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SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:15 & 10:30am *In-person Worship
held in the Main Church*
 10:30am *Service live streamed on YouTube*
 12:00 noon *Services available on LM
website*

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On Pentecost Sunday we heard about the gifts of the Spirit, and then, during the children's sermon we went on to hear about the fruit of the Spirit. The nine *gifts* of the Spirit are listed in 1st Corinthians 12:4-10.

Some of those gifts are: Utterance of Wisdom and Knowledge, Faith and Gifts of Healing. And while I resonate with the gifts of the Spirit, I most identify with the **fruit** of the Spirit which is listed in Galatians 5:22-23. Those nine fruits are: Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

We all desire a clear path in life, with little bumps on the road, but through the gift of the Spirit of wisdom, we know that life is filled with both ups and downs. But although we cannot predict how our days will unfold, we turn over that control by trusting that we are being led with purpose and on the path of love. As I think about what it has meant to me to be pastor at Luther Memorial Academy and Church, it has been being around the nine fruits of the Spirit. I can think of each of you and identify you with the *gifts* of the Spirit, but I have most appreciated how your deep faith in our living Lord Jesus grows out some very tasty *fruit*. The fruits of the Spirit abound in this ministry!

A letter was mailed out to the congregation on May 18 indicating that my last Sunday as your pastor will be on August 1. In that letter I shared with you the reason for my leaving. It was not an easy decision to make, but as doors opened for Amy and me over a year of discernment, we took a step of faith through each of those doors. In the August newsletter, I will be sharing with you how much you have meant to me and give thanks to each of you for helping me be your pastor. I am looking forward to serving among you these next two months. This ministry will go on and will continue to thrive because the gifts and the fruit of the Spirit dwell deeply in you for the good of this blessed community of faith.

In love and gratitude,
 Pastor Bill Coleman

Luther Memorial ReCharge

Sunday, June 13 and Sunday, July 11

Time:
3:00-4:00pm Fellowship (socially distancing)
4:00-5:00pm Worship



We will be meeting on the **2nd Sunday of the month** during the summer. We plan to enjoy the outdoors and gather for fellowship from 3:00-4:00pm and our service will be held from 4:00-5:00pm. **Please note the time**

change of one hour earlier than in the past.

Please wear your masks and bring a chair or blanket. You are welcome to bring a picnic for you and your family; individually wrapped refreshments and beverage will also be provided. We will gather together in the lawn area near 10th Street.

We are excited to be together again and look forward to visiting and worshipping with you and your families.

Congratulations to Our Graduates

We congratulate our youth as they graduate from high school and those graduating from college. They have worked hard for their accomplishments, and we wish them the best as they continue to college and their new careers.



Congratulations to our graduating high school seniors:

ANDREW BEBKO	Erie High School	Penn State University (engineering)
EMMA COLEMAN	Villa Maria Academy	Indiana University (nursing)
ANNA KELLER	McDowell High School	Employed
ALLIE BROWN	McDowell High School	Air Force Reserves
ZACHARY SHCHOCHKOFF	Cathedral Prep	Gannon University (undetermined/possible nursing degree)
ALEXANDER SPAULDING	Collegiate Academy	Air Force
TIM THOMAS	General McLane High School	Penn State Main Campus (Bachelor of Science/Cyber Security Analytics and Operations)
JOHN KERNER (David Morphy & Jean McMillen's Grandson)	Mercyhurst Prep	Penn State University Main Campus
COLIN MORPHY (David Morphy & Jean McMillen's Grandson)	Cathedral Prep	Penn State University Main Campus
KATHERINE NICOTRA (Tom & Martha Klomp's granddaughter)	Mercyhurst Prep	Duquesne University

Hats off to our college graduates:

BRENNAN COLEMAN	University of Pittsburgh Magna Cum Laude	Bachelor of Arts Degree/Political Science
JORDAN STURM	University of Pittsburgh	Bio-Medical Engineering (employed with Philips Respirationics)

Live Streaming 10:30am Worship Service



Sunday services are held in person at 8:15am and 10:30am in the main church. **Our 10:30am worship service is live streamed on our church YouTube Channel using our new camera equipment.** The service will continue to be on Facebook Live through the month of June . As you will be able to see, the new camera equipment allows for more movement of our worship leaders, along with a much enhanced sound quality.

To watch the worship service on YouTube live, go to YouTube, and in the search bar, type in "Luther Memorial Church, Erie Pa". Subscribe to the channel. We understand this will be an adjustment for some, but if you have any problems or questions, please reach out to Pastor Coleman or Norma Buerk.

A recording of the worship service is posted to our church webpage by 12:00 noon. To watch the service on Luther Memorial Church's website go to the "Resources & Online Worship" tab and then click on the "Sunday Morning Worship, Daily Prayer and Bible Study" tab.

Opportunities for Continued Connection to Luther Memorial Church

Throughout the summer Pastor Coleman will provide online prayer services and Bible studies at various times on Facebook and YouTube. Please continue to connect with us through your Facebook page and the church's YouTube channel for these times together.

Holy Communion Practice for those Worshipping from Home on Sunday Morning



At Luther Memorial Church we are grateful to provide the option of worshipping from home or worshipping in the building, and to allow each person to make the best decision for themselves, but there is a real loss for those unable to come to worship in the church building on Sunday morning, as they are unable to receive bread and wine from the Lord's table. Understanding that the bread and wine is a sustaining gift from Jesus that is blessed and received in community, we now have available bread and wine in individual packets that, after being blessed on Sunday morning during our worship, will be available for those worshipping from home to pick up at the church during the week. The intention is that you take home enough bread and wine for each member of your family for the month. During our worship service, those worshipping from home would set before them the consecrated bread and wine, and then receive the bread and wine when those who are in person for worship do. To make arrangements to pick up the bread and wine from the church please contact Linda Graffius by email at lgraffius@luthermemorialonline.org, Norma Buerk by email at nbuerk@luthermemorialonline.org, or by calling the church office at 814-454-0106, ext. 221.



*Our love and sympathy is extended
to the family and friends of:*

Helen Crissman (Bob Crissman's mom) who died May 9, 2021
Patrice DiTullio (Chris DiTullio's sister)
Erika Pirschel (Michael Pirschel's mom) who died May 22, 2021

Summer Office Hours



The Church Office will be open
Thursday, June 10 - Tuesday, August 24
8:30am - 2:00pm

Spic & Span

Carpets and floors will be cleaned throughout the church and school during the week of July 19.

Please contact the church office if you plan to stop in, as some areas of the building will be inaccessible. Thank you.



Christian Education

First Holy Communion Classes

The following young people completed First Holy Communion classes and will make their First Communion on Sunday, June 6 at the 10:30am service.

JACK DAVID BARTLETT
GIA GABRIELLA FRACASSI
GRACE DIANE SPAULDING
ELEANOR GRACE WERTZ

ALEXANDER MARTIN COONEY
CARTER JOSEPH O'LEARY
MADELINE CHRISTINE STELMACK
MADELEINE HARPER WERTZ

BAILEE ANNE FOUTZ
MASON JACOB SCHLECHT
MADELINE ALICE ULRICH



Confirmation at Camp Lutherlyn



Luther Memorial Church's confirmation class will be attending Confirmation Camp at Lutherlyn from June 13 to June 17. Luther Memorial Church has 12 youth attending and will join together with other congregational youth from the Northwest Pennsylvania Synod. Lutherlyn is a ministry of the Northwestern PA Synod and is sustained by the offerings of so many wonderful servants. We also wanted to give a word of thanks to the parents who have encouraged their youth to attend and to so many wonderful sponsors for our youth to attend camp.

Luther Memorial continues to be blessed by so many warm and generous hearts.

Joann Wagner
John & Mary Laver

Roberta Lobaugh
Amy McDougall (*in memory of Sylvia Johnson*)

Joe Helm
Judie Harrison-Means



Luther Memorial Church's 7th, 8th, and 9th graders will be attending Confirmation Camp at Camp Lutherlyn from June 13 to June 17, 2021. Information has been sent to all parents and students about the details of Confirmation Camp. Please mark these dates on your calendar.

Women of the ELCA

Tuesday Circle

Tuesday, June 1 at 4:00pm
Church Parlor
All safety protocols will be followed.

We'll be gathering for our end of the year meeting and picnic supper.

- You are invited to bring a dish to share
- Beverage will be provided



Our Circle is open to all women, and we welcome you to contact Pat Young, President, at 455-7736, or our church office, 454-0106, ext. 221, with any questions.

Deborah Circle

Add our Deborah Circle to your calendar:
Tuesday, June 1 at 12:00 noon
Church Parlor
All safety protocols will be followed.

For more information on the Deborah Circle, please contact Judy Johnson at 833-4600.

Pennies for Poverty

As a continuing project to aid women and children in crisis, special containers for donations to "Pennies for Poverty" are located by the doors to the Main Church and Faith Chapel. Our women's groups thank one and all for your donations of coins and dollars.



Pentecost Sunday



Luther Memorial Church's 10th grade students were confirmed at the 10:30am service on Pentecost; Sunday, May 23, 2021. These youth participated in confirmation classes for three years and had the opportunity to attend confirmation camp at Lutherlyn in the summer. We are honored to recognize these youth as they make their Affirmation of Baptism.

Meet Our Confirmation Students



**Anthony
Cimino**

Anthony's favorite Bible verse: Proverbs 31:8-9

"Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves,
for the rights of all who are destitute.
Speak up and judge fairly;
defend the rights of the poor and needy."

This simple verse is especially important to me and to the way that I conduct my life because the sentiment behind it is a deeply driving force for my passions, values, and visions about the world. The value of standing up for those who cannot stand up for themselves has always remained deeply embedded in me not only in how I treat others but how I am driven to change the world.

SCHOOL: Fairview High School

FAVORITE CLASSES: Social studies, mathematics, music classes

HOBBIES: Speech and Debate, Band (Jazz, Concert, Marching), leadership in school activist organization

WHAT HAVE YOU LEARNED ABOUT GOD: Above all else that I have learned over 3 years of Confirmation, I've learned the true extent of God's forgiveness and love through how they are shown throughout the Bible and the people around us. The lessons, discussions, and connections that I experienced with my peers at Lutherlyn and during Confirmation events and classes provided me with countless rich experiences that have shaped my understanding of God's love in a way that's difficult to express in words.



Julie Ditz

Julie's favorite Bible verse: John 15:30

"No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends."

If everyone in the world was able to love one another that much, or understand a love like that, the world would be a much better place.

SCHOOL: Fairview High School

FAVORITE CLASSES: I really enjoy my science classes, and sometimes the social studies classes

HOBBIES: Running and Cooking

WHAT HAVE YOU LEARNED ABOUT GOD: I have learned that not everything that happens is God, but everything connects back to God. I have also learned about the way that the 10 commandments cannot be translated literally anymore, because things have changed. One of the biggest things that stuck out to me was how an idol doesn't necessarily have to be another god, it could be as simple as a phone. I also learned that God never leaves you, and if you so choose you will always be able to find him in your life.

Meet Our Confirmation Students, cont'd.:



Krista Partusch

Krista's favorite Bible verse: Micah 6:8

"He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?"

SCHOOL: McDowell High School

FAVORITE CLASSES: I enjoy English, Drama, and Music

HOBBIES: Reading, Cooking, and Acting

WHAT HAVE YOU LEARNED ABOUT GOD: "I have learned that God's grace is a gift and it's for me and for everyone. I know that I have been forgiven. Finally, I am to live my life by following the two greatest commandments: To love God with all my heart, mind and soul, and to love my neighbor as myself."



Caiden Snider

Caiden's favorite Bible verse: Isaiah 55:9-10

"For as the sky soars high above earth, so the way I work surpasses the way you work, and the way I think is beyond the way you think. Just as the rain and snow descend from the skies and don't go back until they've watered the earth, doing their work of making things grow and blossom, producing seed for farmers and food for the hungry."

This is my favorite verse because it was my grandpa's favorite verse. I also like it because I interpret it as God is always working and thinking more than us, which shows he is always finding ways to help others and think of others. For example, he allows farmers to have water, and this lets them feed the hungry and others.

SCHOOL: Northwest Pennsylvania Collegiate Academy

FAVORITE CLASS: My favorite class is math because I like numbers and I enjoy plugging numbers into equations.

HOBBIES: Some hobbies of mine I enjoy include playing sports (basketball, football, baseball, etc.), playing video games, reading books, watching movies and TV shows (The Office, Star Wars, Marvel, and The Simpsons), and spending time with my brothers and family.

WHAT HAVE YOU LEARNED ABOUT GOD: At confirmation I learned about how God's words have different meanings. For example, in the Ten Commandments I learned how commandment number 6, "you shall not murder", does not just mean the obvious not kill somebody, but that you shall not murder could also be hurting someone's feelings by saying something harsh to them. This shows God's word is not one sided, but its meanings are multi-dimensional. I also learned that no matter what God's doing he will always be there for you and always forgive your sins as long as you ask for forgiveness.

Magic Fingers Grace Group

Tuesday, June 8 & Tuesday, June 22
Tuesday, July 13 & Tuesday, July 27

Good friends, conversation and laughter make for a fun morning. Throw in some knitting and crocheting and it's perfect. Bring your yarn projects and join us in the parlor at 10:00am on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month. It would be wonderful to see you again!

If you'd like to learn how to knit or crochet, we'd love to show you. Masks are worn for our gatherings and all safety protocols are followed.

Please contact Jan MacInnes, 454-0106, ext. 233 or the church office, ext. 221 with any questions. Please let us know if you are low on yarn and some can be dropped off to you.



Summer Worship Music



Throughout our summer worship services, there are opportunities for vocal and instrumental solos. If you would like to contribute any of the following, please contact Cantor Walt Gaber at 814.602.2755 or WaltGaber@gmail.com:

- Lead the singing of a psalm
- Sing a vocal solo
- Play an instrumental solo

Thank You's

Luther Memorial Meal Team:

I have greatly appreciated the delicious and very special meals I have been given.

It has been a big help for me for I have a hard time standing to prepare meals. It was a blessing to get delicious food I just had to heat, eat and enjoy.

You are a special group of people to step in and help with our members that are in need in such a thoughtful and caring way.

Thank you for your kindness.

God Bless, Dorothy Overberg



Blood Pressures



Has it been a while since you've had your blood pressure checked? Well, wait no longer. Blood pressures will now be offered the third Sunday of each month following the 10:30am service beginning on Sunday, June 20. We welcome you to stop in the library on June 20 and July 18 for your check-up. We ask that you be fully vaccinated to have your blood pressure checked.

Blue Zones Project

Tuesday, June 8 at 10:00am

Mercyhurst University
Mary D'Angelo Performing Arts Center
501 E 38th Street
Erie, PA 16546

Blue Zones, Erie County, and Governor Tom Ridge formally invite you to participate in a stakeholder meeting to learn about how Blue Zones Project communities elevate themselves through the science of well-being, reveal the health and economic outcomes from the active Corry Project, and receive the new plan for all of Erie County.

All in-person attendees will be required to follow CDC and PA COVID-19 mitigation guidelines. The event will also be live-streamed. The agenda will include opening remarks by Kathy Dahlkemper and Tom Ridge, the Blue Zones Project Presentation, including an update on the health and economic outcomes from the active Corry Project and a new plan for all of Erie County. A review of federal and state funding sources to support Blue Zones will also be discussed and conclude with questions and answers at 11:50am.



Coming Out of Our Cocoon



While on vacation in Florida, which by the way was so great and therapeutic, I was going to meet my brother and wife when I realized I had forgotten my mask! Fortunately we found a CVS, but then I realized I had to go in without a mask. It felt so strange and I actually felt a little guilty, even though I have been vaccinated since February. We have been living in this socially-distant, masked up norm for so long that the fully vaccinated lower half of my face wanted to retreat back to the safety of its cozy cloth home.

This pandemic has been strange for all of us and the only thing stranger is the 1st step we will take away from it. So how do we cope, facing this new one foot in, one foot out reality? Wherever you are in this process, realize that you are not alone and your feelings are valid.

With the increasing availability of effective vaccines, permission to break out of our cocoons is what everyone wants. Many older adults are creeping more slowly toward normalcy. Clinging to the routine that helped keep us safe for so long will be hard to let go of. Many people developed anxiety and other mental health issues during this period of quarantine.

After being fully vaccinated, consider these suggestions to safely re-enter society:

1. Honestly assess your comfort level with in-person socializing. Identify things that will allow you to feel safe while navigating beyond your house.
2. Break out with brief, in-person social moments. Start by reaching out to your family and close friends who also have been vaccinated.
3. Stay up to date. Check our church website to make yourself aware of our current protocols. Learn the current schedule for in-person worship and small group activities.
4. Seek help if needed. Post-pandemic responses include anxiety, anger, depression and withdrawal. Seek professional help and know that you're not the only one who may be having problems.
5. Be patient with yourself and others. We have suffered social deprivation for more than a year. Initial contacts might be awkward; stretching our social muscle will take time.
6. Remember to stay healthy by eating all of the wonderful fruits and vegetables of summer and getting some exercise on our beautiful summer days!

Many of us just want to hug our grandchildren and other family members. Go ahead and hug, but Public Health advisors recommend wearing a mask and skip the kisses. There's a slight chance that you could transmit the virus to your grandchild because they haven't been vaccinated. It's unlikely that your grandchild would have a serious illness from it, but on rare occasions they do.

I also read recently from a National Nurses email that many nurses feel that this opening up is happening too soon. We must use common sense, especially since the variants are so unpredictable. Remember; the vaccine simply helps give your body the tools it needs to fight COVID-19. Even after vaccination, it still may be possible to catch the coronavirus, or one of the new variants, and spread it. So, while your own social circle may be inoculated, for a few more months you will need to keep in mind the well-being of children, the partially vaccinated and those who are hesitant to get the vaccine. The good news is that the more people who receive the vaccine the more we will be able to get back to a fair amount of our pre-pandemic life this summer.

To quote Mary Manz Simon from the ALOA Board of Directors, "God has led us through the Valley of COVID. He has been faithful. He is still present and in control. He is preparing an eternal home for us, but our time has not yet come. Until then safely step into the new normal."

I feel we at LMC have been blessed that the virus did not affect us as badly as many other churches here and in other cities. Prayers have been answered! God is good!

Blessings,
Linda Graffius, RN
Faith Community Nurse

Resources: ALOA Newsletter; April 2021
AARP Bulletin; I Got The Shot. Now What? May 2021
NPR Life Kit; Unmasking Our Feelings as Pandemic Life Goes On; Andee Tagle, Life Kit producer.

Erie Gives Day 2021



YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO HELP A NON-PROFIT

TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2021 8:00AM – 8:00PM
12 HOURS OF GIVING

Day and Time: The event takes place on August 10. You have 12 hours to make your donation between the hours of 8:00am and 8:00pm.

Participating Nonprofits: Your organization must be a 501(c)(3), serve Erie County and either be a member of [The Nonprofit Partnership](#) or have an Agency Endowment with the Erie Community Foundation to participate in Erie Gives. **Luther Memorial Church, Luther Memorial Academy and Bethany Outreach Center appreciate your support.**

Gift Amount: The minimum gift is \$25. There is no limit to the amount of money you may give. There is no limit to the number of organizations you can donate to in a transaction.

Making a Donation: Simply log on to www.eriegives.org or call the Erie Community Foundation at 454-0843.

Credit Cards: Only Visa, MasterCard and Discover will be accepted. The credit card processor charges a nominal fee per transaction. The Erie Community Foundation does not receive any fees. (Credit card gift cards will not be accepted.)

Checks: Donors can write a check for their Erie Gives donation.

- Checks must be made out to The Erie Community Foundation;
- All check donations must be accompanied by a Check Donation Form. The Check Donation Form will be available for download beginning June 21, 2021. A Check Donation Form can be mailed to you by contacting the Foundation and requesting this;
- Checks must be delivered to The Erie Community Foundation (459 West 6th Street, Erie, PA 16507) no later than Monday, August 9, 2021.

Prorated Match: The Erie Community Foundation and our sponsors will enhance each donor's gift by providing a prorated match to each gift made to a nonprofit.

Your Receipt: You will receive an email receipt of your gift; please retain it for tax purposes. Unless you choose to remain anonymous, your donor information will be sent to the appropriate organizations.

When the Nonprofits receive your donation: Due to COVID-19, we will not host our annual Check Distribution Day at the Erie Zoo. This year, all Erie Gives donations will be mailed to nonprofits.

June Birthday Celebrations for our Sunshine Members

Patricia Rickloff 6/2
16120 Castle Park Terrace
Lakewood Ranch, FL 34202



J. David Mumford 6/18
Riviera Palms Rehab Center
Room 155
926 Haben Blvd.
Palmetto, FL 34221

Dorothy Youngman 6/26
1856 Lakeside Drive
Erie, PA 16511

July Birthday Celebrations for our Sunshine Members

Laura Beth Kraut 7/6
321 East Avenue
Erie, PA 16507

Cheryl Albert 7/21
5600 Swanville Road
Erie, PA 16506

Jeanette Blair 7/23
4115 Sassafras Street
Erie, PA 16508

June Birthday Celebrations

Carter O'Leary	6/1	Cindy Hedlund	6/10	J. David Mumford, II	6/18
Jan Birkner	6/2	Brent Young	6/10	Cecilia Ulrich	6/18
Mark Cadden	6/2	Ava Fracassi	6/11	Katie Schlecht	6/19
Patricia Rickloff	6/2	Diane Giannelli	6/11	Susan Cappelletty	6/20
Roy Washill	6/2	Henry Gilbert	6/11	Mara Fromyer	6/21
Jennifer Young	6/2	Judith Steff	6/11	Ellie Young	6/21
Barb Grande	6/3	Michelle Vahey	6/11	Jackson Young	6/21
Aimee Huston	6/3	Dave Lintelman	6/12	Grace Graffius	6/22
Tyler Keller	6/3	Carol Nicotra	6/12	Tanner Galloway	6/23
Douglas Blair	6/4	Blake O'Brien	6/12	Virginia Long	6/23
Martha Stickner	6/5	Doug Chaffee	6/13	Juliet Woodward	6/23
Brian Carlson	6/6	Rykhiah Rogan	6/13	Karen Lundwall	6/24
John Evans	6/6	Andrew Bebko	6/14	Julie Wolfram	6/25
Dave Birkner	6/7	Regan DeDionisio	6/15	Allison Brown	6/26
Richard Hessinger	6/7	Don Tatar	6/15	Mary Laver	6/26
Stuart Satur	6/7	Elizabeth Cowan	6/16	Dorothy Youngman	6/26
Bethany Fried	6/8	Robert Davidson	6/16	Donovan Rogan	6/27
Jesse Graffius	6/8	Molly Gaber	6/16	Chase Rowland	6/27
Noelle Partusch	6/8	Sally McAfee	6/16	Sally Allen	6/29
Kristen Ambrose	6/9	David Ruler	6/16	Heather Pirschel	6/29
Marshall Boyd	6/9	Linda Swanson	6/16	Cynthia Hessinger	6/30
Nancy Rogan	6/9	Maureen Montero	6/17	Timothy Houston Jr.	6/30
Dustin Schumacher	6/9	Zandra Shaffer	6/17		

July Birthday Celebrations

Ann Jensen	7/1	Lorraine Johnson	7/10	Elizabeth Wolf	7/20
Mattix McCall	7/1	Stephanie King	7/10	Cheryl Albert	7/21
C. Raymond Schaney	7/1	Angela Eagle	7/12	Rebecca Burling	7/21
Cameron Durian	7/2	Nicole Lippert	7/12	Nicholas Lang	7/21
Heidi Heilman	7/2	Brody Warren	7/12	Christine Narusewicz	7/22
Carlo Cimino	7/3	James Woodward	7/13	Madeline Satur	7/22
Tara Durian	7/3	Emmett Andrae	7/15	R. J. Treiber	7/22
Annette Fuhrman	7/3	Ron King	7/16	Jeanette Blair	7/23
Bill Galloway	7/4	Kaitlin Weber	7/16	Elvin Montero	7/24
Jeana Williams	7/4	Julie Ditz	7/17	Steve Durian	7/25
Stephanie Ames	7/7	Amanda Graffius	7/17	Jeff Will	7/27
Jon Brown	7/8	Brian Hubbard	7/17	Rob Cooney	7/28
Zoe Carolus	7/8	Maggie Jensen	7/17	Lennon Andrae	7/29
Dale Carullo	7/8	Greg Kern	7/17	Pat Mitchell	7/29
Bob Maas	7/8	David Morphy	7/17	Drake Howell	7/30
Jane Tell	7/8	Katherine Ulrich	7/17	Carla Andrejewski	7/31
Cynthia Treiber	7/8	Adam Reusche	7/20	Tucker Galloway	7/31
Amanda Warren	7/9	Bill Steff	7/20	Diana Schaney	7/31



Luther Memorial Academy



Congratulations to Our Graduates!

A huge lion's roar and congratulations to our graduating class of 2021. We wish our 8th grade graduates the best as they continue their high school education. We look forward to hearing about their continued accomplishments! Well Done!

AIDA BIDZINOVA	Mercyhurst Prep	JA'ZAREAH HINES	Collegiate Academy
GRADIN CARTER	Mercyhurst Prep	MONTAY HOLLINGSWORTH	Cathedral Prep
BROOKLYN COLEMAN	Mercyhurst Prep	AYLA JORDAN	Collegiate Academy
EVAN DIETRICH	Mercyhurst Prep	NEVAEH START	Erie High School
ADAM FRIED	Collegiate Academy	IAN STINEDURF	Collegiate Academy
IAN GLADNEY	Collegiate Academy	JULLIANA VEGA-ABREU	Collegiate Academy
SULLIVAN HEUTSCHE	Collegiate Academy	JEANA WILLIAMS	Collegiate Academy

Grade 8 Awards

Thursday, May 27
 GRADE 8 AWARDS
 ASSEMBLY
 8:35am - Main Church
 Families are welcome
 to attend.



Graduation Ceremony

Sunday, June 6
 BACCALAUREATE AND GRADUATION
 Main Church
 3:00pm
**Students are to report to the Chapel at
 2:30 for the class picture.**

Thank You

Our teachers and staff were spoiled by our PTL during Teacher Appreciation Week, May 3-May 7. Thank you to everyone who made our week very special. Thank you to our parents for the privilege of teaching your children each day.



Memorial Day

Monday, May 31
**LMA will be closed ~
 Happy Memorial Day**



Last Day!!

Wednesday, June 9
9:00am

School Awards Presentations will be held in individual classrooms for Kindergarten - Grade 7

School Dismissal: 11:00am
 And it's off to Waldameer for
 our School Picnic.



If financial aid is needed for the 2021-2022 school year, it is imperative that the application form be sent to the school office as soon as possible. Please contact Mr. Paul or Mrs. Fried with any questions.



Lego League



FIRST Lego League (FLL) is open to all 4th-8th graders and is a project-based, hands-on program to introduce students to engineering and coding/programming in an inclusive, creative, and hopeful environment where students work collaboratively to solve a yearly robotics challenge and inspire innovation. FLL focuses on Core Values – Discovery, Innovation, Impact, Inclusion, Teamwork, & Fun.

FIRST Lego League’s 2020-21 seasons’ theme was entitled, “Game Changers,” and each team was challenged to “RePLAY” and use their critical thinking and imagination to explore what future spaces for play will look like. Guided by adult mentors and working as a team, students participated in an Innovation Project to solve a real-world problem, build and program a LEGO® robot, and compete in an exciting, mission-based Robot Game.

LMA Lego League won the Innovative Solution award for figuring out a way to make staying active accessible to all with their research project – an autistic-friendly playground at Cascade Park in Erie! They placed 4th overall in the robot runs. 2020-21 team members are Marshall Boyd, Ian Gladney, Michael Gladney, Sam Gross, Lydia Nelson, & Wyatt Noyes. Go Lions!



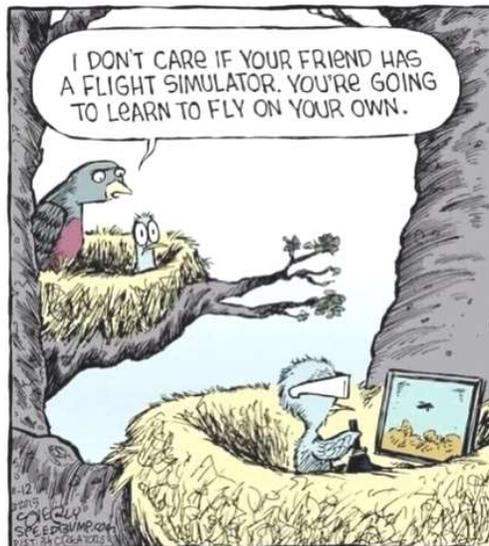
School Summer Office Hours



- The school office will be open through **Friday, June 25**. Hours may vary; please call for an appointment.
- The office will reopen on **Monday, August 2** for the remainder of the summer from 8:00am – 12:00 noon.
- First day of school is **Wednesday, August 25**.

Classroom Meeting Dates

Families will be notified of classroom meeting dates and times before the start of the next school year.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6 8:15/10:30am Worship 3:00pm LMA Baccalaureate & Graduation	7	8 10:00am Magic Fingers Grace Group 6:00pm Council in person & via Zoom	9 LMA last day / Waldameer @ 11:00am	10 3:00pm Organ Lesson	11 	12
13 8:15/10:30am Worship 1:30pm Depart for Conf. Camp 3:00pm ReCharge 7:00pm Presque Isle ProMusica Concert	14	15 	16	17 3:00pm Organ Lesson Return from Conf. Camp	18 5:00pm Jensen/Corbran Wedding Reh.	19 1:00pm Jensen/Corbran Wedding
20 8:15/10:30am Worship	21	22 10:00am Magic Fingers Grace Group	23	24 3:00pm Organ Lesson	25	26
27 8:15/10:30am Worship	28	29	30			

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