
The Parish Echo

Millcreek Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 399, 221 N. Sheridan Rd., Newmanstown, PA 17073

July 2025

“Helping God restore and renew our community, our congregation, and ourselves.”

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WORSHIP AT 9:30 AM

You can **listen to the worship service** over the phone patch at 9:30 AM. Just dial **717-628-0125**. You will hear a message welcoming you to Millcreek. At that point you are connected to our church sound system, so just stay on the line.

PRAYER LIST

Please remember the following **MLC members** in your prayers: Chub & Peg Auman, Bryan Breidigam, Debbie Hartman, Violet Hepler, Frank Hoffman, Abbie Keath, The Leibig Family, Barbara Potteiger, Mary Ream, Norm Sharp, Steward Wolf, Aaron Yiengst, Devon Yiengst, Michael Yiengst Jr., and Greer Zellers.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PASTORAL EMERGENCY CONTACT

If you have a pastoral emergency, please contact Council President Jen Rosengrant (717-228-8857) and she will work with the pastor on call.

COMMUNION CARDS

We are planning to have communion at least once a month in July & August. For voting eligibility, it is only necessary to submit one communion card.

HAPPENINGS in JULY:

A Special Offering

We will be collecting our quarterly donation for the Lower Susquehanna Synod on Sundays July 13th & 20th. Please consider a donation as MLC eliminated the annual contribution from our budget as a cost cutting measure in 2025.

Church Breakfast

The next church breakfast will be held at Country Fare Restaurant on **Saturday, July 12th at 8:00 a.m.** Everyone is welcome & no advanced notice is needed. Ask the hostess for the Millcreek Lutheran group & you will be directed to our table. We'd love to have breakfast with you...a nice way to start the day!

Nancy Deiter



Evangelism Updates

The Evangelism Committee will not be meeting in July. The Evangelism committee would like to remind you that there are many opportunities for you to share the WORD with friends and family members.



Ingathering Appeal

Once again, we are asking for your assistance in our yearly appeal for LWR. We will focus on Personal Care Kits. The appeal will begin on July 6th and run through Aug. 31st. If you wish to make a completed kit(s), a content list is below OR you may take a "post-it note" as displayed on the poster board in the Narthex as we did last year. As always, we thank you for your generosity! God Bless! ~Evangelism

PERSONAL CARE KIT

1. One lightweight bath towel (dark color recommended) approximately 20" x 40" x 27"
see note
2. Three bath size bars of soap, any brand (4-5oz), in original wrapping.
3. One adult size toothbrush (packaged) *** see note***
4. One sturdy comb (LARGE TEETH). Remove packaging.
5. One ADULT SIZE metal nail clippers, with or without file. Remove packaging.

If using multi-pack toothbrushes, you may seal one in a business size envelope.

Wrap items in the towel and tie securely with ribbon or yarn. If not, the church will be purchasing towels to complete the kits.

OR You may take a post-it note off the display in the Narthex. Collection bins will be available.

Kits will be assembled by the Evangelical committee at a later date.

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The **deadline** for items for the **church newsletter for August 2025 is Tuesday, July 15.** Newsletter items sent via email should be addressed to mlc.parish.echo@gmail.com. Items may also be submitted by placing a written note in the newsletter mailbox in the church office or by phone.

FUTURE HAPPENINGS

Summer Service and Music at MLC

July 6 - Celebrate America with Millcreek Ensemble/Woodwinds (multi-purpose room)

July 13 - Holy Communion service with guest Reverend Rob Heagy (sanctuary) and guest baritone Keith Frantz. After service, Ice Cream for all!

July 20 - Music by Cindy Wittenberg (multi-purpose room)

July 27 - Music by Jeremy Goodling (multi-purpose room)



We will be welcoming Jeremy Goodling Music Ministry, where you will hear music with a message. All ages can enjoy a variety of Christian styles using both modern and classic Southern Gospel songs, hymns and light contemporary selections as well. This is a first time for Millcreek to host Jeremy.

Cindy Wittenberg returns, and this year will do a more complete program. Please welcome her also.

For some of our special music, we will be taking a free will offering. Please donate as you are able.

Coming up in August and September –

August 3 - Holy Communion with guest Reverend Keith Miller (sanctuary) and music by Barry Wenrich

August 10 - Music by Brothers in Grace (multi-purpose room)

August 17 - Music TBD. Service with Sister Marianne Brock (multi-purpose room)

August 24 - Service with Pastor Bonnie Oplinger and Favorite Hymns Program by Millcreek Ensemble (multi-purpose room)

August 31 - Holy Communion service with guest Reverend Keith Miller (sanctuary). Flute by Megan Fields

September 7 – Sunday School Resumes

Thanks to Jen Rosengrant for her hard work in securing pastoral leadership, Jen Miller for her flexibility with the bulletin and all who have had a part in scheduling summer music!

Thanks! Debbie Tice

Calling all musicians to play for Sunday, August 24 at 9:30.

Rehearsals are:

Saturday, August 9 @ 10:00

Saturday, August 16 @ 10:00

Saturday, August 23 @ 10:00



All instrumentalists are invited to play along. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. You can contact me at juliestrickler66@gmail.com or 610 207 9650. Or see me in church

Thanks! Julie Strickler

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Lebanon Area Fair

Come see Morgan Hoffman and Deb Tice at the Fair July 19-26. Just a reminder that if you come before 3, admission is free! Lots of free entertainment as well as special events at the track. Need something to do - we can find you a volunteer spot! Talk to Deb Tice to find out more!



Congratulations 2024-2025 Graduates!

High School Graduates:

Bryce Hogleund is a 2025 graduate of ELCO High School. Bryce will be doing his undergraduate studies at Elizabethtown College, with a major in Biology. He then plans to advance to a college for optometry to obtain his Dr. of Optometry degree. He is the son of Robert and Sarah Hogleund and grandson of Roy and Dotti Hogleund.

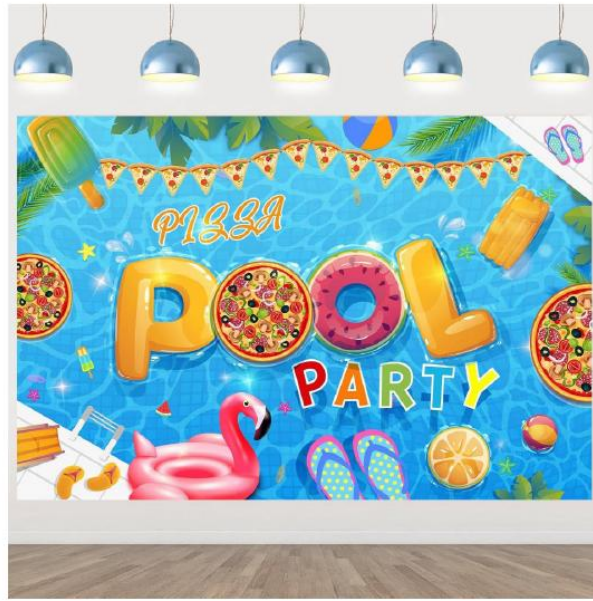
Brady Keath will be graduating from ELCO High School. Brady will be attending Lebanon Valley College majoring in accounting and will be playing on the golf team. He is the son of Karl and Rachelle Keath.

Baylee Elizabeth Marderness will graduate from the Lebanon Career and Technology Center on May 22, 2025. She will have earned her certification as a dental assistant. She will be pursuing a career in the dental field. Baylee will also graduate on May 29 from the Eastern Lebanon County High School class of 2025.

College Graduates:

Cole Pennington, son of the late Stacey Pennington and grandson of Stephanie Seldomridge & the late Skeet Seldomridge, will be graduated from Mansfield University with a degree in Biology and a concentration in Fishery. Cole will be going on to Graduate School in the fall at Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, TN, working on a phylogenetic & conservation research project.

Stephanie Sheetz, daughter of Logan and Linda Sheetz, graduated from Grand Canyon University on May 28th with a Master's Degree in Elementary and Special Education. She plans to work in an autism support classroom



Sunday School & MLC Pool & Pizza Party

Saturday July 19th 1-4

Where: Barb Heckendorn's House:
1687 N. 8th Avenue Lebanon 17046

Please **RSVP** on the paper located in the Narthex
or text Nikki Johnson @ 717-639-1300


JULY BIRTHDAYS

1	Linda Sheetz	23	Bruce Steiner
3	Lexus Lindermuth	23	Derek Strickler
6	Oscar Sebastian Lindermuth	26	Karl Keath
12	Nathaniel Flory	28	Gerald Strickler
16	Carter Strickler		Oscar Lindermuth
23	Bruce Steiner	29	Dara Wolfe



If you would like to be included on the birthday list, please contact David and Aislinn Staaby by email at mlc.parish.echo@gmail.com, or place a slip of paper in the Newsletter mail slot in the church office.

JULY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4 	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12 - Church Breakfast 8AM
13 - Communion - 3PM Girl Scouts	14	15 -Echo Deadline	16	17	18	19 - Pool Party 1-4 PM
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		