



In November ...

Sunday, November 3- All

Saints Sunday

Tuesday, November 5-

Election Day

Sunday, November 9 - No-

Bake Bake Sale

Monday, November 11 -

Veterans' Day, Council Mtg

Friday, November 15 -

WELCA

Wednesday, November 27 -

7 PM Community Thanksgiv-
ing Worship Service, Christ
Lutheran, Springtown

Thursday, November 28 -

Happy Thanksgiving!

Sunday, November 24 -

Christ the King, last Sunday
of the Church Year

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"God's People Give Thanks!"

Every year, our nation pauses to give thanks for the bounteous gifts many of us enjoy. We give thanks for the land, for food, for family, for freedom, and for so much more. God's people also take time throughout the year to give thanks. In reality, we ought to make a long list of "Thank You's" to God everyday.

The covenant people of God are recorded as giving thanks for the harvest in the Book of Deuteronomy. They also gave thanks for God's deliverance from slavery. They gave thanks for the gift of the Law. And they gave thanks for God's presence with them at all times.

God's People - the Church - also give thanks for all our needs God satisfies. This is what the Lord's Prayer calls daily bread. Food, yes, but so much more. We give thanks for the coming of Jesus Christ to rescue us from sin and death. We give thanks for the priceless gift of Baptism which bestows upon us new and eternal life. We give thanks for God's bounty in Holy Communion, shared with us over and over again. We give thanks for Christ's Church - a gift of support and fellowship to all of us.

This month and every month, "Let us give thanks to the Lord and bless God's Holy name." (Psalm 100:4)

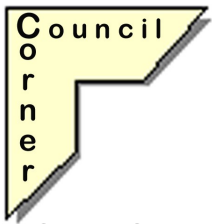
A special ecumenical annual gathering of Thanksgiving will be held this year on Wednesday, November 27 at 7:00 PM at Christ Lutheran Church on Route 212 (Main Street) in Springtown. We once again join with Lutheran, Methodist, and United Church of Christ brothers and sisters in giving thanks to God.

Let us all
GIVE THANKS



~Pastor David Deal





Durham's Church Council is happy to listen and wants to hear from you. Have a question or concern? Maybe an opinion or suggestion? We welcome the chance to talk and get feedback from you!

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At its last meeting, the Church Council approved the use of the funds from the Good Neighbor envelopes from October, November and December to assist with re-fitting Brian Ashmore's home. Brian is finally able to come home after becoming paralyzed in a bicycle accident.

Church Council also designated Sunday, November 9th as the date for the "No-Bake Bake Sale in support of the Community Holiday Dinner. Special envelopes will be available for this event.

The 7th Annual Community Dinner



This year's Community Holiday Dinner will be held at the Riegelsville Community Fire Company #1 on **Saturday December 7, 2019** from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM, at one hour intervals. Tickets for the event will be available every Sunday in November after the 10:30 AM service or upon request from Joe Hlavaty. There will also be a No-Bake Bake Sale on November 9.

Sign-up sheets will also be posted in the narthex in November for your volunteer assistance on either Friday, December 6, 2019 or Saturday, December 7, 2019.

Evangelical Lutheran Church of Durham has always supported this ecumenical event with robust enthusiasm. Why change our approach now?!?!? Let's do it again!!! 😊

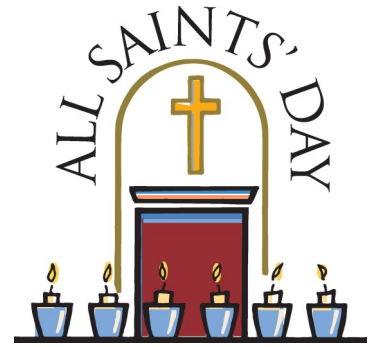
Sincerely, Lois Altemose(610-346-7241) and Joe Hlavaty (610-360-6199)

Thank-You's

- ♦ Virginia Hager would like to thank everyone for all the prayers, phone calls and cards she received during her recent illness. She is feeling well and getting better all the time!
- ♦ "A grateful thank you to everyone for your prayers, cards, visits and help in any way after Tom's fall. Just to know that so many people cared helped for a speedy improvement in recovery. Take care and God bless all of you. Love Always, Lynn and Tom Gaun"

November Worship Highlights

All Saints' Sunday - November 3, 2019 - Remembrance of the Saints who have died in the previous 12 months. Celebration of all baptized saints, past and present. Festival Service of Holy Communion at 10:30 AM, with special candles and prayers, and ringing of the church bells. Special Remembrance of Evelyn Newcomb, Norma Rodenbach, and Joann Thaler.



Community Thanksgiving Eve Worship

Wednesday, November 27 at 7:00 PM

at Christ Lutheran Church in Springtown

The service is sponsored by Christ Lutheran and Salem UMC in Springtown, Trinity UCC and Trinity Lutheran in Pleasant Valley, and Evangelical Lutheran Church of Durham.

Fellowship following the service.

New Adult Study Small Group

Our latest small group study has begun! We meet on Thursdays at 2 PM in the Fellowship Hall - but not every Thursday. Check with Pastor Deal for the weekly schedule.

Our theme for the year is "Good God Questions." We ask and discuss questions about suffering, death, baptism, the Trinity, and much more. Come and join us! And bring your Bible.



Adult Sunday School - Helen Dungan

The Sunday morning Adult Bible Study Class will begin a discussion of the Minor Prophets; those short books at the end of the Old Testament which we rarely hear read. We meet in the back of the church around 9 AM; and we welcome you to join us.

A Friendly Reminder to all Parishioners:

When filling out your weekly giving envelope, please write the amount you are giving and the check number or the word "cash" on the envelope on the designated lines. THANK YOU!

~Your Financial Secretary on Behalf of Church Council



November Worship Assistants	3*	10	17*	24 *
Youth Acolyte/ Communion Assistant	Nicholas Phillipps	Grace Litzenberger	Addyson Mammana	Conner Aquino
Greeter(s)	Karen and Jim Beer	The Gadwell Family	Miriam Anderson	The Aquino Family
Lay Worship Assistant/	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
Council Communion Assistants	Mark Harwick Kathy Hlavaty		Mark Harwick Kathy Hlavaty	Mark Harwick Kathy Hlavaty
Counters	Mark Harwick and Kathy Hlavaty			
Altar Guild	Linda Sauter and Bea von Watzdorf			
Head Usher	Robert Fox * Indicates Holy Communion will be served			

	NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS		NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES		NOVEMBER BAPTISMS
4	Mary Crouse, Laura DeWalt	1		6	Grace Litzenberger
8	Serena Ashmore				
9	Lynn Gaun				
10	MARTIN LUTHER Nicholas Phillipps, Brendan Snyder				
12	Tom Gaun, Mark Harwick, Matthew Mueller, Cathy Mueller			16	Marion Kempf
18	Chad Harrison			22	Bob Fox
19	Hans Rilling	19	Miriam & Ken Anderson (36) Faye and Tim Gadwell	23	Addyson Mammana
21	Ken Anderson			24	Paula Eck
23	Faye Gadwell			25	Helen Dungan, Cheryl Eck
24	Chase Aquino			29	Bruce Crouse, Dean Litzen- berger
25	Dan Froehlich	25	Cathy & Chris Mueller (19)	30	Kathy Hlavaty, Jordyn Trauger

Veterans Day - Monday, November 11, 2019
Veterans of Evangelical Lutheran Church of Durham



James H. Altemose US Army Reserves. 1958-1964

Edward J. Ballek (Deceased) Sergeant in the US Army, 148th Combat Engineer Battalion,
1943-45

Edward Crouse (Deceased) Private, US Army Battery C, 75th gun battalion (AAA cannoneer)
1948 - 1954

Ron Everitt Specialist E-4, US Army, 1970-72

Leo P. Fox (Deceased) US Navy, Ship's Cook Class 3, 1944-46

Robert Fox US Army

Scott Gaun US Air Force, 1984-1988, Senior Airman.

Gene Gribbin (Deceased) Sergeant, US Army, 1950-52

Michael Hesser - Sgt., US Marine Corps, 2010-2014

David H. Holland (Deceased) US Marine Corps, killed in action 1967

Myron Kressman (Deceased) - US Army 1969-71

W. Robert Litzenberger (Deceased) Corporal, US Army 1950 -52

John Luther (Deceased) Private, US Army 351st Infantry, 88th Division, killed in action,
Italy 1944

Paul McGinn Specialist 4, US Army, 1970's

Wayne Mesko Staff Sergeant, US Air Force, 99th Bomb Wing 1966-70

James Miller US Navy, 1965-1968

Robert J. Newcomb (Deceased) Corporal, US Army, Medical Technician, 1951-53

Harold E. Nicholas (Deceased) Corporal, US Army, 2nd Armored Division, Medium Tank
Battalion, 1951-53

David Pyne Petty Officer 2nd Class E-4 US Navy, USS Gettysburg, 1994-98

Blake Rodd US Army, 2010-2014

Silas Rodenbach US Army, 1952-54

Christopher S. Seifert (Deceased) Captain, US Army, 101st Airborne Division, killed in action
2003

Hal Taylor Lieutenant, US Navy, Field Intelligence, 1966-69

Edward H. Xander Corporal, US Marine Corps, 1955-59



Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.
Luke 6:38

Special Thanksgiving Thank Offering

It has been a regular tradition here at ELC of Durham to make a special Thanksgiving offering for world hunger each November. This offering goes to the ELCA World Hunger Appeal.

These funds respond to hunger in the US and around the world. The appeal does not just distribute food to the hungry. It also helps people become self-sufficient in growing crops, fish farming, water wells, etc. It also seeks to address the long-term causes of hunger in the face of poverty, drought, flooding, political injustice, and more.

You have a special Thanksgiving envelope in the November section of your 2017 offering envelope packet. Make your offering using that envelope, with checks payable to ELC of Durham.

Thank you for your response!

Blood Drive for Jason Bigley

The poster features a woman in a teal shirt pointing to her arm where a blood sample is being taken. A red pushpin with "WGIVEAPINT" is pinned to the poster. The text includes: "Your Blood. Their Hope." above the Miller-Keystone Blood Center logo. Below that, "Live Here. Give Here." in cursive, followed by "STAYS HERE!" in large red letters, and "BLOOD DRIVE" in large white letters on a red background. At the bottom, it lists the date and time: "Tues, November 5th 11:00am - 4:00pm", the location: "St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church - Hellertown", the contact: "Church Office at (610) 838-0897", and the sponsor code: "Online Registration Sponsor Code 8408". The bottom of the poster has the website "GIVEaPINT.org" and the phone number "1-800-B-A-DONOR" along with social media icons.

If your workplace engages in a **United Way** campaign, please remember that **Lutheran Charities** is a participating agency. Your pledge and your gifts will be personally acknowledged and highly valued and appreciated.

Our number is **#390**. THANK YOU!





Have you signed up yet for the A+ School Rewards Program to support our Care-A-Lot Preschool? If not, there are forms on the table in the Narthex. Please share with your friends and family!



sign up today
 and earn money for our school

November 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
NOTE: Ann, the Church Secretary, will be on vacation from Thursday, November 21 until Thursday, December 5.					1 Pastor's Day Off	2 Pastor's Day Off
3 All Saints Sunday 9 AM Christian Education 10:30 AM Festival Communion 5:30 PM Confirmation at Durham	4	5 ELECTION DAY Care-A-Lot Preschool 9 AM - Noon	6 Care-A-Lot Preschool 9 AM - Noon	7 Care-A-Lot Preschool 9 AM - Noon Adult Small Group 2PM	8	9 Pastor's Day Off
10 Sundays after Pentecost 9 AM Christian Education 10:30 AM Worship	11 Church Council 7 PM Veterans Day	12 Care-A-Lot Preschool 9 AM - Noon Care-A-Lot School Board Meeting 1 PM	13 Care-A-Lot Preschool 9 AM - Noon	14 Care-A-Lot Preschool 9 AM - Noon Adult Small Group 2PM	15 WELCA at 11 AM	16 Pastor's Day Off
17 Sundays after Pentecost 9 AM Christian Education 10:30 AM Holy Communion 5:30 PM DRATT Youth Group at Trinity	18	19 Care-A-Lot Preschool 9 AM - Noon	20 Care-A-Lot Preschool 9 AM - Noon	21 Care-A-Lot Preschool 9 AM - Noon Adult Small Group 2PM	22	23 Pastor's Day Off
24 Christ the King 9 AM Christian Education 10:30 AM Festival Communion	25	26 Care-A-Lot Preschool 9 AM - Noon	27 NO Preschool Community Thanksgiving Service at Christ Lutheran, Springtown @ 7	28  Happy Thanksgiving Thanksgiving Day	29	30 Pastor's Day Off



The weather is changing, and the children welcome the colors of Fall. We had a terrific Field Trip to Trauger's. The children enjoyed the vegetables they shared and also the popcorn, apple cider and pumpkins.

CARE -A-LOT

We welcome our new student, Caleb Rudy, to the Pre-K class in November.

New this November is "Button Day". Everyone is to dress in clothing that has buttons on it and try to wear as many buttons as possible. We'll be counting buttons and making button crafts.

The children will also have their vision screened by the Bucks County Assoc. for the Blind and Visually Impaired. This is a service that they provide for young children to try to catch vision problems early.

We also welcome the Pilgrims, Native Americans and turkeys to our special celebration for Thanksgiving—"Thanksgiving Theme Day". It will be a day filled with games, crafts and food. They will wear the Pilgrim, Native American and Turkey costumes they made and then gather together for our feast. Thanks to the parent volunteers who helped with our feast.

Our Christian theme for November with Pastor Dave is "We Are Thankful". We'll also be learning about their body, the five senses and healthy habits.

We wish everyone a Blessed and Thankful Holiday!

~Linda Reinbold



Blanket / Tool Sundays: Thanks to all who donated to our collections! We received a thank you from Church World Service for the \$1,157.00 we contributed during our Blanket and Tool Sundays. We also received thanks from Lutheran World Relief for the \$1,605 collected from our soup sales.



Upper Bucks Conference gathering: The fall gathering of the Upper Bucks Women of the ELCA is being held on November 2, 2019 at Peace -Tohickon Lutheran Church in Perkasio. We will carpool from the church parking lot around 8:00 AM.

Program: Being Family

Scripture: Proverbs 22:6 *"Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old, they will not turn from it."*

Speaker: Jennifer Hinds, from A Women's Place. Her talk will be about the problems families face today, especially the problem of domestic violence. How do we help the children being reared in this situation?

Time: Registration is from 8:30 to 9:00, Breakfast follows at 9:00,

Place: Peace-Tohickon Lutheran Church, 100 Old Bethlehem Road, Perkasio Pa. 18944.

In Kind gifts: We are collecting new bras and underwear for female victims of domestic abuse. When the abused women are taken to the hospital, the police take all their clothing to be used as evidence and tested. Therefore, they have nothing to wear when they leave. All sizes are needed.

Directions: The church faces route 313; but access to the parking lot is off Old Bethlehem Road. Go to the traffic light at 5th street and 313. Turn up the hill toward the church. At the first crossroad, turn right on Old Bethlehem Road; then turn right again to enter the parking lot

Attendees: All women are invited

November meeting: We will meet on Friday November 15th in the fellowship hall. Our tentative plans are to visit with our shut-ins.



Helen Dungan

School supplies: Pennridge FISH sent a thank you for the backpack and school supplies which we donated to their schoolbag program.

Food ministry: I also thank everyone who donated to our Thanksgiving food collection. We will collect Christmas themed food in November.

Food baskets: Please consider putting a food basket on the altar to honor a loved one this Thanksgiving / Advent season. There is a signup sheet in the narthex, and I will be happy to do the shopping for the basket.

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Happy Thanksgiving

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