



August 2023 ECHO

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IN THE NEWS...

Rally Day will be held on Sunday, September 10 to start the new Sunday School year. We have classes for students in grades kindergarten through grade 6, Jr/Sr High and adults. Look for more details in the September Echo.

The **Oley Fair** will be held on September 21, 22 and 23. St. Joseph's usually volunteers on Saturday nights from 4pm till closing alongside St. John's UCC. Look for more information in the September Echo, church bulletins and e-blasts.

Maria Foisel's contact information was inadvertently not placed in the directory. If you would like to have her contact information, please send me an email or give me a call.

Thank you to everyone who helped in the preparation of the salad and making of desserts for **Mission Birdsboro**. Please pray for all the volunteers involved and the folks that are blessed to receive the results of everyone's efforts.

If you are interested in being part of the **Prayer Chain Team**, please contact Joanne Bieber at 610-369-1451. As a member all you have to do is call the next name on the team list after you have received a prayer request. There is great power in prayer!! Thank you for joining the team.

Susy Yerger, our current **volunteer coordinator**, has handed in her resignation as of September 1st. We thank you for your time and commitment that she has given to the position.

Therefore, we are looking for an interested person to fill the position starting September 1st. This is a paid position consisting of up to 15 hours a week. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Michele Magners or Kathie Gilbert.



As you pray, please lift up these brothers and sisters in Christ:

Nate, Kathee Rhode's grandson; Noah, Lucy Hartman's grandson; Lizinette & Tim, friends of Linda Kowalski; Margueritte Hobert, long standing church member; Arlene McCaffrey, long time member; Barbara, Matt Neumaier's mother; Roberta, Faye Gehris' sister; Gene & Nicole, friends of Joanne Bieber; and Pat P., a friend of Susy Yerger.

Here is News from Friedens Church...We wanted to let everyone know that this year's collection for the Oley Valley Food Pantry for school will **only** be **backpacks**. We are currently seeing families with 250+ children each month. We appreciate any help that you can give! Thank you, Brook Green, Office Administrator, Friedens Evangelical Lutheran Church, 1076 Memorial Hwy, Oley, PA 19547.

LOOKING AHEAD:

Aug. 5: Blood Drive; set up fellowship hall for Sunday's fellowship hall rental.

Aug. 6: Pastor Lichner is supplying; Holy Communion; Baptisms of the Parzanese boys.

Aug. 8: Christian Ed meets at 7 PM via zoom.

Aug. 13: Pastor Lichner is supplying.

Aug. 15: Spiritual life meets at 7 PM via zoom.

Aug. 20: Blessing of the Backpacks.

Aug. 27: Pastor Shussett is supplying.

Dare I say, “Back to School”? **St. Joseph’s Day Care** serves school age children for the Oley School District and Earl Elementary. We also serve children six weeks old to fifth grade. We currently have a waiting list for many of our classrooms. Interested parents should contact the center for enrollment. As always the center desires to serve the community and appreciates its church family. Church members receive a %10 discount on their cost of child care.

The children are enjoying a wonderful summer full of new adventure and excitement. Outdoor play and water play are the favorite activities. Special events this summer included school age field trips to the movies, bowling, Valley Forge, the Elwood Zoo, the Davinci Center, Hawk Mountain and Earl Park.

Thank you to Dennis and Marta Weller for performing at the Wednesday morning Children’s Church and to Jim Youse for showing off his skills in carving birds. We are doing the Bible’s creation stories this summer, and Jim complimented how God created the fish and birds. The Wellers played the horns and the flutes as we sang “God Bless America” and talked about how God created the earth. Thank you church family for sharing your gifts!

Late August we will again be doing our fall Corbi’s Pizza Sale. Our church family is always welcome to participate. Of course, proceeds will go to our new playground.

August Worship Opportunities

August 6	10 th Sunday after Pentecost. 9:00 AM Worship Service & Holy Communion. Pastor Lichner will supply.
August 13	11 th Sunday after Pentecost. 9:00 AM Worship Service. Pastor Lichner will supply.
August 20	12 th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 AM Worship Service & Holy Communion Blessing of the Backpacks.
August 27	13 th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 AM Worship Service Pastor Shussett will supply.

The AUGUST edition of the **ECHO** is not sponsored.

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

Louise & David Hoch	55 years	Rosemarie & Edward Hantwerker	52 years
Duane & Michelle Bialek	20 years	Esther & Don Hendricks	59 years
Frank & Mindy Morgan	30 years	Beverly & Raymond Groff	56 years
Michael & Lucille Steffy	60 years	Lily & William Renninger	50 years
Leroy & Darlene Weidner	52 years	Jean & Garry Botts	59 years
Vicki & Randy Botts	32 years	Christine & Harry Sheetz	49 years
Patricia & Ted Kazmierczak	29 years		

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Penny Tracy	Romy Tressler
April Moser	Deb Geesey
Amber Glucksnis	Tammy Benfield
Lindsey Moyer	Rose Henderson
Kelsey Lewis	Sean Schaeffer
Shawn Corkran	William Renninger
Kayla Miller	Maya Hartman-Moyer
Connor Longacre	Brenda Moyer
Cathy Lorah	Edwin Dierolf
Jean Stauffer	Elizabeth Albrecht
Ken Yerk	Ava moyer
Tanya Chambers	Owen Bice
Curtis Seyler	Marcy Meitzler
Carson Schwenk	Ty Botts
Mackenzie Kluk	Rick Geesey
Jessica Romanowski	David Moyer
Elizabeth Tracy	Lillian Leh

In these **remarks** are hidden the names of 15 books of the Bible. It's a lulu. Kept me looking so hard for facts that I missed the revelation. I was in a jam, especially since the names were not capitalized. The truth will come to numbers of our readers. To others it will be a real job. For all it will be a most fascinating search. Yes, there will be some easy to spot, others hard to judge, so we admit it usually results in loud lamentations when we can't find them. One lady says that she brews coffee while she puzzles over it. One book is underlined to help you start. Can you find the other 14?

The answers will be in next month's newsletter!



The Staff at St. Joseph's (Hill) Lutheran Church:

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

Time Value: 7/25