

THE CHURCH STAFF

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



TRINITY'S WEBSITE www.tlclehighton.com

TRINITY'S FACEBOOK PAGE

https://www.facebook.com/TrinityLehighton

OUR CHURCH CODE is 343

Please give the code when you are admitted to **LEHIGH VALLEY** *or* **ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL**. If you don't have the code, please have someone contact the church office so someone can visit you!

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS June 7, 2024

Actions/discussion that took place:

- Approved the monthly financial reports of the treasurer and the financial secretary. May bills paid were \$22,500.09; income was \$11,648.00; pass-through was \$3,356.08; and the deficit was \$7,496.01. \$10,000 was transferred from the Moyer account to pay bills. The balance in the Escrow account is \$12,436.70. The balance in the Memorial account is \$25,539.14. The natural gas budget is \$3,420.92 over budget. Transfers from the Moyer account are \$59,595 below the budgeted amount. Weekly giving is \$3,058 to the good. Electric usage is \$1,335. 53 under the budgeted amount. Linda Williams spoke with Sue Lovejoy and Alex Haggerty and all agree the Youth Group will tithe 10% of future project profits to a charity of their choice and the remainder will be split 25% to the Youth Group and 75% for kitchen upgrades.
- Committee reports were received from Jack and Jill Preschool, Christian Education, Worship and Music, Social Ministry, Property, and Finance.
- Property reported two more doors have been ordered (one each for the Pantry and Thrift Store) but have not yet been installed. Christian Education noted that VBS will be jointly conducted by Trinity and Zion UCC July 22 through July 24, and that Julia Kelm has resigned from the committee. Jack and Jill noted that the closing program was a hit, with all the students in attendance. They were also given permission to "Pass the Bear" for loose change in church once monthly for June, July, and August. They are also investigating the possibility of Vince's Food Truck as a fundraiser. Kay Becker reported for Social Ministry and the Pantry that another

payment was received from the State Food Purchase Program for Shepherd House and that it needs to be spent by the end of June.

- Reviewed the congregation profile prepared by the Call Committee.
- Waived the rental fee for Pastor Moore's memorial service.
- Is considering a bus trip to Sight & Sound to see Noah in June 2025.

Respectfully submitted, Lee Becker, Council Secretary

Church Finance and Attendance Report

May Monthly Income	11,279.00
May Monthly Expenses	19,143.92
Attendance:	
Saturday, May 4 th	41
Sunday, May 5 th	77
Sunday, May 12 th	100
Sunday, May 19 th	75
Sunday, May 26 th	47
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YOUTH DEVOTIONALS ...

The Evangelism Committee has provided five minute devotionals for our youth. They are specific for preteen, teen, and college age, boy and girls. Feel free to pick one up in the narthex and give it to a youth in your family or friends. Let's give them another tool to help them through this world of anxiety we live in!

PANTRY ITEM FOR JULY is: PASTA

Please place your donation in the basket by the church entrance or bring it to the church office. The basket is prominently displayed as a visual reminder of the importance of your gift!



A total of 34 boxes of cereal were collected for the month of May!

Thank you for your continued support in helping to feed the hungry in the Lehighton School District community through this ministry of Shepherd House, Inc!



WORLD HUNGER DONATIONS ...

Total donations received for the month of April was **\$ 231.00** for a year to date total of **\$1,317.00**.

Please help us reach our goal of \$4,000 this year by making a monthly donation. *Any amount is appreciated!*

An envelope is provided in your offering packet for your convenience.

Thank you for helping to feed our hungry brothers and sisters!



What musical instrument is mentioned in the final poem of Psalms as a means to praise the Lord?

- A. brass
- B. percussion
- C. strings
- D. woodwinds
- E. all of the above

Joint Vacation Bible School with Trinity & Zion UCC!



Start the Party: Celebrate the Good News Monday, July 22nd – Wednesday, July 24th 6-8pm – Age 3 to Grade 6 **Trinity Lutheran Church** 175 S. 3rd Street – Lehighton PA Volunteers are welcome! Adult volunteers must provide a background check. Sign-up sheets are posted in the narthex or call the church office at 610-377-4303. Registration forms are available in the narthex, the bulletin board by the church library or online at www.tlclehighton.com



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!

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Ashley Christman

Aidan Gruber

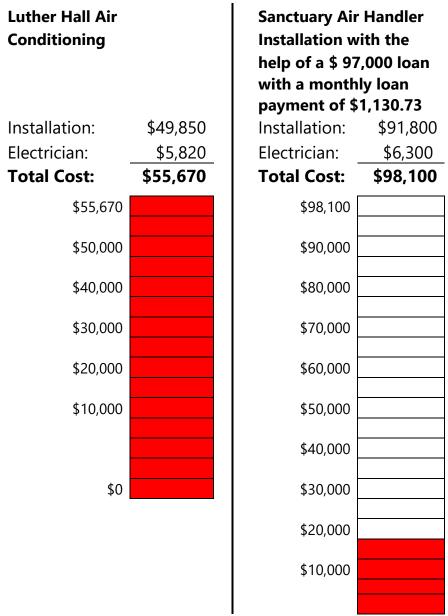
Reese Scaturro

Elizabeth Troutman

Each confirmed graduate was presented with a homemade quilt from the Women of the ELCA Knotters. Thank you to the knotters for giving this special gift!

If any graduate was unable to attend the worship service on June 9th, please pick up your quilt at the church office.

Best wishes on your future plans!



The total Amount Received as of 6/9/24 is \$23,138.

If you are able to help with a weekly or monthly donation, please use the envelope enclosed weekly with your bulletin or mail your donation to the church. Any amount is appreciated!



At Jack and Jill Preschool, we believe that nurturing faith and character is just as important as academic learning.

If you know someone who is interested, Christian pre-schools like ours sow seeds of simple faith, providing a Christ-centered foundation that can make a difference for children throughout their lives.

Fundraisers:

Ink Jet cartridge recycling – we are fundraising by recycling ink cartridges. Containers will be placed in the church office, Narthex, or they can be dropped off at Jack and Jill Preschool and placed in the blue tote on the side porch.

Donation: If you'd like to make a general donation to the school, you can write a check to Jack and Jill Preschool and include "General Donation" in the memo line.

Amazon Wishlist: We have created a wish list on Amazon with many great items that the school could use for the classroom. All items will directly benefit the education of our students.

Use the link below to purchase items.

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1WCQ1TZFKLA54?ref = wl_share

May your July be filled with joy, learning, and faith

Jane Howells Director of Jack and Jill Preschool.

Preschool Registration



Jack and Jill Preschool 230 Iron St. Lehighton, Pa 18235 JackandJillLehighton.org 610-377-6562

jackandjillpreschool@yahoo.com

Registrations are now open for the 2024 - 2025 preschool term. Children who will be 3, 4, or 5, by September 1, can register now! Scholarships are available.

- Safe and loving environment
- Play based learning
- Early literacy skills
- Cognitive development activities
- Music and movement
- Outdoor play and exploration
- Introduction to basic math
- Children's worship and Christian values
- Age appropriate learning material



A Ministry of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Lehighton



CONGREGATIONAL COFFEE FELLOWSHIP will be held on July 28th and

August 25th during the summer. Please bring an item to share if you are able.

Our weekly fellowship will resume on September 8th.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact the church office

SAVE THE DATE!

FREE MOVIE NIGHT Saturday, July 20th 7pm – Luther Hall

Movie TBA



(check your bulletin or Trinity's Facebook page for more info.

Popcorn, snacks, and drinks will be available for purchase to benefit projects of the Youth Group.

You may bring a comfy chair with you to view the movie if you wish.

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!

Calendar

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NURSING, REHABILITATION and ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS

The Summit at Blue Mountain Health Systems:

Madeline Dietz

Mrs. Bush's Personal Care Home

Jean Niehoff

Forest Hills Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center

Jean Rice

Moravian Hall Square – Bethany House

Carol Hunsberger

JULY BIRTHDAYS

The following homebound member is celebrating a birthday this month!

7/05 ... Anna Butrie 522 Bridge Street Lehighton PA 18235



You are invited to attend the ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC Sunday, August 11, 2024

Noon till Pool Closing

Baer Memorial Park Pool Pavilion

Covered Dish & Games

Food will be served from Noon to 2 p.m.

Hot dogs, rolls and drinks will be provided.

Please sign up in the narthex or call the church office if you are attending and/or able to provide a covered dish or dessert.

There is no charge to the pool for those attending the picnic.

If you have an outdoor game, bring it along!

> In case of inclement weather, the event will be held in Luther Hall.



Dear Trinity Family,

Thank you for honoring me with a gift of flowers for being the oldest (mother) member in attendance on Mother's Day.

My favorite quote on old age is – "Old age: the crown of life, our play's last act." Cicera – Julius Caesar.

Thank you for your kindness.

Heartfelt love, Louise Roth



July 9th Prayer Vigil for Peace in the Middle East.



If you wish to put yourself, a friend or loved one on the church or private prayer list, please call the church office at 610-377-4303.

It is important that you provide an update every 30 days or the name will be removed. No exceptions.

Please note: You must get permission from the person placed on the list due to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

BULLETIN & CHANCEL FLOWER SPONSORSHIPS

BULLETINS - \$10.00 each – Three needed per week.		
July 7, 2024 -	John & Rhonda Rupell	
	Kay Becker <i>(2 sponsorships)</i>	
July 14, 2024	- Three Sponsorships Available	
July 21, 2024 -	Paul & Vicky Kocher	
	Shirley Radler	
	One Sponsorship Available	
July 28, 2024 -	John & Rhonda Rupell	
	Two Sponsorships Available	

<u>CHANCEL FLOWERS</u> – *Florist of your choice!*

July 7, 2024 -	Linda Williams
July 14, 2024 -	Mary Lou Brophy
July 21, 2024 -	Lee & Kay Becker
July 28, 2024 -	Sponsorship Available

If you would like to sponsor any of the available dates, please contact the church office or sign up in the narthex.

GIANT GIFT CARDS....

Just a reminder that we still have gift cards available as an ongoing fundraiser for our youth group at **NO ADDITIONAL COST TO YOU!**



They can be used for either gas or grocery purchase. The youth receive five percent of each card sold. They are available in increments of \$25, \$50 or \$100. You can purchase them at the church office during the week and after worship on Sunday.

Thank you for your continued support !

TRINITY PANTRY

The Trinity Pantry is open every Tuesday from 10-3 and on the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:00 for Lehighton School District residents with a drive thru setting. If you do not have a car, walk ups will also be served. Families may come monthly and meet income guidelines. FMI call 610-377-4303 – ext. 16.



Food and monetary donations are appreciated. Please make sure items are not outdated or open. Please make checks payable to the Trinity Pantry.

A RESTFUL FAITH

A seminary professor was discussing ways — besides reading — to encounter Scripture. "The idea was to 'experience' it as though we were there," recalls Stan Purdum, then a student. The professor asked students to relax in lounge chairs, close their eyes and imagine they were along the Sea of Galilee as Jesus fed the 5,000. In a soothing voice, he invited participants to smell the lake, feel the breeze on their faces, taste the bread the disciples were distributing and hear Jesus' voice. "Somewhere in that,

I got too comfortable," says Purdum. "Suddenly the exercise was over, and the professor was asking for feedback. The classmate next to me raised his hand and said, 'I was really getting into it until Simon Peter here [pointing at me], started snoring in my ear.'"

The class had a good chuckle, and Purdum gained a new perspective. "Spirituality isn't just something to understand but also something to experience. If nothing else, that day I experienced my faith as very restful!"



Recycle your household bags & wrap into Trex's Earth-friendly composite decking and railing!





trex.com/recycling 1-800-Buy-Trex

Collection bins are located in the Narthex and Luther Hall entrance



TRINITY THRIFT STORE 175 S. Third Street; Lehighton PA 18235 610-377-4303 ext. 21

Store Hours Wednesday -Thursday & Saturday -

9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

DROP OFFS are accepted when the store is open. There is a **limit of 5 bags or boxes.** Please bring your items to Door #2 and carry them inside.

Please DO NOT drop off on the stairs when the store is not open.



KNIT. CROCHET. PRAY.

We have handmade prayer shawls and lap robes available. If you have a friend or relative who is ill and is in need of comfort or healing, please feel free to take one from the buffet in the narthex or call the church office to arrange a time to pick one up. Prayer shawl ministry blesses both the people who receive the shawls in their times of tribulation or celebration and the knitters and crocheters who create them.

A DECLARATION OF INTERDEPENDENCE

"Dependence does not destroy human personality," writes Donald F. Baillie. Instead, people are "never so fully and so truly personal as when [they are] living in complete dependence upon God." Jesus modeled this type of living by depending completely on his heavenly Father.

- In that light, let it be declared and hereby celebrated ...
 - That all people everywhere depend on one another.
 - That everyone needs everyone else for freedom, life, love and happiness.
 - That all things in the natural order depend on everything else.
 - That the Earth and all planets and stars are mutually dependent.
 - That this universally shared dependence comes from God and is of God.
 - And that each individual part of this relationship has its own role in fulfilling God's plan.

150th ANNIVERSARY PRINTS ARE STILL AVAILABLE \$10 each

A talented local artist, Ruth Bush, painted a picture of Trinity and Zion UCC in celebration of this milestone anniversary for both congregations in 2023.



Prints may be purchased in the church office.

"You can always give without loving, but you can never love without giving." —attributed to various sources

ST JOHN'S DONUT SALE

Persians - \$2.00 each Iced Long Johns (pack of 2) - \$4.00 Coconut Long Johns (pack of 2) - \$4.50 Cider Donuts (6) - \$6.00



Orders must be received by Sunday, August 18th. Delivery date is Wednesday, September 4th. Please make checks payable to St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church

Thank you for supporting St. John's!



LAURA SOMMONS OF "LAVISHLY L<mark>oved"</mark>

SPEAKER



AUGUST 3

9 - 1:30 P.M.

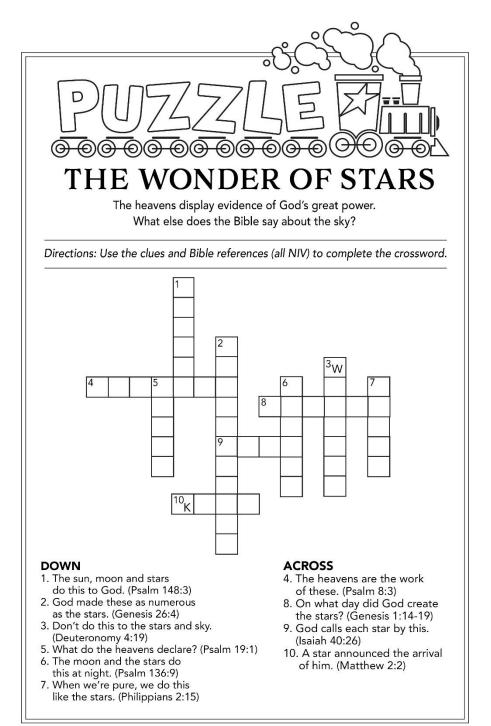
"Connecting One on One"

THE IMPACT YOU MAKE FOR CHRIST IN THE LIFE OF AN INDIVIDUAL IS FAR MORE REWARDING THAN THE WORK OF MINISTRIES ITSELF. DO WE LOVE OUR WOMEN IN OUR CHURCH BODY? DO WE EVEN KNOW THEM? LET'S LEARN THE IMPORTANCE OF CONNECTING ONE ON ONE.

JOIN US AT

Union Evangelical Lutheran Church 5500 Rt. 873 Schnecskville, Pa

> RSVP prior to July 15th office@ulclv.org 610-767-6884



Answers: DOWN: 1. praise, 2. descendants, 3. worship, 5. glory, 6. govern, 7. shine; ACROSS: 4. fingers, 8. fourth, 9. name, 10. king

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Worship Schedule:

1st Saturday at 4 p.m. Sunday at 9:30 a.m. website: www.tlclehighton.com

Mission Statement:

"Living the excitement found in Christ through service and love."

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