



**Weekly Announcements, Updates, and Concerns**  
**August 24, 2025**

**The Giving Tree is in Bloom!**

You're invited to pick one or more flowers from the Giving Tree! Simply write your name on the back of each flower and return it, along with the indicated dollar amount, in the special envelopes located on the cart in the overflow room. All donations will help fund the luncheon for our special **275th Anniversary Celebration on September 7th.**

Thank you for your generous support!

– *The Mission Committee*

**275th Anniversary Fellowship Luncheon – September 7th...**

If you plan to attend the PA Dutch Luncheon following the service on Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, please sign your name and the number of attendees on the sheet in the overflow room. We're also looking for volunteers to contribute hot dishes, sides, or desserts. If you're able to help, please contact Connie Neiderer at (717) 578-2212 by TODAY, August 24<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for helping make this a delicious and memorable event!

**Harvest of Hope Volunteer Appreciation Picnic...**

Come to the Harvest of Hope Volunteer Picnic on **Saturday, October 4, 2025, from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM** at **Saint Paul Lutheran Church** (250 Trinity Road, York, PA 17408). This event is *Harvest of Hope's* way of saying *thank you* to all of their incredible volunteers. They hope you'll come enjoy an afternoon of food, fellowship, and fun!

**All volunteers are warmly invited to attend.**

**August Council Meeting Highlights...**

- With regret, Council has accepted the resignation from Michele Hamme as VBS Director. Michele has served this church and program for twelve years and we are very appreciative of all the time she and her family have devoted to VBS. Thank you, Michele!
- Council has extended Pastor Cathy's contract through December 31, 2025.
- We are looking for some individuals to help get the church in order on August 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9 AM – 12 PM for the upcoming visit and luncheon. Bring your cleaning supplies. There will be a sign-up sheet in the overflow room.
- Question's box: There will be a box placed in the overflow area that you can place questions about anything you want to know about the church or church process anonymously, and Pastor Cathy will read and answer them at the September 14<sup>th</sup> service.

**Christmas Gift-A-Way...**

Mark your calendars! Our annual Christmas Gift-A-Way will be held on **Saturday, December 6, from 1:00–3:00 p.m. at Mt. Zion UCC.** We invite you to begin setting aside items to donate and help make this special event a success.

**Thank you to our helpers this week:**

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| <i>Gathering Music</i>       | Blaine Breeden                               |
| <i>Greeters</i>              | Diane Breeden & Jean Gross                   |
| <i>Money Counters</i>        | Elvin Myers, Tammy Wetzel,<br>& Jean Weidler |
| <i>Sound &amp; Streaming</i> | Cole McKowen & Don Carl                      |

**Next week's helpers are:**

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| Blaine Breeden                             |
| Toni & Abigail O'Neal                      |
| Lisa Crisamore, Don Carl,<br>& Pat McKowen |
| Cole & Pat McKowen                         |

**Upcoming Events at Lischey's Church...**

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| Sunday, September 7 <sup>th</sup>  | 10:30 AM | 275 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary special event with Rev. Doyle Luckenbaugh preaching, and a luncheon to follow |
| Monday, September 8 <sup>th</sup>  | 7:00 PM  | Council Meeting   |
| Tuesday, September 9 <sup>th</sup> | 4:00 PM  | Harvest of Hope Volunteer Hours   |

**Office Hours...**

The office will be open during the hours listed below. Doors will be locked for security; therefore, we ask that you call (717) 225-3932 to let us know you are coming. Staff will be there at the following times:

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| Cathy Sherry, Pastor            | Tue/Wed  | 10:00 AM – Noon   |
| Nancy Cherry, Minister of Music | Mon/Thur | 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM |
| Pat McKowen, Secretary          | Mon-Thur | Noon – 2:00 PM    |

**Upcoming Birthdays (\*Designates Over 80)**

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|-----------|----------------|-----------|------------------|
| August 24 | David Winter   | August 27 | Jude Tomlinson   |
| August 25 | Linda Sanders  | August 28 | Ava Crisamore    |
| August 26 | *Richard Myers | August 29 | Colton Spangler  |
| August 26 | Robert Wetzel  | August 30 | Elliott Kauffman |

**Our Response to God's Love Last Week was...**

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| Attendance       | 54: 40 Sanctuary/ 11 Outside/ 3 YouTube |
| Current Offering | \$1,680.00                              |
| Loose            | 100.00                                  |
| OCWM             | 20.00                                   |
| Giving Tree      | 35.00                                   |
| <b>Total</b>     | <b>\$1,835.00</b>                       |