

APRIL 2018

THE CHIRPS FOR FORKS FOLLOWERS

Forks Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church - 253 Forks Church Rd. - Leechburg, PA 15656

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Forks Church is where God lifts our spirits through creative worship, as we build God's Kingdom.

Come and See.

Come and Grow.

Come and Serve!



HOLY WEEK

March 29, 2018

Maundy Thursday Service

7:00 pm

March 30, 2018

Good Friday – Tenebrae Service

7:00 pm



Easter Morning Service

Sunday, April 1, 2018

***10:30 am**

Pastor Jerry Nuernberger, presiding

There will **not be a Sunrise Service or Easter Breakfast.*

'Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.' Revelation 19:6



We are Easter people!

Easter is not only one day for those who bear the name of Christ. Every day of life is full of Easter. When we wake up, we rise with the victorious power of Easter to tackle the day. When we sit down and eat breakfast, we are nourished with more than bread alone, we are nourished with the bread of life. When we step into our daily tasks we are not just filling our days with something to do, or keeping our bills paid, we infect the world with the overwhelming hope of Easter. When we sit down and watch the news and it seems like everything is out of control, we hear that news through the filter of the One whose headline to the world is resurrection. And when we lay ourselves down at night, we are wrapped in the power of the One for whom even the darkness is light.

We are Easter people!

~Pastor Jerry Nuernberger

TOGETHER IN THE SPIRIT!

***A Joint Celebration of Pentecost and the
Rite of Confirmation***

MAY 20, 2018

**Liturgy of Word & Sacrament and Confirmation
with guest preacher Kirk Bish**

Service 10:30 am

Luncheon 12:30 pm

Cost for luncheon \$3/person

Where: Gilpin Twp. Firehall

Evergreen and Firehall Rd, Leechburg

A Joint Ministry of:

FIRST, HEBRON, FORKS-ZION, ST. PAUL'S HIGHFIELD

Evangelical Lutheran Churches



Please R.S.V.P to 724-845-6627; forkschurch@windstream.net

April 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 HE IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED! Easter Morning Worship 10:30 am	2 5:30 pm Pantry Team Meeting 6:30 pm Bible Study @ Parish House	3 1:00 pm WELCA Meeting @ Hebron	4 6:00 pm Worship	5 6:30-8:30 pm Jr. Girl Scouts	6	7
8 10:30 am Worship	9 6:30 pm Bible Study	10	11 6:00 pm Worship	12	13 6-8 pm PANTRY OPEN	14 9 am-1pm WELCA SPRING CLUSTER #3 @ Hebron
15 10:30 am Worship	16 6:30 pm Bible Study	17	18 6:00 pm Worship 6:30 pm Council Meeting	19 6:30 - 8:30 pm Jr. Girl Scouts	20 YouthFest @ Lutherlyn	21 YouthFest @ Lutherlyn
22 10:30 am Worship 3:00 pm Spring Into New Life Music Festival @ First United Methodist Church Leechburg	23 6:30 pm Bible Study	24	25 6:00 pm Worship	26	27	28 Work Day @ Lutherlyn
29 10:30 am Worship 7 pm Hymn Festival Heinz Chapel, Pgh	30 6:30 pm Bible Study					

“Dear Christians, One and All Rejoice” ~ a Martin Luther Hymn Festival

Sunday, April 29, 2018 @ 7:00 pm

Heinz Chapel, University of Pittsburgh

All are invited to celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation through Luther’s hymns and music.



It's coming...2018 VBS for EVERYONE!

Mark your calendars for Sunday-Thursday, July 22-26

Dinner begins at 5:15 pm. VBS begins at 6 pm and ends approximately at 8:20.

There will be Bible stories, music, games, snacks, and crafts. Registration forms available soon.

Next planning meeting is: Sunday, April 8th after worship.

If you want to help out, we especially need "shepherds" (leading children from one activity to another), kitchen help, teachers and classroom assistants.

Speak with Karen Disciscio for more information.



LUTHERLYN Early Bird Registrations are happening NOW!

Check out the brochure on the bulletin board in the narthex.

Lots of programs to choose from for a full week, young folks short week, small fry days and day camp.

Questions?? Contact the church office at 724-845-6627, speak with our Lutherlyn Ambassador, Lucille Allen, 724-845-2263 or call Lutherlyn directly @ 724-865-2161.

Check out the website @ www.lutherlyn.com

Upcoming events at Lutherlyn:

YOUTHFEST, April 20-22

(see flier posted on bulletin board)

WORK DAY, Saturday, April 28

(We provide the tools, equipment, supplies, and some great food; you provide the power!)

CampBlast!!

Saturday, May 12 ~ 11:00 am - 4:30 pm. Everything is FREE (even lunch)

Join us for a day of fun that highlights all that Lutherlyn has to offer.

Make it a family day! Bring your friends. No reservations needed.

JUST SHOW UP!!

APRIL SPONSORSHIPS

<u>FLOWERS</u>		<u>BULLETINS</u>	<u>CANDLES</u>
1	Glenna Stitt	Ken Riggle	George Lebetz
8	Valjean Claypool	Nancy Altman	
15	Kim Zimmerman	Dan Kalmar	
22	Maria Paul	Sandy Hess	
29	Tara Malucci	Lucille Allen	

<u>ASSISTING MINISTER</u>	<u>ACOLYTES</u>	<u>HEAD USHER</u>
1 Patty Newton	Rhiannon Rearick	Jack McIntire
8 Rhiannon Rearick	Jack Rearick	
15 Nancy Wright	Cassidy Wright	
22 Bob Wright	Cody Marangoni	
29 Tom Walker	Colin Saxion	

ALTAR CARE Kim Zimmerman
 Glenda Paul

April Birthdays

1	Debbie Kennerdell
2	Larry Smith; Tyler Eyerman
3	Sandy Kotvas; Landen and Layten Bowser
5	Lucille Allen
9	Michael Aikins
11	Kim Zimmerman
12	Darl Minnich; Faren Bailey
13	Rachel Newton
18	Dale Altman
27	Donna Smail
28	Jack Rearick



6	Tom and Cindy Walker
14	Matt and Sandi Crawford
22	Sam and Sandy Hess
23	John and Sandy Kotvas
27	Bob and Sulinn Mathews
30	Mike and Kim Ferris



Please remember the following people in your prayers:

Matt Crawford, John Heilman, Nancy Altman, Sulinn Mathews, Michael Catlos, Maddix Paul, Layten Bowser, Donna Lobaugh,

Ralph Maskrey, Alice Newton, Lou Fondrk, Alice Myers Birch, Betty Hartje, Betty Lege, Audrey Finley

Homebound

Lou Bopp 1237 Bagdad Rd., Leechburg 15656

Jean Burton 1098 St. Rte 66, Vandergrift 15690

Howard Hepler 1178 St. Rte 66 Vandergrift 15690

Darl Minnich, 159 Shearer Rd., Leechburg 15656

Hazel Myers 548 Pitt St., Leechburg 15656

Don Nichols 205 Johnetta Rd Vandergrift 15690

Leota Wolfe 635 St Rte 66, Leechburg 15656

Independent Living

John Lange, Concordia, 148 Marwood Rd, Apt 1317, Cabot, PA 16023



“Planting an Exercise of Faith”

WOMEN OF THE ELCA

SPRING CLUSTER #3 MEETING

SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 2018

10:00 am – 1:00 pm

Registration @ 9:00 am

Cost of Lunch ~ \$6.00

HEBRON LUTHERAN CHURCH

201 Main Street

Leechburg, PA 15656

724-842-0801

Reservations by Sunday, April 8, 2018 to

Sue Brown @ 724-845-8258



Evangelical Lutheran
Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

Spring into New Life

Music Festival

3:00 pm, Sunday, April 22



Kiski Valley Church Choirs and
Music Ensembles will perform at

First United Methodist Church
251 Main Street, Leechburg

Reception to follow.

FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC



Income and Expense Summary 2018

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>Difference</u>
January	\$9,408.00	\$8,569.59	\$7,513.98	\$1,055.61
February	\$9,408.00	\$8,417.31	\$8,133.59	\$283.72
Total to Date		\$16,986.90	\$15,647.57	\$1,339.33

Annual Budget	\$112,896.00			
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The budget column reflects the average monthly amount based on the overall 2018 budget. The income and expense totals include designated/restricted use funds given for specific ministries, i.e. Camperships, Feed My Sheep Pantry, Special Gifts/Bequests, etc. Some of these categories and amounts are built into the budget total under Mission Development.

If you would like more information or have questions, please speak with Karen Disciscio.

YOU TOOK MY PARKING SPACE!

One day, a man went as a visitor to a church.
He got there early, parked his car and got out.
Another car pulled up near by and parked.
The driver got out and said, "I always park there!
You took my place!"

The visitor went inside for the service, found an empty seat and sat down.
A young lady from the church approached him and stated,
"That's my seat!
You took my place!"

The visitor was somewhat distressed by this rude welcome,
but still said nothing.

Later as the congregation was praying for Christ to dwell among them, the visitor stood up, and his appearance began to change.

His clothing became a simple robe. Horrible scars became visible on his hands and on his now sandaled feet. Someone from the congregation noticed Him and called out, "What happened to you?"

The visitor replied, as His hat became a crown of thorns, and a tear fell from his eye, "**I took your place.**"



"FOLLOWING CHRIST" ~ SUNDAYS AT 5 PM

FROM APRIL 8TH TO MAY 20TH

Adults of all faiths, please join us in the **Christ the King Parish Hall, Leechburg,** for **"Following Christ"**.

Listen to a dynamic teaching and join in a small group discussion about daily personal prayer. This series is designed for you to revitalize your faith or to bring your friends and family who have been away from the church and are open to exploring the meaning of life in Jesus Christ.

"Following Christ"

REGISTRATION FORM

NAME(S): _____

AGE(S): _____

EMAIL: _____

PHONE: _____

Return this form to **Christ the King Parish Office, 125 Park Road, Leechburg, 15656** or to **St. Gertrude Parish Office, 303 Franklin Ave., Vandergrift, 15690**
OR drop it off at either church office.

SPACE IS LIMITED!! REGISTER EARLY!!



HEAD START is a comprehensive developmental program for families meeting income guidelines and who have preschool children ages 3 to 5.

Recruitment has begun for the fall program.

For more information or to enroll a child, call 724-548-3414 or 1-800-405-6252.

HELP NEEDED TO RUN THE CHURCH SOUND SYSTEM

We are looking for a few people to assist with the sound system. If you would be willing to lend a hand for Sunday mornings, please let Sandy Hess or Glenna Stitt know. Tyler Riggle has offered to show us how to run the sound system. Thank you!



Representatives needed!

Synod Assembly is fast approaching.

Our congregation may send three voting members, one male, one female and one youth.
(Confirmed member under the age of 21).

This year's Assembly will be held **June 14-16 at Thiel College** in Greenville.

Contact the church office, 724-845-6627 if you are interested in attending!

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