



From the Pastor

Vive la ~~Révolution~~ Réforme!



The slogan "Vive la Révolution!" became popular during the French Revolution as a way of saying, "carry the cause forward."

As a book published by the American Lutheran Publicity Bureau, *Lutheran Slogans: Use and Abuse* reminds us, we Lutherans have our own slogans. This month, we celebrate our heritage as Lutherans with Reformation Sunday. Indeed, without the Spirit-empowered insight and courage of a troubled Augustinian monk, many of the superstitious traditions and abuses that arose during the Middle Ages might never have been fixed within the Church of Jesus Christ.

But Luther wasn't the only one laboring in God's vineyard to reform the Church. Without Martin Chemnitz in the second generation of Lutherans, the Lutheran Reformation might have fizzled and ground to a halt... Indeed, it was said of him that "If Martin [Chemnitz] had not come along, Martin [Luther] would hardly have survived."

Luther died in 1546, Chemnitz in 1586. As the 1600's began, theologians like Johann Gerhard cemented and carried forward the work of both Martins in the academy with what is called Scholasticism while people like Jakob Spener complimented this work with an emphasis on Christian experience and moral formation through prayer, called Pietism.

What is the point of all this name dropping? Well, while there has often been tension between these "wings" of the Reformation, the most fruitful chapters of Lutheran history have come when the two worked together, causing our witness to Christ to soar. This happened in the ministry of another Lutheran whose name those of us in the Lehigh Valley should know, Henry Muhlenberg (like the college), whose vibrant piety was matched with a zeal for correct doctrine that helped him plant churches all over our region.

Now it is our turn. The Reformation continues in us, its inheritors. How is God working your prayer life to re-form your heart? How is God working in your Christian study to re-form your mind? When the energy of a Christ-inspired heart is channeled through the lens of a Christ-formed mind, it becomes like a laser that can cut through the darkness of this world, glorifying Christ, saving souls, and changing lives for the better. So, let us take a page from the revolution, but instead cry out, "Vive la Réforme!"

Pr. Brett

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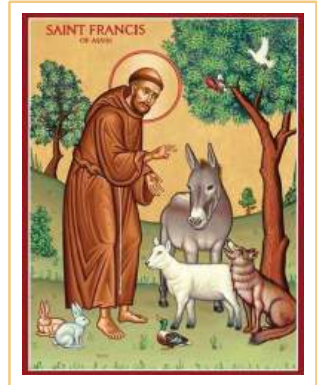
Saint of the Month: Saint Francis of Assisi

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 Saint Francis of Assisi on Sunday, October 4th. He was born in 1181 to a wealthy silk merchant, Peter Bernadone. In his youth, he loved luxury, and in 1202 he went to war. While at war, St. Francis became a prisoner and became very sick. He ended up returning home to Assisi, and there he had a conversion. St. Francis gave everything away, relying on the Lord daily, and began using his wealth to rebuild local churches. This caused his father to disown him. Many people had followed St. Francis' example and joined his new Franciscan Order. Eventually, St. Francis visited Egypt and attempted to convert the Sultan to Christianity. He returned home, and died on October 4th, 1226.



By Melissa Misiti



Saint Francis' Peace Prayer:

Lord, make us instruments of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let us sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is discord, union;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.

Grant that we may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive;
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and
it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.
Amen

What and Why?

"Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world..."

The Gospel of John is unique in that rather than giving us an example of John the Baptist's sermons, it begins by highlighting John's denial that he is the Christ (as some people must have thought) and John's profession, "I baptize with water, but among you stands one you do not know, even he who comes after me, the strap of whose sandal I am not worthy to untie." (John 1:26-27)

The next day, John does something that must have seemed strange to those around him. As Jesus walks toward him, he cries out, "The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, 'Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.' I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel.'" (John 1:29-31)

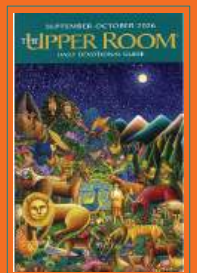
We sing John's words as we come forward to receive Communion because to the eyes of faith, Christ is revealed to us as truly present in the bread and wine, for Church is also God's Israel, God's people gathered by His call and in covenant with Him.



October Lessons

- October 4, 2026 ~ 19th Sunday after Pentecost
Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80:7-19; Philippians 3:4b-14; Matthew 21:33-46
- October 11, 2026 ~ 20th Sunday after Pentecost
Isaiah 25:6-9; Psalm 23:1-6; Philippians 4:4-13; Matthew 22:1-14
- October 18, 2026 ~ 21st Sunday after Pentecost
Isaiah 45:1-7; Psalm 96:1-9, 10-13; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10; Matthew 22:15-22
- October 25, 2026 ~ Reformation Sunday
Revelation 14:6-7; Psalm 46:1-11; Romans 3:19-28; John 8:31-36

Upper Room



- Copies of the Sept - October Upper Room daily devotionals are available in the Narthex.

Church Family News

SUNDAY
Social
Hour
Hosts

October 4 Social Ministry
October 11 Women of Abundance
October 18 Golden Age Sunday
October 25 Worship Arts/Choir



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!

October

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Pastor Brett Jenkins; Joshua Johnson; Kimberly Barr; Kiley Yotter; Rebecca Grube; Asher Esquivia; Barbara Losagio; Benjamin Koehler; Kathleen Unger; Judy Petrick; Terry Ellis; Olivia Csencsits; Juliana Young; Kathryn Mathews; Suzanne Lewis; Debra Johnson; David Heinly; Heidi Sweetser-Cohen; Tammy Martin; Chase Clapp; Lydia Stein; Jodi Kneisly; Kevin Martin Jr.; Elijah Vargas; Roxane Shook; Mark Young, Jr.; Emily Esquivia; Dennis Soffera; Stephanie Yazujian; William Werkheiser; Logan Minnich; Carol Ann Cox; Diane Breinig; Beth Ann Taby; Emily Frack; Paul Blosser; Sally Newell; Samantha Riger; Paige Grube; Frederick Grube; Luke Schoeneberger V; Susan Seibert; Darren Landro; Jennifer Landro; Matthew Diefenderfer; Raymond Scuderi; Nicholas Grant; Alison Snyder; Diane Short; Andrea Fisher; Jacqueline Markulics; Douglas Sheriff; JoAnn Altemose; Mariah Brearman; & Miranda Smith!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy Anniversary

William & Barbara Romanishan; Emily & Alex Bartleson; Nicole & Brennan Warmkessel; Michael & Terry Koehler; Matthew & Miranda Smith; Tyler & Stephanie Yazujian; Madison & Mark Schuon; Greg & Lisa Amy; Gary & Carol Kratzer; Eric & Jaime Roth; Michael & Jennifer Cleffi; Becky Novotka-Benotto & Silvio Benotto; Juan & Stephanie Perez; Warren & Eileen Rohn; Barry & Victoria Gaugler; Richard Jr. & Tina Huth; David & Diane Breinig; Paul Jr. & Kathy Grube; John & Stephanie Moll; Tim & Amy Vituszynski!

Welcome to Christ!

...and congratulations
to the friends and families of

Maycie Mae
Godiska

who was baptized on Sunday,
September 6, 2026

We look forward to being part of
your journey as you as you grow
into the covenant God has made
with you in Holy Baptism!

Congratulations!



Congratulations to...

**Michael & Megumi Heinly who were
married by Pastor Brett on
September 19th, 2026!**

**May God bless them on their
journey together through life!**





Word Search

From Sola Publishing

Find the words designated in bold print in the word search below made from Luther's Morning Prayer:

In the **name** of the **Father**, and of the **Son**, and of the **Holy Spirit**. I **thank** you, my **heavenly** Father, through **Jesus Christ**, your **dear** Son, that you have **kept** me this **night** from all **harm** and **danger**; and I ask you to **protect** me this **day** also from **sin** and **every evil**, that in all I do **today** I may **please** you. For into your **hands** I **commend myself**, my **body** and **soul**, and all that is mine. Let your **holy angel watch** over me, that the **wicked foe** have no **power** over me. **Amen**

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Council Meeting Highlights

- New Sign-up Sheets for Congregational Fellowship
- Picture Directories are available, and can always be added to
- The African Children's Choir Concert - Saturday, October 3rd - CANCELED

Church News

October 4th - November 1st

The Holy Cross annual Turkey Drive kicks off on Sunday, October 4th and will be open until Sunday, November 1st. We invite you to sponsor a Thanksgiving turkey for the Bath Area Food Bank.



Complete a Turkey Drive Envelope, sign it, and hang your turkey around the table.

It is \$20.00 to sponsor a whole turkey, but any amount is greatly appreciated! Make checks payable to Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church.

It's that simple... and best of all, you'll have the joy of knowing you helped someone in need, right here in our community!

Let us who have been richly blessed, rise to the occasion and meet the need that is before us.

GOBBLE GOBBLE!



Sunday, October 18th, 2026

We'll honor our church members aged 70+ and their guests on Sunday, October 18 with a delicious luncheon prepared by Nathan Grube in our Social Hall after the 10:30am service.

Please RSVP by signing up on the form in the Social Hall or contact the church office by Sunday, October 11.

All Saints Sunday

November 1st, 2026



Share the names of your loved ones who have passed from this life to be with the Lord.

You are invited to write their names on a special table cloth that will be available in the Sanctuary during the month of October. This cloth will then be used as the altar cover for the Communion table on All Saints Sunday.

A sheet of paper is also available in the Narthex to write the names of those who have passed away within the last year, whom you would like to be remembered. Their names will be read aloud during services on All Saints Sunday.

If you are unable to attend worship and would like a name written on the cloth or added to the list, please contact the church office.

Veterans Day Recognition

November 8th, 2026

On Sunday, November 8th, 2026, we will honor living members of our Congregation who are veterans of any branch of the US military.

If you are a veteran, please provide your NAME, BRANCH OF SERVICE, RANK, and any special recognition/awards you would like to share, to the church office, or complete a form available in the Social Hall, by October 18th.

If you have supplied this information in the past, we do not need a new form filled out, unless you have an update or change to your previous information.



Names will be read aloud during services on Sunday, November 8th, and placed in the November newsletter.

A Christmas Craft Workshop

Book Crafters Alert!

The weather is starting to change, a signal that the holidays will be approaching soon. And a reminder to finish our Christmas card books, so that our shut-ins will receive them in time for the holidays. That being said, Kate Grube will be hosting three crafting sessions at her studio, which makes it a lot easier than hauling all the materials and supplies to church.



The dates and times are as follows:
 Wednesday, October 7, 2026 @ 6:00PM
 Sunday, October 11, 2026 @ 2:00PM
 Saturday, November 7, 2026 @ 2:00PM



Please let me know if you will be coming, to one, two or all three sessions.
 Kate Grube 610.972.2219 365 W. Mountain Rd. Wind Gap, PA
 Text or call and leave a voicemail. There will be snacks!



Thinking about getting more involved at church, but don't know how?
 Looking for ways to serve our Lord, using your time and talents?
 Fortunately, there are many opportunities available at Holy Cross!
 Currently we are in need of the following during Sunday Services:

**Usher Greeters ~ Lay Readers ~ Communion
 Assistants ~ Tech Ministry**

There are so many other opportunities to serve, in any capacity. Please contact the church office and let us know YOUR special talent, and we will find an opportunity for your talent to shine

AMR Convocation October 8-10, 2026

2026 AMR Lutheran Week Light

Friday and Saturday's Convocation theme for this year is ***"Be Patient in Tribulation: Jesus is With Us!"*** Featuring: Matthew Kay, Director of Mission Expansion for Cru Church Movements from Cru; Pr. Tom Brashears, Director of Leadership Development for the NALC; and Gary & Laurie Pecuch from Faithwebbing, our featured Ministry Partner. The Rev. Carol Fryer, Northeastern Area Assistant to the Bishop will be the featured preacher at Saturday's Eucharist.

2026 AMR CONVOCATION SCHEDULE
Be Patient in Tribulation: JESUS IS WITH YOU!
Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Nazareth, PA

Friday, October 9

8:15 – 9:00	Arrival and Registration for Convo and Light Breakfast – unload cars
9:00 – 9:30	Matins – in the Sanctuary Opening of Convocation (<i>Regional Dean – The Rev. Rodney Lilley</i>)
9:30 - 10:45	<i>Life to Life Evangelism – Evangelism Without Fear: You've Got This! Part 1</i> Presenter: Matthew Kay, Director of Mission Expansion for Cru Church Movements – a ministry of Campus Crusade
10:45 – 11:00	Break
11:00 - 11:45	AMR Business Meeting
11:45 – 12:15	STUFF THE TRUCK
12:15 – 1:00	Lunch & Ministry Partner Displays (Fellowship Hall)
1:00 – 2:15	<i>Life to Life Evangelism - Evangelism Without Fear: You've Got This! Part 2</i> Presenter: Matthew Kay, Director of Mission Expansion for Cru Church Movements – a ministry of Campus Crusade
2:15 - 2:30	Break
2:30 – 3:30	Workshop #1 (You will choose one) Option 1: RENEW – Pastor Tom Brashears will introduce you to the RENEW program and how to implement it within your congregation. OR Option 2: Faithwebbing – Gary & Laurie Pecuch will focus on starting intergenerational ministries in the local congregation.
3:30– 3:50	Break
3:50 – 4:50	Workshop #2 (You will choose one) Option 1: RENEW – See above OR Option 2: Faithwebbing – See above
4:50 – 5:00	Break
5:00 – 6:00	Supper (Fellowship Hall)
6:00 – 7:00	<i>Mission District Breakout Sessions (Locations will be announced at supper)</i>
7:00 – 8:00	Fellowship and Dessert Bar (Fellowship Hall)
8:00 – 8:30	Compline - Liturgist: The Rev. Brett Jenkins (Sanctuary)

Saturday, October 10

8:30 - 9:00	Gathering
9:00– 10:30	Liturgy of the Eucharist (Sanctuary) Liturgist: The Rev. Brett Jenkins Preacher: The Rev. Carol Fyer, Northeastern Area Assistant to the Bishop
10:30 – 10:45	Break
10:45 - 12:00	Panel Discussion with Youth (Sanctuary)
12:00	Closing of Convocation followed by Lunch and Ministry Displays in Fellowship Hall.

Atlantic Mission Region 8th annual Women's Conference:

Nourishing our Our Body and Soul

Thursday, October 8, 2026

9:00 a.m. registration & fellowship

9:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m.

Holy Cross Lutheran Church

696 Johnson Rd.

Nazareth, PA 18064

Singing

Fun



Bible Study

Disaster Response



Prizes!

Fellowship

We will be assembling kitchen kits for Disaster Response!

Each **congregation** is asked to bring components for at least ten (10) complete kitchen kits. This is the second time we are assembling kitchen kits—let's shoot for 200+ completed kits! Please DO NOT have the items assembled ahead of time. We will be doing a "hands on" assembly line at our conference.

Below is the list of items requested for each kit. Remember, we are asking for AT LEAST TEN (10) of each item from each participating congregation.

It is HIGHLY recommended that someone apply for a Thrivent grant to help with the purchase of these items OR post a sign up sheet in your congregation with each individual item listed to share in the purchasing/donating.

Kitchen Kits

(one item of each listed below completes one kit)

- ❑ **One** journal-sized cookbook
- ❑ **One** dish towel
- ❑ **One** dish cloth
- ❑ **One** hot pad or oven mitt
- ❑ **One** spatula (pancake turner)
- ❑ **One** set of measuring cups
- ❑ **One** set of measuring spoons
- ❑ **One** storage container (2 C. size) with a lid
- ❑ **One** can opener
- ❑ **One** paring/steak knife WITH a sheath **or** a peeler
- ❑ **Two** 13-gallon kitchen trash bags, **one** 30-gallon black trash bag & **one** 1-gallon food ziplock bag for inside the kit
- ❑ 2.5-gallon **ziplock bag**- to pack the kit into
- ❑ **One** pocket-sized devotional





News to Use

Sunday Life

Giving Service to the Lord

October 4, 2026 ~ 19th Sunday after Pentecost

	8:00AM Service	10:30AM Service
Musician	Karl DeBoeser	Karl DeBoeser
Usher/Greeters (2)	John Abbott Megan Abbott	Mike Mohn Roseann Mohn
Lay Reader	Catherine DeBoeser	Adrian Esquivia
Tech Ministry	Andy Zaso	Annalisa Misiti
Communion Assistants	Lynne Auger	Adrian Esquivia
(Around the Altar - 3 people)	Anita Zaso	Timothy Misiti
		Rich Siegfried

Social Hour Host

Flowers Donated by:

Social Ministry

Terry & Deb Johnson

Julie Millheim, DJ MaryAnn, Bobby, Mary J, & Emily Drosnock



October 11, 2026 ~ 20th Sunday after Pentecost

	8:00AM Service	10:30AM Service
Musician	Ben Watson	Ben Watson
Usher/Greeters (2)	Vicky Gaugler Alice Sterner	Tom Kneisly Jodi Kneisly
Lay Reader	Eileen Rohn	Jodi Kneisly
Tech Ministry	Cindy Denker	Alyssa Young
Communion Assistants	Eileen Rohn	Jesse Way
(Intinction - 2 people)	Paul Grube	Jerry Lewis

Social Hour Host

Flowers Donated by:

Women of Abundance

Women of Abundance

Eileen & Warren Rohn



October 18, 2026 ~ 21st Sunday after Pentecost

	8:00AM Service	10:30AM Service
Musician	Ben Watson	Ben Watson
Usher/Greeters (2)	Randy Letterhouse Deb Letterhouse	Cindy Bonney Griffin Kneisly
Lay Reader	Colleen Greene	Jesse Way
Tech Ministry	Jennifer Vandegrift	Jamie Hahn
Communion Assistants	Lois Iasiello	Jesse Way
(Intinction - 2 people)	Colleen Greene	Dillon Supers

Social Hour Host

Flowers Donated by:

Golden Age Sunday

Barbara Lynn-Sarley

David & Diane Breinig



October 25, 2026 ~ Reformation Sunday

	8:00AM Service	10:30AM Service
Musician	Karl DeBoeser	Karl DeBoeser
Usher/Greeters (2)	DJ Drosnock Mary Ann Drosnock	Gene Dickison Diane Dickison
Lay Reader	Mary Ann Drosnock	Diane Dickison
Tech Ministry	Emily Drosnock	Melissa Misiti
Communion Assistants	Barbara Lynn-Sarley	Alyssa Young
(Intinction - 2 people)	Pam Berlew	Joyce Macdonald

Social Hour Host

Flowers Donated by:

Worship Arts/Choir

Andy & Anita Zaso

Kathy & Paul Grube



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 September 9, 2026

Nine members present.

Absent: Lois Iasiello & Tom Kneisly

GUESTS: Paul Grube

Review of Reports:

Secretary's Report - 4H Backtrackers Club made a donation to the church of \$125. Associated Fire Equipment performed their annual inspections of all fire extinguishers on 9/4/26. A new emergency light is needed and the CO2 extinguisher needs recharge. Kratzer Septic Service is scheduled for 10/2/26 for our bi-yearly septic cleaning. Social Hour Host list included in Council packets for review and update. Council has agreed to share fellowship between the congregation and the committees. A sign-up sheet will be created to fill slots one month in advance. An announcement will be made and sign-up implemented directly.

Treasurer's Report - Category overview, month by month, and account register provided. General income was positive this month, barely. New copier lease will help avoid added costs. A motion was made to cease the use of the ESSA bank card. Council agreed to allow use of personal credit cards and offer reimbursements for approved charges.

Pastor's Report - New Business Mirella Bulawa approached me about offering a low-impact exercise class for older members of our church to help people become more physically healthy as they grow more spiritually healthy. She is offering to teach on Saturdays at 11am or after. Council likes and appreciates the idea. More information requested. Pastor Pete Begley has arranged for me as a pastor of a conservative liturgical church to attend an event on Sept. 28-29 in Washington, DC. Council agreed that Pastor will represent our church as needed and confirm any costs to the church. **Old Business** After emailing parents, confirmation class will remain on Sunday mornings. 3 confirmation classes per month on Sunday at 9:15 and one per month in the evening in tandem with a youth event. Confirmation will begin on Sept. 20. This summer's worship schedule worked better than last year, with overall attendance on most Sundays rivaling the combined attendance of the two services during the school year. Conversations with several members have convinced me that the length of our worship services tends to discourage people from attending on Sundays when their schedule will be tight, particularly if their usual worship time is 10:30am. Michael, Karl, and I will work on keeping liturgies (including sermon length) as tight as possible during this coming school year, especially on around-the-altar Communion Sundays, or Sundays including special events like Baptisms, Confirmation, etc. Council discussed communion. Members asked why we receive around the altar so often. Consider intinction more often or exclusively.

Committee Reports:

Christian Education: Hard copy of minutes provided. **ERT:** CPR Training 10/24/26 9am-12pm. If interested, reach out to Bob Beckowski.

Hospitality/Funeral Servers: See hard copy of report.

Property: No formal report. Wasp nest removed from playground and pavilion. Broken glass needs review. Settlement in parking lot needs review. Window insulation in the classroom needs replacing from several years ago testing. CCCN's Sandra Erb provided a price to replace the mulch in the playground, new material only \$1,172.20 for 3-3.5 in. They will weed and place new material. Council had decided to hold on this repair until next budget year due to spending.

Social Ministry: Hard copy of report provided.

Women of Abundance: See hard copy of minutes.

Other Committee Reports: CCCN- See hard copy of report.

Old Business: Church Directory: Completed and available in the Social Hall. African Children's Choir is confirmed 10-3-2026. Confirmation requirements and list of confirmands shared with Council. Council to review and comment as needed.

New Business: Convocation will take place October 8, 9, 10. Question was raised regarding new members. Council indicated there have been no forms, several known forms were dropped off at the front desk. Jerry to review.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 14, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

Financial Stewardship

Offerings received during the month of September as of 9/30/2026 totaled
\$15,946.15

Thank you for your generous support of Holy Cross!

Capital Campaign Update

As of September 30th, we have received donations totaling

\$125,945.00

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
 Pastor@holycrossnazareth.org
 Office Hours by appointment

Deacon: Michael Grube

Director of Worship Arts: Karl DeBoeser

Traditional Music Worship Leader: Ben Watson

Sexton: Kerry Livermore

Treasurer: Lois Iasiello

Church Secretary: Laura Longley
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OFFICE IS CLOSED ON WEDNESDAYS

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Thomas Riger	201-841-9146
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Andrew Zaso	570-424-5651

2026 Congregational Officers

President ~ Jerry Lewis
 Vice President ~ Andy Zaso
 Secretary ~ AJ Arfanella
 Treasurer ~ Lois Iasiello

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sundays with Holy Communion:

8:00AM ~ Traditional Liturgy
10:30AM ~ Relaxed Worship
9:15-10:15AM ~ Sunday School All Ages

Tuesdays at 12:15pm
 Lunchtime Prayer with Holy Communion

Wednesdays at 7:00 pm
 Prayer Service with Holy Communion

October 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
Sunday School Sign up 8a Worship Service 9:15a Sunday School 10:30a Worship Service 5:30p Pet Blessing	9p Girl Scout Troop 8881 8a Worship Service 9:15a Sunday School 10:30a Worship Service 5:30p Pet Blessing	11a Bible Study 12:15p Prayer Service 6:30p Bible Study 7p Facility Use	7p Boy Scouts 7p Prayer Service		9a Wedding	
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