

Christ's Corner on the News

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Sun., Nov. 1

All Saints Day

Brunch & Silent Auction

10:30am –12:00pm @ CELC

Sundays, Nov. 1 - 29

4:30pm –6:30pm Faith Lab @ CELC

Sun., Nov. 9

Harvest Home Sunday

2:00pm UYG Ping Pong Tourn. @ Sharon

Thurs., Nov. 12 & 9

Ladies Bible Study @ CELC

9:30am & 3:30pm

Wed., Nov. 11 & 25

Theology on Tap

6pm @ Rusty Rail

Sat., Nov. 14

Tae-Kwon Do Class @ CELC

3:00pm

Sun., Nov. 22

Christ the King Sunday

Hanging of the Greens

Thurs., Nov. 26

Thanksgiving, Church Office Closed

Sun., Nov. 29

1 Advent

DON'T FORGET! FALL BACK! Daylight Savings Time ends Sunday, Nov. 1st. Remember to turn your clocks back on Saturday night.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS: We're taking orders for poinsettias. The cost is \$10 per plant. An order form is enclosed and also available at the church Welcome Desk or on the church website. **DEADLINE FOR ORDERS IS THURS., NOVEMBER 19.** Please include the names of the loved ones you would like to honor/remember with your order.

CHRISTMAS WREATHS & TREES: We're looking for individuals or families to sponsor 2 small wreaths (\$35.00 each) & 2 large wreaths (\$50.00 each) for the outside of the church. We need sponsors for the two Sanctuary trees and the big Atrium tree. Pricing for trees is unavailable until they are chosen and cut. *If you're interested, please contact the Church Office at 570.524.0745.*

DEADLINE FOR THE DECEMBER NEWSLETTER is **Mon., November 16.** The newsletter will be assembled and mailed out on **Tuesday, Nov. 24** (before Thanksgiving).

"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble... Be still, and know that I am God!"

Psalm 46: 1, 10

Dear Christ's Lutheran,

There is something about November that feels different from the rest of the year. The leaves have mostly fallen from the trees, the days are getting shorter, and the temperatures are dropping as we begin to prepare for winter. The world around us seems to be getting quieter. Of course, our lives don't necessarily slow down just because the world around us does. There are still things to do, responsibilities to take care of, and plenty of things competing for our attention. But perhaps November offers us an opportunity to pause, even if only for a moment, and consider what it might mean to let ourselves be quiet.

I think we tend to struggle with quiet. We live in a world that seems to demand our constant attention—there is always something new to read, something to respond to, something to worry about, or something that we should be doing. Even when we sit down at the end of a long day, we might find ourselves thinking about everything that needs to happen tomorrow! When things get quiet, we might find ourselves thinking about the things we have been trying *not* to think about. We might remember the difficult conversations, the disappointments, or the things that we still don't have answers for. So instead, we keep moving, finding the next thing to do or the next distraction to keep us occupied.

Throughout Scripture, we are reminded of the importance of stillness. Psalm 46 tells us, "Be still, and know that I am God." It is a familiar verse, one that we often turn to when we need comfort or reassurance. And yet, I wonder how often we really allow ourselves to be still. To be still is, in some ways, to acknowledge that we are not in control of everything around us. We can plan, we can work, and we can do our best to care for the people around us, but there will always be things that remain outside of our control. That can be a difficult thing to accept, particularly when things around us feel uncertain or when we are carrying more than we know how to handle. We want answers! We want to know that the things we are doing matter and that the challenges we are facing will eventually have an end. And yet, faith doesn't always give us those answers. Sometimes we are simply left with questions, left to sit with the uncertainty, and we have to acknowledge that we just do not know what comes next.

In 1 Kings, the prophet Elijah encounters God in a way that I have always found both weird and meaningful. Elijah has been through a lot and finds himself exhausted and afraid. He goes to a mountain, where he experiences a great wind, an earthquake, and a fire. But God is not in any of these things. Instead, God comes to Elijah in the sound of sheer silence. God doesn't meet Elijah through another spectacle. God meets him in the quiet.

I think there is something important for us to remember in that story. We often look for God in the big moments, in the things that feel extraordinary or in the experiences that seem to make God's presence undeniable. And certainly, God is present in those moments! But God is also present in the quieter parts of our lives, in the familiar words of a hymn, in the people who show up for us, and in the moments when we are simply given the space to breathe, in the quiet.

There are times when life is genuinely hard, when we are tired, when we are grieving, or when the world around us feels like more than we know how to handle. Quiet moments don't take those things away. In fact, sometimes it is in the quiet that we become most aware of what we have been carrying. But perhaps we don't always need to rush out of those moments in search of an answer or a solution. Maybe sometimes we need to allow ourselves the space to acknowledge where we are, to bring those things honestly before God, and to remember that we are not expected to carry them alone.

As we move through November, I wonder what it might look like for us to make a little more room for quiet. Maybe it is taking a few minutes to sit quietly before the day begins, going for a walk and noticing the trees that have lost their leaves, or sitting in the pew for a few extra moments after worship before rushing off to whatever comes next. These are small things, and they might not seem particularly significant. But perhaps making room for these moments allows us to become a little more attentive to the ways God is already present in our lives.

November will eventually give way to December, and the quiet of this season will lead us toward the anticipation of Advent. We will be reminded of a God who comes into the world not in the ways we might expect, but in the vulnerability of a child born in an ordinary place. God meets us in the midst of the world as it is, not in some ideal version of it where all of our problems have been solved and everything has been made right.

As the world grows quieter around us, may we find a little room for quiet in our own lives. May we allow ourselves to pause without feeling that we must immediately fill the silence. And may we remember that even when we do not have answers to the questions we carry, and even when the way forward remains uncertain, God has not abandoned us. Sometimes it is enough to rest in the knowledge that God is here, that we are held in God's love, and that we do not walk through any season of life alone.

So be still and know.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Katy

Spiritual Growth Information

Brunch and Silent Auction Fundraiser for the Youth Gathering- The youth are holding a brunch and silent auction on November 1st from 10:30 to noon. We'll dine on egg casseroles, pastries, and fruit. Beverages will include assorted juices, coffee, and tea. There will be many items on the auction block – including a quilt or two, Byers Choice Christmas Caroler figures, stuffed animals, candles, gift cards, and many more fun items! You can come bid on the items before or after the service even if you don't want to stay for brunch. Youth and adults going to the gathering should also save Sat., October 31 from 2 to 5 pm to help with the set up!

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 Bible Stories. Each month we will gather for Bible study, songs, games, crafts, and a free family dinner. There is also a Bible study class for the parents. Faith Lab will take place every Sunday from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm. For November and December, we will be at Christ's. Anyone willing to provide the meal for one of the evenings should see Charlene or Pastor Katy.

Ping Pong Tournament – The Synod Youth Team is hosting their annual ping pong tournament on Sunday, November 8. It will take place at Sharon Lutheran church in Selinsgrove from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. If you need a ride there, please let Charlene know.

Mini Mission Monday - Folks of all ages are invited to come help on November 9th at 6:00 pm as we fill boxes for Operation Christmas Child. We will gather in the lower church hall to wrap and pack the boxes. There is a wrapped box by the faith formation bulletin board for donations of small toys, school supplies, tissues, children's socks, hair items, combs, washcloths, and toothbrushes.

TAEKWONDO Event – On Sat., November 14th at 3:00 we will be holding a taekwondo training event. It is for elementary aged children and their families. Dan Greak will lead us in some steps for self-defense. Afterwards we'll snack & relate what we learned to a Bible story.

ELCA Youth Gathering – At the end of June and beginning of July 2027 the ELCA will be holding their Youth Gathering in Minneapolis. The theme is IMAGINE MORE. The Upper Susquehanna Synod is sending a group of youth, and we will be traveling with them with Charlene leading the entire group. Any youth in 8th through 12th grade are encouraged to attend. Youth just need to sign up on the Camp Mount Luther Website to reserve their space with a deposit of \$250.00 by November 6th. More details to come. If you have any questions, see Charlene.

Coming in December - Save the Date – Synod Youth Christmas Party at Camp Mount Luther on December 13th at 2:00 pm.

Family Order Form

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Christ's Youth Group

We're ordering Gift Cards to raise funds for the youth trip for 2027. Get some cards for places you go or buy some for gifts. These are just some options. For more go to the website - RaiseRight.com. Orders due by November 22.

Name	Customer #
Check #	Order Date

Clothing & Accessories			
Product	%	QTY	Total
American Eagle \$25.00	10%		\$
Gap \$25.00	14%		\$
Old Navy \$25.00	14%		\$
T.J.Maxx/ Marshalls/ HomeGoods/ Sierra \$100.00	6%		\$
Department Store			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Boscov's \$25.00	8%		\$
Kohl's \$25.00	7%		\$
Dining - Casual			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Applebee's® \$25.00	8%		\$
Bob Evans Restaurants® \$25.00	10%		\$
Buffalo Wild Wings® \$10.00	8%		\$
Buffalo Wild Wings® \$25.00	8%		\$
Cracker Barrel \$25.00	8%		\$
Darden Restaurants \$25.00	8%		\$
LongHorn Steakhouse \$25.00	8%		\$
Olive Garden \$25.00	8%		\$
Red Lobster \$25.00	8%		\$
Red Robin \$25.00	8%		\$
Texas Roadhouse \$25.00	8%		\$
Discount Store & Outlets			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Sam's Club \$25.00	2.5%		\$
Target \$25.00	2.5%		\$
Walmart \$25.00	2.5%		\$
Electronics & Office			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Best Buy \$25.00	4%		\$
Entertainment			
Product	%	QTY	Total
AMC Theatres \$25.00	8%		\$
Barnes & Noble \$10.00	8%		\$

Entertainment			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Barnes & Noble \$25.00	8%		\$
Fast Food			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Arby's \$10.00	8%		\$
Arby's \$25.00	8%		\$
Burger King \$10.00	7%		\$
Chipotle \$10.00	9%		\$
Chipotle \$25.00	9%		\$
Dairy Queen \$10.00	6.5%		\$
Domino's \$10.00	8%		\$
Domino's \$25.00	8%		\$
Dunkin' \$10.00	3.5%		\$
Dunkin' \$25.00	3.5%		\$
Jersey Mike's Subs \$25.00	6%		\$
McDonald's \$10.00	3%		\$
McDonald's \$25.00	3%		\$
Panera Bread \$10.00	8%		\$
Panera Bread \$25.00	8%		\$
Popeyes \$25.00	7%		\$
Starbucks \$10.00	4.5%		\$
Starbucks \$25.00	4.5%		\$
Subway Restaurants \$10.00	6%		\$
Wendy's \$25.00	6%		\$
Gas & Auto			
Product	%	QTY	Total
AutoZone \$25.00	7%		\$
Sunoco \$50.00	1.5%		\$
Wawa \$10.00	2%		\$
Wawa \$25.00	2%		\$
Grocery			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Weis Markets \$25.00	5%		\$

Health & Beauty			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Bath & Body Works \$10.00	12%		\$
Bath & Body Works \$25.00	12%		\$
CVS Pharmacy \$25.00	7%		\$
Great Clips \$25.00	8%		\$
Home Improvement			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Lowe's \$25.00	4%		\$
Online Shopping			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Amazon \$25.00	1.25%		\$
Specialty Retailer			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Michaels \$25.00	7.5%		\$
Sporting Goods & Outdoors			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Dick's Sporting Goods \$25.00	8%		\$
Travel			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Disney \$25.00	3%		\$
Universal Prepaid Cards			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Visa Gift Card - No Activation Fee \$25.00	1.25%		\$
Visa Gift Card - No Activation Fee \$50.00	1.25%		\$

Make Checks Payable To: *Christ's Evangelical Lutheran Church*

Total Due All Columns:

\$

Choir & Ensemble Updates

1) Parish Choir - Will share anthems in worship on Nov. 1 and Nov. 22. New singers welcome on all voice parts. Rehearsals are Monday evenings at 7:15 pm (with some exception). Contact Brandy Aguirre.

2) Parish Peal Handbell Ensemble - Will share anthems on Nov. 15. Ringers are asked to check e-mail for updates to the rehearsal schedule. There may some Wednesday evening rehearsals instead of Monday evenings. Anyone wishing to learn to ring handbells is asked to contact Joanne.

3) Pop-Up Choir - Will sing on Nov. 8 and Nov. 15. See proposed worship schedule for anthems. All interested singers welcome! All ages and experience levels. Contact Brandy Aguirre.

4) Children & Family Choir - Will continue rehearsals during the Sunday school hour in preparation for sharing an anthem in Dec. during the Advent season. Contact Brandy Aguirre.

5) Special Music - Musicians in the congregation are encouraged to provide anthems for worship. All ages and experience levels welcome! Anthems may be vocal and/or instrumental. Contact Joanne Vasey.

6) Orchestra - Off Ensemble - Drumming Ensemble - Instrumental Ensembles - As announced. Please check weekly bulletins for updates as we move into the Advent and Christmas seasons. If interested in participating in any of these ensembles, contact Joanne Vasey.



Thank You!

Thanks to all musicians who shared their talents in worship during the month of Oct. Thanks to the following choirs and ensembles: Parish Choir, Pop-Up Choir, Parish Peal Handbell Choir, Children & Family Choir, and Pop-Up Orchestra.

From the Music Team- Joanne & Brandy
Proposed Worship Schedule for November - Subject to Change

Sunday, Nov. 1 - All Saints Day - ELW Setting 2 - Color: White
 9:30 am worship - Anthems by Parish Choir

Sunday, Nov. 8 - 24th Sunday after Pentecost - ELW Setting 2 - Color: Green
 9:30 am worship - Communion anthem by Pop-Up Choir - "When
 Peace Like A River" - ELW # 785; Additional anthems - TBA

Sunday, Nov. 15 - 25th Sunday after Pentecost - ELW Setting 2 - Color: Green
 9:30 am worship - Pre-service anthem and prelude by Parish Peal
 Handbell Choir; Communion Anthem by Pop-Up Choir - "O God
 Our Help in Ages Past" - ELW # 632

Sunday, Nov. 22 - Christ the King - ELW Setting 2 - Color: White
 9:30 am worship - Anthems by Parish Choir

Sunday, Nov. 29 - First Sunday of Advent - ELW Setting 1 & Advent Liturgy - Color:
 Blue 9:30 am worship - Anthems TBA

NOVEMBER 80+ BIRTHDAYS		NOVEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES	
1	Helen Bostian	11	Brenda & Eric Semke
16	Beverly Harvey	13	Tom & Sharon Booth
20	Dawn Moyer	15	Craig & Nanette Jarrett
23	Bonita Hettenbach	20	Barry & Sharron Metzger

THANKS TO ALL WHO CONTRIBUTED to Blanket Sunday and to our walkers and those who sponsored them in Lewisburg's Annual Hunger Walk.

OUR ANNUAL REMEMBRANCE SERVICE for those gone from us in the last year will be observed on **November 1**.

HARVEST HOME SUNDAY is **November 8**: Every year we collect non-perishable food to fill the shelves of our Emergency Food Pantry and to display at our worship service that day. A shopping cart in the Main Lobby is ready to receive your contributions. Any canned or packaged non-perishable food items are welcome.

THE SEASON OF ADVENT: We'll decorate the church for the holiday with the Greening Event on **Sunday, Nov. 22** after the worship service in preparation for the start of Advent on Sunday, Nov. 29th. Lunch will be provided. Cookie donations appreciated. All are welcome.

Beginning in January the monthly newsletter will be moving to a digital format. If you do not have email or access to the church website, there will be copies of the newsletter available through the church office.



CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA ORDER FORM



We're taking orders for Christmas poinsettias. The cost is \$11.00 per plant. Please include a commemoration with your order—the names of the loved ones you would like to honor/remember by the display of these gorgeous holiday blooms. The deadline for orders is: Thurs., Nov. 19th



I wish to order # _____ poinsettias X \$11.00 each = \$ _____ Total.

(Please make checks out to Christ's Lutheran Church.
Do not put orders in contribution box.)

Name(s) of Donor(s): _____

Offering Envelope Number: _____

Phone Number: _____

Red ____ White ____

I will pick up plants: YES or NO
(circle one)

In loving memory of: _____

In honor of: _____

NOVEMBER WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE

	<i>November 1</i>	<i>November 8</i>	<i>November 15</i>	<i>November 22</i>	<i>November 29</i>
Worship Asst.	Sarah Patte	Heather Miller	Joseph Martin	Sarah Patte	Dale Beisecker
Lector	Tom Milbrand	Laura Faux	Beckie Stahlnecker	Mark Elliott	Bev Harvey
Acolytes	Claire Hershberger Violet Hauck	Ruth Miller Maddy Hauck	Aaron Hershberger Devlynn Williams	Violet Hauck Lilly Patte	Devlynn Williams Maddy Hauck
Communion Ushers	Mel Wunder Jackie Cvik	Bill Borys Tim Apple	Jim Snyder Jackie Cvik	Bill Borys Adelyn Elliott	Colleen Nevil Mel Wunder
Communion Assistant	Tess Trowbridge	Gregg Wetzel	Laurie Slear	Mark Elliott	Jackie Goff
Communion Pourers	Carole & Bill Bollinger	Darlene Rowe Laura Faux	Rick Slear Colleen Nevil	Bill Wagner Laura Faux	Tim Goff Tim Apple
Usher Team	Colleen Nevil Cordell Dean	Rick Slear Tess Trowbridge	Cherie Jarrett Mary Lou Shedden	Jerry & Julie Albright	Beckie Stahlnecker Laura Faux
Welcome Desk	Janie Keiser	Laura Adams	Jackie Cvik	Adelyn Elliott	Bev Harvey
Grocery Cards	Pam Baker	Beckie Stahlnecker	TBD	Pam Baker	TBD
Altar Guild	Jackie Goff's Team				
CPIC	Trace Nevil				



JOIN US FOR A
**DELIGHTFUL
SILENT AUCTION
AND BRUNCH**



**SUNDAY,
NOVEMBER 1,**



**10:30 AM TO
NOON**

as we raise funds for our
trip to the ELCA Youth
Gathering in 2027.



**GOOD FOOD.
GREAT COMMUNITY.
GREATER PURPOSE.**



**EMPTY BOWL FUNDRAISER
AND BASKET RAFFLE**

Benefits Getting
Ahead Foundation

**All you can eat soup
dinner.**

**At 5:30, speaker
Rose Williams from
Getting Ahead Foundation**

**Nov.
7,
2026**



**4:00 PM
to
6:00 PM**

Where: Milton Lutheran
Church Fellowship Hall
1125 Mahoning St., Milton
Ticket Price: \$15
suggested minimum
donation

Phone: 570-742-4601



HARVEST HOME SUNDAY FOOD DRIVE

November 8th

The Emergency Food Pantry needs:

- Cereal
- Canned fruit
- Apple sauce
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Saltines
- Ketchup & Mustard
- Peanut butter & Jelly
- Canned tuna & chicken
- Hamburger
- Hotdogs

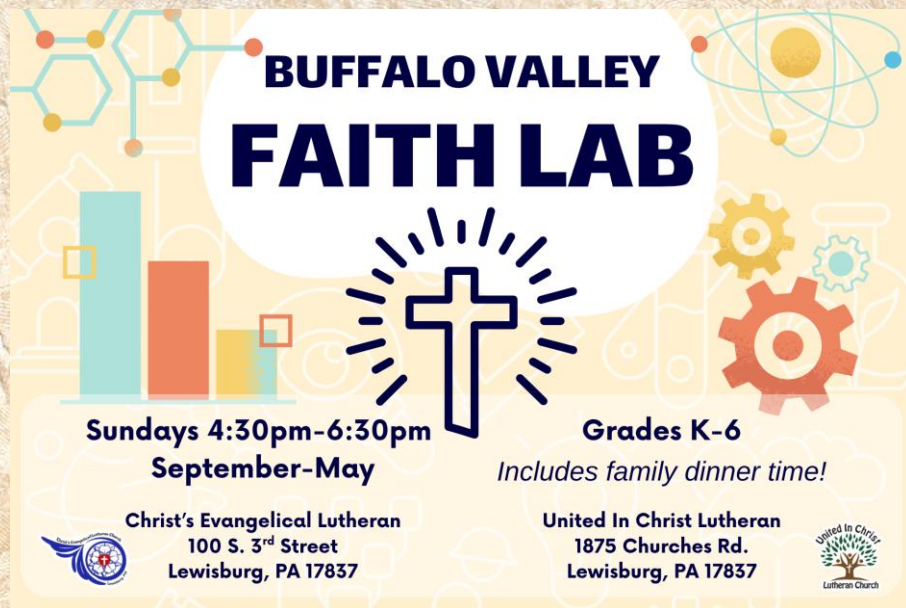
Or...any other non-perishable your
family enjoys.

If you receive a free ham or turkey at the holidays
we can use them as well, but please call the
church 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.

Donations can be placed in the shopping
cart in the Atrium in the weeks leading up to
November 8th.

*Thank you for your continued
generosity!*



BUFFALO VALLEY FAITH LAB



Sundays 4:30pm-6:30pm
September-May

Christ's Evangelical Lutheran
100 S. 3rd Street
Lewisburg, PA 17837



Grades K-6
Includes family dinner time!

United In Christ Lutheran
1875 Churches Rd.
Lewisburg, PA 17837



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Lutheran Church

Ladies Bible Study *Titus*



THURSDAYS AT 9:30 AM AND 3:30 PM
RM. 204-206
SEPT. 3RD - NOV. 19TH

CHRIST'S LUTHERAN CHURCH INVITES YOU



Men's Bible Study

EXPLORING 1ST AND 2ND CORINTHIANS



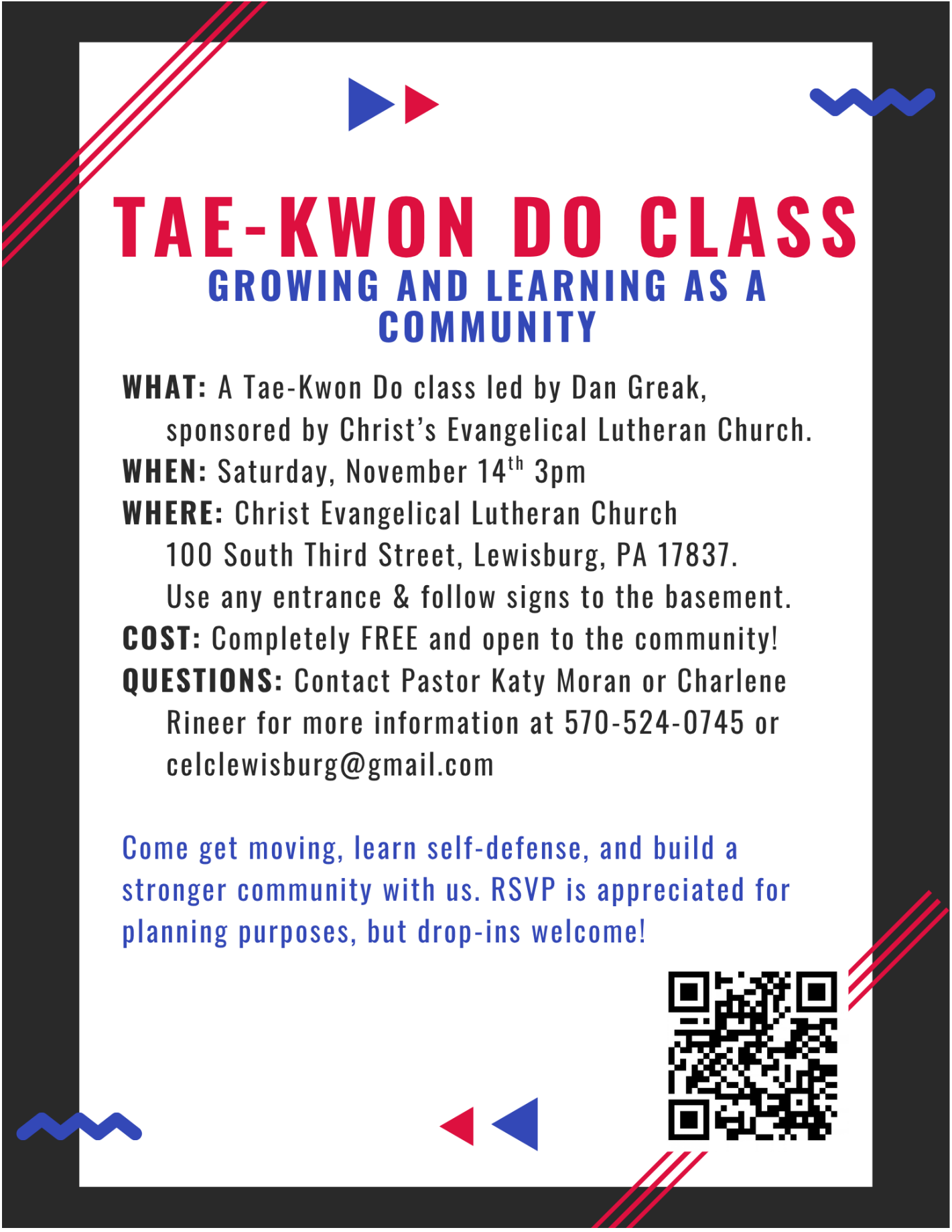
THURSDAYS 6:00 PM
IN THE PARLOR
NOV. 12th AND NOV. 19th

UNITED IN CHRIST
LUTHERAN CHURCH
INVITES YOU TO

Theology on Tap

JOIN US AT RUSTY RAIL
6:00 PM ON
NOVEMBER 11 & 25



TAE-KWON DO CLASS

GROWING AND LEARNING AS A COMMUNITY

WHAT: A Tae-Kwon Do class led by Dan Greak,
sponsored by Christ's Evangelical Lutheran Church.

WHEN: Saturday, November 14th 3pm

WHERE: Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church
100 South Third Street, Lewisburg, PA 17837.

Use any entrance & follow signs to the basement.

COST: Completely FREE and open to the community!

QUESTIONS: Contact Pastor Katy Moran or Charlene
Rineer for more information at 570-524-0745 or
celclewisburg@gmail.com

Come get moving, learn self-defense, and build a
stronger community with us. RSVP is appreciated for
planning purposes, but drop-ins welcome!

