

Christ's Corner on the News

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Thursdays, Oct. 2-30

Ladies Bible Study
9:30 am & 6:00 pm

Sun., Oct. 5

Blanket Sunday
Pet Blessing 1pm
Hunger Walk 2pm
Faith Lab 4:30 pm @ CELC

Thursdays, Oct. 9 & 23

Men's Bible Study
6:00 pm

Sun., Oct. 12

UYG Murder Mystery
1:30-4:30 pm @ St. Paul's

Mon. – Sat., Oct. 15-18

Pre-School Fall Market
*Timing varies

Sat., Oct. 18

Trunk or Treat @ MLC
3pm-5pm

Sun., Oct. 19

Faith Lab 4:30pm @ UIC
Hayride at 5pm
St. John's Pottsgrove

Sun. Oct. 26

Reformation Sunday
UYG Road Trip Bible Study
6:30-8 pm @ 1st Baptist

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE is Mon., October 13th. We'll be assembling and mailing out the newsletter on Tues., October 21 at 9:15 am in the Lower Church Hall.

ATTENTION CUPCAKE MAKERS! We're looking for cupcake donations for the Oct. 19th hayride. There will be a signup sheet at the Welcome Desk.

OCT. 80+ BIRTHDAYS

3	Leroy Gilbert
6	Carol Brann
7	Patsy Wagner
9	Bryan Berry
12	Robynn Thompson
14	Maxine Gilbert
24	Tom Hetherington

OCT. WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

2	Thomas & Ellen Stauffer
8	Amy Faux & Kate Destafano
10	Paules & Kathy Gibson
14	Gerald & Cindy Reed
16	Sara & Jeremy Haley
18	Kevin & Pam Baker
26	Roland & Helen Bostian

HARVEST HOME SUNDAY: In the weeks leading up to Harvest Home Sunday on November 9th, we'll be collecting non-perishable food to fill the shelves of our **Emergency Food Pantry**. The donations will be displayed at our worship services that day. A shopping cart in the Main Lobby is ready to receive your contributions. There is a detailed list enclosed in this newsletter of the items we currently need the most.

DON'T FORGET! FALL BACK! Daylight Savings Time ends **Sun., November 2nd**. Remember to turn your clocks back before retiring on Saturday night.

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⁶ The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. ⁷ Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not regretfully or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸ And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work...¹¹ You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us."

2 Corinthians 9: 6-8, 11

Dear Christ's Lutheran,

As we enter into the month of October, the days are growing shorter, the air is becoming crisp, and the earth begins to rest in preparation for winter. This is also the season when we in the church often turn our attention to stewardship—not just as a fundraising campaign, but as a faithful way of life. Too often, we reduce the conversation around stewardship to money and lose sight of what stewardship really is. It's not just programming, or a four-week church series, it's a dutiful and intentional practice.

The word "stewardship" comes from the idea of being a caretaker. Everything we have—our time, talents, treasure, and even our capacity for thanksgiving—comes from God and is meant to be used for God's purposes. Stewardship is about how we care for these gifts that God has entrusted to us. It is our response to God's generosity. As we wrap up our "Gifted Stewards" series, I encourage you to continue to reflect on these four areas: time, talent, treasure, and thanks.

1. **Time**—How we use our time says a great deal about our priorities. Are we making time for worship, rest, prayer, and service? Can we create space in our schedules to be present with others—to listen, to care, and to serve?
2. **Talent**—Each of us has been uniquely gifted by God with skills, passions, and experiences. Good stewardship means offering those gifts in service to others and to the church. Whether it's singing in the choir, fixing what's broken, teaching, baking, organizing, or simply being a kind and steady presence—your gifts matter.
3. **Treasure**—Financial stewardship is a tangible way we participate in God's mission. Our giving supports the ministry of our congregation—worship, outreach, education, care for our building, and support for ministries in our community. Giving isn't just about meeting a budget—it's about aligning our resources with our values.
4. **Thanks**—Thanksgiving is an act of stewardship. When we practice gratitude, we become more aware of God's presence and provision in our lives. Gratitude grounds us, softens us, and opens us to generosity. This season, how might you intentionally practice giving thanks—not just on one Thursday in November, but every day? A thankful heart is a generous heart.

As we move through this season, I encourage you to pray and reflect on how God is calling you to grow as a steward of God's gifts. Stewardship is not about obligation—it's about invitation: to grow, to give, and to participate in the abundant life God intends for us and for the world. God has richly blessed us, not for our own comfort, but so we can be a blessing to others. So let us be good stewards together—joyfully, faithfully, and with thanksgiving.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Katy

Faith Formation October Information

Walk for Hunger- Lewisburg's annual walk for hunger is taking place on Sunday, October 5. The walk will start at St. Paul's UM church and begins at 2:00 pm. We start gathering at 1:45 pm. You can walk a mile route or a 5K route. The money raised will go to programs to help stop food insecurity in Union County. You can give any donations to Charlene Rineer. This is a great service project for confirmation students and their families. Charlene is walking and everyone is invited to join her.



Faith Lab – Faith Lab is a faith building program that we are doing with United in Christ Lutheran. Faith Lab welcomes students from pre-k through 6th grade to learn about Living in God's Time! Each month we will gather for Bible study, games, crafts, and a free family dinner sponsored by the host congregation! There is also a Bible study class for the parents. Faith Lab will take place on the first Sunday of each month from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm at Christ's in Lewisburg. Anyone willing to provide the meal for the evening should see Charlene or Pastor Katy. On the third Sunday of the month, we meet at United in Christ from 4:30 to 6:30 pm.



Mini Mission Monday - Youth of all ages are invited to come help on October 20 at 6:30 pm as we make care packages for our college students. We will gather in room 204-206 to pack the boxes. There is a blue collection bin by the youth bulletin board for donations of snacks, school supplies, and other fun or inspirational items.

United Youth Group - The UYG started off in September with a luncheon, a games' day, and the first of the Road Trip Bible study lessons. In October, we will be meeting for the walk to feed the hungry, and the mystery event. Then the next Road Trip lesson will be on October 26 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm at First Baptist. For that the youth need to bring their Bibles. All 6th through 12th graders are invited to join us!

Mystery Game Event – The Synod Youth Team is hosting a murder mystery on Sunday, October 12th. It will take place at St. John's Lutheran in Norry from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. If you need a ride there, please meet at St. Paul's UM church at 1:30 pm.



Other Up-coming Plans - You can put these activities on your calendar now. More information for them will be given at a later date. If you have any questions please see Charlene.

November 2 – FAITH LAB at Christ's Lutheran – 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm

November 9 – Synod Youth Team running a **Ping Pong Tournament – 2 to 4**

November 15 – UYG Help at the Beacon Free Shoppe at Beaver UM – 9 to noon

November 16 – FAITH LAB at United in Christ – 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm

November 17 – Mini Mission Monday – Operation Christmas Shoe Boxes – 6:00 pm in the Lower Church Hall:

We will be accepting donations for these boxes. The items being collected are small toys, combs, hair items for girls, socks, soap, wash clothes, school supplies, and tissues. The box for donations will be next to the Faith Formation Bulletin board.

November 23 – UYG Road Trip Bible Study – 6:30 to 8:00 pm – at St. Paul's UM

November 30 – Combined Sunday School for Advent Prep for Families

November 30 – United Youth Group – Movie Night – 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at 1st Baptist



From the Music Team – Brandy & Joanne

Proposed Worship Schedule for Oct. - Subject to Change Due to Schedules of Musicians

Sunday, Oct. 5 - Gifted Stewards - Thanks - ELW Setting 2

9:30 am worship - Prelude by Children & Family Choir (Tentative)

Communion Anthem by Pop-Up Choir - "Just As I Am" - ELW # 592

Sunday, Oct. 12 - Gifted Stewards - Post-Series - ELW Setting 2

9:30 am worship - Offertory anthem by Youth Orff Ensemble

Communion anthem by Pop-Up Choir - "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" - ELW # 733

Sunday, Oct. 19 - 19th Sunday after Pentecost - ELW Setting 2

9:30 am worship - Anthems by Parish Peal Handbell Choir or Ensemble

Sunday, Oct. 26 - Reformation Sunday - ELW Setting 2

9:30 am worship - Prelude and Communion Anthem by Parish Choir

Anthem by Children & Family Choir (tentative)

Handbell Accompaniment by Parish Peal (tentative)

Choir/Ensemble Update

1) Pop-Up Choir - This is an unrehearsed choir who sings a familiar hymn in parts. All interested singers welcome! Will provide the communion anthem on Oct. 5 and Oct. 12. Anthem choices are listed in the proposed worship schedule. Questions may be addressed to Brandy.

2) Parish Choir - Will provide anthems on Oct. 26 in celebration of Reformation Sunday. Rehearsals continue at 7:15 pm on select Monday evenings. Singers are asked to check e-mail for rehearsal schedule updates. New singers welcome at any time! No prior choir experience needed. Interested in singing but cannot attend an evening rehearsal? Contact Brandy for options.

3) Parish Peal Handbell Choir/Ensemble - Will be providing anthems on Oct. 19 and possible hymn accompaniment on Oct. 26. Rehearsals will continue on select Monday evenings at 6:30 pm. Ringers are asked to check e-mail for updates to the rehearsal schedule. Anyone interested in learning to ring handbells is asked to contact Joanne.

4) Youth Drumming/Orff Ensemble - Will provide the offertory anthem on Oct. 12. Rehearsals continue during the Sunday school hour. For more info, contact Brandy.

5) Children & Family Choir - Will provide an anthem on Oct. 5 or Oct. 26 depending on schedules of families. Rehearsals continue during the Sunday school hour. For more info, contact Brandy.

6) Special Music - Folks in the congregation are welcome to provide anthems for worship. All ages and experience levels welcome! Anthems may be vocal and/or instrumental. There are various options for placement within the service even if a choir or ensemble is already scheduled. Some advanced notice is required since bulletin info is sent to the church office by late Tuesday evenings. If interested, contact Joanne.

Thanks to the following choirs/ensembles/individuals for sharing anthems during the month of Sept. - Pop-Up Choir, Parish Peal Handbell Choir, Parish Choir and Brandy Aguirre.



Harvest Home - For Emergency Food Pantry

The **Union-Snyder Hunger Coalition** predicts that due to anticipated changes to the funding for SNAP and Medicaid, the number of food pantry requests will continue to increase.

We currently need any of the following items:

- Cereal
- Canned sliced fruit & apple sauce
- Macaroni & cheese – canned or mix
- Saltines
- Condiments: Ketchup & Mustard
- Peanut Butter/Jelly
- Meat: Hamburger and Hot dogs

*Or... any other non- perishable your family enjoys. Look for sales & specials and if you receive a free ham or turkey at the holidays we can use them as well, *but please call the church office first to confirm we have freezer space.*

We will also accept cash/checks or gift cards to purchase perishables such as cheese, margarine, eggs, milk, bread & meat.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR
CONTINUED GENEROUSITY!**





Sign up at the church Welcome Desk to **host** a trunk at our annual **Trunk-or-Treat!**



Follmer Lutheran Parish invites you to:

FALL HAYRIDE

Fall Ride, Refreshments, and Fellowship!

October 19

St. John Lutheran Church
70 South Mill Road
Milton, PA

5 pm

Sign up at the Welcome
Desk by
Sun, October 15

Annual Pet Blessing

ALL PETS WELCOME!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5TH
1:00P.M.

CHRIST'S EVANGELICAL
LUTHERAN CHURCH
100 S. 3RD STREET
LEWISBURG, PA 17837

JOIN US ON THE 3RD
STREET SIDE OF THE
BUILDING!

DONATIONS OF PET FOOD
AND SUPPLIES ARE BEING
COLLECTED FOR MILTON
LUTHERAN'S PET PANTRY!





BUFFALO VALLEY FAITH LAB



Scan to sign up!

1st and 3rd Sundays of the Month
4:30pm-6:30pm
September-May
Grades K-6
Free family dinner!

1st Sunday @ Christ's Lutheran
100 S. 3rd Street
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3rd Sunday @ United In Christ
1875 Churches Rd.
Lewisburg, PA 17837





Ladies Bible Study Thursdays:

- Mornings at 9:30 am
- Evenings at 6pm

Now through Oct. 23rd
CELC Rooms 204-206

Current Bible Studies

ALL ARE WELCOME





Worship Assistants for October 2025

<i>9:00 am</i>	<i>October 5 Gifted Stewards</i>	<i>October 12 Gifted Stewards</i>	<i>October 19 19 Pentecost</i>	<i>October 26 Reformation Sunday</i>
Worship Assistant	Sarah Patte	Heather Miller	Joseph Martin	Sarah Patte
Lector	Beverly Harvey	Jim Snyder	Tom Milbrand	Beckie Stalnecker
Acolytes	Aaron Hershberger Maddie Hauck	Ruth E. Miller Ellis Reed	Violet Hauck Marie Winder	Lilly Patte Olivia Koontz
Communion Ushers	Bill Borys Oliver Patte	Mel Wunder Judy Cotner	Beckie Stahlnecker Colleen Nevil	Tim Goff Cordell Dean
Communion Assistants	Gregg Wetzel	Patti Faux	Tess Trowbridge	Carole Bollinger
Usher Team	Tim & Carol Apple	Tess Trowbridge Jackie Cvik	Julie & Jerry Albright	Gary Parks Laura Faux
Communion Pourers	Bill & Carole Bollinger	Mark & Adelyn Elliott	Tim & Carol Apple	Darlene Rowe Jackie Cvik
Welcome Desk	Janie Keiser	Laura Adams	Beverly Harvey	Pam Baker
Altar Guild	Diane Miller			
CPIC				

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TAKE NOTE: Please check in with the Council person in charge (CPIC) when you arrive on Sunday morning to serve. If you are unable to be here, please try to switch with someone else ahead of time if possible. If changes have been made or assistance is needed, please call the Church Office at 570-524-0745 or email christchurch@dejazzd.com. Thank you-God bless you abundantly for your service to Christ and His Church!