



# THE LION OF ST. MARK'S

APRIL 2018

## It is STILL Easter!

We have in the past put "It is still Easter" on the signboard at some point during the Easter season. The general public has a hard time with the idea. The Monday after the first Sunday of Easter, all the chocolate bunnies go on sale. It is all over, as far as the stores are concerned. But in the church we have seven weeks to enjoy the news of the resurrection and to revel in the Scripture's stories about those beginning days of the church. As the weeks move along, we have lots of activities to celebrate the new life in Christ Jesus.

- † Most of all, worship together Sunday after Sunday, Saturday evenings and Morning Prayer each weekday as well, means to transform us.
- † The opportunities for study continues for all ages, presenting the old, old story that is ever new.
- † We look to welcome a new pastor to our church family soon.
- † We have the free community lunch, at which we share our fun and food.
- † We'll host a meal-packaging event here at St. Mark's on April 21, where the group will assemble thousands of meals in 2 hours.
- † We have the Bring-a-Friend Sunday on April 29...
- † Outreach will organize spring visitations with our shut-ins in May.... and so on...

...new life, new events, fresh energy this Easter season at St. Mark's!



TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH will host VBS this year. The theme is *WIZARDS & WONDERS: A Hero's Journey*. Yes, the event will be set in a Hogwarts-ish environment. Help will be needed in all the usual areas: teen assistants, group leaders, etc. St. Mark's is taking the lead in creating the scenery and props. If anyone is interested in assisting in any way, there will be a sign-up sheet in the staff hallway. We're excited...are you? (more info in May)

### Acolyte Schedule

#### APRIL SCHEDULE:

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|----------|----------------------|
| April 1  | Sean, Taylor & Sadie |
| April 8  | Hannah & Elizabeth   |
| April 15 | Gabriella & Annika   |
| April 22 | Stefan & Jonah       |
| April 29 | Grace & Owen         |



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Sunday, June 17—Thursday, June 21  
6:00—8:30 PM

# Wizards and Wonders



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**COUNCIL REPORTS DUE APR. 10**  
**NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE APR. 12**

### STAFF OFFICE HOURS

**Pastor: The Rev. James West**  
 Sun-Wed 8 a.m.-1 p.m. & by appointment

**Sexton: Lou DeSeau**  
 Sun - Thurs 5:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

**Parish Musician: Christian Humcke**  
 Sun/Mon/Wed mornings; Mon/Thu evenings

**Financial Secretary: Graydon Yearick**  
 Mon & Wed 8:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m.

**Youth & Family: Bernadette Jones**  
 Mon., Wed., Thur., Fri 10 a.m.—1 p.m.,  
 Sun. 8 a.m.—1p.m. & by arrangement

**Youth & Family: Michele Owen**  
 Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri 10 a.m.—2 p.m.

**Secretary: Laura Schreckengast**  
 Mon-Fri 9 a.m.—1 p.m.

**Council Notes :** The congregational council met on Monday, March 19, 2018. Notes from this meeting will appear in May's *Lion*.

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The **Master's Gardeners** class for adults meets on Sunday mornings between the 8:00 and 10:30 am services. This lively group is led by Kathy & Gregg Dancho. Pour yourself a cup of coffee and join us!

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The new carpet was installed in Middle Lounge and it looks wonderful! It is available for viewing at the Master's Gardeners adult class on Sundays at 9:15.

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On Saturday, April 7, worship and Holy Communion will resume at 6:00 pm in the Chapel.

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*"Our Lord has written the promise of resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime."*

~ Martin Luther

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## Lutheran-Catholic Dialogue

Join us on **Wednesday, April 4, 2018 at 7 PM** at Perkins on Via Bella (in the back room); come early to share a meal together or just arrive for coffee, dessert, and discussion. We will reflect on the studies and commemoration held in the past year and chart a path forward for continued local collaboration. All are welcome.

We concluded our 6-week joint Lutheran-Catholic study of *From Conflict to Communion* the first week of February at Perkins. Over those weeks, we gathered as a group ranging from 12-15 people (or just 6 on that icy/snowiest of days!) from 6 different local congregations. The discussions were open and engaging with plenty of personal experiences and stories shared. The fellowship was encouraging, and there was plenty of good food and good food for thought. We look forward to seeing many of you there on April 4<sup>th</sup> to continue to work together on our journey towards visible Christian unity as members of the body of Christ.

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Grace to you and peace.

This Lenten season could very well be the best one I've ever experienced as a pastor. Last year's was probably my toughest and the two may be related. A year ago it was a matter of getting used to the number of services, their length, and sheer amount of detail. This year it's as if all that discipline now results in a deep appreciation of getting to be with you again. There is a parallel, too, between the experience of that first Easter and our experience of experiencing, note the word "our", our last Easter together.

The first disciples had no idea of what was about to happen to Jesus. Even though Jesus had been bracing them for the trial and execution, they dismissed it as something that could or would never happen. Then when it happened, they couldn't begin to understand what resurrection was all about. We have the benefit of two thousand years of the accumulated wisdom of the saints who've lived and died in this faith. Yet even so, when it comes to our own death, well it's just unimaginable. All we know is life and the reality of dying and death around us, but not our own. This is the universal predicament of all people. This is also why this is why this Lent is "the best ever".

We know that in a little while, our work together will end. I will no longer be your "pastor for now". Due to the distances involved, we will not see each other again in this life. Thus, this Lent is a death as well as the beginning of something new that we can only imagine in part. For me, and I hope for you, our separation will be both sorrowful and joyous, both on a human and divine point of view. God sees it complete, from the foundation of the world, we, only in part, one day at a time.

For these reasons, these words from the Sunday liturgy take on deeper meaning as our work nears completion: "Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast."

Likewise, wherever our life in Christ Jesus takes us, we will continue to be united in him in the communion of saints which is forever.

Pray for me, as I pray for you always in Christ Jesus.  
Pastor James West

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**Don't Be Fooled – Hunger is No Joke!**

**Meal Packaging Event**  
**at St. Mark's Lutheran**

**Sat., Apr. 21, 2018 beginning at 10:00 am**

Locally, 13.5% of our Lycoming County population struggles with food insecurity ([feedingamerica.org](http://feedingamerica.org).) You can easily help reduce this insecurity by participating in our meal packaging event. Our goal is to package 20,000 meals of pasta with tomato basil sauce to be distributed to local food banks and food pantries in the Greater Williamsport Area including The New Love Center in Jersey Shore and other sites in Lycoming and Clinton counties.

The Outreach Committee needs volunteers to set up, pack meals that day and clean up, donate funds to offset the cost of hosting this event and to donate food items for the refreshment stand.

**To do any or all of these choices see the display and sign-up sheets in the Narthex.**

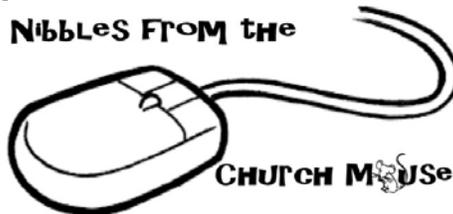
*Checks may be made payable to St. Mark's with the memo line reading "Meal Event."*

Contact Michele Owen with questions or to volunteer.

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**Heads-up! Details for a Days of Remembrance Essay contest** for students in grades 7–12 and veterans are being finalized. The focus for the essay contest is the importance of teaching about the Holocaust in our schools. Deadlines for submissions and more info is forthcoming.

**Nibbles From the**



This has been a busy month for many of our folks – theater, babies and basketball among other things have occupied them in March!

Pam Jensen writes of Sean: The Loyalsock Township 9<sup>th</sup> grade boy's basketball team had an outstanding season, with 14 wins and one loss. The season concluded with the Durrwachter Memorial Tournament at WAM and the champion was Loyalsock! In March, the team traveled to the Dick's National Invitational Tournament, which draws over 200 elite all-star travel teams and is live-streamed for a membership fee. Not one regular school team attended other than Loyalsock's – all were chosen from regional and statewide locations. Our local team made it to the semi-finals, where they faced the number one undefeated Pittsburgh AR team. When Mom saw the size of the players, she started crying, much to Sean's disgust! But the team wasn't fazed and played their hearts out with only six players, our tallest already out with an injury. Amazingly, they won by one point in overtime – an almost unbelievable victory! The team went on to play for the championship but did not win. Still they performed like champions and the glow of that Pittsburgh victory still lingers.

Donna Clark reports on an addition to their family. On February 15 they were blessed with another great-granddaughter, Delilah Jean Clark, born to Anthony and Jean Clark. She joins big sister Elia and big brother Gordon – this makes 6 great-grandchildren for Donna and Gary.

Six Williamsport teams advanced to the state championship for Odyssey of the Mind. Donna Clark's two granddaughters were on the teams – Halie on the WAHS team and Mia on the Roosevelt Middle School team. States will be held in the Poconos.

Hannah Hausmann was on the Williamsport High School Odyssey of the Mind team as well. Her team competed at regionals and took first place, moving them on to the State competition to be held April 7. The team competed in problem 1 – Triathlon Travels where they had to design a car that actually moves from place to place while accomplishing various tasks! Wow – would like to have seen that. Shelby Weber was a judge at this competition and will be judging at States as well.

Sadie Wentzel was the lead role in Loyalsock High School's production of "Nine to Five" which took the stage the weekend of March 17. Gracie Schreckengast and Taylor Wentzel kept it all rolling smoothly as vital parts of the stage crew. Donna Elkin and Laura Schreckengast are in the "pits" of our local HS musical scene. Donna is playing numerous percussion parts in Central Mountain's "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang", and

Laura covers all the wind parts in South Williamsport's "Footloose". Ironically, all three shows occurred on the same weekend

One more achievement for Sadie – she is one of 7 finalists for the WVIA Artist of the Year! Good luck, Sadie!

A final thought for you – Michael Ochs asked me, as chair of the Call Committee – are we looking for a priest or a prophet? What do you think?

*Joyce Anne*

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**Sojourner's Truth UPDATE:**

At this time Sojourner's Truth Ministries is in transition and some of their programs have been put on hold. Dawson will continue to collect snack donations and these donations will now go to the Family Promise Day Center for the families to use for breakfast and for the children's school lunches.

All monies donated for this project will purchase snacks to go to Family Promise. If there are any questions concerning this change please call or email Michele.

Thank you for your continued contributions towards Dawson's senior project.

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**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

Many thanks to everyone who continues to donate items for our OCC collection. Our shoeboxes are on their way to being filled with gifts for boys and girls throughout the world. Take a look at the shoebox in the narthex which is filled with our monthly donations to date ~ activity books, tissues, washcloths, soap, knit hats, combs/brushes and flashlights are a wonderful start to creating a special Christmas memory!

In April, we are collecting **Stuffed Animals** (beanie baby size) and **Toothbrushes** (child or adult size) along with **Toothbrush Toppers/Cases**. These items may be placed in our red, OCC bin located in the narthex. Thank you for your generosity!



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**Ongoing Activities at Redeemer Lutheran:**

**Free Community Dinner:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 at 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM. All are welcome.

**Daniel's Closet:** Free seasonal clothing on Saturday, April 28, 2018 from 9:00 – 11:00 AM. Lighter weight clothing and accessories are most needed. Donations may be dropped off at Redeemer on April 26, 2018 from 4:00 – 6:00 PM.



### THE HANDS OF GOD

God's work is done through the hands of His people. Large hands, small hands, callused hands, manicured hands—all qualify.

The hands of our quilting ladies do God's work by making quilts to provide warmth to people living in poverty or crisis. Unfortunately, our quilting circle is getting smaller and smaller. More hands are very much needed. We would welcome you to help knot or to help assemble quilts on Wednesday mornings. Come and have a cup of coffee and enjoy fellowship with a worthwhile purpose. Also, we particularly need people to machine stitch quilt tops at home. Contact Shirley Hill or any of our quilters.

Won't you lend us your hands?

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### Thank You for Having a Heart

The Newberry Branch of NGA (Needlework Guild of America) graciously thanks the members of St. Mark's Lutheran for the many new t-shirts, socks and undies that were donated during our "Have a Heart, Donate Smart" campaign. More than 150 new items were donated! The t-shirts, socks and undies complete clothing outfits and also stock WASH nursing suites. Your donated items increase a child's self-esteem and assist in maintaining his or her school attendance. Thank you for having a heart by providing "New Clothes for New Tomorrows"!



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### The Bazaar Room is Open!

If you are doing what is affectionately known as "spring cleaning", the Women of St. Mark's welcome your donations. The Bazaar Room is open for your donations of holiday decorations, housewares, home décor, linens, toys and other treasures you no longer need or want. Please be sure all donated items are clean, in good condition and working properly. Placing your donations in small boxes will help during set up time.



**Mark your calendars. This year's Fall Bazaar will be Saturday, September 8, 2018.**

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### Sharing in the Caring

#### Ongoing Collections at St. Mark's:

United Churches Food Pantry: Non-perishable food items are always in need. Please fill our bin this month.  
Shepherd of the Streets: Hygiene items in regular sizes for infants, children and adults (men and women). Also needed are disposable diapers and new or gently used towels and bedding.

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### Quick Reminder!

#### EASTER MORNING HOSPITALITY

In between the services on Easter morning, post-8:00/pre-10:30 services, refreshments will be served for everyone in Fellowship Hall, beginning shortly after 9:00 am. While enjoying each others' company, those adults and youth who wish can join in creating an Easter craft.



So, bring your families to early service and stay late, or come early for the late service. Either way, we look forward to sharing the joy of the day with you!!

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#### SEDER THANK YOU

Many thanks to all those who helped with the preparations for the Seder meal—those who worked in the kitchen, those who set the room, and those who arrived early to fill the Seder plates.

Thanks also to those who helped during the meal—in leadership roles, with plating, as wait staff, and as wine pourers.

Thanks and kudos to those who were there to clean up after the event—your help is greatly appreciated!

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#### House of Worship Workshop *Safeguarding our congregation*

The Williamsport Bureau of Police has teamed up with the Department of Homeland Security to provide a "House of Worship Workshop". This training is free of charge and will be conducted on May 12, 2018 at Crossroads Church located 1454 PA-44, Jersey Shore, Pa. Registration begins at 8am and the workshop will take place from 9am-1pm. To register for this free training please visit [jcrossroads.org](http://jcrossroads.org)

Topics include:

- ☞ Suspicious Activity Reporting
- ☞ Top 5 Security Concerns
- ☞ House of Worship APP
- ☞ ...and more

### A.L.I.C.E.

*Common Sense, just not Common Knowledge*

**Alert  
Lockdown  
Inform  
Counter  
Evacuate**

ALICE is **NOT** a linear, progressive response.

This workshop is recommended for congregational leaders, i.e., staff, council members, assistant ministers, and/or ushers. For more information, go to <http://jcrossroads.org/> or call. 570-398-5533

## MISSION IN LIBERIA

*Sandy Nelson, St. Michael's, Quiggleville*

For the past 10 years, I have been going to Liberia among those representing the Upper Susquehanna Synod (USS) in its relationship with the Lutheran Church in Liberia (LCL). This relationship with the Lutheran Church in our area has been in place for 158 years. The activities of my visits there have been varied. For several years, I was involved with teacher training. In 2007, I was involved in starting five literacy groups in villages near the Lutheran Training Institute (LTI). I continue to visit and encourage those groups. As times change, so do the purposes of our mission. The ELCA's purpose for mission is accompaniment—building relationships.

In 2016, I was the only person going from the USS and I felt we needed to make an effort to expose more of our people to the mission in Liberia. Hopefully, we can find someone who would fall in love with the mission as I have.

For the last two years, we have had four new visitors and two who had lived in Liberia in the 1980's returned. This exposure has shown the visitors over 200 miles of Liberia, between Monrovia and Zorzor. Along the way, we have visited churches, schools and hospitals. We met there with the pastors, the teachers, and the hospital personnel—as well as several families.

It's often hard for Americans to comprehend the differences between their third world culture and our current society. While Liberians are human **be**-ings, Americans are human **do**-ings—always involved in the process. I think of this during church there. At St. Peter's, there are 650+ literally shoved into the pews, as well as more standing outside. The service can last 3½ hours and includes singing, sermon, and, sometimes, communion and dancing. Yet, everyone marches/dances to the front with their offering, taking joy in the moment.

Why do I go? In 2006, my first year, as we drove at

night from the airport to Monrovia, I felt: I love this place—I want to come back. Since then, I have continued to build relationships with and learn about the people and their culture.

This year, I was there during the partners meeting. I was invited as a guest of the Liberians. Bishop Collins was our representative, as well as Dr. Andrea Walker of the ELCA. They were there for three days: I was there two months. The other partners in this mission are the Churches of Sweden, Denmark, and Germany. As I continue to go, I continue to grow in knowledge and understanding through new experiences, new people, and new relationships—while maintaining and building on the old.

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*This month, Children's Church is on Sunday, April 15. Please join us in the chapel for a simple service where the children can ask questions and sing kid-friendly songs.*

**SAVE THE DATE** Susquehanna UNIVERSITY  
**Lutheran Youth Day**  
**April 14, 2018**  
 with David Scherer (AGAPE\*) and Joe Davis  
 Sponsored by:  
 The Office of Religious and Spiritual Life  
 musser@susqu.edu 570-372-4303  
 www.susqu.edu/religious-and-spiritual-life  
**SAVE THE DATE**

		Michael Ochs	4/13	Walter Haussmann	4/27
		Ezra Buckman	4/14	Audrey Comerford	4/28
		Veronica Doane	4/14	Ruth Ditchfield	4/29
		Jami Larson	4/15	Dorothy Bingaman	4/30
		David Hughes	4/17		
		Sara Neal	4/17		
		Beverly Best	4/18		
		Beverly Schmitt	4/18		
		Diana Zeigler	4/18	4/3	Matthew & Wanda Fortin
		Cynthia Hartzel	4/19	4/8	Robert & Bernadette Jones
		Jeffrey Byerly	4/20	4/8	Louis & Kathy Kolb
		Karen Pelleschi	4/20	4/23	Carl & Audrey Albright
		Ben Haussmann	4/23	4/23	Randy & Jeanette Lukens
		Karen Burd	4/26		
Jon Huff	4/2				
Bernadette Jones	4/2				
Tina Harvey	4/5				
Linda Rosini	4/6				
John Goertz	4/7				
Elda Zeigler	4/9				
Sadie Wentzel	4/10				
Taylor Wentzel	4/10				
Robert Clouser	4/11				



### CAMPUS MINISTRY



It has been a month of blessings for UCM! Two of our alum are engaged to be married to each other and another alum became a proud mother to a beautiful baby boy! We are all celebrating with them.

We thank Pastor Raphael from City Church and Taylor and Becky from Christian Church of Cogan Station, our pastors this month. Special thanks to Pastor Brad from New Covenant UCC for again providing ashes for students on Ash Wednesday. We appreciate all the time, energy, love and prayers for our students and campus ministry.

*Tammey Aichner, Coordinator, ucm@ucl.org*

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### *An Invitation from Christian Social Concerns*

The new chair of the Christian Social Concerns (CSC) Committee of the United Churches of Lycoming County (UCLC) has issued an invitation for people to consider joining such.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 10, 5 p.m., at the New Covenant UCC church building, 202 E. Third St.

Contact Joe Hopkins or Gwen Bernstine at their email addresses for further information or see the UCLC newsletter at [www.ucl.org](http://www.ucl.org).

If a delegate from church attended the November 2017 annual assembly and banquet of the UCLC, that person would have the annual report of the UCLC so one could see what it and the CSC committee endeavors to do.

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### **Racial Justice Essay Contest 2018:**



For more than 125 years the YWCA in Lycoming County has been committed to racial equity, justice and eliminating racism in our community through education, peaceful dialogue and public advocacy.

They've been inspired by women like Rosa Parks and Recy Taylor, and men like Martin Luther King, Jr. and Ralph Abernathy.

Today, the YWCA Northcentral PA wants to know how you are fighting racism in our community. They invite Lycoming County students 10 - 18 years of age to submit an original essay in the YWCA's first annual Racial Justice Essay. Essays are due by 4:30pm on Monday, April 16th and can be submitted electronically to [dlinn@ywcawilliamsport.org](mailto:dlinn@ywcawilliamsport.org) or dropped off at the YWCA Northcentral PA, 815. W. Fourth Street, Williamsport. Students are to tell how racism has impacted their life and how they are working to eliminate racism and promote peace in our world. Complete directions

are in the supplement packet sent with the online newsletter, and posted on our web site newsletter page at [www.ucl.org](http://www.ucl.org).

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### **Victorian Tea at Trinity**

A Victorian Tea will be held on Sunday, April 22 at 2 pm at Trinity Episcopal Church, 844 W 4th St, Williamsport. A \$15 donation includes tea, sandwiches, and traditional British sweets. A presentation on Victorian fans will be included. Fanciful attire is encouraged. Ticket auction and door prizes, too. For tickets, call the church at 570-322-0126.



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### **WEDNESDAY ECUMENICAL LUNCHESES**

Wednesday lunches at Pine St. UM have begun again: they serve 11:45 a.m. Lunch is \$6. Parking is free in the Pine Street lot north of the church from 11 to 1:30. No reservations are necessary, but a call to the United Churches office 570-322-1110 if you are not a regular attender will help our caterer, Heidi, know how to prepare.

#### **APRIL PROGRAMS:**

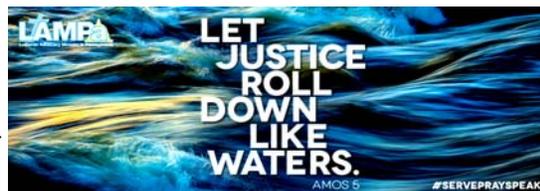
- 4<sup>th</sup>—The Rev. J. Morris Smith, Th.D., Shepherd of the Streets, *“Helping The Poor Be Healthier”*
- 11<sup>th</sup>—Mr. John Hunsinger, Local Historian, *“A History of Bands in Lycoming County”*
- 18<sup>th</sup>—Ms. Tracy Hass-Ungard, *“Establishing a Local Pet Pantry”*
- 25<sup>th</sup>—Mr. Richard Reitz, Founder, and Mr. Tim Nelson, Director, Camp Cadet, *“Creating a Positive Relationship With Law Enforcement”*

Join us! Bring a friend! Make new friends!

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### **Lutheran Day in the Capitol, May 21**

**Bring your faith to the table**, and join Lutherans from around the state for worship, learning, advocacy and action. Lutheran Day at the Capitol will focus on our baptismal call to ministry in the public square and the unique voice of Lutheran Christians addressing hunger and poverty. We will explore how we can be church together in Pennsylvania, so that justice might, in the words of the prophet Amos, “roll down like waters.” The day will include worship, a keynote address, legislative briefing and visit training, workshops, a continental breakfast and lunch. Come to be inspired, prepared and equipped to act as church together, for the sake of the world.





**St. Paul Lutheran Church  
Scholarship  
Program**

The St. Paul Lutheran Church Scholarship Program was founded by the congregation of the former St. Paul Lutheran Church in Williamsport, Pennsylvania. St. Paul, prior to its closing, established this special scholarship program to benefit Lutheran students in Lycoming County, Pennsylvania.

Eligible candidates must:

- ✓ Be graduating seniors of a high school, or a high school graduate equivalent, located in Lycoming County, PA. Candidates may reapply in successive years for scholarships available from this program.
- ✓ Be members of a Lutheran church, including those individuals who were members of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Williamsport, Pennsylvania, at the time of its closing.
- ✓ Be attending or planning to attend an institution of higher education (academic, technical, or vocational in the 2018-2019 academic year).
- ✓ Have a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
- ✓ Demonstrate involvement in church & community.

Application Process and Deadline

Students who wish to apply to the scholarship program must complete an online application. Paper applications are also available by request. If you would like to download the scholarship description and application questions (for your reference), it is available at <https://tinyurl.com/ycaypukl>

For individuals recommending applicants, the Recommendation Link is <https://tinyurl.com/y7mgt9oc>

*Scholarship applications will be available from March 1 to April 30, 2018.*

Questions?

Additional questions about this scholarship may be directed to Nikki Johnson, Donor Services Associate, at [scholarships@inFaithFound.org](mailto:scholarships@inFaithFound.org) or calling 800-365-4172.

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**May 6-15 is Family Promise hosting week.**

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**APRIL 29<sup>TH</sup> IS  
BRING A FRIEND SUNDAY!**

Yes, for that Sunday, invite a friend to join us for Sunday School and worship—or just to worship!

After the 10:30 service, we will create our own pizzas for lunch. Once the pizzas are finished, we will enjoy them while watching a movie. Two movies are scheduled—one for adults and one for our youth.

**Yes, adults are welcome as well as our young folk (6th grade and up)!**

For those who don't wish to watch a movie, games for the young and the young at heart are available to enjoy.

So, please join us on Sunday, April 29th. We look forward to meeting your friends!

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*Women &  
Children's  
Dinner*

Please join us on Wednesday, May 2, for a dinner prepared by our men and entertainment by Desirae & Declan, with their program, *The Ages of Love*.

**PLEASE FILL OUT AND RETURN  
THIS TODAY!!!!**

**WOMEN & CHILDREN'S  
DINNER**

Name:

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Number attending:

\_\_\_\_\_ @ \$8.50 (full portion)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$4.75 (half portion)



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**Lunch & Fellowship, Wednesday, April 18**

**Free Community Lunch**

**Fellowship Meal** Our kitchen elves were kept hopping during Lent with meals every Wednesday. At the community lunch on March 21, almost 50 people were served (the pasta & meatballs were excellent). Baked Ham is on the menu for Wednesday, April 18. Please join us!!

***FOOD PANTRY HOURS:***

**Hours are: 9:30 - Noon  
on Mondays for delivery.**

**Tuesdays/Thursdays from 10-3  
clients by appointment only 570-322-1657**

**Castellano Center 320 Park Ave.,  
Williamsport, PA**



As always, the food pantry stands in need of any non-perishable food items.

*Thank you*

**Our 24 hour Devotion Line**

Have you called yet? The number is 570-322-5762. It's available 24 hours a day. Devotions change each weekday and once on the weekend, and are designed to lift your spirit and help you to have

*"A Closer Walk with God."*

The devotionalists this month include:

- 4/2-8 Clarence Thompson
- 4/9-15 Pastor Dawn White
- 4/16-22 Rev. Marwin Reeves

Listen today and tell others about this ministry!



**Daniel's Closet**

Free seasonal clothing on Saturday, April 28, 2018 from 9:00 – 11:00 AM.

*Lighter weight clothing and accessories are most needed.*

Donations may be dropped off at Redeemer on April 26, 2018 from 4:00 – 6:00 PM.



***Free Community Supper All Are Welcome***

**Redeemer Lutheran Church Thursday, April 12, 2018 5:30 – 6:30 PM**

**Easter Sunday April 1, 2018**  
 8:00am Holy Communion  
 9:15am Easter Hospitality & Craft  
 in Fellowship Hall  
 10:30am Holy Communion

**Mon April 2, 2018**  
 Office Closed  
 7:00pm Civic Chorus Rehearsal

**Tue April 3, 2018**  
 9:00am Morning Prayer  
 10:03am Staff Meeting  
 1:00pm City Pastors' Lunch  
 6:30pm Outreach

**Wed April 4, 2018**  
 9:00am Morning Prayer  
 9:00am Quilters  
 10:00am VBS Planning Meeting  
 12:00pm Ecumenical Lunch-Pine St.  
 1:15pm Pericope

**Thu April 5, 2018**  
 9:00am Morning Prayer  
 6:00pm Bell Choir  
 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

**Fri April 6, 2018**  
 9:00am Morning Prayer  
 10:00am Publicity Committee  
 11:00am Christian Ed. Comm.

**Sat April 7, 2018**  
 6:00pm Holy Communion

**Sun April 8, 2018**  
 8:00am Holy Communion  
 9:15am Sunday School  
 10:30am Holy Communion

**Mon April 9, 2018**  
 9:00am Morning Prayer  
 10:03am Staff Meeting  
 7:00pm Civic Chorus Rehearsal

**Tue April 10, 2018**  
**Council Agenda Due**  
 9:00am Morning Prayer

**Wed April 11, 2018**  
 9:00am Morning Prayer  
 9:00am Quilters

12:00pm Ecumenical Lunch-Pine St.  
 1:15pm Pericope

**Thu April 12, 2018**  
**Lion Article Deadline**  
 9:00am Morning Prayer  
 5:30pm Redeemer Community Meal  
 6:00pm Bell Choir  
 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

**Fri April 13, 2018**  
 9:00am Morning Prayer

**Sat April 14, 2018**  
 6:00pm Holy Communion

**Sun April 15, 2018**  
 8:00am Holy Communion  
 9:15am Sunday School  
 10:30am Holy Communion  
 10:30am Children's Church

**Mon April 16, 2018**  
 9:00am Morning Prayer  
 10:03am Staff Meeting  
 6:00pm Civic Chorus Board Meeting  
**6:30pm Council Meeting**  
 7:00pm Wmspt. Dog Training Club  
 7:00pm Civic Chorus Rehearsal

**Tue April 17, 2018**  
 9:00am Morning Prayer

**Wed April 18, 2018**  
 9:00am Morning Prayer  
 9:00am Quilters  
 12:00pm Ecumenical Lunch-Pine St.  
 12:00pm Lunch 'n' Fellowship  
 1:15pm Pericope

**Thu April 19, 2018**  
 9:00am Morning Prayer  
 9:30am Stephen Ministry  
 6:00pm Bell Choir  
 6:30pm Stephen Ministry  
 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

**Fri April 20, 2018**  
 9:00am Morning Prayer

**Sat April 21, 2018**  
 10:00am Meal Packaging Event  
 6:00pm Holy Communion

**Sun April 22, 2018**  
 8:00am Holy Communion  
 9:15am Sunday School  
 10:30am Holy Communion

**Mon April 23, 2018**  
 9:00am Morning Prayer  
 10:03am Staff Meeting  
 7:00pm Civic Chorus Rehearsal

**Tue April 24, 2018**  
 9:00am Morning Prayer  
 6:00pm Williamsport Music Club  
 Spring Gala

**Wed April 25, 2018**  
 9:00am Morning Prayer  
 9:00am Quilters  
 12:00pm Ecumenical Lunch-Pine St.  
 1:15pm Pericope  
 6:00pm Civic Chorus Small Group  
 rehearsal - FH

**Thu April 26, 2018**  
 9:00am Morning Prayer  
 9:30am Stephen Ministry  
 4:00pm Daniel's Closet Drop-Off  
 6:00pm Bell Choir  
 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

**Fri April 27, 2018**  
 9:00am Morning Prayer  
 9:20am Lion Crew

**Sat April 28, 2018**  
 Stephen Ministry baking day  
 9:00am Daniel's Closet  
 6:00pm Holy Communion

**Sun April 29, 2018**  
**Bring a Friend Sunday!!**  
 8:00am Holy Communion  
 10:30am Holy Communion

**Mon April 30, 2018**  
 9:00am Morning Prayer  
 10:03am Staff Meeting  
 7:00pm Civic Chorus Rehearsal  
 last of season

