



Good News from Grace

SEPTEMBER 2026

*"So if anyone is in Christ, there^v is a new creation: everything old has passed away;
look, new things have come into being!"*

-2 Corinthians 5:17

There is something really refreshing and scary about the flow of the school year. For young students, it can be a time of significant transition. Maybe moving from one school building to another. Learning a new layout, new classmates, new teachers, new schedule. It can be scary and exciting all at the same time! It is also an opportunity to reimagine oneself. Its a time of trying out new things, new opportunities, new friend groups, new interests, maybe even new personalities. Growing up, especially in K-12 is a wonderfully scary and beautiful time of self discovery and constant new beginnings. But as we grow a little older, and we start to settle into who we consider ourselves to be, it can become harder and harder to change and become something new. There is something wonderful about being confident in who one is. But it can also be restrictive and constraining when we define ourselves too strictly. This idea of a new creation, or new identity, or reinventing oneself, is not a new idea. In fact, it is the cornerstone of our faith! Being able and willing to change and reimagine and flow with the Spirit, is a task that we are all given by Jesus in our Baptism. Martin Luther reminds us that everyday we die to sin and are reborn into God's mercy and grace. Everyday we are given a new creation, a new path, a new beginning to live a more Godly and love-centered life. Change and reimagining and rediscovery, is not just for those of us who are still in our youth. This call of constant newness is something that we are all tasked with, no matter what age we find ourselves. May we learn to be open to the Spirit's call, to change when we need to change, to be flexible when we need to be flexible, and to stand firm in who we are when we need to stand firm. Be confident in who you are, but remember, God isn't done with us yet, and there is always room for growth, rediscovery, and change. May God's presence be ever present and may you find joy in the journey.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Chad

STEWARDSHIP IS THE FIRST COMMANDMENT

The greatest gift that Martin Luther gave to us was his Small Catechism. The word “enchiridion” is part of the original title of this work. This is the Greek word for “handbook.” The Small Catechism is a handbook of the Bible. All the basic knowledge that a Christian needs to understand the faith and live a godly life has been taken from the Bible and distilled into this beautiful little book of Christian piety.



Luther starts with the Ten Commandments.

The First Commandment:

You shall have no other gods.

What does this mean? We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things. (SC I)

We have a God above us. He is the Lord God and we are not. He is Almighty and in control. He is righteous and good. And therefore, we should fear Him.

This God is also our heavenly Father. He wants us to be saved. He does not want us to suffer His just wrath. He has provided salvation for us in His Son, Jesus Christ. And therefore, we should love Him.

Our heavenly Father will never leave us nor forsake us. He has promised as much — and the Bible shows us that He always keeps His promises. So, we should trust Him.

In the Large Catechism, Luther explains how money and possessions form one of the greatest temptations against the First Commandment:

This I must unfold somewhat more plainly, that it may be understood and perceived by ordinary examples of the contrary. Many a one thinks that he has God and everything in abundance when he has money and possessions; he trusts in them and boasts of them with such firmness and assurance as to care for no one. Lo, such a man also has a god, Mammon by name, i.e., money and possessions, on which he sets all his heart, and which is also the most common idol on earth. He who has money and possessions feels secure, and is joyful and undismayed as though he were sitting in the midst of Paradise. On the other hand, he who has none doubts and is despondent, as though he knew of no God. For very few are to be found who are of good cheer, and who neither mourn nor complain if they have not Mammon. This [care and desire for money] sticks and clings to our nature, even to the grave. (LC I 5–9)

These words of Dr. Luther should call us to repentance; sometimes, we live and act like we don't have a Father in heaven. We seek our comfort and peace outside of His gracious promises. But we do have a Father in heaven. He does love us. All His promises are true. And the Lord will surely provide. If that is our belief, then our outward lives will reflect this belief in our acts of generosity and mercy. We will see money and possessions not as gods but rather as tools for doing God's work.

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God Moments

We are going to start sharing God Moments during one of the worship services, there may be a delay depending on how many God moments are presented. What is your God moment?

ex. Today a long-lost friend reached out to me and we connected again. OR I felt compelled to volunteer with Family Promise and I heard wonderful stories of resiliency and hope and how God is working in the midst of horrible circumstances, etc.

It can be anything that you would like to share where you saw God show up in amazing or subtle ways.

You can share your God Moments by creating a video and sending it to office@gracecamphill.org, completing a card and placing it in the God Moment box in the Library or filling out the online form at <https://forms.gle/uUDK6u9fCmkpogpEA>



Join Us for Worship

IN - PERSON

Saturdays at 5:00pm
in Barkley Chapel

Sundays at 9:30am
in the Sanctuary

or

Sundays via
Live Stream

or on
YouTube



Coffee Hour

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Coffee Hour runs
September - May before
and after Sunday
Morning Worship.

If you and/or your family
would like to host a
coffee hour contact the
office.

Our Purpose

The purpose of our church is to
make a difference by serving
others through God's love and
our faith.

This Month at Grace

The Sanctuary Lamp Sponsorship for **September** is given by G. Robert Little in memory of Collette Little and Bob Little.

The Special Benevolence offering for **September** is the **New Hope Ministries**. To contribute please list the dollar amount next to *Special Offering Ministry* on the envelopes or use this QR Code to give now or pay online at <https://www.gracecamphill.org/> and select Online Giving under the Give tab.



Give Now

2026 Sponsorship Opportunities

Fresh Altar Flowers (\$50) will only be purchased if a Sunday is sponsored. All Altar Flower sponsorships requests must be received two weeks prior to the date you wish to sponsor and when signing up please be sure to indicate if you will be taking the flowers or if you wish them to be delivered to a homebound member.

Bulletin & Mailing Sponsorships(\$30) and the Sanctuary Lamp Monthly Sponsorships (\$21) remain the same at this time. All sponsorships can be paid for online, by mail, or by dropping an envelope in the offering at a worship service. To view available dates for 2026 can be viewed on on the website at: <https://www.gracecamphill.org/pages/sponsorship> or on the bulletin board outside Barkley Chapel. If you are interested in sponsoring one of the available dates you can sign up next to the elevator or by contacting Diane in the church office at 717-737-0439 x 15 or ddeppen@gracecamphill.org.



Blessing of the Quilts

The Blessing of the Quilts will take place during worship on **Saturday, September 26 and Sunday, September 27**.

These quilts will be donated to Lutheran World Relief (LWR) for their Ingathering Appeal. If you'd like to help offset the cost to transport, process, store and deliver one quilt at a cost of \$4 please write the dollar amount next to OTHER and write Quilts on the comment line on the contribution envelope. You can also donate under Quilting Ministry online at <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-YV1S/home>

The quilts are sewn and donated by Grace's Quilting Ministry.

Bells of Grace and Chancel Choir practices resume on Thursday, September 10. Bells of Grace will meet in the Balcony at 6pm and the Chancel Choir will meet in the Choir Room at 7pm.



Prayer lays hold of God's plan and becomes the link between His will and its accomplishment on earth.

Elisabeth Elliot

We hold in prayer especially this month...

Karen Brown-Pautz, David & Lori Archer Family, Adam Handwerk, Alice Richards, Carolyn Houck, The Massott Family, Tom Tom Zimmerman, Bob Hillegas, Jeff Johnson, Tricia Butz, Dr. Robert Little, Jaclyn Atkins, Robert Schwitzer, Alice M., Dean Jury and the friends & family of Beverly Earhart.

We hold in Ongoing prayer this month...

Jared Weber, Judi Fenicle, Tom Boyer, Wayne & Veronica Butler, Elizabeth Butler, Ken & Paddy Barber, Mark Caron, Stacey LaPine, Tricia Butz, Cheryl A., Nancy, Susan Atwood, Pete Psychogis, Paul & Linda Glance, and Kay King.

We also hold our Homebound in prayer this month...

Gladys Cline, Joan Harman, Lou Lore, Patti Reed, Bob Rhodes, and Dorothy Shreffler.

We hold in prayer the recently departed...

Mary Ryder and Beverly Earhart

Prayer List Policy

...sometimes you forget to tell others that someone has healed...

Let's be good stewards of our prayer list. If someone has healed, or if someone has moved on to eternal life, please let the church office know. Names will automatically be moved to the ongoing prayers after a month. They will be removed from the ongoing prayers after another month unless you notify us.

Praying for our Homebound Members

The pastoral staff wishes to lift up this special group of members on a regular basis during the prayers. Each week a group of homebound members will be included in the "out loud" prayers.



Prayer List Additions

Everyone appreciates prayer, but not everyone wishes to be added to the "out loud" prayers. If you are aware of a member of Grace who could benefit from being added to the prayers, please let Pastor Chad know. He will contact the individual to find out whether they wish to be added to the "out loud" prayers or the "ongoing" prayers.

Council Minutes and the Treasurer Report can be found on the website at www.gracecamphill.org under the Members Only tab. Contact the church office 717-737-0439 for the password.

From the Church Council



Council Minutes

1. The Treasurer's report was received and accepted.
2. The Strawberry Festival was a success despite inclement weather.
3. The Property Team submitted a written report detailing ongoing repairs.
4. A motion was passed to purchase a coffee hour station and new coffee makers, which will be funded by private donations.
5. A written progress report was submitted by Mike Ryder on the Capital Campaign.
6. A motion was passed to rent a dumpster for the Property Space Evaluation Task Force. \$600 was approved to come from the Council Endowment Fund.
7. A motion passed to place a library box outside of the church donated by Marti Bert.
8. A motion was passed to switch to ACST Church Management Software for the church's accounting, management and media needs.

Brigitte Storey
Secretary

FROM THE TREASURER



For the 7 months ended July 31, 2026 our income exceeded our budgeted income by \$2,462, but our expenses were \$9,587 over budget. At July 31, our expenses outpaced our strong giving and left us with a deficit. Some annual 12 month expenses were fully paid and recorded but the budget framework only accounts for 7 months of these costs and this timing mismatch will smooth out over the remainder of the year. Our mission remains strong and together we will bridge this gap thru prayer, continued giving and trust in God.

Tracey Alfano-Douty
Treasurer

Grace Lutheran Church July 2026

BUDGETED EXPENSES

\$221,488

EXPENSES

\$231,075

INCOME

\$224,300

BUDGETED INCOME

\$221,838

\$216,000 \$218,000 \$220,000 \$222,000 \$224,000 \$226,000 \$228,000 \$230,000 \$232,000



Grace Capital Campaign Update

Grace has been blessed with capital campaign pledges of \$231,981 toward our goal of \$270,000. So far, almost 50 members/families have pledged or donated. Pledge cards are available in the kiosk in the narthex, on the wall in the library outside Barkley Chapel, and in the Barkley Chapel narthex. The card asks the amount of your total pledge, giving you different annual options to consider for making payments. If you prefer an online pledging option, there is a pledge form available on our website at <https://www.gracecamphill.org/pages/grace-capital-campaign> as well as the opportunity for making online payments under "Online Giving" on the "Give" tab.

Thank you so much for your generosity,

Co-chairs Susan Dickinson and Ted Evans

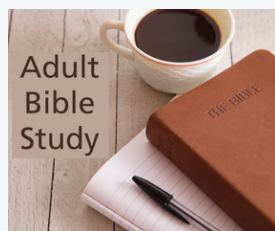
Marti Bert

Pat O'Neal

Don Schell

Jan Utter

Pastor Chad



Adult Bible Study

We're excited to kick off a brand new year of Adult Bible Study, and we'd love for you to join us! Mark your calendar for Tuesday, September 22 at 1 PM in one of the Sunday School rooms where we'll come together in faith and fellowship. This isn't just a meeting—it's a warm and inviting journey of growth, discovery, and renewal. Let's open our hearts to God's Word, connect with one another, and embrace the amazing changes that come when we walk this faith journey side by side. We're looking forward to starting this new chapter with enthusiasm, hope, and a sincere desire to grow closer to Him. We will be studying the Book of Romans.

For more information, contact Pastor Chad at pastorchad@gracecamphill.org

Sunday Adult Forums

Join us each month in Barkley Chapel right after worship, for our Adult Forums—an opportunity to come together, deepen our faith, and ignite our spirits. We will embark on an inspiring journey through the Book of Concord, exploring the very foundations of our Lutheran beliefs. This is more than just a study; it's a passionate dive into why we believe what we do, how those truths shape our lives, and how we can carry that power into our everyday walk with God and as a vibrant church community. Don't miss this chance to connect, to learn, and to be energized by our shared faith!

Starting on Sunday, October 4!



Pub Theology

There are currently two groups for Pub Theology that will meet at various pubs in the area to talk about how God works in life, politics, faith, science and everything in-between. All opinions, experiences, and perspective are welcome.

For more information, to join or start a new group contact Pastor Chad at pastorchad@gracecamphill.org



God's work. Our hands.



Join us for a day of service!

Sunday, September 20, 2026

12:00pm – 3:00pm

God's Work, Our Hands Sunday is upon us! Grace will be celebrating and participating in this national day of service on September 20th, 2026. We will be serving at the MidWest Food Bank again this year from Noon to 3pm. If you are interested in helping out one of the most important food banks in our area, please sign at <https://volunteer.midwestfoodbank.org/opportunities/VG0QXHxWiq> scan the QR code or sign up on the Events Page on the website. I am looking forward to serving those who serve with you!



**Midwest
FOOD BANK.**



**GRACE
LUTHERAN CHURCH**

SIGN UP TO SERVE HERE!



SCAN HERE

www.midwestfoodbank.org



JOIN US FOR
RALLY DAY

Sunday, September 13
9:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Outdoor Worship**

Grace Lutheran Church Parking Lot
1610 Carlisle Rd, Camp Hill

Following the service, there will be lunch and activities. Grace will provide the burgers; however, we are asking those attending to bring desserts and sides. Activities include a bounce house, a dunk tank, crafts and fellowship. There will also be a table with information about Faith Formation classes from toddler to adult along with schedules for the year.

**No Live Stream for Outdoor Service; however service will be available for viewing afterwards on <https://www.youtube.com/@GraceCampHill>. In case of inclement weather both events will move indoors and the service will be available via Live Stream

Rally Day

We will be kicking off the new school year with Rally Day on **Sunday, September 13**. Worship will be outdoors in the parking lot followed by lunch and activities. Grace will provide the burgers; however, we are asking those attending to bring desserts and sides. A sign up sheet is in the Neal Gathering Place, on the events page at <https://www.gracecamphill.org/events/rally-day-205/2026-09-13> or by scanning the QR code.

Activities will include a bounce house, a dunk tank, crafts and of course fellowship! There will also be a table with Faith Formation information classes from toddler to adult along with schedules for the year.

Please note there will not be a Live Stream for the Outdoor Service; however the service will be available for viewing afterwards on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/@GraceCampHill/streams>

In case of inclement weather both events will move indoors and the services will be available via Live Stream.



RALLY DAY SIGN UP



Lutheran Community for Middle Schoolers
FRIENDS + GAMES + WORSHIP
FAITH CONVERSATION + CAMPFIRE
'Rhythm'

God has a desired rhythm for our world.
We also have a rhythm to our lives.
Are you in step with God's rhythm?
How might our baptismal promises help us live
into God's rhythm?



Camp Nawakwa + September 25-27, 2026

Grace Camp Hill will be submitting registration on behalf of all youth participants. Please complete the youth registration packet and submit to Ethan Lentz by **Friday, September 4, 2026** at ethan.lentz@gracecamphill.org or in the Youth Director's mailbox.

Registration packets can be found online at <https://www.gracecamphill.org/events/alive--174/2026-09-25> or in the Neal Gathering Place.



Grace Youth Group (GYG)

Grace Youth Group (GYG) is for youth in 6th - 12th grade. Join us each first and third Sunday of the month from 5:00 to 8:00 PM for an evening dedicated to connection, hope, and community. Please be aware that our schedule may occasionally vary; however, our commitment to fostering a welcoming and supportive environment remains consistent.

If you have questions or would like to get in touch, please feel free to contact Ethan Lentz at ethan.lentz@gracecamphill.org.

Stay connected and informed by following us on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) and become part of our vibrant community.

Can't wait to see you all! We'll kick off the year on **Sunday, October 4!**

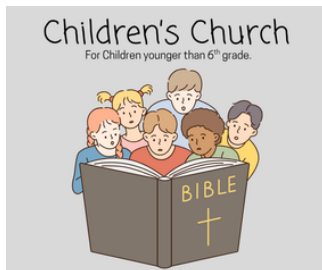
Junior Youth Group (JYG)

Get ready for an exciting new season with the Junior Youth Group (JYG)! Starting in October and extending all the way through April, we'll come together each month from 4 pm to 5 pm to share laughs, grow, and create unforgettable memories.

But that's not all — throughout the year, we're also planning special JYG Family events that will bring us even closer and fill our hearts with joy. This amazing experience is open to all kids in grades 3-5, and we can't wait to welcome YOU!

If you have any questions or just want to connect, please reach out to Ethan Lentz at ethan.lentz@gracecamphill.org.

Mark your calendars — our incredible journey begins on **Sunday, October 18**, and we're looking forward to starting this adventure together!



Children's Church

Children's church happens twice a month on the 1st and 3rd Sundays during worship at 10:00am, dedicated to inspiring the hearts of children from kindergarten through 6th grade. Our passion is to share a powerful, age-appropriate message that sparks joy, ignites faith, and resonates deeply within their young souls -- one they will love and carry with them into their daily lives. The children will leave the sanctuary after the prayer of the day, returning to the sanctuary just in time to partake in communion alongside our congregation. Each year begins with the exciting kickoff of Rally Day and continues through May, fueling their spirits and fostering a lifelong love for God and community.

CALLING ALL CONFIRMANDS!

Reminder that all children from 7th to 9th grade who have not been confirmed yet should be enrolling in confirmation classes for this year, starting on September 20th. It is a 2 year program where we learn about Lutheran Theology and major biblical stories and themes. Please reach out to Pastor Chad at pastorchad@gracecamphill.org to enroll your child in confirmation class!



Youth Food Cards

Karns Foods, Weis Markets, and Giant grocery cards in the dollar amounts of \$25, \$50 and \$100 are available at the church office Monday - Thursday from 8am - 12noon. If paying in cash please have the exact change. At this time we do not accept credit cards.



Group Spiritual Formation

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In Group Spiritual formation we come together to prayerfully listen to God, to ourselves, and to each other. In the silent listening we are asking: how is our soul? We are also asking; What is the Holy Spirit doing in our life and in the lives of others? All the meetings are in the Small Conference Room. All are invited to these meetings. If you have any questions or would like information regarding other Spiritual formation events contact Pastor Eckert at pastoreckert@gracecamphill.org.

From Pastor Eckert

On Sunday, August 9, Pastor Chad officially installed me as Pastor for Spiritual Formation at Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, Camp Hill. This was a spiritually moving experience for me...a true God moment.

The questions to me focused on... 1. Will I commit myself to this new trust and responsibility? 2. Will I preach and teach in accordance with the Holy Scriptures and with the confessions of the Lutheran Church. 3. Will I diligently study the holy scriptures and be faithful in my use of the means of grace. 4. Will I love, serve and pray for God's people and lead them by my example of faithful service and holy living especially around spiritual living? 5. Will I give faithful witness to the world that God's love may be known in all that I do?

Each answer that I gave was: "I will and I ask God to help me." It is with joy and trust in God that I serve as pastor for Spiritual Formation. I am thankful for and truly need God's help and guidance.

The next section of the installation Serve was about asking you the members and friends of Grace - to pray for me. You answered we will, and we ask God to help us.

Thank you —your prayers will be appreciated, valued and of great importance to me as I serve as Pastor for Spiritual Formation. Your help, guidance, and support will be central to carrying out this ministry.

I said on Sunday August 9 that although I am being installed, this installation service is more about you who have a vision, a call, a desire for spiritual formation. Although you hired me to carry out this ministry we will be doing this work together. We will always remember that the one who forms our faith is God, the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit stirs and grows faith in us and all people. Thanks be to God.

Here are details about the Spiritual Formation Retreat in October.

Spiritual Formation Retreat at Kentland Retreat Center

When & Where: Saturday, October 3, 2026
9am - 4pm
1024 East Winding Hill Road, Mechanicsburg

Continental breakfast provided. Bring your own lunch.

Topic: "Breathing in Christ" by Deacon Marsha Roscoe

This book focuses on the simple but peaceful conviction that transformation begins when we slow down, listen deeply for Jesus, and live in rhythm with the life of Christ already breathing inside us. Using reflection, prompts, breath prayers and spiritual exercises we will use this book to guide our time together.

Preparation for the retreat: Please purchase the book Breathing in Christ by Marsha Roscoe [HERE**](#). The cost is \$20 and all the proceeds from the sale of the book go to benefit the work of the Charles Price Foundation's Homeless Remembrance Blanket Project. It would be helpful to have read the book prior to the retreat.

All are invited to join this retreat. Sign up **by September 26, 2026** on the bulletin board in the Neal Gathering Place, at <https://www.gracecamphill.org/events/spiritual-retreat> or by scanning the QR code above.

***If you are unable to purchase the book online please contact the church office at 717-737-0439 or office@gracecamphill.org and we would be glad to purchase it for you.*



Thursday, October 8, 2026**6:00 - 8:30 pm**

"We the people of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, ensure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to oursevlres and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

We all share this common thread- freedom, domestic tranquility, and equality. Yet, today, our country is divided; a division that separates many of us from friends who hold different political views. This division prevents us from addressing major issues facing the country.

Braver Angels, a nation-wide organization, focuses upon bridging "the partisan divide and strengthening our democratic republic." They hold workshops (and other programs) throughout the country. Their goal is to enable polite and respectful conversation with others.

Braver Angels is holding a workshop on October 8, 2026 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. This workshop is open to everyone. You will learn about the values and concerns of the other political side and practice skills for communicating more effectively in the presence of disagreement. Please register by signing up in the Neal Gathering Place, by scanning the QR code, on the website at <https://www.gracecamphill.org/events/braver-angels-disagreeing-better-workshop>, or by contacting the office at 717-737-0439 by

Sunday, September 27.

Questions? Contact Rick Keen at 717-657-5563.

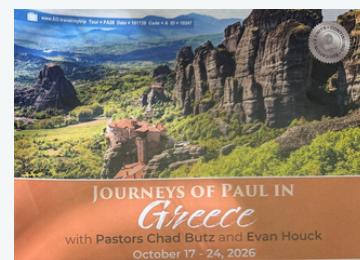
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TO REGISTER** **Braver Angels**

Journeys of Paul in Greece with Pastor Chad Butz and Evan Houck

October 17-24, 2026

There is still time to join us as we explore the journey of Paul in Greece. Paul is one of, if not the most, influential theologian for the Christian church as we know it. Come and see the first hand the places that he walked and ministered through. We will be departing October 17th and returning on the 24th. There is an optional cruise to extend your journey, but space is limited. Looking forward to entering into this pilgrimage with you all!

You can find out more information regarding the trip and how to sign up on the website at <https://www.gracecamphill.org/faith-formation/journeys-of-paul-in-greece> or by scanning the QR code to the left. **The last date to sign up is September 17, 2026 and a late registration fee will be applied.**



Lost and Found Items

Have you lost an item recently? If so please check with the office at 717-737-0439 or office@gracecamphill.org. Items are kept in the office for (1) month. After that time, they will be placed in the Community Aid bin in the second parking lot.

Dear Grace,

Please take note of the new First Aid Kits around the building. There is one near the entrance of the Parking Lot Pavilion door, the main Sanctuary door and down stairs in the hallway with the Kitchen towards the elevator and choir room.

-Pastor Chad



Assist Local Families Experiencing Homelessness

Grace will host Family Promise HCR the week of **October 11 - 18, 2026**. You can help during this week by preparing a meal, driving the 15-passenger van or hosting a meal. If you're unsure and want to give it a try, you can stop in and shadow someone who's volunteering. For more information regarding Family Promise please contact Susan Ryder at susan@familypromisehcr.org. Closer to the date we will have a button below to sign up to volunteer.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Meal provider: Provide a meal for up to 13 people.

Make something that you or your family enjoys, so that if there are leftovers, or the families don't eat as much as expected, you can enjoy it yourself.

Meals are brought to the church before 6:00pm. Families will eat about 6:30pm.

We will use paper products provided by FPHCR

Profiles will be sent letting you know how many guests will be eating, ages, likes, dislikes and allergies.

Meal Host: Sets up the food for serving, eats with the families, & offers hospitality.

Set up the food and drinks cafeteria style.

Sit, eat and chat with the families.

Assist with children as needed.

Stays 6:30 - 9:00pm

May bring an activity or craft for the children.

See that the door is locked at 9:00pm when they leave.

Van Driver: Drives 15-passenger van to and from the church and Day Center at 56 Erford Road, Camp Hill. The AM driver picks up families from the church, the van will be there, and drives them to the Day Center. Typically, 6:00am weekdays, and 7:30am on weekends.

The PM driver picks up families from the Day Center at 6:00pm and drops them off at the church. You can access the church through the keybox. Code will be given when you sign up.

On Sunday PM, an extra driver will be needed to drop you off at the Day Center to pick up the families, and Sunday AM driver will need to have someone follow them to the Day Center to drop off the van for the next week.

Watch the Events Page on the website for Sign Up opportunities!



LET'S CELEBRATE OUR SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Our monumental birthdays to share this month are: **Gloria Haas** turns **85** on **September 5**, **Bob Hillegas** turns **80** on **September 9**, **Robert "Bob" Rhodes** turns **104** on **September 18** and **Eileen Moore Hartzell** will turn **91** during the month. Please take a moment to wish them a HAPPY BIRTHDAY with a telephone call or by mailing a card to:

Gloria Haas
246 East Ridge Road
Dillsburg, PA 17019

Eileen Moore Hartzell
505 Powells Valley Road
Halifax, PA 17032

Robert "Bob" Rhodes
5225 Wilson Lane
Apt. 235
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

Bob Hillegas
150 N 12th Street
Room 312
Lemoyne, PA 17043

****Please note if they person does not have a birthdate listed they either requested it not be printed in the newsletter or we do not have one. You can contact the church office for their actual birthdate.**

9/1 Keith Lippert

9/19 Hayden Gunnett

9/2 Veronica Angus

9/20 Linda Lippert

9/3 MacKenzie Knight
Joan Saggars

9/21 Maddie Graf

9/4 Krista Johansen

9/24 Patricia O'Neal
Nolan Sheaffer
Harold Statler, Jr.
Cynthia Stattel

9/5 Gloria Haas

9/7 Sarah Reed

9/8 Miriam Chesky

9/25 Ava Caron
Parker Graf
Dawn McCollum

9/9 Bob Hillegas
Jonathan Youse

9/26 Karen Brown-Pautz

9/10 Stephen Johansen
Michael Savatio

9/30 Stephen Barnett
Ray Bender
Gavin Meador
Zach Weber

9/14 William Robison

9/15 Larry Hoffman

9/17 Julie Flook
Sharon Warfel

Eileen Moore Hartzell

9/18 Robert "Bob" Rhodes
Susan Ryder

The older the fiddler, the sweeter the tune.

POPE PAUL VI

To check out everything that is happening at Grace go to the events page on the website at <https://www.gracecamphill.org/events> or use the QR Code.



Upcoming Community Events

Below are some family-friendly events occurring in our area.

Music on the Mountain: Celtic Music

September 6, 2026 | 2:00 - 6:30pm | FREE | Kings Gap Environmental Education Center (500 Kings Gap Road, Carlisle)

Come see for yourself why Kings Gap Music on the Mountain has become one of the most successful outdoor music festivals among Pennsylvania's state parks.

Bring a lawn chair or blanket to the Mansion Lawn for an evening of great music. Food trucks will be on site! Music on the Mountain is a go, rain or shine. 14 pop-up tents will be provided. Attendees can bring their own canopies or beach umbrellas as well. Free admission, but donations are kindly accepted.

Unwrap the Music

September 12, 2026 | 1:00 | FREE | Hershey Theatre (15 E. Caracas Avenue, Hershey)

The Hershey Symphony Orchestra invites children and their families to "Unwrap the Music," at 1 p.m. on Saturday, September 12, 2026, at the Hershey Theatre. Under the direction of Maestro Greg Woodbridge, this free community concert will introduce young listeners to the many unique sounds of the symphony orchestra. Through live performance, children and their families will discover how instruments work together to create the rich and powerful sound of a symphony orchestra.

Tickets are free but reservations are required; reserve your seats at www.HersheySymphony.org/events/

FINE ARTS AT FIRST Concert Series

September 20, 2026 | 3pm | FREE | First Evangelical Lutheran Church (100 East High Street, Carlisle)

Fine Arts at First will kick off a new year with the Hanover Symphony Orchestra Brass Quintet on Sunday, September 20 at 3pm. Founded in 1995, the Hanover Symphony Orchestra is a non-profit volunteer orchestra dedicated to fostering the love of music through entertainment, encouragement, and education. As part of its outreach program, the orchestra has established four chamber ensembles, including the HSO Brass Quintet. All concerts are FREE, and each is followed by a reception at which concert goers may meet the artists.

Celebrate Wildwood

September 26, 2026 | 10am - 2pm | FREE | Wildwood Park (100 Wildwood Way, Harrisburg)

Help celebrate Wildwood Park with a nature-themed day! Learn about butterflies, birds, and more. Participate in pumpkin painting, children's crafts, live musical entertainment, and guided walks. Children will enjoy a story walk along the Delta Boardwalk. There's something for the whole family!

Parking: Located at the Nature Center gravel lot, the South Lot, the Middle Lot, and the North Lots. Additional parking is available at HACC. Follow the signs to the designated parking area. Please walk the Capital Area Greenbelt trail to the festival (0.7 mile walk).



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