

THE MESSIAH HERALD



OCTOBER 2019

MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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AN IMPORTANT LETTER TO OUR CONGREGATION, FRIENDS, AND EXTENDED FAMILIES

Our Messiah Lutheran Church Mission:

***Teach God's grace through fellowship with others, through study of God's word,
through service to others and witness to all.***

Messiah Lutheran Church 3 South Third Street
Mifflintown PA 17059

To the MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH CONGREGATION and FRIENDS,

PART ONE: On behalf of the PPC and the CALL Committee we have some exciting news to share. Our call committee has been diligently working this year and, rather than just waiting for a potential pastoral candidate to be brought to us, they were proactive, and in January raised up a potential candidate's name to the synod. Other persons in our church community also raised up the same name. The result is, we have a pastoral candidate to consider. As most of you know, that name is Messiah's very own Sam Leister.

Consequently, Sam has conferred with Bishop Collins, enrolled in the Gettysburg Seminary, and on August 27, met with and received approval from the Upper Susquehanna Synod candidacy committee. As of this date, Sam is enrolled as a Pastoral candidate and has completed his first course in the TEEM Program (Theology Education for Emerging Ministry). Over the next three years, he must complete fourteen more courses. During this time Sam will have the title of Vicar. In the second and third year of this program Sam must serve an internship under the supervision of a Pastor to be named by the Synod.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, please understand that the final approval for each step of this process rests with you, the congregation. You must first approve his appointment as our Vicar, a Pastor in training. Later you would need to approve his appointment as Intern, and once he is ordained you will vote to extend a "call" for Sam to be our Pastor.

Should you decide to accept Sam as our Vicar, you are asked to support him with your prayers, financially as our full-time supply pastor, and with respect for Sam's changing role within our congregation during this three-year process. Following a congregational vote of acceptance, Sam's starting date as Vicar will be November 1, 2019, when he will begin presiding over all of our services.

As you receive this letter of information, we hope that you give thanks for our good fortune that one of our own has committed to become a Pastor and that he is willing to do it for us, Messiah Lutheran Church.

Please also pray in thanks for our Call Committee. They maintained the highest level of integrity during this process and have given of their time, energy and creative thinking to come to this solution for ministry here at Messiah. We owe them a debt of gratitude so be sure to thank each one of them when you see them. Their work will continue until the Call process is complete.

PART TWO: From Sam Leister, our executive Director, we have the following important announcements for the congregation. We will be holding several important voting meetings during the month of October. These involve two decisions, 1) heating and air conditioning upgrades and 2) ministry at Messiah.

The dates and topics are as follows:

- **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2019 AT 7:00PM IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL** we will meet with Mike Messimer, the HVAC contractor selected by the Property Committee. Mr. Messimer will be available to explain the details of the heating and air conditioning upgrades. Please note that this is both heating and air conditioning. Please note that ALL members at Messiah are encouraged to attend this gathering! The PPC will be present to determine a recommendation regarding the proposal. If the PPC votes to advance the project to the congregation, as required by our by-laws, a special congregational voter's assembly will be held on Sunday, October 27, 2019 immediately following the morning worship service.
- **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2019 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE**, a special congregational voter's assembly will be held for the purpose of voting on the proposal to engage in a covenant relationship with Samuel Leister, who has been entranced in a candidacy process for Word and Sacrament ministry. The process would be as follows: For a period of three years, Sam will complete course and practicum requirements at the United Lutheran Seminary, while at the same time provide pastoral services for Messiah. To start, Sam would conduct weekly worship services, attend council meetings, and provide pastoral care for the sick and shut-in. He would also be allowed to do baptisms and conduct funerals. During this time, Pastor Chris Mathiason would serve as Sam's mentor and begin to step out of the role of Interim for the congregation. When it is time for Sam's Internship years, the last two years of the process, an Internship Supervisor would be appointed by the Bishop to oversee Sam's Internship.
- **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2019 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE**, a special congregational voter's assembly will be held for the purpose of voting on the proposal to upgrade the heating and air conditioning system at Messiah. The need for this voter's assembly will be determined by PPC at the October 13, 2019.

More information will be shared through temple talks before worship services, through a congregational letter, the church newsletter, and the church bulletins. As always, please feel free to contact members of the Parish Planning Council, property committee, and call committee at your convenience.

We must give thanks to our Creator for all that he has provided for us, but we know you have many questions, we all do. Our PPC members, the Call Committee and Bishop Collins will always be available to answer these questions and attend to your concerns as we move through this period of change. With God's help and our prayers, we will cross over both the rough and smooth spots in our path to fulfilling our Messiah Mission as stated in the heading of this letter.

Yours in CHRIST,

CLINT MILLER, Asst. Exec. Director
LARRY WISE, Asst. Exec. Director



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING

Carole Baker	Anne McNaight
Jane Ann Baney	Charlie, Amanda, & Isabel Meinsler
Donna Barton	Messiah's Call Committee
Lindsey Barton	Tami Metz
Bob Bell	John Miller
Joyce Bradley	Larry Miller
Andrea & Bob Cameron	Shirley Miller
Don Clark	Jim Minick
Terry Coder	Minnie Minick
Leann Crimmel	Edith Nipple
Will DeLancy	Austin Parker
Fred Dowling	Noel Peachey
Max & Mary Ernest	Butch & Sandy Pines
Deanna Fawver	Betty Ranck
Jerald (Jerry) Foltz	Mary Sanders
Ed Fraker	Mackenzie Shearer
Joan Fulkroad	Bob & Jeanette St. Clair
Edie Kay Gill	Sieber & Ona Stoner
Pastor Charlie Hershberger	Kay Stuck
Josh Hohol	Dorothy Towsey
Matt Hutchinson	Rich Walters
Curt & Judy Houtz	Sandy Wert
Denny King	Dottie Wilson
Kevin Kint	Jim Woltman
Carol Lyter	Dorothy Zeiders
Mike Maugans	Linda Zimmerman
Carlen McClure	

Kitty Walters
P.O. Box 61
Port Royal, PA 17082

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

OCTOBER 1 – Dave Smith
OCTOBER 3 – Ona Stoner
OCTOBER 10 – Lois Crissman

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!!

OCTOBER 12 – George & Marylou Hazard
OCTOBER 18 – Steve & Jean Berry
OCTOBER 30 – Glenn & Mary Grimm

If you want to add your name to the birthday/anniversary list, or know someone you would like to acknowledge, please let the church office know at mlchurchoffice@gmail.com.

PRAY FOR OUR SHUT-INS

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

BERRY'S PERSONAL CARE CENTER
(62 LEXI STREET, MIFFLINTOWN, PA 17059)
Carol Simonton

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

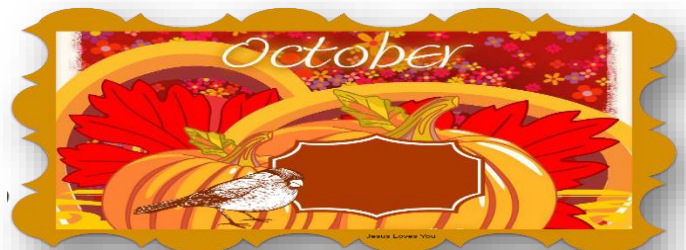
AT HOME
Jim Yetter Mona Lawson
128 Manbeck Drive 2792 William Penn Hwy.
Mifflintown, PA 17059 Mifflintown, PA 17059

MESSIAH PRAYER LIST

If you wish to be included on the email recipient list for the Messiah Prayer Chain, please send an email to Sam Leister at sleister@gmail.com.

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!



UPCOMING WORSHIP

LEADERS

October 6Stephen Rodgers
October 13 Rev. Rosalie Smith
October 20 Andrea Cameron
October 27..... Sam Leister

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.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Volunteers are needed to drive Max Ernest to his doctor's appointments. If you can help, please call him at his home phone number.

SUNDAY'S SOLDIERS

In lieu of meeting on the 1st Sunday of October, our Sunday's Soldiers will be walking in the Juniata County CROP Hunger Walk on Sunday, October 13th. We plan to have lunch immediately after worship and then go to the walk together. We ask for your support! Please consider joining our team, **Messiah Lutheran Sunday's Soldiers**, or by donating to our \$500 goal. You can go online at www.crophungerwalk.org/mif-flintownpa/ to join or donate by entering our team name. You can also talk to Tawny Mummah for more information. THANK YOU!!

WORSHIP CHANGES

As a congregation, Messiah has always prided itself in its worship services, organization, music, and those who selflessly help put our services together behind the scenes 52 weeks/services a year, with a few extra for good measure, such as

Christmas Eve and Ash Wednesday. With that in mind, the Worship & Music committee has been making a few changes – ranging from cosmetic to semi-major – to our weekly bulletin the past few weeks. Again, a lot of what you have found has been cosmetic in nature. This includes changing the Hymn of Praise and Kyrie to tunes that are familiar to all of us, provided by the relatively “new” ELW hymnals. Some of the changes have been semi-major.....but space saving – such as placing the “Prayers of the People” into the hands of the worship leader, leaving the rest of us listening to and those prayers. The prompt for each week has been printed in the bulletin, but the petitions themselves have been in the hands of the worship leader and organist. We hope that the changes, which have been made with great care and a lot of time and persistence, have made the worship service even more meaningful to you and will allow us all to focus on the word of our Lord.

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.

BLANKET SUNDAY

Blanket Sunday will be held on Sunday, October 6th. Along with all ELCA congregations, we are all invited to make a donation to Lutheran



World Relief in the special Blanket Sunday envelope that will be included with your bulletin on that Sunday. Blankets/quilts/kits will be taken to the Synod Office parking lot in Lewisburg on October 12th. (Anyone who has a truck and would be willing to help deliver the blankets/quilts/kits, please contact Barb Geedey!)

OCTOBER SERVANTS

LECTORS

- 6 Harrison Mummah
- 13 Ron Yorks
- 20 Andrea Cameron
- 27 Kate Swailes

ALTAR GUILD

- Sept. 30 to Oct. 27 Tawny Mummah & Tammy Smith
(*Cup Communion - Oct. 27 - Clint & Jamie Miller*)
- Oct. 28 to Nov. 24 Linda Clark & Christina Martin
(*Cup Communion - Nov. 3 & 24 - Clint & Jamie Miller*)

ACOLYTES

- 6 Hope Miller & Haley Mummah
- 13 Braedon Walton & Grace Miller
- 20 Hannah Ehrisman & Gabby Reed
- 27 Paige Martin & Nick Reed
(*Crucifer: Slone Smith*)

OFFERING USHERS

- 6 Hannah Ehrisman & Julia Martin
- 13 Olivia Mummah & Hope Miller
- 20 Braedon Walton & Haley Mummah
- 27 Julia Martin & Zeb Berry

ALTAR FLOWERS

- 6 In Honor of Ona Stoner's Birthday
- 13 Cindy Miller
- 20 In Honor of Dan & Michelle Stoner's Anniversary
- 27 In Honor of Butch & Sandy Pines' Anniversary



The Women of the ELCA met on Thursday, September 12th at 7 P.M. in the Young Adult Sunday School Classroom. Ann Beaver presented a program from the book entitled "The Second Mountain" written by David Brooks. Her program led into a lengthy discussion by the group on religions. Everyone present enjoyed the program and

participated in the conversation.

We had no Treasurer's report due to her absence. The minutes of the previous meeting which are printed in the newsletter, were accepted.

Barb reported under old business that Pastor Erin Bovendam will be our leader on Sunday, November 10th for the Thankoffering service and we will need ushers for the service.

Several items were discussed under new business. During our October 10th meeting we will put our kits together and get them ready for delivery to the Synod Office on October 12th. The Fall Retreat will be held at Camp Mt. Luther on Saturday, November 2nd from 9:30-3:00. Sarah Hershberger, Chad's wife, will be the presenter of the program entitled "We All Are One in Mission." The cost is \$20.00. If anyone is interested contact Barb for a registration form. Also, Barb has spoken with Trinity Lutheran Church in McAlisterville and we will be receiving 6 childrens' names again for the Christmas Angel Project. As soon as Barb receives their names, she will get the chart up in the kitchenette upstairs for those who want to purchase listed items.

Action Day will be held at the Synod Office on Saturday, October 9th from 9-12. Topics covered will be sexual assault, rape, and sexual trafficking. A Continental breakfast will be provided.

The 11th Triennial Convention of the WELCA will be held July 14th -19th, 2020 in Phoenix Arizona. If anyone is interested contact Barb.

Delicious refreshments were served by Jean Compton. They were enjoyed by all present.

Respectfully submitted by Barb Geedey.

WELCA FALL RETREAT

The Upper Susquehanna Synodical Women's Organization Fall Women's Retreat will be held on Saturday, November 2, 2019 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at Camp Mount Luther. "We Are All One in Mission" will be presented by Pastor Sarah Hershberger. Cost will be \$20.00 and includes coffee, tea, snacks, lunch, and the program. Registration deadline is **October 25th**. All women are invited to attend! Please contact Barb Geedey for a registration form.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS & PRAYER FOCUS

OCTOBER 1 ----- 2 KINGS, 18:1-8, 28-36
LEADERS FACING DIFFICULT SITUATIONS

OCTOBER 2 ----- 2 KINGS 19:8-20, 35-37
THOSE LIVING IN WAR-TORN NATIONS

OCTOBER 3 ----- HABAKKUK 1:1-4, 2:1-4
THOSE WHOSE FAITH IS WAVERING

OCTOBER 4 ----- PSALM 37:1-9
THOSE WHO DON'T HAVE ENOUGH TO EAT TODAY

OCTOBER 5 ----- 2 TIMOTHY 1:1-14
THOSE EXPERIENCING BURNOUT

OCTOBER 6 ----- LUKE 17:5-10
THOSE WHO MOURN

OCTOBER 7 ----- 2 TIMOTHY 1:13-18
SEMINARY STUDENTS AND THEIR TEACHERS

OCTOBER 8 ----- 2 TIMOTHY 2:1-7
THOSE LONGING TO HEAR THE GOOD NEWS

OCTOBER 9 ----- LUKE 5:12-16
THOSE WHO FEEL UNWORTHY OF GOD'S LOVE

OCTOBER 10 ----- 2 KINGS 5:1-3, 7-15C
THOSE WHO DOUBT GOD'S WORD

OCTOBER 11 ----- PSALM 111
THOSE WHO ARE IMPATIENT

OCTOBER 12 ----- 2 TIMOTHY 2:8-15
THOSE STRUGGLING TO FEEL ACCEPTED

OCTOBER 13 ----- LUKE 17:11-19
THOSE WHO DON'T FEEL APPRECIATED

OCTOBER 14 ----- PSALM 61
ARCHITECTS AND CONSTRUCTIONS WORKERS

OCTOBER 15 ----- GENESIS 32:3-21
THOSE STRIVING TO ANSWER GOD'S CALL

OCTOBER 16 ----- GENESIS 32:22-31
THOSE FEELING BURDENED BY THEIR SIN

OCTOBER 17 ----- PSALM 121
OUR FELLOW TRAVELERS AND COMPANIONS

OCTOBER 18 ----- LUKE 1:1-4, 24:44-53
COUNSELORS AND THOSE IN THEIR CARE

OCTOBER 19 ----- 2 TIMOTHY 3:14-4:5
THOSE WHO FORMED US IN FAITH

OCTOBER 20 ----- LUKE 18:1-8
CHILDCARE WORKERS

OCTOBER 21 ----- LUKE 18:9-14
MENTORS AND COACHES

OCTOBER 22 ----- 2 TIMOTHY 4:6-8, 16-18
THOSE FOR WHOM DEATH IS NEAR

OCTOBER 23 ----- PSALM 84:1-7
HOMEMAKERS

OCTOBER 24 ----- JEREMIAH 31:31-34
ELECTED LEADERS

OCTOBER 25 ----- PSALM 46
LOCAL MINISTRIES SERVING PEOPLE IN NEED

OCTOBER 26 ----- ROMANS 3:19-28
THOSE WHO WERE BAPTIZED RECENTLY

OCTOBER 27 ----- JOHN 8:31-36
ELCA CONGREGATIONS AND SYNODS

OCTOBER 28 ----- JOHN 14:21-27
THOSE WITH LIFE-THREATENING ILLNESSES

OCTOBER 29 ----- LUKE 19:1-10
CHURCH AND COMMUNITY WORKERS

OCTOBER 30 ----- 2 THESSALONIANS 1:1-4, 11-12
GRANDPARENTS AND GRANDCHILDREN

OCTOBER 31 ----- DANIEL 7:1-3, 15-18
THOSE WHO FEEL SCARED OR ANXIOUS

AN AUTUMN PRAYER

Abba, Father, the trees are ablaze with your glory. The seasons change, but you never do. You are always beautiful, in the green and freshness of spring as in the golds and reds and chills of autumn. Make me like you. Let my life reflect your beauty, season after season, as the calendar of my life turns and turns and turns.

The trees are letting go of this year's foliage. Help me let go of both blessings and burdens and surrender them both to your loving care.

Fallen leaves pattern the ground with variety. So design my own fallings and failings into whatever design will please you most.

In Jesus' name, I pray,
Amen.

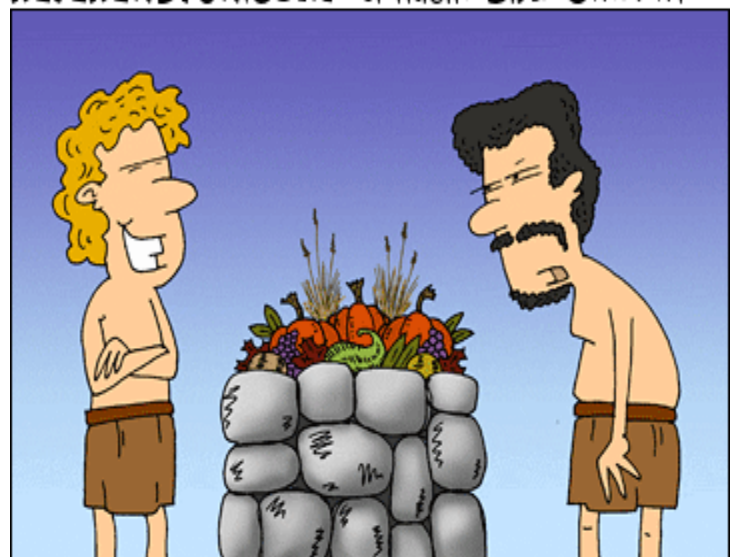
MESSIAH ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS – SEPTEMBER 2019

DATE	ATTENDANCE	TOTAL OFFERING	GENERAL FUND OFFERING	OTHER FUNDS OFFERING
September 1	54 – Worship 16 – S. S.	\$2,975.00	\$2,250.00	Benevolence -- \$60.00 Building Fund -- \$290.00 Memorial Fund -- \$250.00 Flowers -- \$125.00
September 8	64 – Worship 26 – S. S.	\$2,613.03	\$2,453.03	Benevolence -- \$70.00 Building Fund -- \$160.00 Flowers -- \$22.00 World Hunger -- \$50.00 Sunday School -- \$43.03
September 15	62 – Worship 22 – S. S.	\$2,141.00	\$1,767.00	Benevolence -- \$65.00 Building Fund -- \$165.00 Memorial Fund -- \$50.00 Flowers -- \$22.00 Sunday School - \$62.00 Sunday Soldiers -- \$10.00
September 22	63 – Worship 16 – S. S.	\$2,440.00	\$1,989.00	Benevolence -- \$65.00 Building Fund -- \$305.00 Flowers -- \$25.00 Sunday School -- \$56.00
September 29	60 – Worship 26 – S. S.	\$1,953.50	\$1,749.50	Benevolence -- \$45.00 Building Fund -- \$115.00 Sunday School -- \$44.00

DELAUTER YOUTH CENTER UPDATE

The DeLauter Youth Center re-opened its doors on Tuesday, September 24th for grades 5 to 8 and on Thursday, September 26th for grades 9 to 12. All students in those age groups are invited to come to the Youth Center and enjoy basketball, volleyball, floor hockey, ping-pong, pool, indoor soccer, and many other games and activities as well as meet our new Director, Silvia Middaugh. You can also follow us on Facebook!

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SERIOUSLY CAIN? ... YOU ARE NOW DOING SEASONAL ARRANGEMENTS?

JUNIATA COUNTY FOOD PANTRY OCTOBER UPDATE

Autumn has arrived! Soon to be followed by Thanksgiving and Christmas. Again this year the Food Pantry will join forces with the Boy Scouts, Kiwanis, and **YOU** to bring Thanksgiving and Christmas meals to as many Juniata County families living in poverty as possible. Working as a team and pooling our resources, we can reach more families in need and avoid duplicating services. But we can't do it without **your** help. When the Boy Scouts come to your door in November for their annual food drive- please give generously. And if you can help us to start stockpiling the following foods for the holidays, we would really appreciate it. Our goal is to provide 800 meals: 400 for Thanksgiving and 400 for Christmas.

In August 2019, the Food Pantry served 335 families in need – a total of 826 individuals. A special thank you to Lost Creek Mennonite Church and Lauver's Mennonite Church for providing volunteers for August.

HOLIDAY MEAL DONATIONS:

(These are the foods that are hard for us to get) TURKEYS, TURKEY BREASTS, HAMS (3-5 LBS); INSTANT MASHED POTATOES, CANNED SWEET POTATOES, and FRUIT COCKTAIL.

DONATIONS OF CASH AND GIFT CARDS ARE ALSO APPRECIATED!

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Phone: 717-436-9718

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



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

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!

HOW TO GROW PUMPKINS

Farmer Smith was driving his tractor along the road with a trailer load of fertilizer. Alex a little boy of nine was playing ball in his yard; he saw the farmer and asked:

'What've you got in your trailer?'

'Manure,' farmer Smith replied.

'What are you going to do with it?' asked Alex.

'Put it on my pumpkins,' answered the farmer.

Alex replied, 'You ought to come and eat with us, we put ice-cream on our pumpkin pie.'



SING JOY TO ALL THE WORLD! A Christmas Celebration

Last year's Lutheran Church Ash Wednesday Service with joint volunteer choir members was such a positive event that we decided to create an additional joint venture. I am inviting you to consider singing with a choir that will include not only fellow Juniata Valley Conference Lutheran church members, but also possibly singers from non-Lutheran churches, as well.

Participating choir members will perform the fairly new cantata **SING JOY TO ALL THE WORLD! A Christmas Celebration** by Lloyd Larson and because I greatly enjoyed working with the Ash Wednesday Service joint choir members, I have agreed to lead rehearsals and conduct the performance choir. Personally, I enjoy the rehearsals every bit as much as the actual performance(s) . . . and I anticipate interest from all age groups. Performance dates and locations will include Sunday, December 15th (2:00 PM) at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church and a possible second performance at Port Royal Lutheran Church (with date and time to be determined after I have a chance to confirm participating singers' availability).

While we will initially rehearse on Wednesday evenings (7:00 to 8:00 PM at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, 8489 Licking Creek Rd, Mifflintown PA 17059), I will check with choir members to see if they might benefit from including a few weekly rehearsals on another evening of the week. The first two rehearsals will be held Wednesday evenings, Oct. 16th & 23rd and once I have an opportunity to discuss the remaining weekly rehearsal schedule, we will plan accordingly. Even if you question whether or not you will be able to attend all of the weekly rehearsals, please don't hesitate to get involved with this singing group!!! We're doing this to enjoy a positive singing experience . . . so just mail the form indicating your interest to sing and I will look forward to working with you.

Please cut off and return the bottom section of this letter by Monday, Oct. 7th. I'm looking forward to once again directing a Christmas cantata choir for this promises to be a unique experience and will hopefully provide an enjoyable time for all involved persons (regardless of age). **Please join us!!!!**

Respectfully,

Kevin Cunningham, Retired JHS Band & Chorus Director

Please neatly detach the bottom portion and return by Monday, Oct. 7th to . . .
KEVIN CUNNINGHAM, 644 CUNNINGHAM RD, MIFFLINTOWN PA 17059

I/we want to sing with the 2019 Cantata Choir!!! (Family members are welcome)

Name(s): _____ **Phone #:** _____

Address: _____

e-mail address: _____

Voice Part(s)

_____ **Soprano**

_____ **Alto**

_____ **Tenor**

_____ **Bass**

Cantata: SING JOY TO ALL THE WORLD!

(NOTE: \$10.00 will cover cost of music and rehearsal CD)

_____ I/we will need a music booklet & rehearsal CD.

OCTOBER 2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1:** -9:00 A.M., "THE NEEDLERS" IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
- WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2:** -7:00 P.M., CHOIR REHEARSAL IN REARICK ROOM
- THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3:** -1:00 P.M., DULCIMER REHEARSAL
-4:00 P.M., GIRL SCOUT TROOP #40400 IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
- SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6:** -9:15 A.M., SUNDAY SCHOOL
-10:30 A.M., WORSHIP & COMMUNION, CHILDREN'S SERMON -- WORSHIP LEADER: STEPHEN RODGERS
- MONDAY, OCTOBER 7:** -6:00 TO 8:00 P.M., LIONS CLUB MEETING IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
-6:30 P.M., KNITTING CLASS IN JUNIOR CHURCH ROOM
-8:00 P.M., AA MEETING IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
- TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8:** -9:00 A.M., "THE NEEDLERS" IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
- WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9:** -6:30 P.M., 4-H BEEF & BREEDERS CLUB IN YOUTH AREA
-7:00 P.M., CHOIR REHEARSAL IN REARICK ROOM
- THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10:** -7:00 P.M., WELCA MEETING IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
- SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13:** -9:15 A.M., SUNDAY SCHOOL
-10:30 A.M., WORSHIP/COMMUNION/JR. CHURCH -- WORSHIP LEADER: REV. ROSALIE SMITH
-1:00 P.M., JUNIATA COUNTY CROP WALK AT WALKER TOWNSHIP PARK
-7:00 P.M., MEETING WITH MIKE MESSIMER ON DETAILS OF HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING UPGRADES
- MONDAY, OCTOBER 14:** -6:30 P.M., KNITTING CLASS IN JUNIOR CHURCH ROOM
-8:00 P.M., AA MEETING IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
- TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15:** -9:00 A.M., "THE NEEDLERS" IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
- WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16:** -7:00 P.M., CHOIR REHEARSAL IN REARICK ROOM
- THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17:** -1:00 P.M., DULCIMER REHEARSAL
-4:00 P.M., GIRL SCOUT TROOP #40400 IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
- SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19:** -8:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M., QUILTERS GUILD IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
- SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20:** -9:15 A.M., SUNDAY SCHOOL
-10:30 A.M., WORSHIP/COMMUNION/JR. CHURCH, CHILDREN'S SERMON -- WORSHIP LEADER: ANDREA CAMERON
-AFTER WORSHIP -- SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL VOTER'S ASSEMBLY FOLLOWING WORSHIP SERVICE FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING ON THE PROPOSAL WITH SAM LEISTER

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21:	-6:30 P.M., KNITTING CLASS IN JUNIOR CHURCH ROOM -8:00 P.M., AA MEETING IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22:	-9:00 A.M., "THE NEEDLERS" IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23:	-7:00 P.M., CHOIR REHEARSAL IN REARICK ROOM
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25:	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26:	-ALL DAY – QUILTERS GUILD IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27:	REFORMATION SUNDAY -9:15 A.M., SUNDAY SCHOOL -10:30 A.M., WORSHIP/COMMUNION/JR. CHURCH -- WORSHIP LEADER: SAM LEISTER -AFTER WORSHIP -- SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL VOTER'S ASSEMBLY FOLLOWING WORSHIP SERVICE TO VOTE ON PROPOSAL TO UPGRADE HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEM -7:00 P.M., PPC MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 28:	-6:30 P.M., KNITTING CLASS IN JUNIOR CHURCH ROOM -8:00 P.M., AA MEETING IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29:	-9:00 A.M., "THE NEEDLERS" IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30:	-7:00 P.M., CHOIR REHEARSAL IN REARICK ROOM

ELCA FACTS – DID YOU KNOW??

As of December 31, 2018, there were 3,363,281 baptized members in the ELCA. There were 9,091 congregations organized in 65 synods in nine geographic regions.

The ELCA is a diverse church body, becoming more so every day. This church is committed to growing in diversity and strengthening its global, ecumenical and interfaith relationships around the world.

ELCA congregations are led by gifted men and women who have been called by God to serve their community. The ELCA calls both women and men to serve as pastors and lay rostered leaders. Here are some facts about ELCA leaders:

As of December 31, 2018, there were 17,214 leaders on the ELCA roster including 1,213 Ministers of Word and Service and 16,001 Ministers of Word and Sacrament. In 2018, nearly 32 percent of clergy on the ELCA roster were women. In the ELCA's seven seminaries, the numbers of women and men preparing for ministry are about equal.

About 86 percent of ordained women and 83 percent of ordained men are actively serving in congregations.

The ELCA offers opportunities for Lutheran education at every level and considers education as an important part of our calling. We offer quality education at every level through our institutions. In addition to the seven ELCA seminaries and two seminary extension centers, there are 26 colleges and universities, 50 or more lifelong learning programs, 14 high schools, 296 elementary schools, 1,573 early childhood programs, 145 camp and retreat centers serving 450,000 annually.