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AFFIRMATION OF WELCOME

All people are welcome to share in laughter, the love of God, and life of Christ with us regardless of creed, race, sexual orientation, socio-economic background or anything that may separate you from another community.

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ANNUAL MEETING



The annual meeting of the Congregation will be held on Sunday, **November 19**, immediately after worship. All voting members, those who have communed and made a contribution of record in 2022 or 2023, are encouraged to participate in the meeting. Others are welcome to stay and observe the meeting.

CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL AND STAFF

COUNCIL OFFICERS

Council President **Carol Little—717-870-6784** (Property Min.)
 Vice President **Tammy Taylor—717-891-3235** (Invitational Min.)
 Council Secretary *Vacant*
 Treasurer **Jim Platt—717-757-6907** (Discipleship Min.)

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Peggy Ebersole—717-854-8007
Carol Heiss—717-894-8493 (Faith Formation Min.)
Marianne Spangler—717-845-1617 (Social Min.)
James Taylor—717-893-4562 (Call Committee)
Pastor Doug—515-321-4582 (Worship Min.)

STAFF

Pastor Doug Johnson, Interim Pastor
Jennifer Morris, Administrative Assistant
Emily Morris, Worship Broadcast Technician
Richard George, Music Director
Charles D. Kress, Sexton



December Lumen Deadline: November 20

Please submit all items to info@lutherpeople.org, or call the church office during office hours.

Please keep your contact information up-to-date with the church office.

What are YOU Thankful For?



OFFICE HOURS



The church office will not be operating under stated hours at this time at this time

Jen Morris will be in the office as her schedule allows to do the necessary functions. If you have business for the office, please either call and let a message or email.

Jen will monitor both phone and email remotely.

In the event of a emergent situation requiring the pastor's assistance, please contact Pastor Doug Johnson directly by phone at (515) 321-4582 or by email at dougjohnson79@comcast.net.

Please feel free to call or email at any time.



FIND US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

You may find links to our Facebook pages on our website www.lutherpeople.org our search Facebook for

"Luther Memorial Church York, PA" and "Luther Memorial Friends and Family".



We're also on **Instagram**
LutherMemorialChurchYorkPA.

EMAIL, ADDRESS & PHONE UPDATES



Has any of your contact information changed? If your contact information changes, please let us know. We also send out a weekly email reminder of all the events at Luther Memorial.

If you have an email address, please share it with us by emailing info@lutherpeople.org or write it down & leave it in the office.



HOSPITALIZATION NOTIFICATIONS

Neither York Hospital nor UPMC Memorial notify churches of member hospitalizations. If you become aware of the hospitalization of a church member or plan an admission, please give the office a call. We would greatly appreciate your help in keeping us informed so that Pastor Doug may visit.

LATEST UPDATES

From the Council President

As we approach Thanksgiving, I find myself giving thanks to God for the many gifts he has bestowed upon us here at Luther Memorial.

A Call Committee who worked all year putting together our Ministry Site Profile, interviewing our candidate and presenting her to the council: Jamie Taylor, Donna Marsh, Karl Boldt, Jerry Kern, Lois Larson and Bert Freedman. They did an excellent job!

Members of council who faithfully attended meetings and helped guide us through decisions affecting the life of the congregation: Jim Platt, Peggy Ebersole, Jamie Taylor, Tammy Taylor, and Carol Heiss. We pray that Muff Spangler will recover her health and can serve again in the future.

Pastor Johnson, who has supported us and keeps us grounded in the church's constitution, and has guided us while we go through the call process, and performs duties normally done by the Altar Guild.

Sherry Gable, who has done a wonderful job with the bulletins, newsletters, and many other tasks that she's been asked to do as administrative assistant, faithfully filling the office hours with a cheerful voice to answer the phone!

Those who have said yes when asked to volunteer to perform tasks that keep the congregation active: those who count offering, prepare fellowship refreshments, provide transportation to members who can no longer drive.

Those who have helped with the Community Garden: Willis Larson, Donna Marsh, Mimi Gilbert, and the Boldt family, and those who made monetary contributions.

We received a thank you note from Neil Young, a former member, thanking us for allowing the York Suburban Class of 1972 to hold a gathering in our fellowship hall. They were given a tour of the Impact Foundation operations, and made a contribution to both the church and the IF.

For all these, and more whom I'm sure I've missed, thanks be to God!

Carol Little, President

Carol Little 717-870-6784
Carollittle47@comcast.net

Property Update

We have been plagued with plumbing issues in the past month, the most serious of which was with the heating system. A leak in the pipes above the furnace destroyed the electronic panel that controls the boiler. It should be fixed by the time you read this, but at great expense: \$5000+.

Community Garden

Thanks to all who helped with the garden, which produced abundantly: lettuces, herbs, tomatoes, eggplant, peppers, cucumbers, and sweet potatoes. Planning for next year has begun!

ALL SAINTS REMEMBRANCES

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



We remember these faithful departed from Luther Memorial

† Annie Billet †

† Raymond “Sparky” Lehr †

† Frances W. Saylor †

† Mary Josephine Mylin †

And the loved ones of the congregation:

J. Hilbert Anderson, Emilie Anderson, William Anstadt, Allen & Dolores Bahn, Paula Blum, Christine Campbell, Jane Chidester, Sylvia Conti, Vincent Conti, Angela Dell, Joseph Dell, Beverly Dempwolf, John Dempwolf, Miguel Vicente Aparicio Diez, Sam Ebersole, Stan Eby, Robert R. George, David Groscost, Julia Hale, Ken Marsh, Clitus McElwain, Sue McElwain, Celeste Meck, William I. Miller, Louis Pessognelli, Faye Pipher, Marlene Shomper, Robert Snider, Rose Snider, Charlie Stambaugh, Fay Stambaugh, Charles Taylor, Randy Thiec, David Wilson

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Date	Total Deposit	Undesignated Giving	Budget	Variance
Jan—Mar	\$39,856	\$35,927	\$43,208	-\$7,281
Apr—June	\$30,223	\$26,937	\$43,689	-\$16,752
July	\$9,282	\$8,527	\$14,883	-\$6,356
August	\$7,210	\$6,359	\$14,883	-\$8,524
September	\$8,945	\$8,045	\$14,403	-\$6,358
TOTAL	\$95,516	\$85,795	\$131,066	-\$45,271

I wanted to reach out and thank Luther Memorial for allowing the YSH Class of 1973 to host part of our 50th reunion in the Social Hall on Friday night. It was a great way to kick off our events. Kathy Pindzola and Rilee Gladfelter provided a tour of the Impact Pantry for my classmates. Please share that we raised several hundred dollars in cash and on-line donations to support the mission, in addition to physical goods donations for the Pantry. Thanks again for the support!

All the best,
Neil Young



Thank you to all who wished me well and showered me cards and gifts recognizing the years I served as Administrative Assistant at Luther Memorial. As I stated that day, when I came to Luther Memorial I walked into a kind, loving congregation and hope that is the same in my eventual call to ministry. I appreciate you all and plan to remain connected even though I will not be an office fixture I once was.

Peace & Blessings,
Jennifer Morris



Angel Tree Gifts

This year, we are adopting 3 families for Angel Tree Gifts through the Community Progress Council. Tags will be available beginning **November 12.**

We will be coordinating with the Mothers of Twins & Triplets on the Angel Tree gifts, as well as, possibly a local Girl Scout troop.

SEPTEMBER COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

REPORTS / OLD BUSINESS

Pastor— Updated council on congregation members who are bringing several of our shut-ins to church on Sunday morning.

Treasurer's Report – It was noted that our expenses are greater than our income. The Investment Task Force met and set guidelines for future/long term investments.

OLD BUSINESS

Call Committee – The committee observed a candidate preach and hope to present the candidate to the church council on 10/2

OCTOBERFEST: Octoberfest is scheduled for Sunday, October 29, following the church service.

NEW BUSINESS

Angel Gifts – We will participate in Angel Gifts again this year. Carol will contact the Mothers' of Twins/Triplets to see if they are willing to also participate.

Financial Accountability and Transparency - Members of the congregation will be contacted to count the offering each week.

Date of the Annual Meeting of the Congregation – On a motion by Jamie Taylor, seconded by Jim Platt the date of the Annual Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday, November 19, 2023, following the service. Motion passed.

The meeting concluded in prayer.

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS

- Carol Heiss, 2330 Freedom Way, Apt.203, York, PA 17402
- Leona Hubley, 3377 Fox Run Road, Dover, PA 17315
- Dick Mylin, Misericordia, 998 S Russell St, York, PA 17402
- Mary Ann Rudler, 1801 Folkemer Circle, York, PA 17404
- Jean Rudy, Senior Commons Rm. 310, 1775 Powder Mill Road, York, PA 17403
- Judy Skouras, The Haven at Springwood, 2321 Freedom Way, York, PA 17402
- Mary Ann Wertman, 2330 Freedom Way, Apt.327, York, PA 17402



♪ Happy birthday to you, happy birthday to you, happy birthday dear. . . ♪

<i>Konner Kitner</i>	<i>11/02</i>	<i>Pastor Doug Johnson</i>	<i>11/25</i>
<i>James Fantom</i>	<i>11/08</i>	<i>Lois Eaton</i>	<i>11/26</i>
<i>Bradford Little</i>	<i>11/08</i>	<i>Betsy Herrington</i>	<i>11/27</i>
<i>Becca Thiec</i>	<i>11/14</i>	<i>Barbara Schmitt</i>	<i>11/27</i>
<i>Sean Fantom</i>	<i>11/19</i>	<i>Rosalie Bowman</i>	<i>11/28</i>
<i>Sally Walker</i>	<i>11/19</i>	<i>Brad Gosnell</i>	<i>11/29</i>
<i>Ray Wolf</i>	<i>11/20</i>		



ZOOM WORSHIP 10 a.m. Sunday

If you can't join us in person, worship with us
on Zoom & Facebook Live
View on your computer or call in and listen to the
worship service each week.

In addition to this guide, a weekly bulletin including all
hymns and readings may be downloaded from the
Luther Memorial website: lutherpeople.org

CONNECT WITH ZOOM

Type this address into your browser to join the webinar:
<https://zoom.us/j/95620305506> Type in Password 064255

Call 1646 558 8656

When asked for meeting ID dial 956 2030 5506#

When asked for password, dial 064255#

WORSHIP BROADCAST SPONSORS



We are offering the opportunity to sponsor the broadcast
of worship. The full cost is \$50 and we will include a
dedication in the Weekly News. You may also make a
contribution of any amount to help with the cost of
worship broadcast. This has been a vital ministry,
keeping many in our congregation connected and safe
as they worship from home.

Broadcast sponsor for November 12 is Leslie Ehrhart.

Open Dates at publication:

November 5, 19, 26,



LM Ladies Lunch

On the 3rd Thursday of each month, the Ladies of Luther
Memorial meet for lunch at noon at Isaac's on Pauline Drive.
All ladies are welcome.



BIBLE STUDY/ADULT FORMATION

From feedback received from the congregation,
we are planning to begin an adult Bible Study
to be held prior to worship at 9 a.m. We are
looking for one or more people who would be
willing to lead the Bible Study. If you are
interested, you may call Carol Heiss at
717-894-8493 or talk with Pastor Doug. We
hope you will consider being part of this adult formation.

YSEF Impact Foundation Food Pantry

We are collecting the most needed items for the Impact
Foundation's Food Pantry. The needs change from week to week
and you can find an updated list on the York Suburban Education
Foundation's Facebook page or call the church office.

Household: shampoo & conditioner, paper towels, soap

**Food: peanut butter, tomato soup, canned chicken,
canned tuna**

Items may be dropped off on Sunday morning in the basket
to the right of the TV in the narthex. Thank you for your support!



Impact Foundation

Students Helping Students ... A Committee of YSEF

Special Congregation Meeting November 5

With joy and thanksgiving, we announce that the Call Committee and Council have voted unanimously to recommend Vanessa L. Storlie, as a candidate for Word and Sacrament ministry at Luther Memorial. She was recommended to us by the Lower Susquehanna Synod.

You will have the chance to meet Vanessa at an informal meet-and-greet with light refreshments and a question-and-answer period in our narthex on **Saturday, November 4, from 1:00-3:00.**

The next day, on **Sunday, November 5, at 10:00 a.m.,** Vanessa will lead worship, and a representative of the Lower Susquehanna Synod will preside over communion and conduct the vote to call Vanessa as our pastor.

Voting will be by written ballot. Voting by proxy or by absentee ballot is not permitted.

Annual Congregational Meeting November 19

Coming up is the annual congregational meeting, set for **November 19.** At that meeting, we will be voting on the annual budget, and selecting new council members. Three members' terms expire this year: James Platt has agreed to stand for a 1-year term to fill a vacancy; Carol Little has agreed to stand for a 2-year term to fill a vacancy; Peggy Ebersole has agreed to stand for a 1-year term to finish the term of Andrea Smith; Roberta Freedman and Lois Larson will stand for 3-year terms. If you feel you would like to serve this congregation in its life and activities, please speak to one of the council members before November 13, when our next council meeting will set the agenda for the annual meeting.

Faith & Fellowship



STITCHES OF LOVE

meets the second Thursday of every month at 1 p.m. in the narthex. Bring your knitting & lunch if you'd like. All are welcome!

Hymns and Texts for November 2023

November 5 – All Saints Sunday

Opening Hymn – LBW 176 – “For All Your Saints, O Lord” Verses 1-5

First Lesson – Revelation 7: 9 – 17

Second Lesson – 1 John 3: 1-3

Gospel – Matthew 5: 1-12

Hymn of the Day – LBW 500 – “Faith of Our Fathers”

Sending Hymn – LBW 331 – “Jerusalem, My Happy Home”

November 12 – Lectionary 32

Opening Hymn – LBW 324 – “O Love That Will Not Let Me Go”

First Lesson – Amos 5: 18-24

Second Lesson – 1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18

Gospel – Matthew 25: 1 – 13

Hymn of the Day – LBW 474 – “Children of the Heavenly Father”

Sending Hymn – LBW 370 – “Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

November 19 – Lectionary 33

Opening Hymn – LBW 362 – “We Plow the Fields and Scatter”

First Lesson – Zephaniah 1: 7, 12 – 18

Second Lesson – 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11

Gospel – Matthew 25: 14 – 30

Hymn of the Day – LBW 503 “O Jesus, I Have Promised”

Sending Hymn – LBW 518 – “Beautiful Savior”

November 26 – Christ the King

Opening Hymn – LBW 170 – “Crown Him with Many Crowns”

First Lesson – Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20 -24







Second Lesson – Ephesians 1: 15 – 23

Gospel – Matthew 25: 31 -46

Hymn of the Day – LBW 522 – “Come, Thou Almighty King”

Sending Hymn – LBW 495 – “Lead On, O King Eternal”

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 2p ARC 6:30p Choir	2 2p ARC	3 2p ARC	4 3p Grope 
5 All Saints Sunday 9a Bible Study 10a Worship followed by Special Cong. Mtg. 8p Search for Serenity	6 2p ARC 8p Grope	7 Election Day 2p ARC 	8 2p ARC 6:30p Choir	9 1p Stitches of Love 2p ARC	10 8:30a Ping Pong 2p ARC 	11 Veterans Day 3p Grope 
12 Pentecost 24 9a Bible Study 10a Worship 8p Search for Serenity	13 2p ARC 8p Grope	14 2p ARC	15 2p ARC 6:30p Choir	16 12p Ladies Lunch @ Isaacs 2p ARC 6p York Beaders 7p Moms of Tw/Tr	17 2p ARC	18 3p Grope Group
19 Pentecost 25 9a Bible Study 10a Worship Annual Cong Mtg 8p Search for Serenity	20 2p ARC 7p Council 8p Grope Lumen Deadline 	21 2p ARC	22 2p ARC 6:30p Choir	23 Thanksgiving 2p ARC 	24 2p ARC	25 3p Grope Group
26 Christ the King 9a Bible Study 10a Worship 8p Search for Serenity	27	28 2p ARC	29 2p ARC 6:30p Choir	30 2p ARC		

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