

# MUDDY CREEK LUTHERAN

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## Fall Worship Schedule Resumes on Sept. 11

Beginning Sunday, Sept. 11, the fall worship schedule will resume with services at 8:00 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. Worship will continue to be livestreamed at the later service and posted on our church website and Muddy Creek YouTube Channel.

## Christian Education Resumes Sept. 11, Adult Forum on “Widows”

Christian Education for all ages will resume on Sunday, Sept. 11 at 9 a.m.!

For children, there are two classes. The Sunday School Class for Babies, Toddlers and Preschoolers meets in the nursery at 9 a.m. For Kindergarten to 5<sup>th</sup> Grade, there is a Sunday School Class in the Sunday School room. For youth grades 6 - 12, there is a Youth Class.

And for adults, there is an Adult Forum in the Fellowship Hall downstairs (note change of location) on the second Sunday of each month. The first Adult Forum, led by Pastor Peter, will be on September 11 at 9 a.m. The first Adult Forum will be on the topic, “Widows in the Bible”.

## Choir Rehearsals on Sunday Mornings at 9:00 a.m. in the Choir Loft

Choir rehearsals will resume on Sunday, Sept. 11 at 9:00 a.m. Choir rehearsals will be on Sunday mornings in the choir loft. Everyone is invited to come and sing! Please contact our Director of Music, Greg Gehman, if you have any questions.

## Please Bring in Food Items for Peter’s Porch on Sunday, Sept. 4

On the first Sunday of every month, we are collecting food items for Peter’s Porch, the food distribution pantry operated by our sister congregation, Faith United Lutheran Church in Denver. Please bring in food items on Sunday, Sept. 4 and place them in the bins located in the sanctuary entrances. Thank you!

## Sanctuary Air Conditioning Units Are Now Installed!

The new air conditioning units in the sanctuary are now installed and should be operational by the end of August! Thank you to all who have donated generously to the Air Conditioning Fund (donations are still being gratefully accepted). Thank you also to Gail Bare for overseeing the project with our contractor, Tier One. Additional AC units in the Administrative Office and the Pastor’s Office will be installed in September.



## School Kit Donations Needed By Sept. 11th - Thanks!

Thanks to your extremely generous support, we have already collected enough pencils, pens, pencil sharpeners, erasers and crayons for our kits! Any extras will be easily used next year. Still greatly needed are 70-sheet spiral notebooks (wide or college-ruled, approx. 8 x10 ½). We also need more small blunt scissors (or safety scissors), rulers, and new bars of soap in original wrappers (4—5 oz. size). Items can be placed in the marked bin by the mailboxes by Sunday, Sept. 11. Questions: contact Pastor Peter

## “God’s Work, Our Hands” Sunday School Kit Assembly on September 18 – All Invited

Our denomination, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, celebrates “God’s Work, Our Hands” Sunday every year – a special day of using our hands to do works of love and charity on God’s behalf. As part of this celebration, on Sunday, September 18, in the Fellowship Hall following the 10:15 a.m. service, everyone is invited to help assemble school kits for Lutheran World Relief. These kits of school supplies will be sent to school children in the developing world. We also be boxing up soap that was donated. Thank you to everyone who brought in donations.

## Jesus ‘n Me Playgroup Resumes September 25th

The Jesus ‘n Me Playgroup for all young ones (babies, toddler, preschoolers and their caregivers/parents) resumes once a month in the nursery at 9 a.m.

**Sunday Sept. 25: “God Made Me”.** Come celebrate the wonder of eyes, ears, feet and hands as we make a special handprint picture for you to take home and save. We’ll learn the fingerplay “God made fingers, nose and toes”, and sing “God made me from my head to toes.”



## Save the Date: Oct. 9 is “Homecoming 290!”

In honor of Muddy Creek’s 290th anniversary this year (we were founded in 1732), we are having a special “Homecoming” for all past and present Muddy Creek participants, families and friends! Let everyone know! We will have wonderful refreshments, wear nametags, and have a special welcome for everyone! This is also the same day we are celebrating “Harvest Home Sunday” - the day when everything, including the harvest, comes home! Don’t miss “Homecoming 290!”

### “Harvest Home” To Be Celebrated October 9<sup>th</sup>, Please bring items



Harvest Home will be celebrated at both services on Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to Jeanette Leid for the beautiful fall display! On Sunday, October 2nd or before, please bring a canned good of fruit, vegetable, soups or meat for the display and put it in a Peter’s Porch bin at the sanctuary entrances. Also, fresh apples, pears, potatoes, squash, pumpkins and fall mums for the display are appreciated. All the collected food is given to Peter’s Porch, a food bank we help support at Faith United Lutheran Church in Denver.

### Thank You’s

Thank you to the Muddy Creek family for the cards, prayers and expressions of sympathy at the time of my mother Ella’s passing. Your support at a difficult time was deeply appreciated. God bless, David Sensenig

I want to thank everyone for your prayers, lovely cards and concerns for my recovery following my accident. A special thank you to Charles, Pat and the counting teams for covering all those weeks in my absence. Nedra

### Our Condolences To:

- \*The family of John Bordner who passed away on May 30.
- \*Millie Shober at the death of her friend David on June 4.
- \*Linda Mohn at the death of her sister-in-law Louise Gockley on July 10.
- \*Yvonne Weaver at the death of her sister Elaine Bueter on July 12.
- \*Scott Youndt at the death of his uncle Craig Leid on July 20.
- \*The family of Ella Sensenig who passed away on August 5. Funeral was August 11.
- \*The family of Kirt Weinhold who passed away on August 17. Funeral was August 21.

## Attendance

<u>Worship Attendance</u>	<u>Viewed on Muddy Creek YouTube Channel and Facebook</u>
July 24, 8 a.m. – 20, 9:00 a.m. – 38	69 (includes livestream)
July 31, 8 a.m. – 22, 9:00 a.m. – 35	92 (includes livestream)
Aug. 7, 8 a.m. – 27, 9:00 a.m. – 39	39 (includes livestream)
Aug. 14, 8 a.m. – 12, 9:00 a.m. – 36	18 (includes livestream)
Aug. 21, 8 a.m. – 24, 9:00 a.m. – 33	55 (includes livestream)

(There are currently 80 subscribers to the Muddy Creek Lutheran YouTube Channel, and 190 followers on the Muddy Creek Facebook Page.)

## Offering

Received in General Fund in July: \$13,911.98      Expenses to General Fund in July: \$14,877.15  
 Income to General Fund year to date through July: \$96,379.60  
 Expenses to General Fund year to date through July: \$120,539.03  
 Received in Air Conditioning Fund as of Aug. 21: \$5,437.55  
 (Donations to the Air Conditioning Fund are still being gratefully accepted)

## Worship Helpers

Sept. 4, Money Counters – Gloria Aseli, Brenda Berger, Audrey Noll  
 Communion Assistant: 8:00 a.m. - Scott Strickland      Bread Baker – Marliese Smith  
 Communion Assistant and Acolyte: 9:00 a.m. - Grace Youndt  
 9:00 a.m. Lay Reader – Will Wood      9:00 a.m. Cantor – Greg Gehman

Sept. 11, Money Counters – Ray and Susan Sweigart  
 10:15 a.m. Acolyte – Zach Sheaffer      10:15 a.m. Lay Reader – Doris Rauch  
 10:15 a.m. Cantor – Hollie Kemper

Sept. 18, Money Counters – Linda Gerhart, Hollie Kemper  
 10:15 a.m. Acolyte – Cannon Youndt      10:15 a.m. Lay Reader – Brenda Berger  
 10:15 a.m. Cantor – Pastor Peter

Sept. 25, Money Counters – Lesia and Matthew Aungst, Kim Eshleman  
 10:15 a.m. Acolyte –      10:15 a.m. Lay Reader – Nancy Beck  
 10:15 a.m. Cantor – Gail Bare