

**MONTHLY
NEWSLETTER**

DAYS PRING

FEBRUARY 2026



Sunday, February 8th

Our youth are joining teens across the nation in transforming Super Bowl Sunday into the largest, youth-led day of giving...

SOUPER BOWL of Caring

ANNUAL MEETING

Christ Lutheran Church, Hellertown

Sunday, February 1, 2026

In the Sanctuary immediately following Worship
Zoom and On-line Voting will be available for those unable to attend in person.

Child care will be provided. A light luncheon will be offered post-meeting.

**See what we accomplished in 2025
See where we are headed in 2026**

Christ Lutheran Church
69 Main Street, Hellertown
brings its Congregants *AND* Community...



COMPLIMENTARY Half-Hour Sessions
with a Reiki Master

APPOINTMENTS highly recommended and greatly appreciated

Monday, March 2nd, 4:15 - 7:30pm

Contact Judy Chernikovich-Clemens for details and to schedule your appointment today!

☎ 610-657-2607 ✉ jbtrd1952@yahoo.com

Come and Pray, Sing and Worship
Come and Listen, Reflect and Contemplate
Come and Relax, Enjoy and Celebrate

Lent · Holy Week · Easter
at Christ Lutheran Church

Ash Wednesday · February 18th · 7pm

Palm Sunday · March 29th · 10am

Maundy Thursday · April 2nd · 7pm

Good Friday · April 3rd · 7pm

Easter Sunday · April 5th

· 9am Traditional Service

· 11am Celebration Service

All Services Available on ZOOM

Children's Learning Center
610.838.9790

Monday - Friday 7:00am - 5:00pm



Church Office
610.838.0400

Monday - Friday 10:00am - 4:00pm
Closed for Lunch Noon - 1:00pm

Thirsty Thursday & THEOLOGY

Join Pastor Phil for a discussion of
Breakdown of Families
Breakdown of Communities
Causes & Solutions

February 19th @ 7pm

Third Thursday of the Month
Braveheart Highland Pub Lowlands Bar



**Adult
Christian
Education**

**Every Sunday
with Pastor Phil
9:00-9:45am**

**BEYOND BELIEF
Marcus Borg**

**In the
Church Library
or via ZOOM**

Council Corner

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Your Church Council last met on January 20th.

At our January council meeting we said goodbye to 2 of our council members, Dale Hazel, who's term has expired and Claire Kostbar who is stepping down to chair the Connections with Each Other Team. Each has devoted their time and used their expertise to provide thoughtful input and ideas which led us to finding the best way forward. Thank you and we look forward to seeing you continue to serve the church in other ways.

Our new council nominees, which include a high school representative on the council for the first time in many years, will bring their own perspectives to the leadership group. We look forward, to hearing new ideas and working with them on the council.

Your Church Council will meet next on February 17th.

<i>Year to Date thru December 2025</i>			
	Church	Learning Center	TOTAL
Receipts	\$639,353	\$878,704	\$1,518,057
Expenses	<u>-\$623,884</u>	<u>-\$903,385</u>	<u>-\$1,527,269</u>
TOTAL	\$ 15,469	-\$ 24,681	-\$ 9,212
Budgeted Giving	\$441,646		Actual Giving \$441,697

FEBRUARY VOLUNTEERS	1	8	15	22
COFFEE HOUR	Annual Meeting	Faith Community Nurse	Brunch	Men's Group
SOUND TECH	Kurt Rank	Kurt Rank	Kurt Rank	Kurt Rank
A/V TECH	Mark Stana	Ken Doremus	Ken Doremus	Mark Stana
COMMUNION	Patty Ivenz Sharon Coe			Quiet Communion Sheryl Caliguire
GREET/USHER	Jeanette & Ed Alosi	Kim & Corky Blake	Mary Ann Horvath Ellede D'Andrea	Carol Dishmon Sharon Coe
READING(S)	Glenn Butterfield	Anne Baum	Cheryl Lawler	Ursula Merriman
PRAYERS	Judy CC	Kevin Gough	Cheryl Glasker	Tim Brown



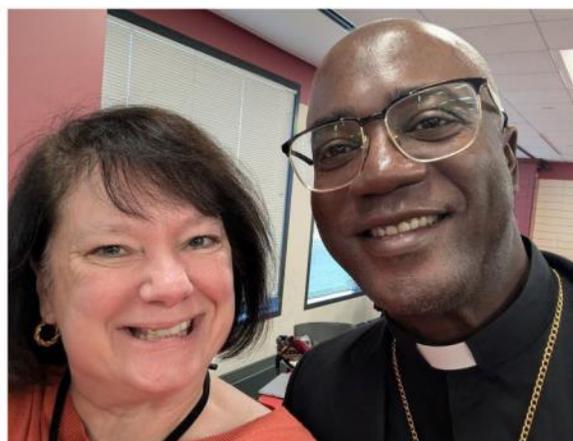
NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA SYNOD MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Learning to Stay in the Conversation

Written by: The Rev. Samantha Drennan, Co-Convener, Synod Racial Justice Team

I have been doing racial justice work with my colleagues in the Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod since late 2020. I have long known about widespread racial injustice in the United States, and the fact that systemic racism is deeply rooted in our long-established institutions, including the church. However, like many white people, for a long time I tended to avoid frank conversations about the injustice faced by people of color in the US. It was – and still is – a topic that makes people uncomfortable. And I felt helpless to change anything.

A shift came for me upon seeing the events of what is sometimes called “The Summer of George Floyd.” Thanks to outspoken leaders like The Rev. William Barber, the late civil rights leader Congressman John Lewis, and the local group POWER Interfaith, I became aware how widespread these injustices are. I came to realize that these incidents, including but



not limited to racial profiling by law enforcement, would never be addressed until white people began talking about them. As a result, in late 2020 I joined a group of Synod laypeople and clergy who had come to the same realization and wanted to do something. After many conversations, we began to plan an event where those who felt called would start having these difficult conversations.

On May 22, 2021, the Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod hosted a virtual conference called “Trouble the Water,” a day comprising worship, a keynote speaker, and workshops. The participants were invited to join together in that “troubled water” – to come willing to experience the discomfort caused by openly confronting racism, then hopefully joining us in generating the waves of change and progress we hoped to make. Following worship, the Reverend CeCee Mills (then Director of Evangelical Mission of the North Carolina Synod) delivered a powerful keynote address, after which two sets of concurrent workshops were offered on a range of topics. It was a first attempt at providing space for honest, difficult conversations.

Following this event, the Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod Racial Justice Team was formed. In the past four years, the team has submitted two resolutions (which both passed at their respective Synod Assemblies): one requiring anti-racism training for rostered ministers in the Synod; and another adopting a Land Acknowledgement statement. The team has also facilitated an online book study and has held six in-person anti-racism training sessions.



Last Fall (October 30 – November 1, 2025) I had the privilege of attending the first ever Synod Racial Justice Leader Gathering at the ELCA in Chicago. This gathering brought together approximately 50 individuals, both clergy and laypeople, who organize racial justice work in their respective Synods. Planned and overseen by Jennifer De Leon (ELCA director for Racial Justice) and Rev. Christina M. Montgomery, ELCA Racial Justice Manager, it was a deeply impactful and inspirational experience for me. The schedule included devotions, reflections, workshops, and small group time with other leaders from our regions.

The most impactful presentation was done by Kyle Williams, who represented an organization called “A Long Talk about the Uncomfortable Truth” – “A Long Talk” for short. His official job title is “Chief Empowerment Officer.” He began by telling us a deeply moving story of how this 21-day anti-racism activation experience came to be.

Kyle then shared their mission: to energize and empower allies in the pursuit of this shared purpose; and their process – to engage in an ongoing conversation focused on truth, understanding, and problem solving. He explained that many people will say they are not racist, and that’s fine. However, for many people being not racist or non-racist is not enough. What some people need is a way to become actively anti-racist.

Since I have begun doing this work, time and time again people have said to me “look, I know racism and white supremacy are wrong, I get it. But when someone says something like that around me, I get nervous/frustrated/angry and I don’t know what to say.” I understand this frustration; I too have found myself angry and at a loss for words. What was so impactful about Kyle’s presentation was that I now finally have a workable and direct response.

Kyle led us through a process called CPR, which stands for Clarify, Probe, Redirect. He said our goal should be to “get curious, not furious”; to engage the speaker’s critical thinking ability by asking questions following a racist statement. Briefly, it looks like this:

Clarify:	<i>(example) “What do you mean when you say ___”</i>
Probe:	<i>(example) “How do you think it makes ___ feel when you say that?”</i>
Redirect:	<i>(example) “What would happen if you supported ___?”</i>

“A Long Talk” gathers an online cohort to explore this process. Participants first watch a video on the history of race in America, then take part in a two-hour Zoom session discussing connections between American history and current realities. A follow-up session, held either in person or on Zoom, focuses on using the CPR protocol to challenge racist comments and beliefs. Ongoing support encourages continued growth and engagement in anti-racism efforts. More details about the upcoming “A Long Talk” coming soon at godslove.org/racial-justice-team.

“A Long Talk” cohort (Zoom sessions)
Saturday February 28 at 10:00am (1 of 2)
Saturday March 7 at 1:00pm (2 of 2)

A LONG TALK
 ABOUT THE UNCOMFORTABLE TRUTH

alongtalk.com

REGISTRATION COMING SOON

This event is organized by the Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod Racial Justice Team

The Heintzelman Family invites you
to a complimentary buffet dinner



Grief does not simply end. However, we can support healing by sharing our experiences and helping one another. We provide a safe, respectful space for open and positive conversation as we navigate times of sorrow together.

There will be no sales or solicitations allowed at this free community event. This is about healing and moving forward.

INFORMATION: 610-838-0521
KRISTEN@HEINTZELMANFH.COM
RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED
NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 5, 2026

LOCATION:  326 Main St. (rear)
Hellertown, PA 18055

Showing the difference . . .
one family at a time.

The Heintzelman Family is grateful for the support the communities. Our gesture is about giving back to those who have given us the opportunity to serve.

5 Ways to Give Without Changing Your Will or Trust

Would you like to leave a gift to Christ Lutheran Church Hellertown in your will or trust, and avoid a big legal bill? Here are 5 easy and free ways to make a gift without changing your will or trust:

1. Name Christ Lutheran as a beneficiary of your IRA, 401(k), 403(b), or other retirement plan.
These are tax-heavy assets. Taxes can eat up a large part of your hard earned savings when you give these assets to loved ones. A charity won't pay tax on your gift. Your entire gift can help to protect and preserve our church.
2. Name Christ Lutheran as a beneficiary of your Donor Advised Fund (DAF).
3. Name Christ Lutheran as a beneficiary of a life insurance policy.
4. Give your remaining bank funds to Christ Lutheran. This is a POD or payable-on-death account.
5. Transfer your remaining investments to Christ Lutheran. This is a TOD or transfer-on-death account.

All you have to do is complete a beneficiary form with your financial institution. You can change your mind at any time by completing a new beneficiary form.

Please contact Chris Myers (cdmdad4@aol.com) or Brad Wagner (bwagner@bdwagnerlaw.com)

**Lenten Series
Soup & Service**
Soup @ 6 – Service @ 7

***Your Pastor's
Favorite Bible Story***

Wednesday February 25th	<i>Esther</i>	<i>Pastor Patti Hoyt speaks at:</i> Christ Lutheran Church 69 Main St, Hellertown, PA 18055
Wednesday March 4th	<i>Ruth</i>	<i>Pastor Becky Thomas speaks at:</i> Friedens Evangelical Lutheran Church 2451 Saucon Valley Rd, Center Valley, PA 18034
Wednesday March 11th	<i>Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego</i>	<i>Pastor Phil Spohn speaks at:</i> First United Church of Christ 501 Northampton St, Hellertown, PA 18055
Wednesday March 18th	<i>Jonah</i>	<i>Josh Gulotta speaks at:</i> New Jerusalem Evangelical Lutheran Church 3233 Apples Church Rd, Bethlehem, PA 18055
Wednesday March 25th	<i>The Woman at the Well</i>	<i>Pastor Lisa Borrell speaks at:</i> Lower Saucon United Church of Christ 1375 3rd Ave, Hellertown, PA 18055

Wrestling with the Difficult:
Feeding the True Hungers of Lent

with **Maureen DeBellis**, Spiritual Director & Meditation Teacher
Schooled in the contemplative arts and heart-based
meditation for healing, connection, and well-being.

Tuesday Evenings, February 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31.

7:00-8:15pmET

Where: Online via Zoom

Register by Email: spiritdirect@clch.org to register and receive Zoom link

Christ Lutheran Church Hellertown, PA is sponsoring this series. While there is no set fee, donations to CLCH are always appreciated.

Wrestling with the Difficult: Feeding the True Hungers of Lent will be a time of exploring the often hard-to-digest themes of: Return, Forgiveness, Lament, Justice, and God's Love through the contemplative arts.

Each session will include but not be limited to an opening prayer; a thematic teaching and contemplative practice, reflection and group sharing for deeper processing. Our time will end with a closing prayer or meditation. Join in for 1 session or all 6.

Synod News is produced monthly and shares an online newsletter, bulletins, and websites throughout the Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod of the **Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**.

Visit the synod website to download:

nepasynod.org



Today I found a great ecology website that you might want to explore: greenamerica.org. There are lots of resources, articles and blogs. Here is a brief quote out of one on agriculture which should be of interest, we all eat! "Agriculture is the most polluting industry in the world because of the prevalent use of chemical and petroleum-based pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers.

These harmful chemicals...

- Deplete the soil,
- Pollute water supplies,
- Kill pollinators,
- Lower nutritional content,
- Degrade the health of surrounding communities,
- Harm the health of workers".

It continues "Fortunately, there are better farming methods available.

Green America works with its members and allies to...

- Support and expand regenerative agriculture which sequesters carbon, improves soil health, reduces chemical use, encourages pollinators, and nourishes communities,
- Keep child labor out of chocolate,
- Demand corporations address concerns with industrial dairy operations,
- Grow Climate Victory Gardens of all sizes to help combat the climate crisis and provide nutritious food.

We all eat. Learn more about transforming our food systems for our own health and the health of pollinators and the planet.

I invite you to check out this website in the next month while we are still in the throes of a cold old winter. I know I'm thinking about the coming growing season in our church garden. If you don't know, we garden organically and we try to be thoughtful in our water use and in the use of plastics in the church garden. Thinking of spring!

Angela Drake, ECO Team Editor-at-Large

COUNCIL MEMBERS TEAM LEADERS & STAFF Annual Leadership Retreat

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Sunday, February 22nd

Fellowship Hall

11:30am - 3:00pm

A lite lunch will be provided.

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All Church Council Members, Team Leaders,
and Staff are requested to attend.



Coffee Hour HOSTS NEEDED

Sign-Up Sheet
in the Narthex

For details or with questions, contact:

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or

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elise.m.cheung@gmail.com

Maureen DeBellis Spiritual Director

email: spiritdirect@clcht.org

Due to donations from church members, Spiritual Direction sessions will be offered to members of Christ Lutheran at a very discounted rate of \$10. Sessions can be held in-person or online (limit 6 sessions/2025).



- ★ Wondering where God is in your life?
- ★ Struggling to see God's presence in daily activities?
- ★ Feeling a holy disconnect?
- ★ Desiring a deepening life of prayer?

When these kinds of questions and interests begin to stir,
Spiritual Direction may be what your are looking for.

Maureen DeBellis is a spiritual director, inter-spiritual companion, a teacher of Heart Rhythm Meditation (HRM) and a retreat guide for the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius. She has a BA in Marriage and Family Studies from DeSales University and a Graduate Level Certificate in Spiritual Direction from Moravian Theological Seminary in Bethlehem, PA.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

Log on or tune in to
WFMZ (Channel 69)
for closing information.

Please always use your best judgment when deciding whether or not to join us.

WFMZ-TV

BIBLE STUDY

THURSDAYS

12:15 - 1:15 PM

**IN THE CHURCH LIBRARY
OR VIA ZOOM**

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

THE WORLD'S GREATEST ROLEPLAYING GAME!

2ND & 4TH SUNDAYS

FOLLOWING WORSHIP

SAMUEL.RAUP@GMAIL.COM

Chair Yoga

with Nancy D

Tuesdays and Thursdays

10:30 - 11:30am

ALL ARE WELCOME

Free Will Offering

South Lounge/Sanctuary



GIGGLES

Girls In God Growing Loving Eating Sharing
Women's Group

Wednesdays with Enid
from 10:00am to Noon
in the South Lounge

MEN'S GROUP

TUESDAYS AT NOON

**IN THE CHURCH LIBRARY
OR VIA ZOOM**

Quilters

Wednesdays 8:30am

Thursdays 5:30pm

Come Join Us!

All Skill Levels Welcome

Yoga

~Mind~Body~Spirit

Every Saturday morning at 9:30

Are you attending events at CLC?

Hello, my name is Debbi Pereira and I am the Communication Specialist at Christ Lutheran Church, Hellertown.

I design ads for the church and post them currently on Social Media, Saucon Source, create the Sunday Brunch Placemat, and maintain our website.

If you are taking pictures at any event and would like to share, please send them to dpereira@clcht.org with any details, including the event name and dates, and I will post them for you!

Thank You

Thank you to all who participated in our **Reverse Advent Calendar** food collection in December. We collected nearly 300 items that were delivered to the **Hellertown Area Food Bank** and used to fill our **Blessing Box**.

- Corky Blake

Food Bank • Collection

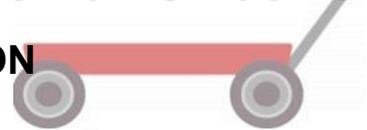
Specially Requested Items in February:

Juice Boxes for Student Lunchboxes

RED WAGON

Drop-Off

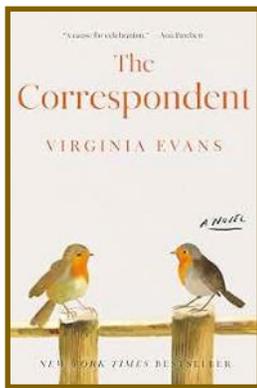
in the Volunteer Room



CHRIST LUTHERAN BOOKCLUB

BookClub Meets **March 30th**
"The Correspondent"

by Virginia Evans



7:00pm in the Church Library or Zoom

COMPLIMENTARY COPIES
available while supplies last

Filled with knowledge that only comes from a life fully lived, *The Correspondent* is a gem of a novel about the power of finding solace in literature and connection with people we might never meet in person. It is about the hubris of youth and the wisdom of old age, and the mistakes and acts of kindness that occur during a lifetime.

Sybil Van Antwerp has throughout her life used letters to make sense of the world and her place in it. Most mornings, around half past ten, Sybil sits down to write letters—to her brother, to her best friend, to the president of the university who will not allow her to audit a class she desperately wants to take, to Joan Didion and Larry McMurtry to tell them what she thinks of their latest books, and to one person to whom she writes often yet never sends the letter.

Sybil expects her world to go on as it always has—a mother, grandmother, wife, divorcee, distinguished lawyer, she has lived a very full life. But when letters from someone in her past force her to examine one of the most painful periods of her life, she realizes that the letter she has been writing over the years needs to be read and that she cannot move forward until she finds it in her heart to offer forgiveness.

Sybil Van Antwerp's life of letters might be "a very small thing," but she also might be one of the most memorable characters you will ever read.

February Birthdays

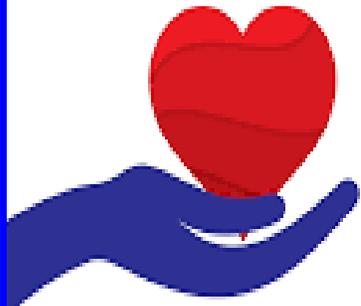
Matthew Sterner 1st	Carolyn Raudenbush 15th	Earl Wismer 22nd
Katherine Paskewicz 2nd	Olivia Davila 16th	Missy Greenawald 23rd
Connor Jackson 5th	Jodie Raab 16th	Herb Musselman 24th
Judy Meier 6th	Amber Smith 16th	Janice Unangst 25th
Megan Eisenbraun 7th	Marianna Tlush 16th	Tom Braxmeier 26th
Susan Kneller 7th	Gloria Laub 17th	William Horvath 26th
Desiree Grube 8th	Kay Cole 18th	Andrew Kubisek 26th
Kelly Flack 9th	Owen Frederick 18th	Dianne Borovies 27th
Jackson Koehler 12th	Elyse Koehler 18th	Richard Koehler 27th
Lorita Musselman 12th	Phil Spohn 18th	Jamie Laslo 27th
Kevin Petrucelli 13th	Kathy Jackson 19th	Christopher Snyder 27th
Brennan Schultz 13th	Bruce Rice 19th	Corky Blake 28th
Lenore Spohn 14th	Cliff Cole 21st	Bonnie Oszeyczik 28th
Bill Bergstresser 15th	Kris Rank 22nd	Samuel Sterner 28th

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Bonnie A. & Earl E. Wismer 2/27/1982

Francene & Kenneth N. Drake 2/28/1970

Elaine T. & John L. Snyder 2/28/1976



February is
**AMERICAN
HEART
MONTH**

Visit our Information Room off the Narthex for Educational Materials

Enid Rank

Faith Community Nurse

If you have any questions or would like any additional information on anything listed on this page, please don't hesitate to contact me.



nurse@clcht.org

610-349-2970

Meal Ministry Monday February 23rd

(weather permitting)

Lite fare delivery to the homebound

Monthly Communion Service Saucon Valley Manor

1050 Main Street Hellertown, PA 18055

Thursday February 19th

2:00pm Parishioners welcome to join Pastor Phil, Josh, Bonnie, and Enid for some worshipping, singing and mingling!

FAITH COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP EVENT

The Jane Austen Playlist:

Love and Music of Regency England



Sunday, February 15th

4:00pm

Zoellner Arts Center

\$23 Tickets

Available in Church Office



SignUpGenius



Viegas Family Meal Sign-up

signupgenius.com

Community Blood Drive

at Christ Lutheran Church MILLER-KEYSTONE
BLOOD CENTER



Tuesday March 10th

1:00-7:00pm Church Parking Lot

**Schedule your appointment
at www.GIVEaPINT.org**

"Sharing Love" February Service Month

During the month of February, consider sharing love and acts of kindness with family, friends, and neighbors. Share your pictures with the Faith Community Nurse for the Narthex Bulletin Board. Join the Faith Community Nurse Sunday, February 8th for Coffee Hour to kick off "Sharing Love" Month.

FEBRUARY CALENDAR

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

<p>1 ANNUAL MTG 9am Adult Education 10am Sunday School 10am Worship w/Communion 11am Annual Meeting 3pm Narc Anon</p>	<p>2 GROUNDHOG DAY 6:30pm Choir</p>	<p>3 10:30am Chair Yoga Noon Men's Group 7pm Praise</p>	<p>4 8:30am Quilters 10am GIGGLES</p>	<p>5 10:30am Chair Yoga 12:15pm Bible Study 5:30pm Quilters</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7 9:30am Yoga</p>
<p>8 SOUPER BOWL OF CARING 9am Adult Education 10am Sunday School 10am Worship 11am D&D 3pm Narc Anon</p>	<p>9 6:30pm Choir</p>	<p>10 10:30am Chair Yoga Noon Men's Group</p>	<p>11 8:30am Quilters 10am GIGGLES 5-7pm Valentine's Dinner <i>Heintzelman Carriage House</i></p>	<p>12 10:30am Chair Yoga 12:15pm Bible Study 5:30pm Quilters</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>15 9am Adult Education 10am Sunday School 10am Worship 11am Brunch 3pm Narc Anon 4pm "Jane Austen" <i>Zoellner</i></p>	<p>16 PRESIDENTS' DAY </p>	<p>17 FAT TUESDAY 10:30am Chair Yoga Noon Men's Group 7pm Church Council</p>	<p>18 ASH WEDNESDAY 8:30am Quilters 10am GIGGLES 6pm Choir 7pm Worship</p>	<p>19 10:30am Chair Yoga 12:15pm Bible Study 2pm Communion Service <i>SV Manor</i> 5:30pm Quilters 7pm Thirsty Thurs <i>Braveheart</i></p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21 9:30am Yoga</p>
<p>22 LEADERSHIP 9am Adult Education 10am Sunday School 10am Worship 11am Quiet Comm 11am D&D 11:15am Conf Class 1 11:30am Leadership Retreat 3pm Narc Anon</p>	<p>23 11am Meal Ministry</p>	<p>24 10:30am Chair Yoga Noon Men's Group 7pm Church Council 7pm "Feeding the True Hungers of Lent" <i>Zoom Only</i></p>	<p>25 8:30am Quilters 10am GIGGLES 10am-1pm Lunch Prep & Serve <i>New Bethany</i> 6pm Soup & Service <i>Christ Lutheran</i></p>	<p>26 10:30am Chair Yoga 12:15pm Bible Study 5:30pm Quilters</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28 9:30am Yoga</p>
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Youth & Family Minister

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Josh Gulotta

Office Hours: Monday thru Friday, 9am to 2pm



Try out Bear Creek Camp this Summer!



Applications are open for Bear Creek Camp! At Christ Lutheran, that means scholarship time. **Every student who asks gets \$100 of their tuition paid by Christ Lutheran.** Confirmation students get even more!

Why go to Bear Creek Camp? More reasons than I can list. Ask Pastor Phil, A/V Whizz Mark Stana, or Faith Formation Team Leader, Bre Barket what Bear Creek Camp means to them. It's not just a place to be a kid, it's a place to grow up. If you're still skeptical, here's five reasons why Bear Creek Camp is worth a visit this summer:

Whitewater Rafting – See what you're made of on the Susquehanna River

High Ropes and Low Ropes – The star attraction for most of our attendees

New Friends – Campers come from all over Northeast Pennsylvania. Imagine meeting someone from Tunkhannock!

Toilets – There was a time when Bear Creek was plumbing-free! Sadly, the restrooms have all been upgraded so you can barely even tell you're camping...

Theology To Be Sure Of – Bear Creek is at the cutting edge of Lutheran theology; each summer they create a space where everyone knows they are loved by God, no matter who they are.

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