

Muddy Creek Lutheran Church
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Celebrating 290 Years!

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The 10:15 a.m. service will be livestreamed and posted today on our YouTube channel and Facebook Page.

All Saints Sunday, Nov. 6, 2022, 10:15 a.m., Online Version

* = Please stand as you are able All congregational responses are in **bold**

Welcome to Muddy Creek! Masks are currently optional for worship.

Announcements, Waving Hello

Prelude: *Going Home*.....A. Dvorak

*Gathering Hymn: "For All the Saints ", v. 1-2, 6-7#422

- 1. For all the saints, who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed, thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia, Alleluia!
- 2. Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; thou in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia, Alleluia!
- 3. But then there breaks a yet more glorious day; the saints triumphant rise in bright array; the King of glory passes on his way. Alleluia, Alleluia!
- 4. From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia, Alleluia!

*Greeting C: **And also with you**page 138

*Kyrie.....page 138

- L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. C: **Lord, have mercy.**
- L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: **Lord, have mercy.**
- L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. C: **Lord, have mercy.**
- L: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. C: **Lord, have mercy.**
- L: Help, save comfort and defend us, gracious Lord. C: **Lord, have mercy.**

*Canticle of Praisepage 140

C: **This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*Prayer of the Day C: **Amen**

Choir Anthem: *There'll be Peace in the Valley*.....T. Dorsey

First Bible Reading: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

¹In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: ²I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, ³and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another. ¹⁵As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. ¹⁶I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: ¹⁷“As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. ¹⁸But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever.” L: The word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 149 (Congregational responses in bold)

¹Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD¹ a new song,
 God's praise in the assembly¹ of the faithful.
²**Let Israel rejoice¹ in their maker;**
let the children of Zion be joyful¹ in their ruler.
³Let them praise their maker's¹ name with dancing;
 let them sing praise with tambou-¹rine and harp.
⁴**For the LORD takes pleasure¹ in the people**
and adorns the¹ poor with victory.
⁵Let the faithful re-¹joice in triumph;
 let them sing for joy¹ on their beds.
⁶**Let the praises of God be¹ in their throat**
and a two-edged sword¹ in their hand,
⁷to wreak vengeance¹ on the nations
 and punishment¹ on the peoples,
⁸**to bind their¹ kings in chains**
and their nobles with¹ links of iron,
⁹to inflict on them the judg-¹ment decreed;
 this is glory for all God's faithful ones.¹ Hallelujah!

Second Bible Reading: Ephesians 1:11-23

¹¹In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹²so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

¹⁵I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious

inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²²And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all. L: The word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God**

*Gospel Acclamation:page 142
(Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia)

*Gospel: 1 Corinthians 13:4-8a, 12-13 C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

⁴Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant ⁵or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable; it keeps no record of wrongs; ⁶it does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth. ⁷It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. ⁸Love never ends. ¹²For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then we shall see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. ¹³And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three, and the greatest of these is love.

L: The gospel of the Lord. C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Message
Sermon

*Hymn of the Day: "For All Your Saints, O Lord".....#427

1. For all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to live,
who followed you, obeyed, adored, our grateful hymn receive.
2. For all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to die,
who counted you their great reward, accept our thankful cry.
3. They all in life and death, with you, their Lord, in view,
learned from your Holy Spirit's breath to suffer and to do.
4. For this, your name we bless and humbly pray anew
that we like them in holiness may live and die in you.
5. To God, the Father, Son, and Spirit, ever blest,
the One in Three, the Three in One, be endless praise addressed.

*Thanksgiving for Offering C: **We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;**

All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

(Offering may be contributed online through the church website, mcchurch.org, "Give Online" button on the home page.)

Remembrance of All Other Departed Dear Ones, Whose Losses We Still Mourn
(Candlelighting in the Pews)

*Closing Prayer

*Blessing C: **Amen**

*Sending Hymn: “Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart!”#873

1. Rejoice ye pure in heart! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing;
your festal banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King. (refrain)

Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks and sing!

2. With voice as full and strong as ocean’s surging praise,
send forth the sturdy hymns of old, the psalms of ancient days. (refrain)

3. With all the angel choirs, with all the saints of earth
pour out the strains of joy and bliss, true rapture, noblest mirth. (refrain)

4. Still lift your standard high, still march in firm array,
As pilgrims through the darkness wend till dawns the golden day. (refrain)

5. At last the march shall end; the wearied ones shall rest;
the pilgrims find their home at last, Jerusalem the blest. (refrain)

6. Praise Him who reigns on high, the Lord whom we adore,
the Father, Son and Spirit blest, one God forever more. (refrain)

*Dismissal P: Go in Peace, Serve the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude – *Look and Live*.....W. Ogden

Announcements

Welcome to everyone, especially all visitors and guests! If you are visiting today, it would be really appreciated if you would fill out the yellow card in your pew and put it in the offering plate or give it to the pastor. Welcome!

All Saints Sunday Remembrance of Those Who Have Passed Away: Today, we will have a special All Saints Sunday commemoration to remember all loved ones who have passed away – the saints who have gone on before us. We will light candles and toll the chimes for those from our congregation who have passed away since last All Saints Sunday. As well, we will light individual candles in the pews to honor all dear ones who have passed away in any year.

Invitation to Communion: Everyone is invited to receive communion today by coming up the center aisle beginning with the front pews, taking an empty glass for wine or a pre-filled glass with white grape juice. You may kneel or stand at the communion rail. Please hold out your hands to receive the bread from the pastor (if you want a gluten-free wafer, please tell the pastor). Then, receive and drink the wine poured into your glass from the Communion Assistant. If you have opted for a pre-filled glass of grape juice, you may drink it when the Communion Assistant comes to you. Please return to your seats by either outside aisle. If you would prefer to have communion in your pew, please inform an usher.

Stocking for Soldiers Deadline is Today for Prayer Squares, Cards, Sponsorships:

*Today is the deadline to return prayer squares and Christmas cards that are being sent to deployed PA soldiers. If you forgot to bring yours back today, talk to Judy Dengler (717-484-2082) and we can make accommodations to get them from you.

*Monetary donations to cover the cost of shipping: You may purchase a die-cut stocking for \$5 to write a note on for a soldier, or you may write a check to: Keystone Military Families (include in note section: Stockings for Soldiers). You may put your check or donation in an envelope labeled "c/o Judy Dengler" and put it in her church mailbox.

*The prayer squares will be dedicated at the church services next Sunday, Nov. 13.

Food Collection today for Peter's Porch: Today (as is always the case on the first Sunday of the month), we are collecting food for our local food pantry, Peter's Porch. Donations can be placed in the bins in the sanctuary entrances.

Pack and Take for Muddy Creek Shut-Ins, Older Members Next Sunday: Following both services next Sunday, Nov. 13, everyone is invited to pack loaves of pumpkin bread and an apple into gifts bags, decorate the bags, and then take one or several bags to deliver to shut-ins and older members from Muddy Creek (address provided) to make their Thanksgiving season a little more special!

Adult Forum on "The Book of James" – Next Sunday at 9 a.m.: Next Sunday at 9 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall, Pastor Peter will lead an Adult Forum on "The Book of James". All are invited.

Poinsettia Order Deadline is Sun., Nov. 27. Order forms are attached at the end of this bulletin. Orders and payment can be placed in the silver box on the table under the mailboxes, or mailed in.

Next Sunday, We are Honoring Retired Choir Members at the 10:15 a.m. worship service.

Choir Practices in November: Everyone is invited to Choir practice this coming Thursday, Nov. 10 at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary (the choir will sing at the 10:15 a.m. service next Sunday) and again on Wednesday, Nov. 23 at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary (the choir will sing again on Nov. 27).

The Jesus 'n Me Playgroup for all preschoolers, toddlers and infants will be on Sunday, Nov. 20 at 9:00 a.m. in the nursery. The Thanksgiving theme is "Thank You God for Food".

Disaster Relief Mission Trip Meeting: On Sunday, Nov. 20 at 2:00 p.m. in the Community Room at Luther Acres, 250 St. Luke Drive, Lititz, all interested people are invited to come for information and planning meeting about the upcoming Disaster Relief Mission Trip in April of next year. We are putting together a team to go on the trip. The expected cost for participants is \$150. Scholarships are also available from Muddy Creek.

Volunteers are Needed to help decorate the church for Advent and Christmas on Sat., Nov. 26, from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. For questions, contact Jane Wenger, 717-471-0556.

If You Would Like to Order Professional Photos of Muddy Creek Lutheran Church to keep or to give as Christmas presents, please sign up on the clipboard under the mailboxes. The photos are reprints of the stunning photograph that professional photographer Don Reese took of the church last Christmas Eve while services were going on inside. This is not a fundraiser, and Don is graciously providing the prints at cost only (6X9 \$2.90, 8X12 \$5.55, 12X18 \$18.25, 16X24 \$32.05). Please give the money directly to Pastor Peter.

Congregational Meeting will be on Sunday, Dec. 4: The Congregational Meeting to approve the 2023 Budget and elect people to serve on Church Council and the Cemetery Board will be held on Sunday, December 4, immediately following the 10:15 a.m. service. Please come out so that we may have a quorum. There is no Budget Hearing beforehand this year. If you have any questions about the budget prior to the meeting, please contact Scott Strickland. Copies of the budget will be made available under the church mailboxes.

Volunteers are Needed to Load Wreaths and Tie Bows on Them for the Cemetery: This year, the Muddy Creek Cemetery Board is once again placing Christmas wreaths on the graves of all the veterans in the church cemetery. If you can help unload wreaths and tie bows on them, please come to our Fellowship Hall at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 2. And/or, if you can help the load wreaths onto trailers for a local Boy Scout Troop to place them on the veterans' graves, please come to the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 3. Following this, the wreaths will be dedicated at a ceremony at the Cemetery Flag Pole. All are invited. If you have any questions, please contact Judy Nichol, 717-484-1447.

Donations to help cover the costs of the wreaths can be made out to Muddy Creek Lutheran Church (please note: Cemetery Veterans Wreaths) and put in the offering boxes.

Hymn Requests for Joint Christmas Carol Hymn Sing? Muddy Creek, Peace U.C.C., St. Paul's Lutheran in Adamstown, and St. John Center, East Earl are holding a joint Christmas Carol Hymn Sing at Muddy Creek on Sunday, Dec. 11 at 3 p.m. Hymn requests may be in advance on the clipboard under the mailboxes. Deadline for hymn requests is Sunday, Dec. 4. (We may not be able to sing all requests). Come out and celebrate the spirit of the Christmas season with our church neighbors! Friends are welcome and invited!

Following the Service Online:

*The 10:15 a.m. service is livestreamed online on our Muddy Creek Lutheran YouTube channel, and then posted on our YouTube Channel, our church website, and our Facebook page.

*To follow along, a special online edition (including words of the hymns and liturgy) of the 10:15 a.m. bulletin is now available on the home page of the church website, **mlchurch.org**.

*Past and present bulletins can also be found under the “Bulletins” tab on the website.

*Offering may be given online with the “Give Online” button on our website homepage.

*To obtain home communion sets of grape juice and wafers that you may use to receive communion as you follow along with any communion service, please contact Pastor Peter.

The Altar Flowers This Morning are given by Janet Frantz in memory of Charles Frantz and all the saints.

Address Correction for Philip Webber: The address for Philip Weber, who turns 84 on Nov. 20, was listed incorrectly in the newsletter. His address is P.O. Box 215 (Laurel Place 312, Cornwall Manor), Cornwall, PA, 17016.

In our Prayers: Gloria Aseli, Lesia Aungst, Dorothy Beam, the Dalo family, Cindy Frankhouser, Fred Hainley, Alex Harding, Pat Kagarise, Tina Lavrenchuk, the Martin family, Sandy Miles, Mary Miller, David Moodhart, Charles Moyer, Jean Moyer, George Nagle, Betty Ramsey, the Riggle family, Walt Siegel, Lucy Snader, the family of Janet Sweigart who died on Oct. 26, Becky Thunberg, Harold Weinhold, Michael Weinhold.

Attendance and Giving:

Attendance Oct. 23: 8:00 a.m. – 26, 10:15 a.m. – 44, Online (YouTube and Facebook) - 45

Received through end of Sept.: \$125,371.75 Expenses thru Sept.: \$151,304.78

Received on Oct. 23: \$1,260.55 Received Oct. to date: \$10,949.75

Air Conditioning Fund Total as of Oct. 23 (donations still gratefully accepted): \$9,873.10

Worship Helpers Today (All Saints Day, Clocks Change):

Money Counters – Gail and Ted Bare

Communion Assistant: 8:00 a.m. - Scott Strickland Bread Baker – Marliese Smith

Communion Assistant: 10:15 a.m. – Kelby Weaver Acolyte: 10:15 a.m. – Zach Sheaffer

10:15 a.m. Lay Reader – Will Wood 10:15 a.m. Cantor – Hollie Kemper

Worship Helpers Next Sunday (Nov. 13):

10:15 a.m. Acolyte: 10:15 a.m. Lay Reader: Doris Rauch

10:15 a.m. Cantor: Pastor Peter

10:15 a.m. Money Counters: Jere and Joan Shimp



Please complete a form for each poinsettia purchased. Do not list, in Honor of, and, in Memory of, on the same form.

Place completed form, with money attached, in the marked box on the table under the mailboxes (if using a check, note: poinsettias.)

Deadline for orders is Sunday, November 27

Cost is \$7.00 (Red or White plant, 5 buds each)

I desire # of plants: Red ____ and/or White ____.

Everyone is responsible to pick-up the plants they order.

Plants will be placed in the church by December 18.

If you would like your poinsettia “in honor of” or “in memory of” included in the bulletin, please list below (please print clearly):

Purchaser’s Name _____

In Honor of _____

By _____

(optional)

In Memory of _____

By _____

(optional)

If you wish to order poinsettias without your name being listed in the bulletin, check here _____

Flowers can be picked up after the Christmas Eve services, or anytime following.

