

'Till We Meet Again!

Week of November 5th & 6th, 2022

Festival of All Saints

This weekend we are celebrating the Festival of All Saints, when we commemorate and give thanks for the "great cloud of witnesses" (Hebrews 12:1), including our loved ones, who have gone before us. We especially remember our brothers and sisters in this community of faith, as well as other loved ones, who have joined the church triumphant in the past year. We will also remember all those we have lost during the Covid19 pandemic. Rest eternal grant them of Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.

Worship Bulletins to Change

Request an ELW hymnal if you worship at home

Our bulletin format is changing. Beginning with this weekend, we will no longer print the hymns in the bulletin unless they are from a source other than our ELW. If you watch the livestream or resulting video and would like an ELW for your use at home, please call your church office and request one: LoC (610-691-2321), SJW (610-868-3282), STP (610-867-0519). When leaving a message, please give us your name and phone number so that arrangements can be made for you to either pick up a hymnal or arrange to have it delivered.

Weekend Worship

November 5

5 PM at St. Peter's

November 6

9:15 AM at St. Peter's

This Week's Worship Ministers:

Presiding Minister:

Pastor Suzanne

Organist: Marisa Deshler

November 5th:

Assisting Minister:

Stephanie McGregor

November 6th:

Assisting Minister:

Gina Brockway

Lector: Delynn Gerhard

Communion Assistant:

Donna Musselman

Eric Harper

Acolyte: Douglas Bleier

Ushers:

Anthony DeAngelis, Jr.

Dolores Kennedy

Processional:

Harmony Gubich

Jimmy Bleier

Material for TWMA

Please send any information to tom.keener@upgbethlehem.org by Monday if at all possible and no later than noon on Tuesdays.

Choir Rehearsals Have Resumed

We are again holding choir rehearsals on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM, on the campus where we are worshipping for the month: St. Peter's in November and Light of Christ in December. We welcome returning members and new members.



Organ Concert at St. Peter's Rescheduled

The organ concert originally scheduled for October 23 has been rescheduled for **Sunday, December 4 at 3 pm at St. Peter's!** Marisa Deshler, the organist at St. Peter's, will be performing a concert featuring a wide variety of organ favorites, including works by J.S. Bach, Dupre, and Durufle. The variety of pieces on the program showcases the many sounds and moods of the St. Peter's pipe organ. Come and enjoy an afternoon of music.

Blanket Season

You can help Lutheran World Relief

As fall sets in, we all reach for a warm, snugly blanket to ward off the cold. Imagine experiencing a flood, fire, tornado, or needing to flee your home taking nothing with you. Lutheran World Relief provides blankets to people in need around the world. People use them for warmth, protection, privacy, to carry their possessions and so much more.

Sunday, November 13 in St. Peter's Social Room, following worship, YOU can help

make some of these life saving blankets. No special skills are needed, everyone can help with blanket making.



A light lunch will be provided. Let's see how many blankets we can put together in 2 or 3 hours! Stay as long as you can. Know there will be helpers there if you are new to this project. See Louise Fielding or call Elizabeth Elterich (610-691-3130) if you have questions or need more info.

Next Week's Ministers

Presiding Minister:

Pastor Mike

Organist: Marisa Deshler

November 12th:

Assisting Minister:

Joe Bleier

November 13th:

Assisting Minister:

Steph McGregor

Lector: Gene Luff

Communion Assistant:

Glenn Breidenbach

Lois Ritchie

Acolyte: Delynn Gerhard

Ushers:

Douglas Bleier

Mary Bender

Gift Cards for Thanksgiving Baskets



Please consider contributing a monetary donation or a check made out to St. John's

Windish for gift cards that will accompany Thanksgiving baskets that BAM (Blessed Angels in Ministry) will assemble. You will find envelopes marked "Thanksgiving Basket Donation" on the table as you enter the church. Our collection will continue through Sunday, November 13. Thank you for blessing a family with a Thanksgiving dinner!

Clean up at Ft. Hill Cemetery

It's time to rake leaves (as part of our Day of Service) at Fountain Hill Cemetery. Your help

is requested on Saturday, November 26, from 9 AM to noon. For more information, please contact Susan Vitez at 610-390-9501

Christmas Ingathering

Our commitment to this year's Ingathering is 300 bottles of shampoo (children's and adult's). The annual Ingathering takes place at St. Paul Third Lutheran Church, 2561 Newburg Road, Easton, PA, on Wednesday, December 7. The last day of collection will be December 4. Each church will have a collection box as we rotate locations for worship. The Bethlehem/Easton Mission District Ingathering of health care items benefits individuals in the following institutions: New Bethany Ministries, Safe Harbor Shelter, Hellertown Area Food Bank, Turning Point, Victory House, ProJeCt, Headstart Community Services, and Bright Hope.

BIG Plans Interfaith Service of Thanksgiving

The Bethlehem Interfaith Group (BIG) will offer "A Service of Thanksgiving," planned for Sunday, Nov. 13 at 4 p.m., in person, at Congregation Brith Sholom, 1190 West Macada, Bethlehem. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The service will feature contributions from many of the faiths represented, including music, readings, prayer, and interactive responses. Rev. Nina Patton-Semerod of Epworth United Methodist Church will offer the meditation, and a variety of faith communities will provide musical selections.

The Covid-19 protocols of the host, Congregation Brith Sholom, will be in place: all attendees must correctly wear a mask.

A free will collection will be taken to benefit New Bethany Ministries, an interfaith, non-profit organization with its main location in Southside Bethlehem. Its staff, along with almost 1000 volunteers, served over 225,000 meals, prevented 880 households from homelessness, and provided 3250 nights of shelter, among numerous other services.

BIG was formed in 2017 when local faith leaders recognized the importance of providing a different kind of vision, where people of diverse faith backgrounds could foster dialogue and seek common ground. The group's focus is on education, justice and friendship.

Christmas Card Project

Please save the Christmas/holiday cards that are now coming in the mail or ones you have leftover from last year. We will need them (approx. 1600) for our 2022 card signing project this December as we share Christmas/holiday joy with our brothers and sisters in local nursing and retirement homes.

Please sign cards at home (your first name), a short personal greeting (Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, Peace and Joy or your own

message), and bring them (please do not seal) to the porch of LoC in a plastic Ziploc bag where you will find a collection box.

You are also invited to join our Card Signing Event on Sunday, December 4th, after worship at LoC. We'll enjoy a fellowship luncheon and sign cards together. Final date to collect signed cards is Sunday, December 11.

From the Mailbag

On behalf of Treatment Trends, Inc., I write with gratitude for the quarterly donations from the United Proclamation of the Gospel to Hope Center in Bethlehem.

We thank the members of the God's Work Our Hands committee for designating Hope

Center as the recipient of the \$147.50 donations, which we received in May, July and September. Hope Center serves individuals seeking to achieve and maintain recovery from Substance Use Disorders. Their recovery is precious to all of us, and is made all the more so with the support of a caring community.

With sincere appreciation,

John E. Dillensnyder III

Executive Director, Treatment Trends, Inc.

Once again, the communities of Light of Christ, St Peter's and St John's Windish came out and showed what this community in Christ is all about !

I am so grateful for having served the past 31 YEARS at St John's as organist and choir director. The pleasure has been all mine. When I first applied for the position, the committee interviewed me and then we went to the St John's organ console...my thought was PLEASE let me be the musician here...this is a WONDERFUL organ...and thankfully I was given the position!!!

Many thanks to all of you for the warm wishes...hugs...cards..gift cards..and tears that we all shed !

I am glad to be a member of this community and will always remember the friendships and MUSIC that we ALL shared together !!

Jim Long

Pantry Sunday (Nov. 13)

Our monthly collection of non-perishables will take place on Sunday, November 13, at STP's campus. The pantry at Northeast Community Center welcomes contributions of any non-perishables but is in special need of canned vegetables. Thank you for helping to feed the hungry.

All Saints Sunday – November 6

We will observe All Saints Sunday on November 6, at 9:15 AM with worship at St. Peter's. The Service will include a commemoration of our members who have left this life and transferred to the Church Triumphant during the past year. We will also mark our losses



Daylight Saving
Time ends Nov. 6

through the Covid19 pandemic, using a banner containing patches made by our

members. In addition, we can list any others of your family or friends who have passed out of this life since last All Saints Sunday. Please send their names to josh.gulotta@upgbethlehem.org no later than noon on Tuesday, November 1.

We plan to display pictures of our loved ones who have died at any time. We invite you to bring your pictures when you come to worship.

The Unity Team is forming a new sub-committee as follows:

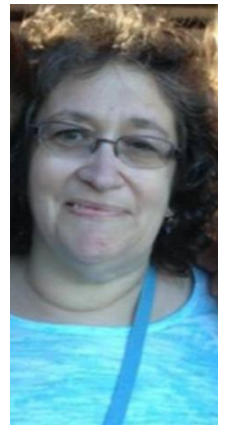
Fellowship (liaison = Linda Toltesi)
(contact Kathy Remaly =
kathyremaly@gmail.com)

- If you love gathering with friends, wanting to get to know each other, planning or helping with new or current activities, then this is the sub-committee for you! As part of becoming Blessed Trinity, we understand that there are many people from each community of faith that we wish we knew, but don't know how to start the conversation. Thanks to Kathy Remaly from St John's Windish. She is willing to offer their group who will plan many exciting activities. The Fellowship sub-committee will create new or plan existing events at each of our communities of faith. The goal is to plan a

monthly event at the church where we are worshipping that month. If you think church is "boring" and want to have fun, then please contact Kathy. She would love to hear from you!

Thanks,

Joe, Nancy, and Kevin



Drop a Line

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This Week at Blessed Trinity

November 5 to November 13

Saturday November 5

5:00 PM: Worship at St. Peter's with live stream on Facebook

Sunday November 6 – All Saints Sunday

Daylight Saving Time ends; turn clocks back

8:00 AM: Worship Video premieres on YouTube and UPG website

8:30 AM: Sunday School at St. Peter's

9:15 AM: Worship at St. Peter's

3:00 PM Piano Recital at Light of Christ

Monday November 7

6:30 PM: St. Peter's Dart Baseball at St. Peter's Social Room

7:00 PM: LoC Dart Baseball at SOB

Tuesday November 8

9:00 AM: Staff Meeting at St. Peter's

7:00 PM: Worship and Music Team at St. Peter's

Wednesday November 9

7:15 AM: Fellowship Group at St. Peter's

9:00 AM: Wednesday Morning Ladies Group at Light of Christ

7:00 PM: Choir Rehearsal at St. Peter's

Thursday November 10

7:00 PM: Mission Statement Subcommittee at St. Peter's

Saturday November 12

5:00 PM: Worship at St. Peter's with live stream on Facebook

Sunday November 13 – Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

Pantry Sunday – see article on page 4

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8:30 AM: Sunday School at St. Peter's

9:15 AM: Worship at St. Peter's
4:00 PM: A Service of Thanksgiving at Congregation Brith Shalom