

# JACOB'S LADDER

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*PURPOSE: To keep the members and friends of Jacob's Church informed of the ministries and happenings at our church and in the surrounding community to be **The Church on a Hill, Shining Forth for Jesus Christ***

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## ***Please welcome our Interim Pastor...***

***Rev. Tad M. Schlegel***

*So, Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelist,  
the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service,  
so that the body of Christ may be built up Ephesians 4:11-12*



Over the last three years, I have come to know quite a few of you at Jacob's Church. To the point, that I consider Jacob's Church as part of my family. However, as I step into the position of Interim Pastor, I've come to realize that there are still some members of our Jacob's Church Family that do not know who I am. So, I would like to take this time to introduce the Schlegel family.

My name is Pastor Tad Schlegel. I have been serving Jacob's Church for the past three years as the youth leader. I have also been working under Pastor Shay as the Pastoral Assistant for the past two years. I was born and raised in Berks County. I hold a Bachelor's degree in Theatre and a Master of Divinity in Pastoral Ministry from Evangelical Seminary. I have also just been ordained into the ministry through Jacob's Church recognized by the Evangelical Association.

However, none of these credentials explain how God has made me the person I am today. My relationship with God is growing each day and I am discovering new things about his character. I enjoy learning new things in general and consider myself to be a lifelong student. I am also passionate about people, helping and serving the people at Jacob's and in our community is a blessing. We have all been called to share the gospel, and I take my purpose as a Christian very seriously.

I have been married to my beautiful wife, Lauren, for the past six years. Lauren serves as the representative of Life Choices at Jacob's Church. She also serves in many different areas behind the scenes at Jacob's. She is also a stay-at-home mom, which is a full-time job taking care of our three-year-old son, Michael.

Our son, Michael is our blessing from God. He loves to hang out with his friends and have fun. It is hard to believe how quickly he has grown since we started coming to Jacob's in 2018. Still, I love watching him grow in his knowledge of how to do things for himself. Especially, as he begins to understand things about Jesus. He will be starting Jacob's Church Little Lambs Preschool this fall.

It is an honor to hold this position as Interim Pastor at Jacob's Church. I understand how important this transition is and hope that I can serve the people at Jacob's with their different needs. I also pray that people would continue to grow in their knowledge of who God is and how he wants us to live so that we can truly be, "the Church on the Hill, Shining Forth for Jesus Christ."

God Bless, Rev. Tad M. Schlegel

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**THE PASTOR'S EPISTLE  
"CHANGE IS HARD"**

**Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go. – Joshua 1:9 NIV**

It was back in June of 2021 that Pastor Shay sent out a letter to each member of the congregation at Jacob's Church. In this letter he wrote:

*Dear Jacob's Church Family,*

*How is it possible for Donna and me to thank God and you, the congregation of Jacob's Church, for thirty-three years of wonderful ministry?! After much prayer and consideration, I informed the Church Board on Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021, that effective Tuesday, August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021, I will be resigning as pastor of Jacob's Church. Though the decision to retire was not an easy one, both Donna and I have total peace that the timing is now right for us.*

I believe that all of us at Jacob's Church were aware that one day this day would come. With that being said, I believe some of us were still shocked and even maybe dismayed by the news. Still, change, after thirty-three years, at Jacob's Church was about to happen.

What would this change look like? Who would the next pastor be? Who would lead Jacob's Church into the uncertain future? These are just a few questions, I believe, that some of us probably asked ourselves after coming to grips with Pastor Shay's retirement.

However, Jacob's Church is not the first church to face such a change. When we look at Scripture, we can find many examples of leadership transitions such as: Moses to Joshua; Samuel to Saul; David to Solomon; Elijah to Elisha; Paul to Timothy; and even Jesus to the apostles. Each of these cases brought some sort of change.

What we need to remember in each of these cases, as well as the situation Jacob's Church currently finds itself in, is that no matter what God is with us through it all. As Joshua 1:9 commands us, "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

So, put your faith in God during this time of change. Trust that he is in control of everything. As God already knows whom he has called to be the next pastor of Jacob's Church. A pastor that God will use to lead Jacob's Church into the future.

*God Bless  
Pastor Schlegel*



# JACOB'S CHURCH BOARD MEETING MINUTES

## JUNE 28, 2021

Attendance: Pastor Shay

Elders: Ron Belknap, Mike Follweiler, Mike Madtes

Deacons: Kevin Dellicker, Jared Hermany, Kayla Fusselman, Solomon Johri, Jimmy Moyer, Ed Sawyer

Youth Leader: Tad Schlegel

Treasurer: Dave Follweiler

Visitors: Faye Foulk, Kaitey Sacks

1. Tad Schlegel opened the meeting with a prayer.
2. Property Committee – Jared Hermany reports alley was repaired by JM Dirtworx.
3. School Bus – No update.
4. School House – No update.
5. Sidewalk Sunday School – Tad Schlegel reports going on at 2 locations. Parents Night Out for Sidewalk Sunday School Parents went well. Youth Group is off for the summer. Young Adults meeting and are studying The Case for Christ. VBS is having trouble with staffing all positions. VBS will be running the church service on July 18.
6. Tad's Ordination – Still set for August 8<sup>th</sup>.
7. Scholarship Committee – 4 candidates for a total of \$3500 dollars has been brought forward. Jared Hermany made a motion to accept the candidates and was seconded by Ed Sawyer. The motion carried.
8. Mark and Jane Roberts have requested to resign their membership from Jacob's Church. A motion was made to accept the request by Ed Sawyer and seconded by Jim Moyer. The motion carried.
9. Kevin Dellicker has requested to rent the Jacob's Church School Bus for an event on July 15, 2021 from 8 am until returned later that day. A motion was made by Jared Hermany to rent the bus to Kevin Dellicker and was seconded by Ed Sawyer. The motion carried.
10. Treasurer and Financial Secretary Search – Ron Belknap reports replacement are in the discussion phase.
11. Treasurer's Report – June 7, 2021 Meeting Balance \$32,853.39

Income	\$14,702.00
Expenses	\$16,036.91
June 28, 2021 Meeting Balance	\$31,518.48

A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Reports as read by Solomon Johri and seconded by Jared Hermany. The motion carried.

12. June Meeting Minutes - A motion was made to accept the meeting minutes as read by Ed Sawyer and seconded by Mike Madtes. The motion carried.
13. Tom Danner has tendered his resignation from the Church Board. A motion was made to respectfully accept the resignation by Mike Madtes and seconded by Jim Moyer. The motion carried.
14. A motion was made by Ed Sawyer and seconded by Kevin Dellicker to install Kayla Fusselman as Deacon to complete Tom Danner's term. The motion carried.
15. 2021 Pulpit Committee – Volunteers for the committee were selected by the Church Board. A motion was made by Mike Follweiler to accept the 9 members and was seconded by Kayla Fusselman. The motion carried.
16. Interim Pastor – A motion was made perform duties as an Interim Pastor at the time of Pastor Shay's resignation date by Solomon Johri and seconded by Kayla Fusselman. The motion carried.
17. A closing prayer was offered by Mike Follweiler.
18. A motion to adjourn was made by Jared Hermany and seconded by Kevin Dellicker. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Solomon Johri

### Jacob's Church Board Special Meeting July 11, 2021

A special meeting was called to vote on having a Structural Engineer assess the School House to get a quote on repair costs. A motion was made by Kevin Dellicker to have a Structural Engineer perform the assessment for a price not to exceed \$5000.00 and was seconded by Jared Hermany. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Solomon Johri

At our December 6, 2020 Annual Congregational Meeting, we voted to contribute \$4,509.00 per week in order to meet our 2021 budget. The following tithes and offerings were collected in July 2021:

July 4	\$3,520.55
July 11	\$3,417.00
July 18	\$4,451.20
July 26	\$3,507.00
Budgeted Tithes and Offerings for Jan.-July	\$135,270.00
Actual Tithes and Offerings for Jan.- July	\$123,054.35
Deficit for January-July	\$ 12,215.65

**Next Jacob's Church Board Meeting is scheduled for 7:30PM, Monday, August 30, 2021**  
**Next Jacob's Church Elders Meeting is scheduled for 7:00PM, Monday, September 13, 2021**

**Jacob's Church Commitments for September.... THANK YOU FOR SERVING!**

#### **Greeters/Ushers for September**

**September 5** Jacob's Church Board

**September 12** Corinne Bast, Carol Rassler  
Jim and Rose Moyer

**September 19** Marie and Earl Muth  
Faye Billig, Donna Leiser

**September 26** Ron and Bonnie Belknap  
Robert Nester, Earl Phillips

**Greeters should be at church by 9:45am**

#### **Puppet Ministry**

**Sunday, September 5, 2021**

Ginger Johri and Rose Moyer

**Sunday, September 19, 2021**

Kayla Fusselman and Rose Moyer

#### **September Acolyte**

**Damien Hahn**



#### **Flowers for September**

**September 5** Zoghby 35th Anniversary

**September 12** Follweiler-Fouk-Stufflet

In memory of Ralph Follweiler & Howard Smith

**September 19** Ed & Tracy Sawyer

18<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary

**September 26** Bowman Daughters & Families

In memory of Luella Bowman

# MEMBERSHIP NEWS



Congratulations and Best Wishes to the following couples celebrating their Wedding Anniversaries in September:

*Robert and Sandra Acker  
Carson and Judith Baer  
Ronald and Bonnie Belknap  
Dana and Roberta Billig  
Justin and Mandy Conti  
Adam and Sayward Croshaw  
Brian and Jennifer Dzedzy  
Darryl and Donna Graff  
Richard and Susan Hermany  
Lonnie and Melissa Hill  
Ralph and Louise Hill  
Bryan and Lauren Husted  
Gary and Carolyn Krick*

*Christopher and Taylor Lallier  
Michael and Brenda Lentz  
Michael and Marcie Madtes  
Matthew and Carrie Mangol  
Scott and Stefanie Nester  
Robert and Janine Oplinger  
Kenneth and Caroline Ralston  
Ned and Stephanie Rauch-Mannino  
Angel and Monica Rodriguez  
Edward Jr and Tracy Sawyer  
Jordan and Krystina Smith  
Kevin and Heather Utt  
David and Pamela Zoghby*

## ***Celebrating with...***

*You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy;  
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore. Psalm 16:11*

## ***Birth***

*“That which is born of the flesh is flesh,  
and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit” John 3:6*



**CONGRATULATIONS** to Jared and Andrea Hermany! Their bundle of joy, Shepherd Jared Hermany, was born on Sunday, August 8 2021. Shepherd weighed eight pounds-twelve ounces, and twenty-one inches long at birth. Shepherd’s older siblings are Aria, Asa and Nola. The proud maternal and paternal grandparents are Robert and Cindy Held and Richard Hermany and Kathy Hermany. Cannot wait to enjoy sleepovers are Uncle Matthew, Aunt Carrie and cousins; Uncle Slade, Aunt Kinsey and cousin, Parker. Patiently, waiting to babysit is Aunt Karisa! All members of our Jacob’s Church family. Congratulations and many blessings from your Jacob’s Church Family!

## ***Mourning the Loss Of...***

*He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away, Revelation 21:4*

### **Our Deepest Heartfelt Sympathy**

May the Lord Bless and comfort the family of Sheila Eileen (Feinour) Falstick, who went home to be with our Lord and Savior on Friday, August 6, 2021 at the age of 70 years, 2 months, and 13 days. Sheila was born on Tuesday, April 24, 1951, the daughter of the late Robert Albert and Ella Mae (Snyder) Feinour Hemerly. Sheila was a lifetime member of Jacob's Church, she was baptized on May 27, 1951 and confirmed on October 3, 1965 both sacraments officiated by the late Rev. Clarence R. Rahn. Sheila is survived by her sister, Susan J. (Hemerly) Fetherolf, her brother-in-law, Dr. Barry L. Fetherolf, niece, Taryn, and nephew, Jarod, all members of our Jacob's Church Family. Sheila was predeceased by her brother, Keith Feinour (1984). Her graveside funeral service with interment in the Jacobs Union Cemetery was held on Wednesday, August 11, 2021 with Rev. Ruth C. (Rahn) Schaefer officiating. Please keep the Feinour and Fetherolf families in your prayers at this difficult time. Deepest Heartfelt Sympathy from your Jacob's Church Family.

### **Our Deepest Heartfelt Condolences**

May the Lord Bless and comfort the family of Norma Shackleton, who went home to be with our Lord and Savior on Wednesday, August 18, 2021. Norma is the mother of Mitch Hosler and mother-in-law to Beverly (Rabert) Hosler, members of our Jacob's Church Family. Please keep the Hosler family in your prayers at this difficult time. Deepest Heartfelt Condolences from your Jacob's Church Family.

## ***Infant Baptisms***

*Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old, they will not turn from it. Proverbs 22:6*



Australia Ann Malloy, who was born on Monday, October 26, 2020 in Norristown, PA, was baptized at Jacob's Church on Sunday, August 1, 2021 with Rev. Scott L. Shay officiating the sacrament. Australia is the daughter of Donnie and Blaise (Mannino) Malloy. Blaise is the daughter of Susan (Rauch) Mannino, a member of our Jacob's Church family, and Donnie is the son of Tina Malloy and the late Don Malloy. We praise God for our wonderful children and their potential to serve Jesus and His Church.

Kendall Grace Wessner, who was born on Friday, December 13, 2019 in Allentown, PA, was baptized at Jacob's Church on Tuesday, August 3, 2021 with Rev. Scott L. Shay officiating the sacrament. Kendall is the daughter of Brandon and Jordan (Rassler) Wessner. Jordan is the daughter of Bryan and Robin (Dietrich) Rassler, members of our Jacob's Church family. Brandon is the son of George and Cheree (Wambold) Wessner of New Tripoli. Kendall's paternal great-grandmother, is Carol (Stafford) Rassler, also a member of our Jacob's Church Family. We praise God for our wonderful children and their potential to serve Jesus and His Church.



Waylon Alexander Zoghby, who was born on July 6, 2021 in Harrisburg, PA, was baptized at Jacob's Church on Sunday, August 8, 2021 with Rev. Scott L. Shay officiating the sacrament. Waylon is the son of Jeffrey and Candace (Boretzky) Zoghby. Jeffrey is the son of David and Pam (Rauch) Zoghby, members of our Jacob's Church Family, and Candace is the daughter of Marty and Barb Boretzky of Pittsburg, PA. We praise God for our wonderful children and their potential to serve Jesus and His Church.

Adelynn Rose Bast, who was born on September 23, 2018 in Allentown, PA, was baptized at Jacob's Church on Sunday, August 15, 2021 with Rev. Scott L. Shay officiating the sacrament. Adelynn is the daughter of William and Shelby (Marx) and younger sibling of Cecelia Bast. William is the son of the late Michelle L. Bast. Shelby is the daughter of the late Edward Marx and Melissa (Reinhard) Marx. Adelynn's paternal great-grandmother is Corinne (Bachman) Bast, all members of our Jacob's Church family. We praise God for our wonderful children and their potential to serve Jesus and His Church.





Sofia Elyse Meckel, who was born November 7, 2018 in Allentown, PA, was baptized at Jacob's Church on Sunday, August 22, 2021 with Rev. Scott L. Shay officiating the sacrament. Sofia is the daughter of Colleen C. (Marx) and Edward Meckel of Slatington. Colleen is the daughter of the late Edward Marx and Melissa (Reinhard) Marx. Edward is the son of the late Edward Meckel II and Linda Meckel. We praise God for our wonderful children and their potential to serve Jesus and His Church.

## ***Welcome New Members of Jacob's Church***

*For as in one body, we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. Romans 12:4-5 ESV*

**We praise God for the following eight new members who joined our Jacob's Church Family.**

**Kerry and Linda Besch**, who live in Allentown, PA. They have two adult children, and five grandchildren.



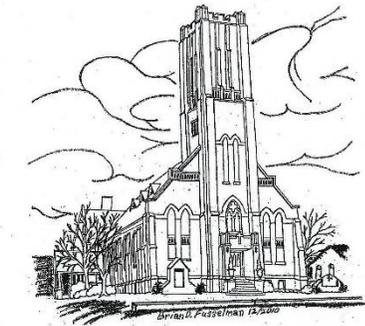
**Karen Hamm**, who is married to Deane Hamm, who live in Hamburg, PA. They have three adult children, and five grandchildren.

**Bryan and Lauren Husted and Family**, who live in Kempton, PA. They have three children, Landen, age 7; Caroline, age 5; and Valerie, age 1 1/2.



**Joyce Sacks**, who was married to her beloved Jay for sixty-seven years. She has adult five children (one deceased), eleven grandchildren, and fifteen great-grandchildren. Joyce lives in Topton, PA

**Michael and Vikki Stoss**, who live in Germansville, PA. They have two adult children, and three grandchildren.



Almighty God, by the love of Jesus Christ you draw People to yourself and welcome them into the household of faith. May we show your joy by embracing new brothers and sisters as we bear your creative and redeeming word to all the world. Keep us close together in your Spirit, in the breaking of bread and the prayers, and in service to others, following the example of Jesus Christ, our servant and Lord. Amen

# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT JACOB'S CHURCH



**NO SUNDAY SCHOOL ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2021, SEE YOU AT WORSHIP AT 10:15AM!**

**2020-2022 CONFIRMATION CLASS** will resume on **Sunday, September 19, 2021** at **9:00AM** in the church basement.



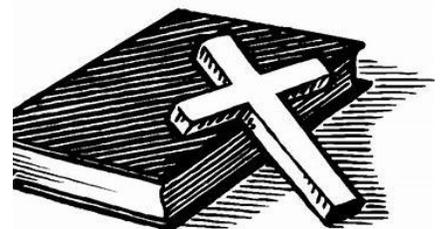
**STEPHEN MINISTRY – Christ caring for people through people**  
Everyone faces periods of difficulty. During these times, someone who will listen, empathize, pray and encourage them with Christ's love and care can be a tremendous benefit.

**LABOR DAY HOLY COMMUNION** will be celebrated on **Sunday, September 5, 2021** during the **10:15AM** Worship Service. Circle this date on your calendar for this special service.



**SISTERS OF ESTHER BIBLE STUDY** meet **Tuesday** mornings in the Activity Center **9:30AM-11:30AM**. For additional information, please contact Louise Hill at 610.573.1977 or Donna Shay at 610.298.2602.

**FREEDOM IN CHRIST MINISTRY** meet on **Tuesday** evenings at **7:00PM** in the Activity Center meeting room. Please contact Diane Wertman 484-330-1033 for questions.



**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY BREAKFAST GROUP** will resume on **Wednesday, September 8, 2021** at **7:00AM** to approximately **8:30AM**. For additional information, please contact Ralph Hill at 610.767.1286.

**MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY GROUP** meet on **Wednesday** evenings in the Activity Center starting at **7:00PM**.

**CHOIR REHEARSAL** will resume practice on **Thursday, September 9, 2021** at **7:30PM**. All voices are welcome! Any additional information, please contact Brenda Phillips at 484.515.1756.



**ANNOUNCEMENT** Brenda Phillips, Director of Music of Jacob's Church is resigning from her position as of December 31, 2021. If anyone is interested in being on the **Director of Music Search Committee**, please sign-up on the sheet provided in the church parlor area. Thank you.



**SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING** will be held on **Monday, September 20, 2021** at **7:00PM** in the church parlor.

**LADIES NIGHT OUT** will meet on **Monday, September 27, 2021** at **6:30PM**. For additional information, please contact Kayla Fusselman at 610.756.6317.



**NO CHURCH PICNIC IN SEPTEMBER**



**FREE WINTERIZATION CAR CHECK** to be held on **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2021**, between the hours of **9:00AM to 12:00PM**. Mike Sacks and Sons will check your car's fluid, tires, belts, antifreeze, battery, and check engine light.

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Assessment**

Ultrasound screen of the heel bone to determine abnormal bone mass density.

**We will be in your neighborhood soon on Friday, September 17, 2021 at New Tripoli - Jacobs Church**

### Get your special Community Circle pricing!

**Three ways to register:**

**Call toll-free: 1-866-229-0469**

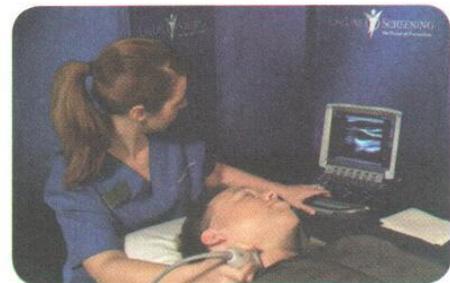
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# JACOB'S CHURCH YOUTH GROUP

Come out and join the group for Sidewalk Sunday School at the following locations! Hope to see you there! This ministry is for kids from 3 years old to 5th Grade. Our mission is to fulfill the Great Commission found in Matthew 28:19-20. At Sidewalk Sunday School Eugene and Becky will be telling stories from the Bible, playing games, singing songs and dancing, among many other crazy things. Not only that, but there are free snacks and surprises!



## **Sidewalk Sunday School**

Sidewalk Sunday School is taking place at Jefferson Court Cul-de-sac in New Tripoli each **Wednesday** from **4:30PM to 5:15PM**.

## **Sidewalk Sunday School at Heidelberg Heights Park!**

Sidewalk Sunday School is taking place at Heidelberg Heights Park, located at the corner of Heidelberg Heights Road and Glen Court, from **4:30PM to 5:15 PM**. On **Thursday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>** **free Kona Ice will be served to all attending!** Eugene and Becky hope to see you there!

## **Young Adults Group**

This group will meet on **Tuesday, August 17<sup>th</sup>** and **Tuesday, August 31<sup>st</sup>** beginning at **6:30PM**. If you are interested in joining us, or want more information, please contact Tad Schlegel at 717-644-1153. For those of you with children, child care will be provided.

If you have any questions, please contact  
Tad Schlegel, Youth Leader -717.644.1153 or [tad836@yahoo.com](mailto:tad836@yahoo.com)

# JACOB'S CHURCH LITTLE LAMBS PRESCHOOL 2021-2022

We are looking forward to our new year starting, **Tuesday, September 7, 2021!** Stay tuned for a year full of fun preschool adventures we will be sharing with you!!

# LOOK WHO IS IN THE NEWS!



Brenda and Earl Phillips



## NYAA 18U team wins third straight title

The Northwestern Youth Athletic Association 18U team recently won its third straight Parkland Softball League Championship. The team finished the regular season at 9-1, taking the regular season championship and advancing into the playoffs. In the playoff final, Northwestern exploded for nine runs in the fifth inning to win the championship over Ormrod by a final score of 12-2. Team members are (back row, left to right) assistant coach Dan Funk, Kelsea Kaschak, Danica Funk, Adana Funk, Lily Watt, Abby Snyder, Dani Leto, Izzy Toth, head coach Chuck Snyder and Olivia Emens; (front row) Kate Betz, Caitlyn Miller, Novalee Duffy, Hannah Brattle, and Marissa Wessner.



Kayla Fusselman addresses the youngsters as the day at Mystery Island Vacation Bible School comes to a close at Jacob's Church, Jacksonville, Lynn Township.

PRESS PHOTO BY DALTON MILLER

## Vacation Bible School — a 'mystery' at Jacob's Church

BY DALTON MILLER  
Special to The Press

Jacob's Church, Jacksonville, Lynn Township, presented Mystery Island Vacation Bible School for youngsters age 3 through sixth

grade July 12-16.

Students were divided into four groups — toddlers, preprimary, primary and juniors. They then rotated through different stations allowing them to

have a number of different experiences each day. "We've got on average 55 to 60 kids a day, and they go through different stations including games, a science lesson,

treasure hunt, and they learn a memory verse for the day," Kayla Fusselman, co-director of the event, explained. Aside from learning and having fun, the See **SCHOOL** on Page A5



Kayla Fusselman tells jokes to the kids as they wait for everyone to return from their stations.



LEFT: Mystery Island VBS participants blow bubbles outside the Jacob's Church Activity Center.

BELOW: Jane Wessner helps get the youngsters ready to play a game.

### SCHOOL

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youngsters were also working to raise money for a good cause. "Throughout the entire week, the kids have been raising money for a child hunger fund, which provides meals for families in need in the United States and across the world," Fusselman said.

### VBS Sunday

This service included the attendees of Mystery Island VBS performing a song during the service and singing the songs they learned throughout the week with the rest of the congregation. Following the VBS Sunday service there was one more fun event for Mystery Island VBS participants, Shine Fest. This included food, a dunk tank, face painting, inflatables, an obstacle course, and other fun games.



Samuel Sacks, Michael Schlegel, Sophia Sacks



Reeves, Leif, Jada, Etta



NWL Class of 1981 Reunion



Charlene Silva



Carolyn Krick



William and Adelynn Bast



Lauren Schlegel



Andrea and Shepherd Hermany



Donna Shay

# THANK YOU!

*Praise the Lord! Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!  
For His mercy endures forever. Psalm 106:1*

THANK YOU to JM Dirtworx LLC (James, Melinda Wessner and Family)

We appreciate your generous service helping us and our neighbors at Jacob's Church with the alley improvement.

The repairs to Summit Drive make it easier to pull in and pull out! During the winter months the improvement will also be a blessing, while using a snowblower to clear the alley of snow. Your thoughtfulness and kindness are greatly appreciated. Thank you again.

Dear Pastor Scott,

Thank you for choosing Children's Hunger Fund for your 2021 VBS Mission Moment during the Great Treasure Hunt! We have seen the need for food grow so much this past year. We are so encouraged to see how many kids are working hard to help send meals to children in need.

Thanks to all their hard work, your VBS kids and their families donated \$1,467.60. That's 5,870 meals! Please relay our gratitude to your VBS families. Those meals will make a real difference for children and families facing food insecurity.

We are proud to recognize your group as "incredible investors!" Your group will be listed on our website at [childrenshungerfund.org/vbschurchrecognition](http://childrenshungerfund.org/vbschurchrecognition).

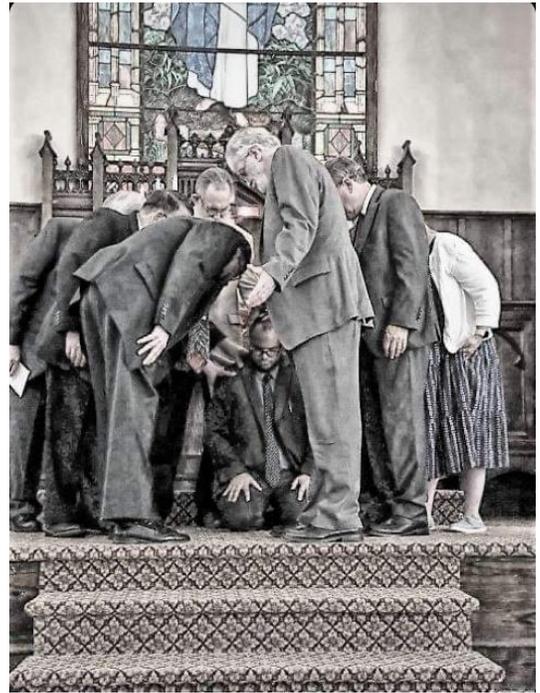
We are excited to be partnering with Answers in Genesis (AIG) again next summer. We hope Jacob's Church will join us! You can check out AIG's newest VBS curriculum at [answersingenesis.org/vbs](http://answersingenesis.org/vbs). Thank you for delivering hope with Children's Hunger Fund. For the children we serve. Anthony Kasper



**THANK YOU - JACOB'S CHURCH**

I wanted to thank my Jacob's Church family for attending and being part of my ordination. You have had a major part, over the last three years, in molding me into the man, the pastor, and the leader I have become. Thank you for all the love, support, and guidance you have shown me and my family. God bless each and every one of you!

Pastor Tad M. Schlegel



Thank you, Kayla for accepting Jacob's Church Deacon position!



# LOOKING AHEAD TO....



## **Covenant Signing during the months of October and November**

Sunday, October 3 – World Wide Holy Communion Sunday

Thursday, October 7 – Stephen Ministers Meeting

Monday, October 4 - Jacob's Church Board Meeting

Monday, October 11 - Jacob's Church Elders Meeting

Tuesday, October 12 – Young Adults Group

Sunday, October 17 – Harvest Home

Thursday, October 21 - Stephen Ministers Meeting

Monday, October 25 – Ladies Night Out!

Tuesday, October 26 – Young Adults Group

Sunday, October 31, 2021 - Committee Reports Due to Church Secretary

**JACOB'S CHURCH**  
**ACTIVITY CENTER REPORT**  
*"THE CHURCH ON A HILL, SHINING FORTH FOR JESUS CHRIST"*

August 27, 2021

Happenings in the Jacob's Activity Center during the month of August....

Ladies Night Out will meet on Monday, August 16, 2021 at 6:30PM.

Sisters of Esther held their meetings on Tuesday, August 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31, starting at 9:30AM and ending approximately at 11:30AM.

The Freedom in Christ Ministry held their meetings on Tuesday, August 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31, beginning at 7:00PM.

Men's Prayer Breakfast is taking a summer break and will resume Wednesday, September 8, 2021, starting at 7:00AM and ending approximately at 8:30AM.

Stephen Ministers held their meetings on Thursday, August 4<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup> starting at 1:30pm and ending approximately at 3:30PM.

Young Adults Group held their meetings on Tuesday, August 17<sup>th</sup> and August 31<sup>st</sup> starting at 6:30PM and ending approximately at 8:30PM.

Sidewalk Sunday School Parent Night Out will be held on Friday, August 27, 2021, starting approximately at 5:00PM and ending around 9:00PM.

The dinner celebration for Tad Schlegel's Ordination into the Christian Ministry was held on Sunday, August 8, 2021.

When we put our problems in God's hands, he puts peace in our hearts.

Stay healthy!  
God Bless You,

Faye M Foulk



# Jacob's Church Scheduled Activities in Church September 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5 NO Sunday School 10:15AM Blended Worship Service/Holy Communion	6 LABOR DAY!	7 Little Lambs Preschool 9:00AM- 11:30AM	8 Little Lambs Preschool 9:00AM- 11:30AM	9 Little Lambs Preschool 9:00AM-11:30AM  Choir Rehearsal 7:30PM	10	11
12 9:00AM Sunday School  10:15AM Blended Worship Service	13 Jacob's Church Elders Meeting 7:00PM	14 Little Lambs Preschool 9:00AM- 11:30AM	15 Little Lambs Preschool 9:00AM- 11:30AM	16 Little Lambs Preschool 9:00AM- 11:30AM  Choir Rehearsal 7:30PM	17 Wedding Rehearsal	18 Church Wedding
19 9:00AMSunday School  9:00AM Confirmation  10:15AM Blended Worship Service	20 Special Events Committee Meeting 7:00PM	21 Little Lambs Preschool 9:00AM- 11:30AM	22 Little Lambs Preschool 9:00AM- 11:30AM	23 Little Lambs Preschool 9:00AM- 11:30AM  Choir Rehearsal 7:30PM	24	25
26 9:00AM Sunday School  9:00AM Confirmation  10:15AM Blended Worship Service	27	28 Little Lambs Preschool 9:00AM- 11:30AM	29 Little Lambs Preschool 9:00AM- 11:30AM	30 Little Lambs Preschool 9:00AM- 11:30AM  Choir Rehearsal 7:30PM		

# Jacob's Church Tentative Activity Center Schedule

# September 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Mid-week Bible Study 7:00pm	2 Stephen Ministry Meeting 1:00-3:30pm	3 Private lesson 4-5pm Private 6-9pm	4
5 NO Sunday School	6 LABOR DAY!	7 Sisters of Esther 9:30-11:30am  7:00pm Freedom in Christ Ministry	8 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:00-8:30AM  Mid-week Bible Study 7:00pm	9	10 Private lesson 4-5pm Private 6-9pm	11 VBS Appreciation Dinner
12 9:00am Sunday School	13	14 Sisters of Esther 9:30-11:30am  6:30pm Young Adults Group  7:00pm Freedom in Christ Ministry	15 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:00-8:30AM  Mid-week Bible Study 7:00pm	16 Stephen Ministry Meeting 1:00-3:30pm	17 Life Line Screening 8-4pm  Private lesson 4-5pm Private 6-9pm	18
19 9:00am Sunday School	20	21 Sisters of Esther 9:30-11:30am  7:00pm Freedom in Christ Ministry	22 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:00-8:30AM  Mid-week Bible Study 7:00pm	23	24 Private lesson 4-5pm Sidewalk Sunday Function 5-9pm	25 Private 9am-12pm
26 9:00am Sunday School	27 Ladies Night Out! 6:30pm	28 Sisters of Esther 9:30-11:30am  6:30pm Young Adults Group  7:00pm Freedom in Christ Ministry	29 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:00-8:30AM  Mid-week Bible Study 7:00pm	30		