

Plantings

October 2019

Tree of Life Lutheran Church



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Office Hours: M-Th 8:30am – 1:00pm

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we head into the autumn months, please remember a couple of our big events ...

On October 26/27, we celebrate Reformation Sunday, remembering the 16th Century reform movement initiated by Martin Luther and his scriptural reminder that we are saved by grace thru faith, not by works of the law. At our services, we will celebrate our Lutheran inheritance and following the Sunday 11 AM service, we will enjoy our traditional pork and sauerkraut lunch including the main event, apple sauce, salad and sauerkraut ice cream from Urban Church for dessert. Hot dogs will be provided for the "unbelievers!" Thanks to Jim and Pat Palmer for providing the yummy homemade kraut. All are welcome. A freewill offering will be collected to offset the cost of the meal.

At the Saturday 5 PM service on November 2, we celebrate the All Saints Vigil remembering our members who have died since All Saints 2018 thru a lovely video montage of their lives. This year, they include:

Ron Knapp
Angela Beeley
Eleanor Kramer
Diane Mitchell
The Rev. Dr. Ken Senft

At the Sunday services, roses will be placed in their memory on the communion table and, in our prayers, we will remember all those in our congregation, parish, family and friends who have completed the race of faith in the past year.

Finally, Sunday, November 10, is the day appointed by our constitution for the Annual Meeting. Mark your calendar and plan to be present at 4 PM. Business will include the typical reports, election of new council members, action on the 2020 Proposed Budget and a vote on whether or not to approve the Reconciling in Christ Welcome Statement.

Blessings!

Pastor Richard

Thanks From the Geib Family

We have been blessed by your support- prayers, cards, food, visits and offers of help- over the past months of Pastor Senft's declining health and hospitalization and finally, his death. His last three years of life were incredibly enriched by being active at Tree of Life- loving the worship services, Sunday School classes and activities of the congregation, but also the friendships he built with our members. It was the perfect ending to his long, rich life of ministry that literally spanned the globe. He brought it all "home" here with us. We will forever be grateful.

His time with us in our home and with our family of faith has made saying goodbye easier and the promise of resurrection life all the more real.

Our Stewardship of Time and Treasure

Date	Sat 5 PM	Sun 8:30	SCS Att	Sun 11	Offering
9/1	52	103	----	89	\$10,230
9/8	82	116	125	180	\$11,722
9/15	66	120	72	109	\$10,432
9/22	55	135	76	118	\$ 8,703
9/29	68	109	101	158	\$13,210

Thanks To

Jason Roscoe, Sovanna Mam and Leslie Longo for continued efforts to get our new web page up and running! It's now up. Check it out. It is great!

Our Sunday School and Confirmation Teachers and Luke Grumbine, the SCS Administrator!

The Christian Education Committee for rounding up new SCS furniture! It will soon be here!

Chef Charlie Gipe and members of the Fellowship Committee who prepared a wonderful omelet breakfast on Labor Day Sunday!

Homebound Animal Rescue and the Pet Ministry Committee for our puppy play day on Labor Day Sunday!

Lenny Bendiksen and his assistant, Daniel Snyder, for getting the new sound board installed and running!

The Adult Ringers and Singers in the Bell Choir and Adult Choir! Great response!!!

Rob Kivlan for sharing his Faith Story at our services on 9/28 & 29!

Jim Sommer for installing locks on the Fellowship Hall classrooms!

Pastoral Acts

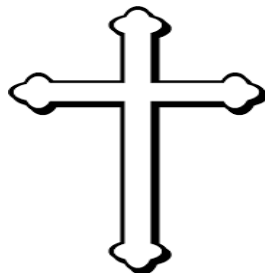
Burial of the Dead

9/2/19 Joanne Smith

9/16/19 Angela Beeley

9/21/19 Vanora Dodie Bricker

9/25/19 Christine Mummert



Rest Eternal, Grant Them, O Lord!

Holy Baptism

9/8/19 Alivia Grace Mauer, infant daughter of Andrew and Ashley Mauer



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*Let Your Light So Shine Upon Others That They May See Your Good Works and
Glorify Our Father in Heaven!*

Holy Marriage

9/10/19 Maddie Peck and Miranda Oakes

9/14/19 Cody Arnold and Jessica Lutz



May You Grow In Holy Love Until Your Lives End!

Thanks to TLC

Thank you for supporting the work of Lutheran World Relief through the Lower Susquehanna Synod, ELCA. Please accept my thanks for your gift and all that it will do. God Bless You! Warm regards, Daniel V. Speckhard, President and CEO, Lutheran World Relief

Thank you and God bless you for your goodness to those in need. Your sacrifice and generosity will help those that are the needy in our community. With sincere gratitude, Vernon Rudy (Director) The Silence of Mary Home

On behalf of the Board of Directors and shelter residents, we would like to thank you for your donations of cat food, trash bags, paper towels and other pet items to our Foundation in July. Your kind donation will help to care for the many abandoned, abused, and stray cats and dogs that are at the shelter awaiting a chance for a loving home. Sincerely, Khara Williams, Corresponding Secretary, Helen O Krause Animal Foundation, Inc.

Mission Statement

Welcome in love to Tree of Life Lutheran Church, a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America! We Affirm that we are a community called and empowered by God through Word and Sacrament. We Believe that Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, sends us into the world to share God's love through our words and actions. Though we are a community shaped by diverse traditions, we affirm one Lord, who is revealed as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and one Faith, that brings all peoples together. We Commit ourselves to a life of worship, service, fellowship, education and witness in this place, in the world, and to each other. To this purpose we pledge our time, talent, and treasure, and invite all persons to share in the growth of the Christian ministry of Tree of Life Lutheran Church.

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