

# THE MESSIAH HERALD



FEBRUARY 2020

**MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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# **"Growing God's Love"**

## The Messiah Herald



### **VICAR'S FEBRUARY MESSAGE**

Dear Messiah Family,

As we are well into the season of Epiphany, let us look at the start of this season, then to the closing. On the first Sunday after Epiphany we always celebrate the Baptism of our Lord. This year our acolytes used seashells to lift up and continuously pour water in the Baptismal Font while the congregation shared the Confession and Forgiveness of Sins. In this manner we celebrate the ongoing Baptism of Jesus and all of God's children as members of the church on earth and in heaven. The Gospel for that Sunday included Matthew 3:17. "And a voice from heaven said, *"This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."* (NRSV)

On the last Sunday after Epiphany, before Ash Wednesday, we celebrate the Transfiguration of Jesus. This year, that Sunday is February 23. The Gospel that day includes Matthew 17:5. While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, *"This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!"* (NRSV). These two events in the ministry of Jesus show us who Jesus really is: the divine Son of God. Each time God speaks to us clearly telling us that the human Jesus is the Son of God: "This is my Son!" God leaves no doubt that Jesus Christ is God's Son! From Christmas to Easter, we can be certain of this truth, and carry that belief all the days of our lives!

This year, the Ash Wednesday service will be at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church in McAlisterville at 7:00 PM on February 26. The message will be delivered by Bishop Collins of the Upper Susquehanna Synod. The meaning of Ash Wednesday is a bit somber in that we are entering the season of Lent and are preparing for the Passion of our Lord. Nonetheless, let this be a prominent time of gathering at Trinity as children of a Risen Jesus. While this is a church service sponsored by the Lutheran congregations of Juniata County, all folks are welcome; this is a great opportunity to invite our neighbors.

Speaking of inviting others to join our celebration of Jesus and his life, consider open invitations throughout the year to neighbors, friends, newcomers and all those whose lives you touch! Please keep all those near you in your thoughts and prayers. May we all give prayers of thanksgiving for the blessings and gifts which God provides for all of us! May we share the blessings with others, older, younger, near and far! May we love those like us and those not like us as Jesus loves each of us!

May the love of Christ and the closeness of the Holy Spirit be with us all!

*Vicar Samuel Leister*

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING

Carole Baker  
Jane Ann Baney  
Donna Barton  
Lindsey Barton  
Bob Bell  
Joyce Bradley  
Andrea & Bob Cameron  
Pam Campbell  
Terry Coder  
Leann Crimmel  
Will DeLancy  
Guy Dillman  
Fred & Dot Dowling  
Neil Fisher  
Jerald (Jerry) Foltz  
Ed Fraker  
Bentley Fulkroad  
Joan Fulkroad  
Terri Gayer  
Edie Kay Gill  
Paul Goss  
Jeanette Gross  
Josh Hohol  
Curt & Judy Houtz  
Matt Hutchinson  
Denny King  
Brenda Imes  
Kevin Kint  
Pam Lawson  
The Family of Angelina Hannon  
The Family of Warren Swailes, Sr.  
The Family of Margaret "Peg" Reynolds

Carol Lyter  
Carlen McClure  
Charlie, Amanda, & Isabel Meinsler  
Messiah's TEEM  
Tami Metz  
John Miller  
Larry Miller  
Shirley Miller  
Jim Minick  
Madison Norman  
Austin Parker  
Noel Peachey  
Dave Phelan  
Butch & Sandy Pines  
Betty Ranck  
Mary Sanders  
Mackenzie Shearer  
Tim Smith  
Mike Sparks  
Bob & Jeanette St. Clair  
Dorothy Towsey  
Ronda Walters  
Rich Walters  
Tim Weston  
Dottie Wilson  
Jim Woltman  
Mackenzie Wray  
Dorothy Zeiders  
Linda Zimmerman

BERRY'S PERSONAL CARE CENTER  
(3 ALEX CIRCLE, MIFFLINTOWN, PA 17059)  
Carol Simonton

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

LOCUST GROVE RETIREMENT VILLAGE  
(69 Cottage Drive, Mifflin, PA 17058)  
Esther Rhine

AT HOME  
Max & Mary Ernest Margaret Guss  
1099 William Penn Hwy. 20 South Third Street  
Mifflintown, PA 17059 Mifflintown, PA 17059

Mona Lawson Minnie Minick  
2792 William Penn Hwy. 187 JAM House Road  
Mifflintown, PA 17059 Mifflin, PA 17058

Edith Nipple Sieber & Ona Stoner  
1482 William Penn Hwy. 23591 Route 35 North  
Mifflintown, PA 17059 Mifflintown, PA 17059

Velma Suloff Ken & Kay Stuck  
4460 Route 333 66 Eighth Street  
Mifflintown, PA 17059 Mifflintown, PA 17059

Kitty Walters Jim Yetter  
P.O. Box 61 128 Manbeck Drive  
Port Royal, PA 17082 Mifflintown, PA 17059

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

FEBRUARY 6 – Ray Bramm  
FEBRUARY 14 – Christie Holderman  
FEBRUARY 20 – Warren "Red" Mummah  
FEBRUARY 21 – Jeanette St. Clair  
FEBRUARY 23 – Carol Simonton

## PRAY FOR OUR SHUT-INS

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

BROOKLINE MANOR  
(2 MANOR BLVD., RM. 226, MIFFLINTOWN, PA 17059)  
Gail Henderson

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](mailto:mlchurchoffice@gmail.com).

# FEBRUARY SERVANTS

## LECTORS

- 2 Haley Mummah
- 9 Randy Clark
- 16 Kate Swailes
- 23 Diana Wise

## ALTAR GUILD

- Dec. 30 to Feb. 23..... Kay Varner & Kim White
- Feb. 24 to Mar. 29 ..... Sandy Pines & Michelle Stoner

## ACOLYTES

- 2 Brea Beward & Zeb Berry
- 9 Harrison Mummah & Braedon Walton
- 16 Hope Miller & Haley Mummah
- 23 Julia Martin & Gabby Reed  
(*CRUCIFER – Nick Reed*)

## MANNA BAKERS

- 2 Jean Berry
- 16 Jamie Miller
- 23 Marylou Hazard (*Transfiguration Sunday*)

## OFFERING USHERS

- 2 Olivia Mummah, Sienna Guido, Hope Miller, & Slone Smith
- 9 Haley Mummah, Grace Miller, Paige Martin, & Zeb Berry
- 16 Brea Beward, Gabby Reed, Julia Martin, & Nick Reed
- 23 Braedon Walton, Brennan Guido, Thea Beward, & Hannah Ehrisman

## ALTAR FLOWERS

- 2 In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Charles S. Miller
- 9 In Memory of Tammy Pines Walton's birthday by the Walton, Pines, and Stoner Families
- 16 & 23 OPEN



WELCA met on Thursday, January 9, 2020 in the Young Adult Sunday School classroom. Ann Beaver presented a program entitled "A Sacred Place". Ann spoke on Jerusalem with a video, several songs, and numerous books and magazines. Then

each of us present were asked if we had a 'sacred place.' Everyone present spoke about their sacred place and what that place meant to them. It was a very good program, and everyone learned things about the city that we did not necessarily know.

The Treasurer gave her report. There was no old business to discuss.

New business presented concerned our Convention in July 2020. Our In-Kind Offering will be Health Kits and the Ingathering Offering will go to Lutheran Disaster Response. Barb will get a list of items for the Health Kits so that we can begin to collect them and have a nice amount to take to the convention in July.

Barb asked everyone to think about a speaker for our Lenten Tea. We have not received information on the Teas yet but anticipate they will occur. Ash Wednesday is the last Wednesday in February, so we have another meeting before they begin.

Our next meeting Barb will have devotions and then we will work on the Chrismons for our trees. Some need repaired and they need to be organized.

Our next meeting will be held on February 13th. We closed our meeting with our Purpose Statement.

Respectfully submitted by Barb Geedey.

## SYNOD ASSEMBLY

## DELEGATES NEEDED

Two members of Messiah are needed to attend the annual Synod Assembly in June 2020 at Susquehanna University in Selinsgrove. Synod delegates should also plan on attending the Juniata Valley Conference Assembly (date to be announced). If you are interested in serving, please contact Vicar Leister or the church office. Among this year's speakers and guests will be **The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton, Presiding Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.**

## 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!!

We would like to express our appreciation for the many acts of kindness and sympathy shown to our family at the death of our loved one, Johnny Beward. Thanks also to the ladies of Messiah for preparing the funeral meal following the service. --NICK, BETHANIE, THEA & BREA BEWARD



Thank you to members of Messiah for the prayers, concerns, offers for help, and to those who assisted in any way with the recent fire at our home on Monday night, January 6th. All was very much appreciated. --BILL, CHRISTIE, BRILEY & MARINA HOLDERMAN



Thank you to the congregation at Messiah for the monetary Christmas gift given to me. I was very much appreciated. --DAVE PHELAN



## ARCHERY EVENT

On Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m., the Sunday's Soldiers will have an archery event at Juniata County Sportsmen's Club. Instruction will be provided by our resident expert, Larry Wise, and dinner is included. Parents are encouraged to attend and compete against the kids! Please let Tawny Mummah know if you plan to attend.

## MAUNDY THURSDAY

### BREAKFAST

Messiah will be having a Maundy Thursday breakfast and Holy Communion at 7:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 9 in the Fellowship Hall. Holy Communion, the meal of Jesus, will be celebrated in, with, and among the meal of the people. Following the meal, those who can remain will move to the sanctuary to remove all items from the altar including the cross in preparation for Good Friday which marks Christ's crucifixion. More information will be shared as this event comes closer.

Maundy Thursday

**EUCCHARIST**

An Invitation ...  
to selfless  
self-giving;  
to sharing;  
to serving;  
to sanctifying  
self & others

Sent ...  
to feed others;  
to heal others;  
to fill others.

The Lord's  
Supper

A Call ...  
to holiness;  
to heroism;  
to personal  
& social  
transformation!

## LENTEN SERVICES

This year's Ash Wednesday service will be held on Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at 7:00 PM at Trinity Lutheran Church in McAlisterville. The speaker will be Bishop Collins of our Upper Susquehanna Synod. This service includes the Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion. Please plan to attend as we begin our journey through Lent.

Weekly Lenten Services will be held at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church in Licking Creek each Wednesday from March 4 to April 1, 2020 at 7:00 PM.

# DAILY BIBLE READINGS AND PRAYER FOCUS

- FEBRUARY 1 ----- PSALM 15  
*THOSE WHO FEEL UNWORTHY*
- FEBRUARY 2 ----- PSALM 84  
*PEOPLE IN THE MIDST OF A MOVE*
- FEBRUARY 3 ----- RUTH 1:1-18  
*REFUGEES AND IMMIGRANTS*
- FEBRUARY 4 ----- RUTH 2:1-16  
*FARM WORKERS AND THEIR FAMILIES*
- FEBRUARY 5 ----- RUTH 3:1-13; 4:13-22  
*GENETIC RESEARCHERS WORKING FOR LIFE-SAVING RESULTS*
- FEBRUARY 6 ----- DEUTERONOMY 4:1-14  
*TEENS STEPPING OUT INTO THE WIDER WORLD*
- FEBRUARY 7 ----- JAMES 3:13-18  
*ANIMAL PROTECTION ORGANIZATIONS*
- FEBRUARY 8 ----- MARK 7:1-18  
*THOSE WHO WORK FOR JUSTICE AND MERCY*
- FEBRUARY 9 ----- MATTHEW 5:13-20  
*THOSE STRUGGLING WITH DEPRESSION*
- FEBRUARY 10 ----- 2 KINGS 22:3-20  
*GOVERNMENT WORKERS STRIVING FOR HONESTY AND INTEGRITY*
- FEBRUARY 11 ----- PSALM 119:105-112  
*PEOPLE FACING BIG DECISIONS*
- FEBRUARY 12 ----- JOHN 8:12-30  
*THOSE SEEKING UNDERSTANDING*
- FEBRUARY 13 ----- PSALM 119:1-8  
*LAW ENFORCEMENT PROFESSIONALS*
- FEBRUARY 14 ----- 1 JOHN 2:7-17  
*INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRIES*
- FEBRUARY 15 ----- DEUTERONOMY 30:1-9A  
*THOSE STRUGGLING TO TRUST GOD'S PROMISES*
- FEBRUARY 16 ----- MATTHEW 5:21-37  
*THOSE ESTRANGED FROM FAMILY MEMBERS*
- FEBRUARY 17 ----- EXODUS 20:1-21  
*PROPHETS IN OUR MIDST*
- FEBRUARY 18 ----- JAMES 2:1-13  
*THOSE WHO ARE HOMELESS*

- FEBRUARY 19 ----- PSALM 119:9-16  
*THOSE DISCERNING NEXT STEPS*
- FEBRUARY 20 ----- EXODUS 6:2-9  
*PEOPLE WHO ARE OPPRESSED*
- FEBRUARY 21 ----- EXODUS 19:9B-25  
*PEOPLE WHO WORK FOR THE HEALTH OF MOUNTAIN RANGES*
- FEBRUARY 22 ----- PSALM 2  
*POTTERS AND OTHER ARTISANS*
- FEBRUARY 23 ----- MATTHEW 17:1-9  
*THOSE SEEKING GOD IN THE ORDINARY*
- FEBRUARY 24 ----- EXODUS 33:7-23  
*TRAVELERS*
- FEBRUARY 25 ----- PSALM 78:17-20, 52-55  
*PEOPLE WHOSE RELATIONSHIPS ARE GOING THROUGH TOUGH TIMES*
- FEBRUARY 26 ----- PSALM 51:1-17  
*THOSE WHO ARE DYING*
- FEBRUARY 27 ----- JONAH 3:1-10  
*PEOPLE NAVIGATING LIFE TRANSITIONS*
- FEBRUARY 28 ----- JONAH 4:1-11  
*THOSE WORKING THROUGH ANGER*
- FEBRUARY 29 ----- MATTHEW 18:1-7  
*CHILDREN AND TEENAGERS IN CHURCH*

## CONTACT FOR NEEDS OR CONCERNS

If anyone has any needs or concerns, please contact Vicar Sam Leister. If you or someone you know is ill or hospitalized, please let Vicar Leister know as well. He can be reached at 717-436-8589 (home), or 717-348-1020 (cell), or email at [mlchurchvicar@gmail.com](mailto:mlchurchvicar@gmail.com).

## MESSIAH PRAYER LIST

If you wish to be included on the email recipient list for the Messiah Prayer Chain, please send an email to Vicar Leister at [mlchurchvicar@gmail.com](mailto:mlchurchvicar@gmail.com).

# MESSIAH ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS - JANUARY 2020

DATE	ATTENDANCE	TOTAL OFFERING	GENERAL FUND OFFERING	OTHER FUNDS OFFERING
January 5	75 - Worship 25 - S. S.	\$4,198.50	\$2,690.00	Sunday School -- \$65.50 Benevolence -- \$36.00 Building Fund -- \$307.00 World Hunger -- \$100.00 Donations to new HVAC -- \$1,000.00
January 12	58 - Worship 20 - S. S.	\$2,746.60	\$2,276.00	Sunday School -- \$90.00 Benevolence -- \$75.00 Building Fund -- \$140.00 World Hunger -- \$150.00 Flowers -- \$15.60
January 19	56 - Worship 8 - S. S.	\$2,518.00	\$2,060.00	Sunday School -- \$8.00 Benevolence -- \$125.00 Building Fund -- \$325.00
January 26	71 - Worship 32 - S. S.	\$3,546.00	\$3,050.00	Sunday School -- \$39.00 Benevolence -- \$110.00 Building Fund -- \$180.00 Flowers -- \$22.00 World Hunger -- \$50.00 Witness and Outreach -- \$20.0 Use of Building -- \$50.00 Memorial Fund -- \$25.00

## UPCOMING PPC AND VOTERS' ASSEMBLY MEETING DATES

- † Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup> - After Worship - Voter's Assembly
- † Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 PM - PPC Meeting
- † Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> - After Worship - Voter's Assembly
- † Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 PM - PPC Meeting
- † Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup> - After Worship - Voter's Assembly - PPC Election Approval

## 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.



Our youth will be holding soup pots at the rear of the church on Super Bowl Sunday, February 2, 2020. They will join young people in churches across the nation, sharing God's love with those who need our compassion and care. Please support the youth of our church in this effort to "help our neighbors" by dropping a dollar in the soup pot and also by donating a can of soup on February 2<sup>nd</sup>. Proceeds will go to the Juniata County Food Pantry.



# JUNIATA COUNTY FOOD PANTRY FEBRUARY UPDATE

We are so grateful for the support of our local churches as we strive together to follow the Lord's commandment to "share our bread with the hungry" (Isaiah 58:7). The reality in Juniata County is that over 3000 of our neighbors are living below poverty level. With your help we have reached over 700 families, over 1000 folks in need, with food and other supplies in 2019. Please continue to lift your voices in prayer and your hands in service as we share in this ministry to the Lord's beloved people.

In December 2019, the Food Pantry served 330 families - 852 of your neighbors! We thank River Church for sending volunteers for the month of December. If you could help by donating the items below, we would be very grateful.

## FOOD PANTRY BASIC NEEDS FOR FEBRUARY

All non-perishable foods, over the counter cold and flu medicines, paper towels, Cough drops, dish detergent, laundry detergent, any cleaning item.

**DONATIONS OF CASH AND GIFT CARDS ARE ALSO APPRECIATED!**

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



\*PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO THE JUNIATA COUNTY FOOD PANTRY.

(CONTACT PERSON: GLENDA FULTZ).

Email: [jcfoodpantry@embarqmail.com](mailto: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!**

## ENVELOPES AND FLOWERS

The new flower chart for 2020 is now available in the Adult Sunday School Room. If you wish to place flowers on a specific date, please sign-up on the chart.

In addition, the 2020 church offering envelopes are now available to pick up in the Library. Anyone who would like a statement of their contributions for 2019 tax purposes should contact the church office and your statement will be mailed to you.

## MESSIAH "BAND" MAKING MUSIC!

A group of Messiah's younger musicians have recently formed a church band and started rehearsals. Look (or listen!) for them in upcoming services, mostly on the first Sundays of each month and maybe even during hymn time in other services! If you know of any other kid who would be interested to join our band, we rehearse in the Junior Choir

Room after worship on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month. Please have them contact Bob St. Clair for more information!

## THANK YOU!

Thank you so much to our friends in the Lloyd Showers Sunday School Class for your generous donation to the Juniata County Food Pantry to help our neighbors in need. Winter is the most dangerous time of year for the 3,000 children, adults, and elderly living in poverty in Juniata County and struggling to survive. Daily choices include whether to buy food or heating oil; gas for the car or medicine for the kids. Your gift will help to provide many families not only with essential food and supplies, but also with hope in the knowledge that someone cares. -YOUR FRIENDS AT THE JUNIATA COUNTY FOOD PANTRY



# ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE – FEBRUARY 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2020

SERVICE LOCATION: McAlisterville Trinity Lutheran Church (7:00 PM)  
County-wide worship service involving all Juniata County Lutheran Churches  
Centre, Messiah, Port Royal, St. Paul's, St. Stephen's, Thompsontown, & Trinity Lutheran Churches

Juniata County Lutheran Church pastors are working together in planning for a county-wide Ash Wednesday evening service that will include combined involvement of all Juniata Co. Lutheran Churches. *We are honored to have Bishop Collins once again joining our county Lutheran pastors in presiding over this Joint Ash Wednesday service.*

**VOLUNTEER CHOIR:** Interested singers are asked to complete and mail the provided intent form (see below) to my home address by Wednesday, February 5th. *The first rehearsal will be held on Tuesday evening, February 11th (7:00 PM) at the Port Royal Lutheran Church.* Additional rehearsals are tentatively planned for the two following Sunday evenings (February 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>). When the choir meets for the first rehearsal, I will then confirm the location of the remaining rehearsals and share further info via email.

*I wish to thank our local Lutheran pastors for their extra efforts in putting together this joint service.* I envision this county-wide Lutheran service continuing to be a wonderful joint venture for years to come.

**Please cut off and return the bottom section of this form by Wednesday, Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>.** I'm looking forward to directing this group and I am especially grateful for our pastors' leadership. **Please join us!!!!**

Respectfully,

*Kevin Cunningham*

Please neatly detach the bottom portion and return by Wednesday, Feb. 5th to . . .  
KEVIN CUNNINGHAM, 644 CUNNINGHAM RD, MIFFLINTOWN PA 17059



**I/we want to sing with the Ash Wednesday Choir!!!** (Family members are welcome)

NOTE: *Non-Lutherans are most certainly welcome to participate with the joint choir.*

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Voice Part(s)**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Soprano**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Alto**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Tenor**

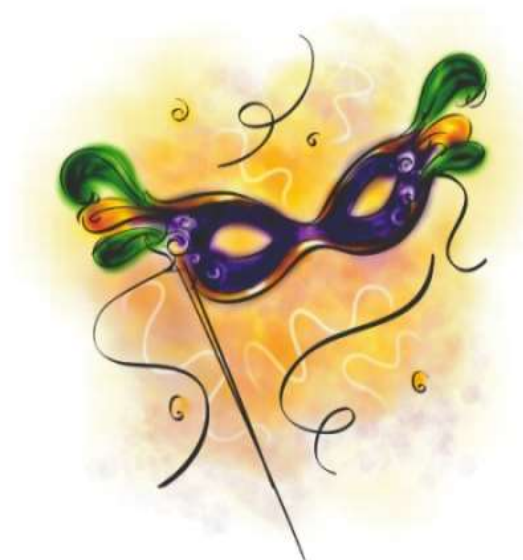
\_\_\_\_\_ **Bass**

Cost of Music: \$ 7.00 per person

\*\*\* Please order \_\_\_\_\_ total set(s) of music for the following singers: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Messiah Lutheran Church  
Mardi Gras Congregational Dinner



Sunday, February 23, 2020

Following the Worship Service in the Fellowship Hall

Please bring a covered dish (if you are able). Be creative—let's try some new flavors! Check out Mardi Gras/Creole Food online! Also, keep in mind that Mardi Gras colors are green, yellow, and purple. Come and enjoy this fun event!

(tear off bottom of sheet and place in the offering plate)



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Mardi Gras Congregational Dinner

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

—

Bringing covered dish ( ) YES ( ) NO \_\_\_\_\_

## SUMMER AT CAMP MT. LUTHER

Kate Swailes is once again serving as our congregation's camp person with Camp Mount Luther again this year. She has information on programs for the summer. If you have additional questions, you can contact her or the camp office at 570-922-1587 or [cml@campmountluther.org](mailto:cml@campmountluther.org). Since our congregation has a camp person, each camper from our church will receive Camel Bucks from Kate for use at the camp store this summer! Campers who have attended camp at Mount Luther in the past, will soon be receiving the camp brochures in the mail.

For more information on Camp Mount Luther or to print the camp registration form, visit [www.campmountluther.org](http://www.campmountluther.org). Submit your

camp registration form to Kate along with a \$50 payment payable to Messiah Lutheran Church which will go toward the non-refundable deposit. We ask that you submit your registration form and payment to Kate prior to April 15th so that we receive the early registration discount. The remaining portion of the cost of camp will be covered by various fundraising events, donations, etc. Kate will submit the registration forms to Mount Luther.

On March 15<sup>th</sup>, Chad Hershberger, Executive Director of Camp Mount Luther, will be at our church to share information about this year's programs as part of our Children's Service.

## GROW IN THE SNOW 2020

*A Winter Youth Retreat for Grades 6-12 at Camp Mount Luther*

### "I Believe, I Do Believe"

February 7 at 6:30 p.m. to February 8 at 4:00 p.m.



*Gather with your peers to look at the creeds, play winter games, and find refreshment in the winter outdoors!*

Bring a sleeping bag, pillow, toiletries, towel, flashlight, warm and outdoor play clothes, and a snack/drink to share at our Junk Food Buffet! Please leave personal electronic devices at home. We are not responsible for lost, damaged, or stolen items. Registered groups should provide one adult (over 21) for every seven youth. Cabin assignments will be made based on available adults and number of youth attending.

Cost is \$62. Please register by January 31, 2020. If you can only come Saturday, arrive at 8:45 a.m. after breakfast. Cost for just Saturday is \$40. Make checks payable to Camp Mount Luther and send to:



### **CAMP MOUNT LUTHER**

355 Mt. Luther Lane, Mifflinburg, PA 17844

Phone: (570) 922-1587 Fax: (570) 922-1118  
E-Mail: [cml@campmountluther.org](mailto:cml@campmountluther.org)



## GROW IN THE SNOW 2020 REGISTRATION FORM

*All participants need a signed registration form*

Congregation: \_\_\_\_\_

Youth Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ or Adult \_\_\_\_\_ (circle gender) Male Female

*Adults are asked to pay the full registration fee (we encourage churches to pay for their leaders). It is requested that adults have their required state clearances as required by law.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**Permission to take part in program:** I am interested in the policies, goals, and programs of Camp Mount Luther and the Upper Susquehanna Synod and hereby give consent and give permission to participate in this program. My child may be driven by an insured adult and will be restrained while in the vehicle by a seat belt. Any photos or video recordings taken in which I or my child might appear may be used for promotion of the camp/synod free of any claims. I authorize emergency treatment as necessary in the event that I cannot be contacted immediately, should the need arise. Prescription medicine will be handled by the person designated by a child's parent or legal guardian. Adult Supervisors cannot give other medications or medical treatment, other than that which may be deemed necessary in an emergency and will not be held liable. If my child misbehaves, I authorize the adult supervisor to contact me and I will pick up my child from the activity.

Emergency Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Health Insurance Provider \_\_\_\_\_

Policy/Group Identification Number \_\_\_\_\_

Known Allergies/Restrictions/Dietary Needs/Special Diet:

Signature (of parent/legal guardian if under 18):

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*Total registration fee should be paid when you register. Questions?  
Contact Camp Mount Luther for more information.*

# FEBRUARY 2020 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2:** -**SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY**  
-9:15 A.M., SUNDAY SCHOOL  
-10:30 A.M., WORSHIP & COMMUNION, JUNIOR CHURCH, CHILDREN'S SERMON  
-3 TO 6 PM, SUNDAY'S SOLDIERS ARCHERY EVENT AT JUNIATA CO. SPORTSMEN'S CLUB
- MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3:** -6:00 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, FEBRUARY 4:** -9:00 A.M., "THE NEEDLERS" IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
- WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5:** -7:00 P.M., CHOIR REHEARSAL IN REARICK ROOM
- THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6:** -1:00 P.M., DULCIMER REHEARSAL  
-4:00 P.M., GIRL SCOUT TROOP #40400 IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
- SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9:** -9:15 A.M., SUNDAY SCHOOL  
-10:30 A.M., WORSHIP & COMMUNION, JUNIOR CHURCH
- MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10:** -6:30 P.M., KNITTING CLASS IN JUNIOR CHURCH ROOM  
-8:00 P.M., AA MEETING IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
- TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11:** -9:00 A.M., "THE NEEDLERS" IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
- WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12:** -6:30 P.M., 4-H BEEF & BREEDERS CLUB IN YOUTH AREA  
-7:00 P.M., CHOIR REHEARSAL IN REARICK ROOM
- THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13:** -7:00 P.M., WELCA MEETING IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
- FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14:** **HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY**
- SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16:** -9:15 A.M., SUNDAY SCHOOL  
-10:30 A.M., WORSHIP & COMMUNION, JUNIOR CHURCH, CHILDREN'S SERMON  
-11:30 A.M., VOTER'S ASSEMBLY
- MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17:** **PRESIDENTS' DAY HOLIDAY**  
-6:00 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, FEBRUARY 18:** -9:00 A.M., "THE NEEDLERS" IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
- WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19:** -7:00 P.M., CHOIR REHEARSAL IN REARICK ROOM
- THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20:** -4:00 P.M., GIRL SCOUT TROOP #40400 IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
- SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23:** **TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY**  
-9:15 A.M., SUNDAY SCHOOL  
-10:30 A.M., WORSHIP & COMMUNION, JUNIOR CHURCH  
-AFTER WORSHIP, MESSIAH CHURCH BAND REHEARSAL IN JR. CHURCH ROOM  
-AFTER WORSHIP, MARDI GRAS CONGREGATIONAL MEAL IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
- MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24:** -6:30 P.M., KNITTING CLASS IN JUNIOR CHURCH ROOM  
-8:00 P.M., AA MEETING IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
- TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25:** -9:00 A.M., "THE NEEDLERS" IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
- WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26:** **ASH WEDNESDAY**  
-7:00 P.M., ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE AT TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, MCALISTERVILLE
- FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28:** **NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**