00 for this project. If you would like to contribute toward sending a girl to school you may do so by noting a donation on your church envelope marking it **WELCA project** or by placing your donation in the school box located on the piano by our chart which will track all of our donations. WELCA is beginning the donation with \$120.00. To send one girl to school the cost is \$40.00 but we will take any and all donations. If we go over our goal that would be wonderful. All money will be sent to the ELCA good gifts project. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask Barb Geedey.

WELCA SYNOD CONVENTION

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JULY 2017 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, July 2:	-9:15 a.m., Worship/Communion (Worship Leader: Stephen Rodgers)
Monday, July 3:	-8:00 p.m., AA meeting in Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, July 4:	INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY / CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
Thursday, July 6:	-1:00 p.m., Dulcimer Rehearsal
Sunday, July 9:	-9:15 a.m., Worship/Communion (Worship Leader: Deborah Hackenberger)
Monday, July 10:	-8:00 p.m., AA meeting in Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, July 11:	-9:00 a.m., "The Needlers" in Fellowship Hall
Thursday, July 13:	-7:00 p.m., WELCA Meeting
Sunday, July 16:	-9:15 a.m., Worship/Communion (Worship Leader: Richard Beck)
Monday, July 17:	-8:00 p.m., AA meeting in Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, July 18:	-9:00 a.m., "The Needlers" in Fellowship Hall
Thursday, July 20:	-1:00 p.m., Dulcimer Rehearsal
Sunday, July 23:	-9:15 a.m., Worship/Communion (Worship Leader: Rev. Paul Kampa)
Monday, July 24:	-8:00 p.m., AA meeting in Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, July 25:	-9:00 a.m., "The Needlers" in Fellowship Hall
Thursday, July 27:	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
Sunday, July 30:	-9:15 a.m., Worship/Communion (Worship Leader: Andrea Cameron)
Monday, July 31:	-8:00 p.m., AA meeting in Fellowship Hall

THREE HYMNS

One Sunday a pastor told his congregation that the church needed some extra money and asked the people to prayerfully consider giving a little extra in the offering plate. He said that whoever gave the most would be able to pick out three hymns.

After the offering plates were passed, the pastor glanced down and noticed that someone had placed a \$1,000 bill in offering. He was so excited that he immediately shared his joy with his congregation and said he'd like to personally thank the person who placed the money in the plate.

And there sat our Rosie all the way in the back shyly raised her hand. The pastor asked her to come to the front. Slowly she made her way to the pastor. He told her how wonderful it was that she gave so much and in thanksgiving asked her to pick out three hymns.

Her eyes brightened as she looked over the congregation, pointed to the three most handsome men in the building and said, "I'll take him and him and him!"

2017-2018 LECTOR SCHEDULE

<u>2017</u>			<u>2018</u>		
July	2	Marina Holderman	January	7	Cynthia Smith
	9	Kate Swailes		14	Kate Swailes
	16	Jean Compton		21	Jean Compton
	23	Linda Bahorik		28	Barb Geedey
	30	Bob St. Clair			
August	6	Barb Geedey	February	4	Marina Holderman
	13	Andrea Cameron		11	Bob St. Clair
	20	Cynthia Smith		18	Diana Wise
	27	Ron Yorks		25	Barb Geedey
September	3	Diana Wise	March	4	Ron Yorks
	10	Barb Geedey		11	Kate Swailes
	17	Kate Swailes		18	Jean Compton
	24	Jean Compton		25	Diana Wise
October	1	Linda Bahorik	April	1	Marina Holderman
	8	Diana Wise		8	Andrea Cameron
	15	Bob St. Clair		15	Cynthia Smith
	22	Andrea Cameron		22	Bob St. Clair
	29	Ron Yorks		29	Ron Yorks
November	5	Marina Holderman	May	6	Barb Geedey
	12	Kate Swailes		13	Andrea Cameron
	19	Linda Bahorik		20	Cynthia Smith
	26	Diana Wise		27	Linda Bahorik
December	3	Cynthia Smith	June	3	Marina Holderman
	10	Andrea Cameron		10	Barb Geedey
	17	Bob St. Clair		17	Ron Yorks
	24	(Morning Service) Jean Compton		24	Linda Bahorik
	24	(Chr. Eve Service) Youth Readers			
	31	Diana Wise			



ALTAR GUILD SCHEDULE

JULY 2017 THROUGH JUNE 2018

DATES, 2017-2018

<u>FROM MONDAY</u>	<u>INCLUDING SUNDAY</u>	<u>ALTAR GUILD MEMBER</u>	<u>PARAMENT COLOR</u>	<u>TYPE OF SUNDAY</u>	<u>SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS</u>
July 3, 2017	July 9, 2017	Linda Clark	GREEN	PLAIN	
July 10	July 16	Linda Clark	GREEN	PLAIN	
July 17	July 23	Sandy Pines & Michelle Stoner	GREEN	PLAIN	
July 24	July 30	Sandy Pines & Michelle Stoner	GREEN	PLAIN	Service of healing - Place brass cont. on Altar
July 31	August 6	Barb Geedeey	GREEN	PLAIN	Home Communion Blessing
August 7	August 13	Barb Geedeey	GREEN	PLAIN	
August 14	August 20	Christie Holderman	GREEN	PLAIN	
August 21	August 27	Tawny Mummah	GREEN	PLAIN	
August 28	September 3	Tawny Mummah	GREEN	PLAIN	Home Communion Blessing
September 4	September 10	Barb Geedeey	GREEN	PLAIN	
September 11	September 17	Christie Holderman	GREEN	PLAIN	
September 18	September 24	Christie Holderman	GREEN	PLAIN	
September 25	October 1	Diana Wise	GREEN	PLAIN	Home Communion Blessing
October 2	October 8	Diana Wise	GREEN	PLAIN	
October 9	October 15	Diana Wise	GREEN	PLAIN	
October 16	October 22	Linda Clark	GREEN	PLAIN	
October 23	October 29	Sandy Pines & Michelle Stoner (Clint & Jamie Miller)	RED	REFORMATION SUNDAY	B & F in back Communion by Cup/Loaf Service of Healing - Place brass cont. oil on Altar
October 30	November 5	Linda Clark (Clint & Jamie Miller)	WHITE	ALL SAINTS	B & F in back * Home Communion blessing Communion by cup/loaf
November 6	November 12	Tawny Mummah	GREEN	PLAIN	
November 13	November 19	Tawny Mummah	GREEN	PLAIN	
November 20	November 26	Barb Geedeey (Clint & Jamie Miller)	WHITE	CHRIST THE KING	B & F in back Communion by cup/loaf
November 27	December 3	Linda Clark	BLUE	ADVENT	Home Communion Blessing B & F in back
December 4	December 10	Linda Clark	BLUE	ADVENT	B & F in back
December 11	December 17	Tawny Mummah	BLUE	ADVENT	B & F in back
December 18	December 24	Linda Clark & (Diana Wise if necessary)	BLUE/ WHITE	ADVENT/ CHRISTMAS EVE	B & F in back
December 25	December 31	Linda Clark & (Diana Wise if necessary)	WHITE	CHRISTMAS DAY/ 1ST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS	B & F in back Service of healing - Place brass cont. on Altar
January 1, 2018	January 7, 2018	Kay Varner	WHITE	2ND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS	Home Communion Blessing B & F in back
January 8	January 14	Kay Varner (Clint & Jamie Miller)	WHITE	BAPTISM OF OUR LORD	B & F in back Communion by Cup/Loaf
January 15	January 21	Kay Varner	GREEN	PLAIN	

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January 22	January 28	Kay Varner	GREEN	PLAIN	
January 29	February 4	Diana Wise	GREEN	PLAIN	Home Communion Blessing
February 5	February 11	Diana Wise (Clint & Jamie Miller)	WHITE	TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD	B & F in back Communion by cup/loaf
February 12	February 18	Diana Wise	PURPLE	ASH WED/ 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT	Removal of items from Altar area begin 2nd Sunday of Lent
February 19	February 25	Kay Varner	PURPLE	2ND SUNDAY OF LENT	Add large Wood Cross in front of organ & Drape
February 26	March 4	Kay Varner	PURPLE	3RD SUNDAY OF LENT	Home Communion Blessing Remove Altar Flowers
March 5	March 11	Kay Varner	PURPLE	4TH SUNDAY OF LENT	Remove Candelabras
March 12	March 18	Kay Varner	PURPLE	5TH SUNDAY OF LENT	Remove Altar Candles
March 19	March 25	Diana Wise	RED	PALM SUNDAY	B & F in back
March 26	April 1	Diana Wise (Clint & Jamie Miller)	WHITE	EASTER SUNDAY	Home Communion Blessing B & F in back Communion by cup/loaf
April 2	April 8	Tawny Mummah	WHITE	EASTER SEASON	B & F in back
April 9	April 15	Tawny Mummah	WHITE	EASTER SEASON	B & F in back
April 16	April 22	Barb Geede	WHITE	EASTER SEASON	B & F in back
April 23	April 29	Sandy Pines & Michelle Stoner	WHITE	EASTER SEASON	B & F in back Service of Healing - Place brass cont. oil on Altar
April 30	May 6	Barb Geede	WHITE	EASTER SEASON	Home Communion Blessing B & F in back
May 7	May 13	Christie Holderman	WHITE	EASTER SEASON	B & F in back
May 14	May 20	Christie Holderman (Clint & Jamie Miller)	RED	The Day of PENTECOST	B & F in back Communion by cup/loaf
May 21	May 27	Sandy Pines & Michelle Stoner (Clint & Jamie Miller)	WHITE	HOLY TRINITY	B & F in back Communion by cup/loaf
May 28	June 3	Sandy Pines & Michelle Stoner	GREEN	PLAIN	Home Communion Blessing
June 4	June 10	Barb Geede	GREEN	PLAIN	
June 11	June 17	Christie Holderman	GREEN	PLAIN	
June 18	June 24	Christie Holderman	GREEN	PLAIN	
June 25	July 1	Sandy Pines & Michelle Stoner	GREEN	PLAIN	Home Communion Blessing

LEGEND: * B & F in back means Bread and Flagan in back of church on small table.

- > If you have a conflict on your Sunday, please switch with someone, and notify Judy at the church office for inclusion in the bulletin-if possible (436-6213).
- > Remember, this is a volunteer group--don't worry about forgetting something--it always works out, because the Lord takes care of that!
- > If you have any problems or questions, please call Diana Wise (home: 436-6629 or cell: 994-2469).

PLEASE NOTE:

- 1) Candles must be filled each Sunday. (It happened that some burned out if not filled for each service.)
- 2) At the end of the service, you will be given tags designating the recipient of the Altar Flowers by the person in charge of that duty. Also, please include a bulletin with your delivery.
- 3) For Healing Services – Prepare the wooden containers/vials, with oil already in them, which can be found on the shelf of the Altar. Then place on top of the Altar near the stand holding the Worship Leader's bulletin.
- 4) Gluten free wafers should be handled first, and placed in the small container on top of the Altar near the stand holding the Worship Leader's bulletin.

VOLUNTEER ALTAR GUILD MEMBER PHONE NUMBERS

Clark, Linda.....436-6293	Miller, Clint & Jamie436-2876	Stoner, Michelle.....527-4214
Geedey, Barbara S.436-6433	Mummah, Tawny.....363-7406	Varner, Kay.....436-6641
Holderman, Christie.....436-2249	Pines, Sandy.....436-6145	Wise, Diana.....436-6629



CAMP MOUNT LUTHER NEWS

Mount Luther has had to rebuild their waste water treatment system thanks to a bear as well as outdated systems that needed to be replaced as they were not functioning properly after 20 years. The costs have exceeded \$100,000.00. Please if you can, add an amount in your giving and note that this is for the Mt Luther waste water treatment system. This is totally separate from the monies received for campers. Any and all amount will be forwarded to Camp Mount Luther. You may also send donations directly to **Camp Mount Luther, 355 Mount Luther Lane, Mifflinburg, PA 17844**. Thank you!



MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH 2017

PLANNING COMMITTEE PROPOSALS

STATEMENT OF FAITH:

WE CONFESS JESUS CHRIST AS LORD AND SAVIOR AND THE GOSPEL AS THE POWER OF GOD FOR THE SALVATION OF ALL WHO BELIEVE.

STATEMENT OF VISION:

TO GROW GOD'S KINGDOM BY ENRICHING OUR FAITH AND EXPANDING OUR WITNESS WITHIN OUR CONGREGATION, OUR COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD.

STATEMENT OF MISSION:

TO MAKE DISCIPLES FOR CHRIST OF ALL PEOPLE BY TEACHING GOD'S GRACE THROUGH FELLOWSHIP, THROUGH THE STUDY OF GOD'S WORD, THROUGH SERVICE TO OTHERS AND WITNESS TO ALL.

OUR MLC 2017 SHORT-TERM GOALS:

- 1) CALL A PASTOR
 - i. COMPLETE OUR MISSION SITE PROFILE
 1. DEMOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS
 2. BUDGET ANALYSIS
 - ii. SELECT A CALL COMMITTEE
- 2) INCREASE ATTENDANCE TO 75p/SUNDAY
 - i. INCREASE CONGREGATIONAL ACTIVITIES
 - ii. INCREASE YOUTH ACTIVITIES
 - iii. INCREASE CONTACT WITH CURRENT MEMBERS
 - iv. INCREASE SERVICE PROJECTS
 - v. EXTEND BUILDING USE TO COMMUNITY
 - vi. IMPROVE SOCIAL MEDIA USE
- 3) RECRUIT MORE VOLUNTEERS FOR GOAL IMPLEMENTATION
- 4) INCREASE FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

OUR MLC LONG TERM GOALS:

- 1) HAVE A FULL-TIME PASTOR
- 2) INCREASE MEMBERSHIP
- 3) FOSTER A "GROWTH MENTALITY" WITHIN MLC
- 4) FOCUS ON YOUNG FAMILIES
- 5) EXPAND WORLD MISSION EFFORTS
- 6) FOCUS ON INDIVIDUAL SPIRITUAL GROWTH
- 7) IMPROVE STEWARDSHIP HABITS
- 8) IMPLEMENT YEARLY GOALS REVIEW



AVALANCHE RANCH - VBS 2017



THANK YOU!!

A most gracious THANK YOU to EVERYONE who had anything to do with our visit to Avalanche Ranch this past week. During the week, the kids learned that God is True, With Us, Strong, and Awesome! (WAH-HOO!!) The chairs were filled for the Sunday Service in the Fellowship Hall. (WAH-HOO!!) Please check out Messiah's website at www.mlcmissaint.org where Bob St. Clair has created 3 amazing videos of the week's activities. (WAH-HOO!!) And even though snow suits could have been worn to the splash party instead of swim suits, there was a great turn out! (WAH-HOO!!) God Bless each and every one of you! (WAH-HOO!!) --LINDA CLARK