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September 2022 LMD NL news will be due August 18, 2022.

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WOW 2022: Attached is a flyer with the dates for the Worship on Wednesday 2022. Everyone is invited. Please post and share with your congregations and friends. ****See attached flyer****

CROP/Church World Service News

Thank you for helping our 2021 Greater Allentown CROP Hunger Walk raise **\$30720.48!**

As a result of your faithful efforts, the Allentown Area Ecumenical Food Bank and Lehigh Conference of Churches Soup Kitchen is each receiving over \$3800 for their vital ministries; and Church World Service is able to assist many more of our neighbors in need throughout the United States and around the globe, including victims of the humanitarian crisis in Ukraine.

Please Save These CROP Dates!

Greater Allentown CROP Hunger Walk: Sun., Oct. 9, 2022, 1:30 p.m., with registration beginning at 1:00 p.m. at St. Timothy Lutheran Church, 140 S. Ott St., Allentown, PA 18104. Register, donate, or find more information about the life-saving work of Church World Service at <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2022/event/allentownpa>

CROP Recruiters' Pizza Party/Kick-off: Sun., Aug. 28, 2022, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

(to receive materials, ideas, and inspiration for yourself and your congregation) at St. Timothy Lutheran Church, 140 S. Ott St., Allentown, PA 18104

Updated information for the Christmas Ingathering:

ADVENT CHRISTMAS INGATHERING

St. John's Lutheran Church Emmaus
DATE: **December 7, 2022**

This year we will hold the **PLANNING MEETING** at:
St. John's Lutheran Church Emmaus, 501 Chestnut St.
DATE: **September 14, 2022 @ 7:00 PM**

Thank you for your support and St. John's for sponsoring this year's Ingathering.

Basket Social on Saturday, September 17, at St Paul's Lutheran Church Breinigsville:

A Basket Social fundraiser will be held from **9:00AM to 4:00PM**, with refreshments and bake sale. You do not have to be present to win. There will be over 50 baskets, several Specials, various gift cards, and a \$1,000 gift card grand prize. To bid on Baskets and Gift Cards - ticket price is \$5 per card (26 tickets on each card). If purchased in advance - \$20 for 5 cards; at door - \$25 for 5 cards. For Specials - ticket price is \$5 for 6 tickets. Our Grand Prize is \$1,000 Best Buy Gift Card - ticket price is \$5 per ticket. Bring a non-perishable food item for a chance to win a large Paper Products Basket. To purchase tickets in advance contact Anita at 484 221-0445 or email anita.eisenhard@yahoo.com. For more information, visit our Basket Social Web page at <http://www.stpaulsbrv.org/basketsocial>.

The Clothes Closet is open. This past Thursday we had over 25 people in line to shop for clothes and accessories. Right now, we only have one person trying to help a lot of people at one time. **Another person is needed to help people shop.** The hours are **Thursday mornings 9:30-11:30.** We want to keep this vital ministry to the community going. For more information, please contact Leslie Talago, Parish Administrator at St. Luke's Lutheran Church at [610-434-3943](tel:610-434-3943) or email to LETalago@StLukesLuth.org. Thank you to all who help contribute things!!

Luther Crest is expanding, and adding 72 new one- and two-bedroom apartments!

Soon, more people will be able to enjoy senior living at its finest! Luther Crest has been the #1 choice for retirement living in the Lehigh Valley since 1983, offering seniors an active and thriving lifestyle and peace of mind knowing that additional health care services are offered right on the Luther Crest campus. Our new independent living building will be called Greenwood in celebration of our spectacular on-campus nationally accredited arboretum. Greenwood will feature 72 spacious, modern apartments ranging in size from 920 to 1900 square-feet. Floorplans include one- and two-bedroom options, all with an abundance of amenities and designer features. Call us today to find out more at 610-391-8229 or check out our web site at luthercrestseniorliving.org.



Dear Lehigh Mission District,

"They exchanged the truth about God for a lie and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator." Romans 1.25

As of June 16, 2022, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention there have been 1,007,964 people who have died from COVID-19 in the United States.

It is overwhelming that over 1 million people died from a small virus. You may know someone who died from COVID. You may have been infected by COVID. You may know someone who is still battling the side effects from the virus. The numbers of deaths and these experiences don't lie. Yet many people believe that COVID was a hoax.

It's been over 2 years that the world has been living with this pandemic. Regardless of the 1 million deaths from COVID-19 many people still continue to believe it is a lie.

It happened to Adam and Eve. They believed the serpent's lie instead of believing God. (Genesis 2-3) Adam and Eve believed the lie that brought death into their life.

We live in a world where death has been revealed. Some people die by natural causes, others from old age, others due to illness. And si, yes, many unnecessary deaths from accepting a lie.

This is the condition in our society today. The Morning Call newspaper title on the US Capital Riots read, "Jan. 6 panel sinks teeth into big lie" (Front Page, Tuesday, June 14, 2022). Here, too, people have accepted another lie.

Why? Some of our church siblings have been deceived by the craftiness of the lie presented to them. Others decided to double-down and accept the lie and to repeat the lies. Still others are embarrassed to admit that they have been deceived and hide from God like Adam and Eve.

Sadly, they would rather die and take their neighbors with them. That's the climate in our society and parts of the church that has followed the lie of the creature.

God asked Adam and Eve what they had done and were held accountable. The Apostle Paul's challenge to the Christian Church is: Are we going to exchange the truth of God for a lie of a creature?

The Christian Church is to trust and worship The Creator. The Church serves God and neighbors. The Church proclaims the life God has intended all along for all to live.

We can come out of hiding to face the truth of God. I think we can take our chances with the mercy of God.

Enjoy your summer,

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Operation Sunshine is a non-profit fellowship opportunity within our Mission District, run solely by volunteers.

Aug.3, 2022 (Wed.) – Fulton Theatre - JERSEY BOYS - A regional premiere! How did four kids from Jersey become one of the greatest successes in pop music history? Jersey Boys takes you up the charts, across the USA and behind the music of Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons. Experience electrifying performances of the golden greats that took these guys all the way to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame: "Sherry," "Big Girls Don't Cry," "Can't Take My Eyes Off You," "Dawn," "My Eyes Adored You," and more. Lunch at Miller's Smorgasbord.

Bus leaves St. Timothy's at 10:00 AM

Cost \$120 Payment Deadline: Thurs. June 30

Oct. 26, 2022 (Wed.) Bucks County Playhouse – EVITA -

"Don't cry for me Argentina ..."Don't miss Andrew Lloyd Webber's legendary musical as it is re-imagined in this all-new production. The life of the former First Lady of Argentina is revisited through the eyes of her supporters, who have gathered in a tango club ten years after her death to celebrate her life. The classic score features some of Webber and Tim Rice's biggest hits, including "Don't Cry for Me Argentina", "High Flying, Adored" and "Another Suitcase in Another Hall". Lunch at the Cock & Bull Restaurant.

MEAL CHOICES: HONEY GLAZED SALMON OR FRENCH CHICKEN AU JUS

Please indicate your meal choice at the time of booking.

Bus leaves St. Timothy's at 10:00 AM

Cost \$127 Payment Deadline: Thurs., Sept. 15

MULTI-DAY TRIP –

CHICAGO -7 Days/6 nights

September 18, 2022 to September 24, 2022 (Sun.-Sat.)

Call the office for information

