



TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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FROM THE PASTOR...

This year's Talent Show/Cook-Off is Sunday, February 15th, at 4PM in the parish hall. Sign-ups for both the talent show and the cook-off will go up this month, so keep an eye out for them. This a pre-Lent fellowship event that's loads of fun, so please don't miss it!

- Pastor Gene





Worship in February

February 1, 2026 – 4th Sunday after Epiphany

Sermon Text: Matthew 5:1-12 Jesus opens the Sermon on the Mount by naming those who are blessed in the reign of God. **Contemporary worship at 8AM.**

February 8, 2026 – 5th Sunday after Epiphany

Sermon Text: Matthew 5:13-20 In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus encourages his followers to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, doing good works and keeping God's commandments.

February 15, 2026 – The Transfiguration of Our Lord

Sermon Text: Matthew 17:1-9 Shortly before he enters Jerusalem, where he will be crucified, Jesus is revealed to Peter, James, and John in a mountaintop experience of divine glory called the transfiguration. **Contemporary worship at 8AM.**

February 18, 2026 – Ash Wednesday

Sermon Text: Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21 In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus commends almsgiving, prayer, and fasting, but emphasizes that spiritual devotion must not be done for show.

February 22, 2026 – 7th Sunday after Epiphany

Sermon Text: Matthew 4:1-11 Jesus experiences anew the temptations that Israel faced in the wilderness. As the Son of God, he endures the testing of the evil one.

February 25, 2026 – Holden Evening Prayer – 7 PM



January Update on Church Financial Status From The Finance Committee:

As reported in this Newsletter (Financial Reports Section), as of 12/31/25, the General Fund is back to a Positive balance of \$7781 - thanks to a tremendous giving month where the General Fund increased by \$9364!!

This puts us in a better starting position than last year when we started at +\$5394 and we are thankful for these blessings and everyone's actions and efforts in 2025.

As we go through the new year, 2026:

Our request remains for all members is to consider the following actions to help us maintain a positive General Fund balance:

- Increase your giving - even a small increase by many will help.
- Start to buy, or increase your purchases of, Gift Cards from the church on the 1st Sunday of each month. The church receives a % of each sale.
- Review the Simply Giving program and consider setting up automated donations to the church which helps smooth the income stream over the whole year, and makes your giving easier and typically more consistent.
- Support fundraisers and special events at the church, especially ones that support the General Fund.
- If you own products through Thrivent that generate Thrivent Choice Dollars, consider directing them to our church as we generally receive over \$1000 of Thrivent Choice Dollars per year.

Kindly consider how you can help, with respect to your current individual or family situation.

If you have already done or are doing these, we thank you for your prayerful consideration and any resulting actions.

The Finance Committee thanks everyone for their financial support of the church and our 2026 budget, along with all other donations and contributions you are providing to the church to support our mission.

The committee will continue to monitor our Financial situation closely and will communicate further as needed.

If you have any questions related to this information, please reach out to a Finance Committee member as listed in the back of the newsletter, or chairperson Kurt Yescavage.

Christian Education News - February 2025



First communion classes will begin on February 25 at 6:15 and will continue each Wednesday evening during Lent. Any young person 10 years of age or older who has not yet received their first communion is eligible to participate in these classes. Please let Pastor Zaiser know if you are interested.

Sunday School

Our lessons this month from the New Testament will help us learn more about Jesus, His love for everyone, and His healing power. These stories will be from the Gospels of John, Matthew, and Mark. Can you name the other Gospel?

Sunday School meets 9:15-10:15, followed by the worship service at 10:30.



JOHN 15:12

Adult Discussion Class

In February, the Adult Discussion Class will be led by Angie and Sheila on alternating weeks. Angie will finish the study of The Lord's Prayer, while Sheila will begin a new unit on "Gratitude". Please join them in the parlor on Sunday mornings for some interesting discussions.

We



Sunday School

Bechtelsville Community News

February 14, 7-11 PM: Valentine's Dance Party with live music at the Bechtelsville Firehouse. \$20 per person (includes beer, wine, and soda). Bring your own snacks. Basket raffle and 50/50 drawing. Benefits the Bechtelsville Park.

With a generous donation and other grant monies already received, the first phase of the playground equipment has been ordered!



Dear Members & Friends,

This year once again, our Cantatas were wonderful and you will never realize how they have inspired many members and friends of this congregation.

The choirs all work so hard and I love them for all they do for me.

I hope as we begin 2026 it will continue as we had lots of health issues this year, but, we still sang our hearts out and did our very best!

Now, we will start looking into the Lenten/Easter Season, which once again, is a very busy time, but I know we will do it together faithfully Sunday after Sunday and week after week.

Remember, our music keeps us going!

Happy New Year and Be Safe and Healthy!

Musically,

LaRue C. Sheetz

Director of Music



Worship & Music

Lent is quickly approaching. **Ash Wednesday service will be on Wednesday, February 18, 2026, at 7pm.** There will be the imposition of ashes and communion as we mark the start of our lenten journey together. Prior to the service on Wednesday, we cordially invite you to our annual fastnacht social beginning at 6:15 pm.

Soup Supper will be held at 6:00PM each Wednesday during lent prior to the 7PM Worship Service. A Sign Up Sheet will be posted on the bulletin board.

We will be collecting non-perishable items for the Boyertown Area Multiservice during lent. Please see the enclosed list of needed items. Thank you for your generosity to help.

“We are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.”

Ephesians 2:10

Be watchful in the coming weeks and see how you can sign up and serve.



Trinity's Prayer List

Names of friends and family will be kept on the bulletin prayer list for one month. If still in need of prayers, the names will then appear on the newsletter prayer list. Names on the friends and family list will be kept on the newsletter prayer list for one year if needed. Thank you for helping us keep our prayer list current.

- The Prayer Circle

Giving Opportunities here at Trinity

As you may know, there are several special funds that you can direct gifts towards that help support and maintain our congregational life. There is the building maintenance fund, the organ maintenance fund and the sound system fund. Designated gifts may be directed to any of these, and gifts in memory of loved ones will be recorded in our Memorial Book.

The Prayer Circle has placed Prayer Request cards in the pews. Anyone having a prayer request is welcome to fill it out and place it in the offering plate or give to the Pastor. Before making a prayer request on another's behalf, please get their permission.



Need a ride?

We have volunteers in the congregation who are willing to provide transportation to medical appointments, etc., for those who can't find a ride. Please contact Pastor Gene 610-322-0901 if you need a ride or would like to volunteer as a driver.

Visitor Cards

There are Visitor Cards in the church pews. Members of the congregation who are aware of visitors attending worship with us are asked to encourage the visitors to wear the applique from the card as well as fill out the card. Let's make our visitors feel welcome! Thank you!



ARE YOU PLANNING TO HAVE A PARTY THIS YEAR?

Need a location?

Our Trinity Parish Hall is available for rent. The rental rates vary for church members/non members and for number of attendees. **Please contact Karen Smith for availability. All rentals also require an additional \$75.00 check payable to "Sexton" (Cathy Yoder). See Below for rates:**

MEMBERS:

Number of Attendees -

Rates: 1-50 \$75.00

51-100 \$100.00

Over 100 \$150.00

NON-MEMBERS:

Number of Attendees -

Rates: 1-50 \$100.00

51-100 \$150.00

Over 100 \$200.00

Sanctuary Etiquette

Many worshippers wish to observe quiet time in the sanctuary prior to the service, for meditation and prayer. Please respect this as you enter the sanctuary. When speaking in the narthex prior to the service, please speak softly. Thank You.



Bibles are available in the Narthex by the Parlor, if you wish to reference during worship and you may take home.

Please return when you are finished.

Thank you.



Winter Weather

In the event of inclement winter weather, news of cancellations or postponements of church activities will be posted on the following:

- 1) Channel 69 2) Online at WFMZ.com, or log on to the Trinity's website: www.trinitybech.com



Card Ministry

Various cards were sent as needed. There are no homebound members birthdays in February.

- Karen Irely



WAWA Hoagie Coupons

Available 1st Sunday of the month at the Scrip Table. Coupons are also available at the Church Office Monday-Thursday, 9AM-2PM. Tickets are \$5.00. This project benefits the Social Ministry.



Scout Troop 511 Hoagie Sales

Orders are due by Tuesday, February 3rd and Pick up will be Wednesday, February 11th. 8" hoagies are made from Dan's Deli, **Cost is \$7.00.** There are ham w/onion, ham no onion, turkey w/onion, turkey no onion, Italian w/onion, Italian no onion, cheese hoagie w/onion, cheese hoagie no onion, mayo, Italian dressing, no tomatoes, no lettuce, no cheese. There is a sign up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

From the Property Committee

Hi, I have a request. We have a bee nest at the front of the church. I have seen them flying where the roof meets the bell tower. Do any of you know of an exterminator who would be able to help us? Yes, I already Googled this. There are lots of exterminators listed. But we need one who will work up high. The listings don't say if they will work up high. I can just start calling a bunch of them at random. I thought I would ask you first if you had any suggestions. We are finding them in the sanctuary. We want to get this taken care of before anybody gets stung.

Dennis L. Schaeffer

Property Committee Chairman



The deadline for the March Newsletter

will be

Sunday, February 15th

PRAYER LIST FOR HEALING/SPECIAL NEEDS

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Psalm 23:4 offers comfort in the darkest valleys, assuring that God is with you.

If you or someone you know has a prayer request or emergency, call Pastor Zaiser and the Prayer Circle will begin. **Please have the approval of the person/family for whom prayer is requested. It is important to contact the Pastor or notify the church office when someone can be removed from the list.**

One of the most caring and helpful things we can do for one another in time of need and times of joy, is to pray that God will be with those who have asked for our prayers and with all who seek healing of body, mind or spirit.

IN ORDER TO KEEP TRINITY'S PRAYER LIST CURRENT. PLEASE INFORM PASTOR GENE, LINDA RITTER OR THE CHURCH OFFICE OF ANY CHANGES. THANK YOU.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Homebound

Barbara Stewart, Kathy Gamler, Richard Eck, Linda Allmendinger, Ralph Rothenberger, Dorothy Romig, Janet Kehl, Elaine Dotterer and Becky Yescavage.

MEMBERS

Brandon Stauffer, Erika Zaiser, Oscar & Angie Smith, Lynn Wolfgang, Betty Moore, Bill Brensinger, BillyRay Pearce, Sr., Kathy Sell, Dennis Brooke, Donna Day, Jeff Reitnauer, Anna Spencer, RuthAnn Good, Pete Schmoyer, John Logan, Carole Mest, Bob McElwee, Tammy Strunk, Mary Snyder, Wendy Bowers, Linda Bewley, Tammy Kemp, Mike Wyda, Marcia Auge, Millie Merkel, Jenn McCarron and Greg Mest.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY — ONGOING NEEDS

Michelle Hiriak, Linda Stark, David & Diane Stauffer, Tammy Nelson, Tracey Knox, Peggy & Wendell Wahlstedt, Mike Bailey, Debbie Reinhard, Kristie Jennings, Helen Ann Kelly, David Parish, John McCarron, Joyce Kemp, Larry Solar, Rebecca Delp, Anna Bechtel, Jim & Bonnie Ottaviano, Rick Farrington, Cheryl Summerfelt, Naomi Bryson, Dennis Weller, Angelic Gonzalez, Shirley Ciaciak, Ilse Kirchheimer, David Lord, Pastor Burl Latshaw, David Glauser, Linda Gilbert, Krista Buchert, Sandy Melcher, George Baver, Dennis Groves, Tanner Antalosky and Scott Thomas.

RECENTLY ADDED

Robert McCarron, Glenn Monesmith, Bill Kelsch, Jake Breyer, David Freed and Fay Bauman.

FAMILY OF:

Billy Freed and Jerry Jacobs.

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Christopher Heffner, BillyRay Pearce, Jr., Noah Heydt, Ben Rhode, Steven Herbst, David Crews, Jeff Lydic, Seth Kurtz, Clinton Bowen, Eli Abner and Johnne Knepp.

***If anyone knows of military personnel who have been discharged, please let the Pastor or the church office know.**

OTHER CONCERNS

We pray for peace among nations.

JOY AND THANKSGIVING

We thank God for the opportunity to serve our Lord, as part of Trinity's mission and ministry.



Worship Assistants for February, 2026

	Assisting Minister	Ushers	Server	Lector	Acolyte
Feb 1st	Vicki Mest	Dennis Schaeffer* Bob McElwee	Sheila Eddinger		Jenn McCarron
Feb. 8th		Dan & Kathy Kuser			Erika Zaiser
Feb. 15th	Diane McElwee	Kay McGowan* Howard Shafer	Waynette Shafer		Erika Zaiser
Feb. 18th Ash Wednesday	Jenn McCarron	Kay McGowan* Howard Shafer	Waynette Shafer		Diane McElwee
Feb. 22nd		Sharon Renninger* Mardell Blanford			Uta Hahn`

Above is the Worship Assistant Schedule for February.

Look on the schedule for your name and mark it on your calendar. **If there is a conflict, please find a replacement** and notify the church office 610-369-1281 by the Tuesday prior to that Sunday so that the correct name may be put in the bulletin.

† **Ushers** are asked to arrive in the Narthex one-half hour before the service.

Acolytes and Crucifers are asked to arrive twenty minutes before the start of the service in order to robe prior to the prelude. **If there is a conflict, please find a replacement or contact Pastor Zaiser.**

Thank you to everyone that serves our congregation in this way! Anyone interested in serving in this way may contact Pastor Zaiser or the person in charge of the duty.

WORSHIP SPONSORS

You may sponsor altar flowers, **cost is \$32.00 for 1 bouquet or \$64.00 for 2 bouquets.** (If you wish to sponsor an extra bouquet of flowers for a date that is already taken, you may do so for an additional cost \$40.00.) If interested please see Mary Snyder. You may also sponsor the bulletins for \$15.00 per week, this helps offset the cost of printing them. **When sponsoring flowers, please use a flower envelope found in the rack in the narthex or clearly mark the envelope "Flowers". If you sponsored flowers in the past but no longer wish to, please let Mary Snyder (610-473-8885) or the church office know.**

	FLOWERS	BULLETINS
February 1st	To the glory of God by Mrs. Linda Ritter, in Memory of her Mother Erna Weller and also by Mrs. Janice Sheetz, in Honor of her Grandson	To the Glory of God by Diane Morlock, in Memory of Husband Dale, for their Anniversary February 3rd.
February 8th	To the glory of God by The Scouts.	
February 15th	To the glory of God by Mrs. Karen Irely, in Memory of her Sister & Brother-in-Law Diana & Cliff Minford.	To the glory of God by Oscar & Angie Smith, in Memory of Oscar Smith's Sister.
February 22nd	To the glory of God, by Ms. Elizabeth Anderson, in Memory of her Father William Chalmers Anderson.	To the glory of God by Bill & Sheila Eddinger, in Honor of Our Children and Grandchildren: Jenn, Drew, Adam, Brennen, Tim, Rebekah, Nick and Katie.

Eternal Flame Candle

You may sponsor the Eternal Flame Candle for \$34.00/month, in Memory Of/in Honor
(The price to sponsor the Candles has increased to \$34.00/month.)



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**The Eternal Flame Candle is presented to the
Glory of God by
Carole Rothermel
In Memory of Erma and Eugene Reidnauer**

February Birthdays

- 1 Blake Schaffer
- 2 Allanah Woods
- 4 Bill Brensinger & Cody Moyer
- 5 Cathy Leiby & Barry Yerger
- 6 Tom Sellars, Mark Sheetz & Kurt Yescavage
- 7 Ronald Endy
- 11 Eileen Heffner
- 12 Barrie Heimbach, Alan Reinhard, Kellie Quinley & Bill Wiles
- 15 Dawn Weller
- 18 Barry Leister
- 20 Isla Jane Founds
- 21 Hadley Horan
- 22 Linda Brunner, Chance Corliss & Louise Wolfgang
- 23 Larry Bearn, Jordan Hartline & Kay McGowan
- 24 Ava Smythe
- 26 Rachael Logan & Jim Powers
- 27 Carole Mest
- 28 Bob Huggins & Tammy Strunk
- 29 Barbara Kreiser



February Anniversaries

- 02/14 Oscar & Angie Smith
02/21 Leon & Carole Mest



Change of Addresses

Linda Brunner

26 W. Main Street
1st Floor—Rear
Fleetwood, PA 19522

Jennifer McCarron

7305 Riverfront Drive
Royersford, PA 19468



**Our sister congregation, the
Marienkirche in Borna,
Germany.**

**(Website:
Kirche-bornaer-land.de)**

SIMPLY GIVING

Save time, simplify your life, and support your church! We're keeping up with the times by offering our parishioners another way to help our ministry. Our Electronic Giving Program called Simply Giving is an automated program that will allow you to make contributions without having to lift a pen to write a check or reach into your wallet for cash! And, this method of giving also saves our "counting team" time and trouble every week to open envelopes.

Here is how it works:

You authorize a specified amount of money to be electronically transferred directly from your checking or savings account to the Church account. You also specify the frequency of the transfer.

It is fast, safe and easy! In fact, it is less risky than checks, as it cannot be lost or stolen, or destroyed. The electronic transfer will cost you NOTHING and you save the cost of the check. The Church will issue you a donation statement for your tax records, and your bank statements will provide you with a record of transfer as additional proof of your contributions. Donations via electronic transfer can be made to our General Fund, Benevolence, and/or World Hunger and/or Building Maintenance.

Many members/families of Trinity are currently using Simply Giving.

You can change your amount or frequency with two weeks notice. And, of course, you can cancel your authorization of transfer at any time by notifying the church office. But we believe that once you have enjoyed the convenience and savings of this new program, you won't want to go back to the old way of contributing to our church!

If you have any interest, or questions, or wish to try this program on a trial basis, call the church office, see Pastor Zaiser or call Kurt Yescavage at 484-987-4668.



Trinity Gift Card Program

Trinity's Gift Card Program - Gift card orders are accepted before and after the church service the first Sunday of each month and distributed the second Sunday. Order forms for Redners, Giant and Raise Right (for other retail gift cards) are available in the narthex. The Raise Right order form is also available for download on Trinity's website. Payment must be submitted with your order. **Please make checks payable to Trinity Lutheran Church and include your phone number on your order form.** If you have any questions regarding this fund raising program please see Sharon Kemp, Kathy Kuser or Kurt Yescavage.



Military Address List

(If you have a Loved One in the Military and they are not listed here, please contact the Church Office, to be included with this listing. Thank You.)

Eli Abner
980 Towamensing Rd.
Lehighton, PA 18235
(Son-In-Law of Wil & Michele Carpenter)

Christopher Heffner
316 Merin Height Road
Jacksonville, NC 28546
(Eileen Heffner's Nephew)

Noah Heydt
58 Audrey Drive
Barto, PA 19504
(Bill & Debbie Heydt's Son)

Jeffrey A. Lydic
110 Dandy Flush Dr.
Garner, NC 27529
(Nadine Lydic's Son)

BillyRay Pearce, Jr.
c/o 122 Cobblestone Drive
Gilbertsville, PA 19525



The following devotion was used to open the Church Council Meeting in January, was submitted by Sharon Renninger ...

Ephesians 3:14-21

¹⁴ For this reason I kneel before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family^(al) in heaven and on earth derives its name. ¹⁶ I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷ so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, ¹⁸ may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, ¹⁹ and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

²⁰ Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

Sticky Notes by Steve Wakefield (written for The Upper Room)

I began placing sticky notes that shared a quote or Bible verse in my daughter's lunch box when she was in fourth grade and continued the tradition through her middle school years. At some point during middle school, the kids at my daughter's lunch table began asking, "What does your dad have to say today?" What started as something special for my daughter became an opportunity to share with her friends. I was part of their day but never knew it.

When I learned how important this had become to my daughter and her friends, I marveled at how such a simple act accomplished more than I ever intended. I remembered Paul's letter to the Ephesians, where he wrote that God "is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine." We may never know the true impact of our actions, but God does. God uses simple acts to accomplish great things.

It has been six years since my daughter was in middle school, and she still has all the notes in a box by her bed. I never knew how much those notes would mean to her and her friends, but God knew and placed on my heart the desire to write them every day. As Paul reminds us: God's power is at work within us.

Prayer: All-powerful God, guide us in the things we should do to honor you. Give us wisdom as we work together through the coming year to serve You and this congregation. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

Words of Thanks.....

Thank you for the wonderful Christmas gift. We thank God for your generosity as always! - Pastor Gene and Erika.

Thank You All for your very generous Christmas Gift, I greatly appreciate it, so thoughtful and I would like to thank you very truly much for all of your thoughts and prayers these past couple of months. Your support meant so much to me, more than words can say. I am doing well and feel blessed! Karen Smith

Heidi Yescavage would like to thank the congregation for your generous Christmas Gift. It was very much appreciated.

Special Thanks to the congregation, cantata choir, senior choir and bell choir for all of your gifts. Your kindness is deeply appreciated and your commitment to the music here at Trinity has always been wonderful for me. LaRue C. Sheetz.

Dan & Kathy Kuser would like to thank the congregation for your generous Christmas Gift, it was greatly appreciated.



Trinity Lutheran Church, Bechtelsville, PA

December 2025	GENERAL FUND	MEMORIAL FUND	OTHER FUNDS	Total Funds
Balance, Beginning of Year	5,394	71,724	35,234	112,353
+ Receipts this year	241,947	19,779	38,501	300,227
- Disbursements this year	239,561	13,005	29,935	282,501
Balance, End of Month	<u>7,781</u>	<u>78,498</u>	<u>43,800</u>	<u>130,079</u>

GENERAL FUND		OTHER FUNDS		Balance
	This Year			
INCOME				
Current	204,766	Bldg. Maint. Reserve		24,171
Plate Offerings	8,084	Organ Maint. Reserve		15,486
Sunday School & VBS	599	Benevolence		-
Interest Earned - CD, etc.	969	Hunger Appeal		-
Special Offering Envelopes	10,321	Special Music Reserve		4,140
Thrivent Choice	1,847	Sound System		(8)
Flowers	4,372	Miscellaneous Funds		10
Fund Raisers	3,055	Payroll Taxes Withheld		-
SCRIP Programs (net)	5,122	Total		<u>43,800</u>
Miscellaneous	<u>2,812</u>			
Total	241,947			
2025 BUDGET	<u>241,000</u>	ASSETS		"Market"
gain / (short-fall) =	947	Checking Account		33,479
		Petty Cash		100
		Vanguard Wellesley Fund	111,019	78,500
		Vanguard Money Market	18,000	18,000
		Total	<u>129,019</u>	<u>130,079</u>
			Gain inception thru 2024	21,443
		Vanguard Wellesley Fund	Gain (Loss) this year	11,077

Notes: For the year 2025 the General Fund Balance increased \$2,387 from \$5,394 to \$7,781.
 General Fund Income was \$947 more than the 2025 Budget amount, and
 General Fund Expenses were \$1,439 less than the 2025 Budget amount.
 For the year 2024 the General Fund Balance decreased \$7,469.

Trinity Lutheran Church, Bechtelsville, PA

December 2025

EXPENSES	This Year	2025 BUDGET	2026 BUDGET
Benevolence	6,000	6,000	6,600
Pastor's Salary	52,530	52,530	53,581
Housing Allowance	24,875	24,875	24,875
Social Security Allowance	6,960	6,960	7,000
Pension & Health Benefits	39,520	38,806	41,300
Continuing Education	550	550	550
Auto Allowance (mileage)	3,140	3,000	3,300
Secretary's Salary	15,532	15,532	15,843
Organist's Salary	13,493	13,493	14,000
Sexton's Salary	8,302	8,302	8,468
Treasurer's Salary	3,533	3,533	3,604
Financial Sec. Salary	1,236	1,236	1,269
Employer's FICA	3,220	3,220	3,300
Insurance	8,882	6,000	9,500
Repairs & Maintenance	10,067	10,000	11,000
Heating Oil	16,371	17,000	15,000
Electricity	4,229	5,000	5,000
Sewer	560	560	560
Cleaning Supplies	133	600	600
Lawn Care	1,600	1,600	1,600
Telephone	1,593	2,000	1,800
Copier	3,111	3,000	3,100
Office Supplies & Postage	3,198	4,500	4,500
Technology	232	600	1,000
Educational Materials	336	500	500
Worship & Devotional	749	500	600
Music Supplies	900	900	900
Discipleship	80	500	500
Publicity	416	500	500
Social Ministry	400	400	350
Envelopes	521	500	500
Flowers	5,011	4,500	4,500
Convention Expenses	781	1,000	1,500
Designated Donations	600	1,000	700
Miscellaneous	898	1,803	1,000
(Over) / Short	-	-	-
Total Expenses	239,561	241,000	248,900
2025 BUDGET - ytd	241,000		
over (under) budget	(1,439)		

February 2026

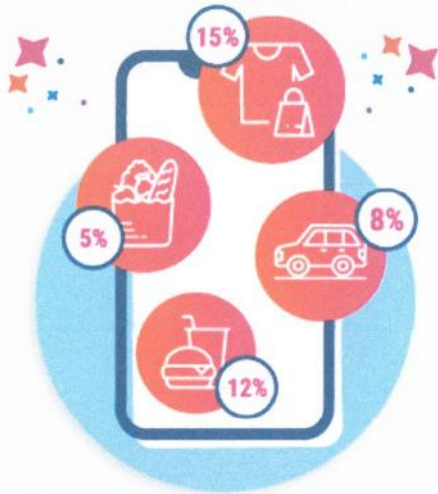
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 8:00 Cont. Worship 9:15 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Service	2 6:30 Scouts	3 6:30 Scouts	4 6:30 TLC Stitchers	5 6:30 Senior Choir Practice	6	7
8 9:15 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Service	9 6:30 Scouts	10 6:30 Scouts 7:00 Church Council Mtg.	11 6:30 TLC Stitchers	12 6:30 Senior Choir Practice	13	14
15 8:00 Cont. Worship 9:15 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Service 4:00 Talent Show/ Cook Off	16 6:30 Scouts	17 6:30 Scouts	18 6:15 Fastnacht Social 7:00 Ash Wednesday Service w/Comm. Sr. Choir Practice ASH WEDNESDAY	19 6:30 TLC Stitchers	20	21
22 9:15 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Service	23 6:30 Scouts	24 6:30 Scouts	25 6:00 Soup Supper 6:15 First Comm. Class 7:00 Lent Prayer Serv. Sr. Choir Practice	26 6:30 TLC Stitchers	27	28

**Boyertown Area Multi-Service
Non-Perishable Items Needed:**

1. Paper Towels
2. Tissues
3. Laundry Detergent
4. Shampoo and Conditioner
5. Syrup
6. Pancake Mix
7. Instant Mashed Potatoes
8. Stuffing Mix
9. Hamburger Helper
10. Chef Boyardee Meals
11. Cake/Brownie Mix
12. Jelly
13. Peanut Butter
14. Canned Chicken
15. Canned Mixed Vegetables

Sodium free, sugar free, gluten free and low-fat items are also appreciated for clients with dietary restrictions.

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Monthly Free-will Offerings 2026

A free-will offering is scheduled for the third Sunday of each month.
They are as follows:

January 18 – Boyertown Salvation Army

February 15 – Beacon of Hope

March 15 – Boyertown Area Multi-Service

April 19 – Lutheran Disaster Relief

May 17 – geraniums for Pentecost

June 21 – Save the Children

July 19 – Samaritan's Purse Shoe Boxes

August 16 – American Foundation for Suicide Prevention

September 20 – Boyertown Area Multi-Service

October 18 – Eastern Berks Fire Dept.

November 15 – Elf Bags (Multi-Service)

December – No free-will offering. Thank you for supporting the various Christmas giving opportunities.

Thank you for your contributions to these special causes!



The Community Clothing Rack Schedule

1st Wednesday

Donations Accepted

2nd, 3rd & 4th Wednesdays

Shoppers Welcome

2nd Thursday

Shoppers Welcome

6:00PM-8:00PM

5th Wednesday

CLOSED

Hours

1:00PM-4:00PM

Summer Hours Only

June-August

9:00AM-12:00PM

Closed on all major holidays.

In the case of inclement weather,

Refer to Boyertown Area School district closure.

CCR is a ministry of St. Luke Lutheran Church

Our mission is to serve Jesus Christ by providing
necessary clothing to the underserved.

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