

Prince of Peace

THE BELLS



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Staying Spiritually Hydrated

"On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, 'If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'"

John 7:37-38

We have all heard the importance of staying hydrated for good physical health, weight loss, and staying energized. Our bodies are made up of mostly water so it's vitally important to stay well hydrated when it's hot, when we're exerting ourselves or when we're exercising, especially when we're swimming, because believe it or not we perspire when we're exerting ourselves in water. And thirst is a way that our

bodies let us know that we need water. We're often tempted to drink other things when we're thirsty like, pop, alcohol, coffee, tea and so on. Almost all of these other drinks dehydrate the body more than they replenish it. We might feel refreshed for a moment, but it never satisfies.

But what about our spirit? What does our spirit need? Do we need to stay spiritually hydrated? The answer, as you probably have already guessed it is, most definitely, Yes! The psalmist often uses the metaphor of his soul being thirsty for God. And when Jesus said, *"If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink."* (Jn 7:37) He isn't offering a cup of water, He is offering living water, water that refreshes and satisfies the soul. Jesus said to the woman at the well, *"If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.... Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."* (Jn 4:10; 13-14)

Water is essential for maintaining life on this planet, but we will eventually die. The living water that Christ gives is essential for eternal life. But we must stay spiritually hydrated in this sinful fallen world or we risk dying eternally from spiritual thirst. There are four ways we can stay spiritually hydrated and refreshed in this world – Scripture, prayer, worship, and fellowship. I can't stress enough how important it is

is to read the Word of God. When combatting the devil Jesus quoted Deuteronomy 8:3 when He said, *"Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."* (Mt 4:4) God's Word is food for our soul. It's our weapon against Satan. Jesus is the Word of God made flesh, He is our life and salvation, the living water that quenches our thirsty souls. The Holy Spirit works through God's Work to enlighten you and draw you closer to God, while strengthening your faith. And it's saving faith that gives you strength, courage, and peace during the toughest times.

Too many times we underestimate the power of prayer and the necessity of prayer to keep us spiritually hydrated and refreshed. Speaking to the King of the universe and being heard by Him is incredible, but to have Him answer our prayers is truly remarkable. In every relationship communication is important, the same goes for our relationship with God.

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WORSHIP WITH US

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10:15AM

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God speaks to us through His Word and we speak to Him through our prayers. People don't realize that when your devotional life is good then your prayer life will be good. Scripture and prayer go hand in hand. Throughout the Gospels Jesus spent a great deal of time in prayer. Before the Fall, God and Adam walked in the garden together in the evening talking to each other. Prayer is a gift from God. You can tell God your deepest darkest secretes because He already knows what they are, and He can forgive and remove the weight of that sin from you. When you talk to God. The word worship mean "worth" or "worthy," something or someone of great value. We come to church to worship God – Father, Son, & Holy Spirit. God is worthy of all praise, honor, and glory. We don't come to church to get something out of it because it would no longer be about God, but about us. But we do receive God's gifts in our worship of Him that spiritually hydrate and refresh us. We hear God speaking to us through Scripture read and preached. We receive forgiveness of all of our sins through confession and absolution, and through Christ's Body and Blood given to us to eat and to drink.

We speak to God in prayer, and we rest in the presence of our Lord and Savior. Yes, we come to worship God and in worshipping Him we're blessed, spiritually hydrated and refreshed.

And the last way to spiritually hydrate and refresh your soul is through fellowship. Spending time with other Christians having fun and enjoying each other's company is a wonderful way to spiritually hydrate and refresh you soul. God made us social creatures, and He wants us to not only share in each other's burdens, but also to share a meal, share in laughter, spend time with each other. As God's children, we're family in Christ and He commands us to love one another. But how can we truly love one another if we really don't know each other? How can we help each other if we don't know what each other's needs are? Christian fellowship is a wonderful opportunity for us to bond as the body of Christ – the Church.

We need to stay spiritually hydrated through Scripture, prayer, worship, and fellowship because we're called to serve in the heat of this fallen world that is hard for a Christian to live in. The world tries to replace Scripture, prayer, worship, and fellowship with things that are empty and that can never satisfy our thirsty souls. Water is good for the body, but living water is great for the body and soul, leading to eternal life. If you haven't done it today, then before you do anything else, open up your Bible and replenish your soul because I guarantee you that your soul is thirsty for Christ. Amen

Pastor Sean



SEPTEMBER Servants in Ministry

ACOLYTES

9/07 Lilly Rachuba
 9/14 Mark Shibata
 9/21 Leah Rachuba
 9/28 Brianna Dulski

ALTAR GUILD

Mary Nuerge

READERS

9/07 Matt Claus
 9/14 open
 9/21 open
 9/28 open

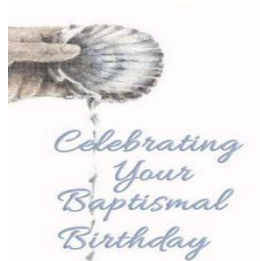


GREETERS

9/07 open
 9/14 Tara & Brianna Dulski
 9/21 Jaclyn & JJ Shibata
 9/28 open



Lawrie Borgman 2
 Joseph Meinert 4
 Bill Schroeder 4
 Shelby Schweikert 5
 Alice Davis 21
 Larry Weimer 25
 Matt Claus 30



Grace Shibata 6
 Linda Weimer 8
 Lilly Rachuba 16
 Anita Schroeder 22
 Bill Schroeder 22



Hoby & Bonnie Schweikert 27
 Ed & Sandi Morgan 28
 Doug & Tammy Eckstrom 29





LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES

<u>Station</u>	<u>City, State</u>	<u>Freq</u>	<u>Band</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>
WWCH	Clarion, PA	1300	AM	Sun	7:30 AM
WWNL	Pittsburgh, PA	103.9	FM	Sun	3:30 PM
WWNL	Pittsburgh, PA	103.9	FM	Tue	12:30 PM
WWNL	Pittsburgh, PA	1080	AM	Sat	3:30 PM
WWNL	Pittsburgh, PA	1080	AM	Tue	12:30 PM

September 2025

September 7

"Dying, We Live"Lutheran Hour Speaker: [Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler](#)

God's love finds His people in the wilderness, the place where God gives bread from heaven, water from a rock, and streams in the desert.

(Numbers 14:19-20)

September 14

"It's All on God; It's All on Us"Lutheran Hour Speaker: [Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler](#)

A paradox doesn't make sense, mathematically. But it can be an accurate description of real-life experience.

(Deuteronomy 1:31)

September 21

"Someone Worth Having"Lutheran Hour Speaker: [Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler](#)

We lost God's name along the way, but God found us and gave us the Name by which we can know Him: Jesus--"God saves."

September 28

"On the Way, Already Home"Lutheran Hour Speaker: [Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler](#)

God made us to move--toward Him in faith and toward our neighbor in love.

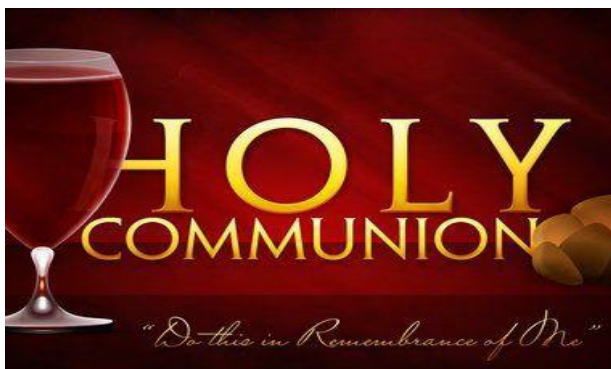
(Numbers 9:18) umbers 6:27)



Ima Gene - Jack Hogue -
 Kristy, kidney failure - Dee
 Phillips - Edward Cramer,
 Karol - Dan - Bob
 Steigerwald -
 Pepper, brain tumor - Pat,
 leukemia - Beth Lehman's
 sister, Jill, cancer - Gabe
 Walters, recovering from
 surgery after breaking his
 arms - Tammy's brother in
 law John, intense back
 pain- Diana-Vicki Pawlak-
 Willis, recovering from
 surgery for a broken hip.

Pam Licht Memorial Horse Show
*We are in need of gift baskets and/or
 cash to buy items for baskets. This
 benefits the Ronald McDonald
 House. For every \$100 donated to the
 charity, a family can stay free of
 charge in a nearby hotel for one night.*

*Last year we raised \$3,300 to benefit
 Ready Yourselfs Youth Ranch. Let's
 see if we can top that this year!!*



**We are in need of men from the
 congregation to assist with
 communion during service on
 Sundays. If you can help out or
 have any questions, please see
 Pastor Sean or one of the elders.**



HORSE SHOW



In Memory of Pamela Beglin Licht

**SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 6, 2025**

8:30 A.M. REGISTRATION - 10 A.M. SHOW START

BRADYS RUN PARK - RAIN OR SHINE

121 Bradys Run Road, Beaver Falls, PA 15010



RIBBONS AWARDED TO TOP 6!

- | | |
|----------------|------------------|
| 1. Barrels | 6. Egg & Spoon |
| 2. Poles | 7. Ride-A-Buck |
| 3. Keyhole | 8. Catalog Race |
| 4. Paper Crepe | 9. Costume Class |
| 5. Flag Race | |



Age divisions

- Adult 16 and up
- Youth 15 and under

Price for classes

- \$7/class, and
- \$10 Jackpots



All proceeds benefit:



**Ronald McDonald
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Show Bill is subject to change at producer's discretion. Announcements at show will override Show Bill. For more information, contact Tammy at 724-316-3766.

**LWML Eastern District Fall Retreat 2025**

September 19 - 21, 2025

Lutherlyn Camp, Butler, PA

Hosted by the Genesee Zone

"What a Friend We Have In Jesus"

You are my friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends. John 15:14-15 (ESV)



Lutherlyn is 40 miles north of Pittsburgh off Route 422 between Butler and Prospect. "Lutherlyn offers a natural setting for an intentional Christian community committed to experiencing and affirming our interrelationship with all of God's creation."

Guest Speaker Ethel Chadwick- Host of the Radio Ministry called Bagels and Blessings

Ethel Chadwick grew up in a Jewish home in Richmond, VA, and came to faith in Yeshua (Jesus) in 1976 after a coworker shared the Gospel with her. Ethel was very excited to learn about her Messiah. After her first husband left her with 3 small children, Ethel joined a Messianic Congregation in Buffalo and became the Worship Leader there. She met Daniel and together they raised the children to love the Lord. Today Ethel is the Director of Worship at Congregation Shema Yisrael in Rochester, NY. In her spare time, she plays piano, sings at nursing homes and hosts the radio show Bagels and Blessings, on air since 1997. In June 2023, she published her first book, "Mama Ethel's Guide to Love and Healthy Relationships." Ethel and Daniel have three adult children and two grandchildren and reside in Scottsville, NY.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

A Registration Form is attached. Registration Deadline-Must be postmarked no later than August 18, 2025.

All Registrants must sign the LWML Transportation Release on the Registration Form

INGATHERING for Lutherlyn Children's Summer Camps

Embroidery floss, construction paper, colored tissue paper, new washable markers, new colored pencils, paint brushes, glue sticks, Gift cards to Amazon, Lowes, Home Depot, Walmart, checks payable to Lutherlyn Camp

Interest Sessions

Visual Faith Project with Bev Wicher
Assemble Thrivent water kits with Barbara McHenry
Meet the Speaker Ethel Chadwick
Prayer Walk
Free Time

Entertainment

Join in the fun as teams play LWML Jeopardy
The winning team gets in the Sunday breakfast line 1st!
Hosted by Calvary Lutheran Church

Highlights of the weekend activities**FRIDAY Afternoon and Evening**

Arrival / Registration / Check-in Dinner
Opening / Welcome / Music / Mixer
Devotion / Speaker Session 1 / Vespers
Fellowship & Pre-Packaged Snacks / Bonfire / Music

SATURDAY Morning

Breakfast / Music / Singing
Welcome / Lutherlyn Welcome / District Moments
Devotion / Speaker Session 2 / Lunch

SATURDAY Afternoon

Music / Devotion / Speaker Session 3
Ingathering Dedication / 2026 Convention Invitation
Interest Sessions / Choir Practice / Dinner

SATURDAY Evening

Entertainment / Vespers
Fellowship & Pre-Packaged Snacks / Bonfire / Music

SUNDAY Morning

Breakfast
Bible Study / Worship / Friendship Circle
Check Out of Cabin / Safe Travels Home

Things to Know

No Linens are provided: bring bedding for twin bed, towels, pillows, toiletries. No refrigerators in rooms (one is in the Medical Building for medicines). Each cabin has 8 lower bunks, 4 upper bunks, 2 full bathrooms with shower in each. Cabins are sleep only; beds, no chairs, can be separated in half. There are buildings available for fellowship and gathering times.

Things to Know

No smoking except in designated areas, **No Pets**, except service animals. No wi-fi in the cabins, it is strongest in the dining room. **Lutherlyn is a NO Alcohol Facility-they have given us permission to have wine and beer (BYOB) at designated place and time Friday and Saturday night.** **The ground is uneven with gravel, we will have golf carts available to transport people.**



Saturday October 11

**Prince of Peace Church
60 Rochester Road
Freedom, PA 15042**

**COME SHOP
OR COME
SELL!**

**10AM – 3PM
(Set up at 9AM)**

**Limited
spots
available!**

TABLES - \$10

(Benefits Operation Christmas Child)



THERE WILL BE CONCESSIONS FOR SALE AS WELL

**For info on renting a table please contact
Tammy at (724)316-3766**



Beginning **September 2nd** my office hours will be
12P-4P.

I will be unavailable from 8A-12P as I will be in class during those hours.

~Twila~



Unfortunately, the weekly flower signups are halting
immediately.

There will be fake flower arrangements in place of them.
Our flower shop has stopped providing service to us.

The SIGN UP sheet will stay up. If there is a special occasion that you would like to personally provide flowers for (you will need to get them yourself), feel free to sign up for that week. **Please be sure to sign up** so there are not multiple people doing the same week.

Oktoberfest 2025

Saturday, October 4, 4 - 8 p.m.



For your Enjoyment The Mikey Dee Polka Band
: German-Themed Menu, Bake Sale

For your Kids Bouncy Castle, Balloon Artist, Games, Pumpkin Decorating, Free Food
and much more

For your Curiosity Haven 1 Open House

Fireworks at 7:45 p.m.

Flu Shots (4-6 p.m.)

For more information call 724-352-8268

www.ConcordiaLM.org • Haven I - 112 Marwood Rd., Cabot, PA 16023

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Main entrées - \$6.00

- Kielbasa
- Roasted pork
- Sauerbraten
- Bratwurst
- ¼ lb. Hot Dogs (2)

Sides - \$2.00

- German Potato Salad
- Red Cabbage
- Sauerkraut
- Spaetzle (German Pasta)
- Potato Pancakes

Desserts - \$2.00

- Black Forest Cake
- Pumpkin Pie

Beverages – \$2.00

- Soda, Water, Coffee, Iced Tea
- Apple Cider (hot or cold)

Dinners - \$12.00

Include two sides, dessert and beverage

- Bavarian Style Pork Roast Dinner

Roasted pork with pan gravy

- Kielbasa and Sauerkraut Platter

Home-cooked kielbasa braised in sauerkraut served on a hoagie roll

- Bratwurst Platter

Two grilled bratwurst (or hot dogs) served with spicy mustard

- Sauerbraten Dinner

German-style pot roast

Quick tent

- Bavarian Pretzel - \$4.00
- Chicken Tenders - \$4.00
- ¼ lb. Hot Dog - \$4.00
- Black Forest Ham Pretzel Melt - \$4.00
- Beverages - \$2.00

- **Beer** *Samuel Adams Oktoberfest*
- Signature Mug - \$10.00 (*limit 2 refills*)
- Glass - \$3.00





Mission Statement :

To help new and existing members become part of the Prince of Peace family for the purpose of sharing the Gospel with the church & community.

The 4 I's of Buddy Activities

Introduce

Invite

Integrate

Initiate

If you'd like to learn more about how to use your gifts to help others, please join us for our next meeting in the fellowship hall, October 19 immediately following service.



There is still Christmas wrapping paper in the hallway for sale. Please make a donation to Operation Christmas Child using the marked envelopes on the table, putting it in the collection plate. Thank you!



PAUL & CINDY CWYNAR ARE HOSTING AN OKTOBERFEST ON SUNDAY,
OCTOBER 12 FROM 1-5PM, AT THEIR HOME, 104 MOWRY ROAD, MONACA
PA 15061. THEY LIVE IN POTTER TOWNSHIP. IF ATTENDING,
PLEASE CONTACT PASTOR CWYNAR
(630-453-4846 OR PAULCWYNAR@GMAIL.COM).
**BRING YOUR FAVORITE OKTOBERFEST FOOD AND/OR DRINK TO SHARE
WITH OTHERS.**



**Choir practices resume
Thursday, September 11, 2026 @ 7PM
Everyone welcome!**



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Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
	1 	2	3 Preschool in session 11:00 Midweek Bible Study	4	5	6 Pam Licht Memorial Horse Show
7 13 th Sunday of Pentecost 9AM Sunday School 10:15 Service RALLY DAY	8 OCC Meeting 10AM 6:30 Council Meeting	9	10 11:00 Midweek Bible Study	11 Choir Practice Begins! 7PM	12	13 ADULT GROUP & KIDZ CLUB 5:30
14 14 th Sunday of Pentecost 9AM Sunday School 10:15 Service	15	16	17 11:00 Midweek Bible Study	18  7PM	19 	20
21 15 th Sunday of Pentecost VOTERS MEETING 9AM Sunday School 10:15 Service	22 	23	24 11:00 Midweek Bible Study	25  7PM	26	27
28 16 th Sunday of Pentecost 9AM Sunday School 10:15 Service	29	30	1 11:00 Midweek Bible Study	2  7PM	3	4

