September/October 2018

"Noteworthy News" Supplement

Faith United Lutheran Parish

From the Pastor

I was with a friend today who asked, "What is the purpose of the church?" We pondered, "To worship? To spread the Word? To do mission?"

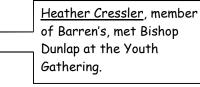
The Church is a household of God's children. Whenever, wherever, however we gather--we worship. Whether traditionally or not, worship is expressed in friendships and efforts of listening, watching, and waiting. Smiles, tears, and furrowed brows. And how is the Word spread? Is it a monologue or concept we read on a page. . . or is it a conversation which taps the depths of our souls, drawing forth from us the experience of love? Is not the mission of the church to incarnate (to be) the love of God which we have learned first-hand from Jesus who loved and died for the lost and broken? We are the lost and broken. We are beloved children of God washed in water, fed at the table of God's mercy, set free to love

2018 ELCA Youth Gathering Comes to a Close

Every three years, 30,000 high school youth and their adult leaders from across the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America gather for a week of faith formation known as the ELCA Youth Gathering. Through days spent in interactive learning, worship, Bible study, service and fellowship, young people grew in faith and were challenged and inspired to live their faith in their daily lives. Each day, participants split up into three groups: one that participated in community service projects throughout the city, another that experienced interactive learning at the NRG Stadium, and the final group received leadership training. Each day finished with a mass



Gathering filled with praise and worship music at NRG Stadium. This year's Youth Gathering, held in Houston, TX made national news.



Youth Impact July 27-28, 2018



Thank you to everyone who donated tubes of toothpaste for the Youth Impact project this year. <u>We collected close to</u> <u>900 tubes</u>.

1,254 adults + 2,166 kids = 3,420 total guests served. Details: 657 kids Friday night and 1,519 kids Saturday. It was a great success and the 1st day of school will be a day to look forward to for many local children from 34+ school districts.

To what purpose are we called, as the church? To love as Jesus loved...as we are gifted to love. Such is our worship. God give us courage to live, to worship in love.

Peace, Pastor Roy

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THANK YOU

Thanks To The Following:

- Barrens, Thank you all for the generous graduation gift card! I will certainly put it to good use in the next phase of my life! --Logan Racer
- Dear Barren's Church, Thank you for the graduation gift card. I truly appreciate your kindness and am thankful to belong to such a caring congregation. Sincerely --Gage Mummert
- Thank you for your cards remembering and celebrating my 10 years of ordained ministry with Faith Parish. Your kind words are an inspiration and make me glad to continue in ministry. --Pastor Roy
- Makenzy Jones of Mt Zion is grateful for those at the bowling event last spring who purchased fundraiser pastries from her: Thank you for supporting me! Due to your generous contributions, I was able to travel to Europe with American Music Abroad Silver Tour. We travelled to five countries: Switzerland, France, Germany, The Czech Republic, and Austria. One of the many beautiful places I was able to visit was the water fountain in Riguewihr, France. In Austria, we were able to ride to the top of a glacier where we could see snow covered peaks for miles. We also hiked to the top of the mountain where we had this beautiful view and were able to reflect and have lunch at a mountain top restaurant. We performed 7 concerts over 20 days. Our final performance in Austria we performed in an Amphitheater sounding like a group of professional musicians. What an amazing opportunity you have all given me and I am so very grateful for your generosity! Without you, my dream would have not been possible. I sincerely thank you! --Makenzy Jones



We surprised Pastor Roy August 19 after Barren's worship with a cake drinks, and cards in celebration of his 10th Anniversary Ordination ministry milestone with our parish.

Parish Directory Changes

Below are changes to our directory since the last supplement issue:

- <u>Ray & Gerry Fitton</u>- change of address:
 - 11 Tristan Drive, Apt #104, Dillsburg, PA 17019
- <u>MaryJane Gochenaur</u> change of address: **E** instead of J.



Please remember to inform the church office of any changes in your contact information so you may continue to receive mailings,

e-mails, etc. in a timely manner. If you have not been receiving emails, <u>please</u> <u>contact Deb with your new or changed</u> <u>email address</u>. Deb can be reached at the parish office (717-432-4802) or by email (<u>secretaryfulp@gmail.com</u>).

<u>Barren's Custodial Volunteers Needed</u> Continue to sign up for your 2-week cleaning period. This has been going very

well...thanks to all who have volunteered so far. The duties include vacuuming, dusting, cleaning the bathrooms, and emptying the trash cans (in the sanctuary and downstairs). Sign-up sheet is on the back table. If you have any questions, call Tammy Wagner at 717-580-0464. Thank you for sharing the gift of your time.



Backto

Prayers and safety to all students, teachers, and faculty as a new school year begins.

<u>NOTE</u>: Council meeting minutes are posted at each church.



<u>College Bound</u> Any students who are heading off to college, please let the church office know your new address so we can keep in touch with you. You can email the information to: <u>secretaryfulp@gmail.com</u>.



<u>Sept Birthday's</u>

- 1 Chris Cressler
- 3 Melissa Zirkle
- 5 Judy Klugh
- 8 Clea Hoffman Andrew Wolfgang
- 9 Danny Cornman Heather Cressler Lawrence Shook
- 10 Toby Hershey
- 12 John Renshaw
- 15 Brady Zumbrum
- 18 Jack McCauslin
- 23 Dylan Tamecki
- 24 Larry Berkheimer Bailee Britt
- 25 Steve Racer
- 27 Laura Watson
- 28 Richard Cressler Clint Shearer
- 29 Patricia Deniston
- 30 Edie Byers Terry Gochenauer

<u>Combined Worship</u> <u>at Barren's</u>

<u>Reminder</u>: There will only be one service Labor Day weekend, **September 2**, and that will be at <u>Barren's</u> <u>Church</u> beginning at 10:30AM. All are welcome to join us; Pastor Debbie will be preaching, with Pastor Roy presiding, and Vicar Micki assisting.

We will have a guest pastor lead an eight week discussion group about the ELCA's "Faith, Sexism, and Justice" social

statement. We will meet Monday evenings at <u>7:00PM at CLC Filey's</u> beginning Monday, **September 10**. Due to the sensitive material of this study, we are asking only women attend.

<u>Barren's Special</u> <u>Congregation Meetings</u>

Barren's council is calling two special congregational meetings after worship to discuss faithful, responsible options regarding the future of the congregation. Those two meeting dates are: September 9

October 28 Members, please attend!

Parish Blood Drive

Our next blood drive with the Central Pennsylvania Blood Bank will

be **September 10** at Barren's Church House from <u>1:00PM - 7:00PM</u>...whatever time works best for you, just stop in. Thanks for your support in this worthy cause. Questions, contact Jan Keslar.

Choir Rehearsal Resumes

<u>Emmanuel's</u> choir rehearsals will resume Wednesday, **September 12**, at 7:00PM.

Calling all Women





Trindle Bowling

Join in the fun at Trindle Bowling Lanes **September 16** beginning at 1:00PM. The cost

will be \$10 per person, which includes 2 games of bowling, shoe rental, pizza, chips, and a medium drink. Please sign up on the sheet at each church so we know how many bowling lanes to reserve.

October Birthday's

- 2 Pearl Foreman
- 5 Martin McCartney
- 8 Brenda Trump
- 9 Cindy Fanus Barb Miller
- 10 Dave Arndt Natalie Zeigler
- 11 Kaelyn Balko Judy Miller
- 13 Pat Miller
- 14 Pam Fahey
- 17 Joan Hess Jan Keslar
- 18 Kamdyn Balko Laurie Hoover
- 20 Brian Fahey
- 21 Rena Crisamore
- 23 Luis Rodriguez Jenny Stine Barb Zeigler
- 24 Helen Kilgore
- 25 Adam Frazier
- Curvin Klugh
- 27 Terri Tamecki
- 28 Marcus Ross

This is a time to celebrate the history of our churches and our community. We come together at

<u>St. John's Franklin Sunday</u>, **October 21** at 10:45AM to remember those who planted and sustained Christianity in this part of the county. Invite your family, friends, and prior members. Please share any artifacts and memorabilia you have, and bring a food dish to share for lunch...a family favorite would be good. Any vintage attire will be appreciated. Please leave a message for Marlene Stiffler (717-432-5365) if you can help set up prior to Saturday.

<u>Blessing of the</u> Animals Service



Sunday, October 7 at 3:00PM, you & your animal friends are invited to Emmanuel (outside) for a **Blessing of the** Animals. All of your critters are invited for a blessing as we commemorate St. Francis of Assisi day, patron saint of animals & ecology. Rain date is the following Sunday, October 14.

<u>Heritage Day</u> <u>Parish Worship</u>



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Parish Aid Fund

Parish council has recommended that the churches take up a collection on **fifth Sundays** so the

Community Giving Fund (aka Parish Aid Fund) will not run out of funds. So far we have shared close to \$3,000 with people in the community who do not have the ability to pay electric and oil (etc) bills. We have a committee which has representatives from the churches to provide oversight when requests for assistance are received.

Church House Rental

Looking for a convenient site in the Dillsburg area to host a meeting, party, reunion, or other gathering? The church



house of FULP at Barren's church is available to members and non-members in the surrounding communities. The facility can accommodate up to 75 people and has a full kitchen available. The rental fee is <u>\$70.00</u>. Contact Lois Diller at 717-379-0319 or parish secretary at <u>secretaryfulp@gmail.com</u> or 717-432-4802 to book your date.

Parish/Combined Services - 2018

The remaining combined/parish services for 2018:

- September 2 (Labor Day) <u>at Barren's</u> -10:30AM
- October 21 (Heritage Day) <u>at St. John's</u> -10:45AM
- December 30 (Combined Svc) <u>at CLC Filey's</u> -9:00AM

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Don't forget to place your unneeded/good condition clothing into the bin located at the end of Barren's parking lot. This is mainly a clothing/shoe bin; however,

small household items may be included as long as the items are not glass/ breakable. Donated clothing will be sold in their CommunityAid Thrift Stores.



<u>Our Mission Statement</u>: Our mission is to be open to God's presence in our hearts, in our minds and in our world; to love God and one another; and to proclaim our Lutheran theology of God's love and grace for all people.

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Parish Council Members:

President-Clint ShearerVice Pres.-Pam ArndtSecretary-Nancy BobbAsst. Sec.-Marianne BottaTreasurer-Carl ShearerAsst Treas-Woody Myers

Comptroller - *MaryJo* Rodriguez Others: - Ralph Diller

- Kevin Hoke
- Gayle Kolivras
- Marlene Stiffler



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