#### Alleluia Lutheran Church



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# September 2024

**NEWSLETTER ONLINE!!** Printed copies in the narthex each month.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 8:00 am Bible Study 9:00 am Worship	2 Office Closed	3 6:00 pm Book Club	4 9:00 am Card Group 6:30 pm Worship	5	6 2:00 pm-6:00 pm Blood Drive	7
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### From the Desk of **Pastor Roger Mackie**

#### Back To School

Adults respond to the beginning of a new school year in a variety of ways. Some who enjoyed school wish they could go back. Some who need to go back to meet continuing education requirements would like to escape. Some teachers would like to escape, too. And still others thank God that they don't have to go back. For whatever reason, they don't want to endure that again.

Some Christians carry over that attitude into their faith life. As we approach a new Christian education season at Alleluia, a different attitude is beneficial. After referring to being born again through the living and remaining Word of God, the apostle Peter encouraged:

"like newborn babies eagerly desire the unadulterated milk which makes sense for growing you up in salvation—if you taste that the Lord is beneficial" (1 Peter 2:2-3)

Instead of treating Bible Study as a chore to be endured, the apostle encourages his readers to insist on being fed like a hungry infant. Babies probably don't understand how drinking milk benefits their growth, but they crave the satisfaction of their hunger. Similarly, those who study Scripture may not always see an immediate application. But growing up in salvation includes growing ability to face complex situations. Growing up in salvation includes keeping minds and hearts focused on the light of Christ which keeps shining despite dark times. It is often difficult to make time to satisfy the hunger and thirst for righteousness, but God promises satisfaction.

Constraints on time and resources limit the availability of Bible Studies for confirmed members at Alleluia. But more opportunities might be offered if we knew when people would make time to satisfy their inner child of God. Please contact me with any suggestions you might have. Meanwhile, hopefully you can indulge your spiritual hunger by reading the Bible. Then perhaps you will share the experience of a psalmist:

"I have stilled and quieted my soul; like a weaned child with its mother, like a weaned child is my soul within me." (Psalm 131:2 NIV)

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#### A message from Council regarding the process to call a Pastor.

As you know Alleluia elected, upon the recommendation of Council, to take advantage of the Transitional Interim Ministry (TIM) process. A successful TIM will prepare us in our search for a new pastor. Included in the TIM process is addressing current issues within the congregation prior to forming a all committee.

One of the most significant issues is that Alleluia currently does not have the financial resources to support a full-time Pastor. Council is working with Pastor Mackie regarding the next steps, perhaps creating a transition team. We appreciate everyone's patience as details are worked out. If you have any questions or comments please feel free to contact any member of Council or Pastor Mackie. Thank you.



#### Parents of 7th & 8th Grade Students:

Please make time to attend an orientation to confirmation instruction in Alleluia's conference room on Wednesday, September 11 at 5:15 PM. Your student is also welcome. This orientation is not only for your benefit but also to help Pastor Mackie understand your resources and expectations and plan appropriate lessons.

You are also invited to the ACE family kick-off supper at 5:15 PM on Wednesday September 18. Please contact Pastor Mackie with any questions or information you want to share: <u>rogermackie@gmail.com</u> or 507.351.8670.

### **Sunday Worship at Alleluia** 9:00 AM Adult Bible Study at 8:00 am

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Sunday Services Available Online at 9:00 am Facebook.com/AlleluiaLutheranWrightstown

Wednesday Worship at 6:30 pm

### ACE = Alleluia Christian Education Wednesdays 5:15—6:15 pm

## Classes Begin Wed, Sept 18th



Register NOW 4K ~ 6th graders



Register NOW 7th & 8th graders





QR code for online giving. It's easy to make your donation weekly or monthly with your debit or credit



Download the APP Scan your RECEIPTS or buy gift cards to Donate to ALLELUIA! Any questions, contact the church office.

Scrip IS Available! Back-to-School Clothes

Fast-Food Meals

Groceries & Gas
DIY Projects

Contact Sara Maile 920-532-0137

**Backyard Games & Grills** 

## **Outdoor Service & Church Picnic!** August 18, 2024







Thank you from: F.I.R.E

A big thank you to our generous business sponsors and all who donated to make our picnic successful.

Because of you, the cost of our picnic was covered in full.





















#### **ALIVE with Family**

## More Outdoor Service & Church Picnic!















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## **Picnic Winners**





#### Congrats to the winners at our picnic!

Shaynon Peters & Micah LaFleur Badger Sports Gift Cards

> Jeff Just Fire Ring

**Corn Hole Winners** 

Adult: Ben LaFleur & Dave VanBeek \$50 gift card

Kids: Jordan Stoltenow & Christian Juedes Walmart gift cards







#### Alleluia Lutheran Church will once again be participating in Operation Chritmas Child (OCC)!

Operation Christmas Child is a project of Samaritan's Purse, an international relief organization. Their mission is to provide local partners around the world with shoeboxes filled with small toys, hygiene items, and school supplies as a means of reaching out to children in their own communities with the Good News of Jesus Christ. We ship these simple gifts outside the United States to children affected by war, poverty, natural disaster, famine, and disease. For more information click the link below: <a href="https://www.samaritanspurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/">https://www.samaritanspurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/</a>

#### \*\*\*\*Our Goal is to pack 75 boxes!\*\*\*\*

#### For the month of <u>September</u>, we will be collecting: Clothing & activities

Dresses & undergarments Flip-flops Hair accessories Sunglasses Bags or purses Flashlight with extra batteries Cold weather items: hat & mittens Crafts & Activities Puzzles Binoculars Compass Dry watercolor set Craft or jewelry kits Books or picture books Sewing kit

If you would like suggestions on needed items, you can click the link below to view and purchase them off Amazon! <u>https://www.amazon.com/shop/operationchristmaschild</u>

### Please put items in the bin labeled Operation Christmas Child located in the narthex.

**Do Not Include:** Candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; scary or war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; seeds; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

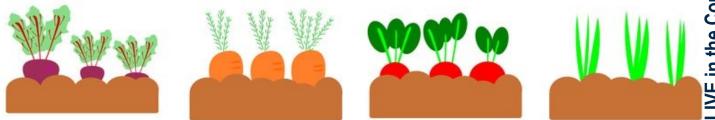


ALLELUIA CLEANING AREAS

### We thrive not when some do everything, but when everyone does something.

## **Community Garden**

Come check out the garden! It's growing!



#### Wrightstown Community Food Pantry (2nd Saturday at 8:30 am & 4th Tuesday at 6:00 pm) THANK YOU for your continued giving!



The Local Food Pantry serves out of our church's fellowship hall. Donations are always needed.

#### Here are some suggestions:

Egg Noodles Macaroni Pasta Canned mixed vegetables Canned carrots Boxes of Hamburger helper Rice Spaghetti sauce Cereal Ketchup Mayo Jelly

#### **Cash Donations:**

Meat and Dairy are purchased by the pantry. Checks can be made out to the Wrightstown Community Food Pantry Questions? Contact Jeanne—920-562-4286



#### September 2024

Happy Anniversary!

Name	Date	Years
Joseph & Jessica Mulder	1-Sep	17
Dan & Sue Maile	3-Sep	36
Doug & Lisa Zahorik	5-Sep	38
Carl & Pat Rossal	6-Sep	28
Jesse & Amy Stoltenow	8-Sep	17
Andrew & Rose Heimmermann	15-Sep	12
Brad & Kristin LaCount	21-Sep	22
Hank & Ashley Vande Hey	22-Sep	7
David & Debra Tennie	24-Sep	36
John & Sharon Westphal	27-Sep	28





Name	Date		
Karen Lessor	2-Sep		
Kathryn Romenesko	2-Sep		
Brandon Ott	9-Sep		
Jacob Guenther	11-Sep		
Paul Huempfner	11-Sep		
Bill Maile	11-Sep		
Evie Barker	13-Sep		
Jaxon Nelson	13-Sep		
Arianna Jepsen	14-Sep		
Hank Vande Hey	14-Sep		
Addison DeCleene	15-Sep		
Linda Teske	17-Sep		
Jolene Just Jolene R.	18-Sep		
Lainey Minor	18-Sep		
Mandy Stradel	18-Sep		
Teri Huempfner	19-Sep		
Michelle Backhaus	21-Sep		
Maverick Mulder	21-Sep		
Della Steinmann	21-Sep		
Kristi Tursky	21-Sep		
Melissa Moss	22-Sep		
Kim Schisel	22-Sep		
Sara Maile	23-Sep		
Catalyn McCauley	24-Sep		
Cora Stradel	26-Sep		
Nicole Juedes	27-Sep		
Chuck Witcpalek	28-Sep		
Jarrett Stoltenow	30-Sep		

#### ALLELUIA'S OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 8:00 am ~ 3:00 pm TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY: 8:00 AM ~ 2:00 PM FRIDAY: CLOSED 920-532-3892 ● ALLELUIA. OFFICE@GMAIL.COM

#### **PASTOR MACKIE'S OFFICE HOURS:\*\***

MONDAYS 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM • WEDNESDAYS 3:00 PM - TO CHURCH SERVICE TIME OTHER HOURS AS NEEDED

CALL FOR APPOINTMENT OR HOME VISIT

THERE WILL BE TIMES PASTOR IS OUT OF OFFICE DURING THESE TIMES FOR VISITATIONS, MEETINGS, ETC.