

CRAFT FAIR

November 16, 2024
9:30 AM – 3:00 PM
St. Timothy Lutheran Church
(Ott St., Allentown)

CRAFTERS NEEDED:

Reserve your table now!
Contact Ivy Reynolds at
610-393-1353, no later
than September 1st.

- 8-foot table costs \$25
- Set-up on November 15th,
6:30-8:00 PM
- Checks can be made
payable to "St. Timothy's"



Trinity invites you:

Trinity Memorial Luth. Church
(535 W. Emaus Ave, Allentown)

CLOTHING CLOSET

Free Clothing. Donations
Accepted. 1st & 3rd Saturday.
Hours: 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

PANERA BREAD GIVE AWAY

Pick up on Mondays at 10:00 AM

BASKET SOCIAL

Sat., Oct. 19, 10:00 AM-4:00 PM
Sun., Oct. 20, 12:00 PM-3:00 PM

TRUNK OR TREAT

Friday, October 25th, 6-8:00 PM

LITTLE SHOPPERS SHOP

Saturday, November 23rd
10:00 AM -12:30 PM

Questions? Call the church office
at 610-797-4774 or email
tmlcadmn@gmail.com

**Thank you for your
support of these events!!!**



*October 2024 LMD NL news
will be due September 16, 2024.*

Please email any information to
imd.newslettereditor@gmail.com

← Photo from Synod Assembly by Corrina Verdieck

2024 Synod Assembly Highlight: A Behind the Scenes Look

Dear Lehigh Mission District,

In my years as dean, I have reported highlights from the synod assembly, bishop's conference, churchwide assembly, and the LMD spring assembly's business that have taken place on the floor.

This year's synod assembly highlight comes from behind-the-scenes as racist comments that were made to two children because of their accent.

The 37th Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod Assembly of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America was held at Atonement Lutheran Church, Wyomissing, Pennsylvania.

At past assembly gatherings, I would work the floor to establish networks with colleagues and meet new peers. However, I've experience at these gatherings from some rostered leaders, voting lay delegates, and SALMs (Synod Authorized Lay Ministers) racist sentiments expressed towards me.

So this year, I decided to forgo the networking and remain seated in the church pew. I wanted to avoid another freedom thumping Christian Nationalist spewing abomination.

I sat in the pew where I felt safe next to my church lay voting delegate Richard Ludwig-Dicus and colleague Pastor Richard Baumann.

That is until I was approached by a parent with a concern. A minister had made the comment that he could tell that the child wasn't a good Dutchie because of their accent.

The comment was addressed to the child and their sibling. The minister added that their father couldn't possibly be from the same place based on their accent.

How could I remain seated on the pew? Hurtful words were directed to holy innocents. Words that questioned their identities. Words that questioned their innocent goodness. Words that questioned their relationship with their father.

As dean I reported the incident to the appropriate resources for a resolution. An immediate response was received. It is my hope that this time this matter would be taken seriously.

Where do we go from here as a church body? Do we sit on our pews and let this go?

The Rev. Nelson Quiñones, Lehigh Mission District Dean

BASKET SOCIAL

September 14, 2024

9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
(8227 Hamilton Blvd,
Breinigsville)

There will be over 100 baskets, five specials, various gift cards, a \$1,000 gift card grand prize, and a variety of kids' baskets. (If you bring your kids and purchase any tickets, kids aged 10 and under will receive free tickets for these baskets.) There will also be a 50/50 drawing. And bring a non-perishable food item for a chance to win a large Paper Products Basket. Refreshments and bake sale items available. You may also bring a chair and enjoy the Municipal Band of Allentown concert at 1:00 PM.

You do not have to be present to win. To purchase tickets in advance contact Anita at 484-221-0445 or email her at anita.eisenhard@yahoo.com. For more info and ticket pricing, visit our Basket Social Web page at: <http://www.stpaulsbrville.org/basketsocial>



FALL BASKET SOCIAL

October 4, 2024 (Preview Night)

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM and

October 5, 2024

10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

St. John's Lutheran Church
(1028 Church Street,
Fogelsville)

Tickets may be purchased and placed both days, take-out food items & baked goods will be available only on the 5th.

100+ baskets, 50+ gift cards!
Ticket pricing (1 sheet = 25 tickets): 1 sheet/\$10, 2 sheets/\$20, 3 sheets/\$25.
Winners will be drawn at the end and contacted by phone.

Everyone is welcome!!!



OPERATION SUNSHINE

1933 Hanover Ave, Allentown, PA 18109

Phone: 610-435-9155

Open: Mon 11-3 and Wed. 11-3

Email: LMDopsunshine@aol.com

Website: www.LMDopsunshine.com

Paula & Dick Skelly, Co-Trip Coordinators

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

UPCOMING SHOWS INCLUDE:

October 18, 2024 (Friday)

Dutch Apple - HAIRSPRAY

December 12, 2024 (Thursday)

Hunterdon Hills - A PLAYHOUSE CHRISTMAS

See the attached newsletter for details.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: ADVENT/CHRISTMAS INGATHERING

Wednesday, December 4, 2024

St. John's Lutheran Church
(501 Chestnut Street, Emmaus, PA)

A **planning meeting** will be held
Wednesday, Sept. 11, 2024 at 7:00 PM

St. John's Lutheran Church
(501 Chestnut Street, Emmaus, PA)

Thank you for your support with this ministry!



CROP REMINDERS:

****RSVP by Wed., Aug. 21**, to Linda Held
(jucc3441@ptd.net or 484-553-8922)**
for the **CROP Pizza Party/Kick-off**:
Sunday, Aug. 25, 2024, 1:30-2:30 p.m.
(to receive materials, ideas, and inspiration for
yourself and your congregation/group)
at St. Timothy Lutheran Church
140 S. Ott St., Allentown, PA 18104

Greater Allentown CROP Hunger Walk:
Sunday, October 13, 2024, 1:30 p.m.,
with registration beginning at 1:00 p.m.
at St. Timothy Lutheran Church
140 S. Ott St., Allentown, PA 18104

****DISTRIBUTE attached Walker/Donor and
Sponsorship BROCHURES****

Walkers who raise \$150 or more by 10/13/24
earn a FREE T-SHIRT. T-shirts will also be
available for purchase at the CROP Hunger Walk.

Two routes from which walkers may choose:
a 10K route and a "Golden Mile" route.

Like us on Facebook:

www.facebook.com/AllentownCROPWalk/

****If you are a TEAM LEADER: Please REGISTER
your CROP Hunger Walk TEAM****

at www.crophungerwalk.org/allentownpa

****If you are a WALKER: Please REGISTER****

at www.crophungerwalk.org/allentownpa

The CROP Hunger Walk is a great
intergenerational fellowship and service event
for families, youth groups, adult groups,
businesses, organizations, and congregations.

The Greater Allentown CROP Hunger Walk helps
food-insecure neighbors locally through the
Conference Kitchen and the Allentown Area
Ecumenical Food Bank.

Our CROP Walk funds also support Church World
Service's life-saving disaster assistance,
displacement assistance, and long-term
development assistance with our neighbors in need
throughout the United States and around the globe.

