

August 2026



***FAITH EVANGELICAL
LUTHERAN CHURCH***

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Office Hours M-Th 9 a.m.—3 p.m.

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IMPORTANT DATES

Pastors Vacation Thursday July 30-Aug. 5th
Aug. 21, 22, 23

August 4 6:00—8:00 p.m.
National Night Out at Schadt Ave Park

August 12 4:00 p.m. Over 80's Birthday Party

Upcoming Dates:

September 12 First Responders Appreciation Breakfast

September Rally Day w/Pioneer Band Concert

October 4 Hunger Initiative Community Meal 4 p.m.

October 17 Pink Pumpkins

October 24 Trunk or Treat

November 1 All Saints Sunday

November 14 Craft Fair and Quilt Sale

December 12 Breakfast with Santa

A NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR:

Dear Church Family,

As we step into the month of August, I can't help but feel the warmth of summer wrapping around us. It's a season that invites not only rest and renewal but also an opportunity for deeper engagement within our community and our mission as followers of Christ.

In the Gospel of Matthew, we are called to be the "hands and feet" of Jesus. This calling challenges us to move beyond the walls of our church and actively participate in the lives of those around us. Being involved in our church is about more than just attending services; it's about being part of a vibrant, loving community committed to service, outreach, and fellowship.

I want to encourage each of you to reflect on how you can contribute your unique gifts and talents. Whether it's volunteering for our children's ministry, joining a small group, participating in local outreach projects, or simply offering a listening ear to someone in need, every effort counts. Think of ways you can embody God's love in practical forms.

Our social ministry committee has been working hard to find new ways to serve our community more effectively. From food drives to visits to local nursing homes, to National Night Out, to our teddy bear project, there are plenty of opportunities to get involved. I invite each of you to pray about how you can step in and make a positive impact.

Remember, being God's hands and feet means showing up where love is needed most. It's in these moments of service that we not only share the love of Christ but also grow in our own faith and understanding of His mission for our lives.

As we gather for worship and fellowship this month, let's embrace the joy of service and the beauty of community. I'm excited to see how God will use each of us in profound ways. Thank you for being a remarkable part of our church family!

Blessings,

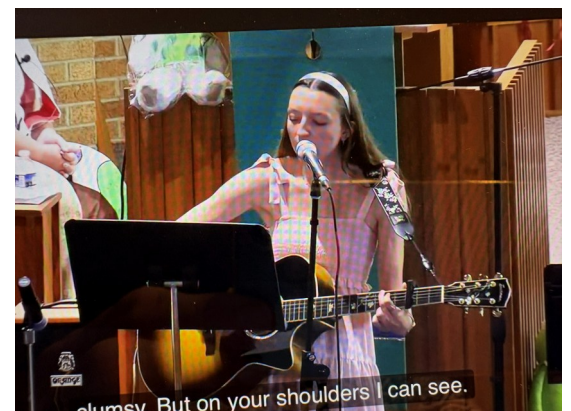
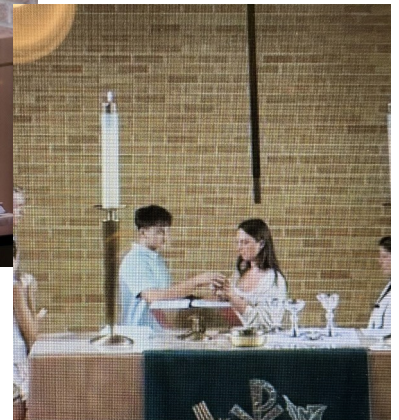
Pastor June Wann

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE ARE THE B-E-S-T !!!

Youth Sunday and the Blessing of the Bears was such fun!

Thank you to our young adults added their talents to our worship. You are the future of our church and we are grateful and encouraged that our church is in good hands. God Bless you all.

- ♦ Valencia Rivera
- ♦ Kingston Rivera
- ♦ Ben Brandt
- ♦ Kyle Brandt
- ♦ Aurora Kishbaugh
- ♦ Gavin Kishbaugh
- ♦ Ava Keenan
- ♦ Owen Keenan



VBS

What a fun three evenings. Pastor June taught the story of Creation. We made fun crafts together and enjoyed water activities outside. And yes— they all got wet! Thank you to all who helped make this such a wonderful experience. Can't wait until next year.



July 1st Celebration

We want to take a moment to thank the many hands that helped make our 250th celebration such a success. Pioneer Band did an amazing job of providing patriotic music. Ben Franklin and Betsy Ross provided historical memories and a thank you to our own photographer, Ernie Haller who captured the moments.

A special thank you to Grace Brandle, our confirmand who spent weeks making patriotic bracelets to hand out. Sheryl Decker provided crafts and our vendors and food trucks provided delicious nourishment.

We thank all who helped in any way—we appreciate your contributions of time and talent.



MID WEEK WORSHIP—"HOTDOGS AND HYMNS"

Join us each Wednesday for an informal worship experience

Hotdogs, chips and beverages at 6 p.m.

Informal service—6:30 p.m. followed by singing of your favorite hymns.

Bring friends and neighbors and enjoy fellowship while sharing God's word.

August 5th

August 12—over 80's Birthday Party

August 19th

August 26th

A huge thank you to Linda Eberhart for her wonderful talents on the piano.

THANK
YOU!

WELCOME TO OUR FAITH FAMILY

Baptisms of grandchildren of Harold and Deborah Whittaker will take place on August 9th during the worship service.

Parents: Christopher and Carly Whittaker

Children: Cora James Whittaker and Camille Blake Whittaker

Parents: Jonathan and Diane Whittaker

Children: Daphne Sun Whittaker and Beckham Harold Whittaker

Parents: Sarah and Bryan Holmes

Child: Vander Whittaker Homnes

Grandparents: Harold and Deborah Whittaker

Richard and Shari Russo

Jim and Shirley Sun

Greg and Nancy Holmes



God Bless You All



SPECIAL MUSIC THIS SUMMER AT FAITH!

Time is running out for your chance to glorify God in song! Calling all vocalists and instrumentalists who would like to share their talents in church during a Sunday summer worship service. Summer worship (when Bell Choir and Senior Choir does not provide music) **occurs June 21-September 6.** This is your invitation to share your talents!! Anyone interested, please . contact **Jennifer Kishbaugh**, Director of Music at 610.451.8660 or jenniferkishbaugh@gmail.com to reserve your date.

Music in Ministry

***"O come and let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!"
-Psalm 95: 1-2***

Worship and music are inseparable. The arts are a powerful medium for ministry, providing a vehicle for personal and corporate praise, prayer, and thanksgiving to God. Music speaks what cannot be expressed in words, thus soothing the mind, healing the heart, calming and uplifting the spirit. Music is a gift from God that flows from heaven to the soul. **However great or small your talents, there is a place for you in our music ministry.** I hope that this helps you to find a way to come out this fall to "make a joyful noise unto the Lord."

Musical opportunities include:

Bell Choir: (7th grade and up)

I look forward to **NEW** members joining us this year. Having the ability to read music is an advantage but if you are unable to read music and have an interest in playing, please do not be discouraged; come to a rehearsal and see what it is all about. If you were part of the bell choir last year you need not contact me, as I will count on you continuing playing with us, but if you are a potential new member that would be interested in playing, please contact me **BEFORE** the first rehearsal for the purpose of assigning bells and ordering music.

Rehearsals-one night a week (Thursdays 6:15-7:15)

Location-Rhoads Room/Sanctuary

Ministry-rings once a month during the worship service and special events of the church season

Senior Choir: (9th grade and up)

Calling all who are interested in praising God in song! If you have not been in the choir before and are interested in joining us, please contact me **BEFORE** the first rehearsal, so that a folder is prepared for you.

Rehearsals-one night a week (Thursdays 7:30-8:30)

Location-Rhoads Room/Sanctuary

Ministry-weekly ministry for Sunday service and special events of the church season

Special Music:

Vocalists and instrumentalists for special musical offerings are welcomed. Solos, duets, trios, and small ensembles are valued anytime, but especially during the summer months. Please let me know if you are interested in sharing your special talent.

Instrumentalists:

There are Senior Choir anthems that sometimes have an accompaniment part that require various instrumentation (violin, trumpet, flute, drum, clarinet, etc.); if you would be interested in accompanying the Senior Choir on a particular instrument—please let me know what instrument it is that you play and what level you play at (beginner, intermediate, advanced).

*****Rehearsals for ensembles occur on Thursday evenings-the FIRST rehearsal will take place on *Thursday, September 10th.***

If you took a break from music and are ready to come back, if you have never rung a bell or sung in a choir before, or if you have been part of the music ministry here for years; I look forward to glorifying God's name with you. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at: jenniferkishbaugh@gmail.com (subject heading: FELC Music) or at 610-451-8660 (cell/text).

Jennifer Kishbaugh, Director of Music

SAVE THE DATE

CRAFT FAIR AND QUILT-SALE

NOVEMBER 14. 2026

9AM—3PM



**INDOOR &
OUTDOOR
SHOW**

**Faith Evangelical
Lutheran Church**

**3355 MacArthur Road
Whitehall, PA 18052**

FAITH NEWS

WORSHIP SERVICE at 10:00 AM

It's almost time to RSVP for the Over 80's birthday party on August 12. Please have all reservations in by August 5.

Thank you: On behalf of the board of the Whitehall Food Pantry, we are extremely grateful to the members who provide food and financial support to the mission we share. You are a blessing to all of us. Our need for the pantry continues to be jelly, however, juice (64 oz), instant potatoes, and pancake syrup are needed if you wish to help.
Judy & Shel Ehret

National Night Out: Tuesday, August 4th, 6 p.m.-8 p.m.

Community outreach with backpacks and school supplies provided by Faith Members. Join us at 1975 Schadt Avenue Park.

Mark your calendars: Craft Fair and Quilt Sale

November 14, 2026 9 a.m.—3 p.m.

Indoor and Outdoor show, plan to join us. Beautiful crafts and delicious food.

Rally Day—September 13: Please come and enjoy the food, fellowship and concert by the Pioneer Band.

Congratulations to Brooke Wunder, Rose and Willie Strobl's granddaughter.

Brooke graduated from Pleasant Valley HS and the Monroe County Career and Technical Institute program in Sports Medicine. She plans to attend E. Stroudsburg U with a major in Exercise Science.

Congratulations Brooke!



CALLING ALL UNITS ... SOUND THE ALARM!

**Please join us for a FIRST RESPONDERS
BREAKFAST!**

Enjoy a hearty breakfast prepared by the people of Faith Lutheran Church, Whitehall. This is our way to say THANK YOU for all that you do to keep our community safe! This invitation is for all First Responders and their families. Saturday, September 12, 2026 9:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M. Faith Lutheran Church, Whitehall/3355 MacArthur Road
RSVP by September 1, 2026 to
610-435-0451 or
Email June@faithon145.org

Member Information	In order to properly update our records for the new member program, please complete this form ASAP.
Last Name:	Email Address:
First Name:	Cell Phone:
Middle Name	Land Line
Date of Birth	Date of Marriage
Spouse Last Name:	Email Address:
First Name:	Cell Phone:
Middle Name	Land Line
Date of Birth	
Address:	
City , State, Zip	
Children Living within Household	
Full Names	Date of Births
Please return to the church office ASAP to update our records	
For Internal Purposes only:	
Date this was entered in computer:	
Name of person who did entry:	

HAPPY anniversary



Trotter, Jr. Bruce & Alicia 08/01
Bashore, Amanda 08/08
Reichard, Roger & Lucille 08/09
Mohr, Dale & Cheryl 08/25
Holobusky, Jeff 08/26
Batza, Diane 08/30

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Mickey, Carol 08/01
Sperlbaum, Jerry 08-05
Armstrong Sr, Phillip 08/10
Johnston, Linda 08/16
Knechel, Lucas 08/19
Muthard, Margaret 08/22
Herzog, Daniel 08/23
Morgan, Frances 08/23
Rivera, Heather 08/24
Bodnyk, Sandra 08/29
Wehr, Linda 08/29
Blayle, William 08/30

WORSHIP TEAMS FOR AUGUST 2026

AUGUST 2

AUGUST 9

AUGUST 16

AUGUST 23

AUGUST 30

ALTAR GUILD	Cathy Haller	Barb Yurasits and Pat Masonheimer	Judy and Shel Ehret	Cathy Haller	Gloria Senchak and Charlene Frack
ASSISTING MINISTER	Kyle Brandt	Zach Keenan	Ben Brandt	Gail Herzog	Howard Schaeffer
LECTOR	Jennifer Reiner	Bob Billig	Kindall Wann		
GREETER	April Spaitz	April Spaitz	Dan Herzog	April Spaitz	Charlene Frack
FLOWER SPONSOR	Roger and Lucille Reichard In honor of their anniversary	Deb and Harold Whittaker In honor of grandchildren baptisms		Bob and Karla Billig In Memory of loved ones	
BULLETIN SPONSOR	Roger and Lucille Reichard In honor of their anniversary	Deb and Harold Whittaker In honor of grandchildren baptisms		Bob and Karla Billig In Memory of loved ones	

AUGUST CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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2 Worship Service 10:00 AM 7:00 PM AA	3 1:00 PM Piece makers 6:00 PM Brownies 7:00 PM Pioneer Band (BH)	4 10:00 AM Prayer Group (no luncheon or communion) 6:45 PM Boy Scouts	5 6:00 Hot Dogs & Hymns (GP) 6:00 p.m. Zumba w/Lex (BH) 6:00 PM Eagle Scouts	6 6:00 p.m. Zumba w/Lex (BH) 6:00 PM Cub Scouts	7	8
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2026 CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Please remember to respect personal and professional responsibilities of the members. If you call or reach out, they will return a call at their earliest convenience.

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