



From the Pastor
A Month of Mission



While I was away in June, Deacon Michael preached a sermon that reminded us that we are all part of the work God is doing around here. No, we don't all preach sermons, run committees, or serve on Council, but as 1 Corinthians 12 reminds us, God has given us all gifts for the building up of the ministry of His Church... nobody is without a gift, so nobody is off the hook in regards to using them to make the church stronger and reach the world with the love of God in Jesus Christ.

"Go therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." So says Jesus as He prepares to ascend to the throne of heaven, from where He rules the world invisibly through His body, the Church, until He comes again in glory to judge the living and the dead. While everything the Church does important, apart from worship, nothing is as important as sharing the good news of God in Jesus Christ with the world, for "there is no other name under heaven whereby we must be saved." (Acts 4:12)

Our Sunday School program is an example of making new disciples for Jesus, but that largely serves children whose parents are making sure they know the story of Jesus—it is helping parents fulfill the promises they made at their children's Baptisms.

Three other ministries at Holy Cross are more direct examples of fulfilling Jesus's command: inviting someone new to church, telling the story of Jesus to a friend or family member, and reaching new young people through Vacation Bible School. Inviting someone new to church just takes a little courage. On July 12th, Matt Kay will return to help us with the skill of telling Jesus's story more directly, and from July 20-24, our congregation will be offering VBS to our local community.

Plan to be part of at least one (or maybe all!) of these ministries by attending, assisting, or praying actively for the people God has lifted up to lead these important ministries!

Pr. Brett

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Saint of the Month: Johann Sebastian Bach

Like St. Paul, Lutherans refer to all those in Christ as "saints," and we look to the great ones as role models in the faith.

This month we are remembering Johann Sebastian Bach on Tuesday, July 28th. He was born on March 31st, 1685, in Eisenach Germany. He was born in a very musical, Lutheran family, and was the youngest of eight. Bach became an orphan at age ten, so he went to live with his eldest brother, who encouraged him to study music. He served as an organist before becoming a cantor at two churches in Leipzig, where he composed many of his works. Bach also trained in theology and studied Luther's translation of the Bible. He believed that music was a way to worship God, and he signed his manuscripts with S. D. G. (Soli Deo Gloria)—to God alone be the glory. Bach wrote many cantatas to follow the church calendar, but many of his compositions have been lost.



By Melissa Misiti



One of St. Bach's famous quotes include, "the aim and final end of all music should be none other than the glory of God and the refreshment of the soul."

As we read this, let us remember 1 Corinthians 10:31, which states: "So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God."

What and Why?

"In the Name of..."

Last month, following Holy Trinity Sunday, one of our congregation members confessed, "I am having trouble with this whole Trinity, three-in-one, one-in-three thing."

Not to worry. The smartest people the Church ever produced don't understand this perfectly. After all, if we can fit an idea into our little brains, it is probably too small to accurately portray the infinite God!

That said, there is power in the name. The Trinity is not a puzzle to be solved by us humans, but the One who claims us as His own. In Numbers 6:24-26, God instructs the High Priest Aaron to bless the people by placing His name (YHWH, translated as "LORD") upon them three times. God's name blesses and protects the people from spiritual harm. In Matthew 28:19-20, Jesus instructs the Church to "make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name (singular) of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." YHWH is the name of God. So is "Father, Son, and Holy Spirit." We begin our worship by recalling God's name that we may be blessed and remember that the God who is beyond our understanding has in His goodness claimed us as His own.



July Lessons

- July 5, 2026 ~ 6th Sunday after Pentecost
Zechariah 9:9-12; Psalm 145:1-14; Romans 7:14-25a; Matthew 11:25-30
- July 12, 2026 ~ 7th Sunday after Pentecost
Isaiah 55:10-13; Psalm 65:1-13; Romans 8:12-17; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23
- July 19, 2026 ~ 8th Sunday after Pentecost
Isaiah 44:6-8; Psalm 119:57-64; Romans 8:18-27; Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43
- July 26, 2026 ~ 9th Sunday after Pentecost
Deuteronomy 7:6-9; Psalm 125:1-5; Romans 8:28-39; Matthew 13:44-52

Upper Room



- Copies of the July - August Upper Room daily devotionals are available in the Narthex.

Church Family News

SUNDAY
Social Hour
Hosts

July 5 Finance Committee
July 12 Social Ministry
July 19 Worship Arts/Choir
July 26 Women of Abundance



We are always looking for Social Hour Hosts!
If YOU, your FAMILY or GROUP would like to host Social Hour,
please contact the church office to schedule a date!

Many thanks for hosting!

JULY Birthdays & Anniversaries

Charmaine Bartholomew; Jacqueline Fernsler; Scott Wunderly; Vinnetta Heinly; Patricia Burslem; Corey Seibert; Ronald Short; Tammy Jackson; John Moll; Aida Rios; Patricia Miller; Amy Riger; Rachel Sutton; Byron Burger; Justus Grube; Beatrice Klipple; James VanHorn; Donald Burlsem; Charlene Klipple; Anita Zaso; Natasha Silfies; William Metzgar; Beverly Bauman; Susan Kindred; Nicole Diefenderfer; Tim Vituszynski; Katherine Harris; Brendon Wisser; Kameron McMullen; Janae Sinclair; David Vandegrift; Sandra DeAngelo; LouAnn Wallace; Robert Sandt; Carol Kratzer; Denise Nolder; Alice Bittenbender; Pamela Snyder; Delilah Cohen; Danielle Brearman; Harper Diefenderfer; Gloria Mazzie; Tammi Weisel; Andy Zaso; Kami Arfanella; Lynne Auger; Gavin Roth; William Daniel Perez; Michele Verdi; Addison Kneisly; Peyton Strow; Patricia Sandt; Stacey Lokuta; Benjamin Wisser; Jeanine Gilson; Keith Berlew; Emily Clapp; & Rebecca Hahn!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy Anniversary

Lisa & Bill Misiti; Adam & Morgan Grube; William & Bridgette Hughes; Terry & Julie DeGroot; Tim & Tammi Weisel Sr.; Bob & Jeanine Gilson; Peter & Jeanette Korpan; Michael & Kirsten McMullen; Todd & Janine Grant; Nathan & Margie Grube; Joseph & Gloria Mazzie; Chad & Katherine Harris!

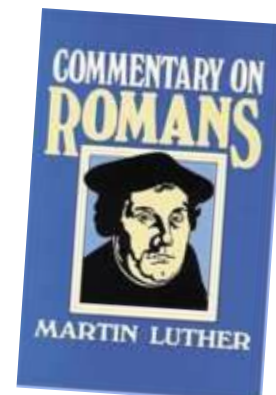


In memory of Joseph Mazzie,
who passed away on Friday, May
29th, 2026 and in memory of
Maryanne Vorholy who passed
away on June 15, 2026.

May they rest in peace in the
comfort of our Lord's loving arms.

Deacon Michael's Tuesday Bible Study

Join Deacon Michael and the band
of believers on Tuesday evenings at
6:30pm throughout
the summer as they
continue reading
through the book of
Romans with
commentary by
Martin Luther.



Word Search

From Sola Publishing



See how many selected words from Psalm 17 you can find in this word search.

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shadow
wings
prayer
David
hear
lord
attend
lips

free
presence
vindication
eyes
behold
right
heart
night

tested
mouth
transgress
works
word
violent
steps
paths

feet
answer
incline
wondrously
steadfast
love
savior
refuge

adversaries
apple
wicked
violence
enemies
surround
pity
deliver

soul
sword
world
portion
infants
face
awake



Council Meeting Highlights

- VBS - July 20 thru 24th
- Outdoor service & picnic - August 16, 2026
- Church T-shirts are coming

Church News



Holy Cross Lutheran



VBS Registration



July 20-24, 2026
6-8 pm

Life is a series of choices...

Make sure your children
know how to
make good ones!

Register by Scanning the
QR code!

***Volunteers needed. Clearances are needed for all volunteers.
Please see below for more information and instructions.***

In the state of Pennsylvania, Background Checks are required every 60 months for all volunteers 18 years of age and older who have direct contact with children.

Volunteer clearances required in the state of PA are:

- **PA Child Abuse History Clearance** at: <https://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis/public/home> (You will need to create an individual account; there is no charge for volunteers).
- **PA State Police Criminal History Clearance:** <https://epatch.pa.gov/home> (There is no charge for volunteers).
- **Federal Criminal History check (fingerprinting)** - *If you have lived outside of the state of PA in the last 10 years.* <https://www.dhs.pa.gov/KeepKidsSafe/Clearances/Pages/FBI-Fingerprinting.aspx>

Volunteers who have resided in PA continuously for the last 10 years are not required to complete the Federal Criminal History Records/FBI check, however, you are required to sign and submit the following form 6344.2 to the church (copy attached): <https://www.dhs.pa.gov/KeepKidsSafe/Resources/Documents/Disclosure%20Statement%20for%20Volunteers.pdf>

If you already possess the required clearances, dated within the last 60 months, please forward copies to the Church Office. If not, please go online and order the required clearances indicated above. ***Please note, copies of ALL current clearances need to be on file in the Church Office before volunteering within the church can begin.***

For more information regarding clearances in the state of PA, visit <https://www.dhs.pa.gov/KeepKidsSafe/Clearances/Pages/default.aspx>

GIFT CARD COLLECTION FOR PLESION

Plesion is a non-profit organization (formerly Lehigh Valley Foster Care) dedicated to the support of the Office of Children and Youth in Northampton and Lehigh Counties.

Their purpose is to supplement and assist the Office of Children and Youth with a focus on families in need so that they do not become homeless and their children taken from them for the sole reason of their poverty.. The need is real. Some families, even working full-time, cannot afford to pay rent, utilities, and buy food.

The gift cards that were given so generously by this Congregation last Christmas, were used by the case workers to buy food, diapers, formula, clothes, and Christmas presents for families in need. The need continues.

Women of Abundance is asking your help to help families in need. WOA is proposing to start an ongoing collection of gift cards to be donated to Plesion. The gift cards would be given to caseworkers to purchase necessary items.

Gift cards for Giant, Weis, Aldi, Walmart, or Target would be appreciated. If you are able to purchase a gift card, please include the gift receipt or mark on it the amount and place in the Christmas box in the Narthex.

Matthew 25:40 - Truly, I say to you, as you did to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.

Thanks to Sandy Muschlitz

A few months ago, while discussing her hobby of quilting, I asked Sandy Muschlitz, "Do you think you could do something for the church?" The result is the classy, beautiful banner that you see here and that we dedicated on the first regular Sunday of Pentecost.



The season of Pentecost revolves around the power of the Holy Spirit, who works within the Church to bring us to faith, and empower us to "work out our salvation with fear and trembling." (Phil 2:12) In 1 Corinthians 12 and Ephesians 4:11-16, St. Paul helps us understand that the Spirit's activity to build up the Church is not exclusively or even primarily through bishops, pastors, and deacons, but the Spirit works through the entire Body of Christ, gifting each of us to contribute something special to the life of the Church, something that nobody else can do.

This is what the Bible is talking about when it says, "For we are his workmanship, *created in Christ Jesus for good works*, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them." (Ephesians 2:10, ESV) Sandy is gifted at quilting, and we can all be thankful that she used that gift to beautify our worship space and so draw our hearts toward God.



What is your gift? For what good works in the life of the Church did the Spirit give you that gift? Where is the Spirit calling you NOW to offer your gift to our common life together in Christ? When you discern the answer to these questions, you will discover where your deepest joy in living the Christian life lies... and we all be the better for it!

Life-to-Life Evangelism with Matt Kay - Final Session

JULY 12, 2026

"Staying With People Through Their Objections"

If you attended the Life-to-Life Evangelism sessions during Lent, you were privileged to have some great conversations and hear some great teaching, but what happens when people *don't* welcome your witness? When they come back at you with objections to the Christian faith or even anger that you would share the gospel with them?

This is when it becomes crucial to listen and love well... not just as Jesus would, but in the power of Christ Himself. Join us for the final presentation in this series, a "deep dive" into loving well through tense moments with those for whom the gospel is not "good news" but rather, is felt as an attack on their own self-understanding, relationships, or worldview.

Join us for Matt Kay's final session on July 12, 2026 after the 9:15am service. All are welcome! It's okay if you weren't able to attend previous sessions. This one is stand alone.



FDR Prayer for D-Day : June 6, 1944

In honor of the 250th anniversary of our Republic, we are printing this prayer by President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, offered before the D-Day landing in World War II. Alongside the Civil War, WWII was one of the greatest threats to the ideals of our founders that our Republic has ever faced.

This prayer is as appropriate today as it was when it was offered.

Almighty God: Our sons, pride of our Nation, this day have set upon a mighty endeavor, a struggle to preserve our Republic, our religion, and our civilization, and to set free a suffering humanity.

Lead them straight and true; give strength to their arms, stoutness to their hearts, steadfastness in their faith. They will need Thy blessings. Their road will be long and hard. For the enemy is strong. He may hurl back our forces. Success may not come with rushing speed, but we shall return again and again; and we know that by Thy grace, and by the righteousness of our cause, our sons will triumph.

They will be sore tried, by night and by day, without rest-until the victory is won. The darkness will be rent by noise and flame. Men's souls will be shaken with the violences of war.

For these men are lately drawn from the ways of peace. They fight not for the lust of conquest. They fight to end conquest. They fight to liberate. They fight to let justice arise, and tolerance and good will among all Thy people. They yearn but for the end of battle, for their return to the haven of home.



90% of the soldiers on the first boats to hit the beach didn't live to see the end of the day. Look at those faces. Some of them never made it to 18. Never voted. Never loved a woman, or owned a home

Some will never return. Embrace these, Father, and receive them, Thy heroic servants, into Thy kingdom.

And for us at home—fathers, mothers, children, wives, sisters, and brothers of brave men overseas – whose thoughts and prayers are ever with them – help us, Almighty God, to rededicate ourselves in renewed faith in Thee in this hour of great sacrifice. . . .

And, O Lord, give us Faith. Give us Faith in Thee; Faith in our sons; Faith in each other; Faith in our united crusade. Let not the keenness of our spirit ever be dulled. Let not the impacts of temporary events, of temporal matters of but fleeting moment let not these deter us in our unconquerable purpose.

With Thy blessing, we shall prevail over the unholy forces of our enemy. Help us to conquer the apostles of greed and racial arrogancies. Lead us to the saving of our country, and with our sister Nations into a world unity that will spell a sure peace a peace invulnerable to the schemings of unworthy men. And a peace that will let all of men live in freedom, reaping the just rewards of their honest toil.

Thy will be done, Almighty God. Amen.

Convocation Committee Forming

This year, Holy Cross has been chosen to host the annual theological conference, Women of the NALC gathering, and Convocation of the Atlantic Mission District. On October 8-10, our humble church building will be home to Lutherans from Boston to Virginia, gathering together to learn more about God's Word and how to better live the Christian life in the 21st century.

A team of Holy Cross members is forming to coordinate our hosting of this event under the leadership of Elder Cindy Bonney. **The first meeting of this group is at 10am, Saturday, July 11th.** If you are interested in being part of this ministry, please contact Cindy at cindybonney1055@gmail.com or (610) 704-1266... or just show up on July 11th as the team begins its planning.

If you have never been involved in a church committee before, this is the perfect opportunity because the committee will dissolve in 3 months, when its task is complete. It also gives you an opportunity to connect with the larger NALC and see it in action... which is a treat if you have only had experiences with other, less healthy church organizations.

So come on out and be part of a fantastic event happening right here at Holy Cross!

Outdoor Worship Service and Church Picnic August 16, 2026 | 9:15AM



Nazareth Days 2026

Holy Cross will have a booth at Nazareth Days on Saturday, July 18. Volunteers are needed to help staff the booth and share information about Holy Cross with the community. Please consider donating an hour or so of your time to help support this outreach effort! See Anita Zaso with any questions.



A family-friendly community event

Nazareth Days

Nazareth, PA

RAINDATE: JULY 20, 2025 (12 pm start)

JULY 17-18

Friday, July 17, 2026
“Nazareth at Night!”

Sidewalk sales all day
6 pm to 10 pm • Downtown Nazareth
 Kid friendly activities, music, food and
 craft vendors and live music.

Saturday, July 18th, 2026
Nazareth Borough Park

9 am to 4 pm • Live Music • Arts & Craft
 Show Food & Drinks • Lehigh Valley
 Thunderbirds Antique Car Show • How
 Your Car Works Demo with Murante Auto
 Repair • Free Pony Rides & Face Painting
 • Hot Shots Basketball Contest • Rubber
 Ducky Pool Race • Pickleball Competition

Nazareth in the Circle

9 am to 2pm • Kids Activities • Nazareth
 Farmers Market • Live Music • Craft and
 Food Vendors

**Free
 Parking
 & Shuttle
 Bus**

**Saturday
 Only!**
**\$1 POOL
 ENTRY**
12 pm to 7pm

Music in the Gazebo

9 am	Dave Betz
11 am	Lost Ramblers
1 pm	Rupert & Scheetz with Vanessa Viscomi

Music on the Stage

9 am	Nazareth Community Band
11 am	Mark Prestifilippo
1 pm	Steel Creek

*Check facebook.com/NazarethDays for event times or scan QR code for link →
 Ducky race sponsored by Nazareth Rotary Club, Pony Rides provided by Lou Murante
 Presented by: Nazareth Day Commission, Nazareth Economic Development Commission,
 Nazareth Area Chamber of Commerce, and Nazareth Area Blue Eagle Band Parents
 Posters and lawn signs provided by Fast Signs of Easton*



News to Use

Sunday Life



Giving Service to the Lord



Summer Schedule



July 5, 2026 ~ 6th Sunday after Pentecost

Musician
Usher/Greeters (2)

Lay Reader
Tech Ministry
Communion Assistants
(Around the Altar - 3 people)



Social Hour Host
Flowers Donated by

July 12, 2026 ~ 7th Sunday after Pentecost

Musician
Usher/Greeters (2)

Lay Reader
Tech Ministry
Communion Assistants
(Intinction - 2 people)
Social Hour Host
Flowers Donated by



July 19, 2026 ~ 8th Sunday after Pentecost

Musician
Usher/Greeters (2)

Lay Reader
Tech Ministry
Communion Assistants
(Intinction - 2 people)
Social Hour Host
Flowers Donated by



July 26, 2026 ~ 9th Sunday after Pentecost

Musician
Usher/Greeters (2)

Lay Reader
Tech Ministry
Communion Assistants
(Intinction - 2 people)
Social Hour Host
Flowers Donated by



9:15am Service

Karl DeBoeser
Gene Dickison
Diane Dickison
Diane Dickison
Cindy Denker
Lynne Auger
Anita Zaso
Paul Grube
Finance Committee
Laura Longley

Sponsorship Available

9:15am Service

Ben Watson
Cindy Bonney
Melissa Misiti
Adrian Esquivia
Annalisa Misiti
Timothy Misiti
Adrian Esquivia
Social Ministry
Andy & Anita Zaso

Julie Millheim & Drosnock Family

9:15am Service

Ben Watson
Mike Mohn
Roseann Mohn
Catherine DeBoeser
Jennifer Vandegrift
Colleen Greene
Barbara Lynn-Sarley
Worship Arts/Choir
Sponsorship Available
Sponsorship Available

9:15am Service

Karl DeBoeser
Warren Rohn
Eileen Rohn
Eileen Rohn
Alyssa Young
Violet McCandless
Pam Berlew
Women of Abundance
Sponsorship Available
Sponsorship Available

Thank You to All Who Serve!

To our Flower Sponsors: Two sponsors are sought for each Sunday of the year at a cost of \$25 per sponsorship. Please consider sponsoring Altar Flowers in memory of someone or in honor of a special occasion. See the binder in the Narthex, or contact the Church Office to sponsor fresh flowers. Payment can be submitted in a Designated Gift Envelope and checks can be made out to: Holy Cross Lutheran Church.

Sponsors can pick up their flowers by the Monday after their sponsorship date.

Any flowers left after Monday will be used for sick & shut-in visits.

Church Council Minutes

COMPLETE Church Council Minutes are posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Attachments are filed in the church office with the originals.

The meeting minutes summarized here are pending Council approval at next month's meeting.

Meeting HIGHLIGHTS for June 10, 2026

Nine members present.

Absent: Lois Iasiello & Tom Riger

GUESTS: N/A

Review of Reports:

Secretary's Report - Facility Use Request Laura Longley Room 2B every other Tuesday starting 6-23-26 and ending 12-22-26 for a women's bible study. Amy Riger requested the use of 6 tables for pick up on June 24, 2026 to be returned around July 1, 2026. Approved.

Treasurer's Report - Category Overview provided, month by month. Richard also ran a budget vs actual report. Giving is down and expenses are down. Electric and Snow removal are exceeding the budget.

Pastor's Report - Summer is here, and with it my vacation season. The weeks away are front-loaded in June, so July will be focused on catching up with shut-in visitation apart from the Sr High youth/VBS week. Amanda Osburn is going to serve as a chaperone for this week. Graduating senior Elizabeth Misiti is working with both of us on the planning for the week. New member Jen Peterson is helping us set up service projects within our community in addition to the youth leading VBS. Does the Council have any service projects they would like to see the youth do around the church during that week (July 21-24)? *Council will be purchasing paint and supplies to start painting classrooms.* Thank you to President Lewis for joining Michael in worship while I was away. We have at least three additional people we will be training for this responsibility over the summer, but I would encourage Council members to pray about whether they are called to the ministry as well. Having a cadre of well trained lay leaders strengthens a congregations' life, and leadership in the congregations' spiritual life can profoundly inform the administrative work of council members. As confirmation is close to wrapping up for the year, overall response to the curriculum the congregation asked me to develop continues to be good. Next school year will see the completion of the curriculum and an evaluation of its additional (intended) use for adult catechumens.

Committee Reports:

Christian Education: See hard copy of minutes.

Property: Meeting was held June 11. Minutes to follow.

Social Ministry: See hard copy of minutes.

Women of Abundance: See hard copy of minutes.

Other Committee Reports: Quarterly Committee Heads: See hard copy of minutes. VBS: See hard copy of minutes.

Old Business: Church Directory: Pastor met with Steve and is reviewing several proofs for review. The pastor will make a recommendation. **5-13-25** Pastor has a proof of the directory. Review of the draft identified some additional work is still required. **6-10-2026** Carry. African Children's Choir is confirmed 10-3-2026. Holy Cross T-Shirts: Design was approved WOA is going to buy a few T-Shirts for display prior to ordering. A contract for Tri-Works was executed for maintenance and service of our old HVAC units. Burkholders has been working with Richard in repairing and/or replacing the Sanctuary splits. These items are under warranty. Regarding discussions on Church Envelopes, we received a letter from the CEO of Cathedral explaining the delay and supply chain issues they had. We are no longer pursuing other vendors at this time.

New Business: Additional counters are needed.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 8, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

Financial Stewardship

Offerings received during the month of June as of 6/26/2026 totaled **\$14,718.00**

Thank you for your generous support of Holy Cross!

Capital Campaign Update



As of June 26th, we have received donations totaling

\$121,174.55

toward our goal of \$500,000.00.

Thank you for your generosity!

REMINDER: When making donations to the church, a **separate check is needed for the Capital Campaign**, made out to: Holy Cross Lutheran Church. **Thank you!**

Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (NALC)

MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (NALC) is to respond to the Love of God shown most fully to us in the great gift of his Son Jesus Christ. We engage in five ministry areas – **WORSHIP, WITNESS, LEARNING, SERVICE,** and **SUPPORT** – to boldly confess Christ as our Lord and Savior.

Our Staff

Pastor: Rev. Brett Jenkins, STS

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Office Hours by appointment

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Director of Worship Arts: Karl DeBoeser

Traditional Music Worship Leader: Ben Watson

Sexton: Kerry Livermore

Treasurer: Lois Iasiello

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OFFICE IS CLOSED ON WEDNESDAYS

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2026 Congregational Officers

President ~ Jerry Lewis

Vice President ~ Andy Zaso

Secretary ~ AJ Arfanella

Treasurer ~ Lois Iasiello

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sundays with Holy Communion:

9:15 am ~ Relaxed Worship

Tuesdays at 12:15pm

Lunchtime Prayer with Holy Communion

Wednesdays at 7:00 pm

Prayer Service with Holy Communion

July 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28 Social Hour 9:15a Worship Service	29 11a Bible Study 12:15p Prayer Service 6:30p Bible Study	30 7p Boy Scouts 7p Prayer Service	1 7p Boy Scouts 7p Prayer Service	2	3	4
5 Social Hour 9:15a Worship Service	6 11a Bible Study 12:15p Prayer Service 6:30p Bible Study	7 6p Property Committee Mtg 7p Boy Scouts 7p CHURCH COUNCIL 7p Prayer Service	8	9	10	11
12 Social Hour 9:15a Worship Service 10:30a Matt Kay final works 2p VASA	13 11a Bible Study 12:15p Prayer Service 6:30p Bible Study	14 7p Boy Scouts 7p Prayer Service	15	16	17	18
19 Social Hour 9:15a Worship Service	20 4p VBS 2026	21 11a Bible Study 12:15p Prayer Service 6:30p Bible Study	22 7p Boy Scouts 7p Prayer Service	23	24	25 9:30a WOA Meeting
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