

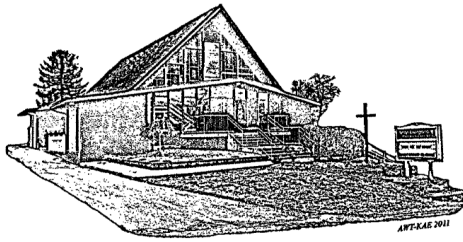
THE EVANGEL

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Beloved in Christ,

I pray that this newsletter finds you and your families all well, healthy and in God's Peace.

COVID continues and so many have felt troubled by the difficulties, problems, and tough times that this pandemic has delivered to us. But, with God, we all have hope and more! Jesus invites us to replace our sorrows and weaknesses with the Love and Grace of God.

"Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am, gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." (Matthew 11:28-30). When we try to fix everything by ourselves, we fail. But when we turn everything over to Christ., we experience something amazing, we experience His strength!

"Cast your burden on the LORD, and He will sustain you. (Psalm 55:22a)

"Cast all your anxiety of Him because He cares for you." (1 Peter 5:7)

Jesus' answer for these difficult times is: *"Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things will be added to you. (Matthew 6:33)*

During these most difficult times, I pray that you take time to slow down, think and pray. This situation is providing a great opportunity to center ourselves on Jesus. Let us then breathe, seek hope and find joy in everything. Limit your time in the news. While it is important to hear what is happening, we also need to pace ourselves and keep forever focused on the Lord.

The following are more references to how many people are feeling now, and God's answer to their concerns. If you are:

Discouraged———Read: Psalm 23, Psalm 42:6-11, Psalm 55:22, Matthew 5:11,12,

II Corinthians 4:8-18, Philippians 4:4-7

Doubting———Read: Matthew 8:26, Hebrews 11

Facing a Crisis———Read: Psalm 121, Matthew 6:25-34, Hebrews 4:16

Faith Fails———Read: Psalm 42:5, Hebrews 11

Friends Fail———Read: Psalm 41:9-13, Luke 17:3,4, Romans 12:14,17,19,21, II Timothy 4:16-18

May the above be a blessing to you and your loved ones. Always stay immersed in the Holy Word of God and you will be blessed.

I can always be reached at: phone 747-232-4911 or e-mail: pastor_bethel_zion@yahoo.com

God's Blessings Always—*Pastor Donn E. Woolweber*



HAPPY OCTOBER BIRTHDAY.....ANNIVERSARY!!!

October 10—Melanie Carslisle
13—John Zacharias
14— Fred Heintz
18—Donna Heintz
20—John Rehder
29—Cindy Hetz
31—Kevin Hoffman

14— Al and Heidi Todd



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The Board of Directors will meet on Wednesday, October 13, 2021 at 7:00 pm. Any parishioner is welcome to attend these meetings.

BETHEL SEWING GROUP

Bethel Sewing Group will meet on Saturday, October 9 at 1:30pm. Everyone and anyone is welcome to come, cut, sew, iron and crochet to make pads and blankets for the homeless in Pittsburgh. We recently took 12 quilts to First Trinity Lutheran Church for their homeless ministry. Any questions, please contact Donna Heintz at 724-996-1207.

IN HIS SERVICE

Deacon	Gary Swanson
Communion Assistant	John Rehder
Offering Usher	Eddie Stabile
October Altar Guild	Cindy Hetz
	Donna Heintz

Counting Committee

Sept 3	Fred Heintz
Sept 10	Paul Hoffman
	Jonathan Meier
Sept 17	Marilyn Heintz
Sept 24	Cindy & Curt Hetz
Sept 31	Fred Heintz



BETHEL'S MISSION STATEMENT

"In our commitment to mission, Bethel Evangelical Lutheran Church will proclaim and witness to God salvation in our community and the world by preaching God's Word and administering the Sacraments in all their truth and purity" Adopted by the congregation on April 23, 1989



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 David Forsyth
 Greg Wehner
Office Secretary.....Donna Heintz
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Recording Secretary....Paul Hoffman
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Vocal Choir Director.....Rev. Woolweber

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REFORMATION VESPERS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2021, 3:00 PM

FIRST TRINITY EVANGELICAL-LUTHERAN CHURCH

531 N NEVILLE STREET, PITTSBURGH, PA 15213

Sponsored by: Pittsburgh Area Lutheran Ministries and

The Pittsburgh Pastoral Conference of the Lutheran Church -Missouri Synod

Special Guest Preacher: — The Reverend Dr. Jamison Hardy

Light refreshments thanks to Concordia Lutheran Ministries

SERVICE OF DEDICATION at ZION

On SUNDAY , OCTOBER 10 a special service of dedication will provide Zion with an opportunity to celebrate the new flooring, carpeting, the pews , chapel chairs and the fair linens. The service will be at 11:30 a.m. with a light lunch following worship. Please RSVP to Shirley Freyer by October 3.

PRAYER WARRIORS

PRAYER WARRIORS meets every TUESDAY at 3:00 pm at Zion in Lawrenceville. Come, pray with us! Everyone is welcome!



MUSIC CHOIRS

HANDBELL CHOIR meets every THURSDAY at 7:00pm at Bethel. We have 'ding-a lings' from four different churches. You don't have to know how to read music , just count to 4!

HOLIDAY CHOIR meets every TUESDAY at 7:00 p.m. at Bethel. We will be rehearsing downstairs using a "new to us" piano. We have voices from five different church and we always can use more, especially Sopranos. We will be rehearsing downstairs in the Social Hall and using our "new to us" piano.



BIBLE STUDIES

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY will meet at Bethel. Rev. Woolweber will discuss the topic of forgiveness.

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY will be held at St. John's. If you are interested in taking the class, please email Jack Jasneski at jasneski0545@outlook.com so that a workbook can be ordered for you.

APPLE DUMPLING GANG

Last year at our first ever Drive-thru Oktoberfest we offered homemade apple dumplings. They were a hit and we sold out mid-way through the event. This year we will once again we will offer Apple Dumplings and we plan to make more than we did last year. We need help with this project. We will be making them at St. John's in Millvale on THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and then again on FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15, 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Please contact Donna Heintz or Debbie Woolweber at Bethel 412-486-5777 if you can help out, even if it is just a couple hours.

TRI-PARISH DRIVE-THRU



**SATURDAY
OCTOBER 16, 2021
4:00-7:00 P.M.**

German music and German food

Suggested donations accepted to benefit
Seminary Students and Campus Ministries

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