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Swamp Lutheran Church 275 Swamp Church Rd Reinholds, PA 17569

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Swamp Evangelical Lutheran Church

MAY 2022

From Pastor Scott

Greetings Easter People! As I write this message, I do so in the glow of our wonderful Holy Week celebrations. What a glorious Holy Week we celebrated at Swamp! Although a bit tired, my heart is full from the life and vigor I saw during our worship, breakfasts, and community egg hunt that our Swamp Lutheran family demonstrated. My thanks to all of those who worked so hard to create meaningful experiences for all.

I congratulate all of you who participated in the Pick Six Lenten offering program. You donated over \$6,000 to the ten different ministries supporting those in need in our community and throughout the world. Your faithful witness makes a difference in the lives of others and demonstrates your willingness to put your faith into action through this giving opportunity.

As we enter May, we continue in the season of Easter until June 5 (Pentecost Sunday). We continue to hear the voice of the Gospel of John. We dwell both on the appearances of the risen Christ as well as flashbacks to Jesus's teaching before his death and resurrection. All the texts reveal to us the implications of Christ's resurrection.

Please take note of the many activities to be held at Swamp in May. Our life in Christ at Swamp is blooming just like the flowers, bushes, and trees we see in our yards and neighborhood. Join in! Your active presence makes our ministry even more vibrant.

Our Spring Fling is May 21 from 11-2 which promises fun for all ages. Additionally, I hope you all attend my installation service as your pastor on May 22 at 4 pm. A light dinner will follow in the social hall. We return to our summer schedule of one service at 8:30 am beginning on May 29.

Rejoice Easter People! May the Peace of the Risen Lord guide and sustain you always and in all ways.

Pastor Scott

Dear God

I have a problem—it's me.

Dear Child,

I have the answer—it's ME.

<u>STAFF</u>

MINISTERS:

Congregation

PASTOR:

Rev. Scott V. Brubaker

ADMIN ASST:

Brenda Johnston

ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR

Susan Kreitz

BELL CHOIR

Doug Kulp

SEXTON

John Frantz

IN PERSON WORSHIP

8:00 AM Worship

9:00AM Worship

10:15AM Sunday School

THREE OPTIONS AVAILABLE

- I. Watch video on YouTube
- 2. Tune in to FM 87.9 in your car parked in church lot
- Join us inside for in person worship.
 Those who participate from car or outside will be brought communion.

PAGE 2	CHURCH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS APRIL 20, 2022			
	Your Council met Wednesday April 20, 2022. Highlights include:			
	Love, Inc. reported the mentors and budget coaches are working with the current family. A financial training course is being offered in May.			
	Learning Committee: Games are being prepared for the children for the Spring Fling: Boot camp Obstacle course Dress like a soldier relay race Water pistol Cup game Each child will receive a Parachuting Army person. Easter egg hunt: 23 kids and 58 total folks attended Vacation Bible School theme will be Christmas in July			
	Helping Hands: Our food bank provided food for 15 families in April. Served 85 folks for breakfast after the Choralaires Holy week breakfast served 162 folks			
Next Council Meeting Wednesday May 18, 2022	Welcome: Mailed out 83 cards this month The Spring Fling will be held Saturday May 21 st starting at 11 am. Picnic style food will be served in the social hall. Fever Swing BandA 21 piece band will play in the social hall Learning committee will coordinate children's activities. Drone demonstration by the Ephrata Police Dept. Kim Houck will be putting on a program for the Keystone Military Group Please join us for this free event			
	Youth Ministry: March 27 th the youth made snack baskets for 11 first re- sponders departments in the area. Seven Kids and 6 adults participated. Flashlight egg hunt lock in was held on April 8-9 th with 12 youth and 6 adults participating.			
	Service: The next community meal will be held May 12 th . Contact John Frantz if you would like to help.			
	Finance: The Lenten pick 6 has collected \$6220. We thank you for your generous donations!			
	Scouts: May 7 th they are doing a pool cleanup at Blue Mountain camp in Hamburg. May 13-15 th they will be camping for free because they did the cleanup			

Property: Spring work detail will be held Wed. May 11 at 5PM. Clean up inside and outside.;

Monday May 16th at 5PM for mulching. Help is needed for both times. Changing tables will be installed in the four restrooms.

A lot of improvements will be done in the future.

Other items discussed:

- Pastor Brubaker's installation will be held May 22 at 4pm with a luncheon afterward.
- We are still looking to collect any keys that are outstanding from prior council members or any other individuals that may have some. Please return to Pastor Brubaker or myself.

My words of wisdom for today...Don't let the fear of striking out keep you from playing the game! Let's go Phils!

Online Giving to Swamp Lutheran Easy, Secure, Convenient Set it and Forget it! https://swamplutheran.org/giving

If you haven't yet signed up for online giving, now is the perfect time. In just a few easy steps, you can set up regular giving at the intervals you choose. No more writing checks. No more fussing with giving envelopes. One less thing to remember. Just set it up and forget it. It is a safe, secure, and convenient way for you to practice your faithful giving to the ministries at Swamp Lutheran. Our trusted and respected payment processing partner Vanco makes it easy. Just click on https://swamplutheran.org/giving to get started.



Have you updated your will and remembered the ministry of Christ at Swamp Lutheran?

Swamp Lutheran Church can be named a beneficiary in your will and/or in your life insurance policy.

Give a gift that celebrates your life and commitment to Christ!

KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS NEEDED

It has come to our attention that patients at the VA Medical Center in Lebanon need Lap Robes. The size of the Lap Robe needed is **3.5' x 5'** and may be knitted, crocheted, or made of fleece. Since the Lap Robes are sent home with the patient when they leave the VA, there is an ongoing need for them. If you currently make prayer shawls, please consider switching to making Lap Robes. **Yarn is available from the church,** if



needed. We truly appreciate all of those that have graciously given their time and their talent in supplying the prayer shawls these past years. We will be collecting the Lap Robes in the Church Library. Thank you in advance for considering making the change.

OFFICERS of COUNCIL

Lori Gockley, President, David Sauder, Vice President, Danielle Kauffman, Secretary Deb Kohl, Financial Secretary Guy Templin, Co-Treasurer Sue Knauer, Co-Treasurer

CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL

Danielle Kauffman - Communications

Sue Ellen Knauer - Constitution; Personnel

Lee Showalter –Disaster Response

Guy Templin - Finance

Dave Borrell –Helping Hands

Deb Sweigert –Love, Inc.

Randy Krater - Property

Tom Showalter-Safety & Security

Pastor Scott Brubaker - Scouts

Deb Kohl- Service

Fritz Fichtner – Generosity

Jen Weitzel - Welcome; Learning

Alan Worley –Youth Ministry

Church Office Requests



Please call the church office at 717-336-2849 when: \Box You are in the hospital or prior to going to the hospital (or have a relative call for you). In an emergency, call Pastor Brubaker at 717-598-4663. \Box You are confined to your home for an extended period of time because of illness or accident.

 \Box You are going to a rehab center or a nursing home. in your family status of a group or commit-(birth, death, marriage, tee. To be open and or divorce).

 \Box You move to a new home, move out of the area, or go away to college or graduate school.

Important for keeping data base current. \Box You schedule a \Box There is a change meeting or an event communicative with everyone, we would like to include all scheduling on the Church Calendar and in the Weekly Bulletin.

Earl Myers Katie Houck Joan Long Hunter Leisey Josie Reitz Ashton Faust Susan Levan Janice Moyer Kelly Clair Sweigart Nancy Kulp Charles Hoppman **Bill Sweigart**

Jean Wolf John Frantz Margaret Elser Shirley Achey—neighbor of Sue Kreitz Mary Kring—aunt of Linda Ream David Metzger (friend of Sue Kreitz) Ed Miller Erika Eberly (friend of Jennifer Taylor) Larry Knauer **Cindy Hornberger Stahl** John Bergman



When someone is put on the prayers list, we will keep them on for four weeks. After that time, they will be taken off unless you make another request to have them put back on.

Handbell Practice & Performance Schedule - UPDATED

Mon., May 2 Sat., May 7 Mon. May 16

Reinholds Chapel Concert 2PM Play Sun. May 22





MAY 22 at 4PM PASTOR SCOTT'S INSTALLATIONfollowed by a light dinner and reception.

> MAY 29, 2022—ONE SERVICE ONLY SUMMER SCHEDULE Service Time: 8:30AM No Sunday School

MAY BIRTHDAYS

JOAN LONG SHAWN'S PARK 24493 WHITE STREET	5/5	KATHRYN MILLER PO BOX 210 REAMSTOWN, PA 17567	5/17
MILLSBORO, DE 19966		ANDREW KELLY JR 104 BURROWS STREET	5/24
JOAN REINECKER 600 N. MUDDY CREEK ROAD	5/7	SINKING SPRING, PA 1960)8
DENVER, PA 17517		DIANNE CRILLS 5/28	-
SHERRILYN ARTZ PO BOX 53	5/15	I 37 MEADOW VALLEY ROLOT #50	DAC
390 BLUE LAKE ROAD REINHOLDS, PA 17569		EPHRATA, PA 17522	
KEINI OLDS, IA 17507		EVAN FRANTZ 5/28	-
CARL FRANCK 8 EDIE DRIVE DENVER, PA 17517	5/16	130 S. FORT ZELLER ROAI NEWMANSTOWN, PA 170	

Ephrata Area Social Services and Swamp Lutheran Church continue on a monthly cycle to partner with food distribution. Monthly on the second Wednesday we distribute food boxes on behalf of EASS. We are so grateful to the congregation for their continued support of this outreach. Currently we need ketchup, mustard, snacks,



DAY OF RENEWAL SATURDAY, MAY 21 ST. MARK HARRISBURG 9:00AM-2:30PM

Cost: \$20.00 (includes program and lunch) Theme: the grit and Grace of Justice—Esther 4:14

Registration by May 9 to LS SWO Women of the ELCA, Kathy Kauffman, 970 Stevens Rd., York Haven, PA 17370

QUESTIONS: Barb Dudak 717-645-3111 templegymm@yahoo.com



Please put these changes in your pictorial directory.

Please let us know if you have change of address, email or phone number.

secretary@swamplutheran.org



Clyde Showalter Mary Ann Weitzel Margaret Elser Michael A. Crowther Clarice Haws Betty Hornberger Charles Moyer Ella Shirk Alverta Showalter Leona Showalter Anna Adams



GRADY DAUB	01
ANJA FERRY	02
CASEY COBLE	03
ANNA ADAMS	03
JEN WEITZEL	03
, NANCY KULP	05
JOAN LONG	05
MARY ANN KING	07
JOAN REINECKER	07
ERIC ARTZ	08
RANDY KRATER	08
LAURA RAPP	08
KEITH KITTLER	08
TAYLOR KIDWELL	10
STEVE KAUFFMAN	Ш
JASA LORAH	- 11
JESSICA MILLER	Ш
CORINNE SWEIGART	12
TAYLOR HIGGINS	14
SHERRILYN ARTZ	15
CARL FRANCK	16
KATHRYN MILLER	17
KATHRYN MILLER EMILY SHOWALTER	18
JESS ZOOK	18
DENISE NULL	19
RAY WEITZEL	19
DAVID KUPP	21
JAMES KING	22
TAYLOR WEAVER	22
ADDISON MCQUATE	22
JON KOON	23
CARTER SHOWALTER	24
ANDREW KELLY	24
KIERSTEN SHOWALTER	24
RANDY LEISEY	26
DENNIS TROUTMAN	27
ABBEY RINEER	28
EVAN FRANTZ	28
KAYLIE CARMAN	28
WILLIAM MULLIGAN	29
CONNOR SHOWALTER	30
MELISSA HERSHEY	31



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To use AmazonSmile, simply go to smile.amazon.com on your web browser or activate AmazonSmile in the Amazon Shopping app on your iOS or Android phone within the Settings or Programs & Features menu.

On your first visit to AmazonSmile, you will be prompted to select a charitable organization to receive donations from your future eligible AmazonSmile purchases. Then select **Swamp Lutheran Church** as your charity of choice.



Please join us for a Free Spring Concert in the Chapel featuring the Swamp Lutheran Church Handbell Choir under the direction of Doug Kulp.

> Saturday, May 7, 2022 at 2:00PM **Reinholds Station Trinity Chapel** 114 E. Main Street, Reinholds



GERANIUMS - Orders will be taken for $4_{1/2}$ inch potted geraniums in celebration of Pentecost on Sunday, June 5. Deadline for orders is May 22. Cost of each plant is \$3.00. Please contact Jodi Showalter at (717) 413-7149.



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UKRAINE RELIEF - Lutheran Disaster Response is supporting Ukraine through the Lutheran World Federation. Donations are used for items such as bedding, hygiene items, food



and pastoral care through a group of local Eastern European Lutheran churches. You may support this effort by writing a check to Swamp Lutheran with the memo marked Ukraine. The church will then send one check to Lutheran Disaster who in turn will donate 100% of the donation to assist those impacted by the war in Ukraine.

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL July 17-21 6:30Pm-8:00PM Swamp Lutheran Church Pre-K through 5th Grade Adult class also.



In partnership with Mellingers

Lutheran Church we will offer Vacation Bible School in July. Watch for further details.

US FLAGS When a US flag becomes worn, faded, torn or soiled, it should



be retired and replaced with a new flag. For those of you interested in retiring your worn US flags, please bring them to the church. We will collect them in the church library and deliver them to the Reinholds VFW who will arrange for them to be retired in proper fashion. Thank you for your consideration.

Take Note that as of May 1, 2022 the cost of altar flowers will increase to \$45.00. This change is due to the increase in gas prices. Joyce Stoner organizes the flowers and candles so please call her if interested in sponsoring. 717-336-7077





ASCENSION DAY SERVICE RETURNING TO JOY 7PM THURSDAY, MAY 26,2022

LUKE 24:44-53 The Rev. Peter Schwabe-Fry at Swamp Lutheran Church



MCC has a material resource center in Ephrata at 517 WestTrout Run Road. Their Recycling initiatives help cover relief shipping costs and keep items out of the landfill. There are many things that can be recycled at the MRC. The church office has begun to recycle their office paper in

an effort to cut down on landfill and to assist in the worldwide outreach of MCC. Might you want to consider recycling in this manner? <u>MCC Material Resources Center, Ephrata - Home | Facebook</u>

		Swamp	Evang	elical Lutheran (Church	
			Treas	surers Report		
		Ma	r 01, 202	2 through Mar 31, 20	22	
_		Budgets		Actuals		
Account	******	March 2022		March 2022	% of Budget	 Remaining
Income	\$	-	\$	26,466.22	0.00%	\$ (26,466.22)
Expense	\$	29,317.12	\$	29,401.34	100.29%	\$ (84.22
OPERATIONS	\$	4,562.52	\$	3,535.91	77.50%	\$ 1,026.61
ADMINISTRATION	\$	2,041.71	\$	1,260.38	61.73%	\$ 781.33
BENEFITS	\$	2,419.42	\$	3,814.43	157.66%	\$ (1,395.01
THROUGH STAFF	\$	10,400.43	\$	7,918.45	76.14%	\$ 2,481.98
YOUTH MINISTRY	\$	66.67	\$	-	0.00%	\$ 66.67
PROPERTY	\$	2,866.29	\$	1,420.00	49.54%	\$ 1,446.29
WORSHIP	\$	683.36	\$	1,232.28	180.33%	\$ (548.92
SERVICE	\$	70.84	\$	-	0.00%	\$ 70.84
STEWARDSHIP	\$	50.00	\$	-	0.00%	\$ 50.00
WELCOME	\$	416.69	\$	89.90	21.57%	\$ 326.79
LEARNING	\$	187.51	\$	91.62	48.86%	\$ 95.89
BENEVOLENCES	\$	5,551.68	\$	10,038.37	180.82%	\$ (4,486.69
Income less Expense	\$	(29,317.12)	\$	(2,935.12)	10.01%	\$ (26,382.00)

CUB SCOUT PACK 95 continues with their weekly meetings on Mondays at 6PM under the leadership of Travis and Justin. Events for May are as follows:

May 7	Pool Cleanup	Hamburg,, PA	Lunch Provided

May 13-15 Campout Hamburg, PA

May 30 Memorial Day Parade Participation, VFW Reinholds

Fundraiser with Redners will be initiated sometime in May.

Pack 95 Shoe Drive is still active and needs donations. Gently worn tennis shoes can be deposited in the bins located by church office or in the Narthex.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR JUNE 18 Slip 'n Slide Kickball-

Come join Pack 95 and Troop 115 for a day of fun. Food will be available.

Pack 95 is always looking for new members. Anyone interested in finding out more information about Pack 95 can contact Cubmaster Travis at 717 381 1608 or Committee Chair Justin at 717 466 9932 or via email <u>pack95rein-holds@gmail.com</u>. Pastor Scott and the church office can also provide information.

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Financial Coaching Training Faith in Action

TWO-DAY FINANCIAL TRAINING (ALSO REFRESHER)

Tuesday, May 17, 2022 | 6 - 8 p.m. Thursday, May 19, 2022 | 6 - 8 p.m.

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Newsletter Submission

for JUNE TUESDAY May 24, 2022

LOCATION

Lancaster Brethren in Christ 1865 Fruitville Pike Lancaster, PA 17601

COST

\$15, which includes coaching materials and a packed meal.

TO REGISTER

Contact Julia Solano 717-735-7540 ext. 4 or jsolano@loveinclancaster.org by May 12.

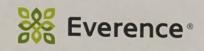
Do you enjoy helping others succeed?

Are you good at managing your own finances?

Are you looking for a way you can serve others?

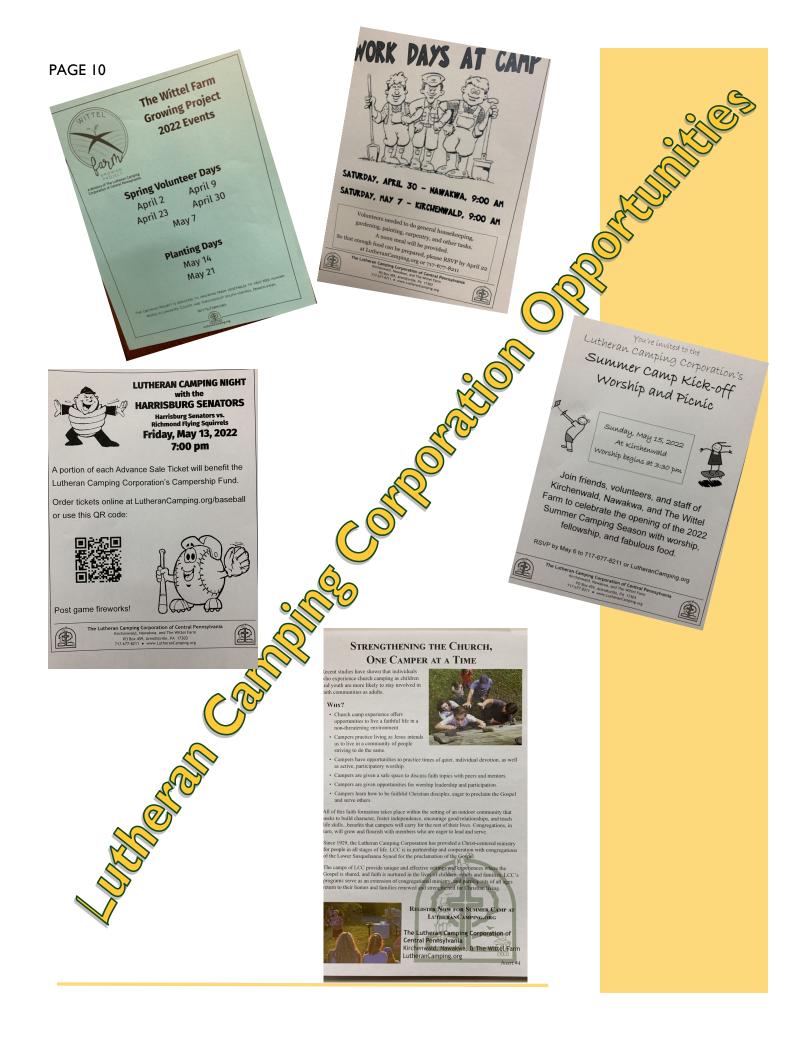
This training will help you explore serving as a volunteer Financial Coach for your faith community or for nonprofit programs like Love INC or Homes of Hope. This could be a great investment of your time with immeasurable returns for you and those you serve!

Cooperative training presented by:









SWAMP'S SPRING FLING

Free Community Event

MAY 21, 2022 11am - 2pm

at Swamp Lutheran Church 275 Swamp Church Road Reinholds, PA 17569

The Fever Swing Band - Free Food - Games Silent Auction - Drone Demonstration

Activites

The Fever Swing Band will be playing starting around 11:30am. They are a 21 piece WWII Swing Band, dressing accordingly.

Keystone Military Program Presentation and all Silent Auction proceeds will benefit the Keystone Military group.

Drone Demonstration by the Ephrata Police Department

Games for Children: Boot Camp Obstacle Course, Dress Like a Solider Relay Race, Water Pistol Cup Game & Coloring Page / Make a Card for a Veteran Station (Each child will receive a parachuting army person toy)