‘Till We Meet Again!

September 14 and 15, 2019

FAREWELL AND GODSPEED

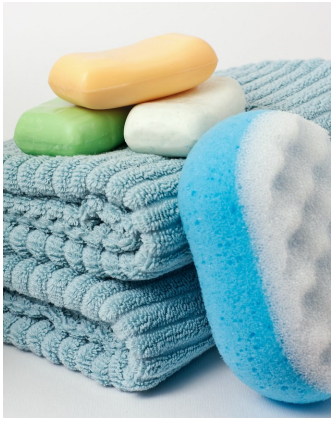
Today we bid farewell and Godspeed to Grace and LeRoy MacMurtrie. The MacMurtries were members of the former St. Matthew's congregation for four generations. LeRoy has been a member all his life – 87 years at St. Matthew's and 2 at Light of Christ. Grace has been a member for 66 years since her marriage to LeRoy in 1953. Please come to the coffee fellowship after the service and wish the MacMurtries Godspeed.

Between them, they have served the church in many different volunteer positions: education superintendent, Sunday school teacher, church council, food bank, newsletter collator, sextons, committees and the choir (LeRoy for over 70 years). Grace and LeRoy will be relocating to Camp Hill, PA, to be closer to their children.

Please come to the coffee fellowship after the service and wish the MacMurtries farewell and Godspeed.

2019 INGATHERING DONATIONS:

This year, the UPG will provide 175 washcloths and 175 bars of soap to the annual Ingathering. Please bring your items to either campus. There will be a basket outside the St. Peter’s office and in the LoC narthex. Thank you for your donations to help others in need!



RALLY DAY TODAY!

“Who Is My Neighbor?” Sunday School will begin on both campuses on September 15, 2019. On St. Peter’s Campus it will be held following the 8:45 AM worship, approximately 10:00-10:30 AM in the UCF room on level 1 across from the church office. On the Light of Christ Campus it will begin at 9:15 AM in the narthex for registration and an opening in the sanctuary. We will then go to the fellowship hall for food and fun!! It will conclude at 10:30 AM. We are very much looking forward to a great year ahead!

WE LOVE

Volunteers are needed for an event on St. Peter’s campus designed to build safer and more welcoming congregations for LGBTQ+ youth and families on October 5, 2019 from 9 AM—3 PM. Please see Kenda if you are interested in volunteering. It will be a day to learn more about how to make your congregation safer and more welcoming for people who the church often excludes. Workshops by Reconciling Works, Bradbury Sulivan and more. The keynote speaker is Jamie Bruesehoff from the ELCA Youth Gathering! Mail registration to: NEPA Synod ATTN: Debbie Frey, 2354 Grove Rd., Allentown, PA 18109. Cost $15 per person including lunch. Scholarships are available.

PANTRY SUNDAY IS OCTOBER 13
(2nd Sunday of each month)

Our **October food pantry donations will support Northeast Community Center. These items are needed:** Breakfast items (pancake/waffle mix, syrup) canned fruit, canned soup, canned tuna, pasta sauce and Family size juice. **Thank you** for your generous donations!

NEW NAME FOR NORTHEAST MINISTRIES

NORTHEAST COMMUNITY CENTER

Northeast Ministries has notified the campuses of the UPG that they have exciting news of their name change and new logo. This neighborhood organization will now be known as Northeast Community Center to better reflect their commitment to be more inclusive. Their mission to assist the residents of the Marvine-Pembroke community and nearby neighborhoods of northeast Bethlehem will remain the same. The Northeast Community Center is grateful for the ongoing support from members of the UPG.

GIANT A+ SCHOOL REWARDS

Please consider designating Lincoln Elementary School ID#23367 as your school to receive your Giant A+School Reward Bonus Points in place of the Light of Christ Child Center. We are no longer participating due to the school being closed. Your designation would be a gift to this elementary school within the Bethlehem Area School District whose students would greatly benefit by our collective help. Visit giantfoodstores.com to designate Lincoln Elementary School. Please call the LoC church office to reach Lynn Terry if you have any questions. She will be happy to help you with the registration.

A+ school rewards with card Giant

DON'T THROW THEM OUT!

Don't know what to do with those magnets listing the UPG summer worship schedule? Bring them back to church. BK has a project to turn them into refrigerator note pads for visitors to our worship. Thank you.

CROP HUNGER WALK

The 35th annual CROP Hunger Walk will be held on Sunday, October 13 at 1:00 p.m. Sign up as soon as possible to walk with our UPG team. Last year we had 40 participants who raised $1,655 to fignt hunger, poverty, and disaster relief. Check the bulletin board or contact Matt Piszel (610-216-3567)

FOOD DRIVE TO RESTOCK EMERGENCY PANTRY

Donations of nonperishable food items are needed to restock a small emergency food pantry created last year through a Thrivent Action Team, and restocked once again in part, by a Thrivent Action Team and all of our members. It is housed at St. Peter's and is available for members and nonmembers who find themselves with "too much month at the end of the money." Donations will be received throughout the month of September and may be put in marked containers at St. Peter's.

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink…(Jesus said), 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'" Matt. 25:35 & 40

Food items needed are: canned meats; peanut butter, chunky soups, rice, pasta, breakfast cereal, canned vegetables, spaghetti sauce, canned or dried beans, canned fruits, fruit juice, (100 % juice) and canned milk.

LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE TO HURRICANE DORIAN

Hurricane Dorian has hit with devastating force, causing major damage and a growing number of reported deaths in the Bahamas, and inundating the Carolinas with flooding and storm surge. Lutheran Disaster Response is communicating with the Florida-Bahamas Synod, the South Carolina Synod, the North Carolina Synod, Lutheran Services Carolinas and other partners, who are assessing the immediate needs and initiating a response. While the extent of the damage is not yet known, we will accompany impacted communities from immediate relief through long-term recovery. Envelopes will be available for free will donations for the next two weeks.

MAXIMIZE YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY INCOME

Thrivent invites you to this special event in your area: Savvy Social Security Planning.

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Be Wise With Money™

Join us as we cover these common questions:

- When should I file for Social Security benefits?
- If I file and continue to work, how will my benefits be affected?
- Will I pay taxes on my Social Security benefits?

Don't miss out on potential opportunities to maximize your retirement income!

These sessions are hosted by Amanda Schulenberg, FIC, Rebecca Wise, FIC, and feature Thrivent Financial professional Bridgit Holly, ChFC® , CLU®, FIC. To reserve a place for yourself and a guest, please call 215-368-4888 or email kay.demito@thrivent.com. Light refreshments served.

Monday, September 16th - 6pm: Trinity Lutheran Church, 1749 S Main St., Bechtelsville, PA

Tuesday, September 17th - 6pm: Hennings Market, 290 Main Street, Harleysville, PA

Wednesday, September 18th - 6pm: Thrivent Financial, 236 Brodhead Road, Suite 140, Bethlehem, PA

Thursday, September 19th - 6pm: Montgomery Township Community & Recreation Center, 1030 Horsham Road, North Wales, PA

BETHLEHEM EMERGENCY SHELTER

Bethlehem Emergency Sheltering is a faith-based partnership that provides a network of care and hospitality for the homeless in our community. Overnight sheltering is provided during the coldest months of the year—November to April.

The United Proclamation of the Gospel is asking for YOUR help in this powerful ministry!

We are looking for you to join us helping some of the most vulnerable in our society. Perhaps you could share a side dish at an evening meal, create an incredible main course, or serve in the kitchen to help prepare and serve the meal.

If you would like more information or if you are able to help in any of these ways, please contact Michel Lloyd or Kelly Cascario. Thank you in advance for your willingness to serve.

THANK YOU

Thank you to members of the UPG for doing God's Work with Your Hands last Sunday during our Day of Service. Your hands blessed many lives both here in Bethlehem and beyond.

GIFT CARD PROGRAM

Grocery store gift cards available for Giant and Shop Rite in denominations of $25 and $50. Purchase a card to do your regular grocery shopping, and the store gives the UPG 5% of the purchase price. Say you'll buy $50 of groceries this week – you buy the card for $50 and the UPG Youth Account gets $2.50. Cards available every Sunday on both campuses. Do your grocery shopping with a gift card and help the UPG youth at the same time!

THIS WEEK IN THE UPG
September 15-22, 2019

Sunday September 15
UPG Fall Worship Schedule Begins
Sunday School Rally Day

8:45 AM	Worship (St. P)
9:30 AM	Sunday school (LoC)
10:00 AM	Sunday school (St. P)
11:00 AM	Worship (LoC)
4:30 PM	UPG Youth Group (LoC)
7:00 PM	NA (LoC)

Monday September 16

6:30PM	Crafters' Group (St. P UCF)

Tuesday September 17

8:00 AM	Staff meeting (St. P)
9:30 AM	Women's Bible Study (St. P)
11:15 AM	Blanket Making (St. P)
7:00 PM	NA (LoC)
7:00 PM	Church Council (St. P)

Wednesday September 18

6:30 AM	Fellowship Study (St.P)
9:00 AM	Christian serv. (LoC)
6:30 PM	Holden Evening Prayer St.P
7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal (St. P.)
7:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal (LoC)

Thursday September 19

9:00 AM	Bible Study (LoC)
5-9:00 PM	Champ Force Cheer (St. P)
6:30 PM	Bible Study (LoC)
7:00 PM	AA (LoC)
7:30 PM	PGHI Worship (St. P)

Friday September 20

6:00 PM	LVCCC Worship (St. P)
8:30-10:30 PM	PGHI (St. P)

Saturday September 21

8:00 AM	Property Maintenance (St. P)
10-4:00 PM	NA Board Meeting (LoC)
5:00 PM	Worship (LoC)
7:30-10 PM	PGHI (St. P)

Sunday September 22

8:45 AM	Worship (St. P.)
9:30 AM	Sunday School (LoC)
10:00 AM	Sunday School (St. P)
11:00 AM	Worship (LoC)
7:00 PM	NA (LoC)

WORSHIP MINISTERS
September 15-22, 2019

Date	Sept. 14, 15 St. P 8:45 LOC 11AM	Sept. 21, 22 St. P 8:45 LOC 11AM
Assisting Minister	5PM Rosalie Adducie 8:45 Joe Bleier 11 Rosalie Adducie	5PM Rosalie Adducie 8:45 Tony Villani 11 Sandra Butch
Communion Assistant	8:45 Lynn Raw-houser 11 Hannah Nolan, Pat Ousley, Rich Hasonich, Jon Terry, Lynn Terry	8:45 Joe Bleier 11 Catherine Ziel, Cliff Bengston, Kasey, Chris, Hannah Bosco
Lector	5PM Barbara Keener 8:45 Stephanie McGregor 11 Cliff Ousley	5PM Delynn Gerhard 8:45 Donna Mussel-man 11 Pat Ousley
Acolyte/ Crucifer	8:45 Shirley Kulp 11 Hannah Bosco	8:45 Michel Lloyd 11 Joan Erb
Baker	8:45 Elizabeth Elterich 11 Julie Bosco	8:45 Cindy Kemp 11 Hannah Bosco
Ushers	8:45 Bruce Billard, Rich Hawk, Evan Hawk, Donna Musselman 11 Lois Zigmund, Donna Mackaravitz, Jean Finn, Helga Ri-monneau	8:45 Tony Villani, Mary Bender, Tracy Heberling, Josh Gul-lotta 11 Mike Horwath, George Baltz, Rich Hawk, Cliff Bengston
Greeters	8:45 Tom/Na Sarver, Sue Swavely 11 Helga Rimmon-neau	8:45 Ed & Pat Little, Gerry Cutsler 11 Jon Terry
Altar Guild (LoC)	Sue Schellenberg, Catherine Ziel	Sue Schellenberg, Catherine Ziel
Flower Delivery (LoC)	Pat Ousley Bosco Family	Karen Favinger Buzz Heidecker
Sexton	Kim Frankenfield	Kenny Young