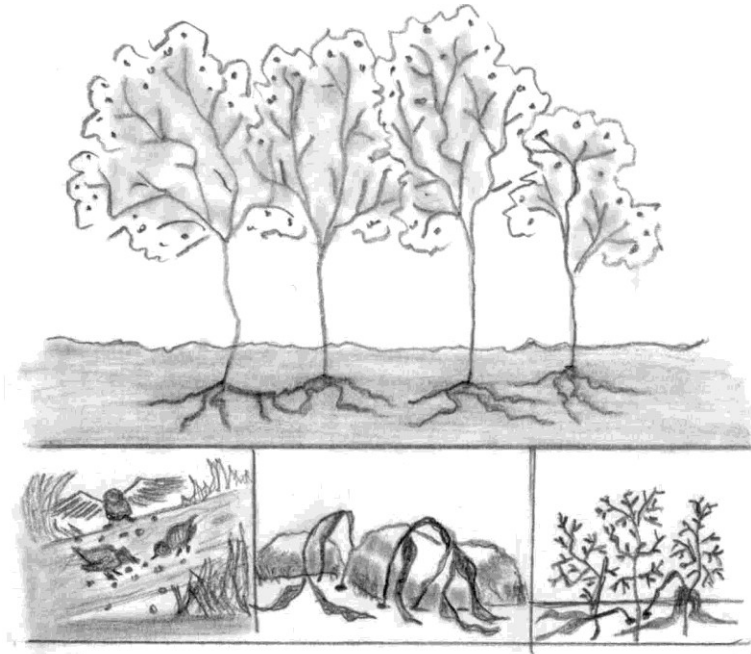


# *“Growing God’s Kingdom”*



## *SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST*

July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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### ***TODAY’S INTRODUCTION:***

*God’s word is like the rain that waters the earth and brings forth vegetation. It is also like the sower who scatters seed indiscriminately.<sup>1</sup>Our lives are like seeds sown in the earth. Even from what appears to be little, dormant, or dead, God promises a harvest. At the Lord’s table we are fed with the bread of life, that we may bear fruit in the world.*

# Messiah Lutheran Church

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Manna Bread Baker

## SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 16, 2023 – 9:15 a.m.

\*Please Stand as **YOU** Are Able

### PREPARATION

CHIMES

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE:

[Please use the prelude as a quiet time to prepare yourself for worship.]

### BLESSING AND SEND-OFF FOR CAMPERS

We are honored to celebrate with Brea Beward, Julia Martin, Paige Martin, Haley Mummah, Harrison Mummah, Olivia Mummah, Gabby Reed, and Sofia Reed as they leave this afternoon for a week at Camp Mount Luther.

*(Campers please come forward)*

This week at camp, you will learn about Jesus and His love for you; you will learn about God's creation and have fun doing it. As you gather in your cabins with new friends, participate in GROW Time, campfires, crafts, and swimming—may your faith in Jesus Christ grow deeper. We will pray for you while at camp. We will pray for the staff who will care for you. And we will pray for your parents while you are away.

**Let us pray:** As you go on your way, may Christ go with you. May He go before you to show you the way. May He go behind you to encourage you; above you to watch over you, beside you to befriend you, within you to give you peace. Lord, watch over Brea, Julia, Paige, Haley, Harrison, Olivia, Gabby, and Sofia this day as they leave for camp. Keep them in safety as they study Your Word and enjoy all the activities at Camp Mount Luther. Bless the staff who care for them. Assure their parents as they are away that You remain with them. In Jesus' name.

\* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure.

C Amen.

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

P Merciful God,

C we confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us us your mercy.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ.

C Amen.

GATHERING

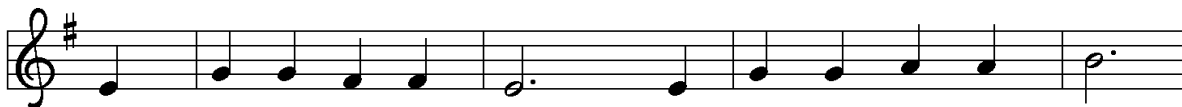
\* GATHERING HYMN                    “Earth and All Stars!”                    #558 (vss. 1-3) Green Hymnal

\* 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



1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.  
2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.  
3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.  
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.  
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

\* CANTICLE OF PRAISE



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.  
 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.  
 3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:  
 Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;  
 Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.  
 on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.  
 Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.  
 Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.  
 For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

\* SALUTATION AND RESPONSE (spoken)

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

\* PRAYER OF THE DAY (In Unison)

P Let us pray...

C **Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your word. By your Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy, live according to it, and grow in faith and hope and love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**WORD**

*God's word to Israel's exiles is as sure and effective as never-failing precipitation. Their return to the Holy Land in a new exodus is cheered on by singing mountains and by trees that clap their hands.*

FIRST READING.....Isaiah 55:10-13

<sup>10</sup>For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, <sup>11</sup>so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. <sup>12</sup>For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap

their hands. <sup>13</sup>Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the LORD for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

L: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: .....Psalm 65: [1-8] 9-13 (*Responsively*)

<sup>1</sup>You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; to you shall vows be fulfilled.

**<sup>2</sup>To you, the one who answers prayer, to you all flesh shall come.**

<sup>3</sup>Our sins are stronger than we are, but you blot out our transgressions.

**<sup>4</sup>Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your courts to dwell there! They will be satisfied by the beauty of your house, by the holiness of your temple.**

<sup>5</sup>Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness, O God of our salvation, O hope of all the ends of the earth and of the oceans far away.

**<sup>6</sup>You make firm the mountains by your power; you are girded about with might.**

<sup>7</sup>You still the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, and the clamor of the peoples.

**<sup>8</sup>Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvelous signs; you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.]**

<sup>9</sup>You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very plenteous; the river of God is full of water. You prepare the grain, for so you provide for the earth.

**<sup>10</sup>You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.**

<sup>11</sup>You crown the year with your goodness, and your paths overflow with plenty.

**<sup>12</sup>May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, and the hills be clothed with joy.**

<sup>13</sup>May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; **let them shout for joy and sing.**

*There is no condemnation for those who live in Christ. God sent Christ to accomplish what the law was unable to do: condemn sin and free us from its death-dealing ways. The Spirit now empowers proper actions and values in our lives and gives us the promise of resurrected life.*

SECOND READING.....Romans 8:1-11

<sup>1</sup>There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. <sup>2</sup>For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. <sup>3</sup>For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, <sup>4</sup>so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. <sup>5</sup>For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. <sup>6</sup>To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. <sup>7</sup>For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, <sup>8</sup>and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. <sup>9</sup>But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. <sup>10</sup>But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. <sup>11</sup>If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

\* GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

*In Matthew's gospel, both Jesus and his disciples "sow the seed" of God's word by proclaiming the good news that "the kingdom of heaven is near." Now, in a memorable parable, Jesus explains why this good news produces different results in those who hear.*

\* GOSPEL.....Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 13<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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

<sup>1</sup>That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. <sup>2</sup>Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. <sup>3</sup>And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. <sup>4</sup>And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. <sup>5</sup>Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. <sup>6</sup>But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. <sup>7</sup>Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. <sup>8</sup>Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. <sup>9</sup>Let anyone with ears listen!"

<sup>18</sup>"Hear then the parable of the sower. <sup>19</sup>When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. <sup>20</sup>As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; <sup>21</sup>yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. <sup>22</sup>As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. <sup>23</sup>But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

P The Gospel of the Lord.  
C **Praise to you, O Christ. (spoken)**

YOUNG FOLKS SERMON  
SERMON

Andrea Cameron  
Andrea Cameron

HYMN OF THE DAY                    “*Earth and All Stars!*”                   #558 (vss. 4-6) Green Hymnal

\* APOSTLES’ CREED (*In Unison*)

**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 INTERCESSION

P Hear us, O God.  
C **Your mercy is great.**

\* PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.  
C **And also with you.**  
(The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord from their pews at whatever level of physical contact with which they are comfortable).

OFFERING PRESENTATION

\* 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 God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
C **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!**

\* EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

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.

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 (all)

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

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

\* INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P All people are called to Christ's table. Come, eat what is good.

DISTRIBUTION

**["At the Chancel Rail"** – come forward by the CENTER aisle; take a communion cup from the table by the front pew. Approach the altar to partake, then move to the chancel rail to pray. Then, return to your seat using the left or right SIDE aisle]. (Fellowship cups are available for those who wish to remain in your seat for communion)

\* 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 We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C Amen**

**SENDING**

\* BLESSING

P The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed + bless, keep, and Sustain you now and to the end of the age.

**C Amen, Amen, Amen. (sung)**

\* SENDING HYMN                                    “*Sent Forth by God’s Blessing*”                                    #221 Green Hymnal

\* DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Share the harvest.   **C Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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NEXT WEEK’S LECTOR – Andrea Cameron

NEXT WEEK’S ACOLYTES – Hope Miller & Slone Smith

NEXT WEEK’S COMMUNION/OFFERING PRESENTERS – Grace Miller, Harrison & Olivia Mummah

NEXT WEEK’S ALTAR GUILD – Tammy Brackbill & Jenn Hutchinson (7/3/23 – 7/30/23)

**WELCOME TO ALL!**

VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME to worship at Messiah. We invite you to register your visit in the guest book provided in the Narthex. If you are seeking a church home, please speak to the Pastor. Our fellowship in Jesus Christ is open and extended to all persons who confess His Lordship over all life. Thank you for worshipping with us.

VISITORS ARE INVITED TO COMMUNE with us if they are baptized, and if with us in our faith, they trust Jesus’ promise of the presence of the Body and Blood of Christ.

ALTAR FLOWERS are presented to the Glory of God and in honor of my mom, Florence Williams, on her 87<sup>th</sup> birthday by Debbie and Ron Meinsler.

JUST A THOUGHT – Cecil Myers, Christian Thinker: Successful marriage is always a triangle, a man, a woman, and God.

THIS MORNING WE ARE LED IN WORSHIP by Andrea Cameron 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.

### **CONGREGATIONAL NEWS**

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

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

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](mailto: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.

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](mailto:mlchurchoffice@gmail.com) for any changes or requests.

IF ANYONE HAS ANY NEEDS OR CONCERNS, please contact Pastor Sam Leister. If you or someone you know is ill or hospitalized, please let Pastor Leister know. He can be reached at 717-436-8589 (home), or 717-348-1020 (cell), or email at [mlcsleister@gmail.com](mailto:mlcsleister@gmail.com).

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.

JULY’S “MISSION OF THE MONTH” at Messiah will be for the Juniata County Library. The monies will be sent from Messiah directly to our community library to continue to serve our local area. In addition to your generosity, the PPC allocated funds to match congregational donations up to \$1,000.00. This is just one way in which we can continue to extend our mission in Christ’s love beyond the walls of our church building.

MESSIAH’S PPC has purchased two AED’S (Automatic Electronic Defibrillators) along with upgraded first aid products for the Fellowship Hall and the main worship area. The estimated cost is approximately \$3,000. We are all given the opportunity to contribute to the purchase of these life-saving devices. There is a chart showing envelopes with numbers on them in the Adult Sunday School Room. The number is the amount of a contribution you can make to help with this purchase. Please take an envelope and return it when you come to church.

BIBLE STUDY WILL NOT BE HELD DURING THE MONTH OF JULY.

IF YOU HAVE ANY NEWS OR UPCOMING EVENTS, please contact Sheree Goss at 717-436-9613 or email her at [msgoss@gmail.com](mailto:msgoss@gmail.com).

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.

WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT:

July 2, 2023    Worship Attendance – 49

Total Offering	\$2,824.05	<u>Other Funds</u>	
Other Funds	<u>306.00</u>	Benevolence	\$ 16.00
General Fund	\$2,518.05	Building Fund	26.00
		Memorial Fund	50.00
		AED	65.00
		Mission of Month	50.00
		Flowers	<u>99.00</u>
		Total	\$ 306.00

**WOMEN OF THE ELCA**

WE WILL CONTINUE TO COLLECT donations of clothing for Packages of Hope for local families as well as children entering foster care as requested by Children’s Services. The list of clothing items is included below. If you would like to purchase an item or two to donate, please place them in the appropriate storage containers located in the Adult Sunday School Room.

**0-3 Years**

- Socks (2 packs each: sizes 0-3 mo, 3-6 mo, 6-9 mo, 9-12 mo, 2, and 3)
- Onesies (2 packs each: sizes 0-3 mo, 3-6 mo, 6-9 mo, 9-12 mo, 2, and 3)
- Pajamas (2 sets of each: sizes 0-3 mo, 3-6 mo, 6-9 mo, 9-12 mo, 2, and 3)

**4-7 Years**

- Socks (2 packs each: sizes 4T, 5T, 6T, and 7)
- Underwear (2 packs each: sizes 4T, 5T, 6T, and 7)
- Pajamas (2 sets of each: sizes 4T, 5T, 6T, and 7)
- Short sleeve tee (2 of each: sizes 4T, 5T, 6T, and 7)
- Long sleeve tee (2 of each: sizes 4T, 5T, 6T, and 7)
- Sweatpants (2 of each: sizes 4T, 5T, 6T, and 7)
- Sweatshirts (2 of each: sizes 4T, 5T, 6T, and 7)

**8-12 Years**

- Socks (2 packs of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Underwear (2 packs of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Short sleeve tee (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Long sleeve tee (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
  
- Sweatpants (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Sweatshirt (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)

**13-17 Years**

- Socks (2 packs of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Underwear (2 packs of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Short sleeve tee (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Long sleeve tee (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Sweatpants (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Sweatshirt (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)

(Additionally, we are requesting donations of plastic storage containers to help store and organize all donated items).

OUR CONVENTION will be held at Camp Mt. Luther on Saturday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>. If anyone is interested in attending, the cost is \$45.00 which covers a light breakfast, lunch, speaker and any activities. Contact Barb, Linda or Cynthia for copies of registration forms.

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS are being collected for Shelter Service, Inc. in Lewistown:

- |                     |                 |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| --Laundry Detergent | --Shaving Cream |
| --Clorox            | --Shampoo       |
| --Dryer Sheets      | --Deodorant     |
| --Dish Soap         | --Body Wash     |

Please place items in the Adult Sunday School Room in the container provided.

COLLECTION FOR HAVEN MINISTRY "WISH LIST" (a Homeless Shelter and Food Pantry serving the Sunbury area).

**Paper Supplies**

- |              |         |
|--------------|---------|
| Paper Towels | Napkins |
| Toilet Paper | Tissues |
| Paper Plates |         |

**Cleaning Supplies**

- |                  |  |
|------------------|--|
| Liquid Hand Soap | Dish Sponges and Scrubbies                                 |
| Brillo Pads      | Rubber Gloves for cleaning                                 |
| Trash Bags       | Dawn Brand Dish Detergent (Dawn is used for cleaning jobs) |

PERSONAL CARE KIT ITEMS (collecting May—July)

- ONE** lightweight bath-size towel (20" x 40" to 52" x 27").....dark color recommended.
- TWO OR THREE** bath-size bars of soap equaling 8 to 9 oz. (any brand in original wrapping.....no mini or hotel size bars).
- ONE** adult-size toothbrush (in original packaging.....multi-packs may be used as long as each individual toothbrush is sealed in a business-size envelope.....no plastic bags or wraps).
- ONE** sturdy comb (NO picks or fine-toothed combs).
- ONE** metal nail clipper (attached file optional, remove packaging).

*WOMEN OF THE ELCA PURPOSE STATEMENT*

*As a community of women created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society, and the world.*

## COMMUNITY

### FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR JULY:

CANNED BEETS, CARROTS, AND BAKED BEANS.

CLEANING SUPPLIES AND TOILET PAPER.

BACKPACK PROGRAM: SINGLE-SERVE FRUIT CUPS, JELLO CUPS,  
NON-CHOCOLATE PUDDING AND SINGLE SERVE MEALS.

\*WE GLADLY ACCEPT DONATIONS OF CASH/CHECKS AND GIFT CARDS.

### THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

- Today:** -9:15 a.m., Worship/Communion.
- Monday:** -7:00 p.m., AA in Disciple's Class. Area.
- Tuesday:** -6:00 p.m., Quilters Guild in Fellowship Hall.
- Wednesday:** -9:00 a.m., "The Needlers" in Fellowship Hall.
- Saturday:** -9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Quilters Guild in Fellowship Hall.
- Sunday:** -9:15 a.m., Worship/Communion.  
-6:30 p.m., PPC meeting in Youth Area.

## **PRAYER LIST**

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Terry Coder  
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Jane Fogleman  
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Bentley Fulkroad  
Terri Gayer  
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Deborah Gingrich  
Sylva Grimm  
Sue Henderson  
Nox Hepburn  
Judy Hosler  
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Terry Imes  
Annie Ingle  
Curt Kauffman  
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## **PRAY FOR OUR SHUT-INS**

- Jane Marhefka – Brookline Retirement Village, 92 Village Drive, Mifflintown, PA 17059
- Gail Henderson Brookline Manor, 2 Manor Blvd., Mifflintown, PA 17059
- Rich Smith – Magnolia Personal Care Center, 68 Lexi St., Mifflintown, PA 17059
- Ray Bramm – Honaman House, 58 Honaman House Dr., Apt. 108, Thompsontown, PA 17094
- Ruth Cisney – Honaman House, 58 Honaman House Dr., Apt. 112, Thompsontown, PA 17094
- Edith Nipple – 1482 William Penn Hwy., Mifflintown, PA 17059
- Ona Stoner – William Penn Nursing Home, 163 Summit Dr., Lewistown, PA 17044