



## THE ECHO OF ST. JOSEPH'S HILL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**Christian Education** We want to thank everyone who donated items for the Sunday School Benevolence project this year. Additional items were purchased using a \$250 card from a Thrivent Action Team. The Boyertown Area Multi Service Food Pantry was very grateful for all the items donated. We donated 336 pounds of goods!!

Confirmation will be held on Sunday, June 4. Congratulations to our confirmands Jacob Miller and Adrianna Gaul. Senior recognition will be held on Sunday, June 18 to honor our graduates. There will be no Vacation Bible School held this year at our church. St. John-Hill UCC church will be holding Vacation Bible School June 13-16 from 6pm-8pm, Saturday, June 17 9am-11am and on Sunday, June 18 9:30am-10:30am. If you are interested in attending, please call St. John-Hill UCC at 610-367-8114.

Our last day of Sunday School this year was May 28. We will not have Sunday School during the summer. We will resume Sunday School in September. Look for more information in the August Echo.

**Daycare News** Psalm 91 reads, "Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High shall abide in the shadow of the Almighty." The center is a ministry of St. Joseph's Hill Church and we pray for our children and their families. We dwell under the shelter and protection of the Most High.

Every month when I ponder what to write in the Echo, I look back on past publications to see what I have shared before. In 2020 the June Echo stated that "the covid crisis has caused great sadness in the hearts of the staff, children and families here at St. Joe's." **In June of 2023, we declare with joy "that no evil has come upon us, nor has any plague come near our tent" (Psalm 91:10). We rejoice that God is faithful, the center is healthy and the children are happy!**



We celebrated Teacher Appreciation Week in May, and we need to recognize congregational members who gave of their heart and their goodies to make it a special week. Thanks to our church bakers; Joanne Bieber, Esther Hendericks, Anna Moyer, Polly Sharp and Gretel Witkowski.

Thank you to Michele Beekman who provided beautiful flowers and "an apple for the teachers". Our teachers felt appreciated!

We have passed the finish line for the 2023-2024 school year. Thank you to all our teachers including Marcia Kurtz who provides songs of blessings to our children every Wednesday morning and to Tim Albrecht who is our Tuesday morning Bible storyteller.



**The Pre-Kindergarten Graduation was May 23rd. The Graduate's family and friends celebrated the children's accomplishments and success.**

**"School's out for Summer!"** The children are waiting for the warm weather and soon the classrooms will start smelling like sunscreen. Water play, field trips and playground fun is what's next at St. Joseph's Day Care.

## JUNE WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

June 4 The Holy Trinity - Confirmation  
9:00 AM Worship Service & Holy Communion

June 11 2nd Sunday of Pentecost-Church Music Sunday  
9:00 AM Worship Service

June 18 3rd Sunday of Pentecost-Graduation Recognition  
9:00 AM Worship Service & Holy Communion

June 25 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
9:00 AM Summer Worship Service

The June edition of the **ECHO** is presented by  
The Schaeffer Family!

The church secretary will be on vacation from June 9<sup>th</sup>, returning June 19<sup>th</sup>.  
If you have an emergency, please contact Linda Kowalski.

## **June Anniversaries**

Cathy & Michael Moyer	35 years	Joanne & Carl Bieber	55 years
Edward & Pat Bullard	41 years	Gladys & Joseph Oppelt	49 years
Inky & Tim Albrecht	42 years	Monika & Scott Heydt	17 years
Jared & Lauren Clugston	7 years	Brenda & James Mull	19 years
James & Kathleen Youse	54 years	Elsa & Arthur Breikreutz	69 years
Diane & Thomas Rose	31 years	Pamela & Eric Steele	20 years
Ryan Krall & Thalia Williamson	3 years		

## **June Birthdays**

Andrew Robertson	15	Jean Botts
Juniper Leh		Alan Wood
Delaney Nold		Susy Yerger
Sandra Kemp	16	Margaret Seasholtz
Janet Seyler	19	Michael Beekman
Tailyor Kuser	20	Theodore Kazmierczak Jr.
Bud Heller		Ray Groff
Erhard Wensel	21	Lauren Clouser
Kathie Gilbert	23	Mae Hilbert
Lillian Detweiler		Jennifer Wood
Penny Davidheiser		Corinne Bieber
Ernest Seyler	25	Rick Grabert
Audrey McKown		Neal Moyer
13 Bruce Moyer	28	Braiden Bice
14 James Youse		Ashley Miller

**Sign up sheets** Opportunities to be of service are on the sign up sheets on the bulletin board. Please sign up to sponsor the bulletin, read the scripture or prayers during service, light the candles, usher, greet people when they come into the building & communion assistants needed on 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month. The sheets are located on the bulletin board. Your participation is greatly appreciated.

## **Looking Ahead**

June 4: Pastor Litchner is supplying; Confirmation.

June 6: Christian Education meets via zoom.

June 11: Pastor Litchner is supplying; Church Music Sunday-Auto-Harp during service; ECHO articles due.

June 15: Council meets at 7 PM in the fellowship hall.

June 18: Pastor Shussetts is supplying; Graduation recognition.

June 25: Past Shussetts is supplying.

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Church Office Hours: Monday - Friday.....10:00 AM–2:00 PM

Daycare hours Monday – Friday.....6:30 AM – 6:00 PM

## ***JUNE NEWSLETTER***

