

# Good News for the Pews

May 28, 2023

**TODAY IS THE DAY OF PENTECOST**, also **CONFIRMATION DAY**. One of our youth will be affirming her baptism at the 8:00 am service.

**THE CHURCH OFFICE** will be closed for Memorial Day on Monday, May 29.



**SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES** begin on June 11<sup>th</sup>. We will gather for worship every Sunday through Labor Day weekend at 8:00 am and 9:30 am. No Sunday School classes meet during the summer months. The regular worship schedule resumes on Sunday, Sept. 10, 2023.



**PIES FOR GUYS!** We'll be serving pies for Coffee Hour on Fathers' Day, Sunday, June 18 after both worship services (8:00 & 9:30 am). If you would like to contribute a pie(s), please sign up at the Welcome Desk in the Atrium.

**THE JULY/AUGUST NEWSLETTER** will be assembled and mailed out on Tuesday, June 20 at 9:00 am in the Lower Church Hall.

**VETERANS' 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY PARADE:** We will be handing out lemonade and water at a stand on the corner of the church during the 2023 Union County Veterans 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade that will be held on Sat., June 24<sup>th</sup> in Lewisburg beginning at 10:00 am.



**THE HOLY SEW 'N' SEWS** will continue meeting every Wednesday morning at 9:00 am during the summer. If you can use scissors, they can use your help with their projects! Come enjoy the company and also the nice cool air conditioning in the Lower Church Hall. Young folks are welcome to join in this group while on summer vacation from school.

**SUMMER STEWARDSHIP:** Council could use your help! As we emerge from the pandemic and seek to establish a new sense of normal here at CELC, one of our challenges has been in trying to get full picture of what life in this new era looks like. Part of that means seeking to understand what our current financial situation looks like in a rapidly shifting landscape. As Council continues to monitor the financial health of CELC, they recognize that our community is currently benefiting from the financial security of *not* currently needing to pay for a full-time pastor. However, the cushion provided is one that hopefully will not be a long-term one. The challenge Council currently faces is that our current undesignated income would not support the full expenses of the current year's spending plan.

Here's where you come in. You are already faithful financially partnering with this community in incredible ways. Many of you continue to go above and beyond by contributing to beyond-the-budget expenses. One of the best examples of this is found in the myriad of households who continue to faithfully contribute to CELC's building fund. The good news is that the building fund is in a healthy place! The additional good news is that there are no major building projects on the immediate horizon! *As such, if you are a household that continues to contribute to things like the building fund, consider taking this summer as an opportunity to redirect those contributions to undesignated giving/operational expenses.* Re-allocating some of those funds to the ongoing daily expenses will help CELC's leadership get a better picture of where things currently stand in this post-pandemic phase of life.

As always, we remain grateful for *all* of the ways in which you continue to generously support CELC and the ministries taking place here. If you have any further questions about this process, don't hesitate to reach out to a Council member! Thank you, CELC!

	May 28, 2023 Pentecost/Confirmation	June 4, 2023 The Holy Trinity
Asst. Minister 8:00	Pastor Dale Biesecker	Pastor Dale Biesecker
Asst. Minister 10:30	Joseph Martin	Heather Miller
Lector 8:00	Beverly Harvey	Beckie Stahlnecker
Lector 10:30	Ethel Snook	Mark Elliott
Acolytes 8:00	Olivia Koontz	TBD
Acolytes 10:30	Cortland Michaels	Ruth Miller
Communion Ushers 8:00	Sarah & Oliver Patte	Colleen Nevil /Tim Goff
Communion Ushers 10:30	Ken Stitley / Judy Cotner	Tim & Carol Apple
Communion Assistants 8:00	Gregg Wetzell	Beverly Harvey
Communion Assistants 10:30	Laura Faux	Laura Faux
Usher Team 8:00	Colleen Nevil	Jackie Goff
Usher Team 10:30	Rick Faux	Bill & DeDee Wagner
Welcome Desk 8:00	Jackie Cvik	Steve & Kay Rozyckie
Welcome Desk 10:30	Adelyn Elliott	Gary Parks
Altar Guild	Beverly Harvey	Diane Miller
Council Person	Bill Borys	Diane Miller

Lord, thank you for all who serve faithfully and diligently without recognition or reward. Amen.