



# HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH



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## Trinity Messenger

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*Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, and let the word of Christ dwell in you richly. Colossians 3:15-16*

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### **July Stewardship Focus: Ephrata Area Homes of Hope**

We have homeless people in Ephrata. We have homeless families in Ephrata. It's easy for us to look around in our community during our daily lives and say we don't have homelessness in Ephrata. We don't usually see anyone sleeping on the sidewalk or on a bench.

So, where are they? – doubled up with family members, doubled up with friends, motel rooms, shelters, sleeping in their car or camping out.

We are fortunate in Ephrata to have a Homes of Hope program. Our program has three apartments here in Ephrata to house families who are in transition from homelessness to getting back on their feet. We are also fortunate to have the support of many churches in our area including our congregation.

Local, Ephrata families are referred by churches or the local school social workers and then interviewed and screened by Love INC. Families are in the program for 30 days as emergency housing and three months in the transitional housing phase. During this time, we have local individuals' who work with them, as mentors and budget coaches, so they are ready to move to permanent housing by the end of the time in the program.

Your donations to Ephrata Area Homes of Hope in part help pay for our case worker at Love INC, who covers all Homes of Hope programs in Lancaster County. Other expenses include the cost of utilities (fuel oil, electricity, water/sewer, trash, etc) and minor repairs. The homes we use are owned by local Churches as you know one Building with two apartments is owned by Holy Trinity, the program committee takes care of repairs. All contributions are tax deductible.

Ephrata Area Homes of Hope is Holy Trinity's Stewardship focus for July 2022. More information is on the display table in the gathering area. Please use your "special giving" envelope to help support this organizations mission. God bless you for your support of this program.

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## This Week At Holy Trinity: July 3 - July 9



### Sunday, July 3

Pentecost 4

9:00am Sunday Worship

10:00am Coffee Hour After Worship

2:00pm Trinity Game Day

### Monday, July 4

Church Office Closed

Independence Day

10:00am Women's Prayer Group

6:30pm Zoom Yoga

### Tuesday, July 5

6:30pm VBS Decorating Committee

7:00pm Fellowship Committee Meeting

### Thursday, July 7

7:00pm Zoom Yoga

7:00pm Thursday Worship

7:30pm ELM Taskforce

### Saturday, July 9

7:30am Walking Group

[View This Month's Calendar Here](#)

## Office Hours: July 4 - July 8

We recommend you call the office prior to stopping in to ensure hours have not changed.

Day	Sue	Pastor
Monday	OFFICE CLOSED	OFFICE CLOSED
Tuesday	8AM - 4PM	9AM - 12:30PM
Wednesday	8AM - 4PM	9AM - 12:30PM
Thursday	8AM - 4PM	10:30AM - 12:30PM
Friday	8AM - 12PM	Off

### Congratulations and Best Wishes

To the members of Holy Trinity who are 70 years and older and celebrating a birthday in July

3 - Helen Ludke  
6 - Gloria Hall  
6 - Whip Zimmerman  
9 - Pamela Critchfield  
15 - Alice Hummer  
18 - Lloyd Mull

Send them a birthday card or call them with a greeting.  
We pray God grants them many more years in their pilgrimage.



## More Info For You

### Summer Music Opportunities

A sign-up sheet will be in the Gathering Area for musicians willing to offer special music during the prelude for our summer liturgies. Please sign-up.

### Moyer Memorial Scholarship

Applications and details can be obtained from the Church office. Completed applications and transcripts must be returned to the Church office no later than **July 15**.

### June Attendance

- June 5: 88
- June 12: 135
- June 19: 57
- June 26: 52 (picnic)

### THE ADULT LUNCH BUNCH (all adults are welcome)

will be going to Willow Street Diner on July 10. Reservations can be made by calling Cheryl Plummer at 717-625-3187 by **July 9**.

### Redner's Receipts

We are currently looking for someone who would be willing to tally the Redner's receipts that we collect. The church earns cash back every time we submit \$5,000 worth of receipts. If you would like to tally the receipts, please contact Sue in the church office.

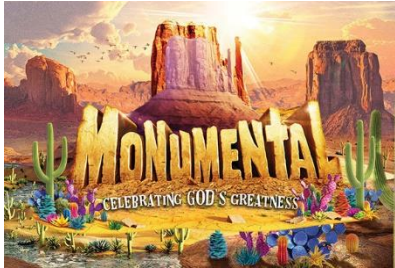
### Coffee Hour Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to run the Coffee Hour after the service for July and August. If you are able to help please contact Michelle Cable or sign up in Gathering Area.

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Did you take pictures at the picnic?  
Please share your photos with us! [natale.benigno@gmail.com](mailto:natale.benigno@gmail.com)

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## Vacation Bible School Monumental - Celebrating God's Greatness

We have so many activities going on to prepare for what surely will be an amazing week of bible school for children ages 4 thru 5th grade. You can register by submitting this [Registration Form](#) to the church office. Extend an invitation to your family and friends!

- **Decorating Committee:** Tuesdays 6:30-8PM in the Social Hall
- **VBS Volunteers:** Signup on the sheet on the piano
- **Staff Meeting:** Please attend a VBS meeting Sunday July 17 or July 24 right after the church service at 10:15AM
- **Apple Juice Donation:** Please donate apple juice for VBS snack! Juice may be placed on the piano in the gathering area
- **Food Donations:** Simple meals will be provided to VBS attendees and families each night. Please see the signup sheet in the gathering area for food donations. All donations should be brought to the church **Sunday, July 24**. Monetary donations will also be accepted. Either mail your donation or place an envelope labeled "VBS Meals" in the offering plate.
- **THANK YOU:** The New Cloister Restaurant [The New Cloister Restaurant](#) has graciously donated a catered meal for VBS. They will be providing our VBS families a hot meal Wednesday that week.



**MAY I HAVE YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE!** Ephrata Area Social Service is in need of food items this summer and we need to start stocking their shelves now. With financial hardship and rising food prices it is getting harder and harder for some of our local families to provide meals for themselves.

**EASS Summer Food Donations:** Items needed – beverage products (kool aid, juicy juice, capri suns) cake mixes, canned fruits, canned meats (spam, salmon, ravioli, etc.), canned corn, instant soups, beef stew, instant potatoes, premixed Jell-O snacks, fruit snacks, pancake syrup, baked beans, paper products (toilet paper, paper towels), dish soap, laundry detergent, feminine hygiene products, diapers - larger size 5 and 6.

### **Prayers for Summer Camp**

We pray for the ministry of the Lutheran Camping Corporation. As the summer season begins, send your spirit to create cultures of acceptance and faithfulness at Camps Kirchenwald and Nawakwa. May the children and adults who participate in this ministry be encouraged and strengthened in their faithfulness. We pray that they may return to their homes and congregations with a greater sense of Your boundless love for all creation, and a renewed eagerness to serve You. Find more Summer Camp Prayers you can use in your congregation here:

<https://www.lutherancamping.org/campperson/PrayersForCamp.pdf>

### **Still Time to Register**

There is still time to register for Summer Camp! Kids, families, adults...something for everyone! Don't miss out and REGISTER

TODAY! <https://www.lutherancamping.org/summer-camp/>

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Looking for more information not included in this week's newsletter?

Be sure to checkout our website!

***Thanks for reading! Have a great week ahead!***

