

JACOB'S LADDER

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September 2022

*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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THE PASTOR'S EPISTLE

“Let's Get Together”

*And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds,
not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing,
but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.
Hebrews 10:24-25*

As our summer plans slowly wind down, and we enter back into the school year, it is important to come back together and meet as a body of believers.

One way that you can do that, besides coming together every Sunday to worship our Lord, is by getting involved in weekly activities here at Jacob's Church. Not only will *Sisters of Esther* and *Freedom in Christ Ministry* continue to meet every Tuesday, but the *Men's Bible Study Breakfast* and *Mid-week Bible Study* begin to meet every Wednesday in September. Plus, if you are young adult, ages 18 – 40, we will be meeting every second and fourth Tuesday of each month.

The point is, there are many activities here at Jacob's where you can meet with others and spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Sure, one may practice faith or hope alone, but not love. As love is something you share with a community of believers. This is what the writer of Hebrews was getting at when he wrote Hebrews 10:24-25. So, let's get together and truly enjoy each other's company!

God Bless You, Pastor Schlegel

JACOB'S CHURCH BOARD MEETING MINUTES

JULY 11, 2022

Attendance: Interim Pastor Schlegel

Elders: Ron Belknap, Mike Follweiler, Mike Madtes

Deacons: Kevin Dellicker, Kayla Fusselman, Jared Hermany, Solomon Johri, Kaitey Sacks

Treasurer: Dave Follweiler

Guests: Faye Foulk, Louise Hill, Liz Long, Perry Long, Mike Sacks

Interim Pastor Schlegel opened in prayer.

Old Business

- Property committee: Jared reports new mulch was delivered and spread throughout the playground area. Mulch donated by Hawk Valley Landscape Material, Kempton. Mike Madtes is working on his plans for the schoolhouse as well as someone to replace the removed bricks in order to stabilize and prevent further loss.
- Youth/young adults/streaming: Tad is working on a teen kayak picnic event. Sidewalk Sunday school met twice last month. Young adults met once last month. Website, podcast, and social media up to date.
 - Tad met with ESG company for a quote on fixing and updating the audio/video for streaming. Mike Follweiler made a motion, Kayla second to pay the quoted \$1,334 for fixing the streaming system. Motion passed.
- Music committee: Louise Hill reported on the progress of the committee on finding a new music director. There is a potential candidate that they recommend furthering in the application process. References will be checked before offering a 90-day trial at \$17,000 organist/pianist salary.

New Business

- VBS: Kayla reports on a successful first day of VBS. So far 60 kids in attendance. The program will end on Sunday with a VBS focused church service followed by food and activities for the kiddos.
- Life screening is 9/16/2022
- Ron encourages everyone to help Interim Pastor Schlegel as he has a lot on his plate.
- Pastor's topics:
 - Quentin Bernhard asked for contributions to his mission trip abroad (Young Adults in Global Mission, program of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America). Mike Madtes made a motion, Solomon second not to contribute. Motion passed.
 - Discussion on standing for the scripture reading. Decision made to wait for any definite changes until we have a senior pastor.
 - Wanted to know about getting more mugs for welcome bags. Everyone agreed it was a good idea to purchase more.
 - Requested vacation time for August 9-11. Approved
- Treasurer's report: Kayla made a motion, Solomon second to approve the report. Motion passed.
- Minutes: Jared made a motion, Solomon second to approve the meeting minutes. Motion passed.
- Mike Follweiler discussed talking to Ronald Fox (neighbor behind Mantz's House) about purchasing the north lot behind the Activity Center for the possibility of future expansion.
- On 7/21 Kevin is touring a women sanctuary to understand how it is run and if it would be a possibility for the church.
- Perry Long spoke on his support for the schoolhouse restoration.
- Pulpit committee continues to progress by interviewing candidates.

Interim Pastor Schlegel closed in prayer.

Jared made a motion, Solomon second to close the meeting. Motion passed.

Recorded and Submitted by Kayla Fusselman

Corrections made by Kaitey Sacks

Next Jacob's Church Board Meeting is scheduled for 7:30PM, Monday, September 12, 2022

Next Jacob's Church Elders Meeting is scheduled for 7:00PM, Monday, September 19, 2022

At our December 5, 2021 Annual Congregational Meeting, we voted to contribute \$3,956.00 per week in order to meet our 2022 budget. The following tithes and offerings were collected in July 2022:

July 3	\$3,207.00
July 10	\$3,164.00
July 17	\$4,518.00
July 24	\$2,983.00
July 31	\$5,089.00

Budgeted Tithes and Offerings for January-July	\$122,636.00
Actual Tithes and Offerings for January-July	\$117,889.81
Deficit for July 2022	\$ 4,746.19

Interim Pastor Tad M. Schlegel

Thank you for our faithfulness and compassion. You have proclaimed God's word, baptized, taught, announced God's forgiveness, and presided at the Lord's table.

With the gospel you have comforted us in times of sickness, trouble, and at the death of our loved ones. Sharing in our joys and sorrows.

You and your family are important to us. We are thankful!

We give you thanks, and we pray God will continue to bless you.



Thank you Jacob's Church Family for your dedication each week to serve God's Church!

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit, and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. I Corinthians 12:4-6



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

Greeters/Ushers for September

September 4 Jacob's Church Board

September 11 Michael Bailey and Bruce Dietrich
Faye Foulk and Brian Fusselman

September 18 Jim and Rose Moyer
Tom Foulk and Lauren Schlegel

September 25 Kevin and Susan Dellicker
Robert and Janine Oplinger

Greeters should be at church by 9:45am

Puppet Ministry
Sunday, September 11, 2022
 Rose Moyer and Joan Oswald
Sunday, September 25, 2022
 Kayla Fusselman and Rose Moyer

Cost of Flowers for Sunday Service:

(2) Altar vases	\$25.00
(1) Floral stand	\$15.00
Bud vase	\$5.00
Bulletins	\$5.00

Contact Pam Zoghby to order flowers 610-298-3002

Scripture Readers for September

September 4 James Moyer

September 11 TBA

September 18 TBA

September 25 TBA

Flowers for September

September 4 Jacob's Church Altar Committee

September 11 Jacob's Church Altar Committee

September 18 In loving memory of Ralph Follweiler and Howard Smith

September 25 In loving memory of Luella Bowman



MEMBERSHIP NEWS



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

*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 and Tracy Sawyer
Jordan and Krystina Smith
Kevin and Heather Utt*

David and Pam Zoghby



Lord, we praise you because you are an awesome God who cares for each of us, and you want to see us prosper and succeed.

Thank you for your amazing power and work in our lives, thank you for your goodness and for your blessings over us.

We give you praise and thanks, for You alone are worthy!.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Amen

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT JACOB'S CHURCH

ATTENTION NO SUNDAY SCHOOL ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH – LABOR DAY WEEKEND

HOLY



COMMUNION

LABOR DAY COMMUNION will be celebrated on **Sunday, September 4, 2022** during the **10:15AM** Worship Service. Circle this date on your calendar for this special service.

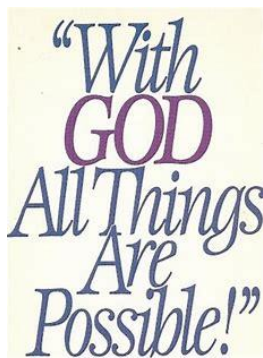
NEW 2022-2024 CONFIRMATION CLASS – will start on **Sunday, September 18, 2022 at 9:00AM** in the church basement. If you are interested in joining this class, please sign-up on the sheet posted in the church parlor area or contact Rev. Tad M. Schlegel at 717.644.1153. Students must be in at least the 7th Grade to be in the class.



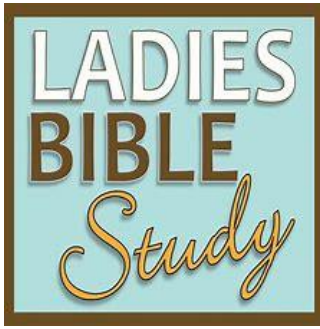
CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX MINISTRY please pick up a shoebox in the Church Sanctuary, fill it up with fun stuff and bring it back to the church by **Sunday, November 13, 2022**. If you prefer, you may place a monetary gift in the offering plate in an envelope marked OCC. Thank you for your generous participation!

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. Stephen Ministers Meetings on Thursday, September 1st and Thursday, September 15th



CARDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT MINISTRY – Jacob's Church continues to reach out to our members and extended families with "Thinking of you" cards. The cards to be sent out are located in the parlor area, please take the time to sign each card before or after worship. Our mission is to remember each other as we go through life's journey. Please contact Diane Wertman at 484.330.1033, for additional information or to offer a name in need.

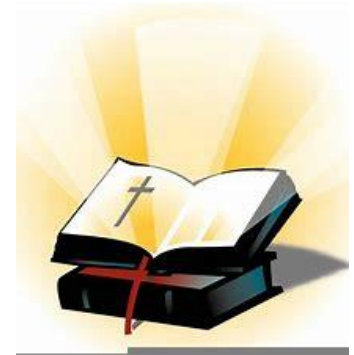


SISTERS OF ESTHER BIBLE STUDY meet **Tuesday** mornings in the Activity Center **9:30AM-11:30AM**. For additional information, please contact Louise Hill at 610.573.1977.

FREEDOM IN CHRIST MINISTRY meet **Tuesday evenings** at **7:00 pm** in the Activity Center meeting room. Topics discussed such as Artificial Intelligence, UAP's, Global Reset, Bio Warfare and much more all in light of end time Bible prophecy. Video's from well -known experts in the field will help us not to be caught unaware but will encourage and strengthen our hope in Christ Jesus as times are growing increasingly darker and more chaotic.

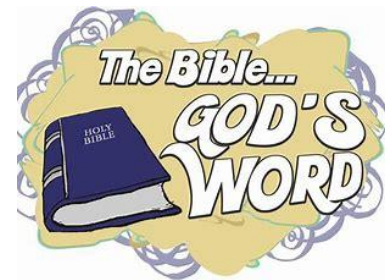
Hebrews 10:24-25 "And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near."

Diane Wertman can be contacted at 484-330-1033 for more information.



MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST will resume on Wednesday, **September 14th** at **7:00AM** in the Activity Center meeting room! For additional information, please contact Ralph Hill at 610.767.1286.

MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY GROUP has paused until further notice. For additional information, please contact Louise Hill at 610.573.1977.



LADIES' NIGHT OUT will not meet in September! Please contact Kayla Fusselman at 610.844.1567 for additional information

CHOIR PRACTICE IS ON HOLD UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

**JACOB'S CHURCH IS HOSTING A LIFE LINE SCREENING EVENT
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2022 IN THE ACTIVITY CENTER –**

Life Line Screening, is the nation's leading provider of preventive health screenings, and offer affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings.

PLEASE CALL TO SCHEDULE YOUR APPOINTMENT
by calling toll free 1-833-419-0663, mention priority code LW4E

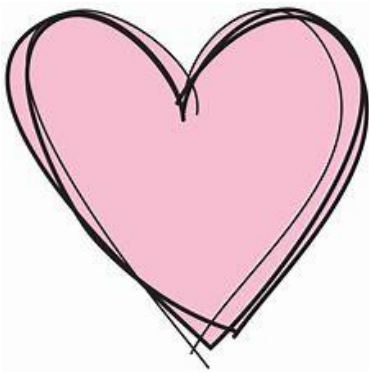


**LIFE'S CHOICES
ANNUAL FUNDRAISING BANQUET
THE MISSING PEACE
FILLING THE GAPS IN A POST-ROE WORLD**

Thursday, October 6, 2022

Featuring Pam Whitehead
Stone Spring Farm, Hamburg, PA
Register today at LifesChoicesSupport.org/about/events/banquet or sign-up on the sheet posted in the parlor area

Thank you to everyone who supported the Life Choice Baby Box Event. Many Blessings!



SAVE THE DATE

TWIN PINES ADULT RETREAT

*Friday, November 11 –
Sunday, November 13, 2021*

JACOB'S CHURCH YOUTH GROUP

Sidewalk Sunday School

Becky and Eugene are currently meeting every Wednesday at Jefferson Court Cul-de-sac in New Tripoli from 4:30PM to 5:00PM.

This ministry is for kids from 3 years old to 5th Grade. At Sidewalk Sunday School, Eugene and Becky tell stories from the Bible, play games, sing songs and dance, among many other crazy things. Not only that, but there are free snacks and surprises! We want to help you with your relationship with Jesus.

Come out and join us at Sidewalk Sunday School! Hope to see you there!



Young Adults Group

This group will meet on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month beginning at **6:30PM**. If you are interested in joining us, or want more information, please contact Rev. Tad M. Schlegel at 717-644-1153. For those of you with children, child care will be provided.

If you have any questions, please contact

**Interim Pastor and Youth Pastor,
Rev. Tad M. Schlegel-717.644.1153
or tad836@yahoo.com**

JACOB'S CHURCH

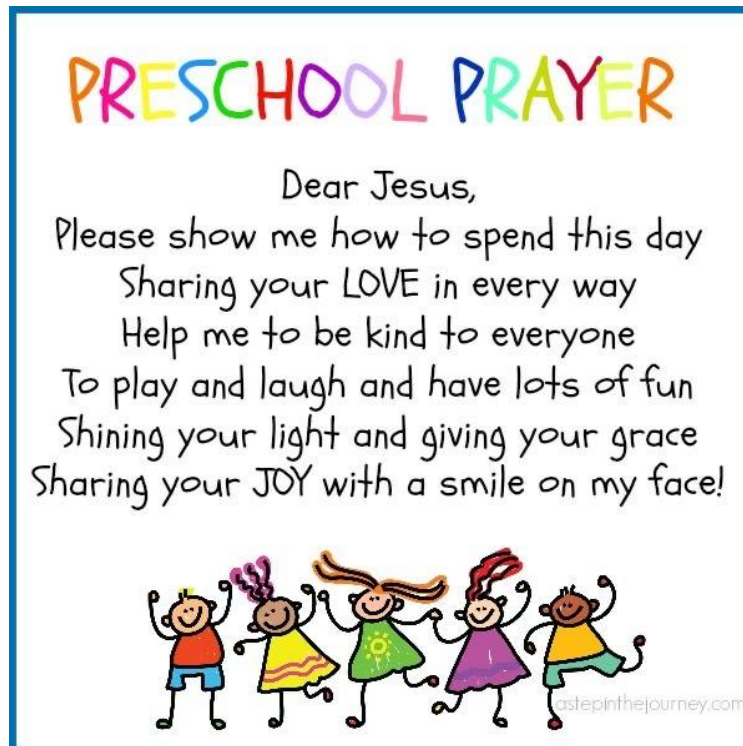
LITTLE LAMBS PRESCHOOL 2022-2023



Preschool starts Tuesday, September 6th!

We are so excited for another amazing year of Little Lambs Preschool!! Please continue to reach out to us if you or anyone you know would like to be part of our teaching staff!

We are also always looking for guests for a day to share any talent, hobby or interest you have with the children for a morning! Please keep our ministry in your prayers Please contact Jill Sabo at JSabo615@aol.com.



LOOK WHO IS IN THE NEWS!



Mike, Joyce & Samuel Sacks



Off to College
Sydney & Heather Utt



Look who is 70!
Pastor Emeritus Scott L. Shay



Lorrie Rauch did it again!



Michael Sacks



Leann Sacks



Lucas Sawyer



Aaron & Carter Foulk

MISSIONS!

God Loves You Tour September 24, 2022, at 7 pm.

The Allentown Fairgrounds, Grandstand seating provided.

The free evening will feature music by The Newsboys

Message by Franklin Graham. Isaiah 6:8 says, “Here I am! Send me.” Do you want to see your friends and neighbors find true hope in Jesus Christ? We’re looking for people to spread the word and serve on-site during the tour. The need is urgent—will you join us? We encourage everyone to be part of the outreach team ahead of the event, or you can serve on-site the day of the event. Learn more about these volunteer roles and register at

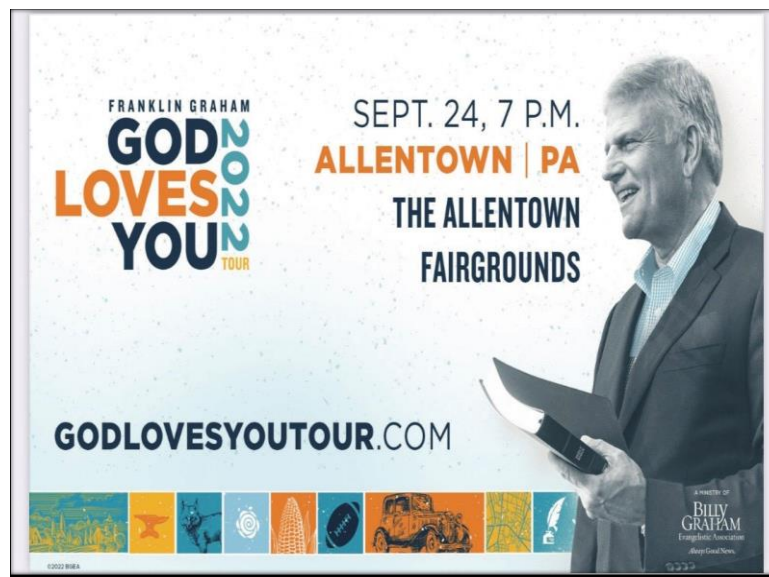
<https://godlovesyoutour.com/get-involved/>

OUTREACH TEAM By serving on the outreach team, you will receive a volunteer kit in the mail with invitations, posters, and other resources to help you get the word out in your community.

PRAYER TEAM You can make a difference in the life of a new believer by serving on the prayer team. Volunteers must attend a free 3-hour Christian Life and Witness Course (CLWC) in preparation for serving at the event. Prayer team members learn simple and practical ways to share their faith—not only with those they pray with at the event—but in their everyday life. One last course is tentatively scheduled for September 10. Location to be determined.

ON-SITE TEAM In addition to serving on the outreach team, you can serve on-site the day of the event during one of our three shifts. This is a great opportunity for both individuals and groups to help with set up, greeting, assisting attendees, manning resource tents, break down, clean up and more.

***Physical requirements include working in an outdoor environment, moderate lifting, and the ability to bend, stoop and stand for long periods of time.*





Heifer International gratefully recognizes

Jacob's Church

for your contribution of healthy animals and training
 in their care to help struggling families overcome a life of hunger and poverty.
"The Earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein." Psalm 24:1

Pierre A. Fenuan

Heifer International

July 2022

Date



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Jacob's Church,
 Thank you for your generosity
 and dedication to the families we
 serve. An additional group of
 generous donors has matched
 your donation, doubling the
 impact of your gift!
 Heifer International.
 Many Blessings to you!

**THANK
 YOU!**

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

August 23, 2022

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

Sisters of Esther held their meetings on Tuesday, August 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30, starting at 9:30AM and ending approximately at 11:30AM.

The Freedom in Christ Ministry held their meetings on Tuesday, August 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, beginning at 7:00PM.

Men's Prayer Breakfast will resume on Wednesday, September 14th at 7:00AM.

Stephen Ministers held their meeting on Thursday, August 18th.

Young Adults Group are holding their meetings in the church.

A Private Celebration was held in the church on Friday, August 19th.

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

God Bless You,

Faye M Foulk

**EVENT
IN THE
COMMUNITY**



Jacob's Church Scheduled Activities in Church **September 2022**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4 NO Sunday School 10:15AM Blended Worship Service Pew Holy Communion	5 Labor Day!	6 Little Lambs Preschool 9-11:30AM	7 Little Lambs Preschool 9-11:30AM	8 Little Lambs Preschool 9-11:30AM	9	10
11 9:00AM Sunday School 10:15AM Blended Worship Service	12	13 Little Lambs Preschool 9-11:30AM 6:30pm Young Adults Group	14 Little Lambs Preschool 9-11:30AM	15 Little Lambs Preschool 9-11:30AM	16	17
18 9:00AM Sunday School 9:00AM Confirmation Class 10:15AM Blended Worship Service	19 Jacob's Church Elders Meeting Parish House 7:00PM	20 Little Lambs Preschool 9-11:30AM	21 Little Lambs Preschool 9-11:30AM	22 Little Lambs Preschool 9-11:30AM	23	24
25 9:00AM Sunday School 9:00AM Confirmation Class 10:15AM Blended Worship Service	26	27 Little Lambs Preschool 9-11:30AM 6:30pm Young Adults Group	28 Little Lambs Preschool 9-11:30AM	29 Little Lambs Preschool 9-11:30AM	30	

Jacob's Church Tentative Activity Center Schedule					September 2022	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Stephen Ministers Meeting 9:30AM-12:00PM	2	3
4 NO Sunday School	5 Labor Day	6 Sisters of Esther 9:30-11:30am 7:00pm Freedom in Christ Ministry	7	8	9	10
11 9:00am Sunday School Kitchen Booked	12 Jacob's Church Board Meeting 7:30PM	13 Sisters of Esther 9:30-11:30am 7:00pm Freedom in Christ Ministry	14 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:00AM-8:30AM	15 Stephen Ministers Meeting 9:30AM-12:00PM	16 Life-Line Screening 5:00PM Twirlers	17
18 9:00am Sunday School	19	20 Sisters of Esther 9:30-11:30am 7:00pm Freedom in Christ Ministry	21 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:00AM-8:30AM	22	23 5:30-9:00PM Twirlers	24
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