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We worship, welcome, witness, teach and serve in the name of Jesus Christ.

FIRST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
21 SOUTH BEDFORD STREET, CARLISLE, PA 17013

Building for Mission

A special congregation meeting has been scheduled for Sunday, September 9, 2018, at 11:30 a.m. (immediately following the late service).

The purpose of the meeting is to act on the following recommendations of Congregation Council:

- to proceed with the proposed construction project, consisting of a two-story addition, including an elevator, and replacement of HVAC systems, at a project cost, including 5% contingency, not to exceed \$1,852,000;
- to accept the re-bid of \$1,776,303 of Galbraith/Pre-Design, Inc., general contractor, for the proposed construction project;
- to approve a loan of \$1,600,000 from Orrstown Bank upon terms and conditions consistent with its proposal of July 19, 2018; and
- to authorize Congregation Council to take all actions required to implement the above.

It is an exciting and important time for our congregation. We look forward to seeing you on the 9th!

On the right is an updated rendering of the proposed two-story addition. During the “value engineering” process this summer, the footprint of the addition was reduced slightly, a different brick was selected for the exterior, and the window design was simplified.





Sunday, September 9, at 9:15 a.m.

You are invited to join us as we kick off another year of faith formation for all ages at First Lutheran!

Our Rally Day Breakfast will be held on Sunday, September 9, from 9:15-10:15 a.m. in Festal Hall on the lower level. **You don't need to bring anything or sign up - just come!**

The following Sunday, September 16, Sunday School classes for pre-K through adults will begin. Please see below and page 7 for more information about topics and locations.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES — Beginning Sunday, September 16

LOWER LEVEL

Adult Forum — Room 16

Multi-age Class (Pre-K — Gr. 7) — Room 17

UPPER LEVEL

High School (Gr. 8-12) — Youth Lounge

Men's Bible Class — Room 21

Missionary Visit

On Sunday, July 29, we had the opportunity to host our missionaries in Tanzania, Steve and Jodi Swanson. The Swansons shared a great deal about their work at Arusha Lutheran Medical Center and Selian Hospital and some amazing stories about the children (and families) they have helped care for.

On the 29th, we presented a check for \$2,120.35, consisting of special offerings from the congregation and a matching gift of \$1,000 from the Social Ministry Committee. This money will help the Swansons complete the play area/children's library at Selian Hospital and pay for other needed medical supplies and equipment.

If you want to learn more, a new video about the Swansons' ministry has just been uploaded to YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?reload=9&v=Mmsgyqm9UPg>



Council vice president Tali Martin, Jodi Swanson, Steve Swanson

September Worship Assistants

ACOLYTES (10:30 A.M.):

9/2 MaryGrace Harty
9/9 EmmaRose Harty
9/16 Ian Galbraith
9/23 Ainslee Martin
9/30 EmmaRose Harty

NURSERY (10:30 A.M.):

9/2 Hope Miller and Jeri Fitzsimons
9/9 Kathy Hall and Cindy Markle
9/16 Hope Miller and Robin Orner
9/23 Nancy Ingram and Alecia Staley
9/30 Sarah Niebler and Darlene Ramond

GREETER/USHER

(8 A.M.):

9/2 Sandy Jumper
9/9 Sandy Kohler
9/16 Roger Williams
9/23 Sandy Jumper
9/30 Sam Simmons

GREETERS (10:30 A.M.):

9/2 Steve and Lori Hogg
9/9 Nancy Ingram and Annette Nickey
9/16 Bill and Kim Fickel
9/23 Norma Greider and Ann Jordan
9/30 Dave & Elaine Haag

BREAD BAKERS:

(8 A.M.)

9/2 Robin Orner
9/9 Cindy Jones
9/16 Robin Orner
9/23 Taylor Miller
9/30 Cindy Jones

(10:30 A.M.)

9/2 Robin Orner
9/9 Cindy Jones
9/16 Robin Orner
9/23 Taylor Miller
9/30 Kathy Brunie

ASSISTING MINISTERS:

(8 A.M.)

9/2 Rich Wood
9/9 Chuck Martin
9/16 Jacqueline Cook
9/23 Terri Myers
9/30 Terri Myers

(10:30 A.M.)

9/2 Sarah Niebler
9/9 Robin Orner
9/16 Taylor Miller
9/23 Roger Williams
9/30 Sam Orner

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

(10:30 A.M.):

9/2 Michelle Fisher and Don Osborne
9/9 Karen Hollen and Janet Jacobs
9/16 Sandy Jumper and Sam Orner
9/23 Kathy Hall and Sarah Niebler
9/30 Sandy Kohler and Don Osborne

COMMUNION SETUP/CLEANUP:

(8 A.M.)

9/2 Monica Frederick
9/9 Monica Frederick
9/16 Terri Myers
9/23 Lisa Newton
9/30 Lisa Newton

(10:30 A.M.)

9/2 Ginny Brennan and Kathy Hall
9/9 Cindy Allgyer and Yvonne Karper
9/16 Norma Greider and Ann Roeder
9/23 Elaine Hock and Robin Orner
9/30 Janet Jacobs and Ruth Osborne

LECTORS:

(8 A.M.)

9/2 Sandy Kohler
9/9 Jim Brantner
9/16 Steven Hildebrand
9/23 Jacqueline Cook
9/30 Kim Fickel

(10:30 A.M.)

9/2 Sam Orner
9/9 Roger Williams
9/16 Ann Jordan
9/23 Donna Chestnut
9/30 Karen Deery

**Please see page 4 for additional
worship assistants.**

September Worship Assistants

USHERS & YOUTH USHERS (10:30 A.M.):

September Head Usher: Ken Egolf

- 9/2 David and Cindy Jones, Ruth Osborne
9/9 Blanche Drumheiser, Matt Drumheiser, Don Fraley,
Luke Erickson (youth)
9/16 Kathy Brunie, Bill Gillingham, Ethel Simmons
9/23 Cindy Allgyer, Bob Baker, Don Osborne
9/30 Gerald Gillingham, Cindy Jones, Colton Gillingham (youth)

FLOWER DISTRIBUTION

(10:30 A.M.):

- 9/2 Taylor and Hope Miller
9/9 Ann Roeder
9/16 Babette Hoch
9/23 Nancy Baish
9/30 Cindy Allgyer

Capital Campaign Update

Capital Campaign Update (as of August 31):

Total pledges/gifts from 79 households: \$618,195
(consists of \$598,430 in three-year pledges/one-time gifts
and \$19,765 unpledged/"as able" gifts given)

Total pledged and unpledged campaign contributions paid: \$209,074

Thank you for your continuing generosity to our campaign! A reminder that **special capital campaign offering envelopes are available** in the pew racks, the narthex and in the church office for your use in fulfilling your commitment to *Building to Serve All God's Children* or in making a general donation toward the project. **PLEASE NOTE:** Any contribution included in your regular offering envelope and marked as "capital projects" will go to our annual capital budget, not *Building to Serve All God's Children*.



Attention Aero Energy Customers!

Aero Energy House of Worship Program

The Aero Energy House of Worship Program is a donation program established by Aero Energy to provide Aero Energy customers an opportunity to give to our church. To participate, Aero Energy customers sign up by phone or online after which Aero Energy donates 4 cents for every gallon of fuel they use to us. (You still pay the same price per gallon you are paying now.)

You can sign up for this program by calling 888-827-1713 or online at AeroEnergy.com/HOW.



Fraley, Don 9/1
 Ward, John..... 9/1
 Fitzsimons, Colleen..... 9/2
 Schade, Carolyn 9/7
 Davidson, Susan..... 9/8
 Hall II, Robert 9/8
 Hunt, Kathryn 9/8
 Fickel, J. Lucas 9/9
 Seibert, May..... 9/9
 Stum, Lisa 9/9
 Kreiser, Ryan 9/10
 Erickson, Leann 9/13
 Cozort, Lauren 9/14
 Asten, Carole 9/18
 Drumheiser, Matthew 9/20
 Frederick, Thomas 9/21
 Porter, Cynthia 9/21
 Pounder, Michael 9/22
 Seely, Samantha..... 9/22
 Chamberlain, Shirley..... 9/23
 Kohler, Sandra 9/24
 Taylor, Mitchell..... 9/25
 Taylor, Crystal..... 9/27
 Shank, Patricia..... 9/28
 Karper, Yvonne 9/30

CELEBRATING A



Robert & Louise Baker (63 years) 9/4
 James & Carolyn Schade (51 years) 9/16



Culbertson, Dana 9/8
 Alexander, Constance 9/14
 Hoch, Jeffrey 9/14
 Seely, Seth 9/15
 Harty, EmmaRose 9/16
 Erickson, Luke..... 9/18
 Croft, William 9/19
 Gitt, Joan 9/20
 Mackes, Megan 9/22
 Strasbaugh, Glenda 9/23
 Strasbaugh, Robert 9/23
 Shank, Jon 9/24
 Jordan, Ann 9/26
 Deery, Karen 9/28
 Shank, Patricia 9/28
 Brunie, Kathy..... 9/30

Please note that the church office will be closed on Monday, September 3, in observance of Labor Day.

Sunday	Attendance	Offering
July 1	127	\$7,233.50
July 8	140	\$5,982.36
July 15	131	\$2,308.00
July 22	112	\$6,014.00
July 29	140	\$3,758.00

Meetings & Events



SEPTEMBER 2018

- Sat., Sept. 1** — 3-4 p.m. — Tai Chi — *Festal Hall*
- Sun., Sept. 2** — 4 p.m. — FL Serves at My Brother's Table Soup Kitchen
- Mon., Sept. 3** — Labor Day — *Office Closed*
- Wed., Sept. 5** — 9:30 a.m. — WELCA Bible Study
- Thurs., Sept. 6** — 9 a.m.-1 p.m. — Early Head Start Family Day — *Festal Hall*
- Sat., Sept. 8** — 3-4 p.m. — Tai Chi — *Festal Hall*
- Sun., Sept. 9** — 9:15 a.m. — Rally Day Breakfast
11:30 a.m. — Congregational Meeting
- Tues., Sept. 11** — 9:30-11 a.m. — LWR Quilting Group
- Wed., Sept. 12** — 5:30 p.m. — Property Committee
6:30 p.m. — Social Ministry and Global Outreach Committee
6:30 p.m. — Stewardship Committee
- Sat., Sept. 15** — 7:30 a.m.—Men's Huddle
3-4 p.m. — Tai Chi — *Festal Hall*
- Sun., Sept. 16** — 11:30 a.m. — Private Party — *Festal Hall*
- Tues., Sept. 18** — 6:30 p.m. — Congregation Council
- Wed., Sept. 19** — 8:30 a.m. — FL Volunteers at Project SHARE Distribution
- Thurs., Sept. 20** 9 a.m.-1 p.m. — Early Head Start Family Day — *Festal Hall*
- Sat., Sept. 22** — 3-4 p.m. — Tai Chi — *Festal Hall*
- Tues., Sept. 25** — 9:30-11 a.m. — LWR Quilting Group
6:30 p.m. — Evangelism Committee
- Sat., Sept. 29** — 3-4 p.m. — Tai Chi — *Festal Hall*
- Sun., Sept. 30** — 3 p.m. — Carlisle Musical Arts Club



- ♫ **Bell Choir – Thursdays, 6 – 6:45 p.m.**
- ♫ **Chancel Choir – Thursdays, 7 – 8:30 p.m.**

**Staff meetings are held every
Wednesday at 1 p.m.**



CHRISTIAN
EDUCATION

ADULT FORUM

Our year will start on Sunday, September 16, with a book/DVD series entitled *Short Stories by Jesus* written by Amy-Jill Levine. This six-week series will be led by Jered Hock and Ken Egolf.

Amy-Jill Levine, Professor of New Testament and Jewish Studies at Vanderbilt Divinity School, offers a new perspective of the parables of Jesus. Each week we will look at a new parable, so feel free to join us when you can. (You don't have to have been in prior classes to fully participate.) If you would like a copy of the book, *Short Stories by Jesus*, please call Robin in the church office (717-249-3310).

Please join us in room 16 (on the lower level) at 9:15 a.m. beginning September 16. All adults are welcome!

Lutheran Camping Corporation

At Camps Nawakwa and Kirchenwald this fall:

- ✚ October 2-4 — Book Study Retreat at Nawakwa, registration deadline: Sept. 21
- ✚ October 7 — Capture the Flag Spectacular at Kirchenwald, registration deadline: Sept. 28
- ✚ October 21 — Fall Foliage Day at Kirchenwald and Nawakwa, registration deadline: Oct. 12
- ✚ November 4 — Quilt Auction at Nawakwa, registration deadline: Oct. 21
- ✚ November 9-11 — Women's Craft Retreat at Nawakwa, Registration deadline: Nov. 1



For more information or to register for any of these events, check out the camp bulletin board located next to room 16 across from the church office, contact the camping office at (717) 677-8211 or visit www.LutheranCamping.org.

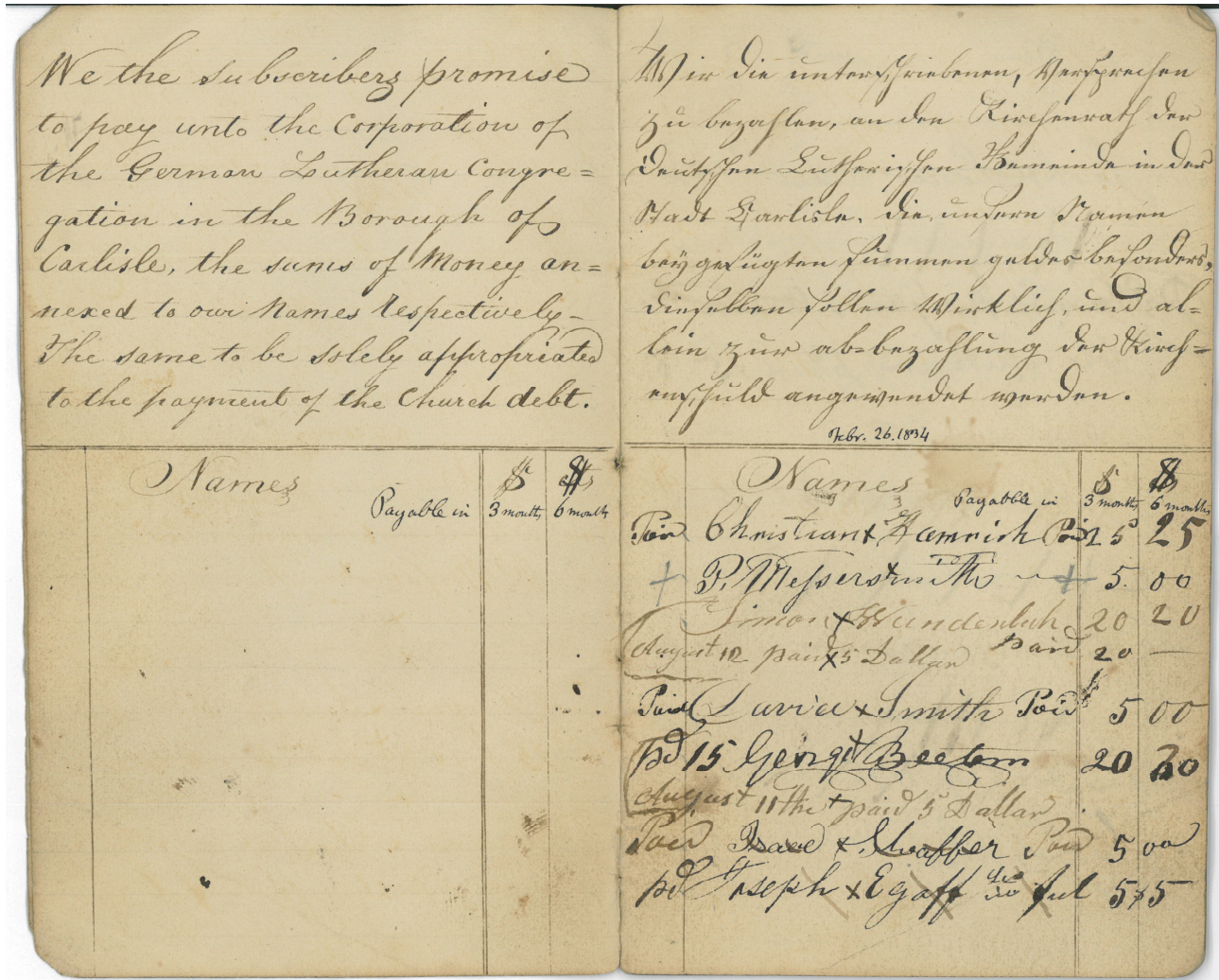
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From Our Archives



19th CENTURY DEBT SERVICING

The first page of this 1834 booklet documents First Lutheran's attempt to pay off its then outstanding debt. Congregational members were approached by their location - either "town" or "country." Shown here is the first page of the "town" booklet and as befits First Lutheran's origins the pledge statement is in both English and German.

LWR PERSONAL CARE KITS

The WELCA group is starting its third set of personal care kits for Lutheran World Relief. Monetary donations are still being accepted to purchase items for the kits and to help with postage to send the kits worldwide. Checks should be made payable to WELCA and marked for PERSONAL CARE KITS.

The group plans to send 120+ kits to LWR. Wouldn't you like to be one of those who brings a smile to someone who has lost everything due to war, floods, fires or other disasters? Thank you for caring.



Lutheran World Relief
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT. LASTING PROMISE.

Sing or ring with us this fall!

Chancel Choir rehearsals begin Thursday, September 6. This choral ensemble, open to high school and above, rehearses every Thursday from 7-8:30 p.m. in the choir room on the lower level and helps lead the 10:30 a.m. service most Sundays from September through late May/early June.

If you can't sing every Sunday, sing for Advent Lessons and Carols! We will begin learning music in late October/early November for this wonderful candlelight service of readings and music (Sunday, December 16, at 4 p.m.).

Our **Handbell Choir** (open to middle school and above) will also begin rehearsals Thursday, September 6. Rehearsals are held on Thursdays from 6-6:45 p.m. in room 25 on the upper level. The Handbell Choir rings at the 10:30 a.m. service every 4-6 weeks or so.

If you have any questions, want to learn more about our choirs, or just want to sit in on a rehearsal or two, please contact our cantor, David Erickson, at dve@pa.net. All musical skills and backgrounds are welcome!



Bible Study — The WELCA bible study group will meet on Wednesday, September 5, at 9:30 a.m. in room 16. Please try to attend as we want to make some serious decisions about our bible study group and changes for our rummage sales.

Fall Rummage/Bake Sale — Our fall rummage and bake sale will be held on Thursday, October 11, for setup, Friday, October 12, for the sale, and Saturday, October 13, for the sale and cleanup. Help will be needed all three days. Can you spare a couple of hours, a day or more? Rummage and bake sales are important to the WELCA group as the monies received from them are used for local benevolences such as Project SHARE, Carlisle C.A.R.E.S., Habitat for Humanity, Samaritan Fellowship, Domestic Violence and Meals on Wheels.

Donations of fall and winter items for the rummage sale (clothes, shoes, toys, household items, tools, decorations, etc.) may be brought to the church on Tuesdays from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. or Sundays. No furniture will be accepted until after October 2, at which time donations will be accepted any time the church is open. All electrical items should be tested at home prior to donating to the sale. Please, no wire hangers unless they are on donated items. **No baby cribs, strollers, swings, car seats or electronic items will be accepted.**

Items are also needed for our bake sale such as pies, cookies, small loaves of breads, fudge, candies, and snack mixes. Baked goods should be brought to the Festal Hall kitchen on Thursday, October 11, or very early Friday morning, October 12. Please mark your containers with your name and the name of the item you are donating. Thanks!

Pastor Leber, your visit during my stay at Harrisburg Hospital was most appreciated. Thank you.

During that visit I was given a special gift of a hand-made Prayer Shawl, absolutely beautiful. Thank you to all the talented hands that so skillfully labored over its creation.

Thanks to the congregation for all the prayers and well wishes then and now during this time of healing.

Very Best Regards,
Bill Souders

Dear Members,

Thanks for prayers and cards received during my recent illness. The flowers were beautiful. The Lord has blessed me.

Gene Failor



THANK YOU FROM CARLISLE AREA FAMILY LIFE CENTER

Dear Pastor Leber and Members,

We would like to thank you so much for your generous contribution of diapers, wipes, formula, toys, books and crib sheets from your recent “Christmas in July” for the Carlisle Area Family Life Center. They could not have come at a better time as some of our shelves were getting quite bare! Our volunteer that makes up the layettes for new moms had just informed us that we were out of crib sheets! Now we do not have to go and purchase them!

Diapers, wipes and formula are the items that bring most of our clients into the center. They are a huge expense for a family that is struggling to make ends meet. We so very much appreciate all of your donations.

We are very grateful for your support. Thanks to you we can continue to serve the families in our community!

May God richly bless you!

Sincerely For Life,
Jackie Phillips, Executive Director

P.S. We thought it was so wonderful that you blessed all the items last Sunday! (Aug. 12) Thank you! Many of our clients can definitely use those blessings!



PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

October –

Sunday, October 7, 4 p.m. – Serve dinner at My Brother’s Table (3-12th grades)

November –

Sunday, November 4, time TBD – Hiking on the Appalachian Trail (3-12th grades)

December –

Sunday, December 2, 11:45 a.m. – Hanging of the Greens and Advent wreath making (all ages and all congregation members)

Sunday, December 16, 4 p.m. – Advent Lessons & Carols followed by ‘Round-the-Tree Carol Sing (all ages and all congregation members)

January 2019 –

Sunday, January 6, 2-4 p.m. – Bowling at Midway (3-12th grades)



February –

Sunday, February 3 – Souper Bowl of Caring and Youth Sunday



PUZZLE

APPLE OF HIS EYE

Start each school day by remembering God’s loving care for you.

Directions: Starting at the K by the stem and going clockwise, circle each word. Then place the words in the blanks to complete Psalm 17:8.



YOUR WINGS
KEEP ME AS THE APPLE OF YOUR EYE
HIDE ME IN THE SHADOW OF

PSALM 17:8, NIV

“ _____

_____”

Answer: “Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me in the shadow of your wings.” Psalm 17:8, NIV

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Church Office Hours:

Monday — Friday

8:30 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.

Closed for lunch — 12:15-12:45 p.m.

Sunday Worship:

8 & 10:30 a.m. – Holy Communion

9:15 a.m. – Sunday Church School



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Newsletter articles are due by the 15th of each month.