

Parish Banner for Jesus



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SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:15am Worship ~ Chapel
10:30am Worship ~ Main Church
Children's Church
Nursery

SEPTEMBER – MAY

9:15am Spiritual Growth Class
(Sundays in Fellowship Hall)
12:30pm Confirmation ~ grades 7-9
(2nd, 4th Sundays)

NEW MEMBER CLASSES

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MONTHLY EVENTS

11:45am Luncheons / Cookouts
Blood Pres. Screenings
3rd Sunday each month

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A Word from Pastor Bill Coleman

I love September for many reasons. I love the new beginning for our kids in school, and the new opportunities presented to the ministry of Luther Memorial Church. I am amazed at how quickly summer went by, and how wonderful summer in Erie was this year. We all had opportunities to be outside and watch things grow in our gardens, to find times of rest, and have fun in sun! But it's time to get back to our schedules and watch the leaves change colors and cooler weather arriving. Life is change.

The statement "life is change" has entered into my soul as summers go by all the more quickly, and this knowledge helps me become a little calmer about the changes which happen in my life. One big change will be happening to the wonderful people of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church. St. Matthew's has made the decision to merge with Luther Memorial Church on Sunday, September 9. During the 10:30am service, St. Matthew's congregation will be formally welcomed into this congregation, and after the worship service, we will all gather downstairs in the fellowship hall to warmly welcome them. Sunday, September 9 begins the intentional process of getting to know them better. St. Matthew's, under the leadership of Ron King, has made the bold decision to move forward in faith knowing that their faithful ministry will continue within this ministry. The people of St. Matthew's have so many wonderful gifts to share, and I very much look forward to you getting to know them better. They are faithful, kind, generous and loving.

I am asking each of you to be at worship **during the 10:30am worship service on Sunday, September 9** to make the good people of St. Matthew's feel welcome, and to make every effort the Sundays after that to introduce yourself and get to know them better. Learning names and the stories of other people takes time, effort, and presence, but we are richer for doing this. I thank you so much for having created a warm and welcoming ministry. I look forward to the many ways that St. Matthew's will change us, and the future that we will have with one another.

Christian Education

Christian Education for the Ministry Year 2018 and 2019



Luther Memorial Church partners with parents and grandparents to raise ethical and moral children. Parents and grandparents do so much to raise good and well balanced kids by providing them with so many life opportunities and experiences. One of the most important ways to raise ethical and moral children is to teach them the Word of God, which will plant seeds of faith and teach our children to be moral young men and women. Luther Memorial Church provides an excellent Christian Education program *to partner* with parents and grandparents in this endeavor, and are encouraged to stay connected through the below opportunities.

- **Children's Church** begins on Sunday, September 16 during the 10:30am worship service. Children's Church is for kids age 4 and goes through 6th grade. This is a wonderful ministry for our children. Also, the church nursery is available for children 6 months to 3 years old. Finally, please remember that Pastor Coleman provides a Children's Sermon each Sunday.
- **Confirmation** begins on Sunday, September 9 by participating in the "God's Work. Our Hands" service project and continues on Sunday, September 23 when confirmation students participate in the CROP Walk held at Presque Isle State Park (Beach 1) at 1:30 pm. See details below:
 - **Confirmation Classes** will be held at St. John Lutheran Church from 6:00-9:00pm on Saturday nights October 13, November 10, and December 8. Just like last year we will be partnering with the youth and pastors of the Erie Lutheran Parish by having one confirmation program, which will build good relationships for Confirmation Camp at Lutherlyn and the National Youth Gathering in 2021. Luther Memorial's confirmation program is for 7th, 8th and 9th graders. Pastor Coleman will be contacting the 10th graders to set up one class to discuss their Confirmation which will be held on Sunday, October 28 during the 10:30am worship service.

September 9, 2018 - "God's Work. Our Hand's" Project for Confirmation

Project Time: Sunday, September 9 from 1:00pm-4:00 pm

Project Location: 434 East 7th Street, Erie

Project Work: Landscaping and Minor Home Repairs

September 23, 2018 - Erie County CROP Walk for Confirmation

Walk Time: Sunday, September 23 from 2:00pm-4:00pm (meet at 1:30 pm)

Walk Location: Presque Isle State Park - Beach 1

Schedule of Confirmation Classes

10/13/2018 Class, Food, Fun, and Fellowship

11/10/2018 Class, Food, Fun, and Fellowship

12/8/2018 Class, Food, Fun, and Fellowship

Class Time: Saturday nights from 6:00-9:00pm

Class Location: St. John Lutheran Church - 2216 Peach Street



- **Super Wednesday** begins on October 3 at 5:30pm with a meal, followed by faith conversations and prayer. Kids will have time together with Sarah Prylinski and Beth Keller. This is a relaxed and multi-generational event and exists to more deeply form community. You need to eat anyway, so why not step out of your comfort zones and schedules and give it a try!

Wednesdays; October 3, 2018, November 7, 2018, December 5, 2018, February 6, 2019, March 6, 2019 (Ash Wednesday 7:00pm Worship Only), April 3, 2019, May 1, 2019

The schedule includes the following:

5:30 to 6:15pm	Meal
6:15 to 7:15pm	Devotional Time
7:15 to 8:15pm	Committee Meetings



- **Adult Spiritual Growth** will begin on Sunday, September 16 at 9:15am in the downstairs Fellowship Hall. Remember we never stop growing and learning about our faith!



<u>Sunday Topic</u>		
9/2/2018	No Class	
9/8/2018	No Class	
9/16/2018	How Lutherans Interpret the Bible - The Word of God	
9/23/2018	102 Questions Children Ask About the Bible	
9/30/2018	What Lutherans Say About the Bible	

Pastor's Book Club



Pastor's Book Club will resume on Wednesday, October 24, 2018 at 6:00pm and will meet in the Luther Memorial Church parlor. We will be reading the book *Four Scraps of Bread* by Magda Hollander-Lafon. More information will be given in the October newsletter about the pages to read, but for now, just order the book. If you are interested in being more active in the ministry of Luther Memorial Church and meeting new people, this is a great way to do it. We meet once every five weeks and have a great time of conversation and fellowship.

Bibles for our Third Graders

Bibles will be presented to children in third grade on Reformation Sunday, October 28, during the 10:30am service. Please contact Norma in the church office by Monday, October 15 if your son and/or daughter are in third grade so a Bible can be prepared for them. Thank you.



Acolyte Training



Luther Memorial Church will be providing an Acolyte Training on Sunday, October 14 immediately following the 10:30am church service. Youth participation makes our worship services very meaningful. Please encourage your child to help serve the Lord and share their gifts within this community.

College Bound



Many of our youth are off to a new adventure as they begin college. Please contact the church office with their school and email address so we may continue to keep in touch with them. We would like to be sure they receive our newsletters and a card from time to time. Thank you.

New Member Classes



Luther Memorial has scheduled these classes for the purpose of creating opportunities to invite those people God places into your lives into the fellowship of this ministry. Authentic evangelism happens when each disciple invites and welcomes others to hear about God's love and forgiveness. It is as simple as that. This is a ministry growth strategy! You are an evangelist! You are on the evangelism committee!

New Member Information Classes

11:45am ~ Chapel

September 2, 2018
November 18, 2018

New Members Received

10:30am Worship ~ Sanctuary

September 9, 2018
December 2, 2018

Luther Memorial ReCharge



Luther Memorial Recharge is being offered based on the following observations:

- The number of people who attend Sunday morning worship continues to stagnate or fall.
- Sunday morning is filled with many other activities and events. Sunday is no longer the day of rest.
- Integrating an “inquirer of faith” into our Sunday morning worship is difficult. People who don’t even know who Jesus is or know very little about the Church could find it difficult to understand what is going on.
- Churches who play around with worship styles thinking that it will “bring people into the church” fail to realize that people are seeking a relationship with Jesus first. Connecting people to Jesus and to one another is what is most important, not the worship style, per se, but the connection that is made to the Word... to Jesus.
- Luther Memorial Church’s worship style is very meaningful and we do it very well, and to mess around with what happens on Sunday morning would be foolish and counterproductive. The Lutheran Church has wonderful theology, in that, we believe in the tension between Law and Gospel and the Theology of the Cross. We do not believe in the Prosperity Gospel and there is a deep need to continue doing what we do well.
- An opportunity to worship and connect to Jesus in a smaller community on a late Sunday afternoon could be meaningful and expand Luther Memorial’s mission to make disciples.

Sunday

September 9, 2018
October 7, 2018
November 4, 2018
December 2, 2018

Theme

Healing
Being a Good Neighbor
Thanksgiving
The Return of Jesus

Time:

4:00-5:00pm Food and Fellowship
5:00-6:00pm Worship

Join us on Sunday, September 9 for our ReCharge service held outside on the west side of the main church. A summer picnic and games will be held from 4:00 to 5:00pm and our worship service from 5:00-6:00pm. In case of inclement weather, our picnic and worship will be held in fellowship hall.

- ❖ Hotdogs and drinks will be provided.
- ❖ Please bring a dish to share and lawn chairs or blankets to sit on

September Birthday Celebrations:

Arden Fetcko	9/1	Sandra Barbaro	9/11	Thomas Hagen	9/19
Gia Fracassi	9/2	Ella Santillano	9/11	Mary Alice Ross	9/19
Joyce Mountain	9/2	Diane Banks	9/13	John Swenson, Jr.	9/19
Michael Pancurak	9/2	Wendy Kern	9/14	Alexander Ruler	9/20
Sandra Renner	9/2	Bob Peterson	9/14	Gregory Michel	9/21
Matthew Hedlund	9/3	Jeremiah Rieger	9/14	Elijah Schlecht	9/21
Keri Cooney	9/4	Bella Schlecht	9/14	Lincoln Tuszynski	9/21
Deanna Visalle	9/4	Brennan Coleman	9/15	Gabriel Botelho	9/24
Joseph Barbaro	9/5	John Jensen	9/15	Gene Sonney	9/24
Hannah Chaffee	9/5	Austin Nickerson	9/15	Betsy Blore	9/25
Lynnette Donnelly	9/6	Marcus Rogan	9/15	Sandra Mantsch	9/25
Ian Heckelman	9/6	Anthony Cimino, III	9/16	Grant Stelmack	9/25
Peter Lawson	9/8	Gary Flick	9/16	Sandra Brindle	9/26
Alexander Mehs	9/8	Adalynn O’Leary	9/16	Christine Johnson	9/26
Aaron Wettekin	9/9	Nancy Morgan	9/17	Claudia Mosso	9/26
Chester Battersby Jr.	9/10	JoAnn Perry	9/17	Hailey Francis	9/28
Brett Foutz	9/10	Elizabeth Weber	9/17	Maxwell Albert	9/29
Marian Graffius	9/10	Christine Gustafson	9/18		



Music in Worship

Choir Rehearsals Resume

Choir rehearsals have begun and the choir will begin singing in the 10:30 service once again on September 9. Handbell choir rehearsals will begin on September 6 at 6:00pm. Please contact Walt Gaber if you are interested in singing or playing with us as we lead worship, make music and enjoy fellowship together. Even if you are unable to make a long-term commitment for the entire season, consider shorter 6 to 8 week sessions:

Fall / Reformation	Sept / Oct
Advent / Christmas	Nov / Dec
Epiphany	Jan / Feb
Lent / Holy Week	Feb / March
Easter / Ascension/Pentecost	Apr / May



St. Matthew's Choral Music

The extensive choral library of St. Matthew's church will be incorporated into the Luther Memorial library. We are in the process of relocating and reviewing the many anthems and extended choral works. Several of these will be featured during the next few months. Please watch for commentary in the bulletins describing these anthems as they enhance our worship.



Presque Isle Pro Musica



Luther Memorial is playing a central role in this new orchestra by providing the venue for its 2018-2019 concert season. Musicians and audience members alike have often commented that Luther Memorial is the most fitting site for this size of orchestra due to our quality acoustics, seating capacity, central location and support of the musical arts in Erie. Cantor Walt Gaber will serve on the board of directors and the Luther Memorial Concert Series will collaborate with this venture to host the concerts.

The core group of people working to create this new ensemble were very appreciative when Luther Memorial offered to provide the venue at no cost to the orchestra - so much so, that it will be known as the **Presque Isle Pro Musica, a resident orchestra at Luther Memorial Church**. This continues our tradition of supporting the arts in the Erie community as an important part of our ministry to those around us. And it provides stability and community stature for the orchestra to be firmly associated with a well-known and permanent anchor in Erie. If you have any interest in assisting with this new facet of the LM Concert Series ministry, please contact Walt Gaber. Recalling the byline of the Luther Memorial Concert Series (*we believe art feeds the spirit*), there are many ways you can help. We want to be the finest and most welcoming host we can as this orchestra establishes itself in the community.

"God's Work, Our Hands" Service Project



ERIE LUTHERAN PARISH

Sunday, September 9, 2018

1:00pm - 4:00pm

434 East 7th Street

We will be working with a ServErie project at 434 East 7th Street on landscaping work and also minor home repairs. We will also be assisting ServErie in converting a vacant lot previously owned by the city into a neighborhood park. This is an exciting project and a wonderful opportunity to become involved with our community and develop relationships. Please volunteer by using the sign-up sheet located on the table beneath the power point screen.

Summer Cookout

Sunday, September 16

11:45am
Parlor



One last great taste of summer! Join us for our last cookout of the year.

All youth are asked to attend cookouts and lend a helping hand with set-up and clean-up.

Be sure to stop in the library to have your blood pressure tested.



Did You Know



- that Luther Memorial Church is a part of the West Bay Front Neighborhood. This organization was created to support our neighborhood and fifteen churches are a part of this organization. For more information check out the following webpage: www.ourwestbayfront.org.
- that \$17,722 was given to Luther Memorial Church and Academy on Erie Gives Day and the Bethany Outreach Center received \$4,176! Thank you for your generosity!

Stewardship and Leaving a Legacy



- The Stewardship Committee would like to offer the use of **electronic giving** to Luther Memorial's ministry if you are unable to worship on Sunday morning. Please note that you are able to give online by going to the church's webpage at www.luthermemorialonline.org. Feel free to contact our Parish Manager Miriam Scheid with any questions.
- Also, if you are considering leaving a legacy to Luther Memorial Church or Luther Memorial Academy you can do this through two ways: First, by contacting Ryan Ebner who is a Regional Gift Planner for the ELCA Foundation at 814-823-3285 / ryan.ebner@elca.org; or second, through the Erie Community Foundation.

Wedding Celebration



We offer our prayers of thanksgiving for Mark Howell and Joyce McGhee as they begin their married lives with one another. They were married at Luther Memorial Church on Saturday, August 25. Congratulations!

Thank You

To Our Friends at Luther Memorial,

Thank you so much for your generous contribution in support of the Bethany Outreach Center. As you know, deserving families and individuals in our community go without proper food, shelter, and essential medical care every day due to a variety of factors. With the generous support of people like you, we are positioned to help many families and individuals not only meeting their essential daily needs, but to work toward hope for life change. Thank you again for your continued support.

Mabel Howard, Executive Director



Dear Luther Family,

Your kind words, cares and inquiries are appreciated so much. While our road to recovery has been long and bumpy I always knew that I could turn to my church family to remind me that our Lord is there for me always. My faith is strong and the he continues to stand by me.

Blessings to you all,
Jane Tell

Oktoberfest Celebration

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7

FELLOWSHIP HALL
11:30AM

DON'T COOK – ENJOY
LUNCH WITH US

Join us for our Annual Oktoberfest Celebration.

Main Course Provided: Pulled Pork, Bratwurst & Sauerkraut,
Macaroni & Cheese

Beverages Provided: Beer, Cider, Coffee, Water

Please Bring: Side Dish or Dessert to share

A good will donation will be collected.

**Reservations would be appreciated to Norma
at 454-0106, ext. 221 by Sunday, September 23.**



Monastery of the Heart

Monastery of the Heart welcomes you to join us for this spiritual growth group as we continue to study prayer using the book *"The Breath of the Soul, Reflections on Prayer"* by Joan Chittister as our guide.

When: 11:00am on Tuesday, September 18

Where: Luther Memorial Church Parlor

Please join us for any of the gatherings. For further information contact Linda Graffius at 454-0106, ext. 229.



Magic Fingers Grace Group



Would you like to start your day with friends, laughter, creativity and just an all-around good feeling? Stop in to our Magic Fingers Grace Group the second and fourth Tuesday of each month for our favorite activity, knitting. If you don't knit or crochet, bring your craft with you. If you like to learn how to knit, we've got just the people to teach you. We hope to see you on Tuesday, September 11 and 25, at 10:00am.

Please contact Jan MacInnes, 454-0106, ext. 233 or the church office, ext. 221 with any questions.

OWLS ~ Older, Wiser Lutherans

Join Us



We have enjoyed beautiful summer weather with wonderful friends at our OWLS gatherings. Lots of warm weather is still to come so celebrate the month of September with us!

Wednesday, September 19

11:30am

Smuggler's Wharf
3 State Street

Please RSVP to Jan MacInnes (454-0106, ext. 233) or the church office by Friday, September 14.

OWLS meet the third Wednesday of each month.

Bethany Storytime Program

This 6-week program for children ages 3 – 10 includes reading stories, doing crafts and other educational activities with them. It is held on Saturdays, from 10:00am – 12:00 noon, October 6 – November 10 at the Bethany Outreach Center, 254 East 10th Street.

- Volunteer: If you would like to help our children with this program on any Saturday (Oct. 6 – Nov. 10), please contact Eric Hedlund by email at eric@bethanyoutreachcenter.org or by phone at 814-898-1233.



Youth & Family Events

Indoor Yard Sale ~ September 15

7:30am – 12:30pm
Fellowship Hall



Everything you need is right here! That treasure you've been searching for may just be at our Indoor Yard Sale. Be sure to stop down for some great finds.

Start cleaning out those closets and drop your unwanted items off at the church beginning in August.

Electronic items and books will not be accepted.

Please contact the church office with any questions.

Erie County CROP Walk for Hunger



Bring your family, your friends and everyone you know and join us September 23 for the CROP Walk. Not walking? We invite you to get involved and sponsor a walker. We can all pitch in and help fight hunger.

Sunday, September 23, 2018
12:30 pm Registration Opens

2:00 pm Walk Begins
Presque Isle State Park – Beach 1

CROP Hunger Walks help to provide food and water, as well as resources that empower people to meet their own needs. From seeds and tools to wells and water systems, the key is people working together to identify their own development priorities, their strengths and their needs.

Youth Scavenger Hunt

Sunday, September 30
12:30 – 4:30pm



Be a super sleuth and solve all the clues! Watch the bulletin for all the details on this super fun event.

Trunk or Treat



Sunday, October 28
4:00-5:30pm
Luther Memorial Parking Area

This is going to be the most fun you've ever had trick or treating! Put on your most awesome costume and fill your treat bag with goodies at Luther Memorial – bring your family and friends for a ghoulish good time!

Please contact the church office, Beth Keller or Sarah Prylinski if you would like to decorate your car and participate in Trunk or Treat. Come up with a great theme, dress in costume, *(there could be prizes)* get your favorite treats to hand out and join in the fun.

Set up in the parking area will be from 3:00-4:00pm. The event will be held rain or shine. This is so exciting!!

2018 Bethany Bash



You won't want to miss the excitement of Bingo at this year's Bethany Bash. Featuring **gift cards** and **two cash jackpot games**; the 2nd jackpot will include cash plus a night on the town (1 night hotel stay, dinner for 2 & tickets to a show).

Date: Sunday, October 7
Time: Doors Open at 11:00am
Game Starts at 1:00pm
Location: 254 East 10th Street
Cost: \$20/person, plus \$5 each additional 3-ON (includes food)

Save the date on your calendar and get your tickets now. For more information, please contact Bethany at 456-6254 or by email, mabel@bethanyoutreachcenter.org. All proceeds benefit Bethany Outreach Center.

Ice or Heat?



Which One Should I Use?

I have asked myself this question and have also been asked this question by others many times. I found an infographic from the Cleveland Clinic that explains the problem, the condition and the solution in an easy to understand format. So, I thought I would pass this information on to all of you.

- **Strains** - Pulled muscles or injured tendons in back, arms or legs. **Ice** eases inflammation (redness, swelling, and/or tenderness) and numbs pain. **Heat** eases stiffness AFTER inflammation resolves.
- **Sprains**- Stretching or tearing of ligaments in joints like the knee, ankle, foot, elbow, etc. **Ice** eases inflammation and numbs pain. **Heat** relieves stiffness AFTER inflammation resolves.
- **Tendonitis** - Acute irritation after activity in tendons attached to joints like the shoulder, elbow, knee, wrist, heel, etc. **Ice** eases inflammation and numbs pain.
- **Tendinosis** - Chronic irritation and stiffness in tendons attached to joints. **Heat** relieves stiffness after inflammation resolves.
- **Headache** - Pain from nerves or blood vessels in the head or from muscles in the neck. **Ice** numbs throbbing head pain. **Moist Heat** relaxes painful neck spasms.
- **Arthritis** - Worn-away cartilage in joints (knee, shoulder, elbow, fingers, etc.) **Moist Heat** eases chronically stiff joints, relaxes tight muscles.
- **Gout Flare Ups** - Chronic, inflammatory arthritis (big toe, instep, ankle, heel, knee, wrist, fingers, elbow, etc.) **Ice** calms flare-ups, and numbs the pain.

Why use ice for injuries less than 6 weeks old? Ice constricts blood vessels, which numbs pain, relieves inflammation and limits bruising.

Why use heat for arthritis and injuries more than 6 weeks old? Heat increases blood flow, which relaxes tight muscles and relieves aching joints.

An important fact: **Do not use heat for acute injuries. It increases inflammation and can delay healing.** Ice and heat are easy, natural and affordable ways to relieve pain and are part of alternative care medical practices.

I would also like to pass on that some changes have been made regarding the frequency of taking acetaminophen (extra strength Tylenol 500 mg). For many years the bottles read that the recommended dosage was 2 tablets every 4 hours for pain. Now the recommendations are 2 tablets or 1000mgs every **6-8 hours** as needed for pain and not to exceed more than 3000-4000 mgs per 24 hours. Acetaminophen is metabolized in the liver as are many other medications, and too much of it can cause liver damage. I have not heard publically about these changes and only became aware of them because my sister recently incurred some injuries and Urgicare told her to take the ES Tylenol every 8 hours. I thought this wasn't adequate pain management and that she could take it more often. But after she checked with her son-in-law, who is a surgeon, he informed her of the changes. So I looked at the bottles I have at home and found that one brand recommended every 6 hours and the other every 8 hours. So, as with all medical questions, be sure to ask your health care provider.

Blessings,
Linda Graffius, RN Faith Community Nurse

September Birthday Celebrations for Our Sunshine Members:

JOYCE MOUNTAIN 9/2
Sarah Reed Retirement Center
227 W. 22nd Street, RT 102
Erie, PA 16502



BOB PETERSON 9/14
2380 Village Common Drive
Apt. 130
Erie, PA 16506

Women of the ELCA

Tuesday Evening Circle

TUESDAY EVENING CIRCLE

September 4 at 7:00pm.

All women are invited to join us.

If you have questions about our women's group,
please contact Pat Young at 455-7736



Deborah Circle

**Tuesday, September 4
6:30pm**

For more information, contact Judy Johnson
at 833-4600

NWPA & SWPA Women of the ELCA

Weekend Retreat at Camp Lutherlyn
September 14 - 16, 2018

Our Weekend Goal: *"As we seek justice in all the earth, we will love all humanity, respect everyone and see differences as a gift from God."*



Morning and afternoon workshops, leisure time and be a little daring and soar on our zipline.

Registration due August 25 to Elvira (Vera) Harencame, 2074 Saxonburg Boulevard, Gibsonia, PA 15044. Please contact Vera at 724-265-2856 or Elharen1994 @msn.com with any questions.

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.



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

Marian Lundgren who died July 29, 2018
Anne Wolf, mother of Ben Wolf, who died August 12, 2018

Senior News



The Second Harvest Food Bank invites all seniors who are 60 years of age or older and meet certain income requirements to register to receive a FREE senior food box. The Second Harvest Senior Box Program provides FREE nutritious food once a month to supplement a recipient's current grocery needs.

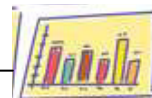
The monthly senior boxes contain fresh cheese and the following canned, bottled or boxed items:

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| • Fruit | • Juice |
| • Vegetables | • Meat or fish |
| • Cereal | • Instant or evaporated milk |

Eligibility: You must be a Pennsylvania resident, 60 years of age or older and have a gross household monthly income at or below the following:

Household Size	Monthly Income
1	\$1,316
2	\$1,784
Each additional person	Add \$468 for each person

For more information about the Senior Box Program, please contact Sheilah Dauson at the Second Harvest Food Bank; 814-0459-3663, ext. 111.

July 2018 Statistics**ATTENDANCE:**

	<u>8:15 A.M.</u>	<u>10:30 A.M.</u>	<u>4:00 P.M.</u> <u>RECHARGE</u>	<u>NURSERY</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
July 1	22	70			92
July 8	40	80	58	1	179
July 15	29	82		1	112
July 22	37	94		3	134
July 29	37	78			115

BAPTISMS: None Recorded.**FUNERALS:** **FLOOD, LOGAN** – Date of Death: June 28, 2018 / Date of Funeral: July 3, 2018 / Pastor William E. Coleman officiating.**PATERSON, DAVID NEIL** – Date of Death: June 21, 2018 / Date of Funeral: July 12, 2018 / Pastor William E. Coleman officiating.**DEHNER, PATRICIA** – Date of Death: July 12, 2018 / Date of Funeral: July 16, 2018 / Pastor William E. Coleman officiating at Immanuel Lutheran Church.**MEMORIALS:****REICHARD, RITA** – FROM:

Jan & Skip MacInnes Marilyn Rositer

FLOOD, LOGAN – FROM:

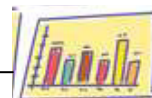
Lois Smith Jane & Jack Tell

KARASACK, JACK – FROM:

Joanne Dahlstrand

PATERSON, DAVID – FROM:

Joanne Dahlstrand Jane & Jack Tell

LETTER OF TRANSFER: None Recorded.**NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED:** None Recorded**WEDDINGS:** None Recorded.**August 2018 Statistics****ATTENDANCE:**

	<u>8:15 A.M.</u>	<u>10:30 A.M.</u>	<u>4:00 P.M.</u> <u>RECHARGE</u>	<u>NURSERY</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
August 5	44	88	28	2	162
August 12	23	131		2	156
August 19	39	120			159
August 26	24	106		3	133

BAPTISMS: **WARREN, AUBREY ANNETTE** – Born: March 20, 2018 / Baptized: August 19, 2018 / Parents: Kyle and Amanda (Carpin) Warren / Pastor William E. Coleman officiating.**FUNERALS:** **LUNDGREN, MARIAN** – Date of Death: July 29, 2018 / Date of Service: August 4, 2018 / Pastor William E. Coleman officiating.**REICHARD, RITA** – Date of Death: June 6, 2018 / Date of Memorial Service: August 10, 2018 / Pastor William E. Coleman officiating.**MEMORIALS:****REICHARD, RITA** – FROM:Dianne & Patrick Haller Betty Pletz
Ann & Gary Flick**FLOOD, LOGAN** – FROM:

Dixie Bloom

PATERSON, DAVID – FROM:

Joan & David Chalikian

LUNDGREN, MARIAN – FROM:Wilda Sundberg Jean McMillin & David Morphy
Kathy Kuzmin**LETTER OF TRANSFER:** None Received.**NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED:** None Received.**WEDDINGS:** **HOWELL, MARK D.** and **MCGHEE, JOYCE M.** – August 25, 2018 / Pastor William E. Coleman officiating.



Luther Memorial Academy

New Teacher at LMA

Welcome to Tiffany Crozier, our new middle school teacher! Mrs. Crozier will be the 8th grade homeroom teacher and will teach math and science to our middle school students. We're blessed to have her join our LMA family.



Luther Memorial Academy Sunday

Everyone enjoys this very special Sunday service each year when our students and families join with Luther Memorial Church to celebrate our school and the ministry and personal relationship we share. We will worship together on:



Sunday, September 23
Worship service begins at 10:30am
Main Church

This is a required school day; all students are asked to report to Faith Chapel by 10:15am.

Any student unable to be present must have a parental excuse.
 All students and faculty will process into the church as a school.

Please join us in the parlor for refreshments, provided by the Parent Teacher League, following the worship service.

Chinese Auction



Our school library is funded solely by our Chinese Auction and monetary gifts that are received throughout the year. Our school librarian, Mrs. Jan Birkner, keeps our library well stocked with the most current books that our children love as well as up-to-date resource materials. We invite you to stop in the library this morning to see the wonderful atmosphere that Mrs. Birkner has created for our children.

While you're in the library have some fun and take part in our Chinese Auction. You could win that special item you have your eye on. Donations for the auction (craft/homemade and purchased items, etc.) will be accepted through Friday, September 22. Monetary donations are also very appreciated.

Walking Taco Lunches



A Walking Taco for lunch always hits the spot. Taco lunches are offered to the students during specified Friday dates. Taco lunches are \$3 and served in a Dorito or Frito bag with meat, along with choices of lettuce, tomato, cheese and salsa. These lunches help support the FIRST Lego Team.

Our first Walking Taco lunch will be Friday, September 28.

Back to School Sports Fundraiser

Wednesday, September 5
 5:00 – 8:00pm
 Odis 12
 3702 West 12th Street
 (next to Harley Davidson)



Come join us and enjoy Erie's best chicken wings 9 years in a row!!

A great start to the school year with delicious food
 and visiting with friends.

Odis 12 will donate a percentage of the sales during this time to help our school implement new athletic programs and offset the cost for families to participate.

Payments

MILK MONEY: 2% chocolate or white milk is available each day. The first semester milk money payment is due in August. You are welcome to pay by semester for a discounted rate of \$36 per student or yearly, \$72 per student. The cost per carton is 50 cents.

TUITION BREAK: If you are responsible for a new student(s) attending LMA, your final tuition payment for that year (May) will be waived. Sometimes word of mouth is our best advertising!! If you know a family thinking of changing schools, let them know about us!!



Together We Shine!



Hello LMA family:

My name is Kim Wertz, and I'm the new PTL president. My husband Jim and I have two children; Ellie is going into fourth grade and Maddie is starting Kindergarten. I'm excited about my new role and thrilled to work alongside the other members of the PTL Board; Holly Bebko, Treasurer; Debbie Gross, Secretary; and Sandy Mantsch, Fundraising, to provide opportunities for staff, students, and families to come together.

The goal of the Parent Teacher League (PTL) is to create a community between the school and families to benefit all the students at LMA. This is accomplished by having family focused events like Bingo Night, Movie Night, the Thanksgiving Feast and receptions after LMA Sunday and 8th Grade Graduation; just to name a few. Becoming a member and supporting PTL fundraising efforts throughout the year help sponsor these events, as well as teacher wish-list items, classroom items, and our ability to maintain the playground and update school technology.

The 2018/2019 Fundraisers Include:

August-September: Saving Street Discount Cards – Saving Street Cards will be on sale until September 14 for \$10 each. These repeat savings cards are good for repeat visits to great restaurants and activity venues. On sale in the school office and each LMA student will come home with cards to sell along with more information.

November 4: Purse Bingo – Mark your calendars for our 2nd Annual Designer Purse Bingo. Sunday, November 4. Doors open at 3:00pm; games will run from 4:00-7:00pm at the Perry Hi-Way Hose Company. Support Luther Memorial Academy and enjoy a night out with friends while playing for fabulous purses from the designer names you love! Purchase tickets for \$30 at <https://squareup.com/store/LMA-PTL/>. Purchase tickets by September 1 and get the early bird rate of \$25.

March: Romolo Candy

If you wish to opt-out of fundraising but would still like to support PTL activities, please consider a gift of \$75 or more. The opt-out form is included in this packet.

Be sure to check your email for important updates and announcements from luthermemorialacademyptl@gmail.com. Use this email if you have questions, comments or wish to volunteer. We'll also post to the "LMA Parents" Facebook page. A newsletter will be on the back of the monthly school calendar and events will be announced in the school section of the monthly Luther Memorial Parish Banner.

To become a member of the Luther Memorial Academy PTL, please complete the attached membership form and return it to the office with \$10 by Monday, October 1, 2018. The first class to get 100% participation will receive an ice cream party!

I look forward to getting to know all of you!

KimWertz
814-746-9944

luthermemorialacademyptl@gmail.com

PTL Membership Enrollment Form

Family Name: _____

Student's Name(s)/Grade(s): _____

Email Address: _____

Please include your membership fee of \$10 in cash or check payable to LMA-PTL

Fundraising Opt-Out

I would like to support the PTL and activities it provides for our school, however, I do not wish to fundraise. Here is my opt-out donation:

Name: _____

Student: _____ Grade: _____

Donation (min. \$75 requested): _____

One of the things that makes Luther Memorial Academy a great school is our amazing PTL and all the many opportunities for parent and teacher involvement. Each of our committees needs volunteers to get the job done. There are volunteer opportunities that will meet every personality type and every time or schedule constraint - there's something for everyone!

☐ Check here if you would like to discuss the volunteer opportunity that's right for you!

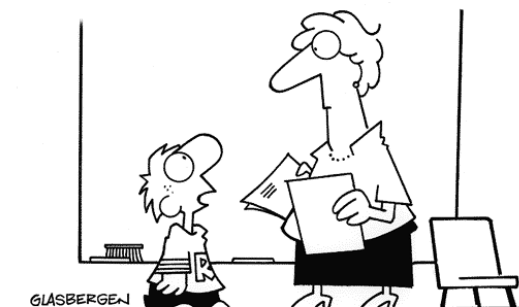
If there are any questions please contact Kim Wertz at luthermemorialacademyptl@gmail.com or call 814-746-9944. Please return this form to the school office. Thank you!

Tuition Procedure for 2018/2019



School tuition payments will continue to be processed by Vanco Services, a company endorsed by Thrivent Financial, for the 2018/2019 school year. The cost for this service is paid by the school, which is much better than the \$36 fee charged to each family by the FACTS program.

- The tuition will either be deducted from your checking account, savings account, or charged to a credit card. If the credit card option is chosen, you will be responsible for a 4% fee.
- The authorization form was included in your tuition letter for 2018/2019. This form was to be returned to the school office before June 15.
- Parents have the option of making tuition payments over a 10 or 12 month period.



"I couldn't do my homework because my computer has a virus and so do all my pencils and pens."

SEPTEMBER 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 10:00am Legos
2 8:15/10:30am Worship 11:45am New Member Class	3 Labor Day Church & School Offices Closed	4	5 5:00pm Prayer Group	6 5:30pm Legos 6:00pm Handbells 7:00pm Choir	7	8 9:00am Moving of St. Matthew's Items to Luther Memorial
9 8:15/10:30am Worship 1:00pm "God's Work, Our Hands" Service Project 4:00pm ReCharge Service	10	11 10:00a Magic Fingers Grace Group 5:45pm Emerg. Prep. Meeting 7:00pm Council	12 5:00pm Yard Sale Set-up	13 5:30pm Legos Yard Sale Set-up	14 Yard Sale Set-up	15 7:30am-12:30pm Yard Sale 
16 8:15/10:30am Worship 9:15am Adult Sp. Growth 11:30am Cookout 11:30am Cong. Life Meeting 1:00pm VASA	17	18 11:00am Monastery of the Heart 7:00pm PIAA Board	19 11:30am OWLS/Smuggler's 	20 5:30pm Legos 6:00pm LCBA Meeting	21	22 10:00am Legos
23 LMA <i>Sunday</i> 8:15/10:30am Worship 9:15am Adult Spiritual Growth 11:30am Refreshments CROP Walk	24 	25 10:00am Magic Fingers Grace Group	26	27 5:30pm Legos 6:00pm Handbells 7:00pm Choir	28 7:00pm Gustafson/Donnelly Wedding	29 10:00am Legos
30 8:15/10:30am Worship 9:15am Adult Spiritual Growth 12:30-4:30pm Youth Scavenger Hunt						