

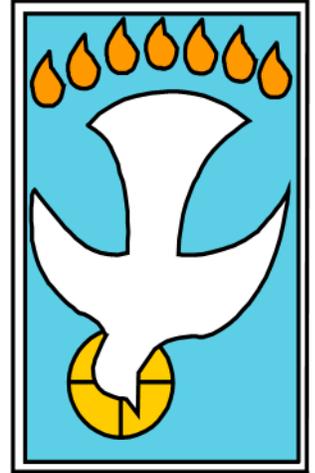
“THE SPIRIT”

AUGUST 2021

Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit

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Laura Wayman, Editor



*God's purpose for Holy Spirit is to guide
the Community to Christ with support and love*

MARKS OF DISCIPLESHIP

1. DAILY PRAYER

- A. Prayer list in weekly devotional — please pray daily
- B. Personal prayer (needs/thanks/conflict) during Zoom service
- C. “Christ in Our Home” daily devotionals

2. WORSHIP

- A. Sunday worship at 10:00 AM
- B. Thursday Evening Prayer Service via Zoom - **August 5, 12, 19 & 26**

3. BIBLE READING

- A. Individual daily reading
- B. Mid-week Message

4. SERVICE

- A. Service needs for LCHS include: Altar Care & Greeters
- B. Individual spiritual gift counseling available from Patti Henry

5. SPIRITUAL FRIENDSHIP

- A. Friendship Luncheoneers*
- B. Fellowship Hour - immediately after worship via Zoom
- C. Faith, News & Brews - **August 4**
- d. Yarn & Needles via Zoom - **August 16**

6. GIVING

- A. Donna in Ghana
- B. Delaware Community School - **School Supplies**
- C. St. James Food Pantry
- D. Families of Delaware Avenue fire

[*not currently meeting in person]



August

BIRTHDAYS

- 04** Camden Lintner
- 10** Konrad Schatz
- 09** Sheila Pacowski
- 11** Karina Baranowski
- 14** Michael Lintner
Laura Wayman
- 25** Tony Lintner, Jr.
- 29** Rachel Fil
Walter Ross
William Broden



August

ANNIVERSARIES

- 14** Howie & Karen Hasenbein



- for our "at home" members
- for Donna Rohrmiller (our missionary in Ghana)
- for Campus Ministry at UAlbany
- for our sister Evangelical Lutheran Church in Zimbabwe
- for all those in service of our country



August

- Sunday worship is via Zoom and Hybrid In-Sanctuary* or Outdoor in **August**
- Parish Secretary Laura Wayman will be back in the office on Wednesday, **August 4**
- Faith, News & Brews meets on Wednesday, **August 4**
- Evening prayer Service is via Zoom on Thursdays **August 5, 12, 19 & 26**
- Sunday worship is via Zoom and Hybrid In-Sanctuary* on **August 8 & 22**
- Sunday worship is via Zoom and Hybrid Outdoor* on **August 1, 15 & 29**
- Pastor Jo Page leads us in worship via Zoom and in-person at Hybrid Outdoor* on Sunday, **August 15**
- Holy Spirit is participating in the Farmers Market on Tuesdays, **August 3, 17 & 31**
- September SPIRIT deadline is **August 15**
- Yarn & Needles meets on Monday, **August 16**
- In **August** we are collecting school supplies for the Delaware Community School

*[*Hybrid-In-Sanctuary services occur when a guest pastor is preaching via Zoom. Those worshipping in person at Holy Spirit will be in the Sanctuary for the service and will be able see and hear the guest pastor on large screen]*



Hi Everyone!

In mid-June, NYS lifted all of its COVID restrictions that apply to churches, and more recently the pandemic state of emergency has formally been brought to an end. On June 23, 2021, LCHS's Worship and Music Committee met via Zoom to discuss how these changes affect our worship planning going forward, and here are the agreements reached:

1. That LCHS will be "open" to worshipping indoors effective immediately. Having said this, we will still continue to schedule some worship services outside during the summer as has been our practice in prior years. Outside services can now be moved indoors if that proves necessary (e.g., due to bad weather). *Outside services enable us to enjoy our beautiful green area and also enhance our visibility/outreach in the neighborhood.*
2. That when we worship "indoors," it will be in the Sanctuary except for days when excessive heat and humidity make worshipping in the Fellowship Hall (with air conditioning "on") advisable from a health and comfort viewpoint.
3. That we will continue offering hybrid services (meaning either inside or outside as above, plus on-line using interactive Zoom). *Parishioners who are not yet ready to worship on-site can therefore make their own personal choice about when to return. In the meantime, they are free to continue utilizing the current Zoom option.*
4. That in general we will return to our previous policy of scheduling outdoor worship on roughly half of the Sundays during July and August when circumstances allow. *This is to avoid over-extending our on-site Zoom Hosts who have to move all the electronic equipment outside and set it up on Sunday mornings.*
5. That Supply Pastors be given the option of leading worship either on-site or remotely. When they're leading remotely, the service would always be indoors so that their image can be displayed to on-site worshipers using our 55" TV screen (this is not feasible outdoors).
6. That for July and August, we consistently utilize the same audio equipment setup, whether inside or outside. This means that the current system we're using outside would also be set up inside-----without trying to integrate it with our regular church PA system. *The intent is to make training and equipment usage easier for on-site Zoom Hosts. Thanks to a recent equipment purchase, Pastor will still have a wireless microphone capability. When inside, the condenser microphone will be added in so that the pipe organ can be used.*
7. For the time being, we will continue to offer Communion using pre-filled cups for those on-site and bread/wine available at home for those on Zoom. However, Communion will not be offered on days when there is a Supply Pastor who is leading worship from off-site.

8. That when we worship outside, 6 ft. social distancing between non-household members is no longer a requirement, but can certainly be observed by anyone who wishes to do so. When inside, for now we will sit in every other pew----as currently marked out by yellow tape. Pew cushions will be placed in the designated pews, but not the hymnals or pew cards.
9. That when we worship outside, face masks are no longer required for vaccinated attendees but can certainly be used by anyone who needs or wishes to use one. When inside, wearing a mask is discretionary for vaccinated worshipers, but those who are not vaccinated or have underlying concerns/conditions are highly encouraged to do so----or simply choose to attend via Zoom for now.
10. Given all of the above, the following is LCHS's revised worship schedule for the rest of the summer:
 - Jun. 27 - outside; First Communion (rain date July 11)
 - Jul. 4 - inside; Indep. Day; Supply Pastor Jo Page (remote)
 - Jul. 11 - outside; Baptism & First Communion
 - Jul. 18 - inside; Supply Pastor Greg Tennermann (remote?)
 - Jul. 25 - inside; Supply Pastor Greg Tennermann (remote?)
 - Aug. 1 - outside
 - Aug. 8 - inside; Baptism; Dottie Johnson supply organist
 - Aug. 15 - outside; Supply Pastor Jo Page (on-site)
 - Aug. 22 - inside
 - Aug. 29 - outside
 - Sept. 6 - inside; Labor Day; Guest Preacher Rev. Donna.
11. That pre-recordings of hymns, preludes, and postludes continue to be inserted into the PowerPoint bulletins while our Zoom Hosts are learning how to use our new electronic equipment. Normally, the prelude and postludes will be played "live", so those pre-recordings will be used only "if needed."
12. That effective immediately, the congregation (outdoors, indoors, or on-Zoom) is invited to sing along with the three pre-recorded hymns during worship. Designated Vocalists will continue to sing the Gospel and Communion solo parts, and Readers will continue to read the Psalm responsively for now.



Open my eyes, Creator of the universe, that I may see your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; open my ears, that I may hear what the heavens are telling me about your glory, which transcends all material bounds and yet deigns to reside with human beings. May I ever marvel at your tender care for us, and give you thanks and praise forever. Amen.

HOLY SPIRIT VS. COVID

In recent days we have seen a worldwide uptick in COVID infections, and (aside from being vaccinated yourself or assisting others in doing so) you may be wondering what you can possibly do to help reverse this unwelcome trend.

One great way would be to contribute to the efforts of **Lutheran World Relief**, which is working hard to assure that those in need (worldwide!) have access to vaccines and medical help for those afflicted by COVID-19.

Look over the information below, and (if this rings true to your heart) please consider making an offering to assist in these efforts. You can do so simply by making a check out to the Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit (designated for LWR). Our combined offering will then be forwarded to LWR on behalf of our congregation. Thanks for any help you can offer!



More than a thousand people live under tarps in a dusty camp called Senou on the outskirts of Bamako, Mali's capital city.

These families are the innocent bystanders of Mali's ongoing war. When violence finally drove them from their homes in West Africa, often with nothing but the clothes on their backs, they found relative peace in this makeshift camp. But still, though shielded from gunfire, they are far from safe.

These families are living in one of worst humanitarian crises in the world. There are no jobs. There is no food, because there is no rain. Only the kindness of strangers keeps them alive.



Senou resident Aisata Dicko has known untold suffering in her 40 years of life. The last straw was witnessing her 13-year-old son being killed by insurgents more than 2 years ago. Heartbroken, she grabbed her other children and fled central Mali, the only home they've ever known, to seek safety in the camp.

Aisata's family has so many needs as they struggle to survive day by day. The last thing they need is COVID-19. But she and her neighbors are not sure whether a

COVID vaccine will ever reach them. After all, they often go a day or more without anything to eat.

Donations will be used to: Equip clinics to receive and store the vaccine. Train health care workers to coordinate vaccination campaigns. Provide essentials for survival, including masks, clean water and emergency food assistance.



LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF



HOLY SPIRIT BOOK CLUB

Meets at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, **September 21** at the home of Deb Baranowski. The book to read in advance this time is "The Art Forger" by B. A. Shapiro. Email or call Karen Hasenbein if you'd like to join via Zoom at kmh1950@gmail.com or 518-438-1117. All are welcome!

Social Ministry



Thank you to everyone who contributed the May/June Cluster project "Things of My Very Own". Your donations are greatly appreciated.

In August we continue to request and collect donations for School Supplies for the student of the Delaware Community School. Please place your donations in the designated basket in the overflow room. Thank you so much.

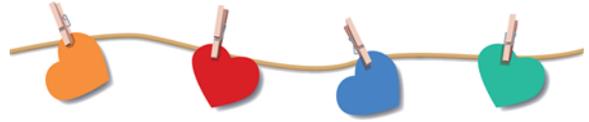
We continue to collect donations for the Bedding Bank, Albany Maritime Ministry and the Emergency Overflow Homeless Shelter. Collection baskets and boxes are next to the credenza in the overflow room.

We thank everyone who has donated. Your contributions help many people in need.

Our next Social Ministry Committee is

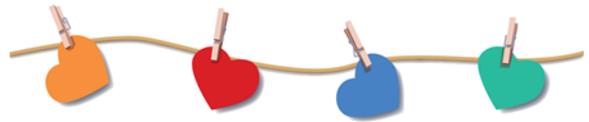
scheduled for Tuesday, September 28 at 7 pm.

~ Social Ministry Committee



BEDDING SETS NEEDED

The USCRI anticipates more new people settling in our area August-September. They are now requesting new bed sheets and pillow cases for Twin, Full and Queen sized beds. (Sheet sets must be new and in their original packages.) They are also requesting new or gently used blankets and comforters. A donation box is on the table outside the church office. Thank you.

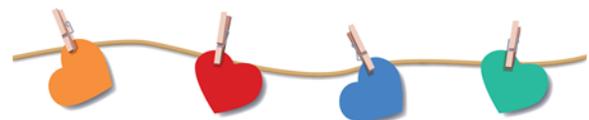


SCHOOL SUPPLIES

The teachers at the Delaware Community School would appreciate the following donations for their students:

- B/W Marble Composition Notebooks
- 3-hole loose leaf paper
- Index cards
- Crayons
- Markers
- Pencils
- Colored Pencils
- Glue Sticks
- Paper plates
- Tissues
- Napkins

All donations are truly appreciated by the children!

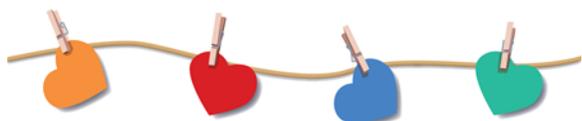


ALBANY MARITIME MINISTRY NEEDS

Please consider providing hospitality bag supplies for seafarers coming to the Port of Albany.

Much needed items include:

- Secular magazines
- Ear buds (\$1 at the Dollar Store)
- New York State and Capital District Souvenirs
- Religious items such as bibles and rosaries
- Good quality/durable hats and gloves, tee shirts and sweatshirts
- Toiletries, such as toothbrushes toothpaste, floss, soap, hand salve, deodorant, soap, shaving supplies, etc.



SHELTER NEEDS

- *Laundry detergent*
- *Dryer Sheets*
- *Liquid Bleach*
- *Liquid Pine-sol*
- *Solid "jelly" air fresheners*
- *Spray disinfectant*
- *Bathroom Cleaner*
- *Toilet Cleaner/Brushes*
- *Heavy Duty Handi-wipes*
- *Clorox/Lysol Wipes*
- *T-shirts (XL, 2X, 3X)*
- *Socks*
- *Underwear (38 to 44)*
- *Gently worn winter coats*
- *Knit hats & gloves*
- *6 and 8 oz. paper hot & cold cups*
- *Sturdy paper plates & bowls*

DELAWARE AREA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION (DANA)

- Art & Craft Fairs are being held outside at Emack & Bolio's (366 Delaware Ave) on Sundays, **August 8** and **September 5**.
- Delaware Community Farmers' Market is on **Tuesdays** from 4-7 PM behind the Delaware Branch Library.



YARN & NEEDLES

Yarn & Needles will gather at 6:30 PM on **August 16**, using this information.

Attend via Computer:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85730257632?>

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Passcode: 490235

Attend via Smart Phone: One tap mobile

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Attend via Regular Phone: IMPORTANT! DON'T FORGET THE #

Dial: 1 (929) 436-2866

Meeting ID: 857 3025 7632 #

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Passcode: 490235

To mute or unmute, press *6.

(Not calling from NY? Find your local number:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85730257632?pwd=LzFLaU9RTDF1T1VwK1NiNFpYRkVxQT09>)



Thursday Evening Prayer Service

This brief service includes a structured liturgy, as well as time for individual prayer requests and quiet meditation.

Please join us for a short prayer service from 6:30-7 PM on Thursdays **August 5, 12, 19 & 26** via Zoom.

Attend via Computer:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82867565754?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82867565754?pwd=dUFxSkJUzVJxNVBWdFdEdVRiZi9KZz09)
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SEPTEMBER SPIRIT DEADLINE

is Sunday **August 15**



You can help raise funds to continue the Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit's rich history of using music to inspire us and lift our praises to God.

There are several different ways to donate to the Project.

- An outright gift in memory or honor of a loved one;
- A pledge of support with a weekly, monthly or yearly gift; or
- A donation in any amount because you feel the music in our services adds so much to worship experience.

A donation in any amount may be sent to the church or you may have it be a part of your electronic giving.

We appreciate your commitment to the music program of Holy Spirit through our Organ Enhancement Project!

FAITH, NEWS & BREWS



Please join our group on the 1st Wednesday of the month at the Delaware Supply Company from 6:30 - 8 pm.

We will discuss news and topics that are on people's minds. We approach the issue as a Christian and see how God is in the middle of the issue along with possible answers.



LET'S GO TO THE FARMER'S MARKET!

Over the next few months, Holy Spirit will be participating in the local Farmer's Market on Tuesday afternoons behind the Delaware Library. The hours are: 4 -7 PM.

We are looking for volunteers to help sell baked goods and other items for a 1.5 hour shift: 4-5:30 PM, or 5:30-7 PM) on **Tuesdays August 3, 17 & 31 and September 14 & 28.**

All monies raised will benefit the families who lost everything in the Delaware Avenue fire on June 17.

To sign up for a shift, please contact church secretary Laura Wayman at holyspiritalbany@nycap.rr.com or 518-463-6224.

If you cannot sign up for a shift, you are always encouraged to stop by the Farmer's Market and see what they have to offer!



Tues—Thurs

9 AM—1 PM

Altar Guild



The Altar Guild is looking for new members.

If you would like to help prepare the altar for Sunday worship and the sacraments of Holy Communion and Holy Baptism, please contact Pat Donovan at 518-438-4259 or at pdonovan46@aol.com.



UPDATE!

Holy Spirit participated in the DANA Yard Sale to raise funds for the benefit the families who lost everything in the Delaware Avenue fire.

Thanks to generous donations from Holy Spirit members and neighbors in the Delaware Area Community, we were able to raise over \$600.

Combined with monetary donations from members, neighbors, and funds raised at the Farmers Market, the families have each been given \$600 in Walmart gift cards.

We are still actively seeking donations for these families. Please consider making a monetary donation

and/or visiting the Holy Spirit stall at the Delaware Farmer's market on **Tuesdays August 3, 17 & 31 and September 14 & 28.**

Thank you for being a blessing to others in need!

THANK YOU!

Heartfelt thanks go to all the hardworking volunteers who made the Yard Sale Fundraiser possible!

Volunteer efforts included:



3+ hour Friday night session of organizing and pricing items



4+ hours of yard sale



Clean-up & finding local homes for items that didn't sell

WE SIMPLY COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT ...

Janet Behning

Scott Danner

Rev. Rahel Hahn

Patti Henry

Merril-Lee Lenegar

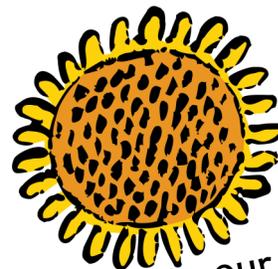
Barb Turner

Kori Tomelden

Claire Vandenberg

Rick Vandenberg

Laura Wayman



Thanks to our
Farmers Market
VOLUNTEERS!

@ Market on July 6

Jakob Danner

Scott Danner

Rev. Rahel Hahn

Kori Tomelden

Laura Wayman

Market Goods Providers

Janet Behning

Rev. Rahel Hahn

NancyQuay Milner

Kori Tomelden

Laura Wayman

Market Canopy Provider

Karin Maag-Tanchak

@ Market on July 20

Patti Henry

Kori Tomelden

Laura Wayman

Market Goods Providers

Janet Behning

Patti Henry

NancyQuay Milner

Kori Tomelden

Laura Wayman

Market Canopy Provider

Karin Maag-Tanchak

**VIRTUAL LUTHERAN
MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER
WEEKEND**

What a relief! If your marriage has had some struggles during the pandemic, you are not alone! The virus has put a great deal of stress on a lot of marriages, and others simply need some time to focus on just being a couple. So now is the perfect time to sign up to attend a virtual Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend from August 27-29.

This is designed to bless your relationship, whether you have been married a year or 60+, or whether you are happy, arguing, or "doing ok." The registration fee has been waived for this year, AND we are offering this "Virtual" Weekend in August so that you can experience this powerful event in the comfort, safety, and privacy of your own home, and for just \$100, as we have no hotel bills to cover.

The deadline is August 17th, to allow for the mailing of materials to your home.

(Should complications arise, your payment is refundable. And if \$100 causes you financial hardship, scholarship assistance can be discussed.)

Go to:

www.GodLovesMarriage.org



Pastor Rahel & Holy Spirit family,

Thank you for the contributions made for the ministry in Ghana!

I appreciate your generosity and being remembered in your prayers.

I look forward to my time with you in September.

Love & Blessings,

Donna

DIRECTORY UPDATES



Please update your 2021 directory!

Entry for **Marvin Antenucci**

Phone: 518-416-1411

Entry for **Greg and Mary
Tennermann**

Address: 113 Canter Court
Goshen, NY 10924



Crafts Needed



Bakers Needed



Holy Spirit is raising funds for the families who lost everything in the Delaware Avenue fire on June 17, 2021 by selling sweet and savory foods* and seasonal craft items at the Farmers Market on Tuesdays: **August 3, 17 & 31** and **September 14 & 28**

Please bring your labeled and individually wrapped items to Holy Spirit from 9 AM –1 PM on any of the above Tuesdays (or bring them to worship on the prior Sunday)

If you would like to make a monetary donation: please make checks payable to **Delaware Avenue Fire Victims Fund**. You may also add your gift (made payable to the above fund) to the offering box at Sunday Worship.

100% of donations benefit these families!



*If you choose to re-wrap purchased foods — be sure to include a list of the ingredients (food allergies!) on your labels