

“Growing God’s Kingdom”



FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 15th, 2019

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TODAY’S INTRODUCTION:

The grumbling of the Pharisees and the scribes in today's gospel is actually our holy hope: This Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. That our God wills to seek and to save the lost is not only a holy hope, it is our only hope. As Paul's first letter to Timothy reminds us, "The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." Thanks be to God.

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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST September 15, 2019 – 10:30 a.m.

*Please Stand as **YOU** Are Able

PREPARATION

CHIMES: CALL TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE:

[Please use the Prelude as a quiet time to prepare yourself for Worship]

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

P Gracious God,

C have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

C Amen.

GATHERING

* GATHERING HYMN

“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”

#158 Green Hymnal

* GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

* KYRIE (sung)

P Kyrie, eleison: C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Christe, eleison: C **Christ, have mercy.**

P Kyrie, eleison: C **Lord, have mercy.**

* HYMN OF PRAISE (sung)

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;
glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;
glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take
away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;**

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;
glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the
Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;
glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth, and peace
to God's people on earth.**

* PRAYER OF THE DAY (spoken in unison)

P Let us pray...

C **O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those
who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever
is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus
Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

WORD

While Moses is on Mount Sinai, the people grow restless and make a golden calf to worship. Today's reading shows Moses as the mediator between an angry God and a sinful people. Moses reminds God that the Israelites are God's own people and boldly asks mercy for them.

FIRST READING.....Exodus 32:7-14

⁷The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; ⁸they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" ⁹The LORD said to Moses, "I

have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. ¹⁰Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."

¹¹But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? ¹²Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. ¹³Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" ¹⁴And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Lector: The word of the Lord.
Congregation: **Thanks be to God.** (spoken)

PSALM.....Psalm 51:1-10 (**responsively**)

¹Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

²Wash me through and through from my wickedness, and cleanse me from my sin.

³For I know my offenses, and my sin is ever before me.

⁴Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are justified when you speak and right in your judgment.

⁵Indeed, I was born steeped in wickedness, a sinner from my mother's womb.

⁶Indeed, you delight in truth deep within me, and would have me know wisdom deep within.

⁷Remove my sins with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be purer than snow.

⁸Let me hear joy and gladness; that the body you have broken may rejoice.

⁹Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my wickedness.

¹⁰Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

The letters to Timothy are called the Pastoral Epistles because they contain advice especially intended for leaders in the church. Here the mercy shown to Paul, who once persecuted the church, is cited as evidence that even the most unworthy may become witnesses to the grace of God.

SECOND READING.....1 Timothy 1:12-17

¹²I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, ¹³even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Lector: The word of the Lord.
Congregation: **Thanks be to God.** (spoken)

* GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (sung)

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? Alleluia. You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Jesus tells two stories that suggest a curious connection between the lost being found and sinners repenting. God takes the initiative to find sinners, each of whom is so precious to God that his or her recovery brings joy in heaven.

*GOSPEL.....Luke 15:1-10

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 14th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord. (spoken)**

THE GOSPEL READS:

¹Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus]. ²And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

³So he told them this parable: ⁴Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? ⁵When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. ⁶And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' ⁷Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

⁸Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' ¹⁰Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ. (spoken)**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Stephen Rodgers

SERMON

Stephen Rodgers

* HYMN OF THE DAY "Lord, Speak to Us, that We May Speak"

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* APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

* PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

P Sustained and nurtured by our generous God, we gather as one to pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

P Bless pastors, deacons, and all church leaders in their ministries, so that your gospel is shared through their faithful leadership and living. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Protect and preserve habitats and biospheres, especially in places damaged by natural disaster or human alteration. Restore balance to deserts, oceans, polar regions, and temperate areas. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Instruct all the world's people, nations, and governments in ways of justice, mercy, and peace. Lead us away from the idols of power, war, self-centeredness, and fear. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Show mercy to the lost, welcome to the outsiders, and comfort to the suffering and dying. We pray for all who need your healing and constant presence. Today, we pray especially for our shut-ins, the sick, and those who are in need of our prayers, compassion, and care, and who are listed in our prayer list located in the announcements section of our bulletin. (Pause for additional prayer requests). Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Strengthen those who work with people in crisis: firefighters, police officers, hospital staff, chaplains, nurses, doctors, emergency responders, staff and counselors in rehab centers and women's shelters. Give them wisdom and compassion, so that those in need are well-supported and cared for. Lord, in your mercy,

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P We give thanks for the beloved sheep of your fold who have died and who now find life in your eternal glory. Embrace us as we hope and rejoice in your unfailing redemption. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Assured by your promise to hear us, we lay our prayers before your throne of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

* SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

Congregational sharing: **“Peace be with you.”**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY:

[Please pass the Friendship Pad down your pew for all to sign and then back to the center aisle so everyone has the opportunity to read the names. We request that our guests also give us their home address. Thank you].

* **SUNG OFFERTORY** ('vineyards')

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, Lord, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

* **OFFERING PRAYER**

P Let us pray. Merciful God,

C **we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

MEAL

* **COMMUNION DIALOGUE** (from Isaiah 55)

P Let us give thanks to the Lord.

C **for through these gifts he comes to feed us.**

P All you who are thirsty, come to the waters. You who have no money, come, receive bread, and eat.

C **Come, without paying and without cost, drink wine and eat.**

P Let us come to his table with joy,

C **for we come as God's invited guests!**

* **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

P Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

* THE LORD'S PRAYER [‘new version’] (all)

P Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

C Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the Kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION

[“**Intinction**” – dip your wafer in the wine. Come forward by the center aisle and return by the side aisle. All who wish to stand at the chancel rail after partaking for a time of silent meditation are invited to do so].

[**Gluten Free?** If you desire, you may take a gluten free wafer located on the oak pedestal on the step in front of the chancel].

* COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

* PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P Let us pray,

Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING

* BLESSING

P Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen, Amen, Amen. (sung)

* SENDING HYMN “Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us” #481 Green Hymnal

* DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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NEXT WEEK'S LECTOR – Barb Geedey

NEXT WEEK'S ALTAR GUILD – Diana Wise & Cynthia Smith (8/26 – 9/29)

NEXT WEEK'S ACOLYTES – Slone Smith & Olivia Mummah

NEXT WEEK'S OFFERING USHERS – Harrison Mummah & Haley Mummah

NEXT WEEK'S LAY WORSHIP LEADER – Andrea Cameron

PRAYER LIST

Carole Baker
Jane Ann Baney
Donna Barton
Lindsey Barton
Bob Bell
Joyce Bradley
Andrea & Bob Cameron
Don Clark
Terry Coder
Leann Crimmel
Will Delancey
Fred Dowling
Deanna Fawver
Ed Fraker
Joan Fulkroad
Eddi Kay Gill
Joyce Gilson
Angelica Hannon & Family

Pastor Charlie Hershberger
Josh Hohol
Matt Hutchinson
Curt & Judy Houtz
Denny King
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Kevin Kint
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Jim Woltman
Dorothy Zeiders
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PRAY FOR OUR SHUT-INS

Ray Bramm
Ruth Cisney
Max & Mary Ernest
Mona Lawson

Jane Marhefka
Carol Simonton
Kitty Walters
Jim Yetter

WELCOME TO ALL

WITH CHRIST'S LOVE AND GOD'S GRACE, we welcome all who worship at Messiah today. If you are a VISITOR or GUEST, we invite you to record your visit not only in the Friendship Pads but also in the guest book provided in the Narthex. If you are seeking a church home, please speak to the Pastor or indicate such in the Friendship Pads being sure to include your contact information. Our fellowship in Jesus Christ is open and extended to all persons who confess His Lordship over all life. Young children are also encouraged to join us in our worship experience! We are so thankful that you joined us for worship today!

VISITORS AND GUESTS ARE INVITED TO COMMUNE WITH US TODAY. The Sacrament of Holy Communion is offered to all who are baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, and who recognize the Sacrament as the promise of the presence of the Body and Blood of our Lord. Baptized children are also welcome to receive the elements at the Lord's Table at Messiah with the guidance and consent of their parents or guardians. **Persons who may not wish to receive the bread and wine of the Lord's Supper are still welcome to come to the table to receive a blessing. To do so, please fold your hands and bow your head when you approach the pastor.**

GLUTEN FREE? If you desire, you may take a gluten free wafer located on the oak pedestal on the step in front of the chancel.

FOR YOUR COMFORT, restrooms are located in the hallway through the double doors of the Adult Sunday School Room and to the left.

IF YOU WISH TO USE OR FOLLOW THE LITURGY MUSIC as we proceed through the service today, please use the green portfolios placed on top of the sound control system. In addition, headsets are available in the Narthex for our sound enhancement system for the hearing impaired.

WE INVITE EVERYONE (members and visitors) worshiping with us today to sign the Friendship Pads during the Organ Offertory. If you are a visitor, please be sure to include your address when signing. Please also place a check mark in the box (beside your name) if you are communing today and have not as yet given us a record of your participation in the sacrament during this quarter. (A new quarter begins in January, April, July, and October). The pads are found on the aisle seat of each pew in the nave, and in each section of the Adult Sunday School Room.

ALTAR FLOWERS are presented to the Glory of God and in memory of loved ones by Neil and Pat Fisher.

THIS MORNING WE ARE LED IN WORSHIP by Stephen Rodgers an Authorized Lay Worship Leader of the Upper Susquehanna Synod. Authorized Lay Worship Leaders have received extensive training so as to provide worship leadership and preaching, and also have been authorized by the bishop of the synod to preside at the Eucharist in specific situations. The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) is committed to ordained ministry as the primary means for filling the needs of this church for Word and Sacrament, but at this place in the church's pilgrimage, the church's inability to provide all congregations with full-time ordained pastoral ministry presents a challenge. On any given Sunday, congregations have needs that cannot be met by available ordained ministers. Therefore, because it is the bishop's responsibility to meet the Word and Sacrament needs of the congregations in this synod, synodically authorized lay worship leaders are trained to meet this need. On behalf of the whole church, Bishop Collins is deeply gratified by the ministry of these servants of the Gospel.

JUST A THOUGHT – St. Augustine of Hippo, Bishop of Hippo (354 – 430): When God crowns our merits, it is nothing other than his own gifts that he crowns.

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

THE DEADLINE FOR ALL ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE SUNDAY BULLETIN IS THURSDAY NOON.

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 the church office at 436-6213 or mlchurchoffice@gmail.com. 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.

PRAYER CHAIN – 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.

PLEASE NOTIFY THE CHURCH OFFICE for any change in addresses, phone numbers, email addresses, or for any requests for building usage. There are a lot of activities and some coordination is needed so events are not “overbooked” in any specific areas of the church (this also applies to church groups who meet in the church). Please contact the office at 436-6213 or email mlchurchoffice@gmail.com for any changes or requests.

THE BOARD OF CHURCH PROPERTY will meet on Monday, September 23, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the choir room.

COPIES OF JULY 28, 2019 PPC MINUTES are available in the Adult Sunday School Room.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE who signed-up for September snacks for Sunday mornings. The October sign-up sheet is now available. Monetary contributions would also be appreciated to purchase plates, napkins, etc.

IF YOU HAVE NOT SIGNED UP YET for the Apple Festival, please sign up today and put your slip in the collection plate so we can plan accordingly. We are also looking for someone to make a couple loaves of home-made bread. If you would like to volunteer, please contact a member of the Parish Fellowship Committee.

CAMP MOUNT LUTHER has a need for small bookshelves and night stands for the counselors to use when staying in each of the cabins. Please contact Kate Swailes at 717-649-0820 if you are able to donate one of these items.

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.

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.

WEEKLY CHURCH OFFICE HOURS are as follows:

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.

GIVING REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 8, 2019

Attendance

Worship Service – 54
Sunday School - 16
Total Offering \$2,975.00
Other Funds \$ 725.00
General Fund \$2,250.00

Other Funds

Benevolence - \$ 60.00
Building Fund - \$ 290.00
Flowers - \$ 125.00
Memorial Fund - \$ 250.00
Total \$ 725.00

MESSIAH’S DOORS will be unlocked at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings for Sunday School and Worship.

WOMEN OF THE ELCA

NEW BATH-SIZE BARS OF SOAP (4 oz. to 5 oz., preferably Ivory or unscented Dove) is continuously collected 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.

WELCA IS COLLECTING items for the Seafarers’ Kits. Anyone who would like to contribute can bring items to the church and place them in the container provided for them. The items needed are: one sweatshirt (hooded or unhooded in sizes L-XL), 3 pairs of socks (thermal or white gym socks), one casual pull-over T-shirt in sizes M-L, and one heavy winter cap. The Seafarers enjoy sports teams and NASCAR heroes.

COLLECTION for Fabric Kits includes: 2 pieces of cotton or cotton-blend fabric (NO KNITS OR 100% POLYESTER). Each piece of fabric is to be 2¼ yards of 58”—62” wide fabric, or 3 yards of 42”—45” wide fabric, or 4 yards of 34”—37” wide fabric, and 2 spools of matching or neutral-colored general purpose thread, 250-300 yards each.

COMMUNITY

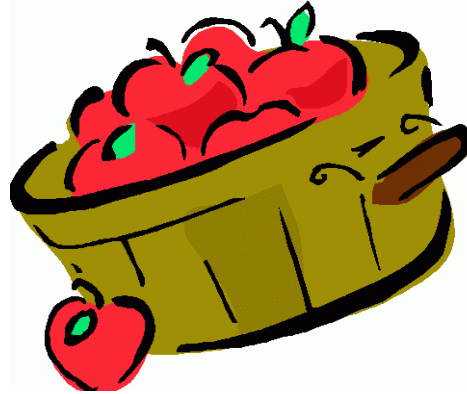
THE 46th ANNUAL JUNIATA COUNTY 5k Fun Walk/Run will be held Sunday, October 13th at Walker Township Park, Mifflintown. Registration starts at 12:30 p.m. and the walk begins at 1:00 p.m. CROP Walks support Church World Service as they partner with hunger ministries in the United States and around the world. As part of that partnership, 25% of the funds the local CROP Walk raises will go to the Juniata County Food Pantry and Juniata County Meals-on-Wheels. There is no registration fee. Instead, walkers are asked to collect

donations from friends and turn in those donations on the day of the walk. Make checks payable to CWS/CROP. You can register online at www.crophungerwalk.org/mifflintownpa. Your supporters can make their donations online if they would like, or get a collection envelope by emailing Graham Fowler at gfwler66@gmail.com or by calling the Lost Creek Presbyterian Church Office at 717-463-3138. If you have friends that like to walk together, form a team. You can include team information with your online registration or when you register the day of the walk. For more information or for promotional materials, check out our Facebook page: Juniata Co CROP 5k Fun Walk/Run.

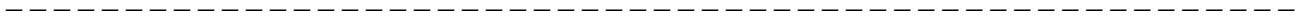
THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

- Today:** -9:15 a.m., Sunday School.
-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Jr. Church/Children's Sermon. (Lay Worship Leader: Stephen Rodgers).
-7:00 p.m., PPC meeting.
- Monday:** -6:30 p.m., Knitting Class in Jr. Church Room.
-8:00 p.m., AA meeting in Fellowship Hall.
- Tuesday:** -9:00 a.m., "The Needlers" in Fellowship Hall.
- Wednesday:** -5:00 to 9:00 a.m., United Way Breakfast in Fellowship Hall.
-7:00 p.m., Choir rehearsal in Rearick Room.
- Thursday:** -1:00 p.m., Dulcimer rehearsal.
- Sunday:** -9:15 a.m., Sunday School.
-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Jr. Church. (Lay Worship Leader: Andrea Cameron).
-Voters's Assembly following worship service.
-4:00 p.m., Apple Festival in Fellowship Hall.

**MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH
APPLE FESTIVAL
SEPTEMBER 22, 2019 – 4:00 p.m.**



Join us for Apple Pie, Ice Cream, Apple Sauce, Cider, and other apple treats in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, September 22 at 4:00 p.m. If you have any favorite apple recipes, feel free to bring them along. Please fill out the clip off sheet below and place it in the offering plate so we have an idea of how many will be attending.



() (I), (We) will be attending the Apple Festival on September 22.

Name(s) _____

