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CLC Weekly Update - In-Person Worship May 21st at 9:30AM

WORSHIP WITH US

Seventh Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts 1:6-14 Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35 Second Reading: 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11 Gospel: John 17:1-11

Pastor Erin Evans preaching

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In these days between Ascension and Pentecost, we gather with the disciples in the upper room, waiting for the Spirit to transform the church around the world. In today's gospel Jesus prays for his followers and for their mission in his name. Amid religious, social, and economic divisions, we seek the unity that Jesus had with his Father. Made one in baptism, we go forth to live our faith in the world, eager for the unity that God intends for the whole human family. ~

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Wear RED next Sunday, May 28th for Pentecost!

CONGREGATIONAL

VEETIN

Trinity Sunday Potluck AND Annual Meeting

Members please plan to attend our ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING and potluck "brunch" on Trinity Sunday, June 4th.

Join us that Sunday for a meeting to review the reports of the Pastor, Council, Treasurer, and various committees and ministries for 2022 - and hear updates from church leaders on what's happening in 2023. We need voting members' attendance to have a quorum to approve the reports, but visitors are always welcome. Check for the sign-up in the narthex to add a dish to bring and share.



The Food Pantry is Open Mondays and Fridays from 9:30am to 11:30am, and on Wednesdays from 5pm to 7pm.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL YEAR-END FIELD TRIP!



SUNDAY, JUNE 25 2PM-4PM (a) MAD SCIENCE OF PITTSBURGH 1248 EVERGREEN RD.

https://pittsburgh.madscience.org for more info Bring a friend! RSVP to Pastor Erin

Our Council Members for 2023

Erica Strafalace Kurt Schreiber Lennie Jansen Becky Nyren Diane Curry

Tim Komoroski Jean Thens Bud Worst Ray Lardin Joe Imhoff

Council Meetings are normally the 2nd Monday of the month at 7pm. Thanks to those who have served and all who share their time to lead our congregation!



The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. 令

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CHURCH OUTING!

Ring Pittsburgh hosts The Raleigh Ringers for a night of handbell ringing not soon to be forgotten. Join us in the Cahouet Auditorium at North Catholic High School on <u>Friday, July 14, 2023 at 7:00 PM!</u> Tickets are \$20, and we'd like to purchase a block of tickets soon for this fun night of CLC fellowship. Let Danielle Visconti know ASAP if we can reserve a ticket for YOU! Call or text 412-901-0124



ONLINE GIVING UPDATE

Blessings on all those who are traveling this spring and summer!

Use this QR Code on your phone to easily schedule offerings for a few Sundays while you are out of town, or do it directly through our website.



Your stewardship makes the difference! https://www.clcmillvale.com/donate/

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Pastor Erin, Diane Curry, and Emily Kosova will be voting members attending from CLC.



PENNSYLVANIA SYNOD EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

SYNOD ASSEMBLY JUNE 16 & 17, 2023



2023 SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA SYNOD ASSEMBLY

FRIDAY, JUNE 16

6-9 PM

Online via ZOOM

SATURDAY, JUNE 17

9 AM - 5 PM

In Person at PennWest California (Formerly Cal-U) 250 University Ave, California, PA 15419

Let's Go To Camp!

Registration for Camp Lutherlyn is open! CLC has a long history of supporting Camp Lutherlyn in Prospect PA, and outdoor ministry has touched the lives of generations. We have a scholarship fund to make sure YOUR child or grandchild can experience this life-changing adventure in faith! Check out their <u>website</u> to find registration details, and speak to Pastor Erin or Treasurer Ray Lardin about this exciting opportunity! Go to: https://www.lutherlyn.com/ summercamp/summer_overview.html

Camp Lutherlyn also has summer employment opportunities for young adults 17 and over! Check out the information below to have the summer of your life! Go to: https://www.lutherlyn.com/summercamp/ summer_employment.html

Everyone can join Pastor Erin for CAMP BLAST on May 13th! This is a completely free day and open house full of fun at Camp Lutherlyn. You can get to know the place and experience it for yourself. Mark your calendars now for a day at camp!





https://www.lutherlyn.com/summercamp/summer_employment.html

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT

NEW SUMMER STAFF - Follow These Steps to APPLY:

- 1.) Read the Information Below to Learn More About the Ministry of Lutherlyn and Employment Details
- 2.) Fill Out the Application (must create a "campbrain" account)
- 3.) Have Three (3) References Complete the Online Reference Form
- 4.) Once Your Application and ALL Three References Are Received, You Will Be Contacted to Schedule an Interview

RETURNING SUMMER STAFF - If you have already served on summer staff in the past 3 years, please complete the Returning Staff Application. Returning staff DO NOT need to submit references again.

• Returning Staff Application (must create a "campbrain" account)

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God Doesn't Do Magic

It happens in the movies all the time: just as we are made to believe that all hope is lost and evil will triumph, suddenly the hero discovers a mystical phrase that will give him supernatural strength to defeat the enemy. Or the heroine finds a charmed sword that gives her the power to do the same. Believing in movie magic can be a welcome respite from the grind of everyday life. Knowing an enchanted word that keeps us impervious to harm sounds incredible—who wouldn't want that? Those moments may work in the movies, but they don't happen in real life.

Don't confuse Jesus' words in today's gospel with a magic spell or incantation. As Jesus prays for his disciples, he knows the suffering they will soon endure because they have come to believe in him. There is no way to avert what they will undergo; each one of his disciples is headed toward a certain and painful death, just as Jesus is. Jesus knows these things cannot be prevented, but that isn't the point of his prayer.

Being in the world means bad things will happen to us. Crosses aren't special charms that keep evil away, and wearing one won't keep you from harm. Tragedies take place, people get sick, bullies victimize, the innocent get blamed. There are no magic words to prevent hardships or disasters. When Jesus prays for the Father to protect those who belong to him, he isn't asking God to keep those bad things from happening. The name of God was never intended to create force fields around us keeping bad things out. God and the one who comes in God's name make us one together with them. In this unity, life always triumphs in the end. ~

This Week at CLC:

Sunday

May 21 - Sunday STEAM 8:30am CLC Sunday Worship Service at 9:30am

Monday

May 22 - 9:30 to 11:30am FOOD PANTRY 5-6pm TOPS CLUB 6-7pm Yoga

Tuesday

May 23 - 6am-9pm Voting 9am to 3pm 412 Food Rescue

Wednesday

May 24 - 9am to 1pm 412 Food Rescue 4-8pm Anchorpoint Millvale Community Counseling 5-7pm FOOD PANTRY

Thursday - Ascension of Our Lord May 25 - 5:30-7pm Boy Scouts 7pm Choir Practice 6:30-7:30 Violin Practice

Friday

May 26 - 9:30 to 11:30am FOOD PANTRY 7pm NA meets in the Library

Saturday

May 27 - 9am AA meets in the Library 10am Call Committee 7pm NA meets in the Library

Pentecost Sunday!

May 28 - Sunday STEAM 8:30am CLC Sunday Worship Service at 9:30am

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May 29 - Memorial Day Office Closed NO FOOD PANTRY



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St. Helena: SAINT HELENA OF THE TRUE CROSS_unknown

Nicolaus Copernicus: Nicolaus Copernicus portrait from Town Hall in Toruń - 1580_Wikimedia Commons

Leonhard Euler: Portrait of Leonhard Euler (1707-1783)_painted by Emanuel Handmann 1753_Leonhard Euler.jpg - Wikimedia Commons

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Upcoming Commemorations



Helena, mother of Constantine, died around 330 Sunday, May 21, 2023

Influenced by her son to become Christian, Helena (or Helen) lived an exemplary life of faith. She is also remembered for traveling through Palestine building churches on the sites she believed to be associated with Christ's life.

Nicolaus Copernicus, died 1543; Leonhard Euler, died 1783; scientists Wednesday, May 24, 2023

These two men were both scientists who helped to explain the wonders of God's universe. Copernicus is best known for promoting the idea that the sun, not the earth, is at the center of our solar system. Euler was one of the founders of pure mathematics, and contributed to many other fields.

John Calvin, renewer of the church, died 1564 Saturday, May 27, 2023



Gifted both as a systematic theologian and as an interpreter of scriptures, Calvin embraced the Reformation, and as a preacher in Geneva, Switzerland, brought a theocratic government to it. He is regarded as the father of the Reformed churches.







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