



Sept 2024

Swamp Evangelical Lutheran Church Newsletter

www.swamplutheran.org

Swamp Lutheran Church
275 Swamp Church Rd
Reinholds, Pa 17569
717-336-2849

Ministers :
Congregation

Staff

Pastor:
Rev. Scott V. Brubaker

Admin Asst:
Teresa Renninger

Sexton:
Jonathan Gyorke

Organist/Choir Director:
Susan Kreitz

Assistant Organist:
Grady Daub

Bell Choir:
Doug Kulp

In person worship
8:30AM

Two options available:

- Watch live stream video on YouTube
- Join us inside for in person worship

Pastor's Message

Where did the summer go? I cannot believe September is upon us already. Kids are back at school, the Fair season is about to begin, and Football has begun. It's autumn.

I hope you had the chance to vacation and relax this summer because, with autumn, activities pick up steam. Here at Swamp Lutheran, we have many exciting things on the horizon.

September 8 is God's work. Our hands. Sunday. Join us dressed in work clothes at 11:30 as we head out for some landscaping projects as well as inside work at Ephrata Area Social Services.

September 8 begins Children's Church where our younger children leave for special instruction during the readings and sermon time and return for the Children's sermon.

September 15 is Touch-A-Truck, a community event kicking off the Sunday School year.

September 17 at 6pm begins our weekly Zoom Bible Study again.

September 22 begins our Sunday School season at 9:45 am with classes for students of all ages.

September 29 our Church Choir begins singing for the fall at our single 8:30 am service while our Youth Gathering participants share their experiences during the sermon time.

October 6 is Blessing of the Pets under the carport at 11 am.

October 20 is the annual Crop Walk at 11:30 am.

October 26 from 1-4 pm is the annual Pig Stomach take-out.

October 27 from 2-4 pm is our community Trunk or Treat event.

We are creatures of habit, and we are comfortable doing what we have always done, but maybe we can approach this Fall like it's a new adventure. Maybe we can recapture that sense of awe and wonder that was/is our youth.

Time is relentless, but it is also a blessing. Time and time again we are presented with the opportunity to grow in our relationship with Christ. This Fall is a great time to seize that opportunity.

See you in Church and Sunday School as we live as the body of Christ.

In Christ,

Pastor Scott



Generosity Minute

September 2024

Tithing reconsidered

"Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in my house, and thus put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts; see if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing." –Malachi 3:1

Again and again the Bible lifts up tithing – giving a tenth of our income – as a benchmark for faithful giving. The prophet Malachi goes so far as to say God promises to rain down abundant blessings upon those who tithe. Yet most Christians fall quite short of tithing, generally giving less than 3 percent to the church.

Why? One reason is that in calculating how much to give, most people use the fixed-rate method. They first take stock of how much they are able to give, and then how much they want to give. Weighing these two factors, they then decide how much they will give.

There's nothing particularly bad about this method, but it has limitations. While giving folks an offering amount they can live with, the fixed-rate method doesn't necessarily put them on the path toward tithing.

A better method is percentage giving, that is, determining your offering as a percentage of income. Here's how:

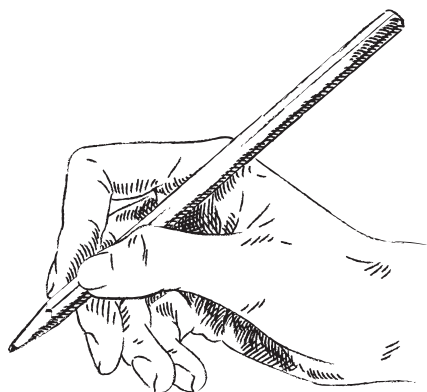
Using a calculator, divide your weekly (or monthly, or yearly) church offering by your take-home pay for the same period (week, month or year). Then multiply that figure by 100. This gives you the percentage of your giving. For example, if your weekly offering is \$30 and your weekly take-home pay is \$500, your percentage of giving is 6 percent ($30 \div 500 = 0.06$, then $0.06 \times 100 = 6$).

Can everyone afford to tithe? Of course not. Certainly God would not want children to go hungry or be cold so that their parents could tithe to church, but it's also true that many of us, maybe most of us, could afford to give more. The important thing is to be prayerful about your offering, be as generous as you are able, and keep tithing in mind, perhaps as a goal.

Keeping track of your giving as a percentage of income provides you with information to gauge your offering and perhaps build up to a tithe. You can make it a goal gradually, over time, to increase the percentage until you reach a tithe – 10 percent. One simple way would be to increase your giving by one half of a percentage point per year.

As Malachi promises, God will bless you richly for your tithing, and not only that, your church will be blessed, too. Switching from fixed-rate giving to percentage giving is a good start.

Notes from the Pastor



Please call the church office at **717-336-2849** when:

- **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**.
- **You are confined to your home for an extended period of time** because of illness or accident.
- **You are going to a rehab center or a nursing home.**
- **There is a change in your family status** (birth, death, marriage, or divorce).
- **You move to a home, move out of the area, or go away to college or graduate school.** Important for keeping data base current.
- **You schedule a meeting or an event** of a group or committee. To be open and communicative with everyone, we would like to include all scheduling on the Church Calender and in the Weekly Bulletin.

Prayer Requests

Katie Houck
Hunter Leisey
Susan Levan
Clair Sweigart
Michael Wargo
Jean Wolf
John Frantz
Ray Fox
Honey Notobartolo
Sandy Clemens
Amber Weaver
Judy Habecker
Teresa Sweigart
Tyler Leed
Henry
Linda Mohn
Pauline Wassmer

Ed Miller
Nettie Kriener
Grace Ranck
Reba Ranck
Faith Moyer
Gene Miller
John Wesner
Kelly Martin
John Elser
Edie Snyder
Michael A. Crowther
Jerry Landis
David Metzger
Mel and Troy Ulrich
Elizabeth Sherman
Dennis Troutman
Rachel Craven
Laney Garrison

Shirley Achey
Karen Klingensmith
Marilyn Gelsinger
Doreen McGonnell
Bobby Hershey
Anna Habecker
J.J. Johnson
Charles Moyer
Sharon Levan
Robert Bachman
Earl Myers
Joan Long
Robyn Reihner
Karen Nye
Alicia Andrews
Anna Rose Schannauer



Faith isn't hoping God can
It is knowing that God will

September Birthdays

BETTY KAUFFMAN 9/1
20 LANE ROAD
REINHOLDS, PA 17569

JOYCE STONER 9/3
720 S. COCALICO ROAD
DENVER, PA 17517

LARRY EBERLY 9/3
115 DURLACH HILL ROAD
STEVENS, PA 17578

PAT WEITZEL 9/8
429 N. STATE ST.
EPHRATA, PA 17522

DAVID KRAMER 9/13
PO BOX 161
REINHOLDS, PA 17569



SHARON LEVAN 9/15
208 HAWTHORNE CT. N
READING PA 19610

JANET BINGAMAN 9/22
580 GOCKLEY RD
STEVENS, PA 17678

STEVE LAUDENSLAGER 9/23
7 GARVIN ROAD
DENVER, PA 17517

KENNETH REIMERT 9/25
54 HIGHLAND CT
REINHOLDS PA 17569

BONNIE KOEHLE-KOON 9/25
195 HOLLOW ROAD
REINHOLDS, PA 17569

DENNIS HABECKER 9/27
637 N 11TH AVENUE
LEBANON, PA 17046

Please advise the office if this is the magic year that you turn 70! Just give Terri a call at 717-336-2849 or email her at secretary@swamplutheran.org

Happy Birthday to all born in September

Morgan Higgins 1
Betty Kauffman 1
Caitlin Ranck 1
Ned Marini 2
Larry Eberly 3
Joyce Stoner 3
Katie Koehle 4
Linda Mohn 5
Dana Shugarts 6
Stacey Artz 7
Barb Eckenroad 8
Molli Smith 8
Barry Donmoyer 8
Pat Weitzel 8
Tyler Keppley 9
Deb Leed 9
Ryelee Martin 9
Travis Leed 10
Delphine Weitzel 10
Pam Sweigart 11
Brian Binkley 11
Sarah Zook Deel 11
Matt Showalter 12
Kendra Carman 13



Carson Bansner 13
David Kramer 13
Troy Pannebecker 14
Landon Sauder 14
Sharon Levan 15
Jake Diestel 16
Robert Bingaman 17
Hunter Leisey 17
Amy Martzall 18
Andrew Hagy 18
David Sauder 19
John Lorah 20
Janet Bingaman 22
Elise Higgins 22
Steve Laudenslager 23
Shawna McQuate 23
Justin Jones 24
Antonio Sensenig 24
Brian Walmer 24
Nolan Weitzel 24
Gary Coble 25
Kenneth Reimert 25
Bonnie Koehle-Koon 25
Denny Habecker 27
Deb Kohl 29
Lori Donmoyer 29

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Please let us know if you
have a change of
address, email or
phone number.
secretary@swamplutheran.org

Nursing Home

RESIDENTS

Clyde Showalter
Mary Ann Weitzel
Michael A. Crowther
Clarice Haws
Charles Moyer
Anna Adams

September Greeters

- 1 Jan Risser
- 8 Jim & Kathy Hickernell
- 15 Deb Sweigert
- 22 John & Carol Chmielewski
- 29 Alan & Kathy Worley

October Greeters

- 6 Fritz & Susan Fichtner
- 13 Pat & Nancy Mcquate
- 20 Mark & Ros Bansner
- 27 Barb Mizdail &
George Philippopoulos

**Thank you for serving
as greeters. Please try
to be at the front door
by 8:10AM**

Exciting UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept 2	Labor Day	Office Closed
Sept 3	7:00pm	Welcome Cmte
Sept 8	11:30am	God's Work. Our Hands
Sept 9	7:00PM	Bell Choir
Sept 11	1:00-4:00pm	EASS Food Distribution
Sept 11	7:00pm	Choir
Sept 12	6:30pm	Learning Cmte
Sept 16	7:00pm	Bell Choir
Sept 17	6:00pm	Zoom Bible Study begins
Sept 18	7:00pm	Church Council
Sept 18	7:00pm	Choir
Sept 22	9:45am	Sunday School resumes
Sept 24	7:00pm	Homes of Hope
Sept 25	7:00pm	Choir
Sept 30	7:00pm	Bell Choir
Oct 6	11:00-12:00 pm	Blessing of the Pets



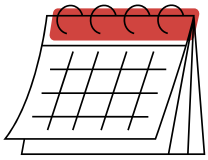
Blessing of the Pets - October 6, 11:00 - 12:00 PM on the Portico side of the church, Pastor Scott will give a blessing over your animals. All are welcome.



The church needs your help as a volunteer. From time to time members of the church need assistance in getting somewhere or even to get to church. It is not often but when the need arises we would appreciate having some folks who are willing to drive if available. Please call or email Terri at the office to identify yourself as a willing volunteer driver. 717-336-2849 or secretary@swamplutheran.org. God needs our hands and feet to assist those in our church family. Thank you for your consideration.



CROP WALK 2024 Sunday October 20 at 11:30am. If we work together, we can end world hunger. That's why Swamp is participating in the CROP Hunger Walk to support CWS and help families who are struggling with hunger. Please join us with your steps and your donations. Together, we will provide more meals for the growing number of people in our community who need them and create greater food security in communities around the world. We will donate 50% of our raised donations to our local Swamp Food Pantry. If interested in joining our team, please contact a service committee member. Please join our team or donate today.

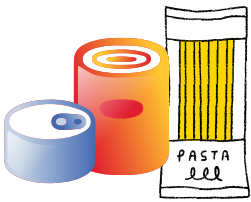


Please jot this date down: September 25, regarding information for the October Newsletter: Please reach out to Terri Renninger at 717-336-2849 or email secretary@swamplutheran.org *Your cooperation is appreciated. Thank you.*



ALTAR FLOWER/CANDLE UPDATE:

The altar flowers that have been sponsored thus far have been beautiful and we thank all who donated to this ministry. Your continued support would be appreciated. The following dates are available to sponsor the Altar Flowers: October 20 and November 3. There are many opportunities to sponsor the Sanctuary Candle. Flowers are \$40.00 and Candle is \$5.00. Contact Sue Kreitz at 717-283-9444 or John Frantz at 717-606-8994.

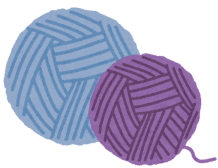


FOOD BANK –Needs of the food bank are ongoing and need replenished monthly. There is a need for paper towels, ketchup, mustard, pasta, canned chicken, spam (not tuna) fruit, vegetables and soup. Thank you for helping as you are able. We distribute on the 2nd Wednesday each month. Please check for a current expiration date.



Lutheran Disaster Response shares God's hope, healing and renewal with people whose lives have been disrupted by disasters in the United States and around the world. When the dust settles and the headlines change, we stay to provide ongoing assistance to those in need. You may support these efforts by writing a check to Swamp Lutheran with the memo marked Disaster Response. The church will then send one check to Lutheran Disaster who in turn will donate 100% of the donation to assist those impacted.

Thank You as You Continue to Give Generously!!



Knitters and Crocheters Needed

Thank you for changing your focus back to making Prayer Shawls. Your donations can be left in the library. Thank you to all who continue to work on this outreach.

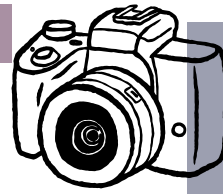


GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS. Sunday September 8th 2024.

Service committee would like to have our congregation join the ELCA sponsored service opportunity. This is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as a congregation – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. Service activities offer an opportunity for us to explore one of our most basic convictions as Lutherans- an act of service sharing God's grace freely given for all. How can you be of service?

- Do you know of a local organization that could use a few hours of help?
- Do you know of a neighbor, friend, or fellow member of the congregation that could use a few hours of help around the house/yard area?
- Are you interested in signing up and joining in this fun faith filled service activity?
- If you have service ideas please contact Pastor Brubaker or Jodi Showalter.

It is time for the 2024 Church Directory!



After the committee explored several options, we have decided on the best economic and efficient choice for our congregation.

The options available are as follows:

Option 1: Submit your own photo. Please email a high-resolution portrait photo to Danielle Kauffman at DKauffman4992@gmail.com

Option 2: A church member will be taking a directory photo at several different scheduled times over the next few months. We will be contacting the congregation with additional dates in the coming weeks.

If you have any questions, please reach out to committee members, Lori Gockley (lgockley2@gmail.com) or Danielle Kauffman (dkauffman4992@gmail.com).



THANK YOU: Dear Pastor Scott and the saints who worship at Swamp Lutheran. We deeply appreciate the prayers, concerns, and kindness showered upon us during the past few months during the illness of our mother, Betty Kramer, and her passing. We are confident that she now is one of those who have come from the great ordeal and is experiencing a profound joy in the heavenly glory of God. (Rev. 7:9-17). A special thank you to those who prepared a delicious buffet and offered warm hospitality on the day of her funeral. Thank you. Bob Kramer on behalf of the family of Betty.

THANK YOU: to everyone for your support of my Boy Scout Eagle project. We built 8 picnic tables and 6 benches with your help, support, and donations. I appreciate your support. Chace Smith

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 LIAISONS

Danielle Kauffman — Communication

Sue Ellen Knauer — Constitution; Service; Personnel

Lee Showalter — Disaster Response

Guy Templin — Finance; Worship

Deb Sweigert — Love, Inc.

Randy Krater — Property

Pam Leisey — Learning

TBD—Safety & Security

Pastor Scott Brubaker — Scouts

Denise Kidwell — Kitchen Krew

Fritz Fichtner — Generosity

Jen Weitzel - Welcome

Alan Worley -Youth Ministry

Swamp Evangelical Lutheran Church						
Treasurers Report						
Jul 01, 2024 through Jul 31, 2024						
Account	Budgets July 2024	Actuals July 2024	Remaining	Budgets 2024	Actuals 2024	Remaining
Income	\$ 26,177.17	\$ 23,615.15	\$ 2,562.02	\$ 314,126.00	\$ 193,115.05	\$ 121,010.95
REGULAR	\$ 26,177.17	\$ 23,615.15	\$ 2,562.02	\$ 314,126.00	\$ 193,115.05	\$ 121,010.95
Expense	\$ 26,182.19	\$ 28,111.46	\$ (1,929.27)	\$ 314,126.00	\$ 198,594.01	\$ 115,531.99
OPERATIONS	\$ 4,465.83	\$ 5,152.44	\$ (686.61)	\$ 53,590.00	\$ 29,659.82	\$ 23,930.18
ADMINISTRATION	\$ 1,783.33	\$ 1,220.73	\$ 562.60	\$ 21,800.00	\$ 18,255.45	\$ 3,544.55
BENEFITS	\$ 2,885.16	\$ 468.52	\$ 2,416.64	\$ 34,622.00	\$ 19,036.78	\$ 15,585.22
THROUGH STAFF	\$ 11,160.34	\$ 11,234.50	\$ (74.16)	\$ 133,924.00	\$ 77,486.08	\$ 56,437.92
REIMBURSED EXP.	\$ -	\$ 1,105.00	\$ (1,105.00)	\$ -	\$ 8,359.98	\$ (8,359.98)
YOUTH MINISTRY	\$ 66.67	\$ 513.00	\$ (446.33)	\$ 800.00	\$ 3,992.00	\$ (3,192.00)
PROPERTY	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 145.97	\$ 1,254.03	\$ 17,700.00	\$ 4,050.05	\$ 13,649.95
WORSHIP	\$ 604.17	\$ 553.38	\$ 50.79	\$ 7,400.00	\$ 3,154.18	\$ 4,245.82
SERVICE	\$ 104.17	\$ -	\$ 104.17	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 408.00	\$ 842.00
COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 16.67	\$ -	\$ 16.67	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00
GENEROSITY	\$ 41.67	\$ -	\$ 41.67	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00
WELCOME	\$ 516.69	\$ 4.97	\$ 511.72	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 1,440.93	\$ 4,759.07
LEARNING	\$ 445.83	\$ -	\$ 445.83	\$ 3,350.00	\$ 1,285.75	\$ 4,064.25
BENEVOLENCES	\$ 2,691.66	\$ 7,712.95	\$ (5,021.29)	\$ 30,790.00	\$ 31,464.99	\$ (674.99)
Income less Expense	\$ (5.02)	\$ (4,496.31)	\$ 4,491.29	\$ -	\$ (5,478.96)	\$ 5,478.96

Next Council Meeting
Sept 18, 2024
7PM

Church Council Highlights

August 21 , 2024

Love, Inc: Reported that they are dropping the Homes of Hope program and are currently looking for a new-non profit partner.

Service: The next community meal will be October 10.

- “The Project” Two families were helped:
One was weeding and bush trimming etc.
The other was tree trimming and staining a deck.
- The summer lunch program went well. Over 140 meals were prepared and they could have used more.
- Watch for details for the upcoming Crop Walk.

Kitchen Krew: 31 families in July and 32 families in August were given food from our food bank.

- 65 folks were served at 2 funeral luncheons.
- 39 folks were served at Pat Weitzel’s birthday party.

Welcome: The Church Picnic was August 25, 2024. Chicken BBQ, Bingo, Cat’s Pajamas performed and Pastor Brubaker was the target for sponge throwing.

Learning: Rally day and Touch-A-Truck will be help September 15.

- Tractor rides are back this year.
- Adamstown Library Book Mobile will be here and all food proceeds will benefit them.

Worship: The “Night Of Music” will be switching to an “Afternoon of Music.”

- Choir returns on September 29.
- Bell Choir returns on September 9.
- The plan for worship after the Summer:
 - Two additional places to sing will be added.
 - Pastor and Worship assistants will robe and sit up front, while lector and communion assistants will continue to be optional.
 - Children’s church will begin September 8.
 - Responsive reading of the Psalm will be added to give Children’s Church more time.
 - On festival Sundays, the cross will be processed and recessed.

Syrian Family Update: The family is still in the area and the children will be starting school in the Lancaster school district.

Other items discussed:

- Directory update: We are doing the directory in-house with the following options:
 - Submit your own photo: Please make it a high resolution portrait photo and email Danielle Kauffman @ DKauffman4992@gmail.com
 - We will have dates available over the next few months to take photos here at the church. Any questions please reach out to Danielle Kauffman or Lori Gockley.
- Council approved the 2024 constitution changes as presented by the committee. This will be presented to the congregation at the December Annual Congregational meeting for approval.
- If anyone sees anything out of place at the church, please contact police. We are having incidents where cars are doing donuts in the parking lot and doing harm to the macadam.

The Phillies are in a tiny slump right now. However, they are still in first place in the NL East. I have no doubt, they will be in the World Series this year!

Let’s Go Phils!



Sponge the Pastor



Happiness Is...



RINGING HANDBELLS

The Swamp Lutheran Handbell Choir will be starting their 23rd season of ringing and we are looking for some new recruits to join in the fun! Our first practice/meeting will take place on Mon. Sept. 9 at 7:00 in the church sanctuary. No experience is necessary. We are happy to work with beginners at all musical levels. Please contact Doug Kulp or any member of the Bell Choir for more information. Hope you can join us as we begin our new season!



YOU MAY NOT WATCH ME, BUT I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!

Welcome Back! Can you believe that we have been ringing bells for **23 years**? 23 years ago, the iPod was the newest technology! And while that device came and went, we are still carrying on! What is most impressive is how great this group has become at the art of bell ringing and I am very excited for another season of fun and musical excellence (Anybody up for Bruce Springsteen at Christmas?) I would ask that you please continue to be diligent in letting me know if you will be missing any rehearsals or performances so that I can fill spots in a timely manner. Since we do not have a lot of spare ringers, I would once again like to invite and encourage new ringers to join our group! If you know of anyone new who would like to join us, please invite them along to our first practice on MON. SEPT. 9. Tell them that we are all very friendly and patient and they will have a lot of fun! (Ok, a small lie won't hurt anyone!) As always, I look forward to seeing everyone again with fun and fellowship, and sharing our musical talents at the upcoming practices and worship services!

BELL CHOIR SCHEDULE – 2024/2025

Practices from 7:00 – 8:00

Mon. Sept. 9
Mon. Sept. 16
Mon. Sept. 30
Mon. Oct. 7
Mon. Oct. 28
Mon. Nov. 4
Mon. Nov. 11
Mon. Nov. 18
Mon. Nov. 25
Mon. Dec. 2

Mon. Dec. 16

Mon. Jan. 6
Mon. Jan. 13
Mon. Jan. 20
Mon. Feb. 3
Mon. Feb. 10
Mon. Feb. 24
Mon. Mar. 10
Mon. Mar. 17
Mon. Mar. 24
Mon. Apr. 7
Mon. Apr. 14
Mon. Apr. 28
Mon. May 5
Mon. May 12

Possible Play Dates

Play Sun. Oct. 6

Play Sun. Nov. 10

Play Sat. Dec. 7 (Chapel Concert)

Play Sun. Dec. 8

Play Sun. Dec. 22 (Coleman Chapel)

Play Tues. Dec. 24 (Christmas Eve)

Play Sun. Jan. 26

Play Sun. Mar. 2

Play Sun. Mar. 23

Play Sun. Apr. 20 (Easter)

Play Sun. May 18





LWR SCHOOL KITS

Last year, Swamp assembled and delivered 120 school kits to the LWR pick-up site. Many thanks to all who donated supplies and helped us reach this goal! This year we're aiming for a match or more!

We are presently accepting donations of items for this year's Lutheran World Relief School Kit Project through the end of September. Please help make this year's project a success. Donations may be given to Jane Leshner, Denise Null and Connie Taylor. Questions to Debbie Carvell 717-336-5638.

Items most needed: notebooks, pencils, erasers.

Items not needed: No backpacks (thanks to Jane).

We appreciate everyone following the guidelines listed below, as Lutheran World Relief will not send anything that doesn't adhere to these guidelines. Each backpack will contain:

- 70-80 sheet notebooks of wide or college ruled paper approximately 8"x10 1/2" - 4 per backpack
- 30-centimeter ruler or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other side - 1 per backpack
- Pencil sharpener - 1 per backpack
- Blunt scissors (safety scissors). (They must say this on the packaging) - 1 per backpack
- Unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers - 5 per backpack
- Black or blue ink pens - 5 per backpack
- Packs of 16 or 24 crayons - 1 per backpack
- 2 1/2" erasers - 1 per backpack

An invitation to Swamp congregation: On Sunday, September 29 at 9:45AM, we will assemble the backpacks for our Lutheran World Relief school kit project. We invite everyone to join us, who would care to be part of this effort. We will be assembling the backpacks, packing and sealing the boxes and setting up the display. There will be a brief introduction and prayer at the start. Because of everyone's caring and generosity, it appears we will have an epic year!

Thank you for making this possible. Please join us! Sincerely, Debbie Carvell



Swamp Lutheran Chancel Choir News

The first rehearsal for the Chancel Choir will take place on Wednesday, September 11 at 7:00 PM in the choir room. If you enjoy singing, we'd love to have you join us.

Contact Sue Kreitz with questions. 717-283-9444



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!

73rd semi-annual
ST. PAUL'S
ADAMSTOWN FREE
COMMUNITY OUTGROWN EXCHANGE
DATES TO DONATE & COME SHOP
SEE SCHEDULE BELOW
WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 23-28



Come and get items but we also will be taking donations of clean items on all the days except as listed below. You do not need to drop off to come get items Donation & shopping days are as follows
NEW this time — ONLY ACCEPTING: Clothing
(including shoes & coats), linens, toys, games,
puzzles, books, purses **NO** household items

DONATION ONLY DAYS

Monday, Sept. 23 — 9 am—1 pm (donation only)

Tuesday —CLOSED

Wed., Sept. 25 & Thurs. Sept. 26— 9 am to 1 pm (donation only)

DONATION AND SHOPPING DAYS

Thursday, Sept. 26 — 5 —8 pm (donation and shopping)

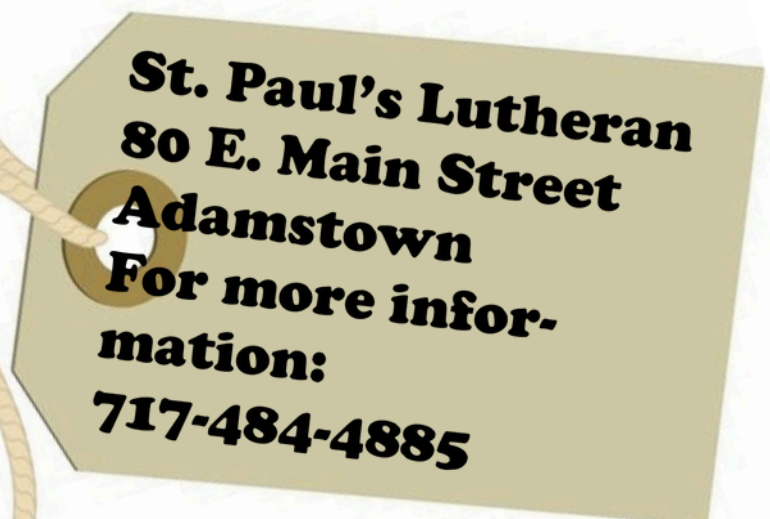
SHOPPING DAYS ONLY

Friday, Sept. 27 — 9 am to 1 pm (NO DONATIONS)

Saturday, Sept. 28— 8 am—noon (NO DONATIONS)

No TV's, furniture, computers or
copiers or other electronics
accepted, NO VHS or Car seats
No public bathroom usage.
Left over items will be donated to
various charities.

We can limit the number of
children's items you take
No Charitable donation forms



A poster for a "FREE TOUCH-A-TRUCK EVENT". The title is in large, bold, red and yellow letters with two handprints above the word "TOUCH-A". Below the title, there are illustrations of a red fire truck and a red tractor on a green grassy hill under a blue sky with white clouds. The event details are listed below the illustrations.

FREE TOUCH-A-TRUCK EVENT

SUNDAY, 9/15 FROM 10AM - 12PM
SWAMP LUTHERAN CHURCH
275 SWAMP CHURCH RD, REINHOLDS, PA 17569

Trucks, Equipment, Free Tractor Rides, The Adamstown Library Book Mobile, Face Painting, Food & More

//// ALL FOOD PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT THE ADAMSTOWN LIBRARY ///

A poster for the "annual Pig Stomach TAKEOUT DINNER". The background is dark blue with a subtle pattern of pig faces. The text is in white and green. The date and time are prominently displayed in the center.

annual Pig Stomach TAKEOUT DINNER

**OCTOBER 26, 2024
1PM - 4PM**

Swamp Lutheran Church
275 Swamp Church Rd, Reinholds, PA 17569

**Join us for Swamp Lutheran Church's
Annual Pig Stomach Takeouts!**

Whole Cooked Stomach: \$35

Pre-orders must be placed by October 12th.
Please call the church office at 717-336-2849 to place your preorder

All proceeds will go to benefit Swamp Lutheran's Food Bank.

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