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In October...

- Sunday, November 7 -10:30 AM -Holy Communion Guest Preacher Rev. David Lutcher
- Tuesday, November 9
 Cluster Transition meeting at Trinity Lutheran
 Pleasant Valley at 7PM
- Monday, November 15 CHURCH COUNCIL 7PM
- Sunday, November 14 -10:30AM - Worship Guest Preacher John Berntsen
- Thursday November 16
 FINANCE MEETING
 7:30pm
- Sunday, November 21 -10:30 AM- Worship Guest Preacher
 The Rev. James Heckman
- Sunday, November 28 -10:30AM -Holy Communion Guest Preacher
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Thanks be to God

This thankful time of year is upon us again but with all that is going on in the world we sometimes ask ourselves what are we to be thankful for? With all the divisiveness in the world let alone our own country we sometimes question our own existence. Did God put us here for us all to be at odds with each other? Did he put us here so we can judge each other by our political views, our religious beliefs or the color of our skin? Is this what our world has come to? As Christians and believers of the Holy Trinity do we really think that this was God's intention for us? Or do we believe that we were put here to take care of God's creation and first and foremost one another. If we help our neighbors when they need it, give back to the community when we are asked or just be a shoulder for someone to cry on wouldn't it be a better world? A world that God intended from the day he started creating it. John 16:33 says "In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

We must put our trust in God that he has a divine plan for all of us, because he does! I believe here at Durham Lutheran we have a lot to be thankful for. Look around you and ask yourself, is there anything I can do to make the world a better place?

Council President- Scott Gaun

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER

- ACOLYTES for November-
 - Nov. 7 Clayton Helfrich
 - 14 Grace Litzenberger
 - 21 Samantha Mueller
 - 28 Addyson Mammana
- LECTORS for November -
 - Nov. 7 Tom Gaun
 - 14 Mark Harwick
 - 21 Bea von Watzdorf
 - 28 Beth Snyder
- ALTAR GUILD for November Linda Sauter and Bea von Watzdorf
- COUNCIL COUNTING TEAM for November Kathy Hlavaty, Becky Praster



Pay Tribute to our Township's Veterans

VETERANS DAY [REMEMBER & HONOR]

Thursday, November 11, 2021, 11:00 am
Williams Township Veterans Memorial
655 Cider Press Rd., Easton, PA
School children to pay tribute along Cider Press
(From 10:30 to 10:50)

PRAYER

Please lift up in prayer the following ...

For Healing of those in our Congregation: Michael Altemus; Joanne & David Antoni; Norma Fox; Virginia Hager; Betty and George Kreitz; Cheryl Mesko; Dot Peterman; Silas Rodenbach; Hal Taylor; Carolyn Williams and Joanne & Bobby Ziegenfuss.

For Healing of Friends and Family: Harry & Terry Bachart; Lynn Bailey; Ron & Kathy Ballek; Jason Bigley; Kelly Bordelon; Deb Carmichael; Bill Corrigan; Chris Fear; Fred Foerster; Gabriella Froehlich; Ken Garey; Candie Gimbar; Clarence Hoover Jr.; Kathy J.; George & Lois James; Virginia Johnson; Mary Ellen Jonczyk; Lauren Keebler; Martine King; Priscilla Kinter; Chelsea Marley; Pat Merkham; Clint O'Connor; Sue Odor; Lisa Pezzino; Donnie Pyne; Connie Rugen; Linda Saunders; David Sebring; Ron Steele; Donna Storm; Russ Trauger; Rocco Vonelli; and Linda Wilson.

For those who are Homebound: Cleo and Ken Eck; Phyllis Lanshe; and Jayne Miller.

For the Grieving: The families of Brian Ashmore, Jr; Phyllis Boyer; Robert Harman; Craig Hartzell; Ruth Holena; Dean Litzenberger; Elfriede and Manfred Marschewski; The Rhine Family; Randy Rilling; Gerry Seipt; Lewis Snyder; Alex Ulrey; and Rudolf von Watzdorf.

For those in Health Care: Including Sara Aquino, Debbie Angstadt; Kendell Beerer, Mary Crouse, Sara Deal Den Herder, Mary Erceg; Faye Gadwell; Tanya Naska; Kristi Lee Reiman; and Sharron Streletz.

Essential postal workers: Andrea Fox and Dawn Margeson.

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WELCA

The topic of our October meeting was **Thursday in Black**. This is a global program to show support for victims of gender-based violence, educate the public about it, and work for change in our society *and* in our churches.

Our scripture was Samuel 13 which told the story of Tamar who was raped by her half-brother Amnon; told not to say anything by her brother Absalom, who later killed Amnon; and not supported by her father King David. Here are Biblical examples of the victims, the perpetrators, the silencers, and the bystanders.

Some aims for dealing with this are

- · Recognize, name and root out the violence and the sources wherever it is happening.
- · Ensure care and create safe communities that foster healing
- · Provide education
- · Create accountability

We cannot do this on our own; we need to work with others to make changes As we discussed physical and psychological abuse, members of WELCA shared their experiences. Upper Bucks County is not immune nor is the church. This violence is not limited to homes either; it happens in schools, work, the military, and the church.

The church is further challenged that many perpetrators are not prosecuted and may be members in your congregation. How do you care for both the victim and the abuser? WELCA hopes to offer another program on this topic in the spring. In the meantime, you can show your support for this mission by wearing black on Thursdays. If you would like more information, please see https://www.oikoumene.org/what-we-do/thursdays-in-black

Our November meetings will be on Friday November 19th and Saturday November 20th from 10-12. On Friday we will be cutting out new Chrismons for our Christmas trees. On Saturday we will be decorating them. If you are good with a knife, please join us on Friday – Male or Female!

All are invited on Saturday to help decorate them. No age or gender discrimination!

Helen Dungan

Outreach

Foodbank ministry: Thank you for your magnificent response to my request for toilet paper! You folks are wonderful! Thanks for all the other donations on our window sills. We will continue to collect personal hygiene and cleaning products in November, but ALL donations are gratefully accepted.

World Hunger: Council voted to donate our November Outreach envelop donations to World Hunger for those in need of food in our World.

Prayer list: If you want to add someone to the prayer list or correct or update it, please contact Joan Mammana either by phone (610-258-5717 or 610-417-6553) or by email at: yakkityyak7@gmail.com.

Thank you.

- Helen Dungan

Adult Sunday School Class

The Adult Sunday School class is meeting in the church library at 9:15 every Sunday. We are studying the minor prophets, and hope to finish this study soon. Then the class will decide where to go next. All are invited to join us.

Bible Study

The Adult Bible study meets from 2:30-4:30 at the home of Don Seipt and Kathy Hlavaty on Thursdays. We are currently studying Corinthians and sharing in leading each session. Car pooling from the church is available.

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

EVANGELICAL CHURCH OF DURHAM SEPTEMBER 2021 INCOME & EXPENSE & TRANSFERS

FUND DESCRIPTION	9/1/2021	INCOME	TRANSFERS	EXPENSE	TOTAL
	BALANCES FORWARD				
GENERAL OPERATING FUND	15,117.33	27,261.82		(17,764.33)	24,614.82
MISSION SUPPORT	1,277.00	585.00		<u> </u>	1,862.00
GOOD NEIGHBOR OUTREACH FUND	7,859.88	290.00		<u> </u>	8,149.88
MONTHLY OUTREACH	1,325.00	2,425.00	-	(1,300.00)	2,450.00
PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT	3,049.00				3,049.00
BUILDING FUND	36,623.19	869.93	-	-	37,493.12
MEMORIAL FUND	6,526.00				6,526.00
WELCA - OUTREACH FUND	492.03	10.00	-		502.03
LIBRARY FUND	541.02		-		541.02
KATHY HLAVATY - SCHLRSP FUND	2,168.59				2,168.59
CARE-A-LOT PROGRAM FUND	3,053.61	0.25			3,053.86
TOTAL OF FUNDS AT BANK	78,032.65	31,442.00	-	(19,064.33)	90,410.32
JANNEY -HOLLAND - STUDENT LOAN	CONTRACTOR SECURITION ASSESSMENT				
FUND	5,487.69		-		5,487.69
JANNEY FUNDS - FIXED INCOME	201,601.14	-	<u> </u>	(83.43)	201,517.71
JANNEY FUNDS - D. SHAEFFER	601,891.41			(1,006.04)	600,885.37
JANNEY FUNDS - ELCOD INVSTMT	652,087.42			(3,403.81)	648,683.61
MISSION INVESTMENT FUND	33,963.09				33,963.09
THRIVENT FINANCIAL FUND	90,904.18	-			90,904.18
TOTAL OF INVESTMENT FUNDS	1,585,934.93	-		(4,493.28)	1,581,441.65
TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS	1,663,967.58	31,442.00		(23,557.61)	1,671,851.97

YEAR TO DATE JANNEY FUNDS	<u>1,451,086.69</u>	RECONCILED
YEAR TO DATE MISSION INVSTMT		RECONCILED
YEAR TO DATE THRIVENT FUNDS		RECONCILED