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<u>Scriptures for</u> <u>Stewardship Series</u> October 6, 2019 Stewards of Our Gifts, Talents, and Abilities

God gives us all particular gifts and abilities to utilize in service to the Gospel, to share the love of Christ with the world. Jeremiah 1:4-10; Psalm 37:1-9 Romans 12:1-13; Luke 19:11-26 (parallel to Matt. 25:14-30)

October 13, 2019 Stewards of Our Time

To quote Mary Oliver: "what do we plan to do with this one wild and precious life" to further the Reign of God_in our own hearts and in our community? Ecclesiastes 3:1-8; Psalm 90 1 Timothy 6:6-19 Luke 16:19-31

October 20, 2019 Stewards of Our Relationships

We need to tend to our relationships with Spirit-breathed mutual respect, love, forgiveness. Genesis 45:1-15; Psalm 133 Romans 14:13-23 Luke 15:11-32

October 27, 2019 *Reformation Sunday*

Reforming our understanding of stewardship (It's more than just money!) Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 24 1 Corinthians 3:18-4:2 John 8:31-36

WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO <u>CALL (</u>OR <u>EMAILI)</u> THE CHURCH OFFICE

Contact Us!

- IF....
- You or a loved one is in need of prayer.
- You or a family member is ill or hospitalized.
- You have returned home from the hospital.
- You are homebound either permanently or temporarily and desire communion.
- There's a new baby.
- A family member dies.
- You have moved, are in college or are in the service.
- You would like one of the pastors to visit you.
- You wish to add or remove a name from the prayer list.
- You have an announcement for the bulletin or newsletter.

Help us provide good pastoral care by keeping us informed. Thank you!!!



Oct 27, 2019 Combined Worship at St. James 10:00 a.m

Lebanon Lutheran Cooperative Ministry

"Think of us in this way, as servants of Christ and stewards of God's mysteries. Moreover, it is required of stewards that they should be found trustworthy." — the apostle Paul, reflecting on the role of leadership in ministry

Dear friends in Christ,

Throughout this fall season, we are reflecting on what it means for us as disciples of Jesus to be stewards. The job of a steward is to care for, manage, and responsibly use things entrusted to them by their master. This means that stewardship has relevance for lots of different areas of our lives as individual disciples: our health and our bodies, the environment, our spirits and our faith, our talents and gifts, our time and energy, and our relationships. It also means that corporately, as congregations and as a Co-op, we are called to be trustworthy, faithful stewards of the ministry entrusted to us as part of the body of Christ.

I believe we are doing great things together and are becoming more effective in our stewardship of that ministry all the time. Our Co-op ministry teams are just one example. The Evangelical Outreach team has worked with the administration at Southeast Elementary School and a nonprofit organization called PowerPacks to bring that feeding ministry to Southeast, and they are working through the process of developing Rejoicing Spirits, a worship service for people with developmental disabilities and their families. The Fellowship Team is providing opportunities for people to gather, to break bread together, and to uplift and support one another as sisters and brothers in Christ. The Stewardship Team is putting together learning, worship, and service opportunities for us all to reflect on and grow in our identity as stewards. The Youth Team is working towards developing a robust and dynamic ministry to steward the faith and gifts of our young people. Great ministry is happening, and the good news of Jesus is being shared, in both word and deed, both inside and outside our congregations.

Our congregation councils, committees, and the Co-op board are working hard at being faithful stewards as well. Property committees are maintaining our buildings as springboards for ministry. Finance committees are working to receive, manage, safeguard, and spend the money entrusted to the church in Godly ways that advance the work of the Kingdom of God in our community. Education committees, Sunday school teachers, parish administrators and secretaries, and many others work in hundreds of ways, both seen and unseen, to be faithful stewards of the gospel and of the other gifts entrusted to us for the work of Christ.

As we continue reflecting on our calling to be stewards both individually and corporately, I'd like to invite you to consider where God might be calling you to help steward the mysteries of God. What gift, or talent, or passion has God given you? How might God be calling you to use that gift to share the love of Christ in our community? And how can Pastor Kristal, Vicar Jess, and I help you hone, develop, and steward that gift? We would love to help you listen for God's calling in your life, whatever that calling might be, because we know firsthand the sense of joy and deep satisfaction that comes from answering that calling.

May we all continue to grow in our stewardship of the mysteries of God, and may we all be found faithful in our response to that calling.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Bob



Lebanon Lutheran Cooperative Ministry



OCTOBER 3 · MEN'S BREAKFAST OCTOBER 16 - FREE NOON MEAL at SALEM

OCTOBER 19 - FREE NOON MEAL at SAINT JAMES OCTOBER 20 - CROP WALK

> OCTOBER 27 - LLCM JOINT WORSHIP

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Join us at Cedar Grill for breakfast and fellowship on the First Thursday of Each Month at 8:00am.

The next breakfast is scheduled for THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2019.

HELP PROVIDE MEALS TO YOUR COMMUNITY! Members of the Co-op are welcome and encouraged to volunteer at all meals.

Free Noon Meal	Salem	October 16, 2019	Church Office 717-272-6151
Free Noon Meal	Saint James	October 19, 2019	Church Office 717-272-5563

GREATER LEBANON CROP HUNGER WALK

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Sunday, October 20, 2019

See your Congregation's Representative for sign-up information.

THRIVE: A FAITH AND FINANCE

RETREAT FOR WOMEN

October 25-27

In need of a time of refreshment and renewal? Come to a place apart for a time of rest, fellowship, and personal growth. Our theme for this retreat is meant to help us take a deeper look at our relationship with finances and our spiritual wellbeing. We will have representatives from Thrivent Financial that will help us explore this theme. Our leadership team of Ann Seitz-Brown, Marsha Roscoe, Beth McKinley, and Gretchen lerien are excited to bring us together for this opportunity to engage and reflect. A more detailed schedule to follow. Registration closes October 5.

Single room \$200. Double room \$165. (scholarships are available on a first come, first serve basis.) Please note that all rooms have 1 queen size bed. Saturday only option is \$50.

LLCM JOINT WORSHIP SERVICE

REFORMATION SUNDAY

October 27, 2019 10:00 a.m at Saint James

Please remember to wear RED!

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BIRTHDAYS, ATTENDANCE, FINANCES, ETC.

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OCTOBER & NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Oct Oct	7 Peggy Witman 20 Elsie Hower	Box 1008, 49 Oak LnQuentin4405 St. Andrews WayHarrisburg		17083 17112
Oct	24 Harry Redinger	C/O Nora May, 3062 Jodi Ln Dover	PA	17315
Nov	6 Barbara Hartman	364 N. 4th St	Lebanon	17046
Nov	24 Patricia Gartner	1570 Jody Ave	Lebanon	17046
Nov	25 Hans Gartner	1570 Jody Avenue	Lebanon	17046
Nov	28 Mary Smith	500 Oak St., Box 321	Schaefferstowr	n 17088
Nov	29 Alta Bomberger	10848 Jonestown Road	Jonestown	17038
Nov	29 Catherine Kessler	Health Ctr, Rm 1880 Lafayette E., 1 Masonic Dr	Elizabethtowr	n 17078



Total Income

Expenditures

Surplus(Deficit)

*Includes dividends and interest,

and miscellaneous income

memorials, parking rent, facility rent,

19,611

18,805

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Finances at a Glance		Pastor's reports are	8/1	18	79
Average Attendance	August 66	available in the two binders on the table by	8/2	25	Outdoor Worship
Current Envelopes	11,701	the stairs in the parlor!			
Other Income*	26,101		1	The	Lydia/Rachel
Benevolence Income	614		Circle will meet On Thursday,		
Total Income	38,416				tober 10th,

From the Archives Corner So, what happened when Salem needed more space for a cemetery? Check out the archives display case to find out!

in 7 p.m. In fellowship hall



<u>The Co-op Evangelical Outreach Team</u>

POWER PACKS – **PLASTIC BAGS NEEDED** We are in need of plastic bags that you

get at the grocery store. We also can use smaller plastic bags that you would get at Rite Aid and CVS. These plastic bags will be used to pack food items in for the Power Pack Project. This will be a weekly ongoing project so many bags will be needed. If someone would like to volunteer to help by putting two plastic bags together for us, please see or contact Sharon Martin. (717-679-6445) A box marked POWER PACKS will be in the Richwine Fellowship Hall for your donations. Clean bags only. Thank you.

From the Archives Committee:

We will be hosting an **Archival Workshop** presented by the Lutheran Historical Society of the Mid Atlantic on <u>Sat., October 12th from 9AM to 11:30AM</u> in Richwine Fellowship Hall. This workshop is part of the recognition of Salem being added to the Society's historic site list. Feel free to attend!

Four tours of Old Salem/Chapel are scheduled:

- 1. Paloma, a homeschool co-op in Lebanon, Fri., Sept. 27
- 2. Lebanon Middle School Art Dept. to view stained glass windows, Date TBD
 - 3. Sonrise Tax & Tags in Lebanon, Sat. Jan. 4, 2020









It's been a busy summer and early autumn in the Little Free Library! Books come and go quickly! We are in need of adult fiction and non-fiction books and cookbooks.

All donations are welcomed and appreciated. Thank you.

SAVE THE DATE

- Oct 12 Archival Workshop
- Oct 13 Congregational Meeting
- Oct 16 Free Noon Meal
- Oct 27 One Service 10am @ St.. James
- Nov 2 Salem's Holiday Bazaar
- Dec 2-16 Host to Fresh Start Shelter

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BULLETIN BOARD

Elections for four vacancies on the Congregational Council will be conducted soon.

Congregational

Council

Vacancies

The Council seeks church members who:

*Have a genuine love for Jesus Christ and His church,

- *Who are concerned about God's will,
- *Who are concerned about the mission and direction of Salem Lutheran Church,
- *Who are willing to **speak up** and **work** for the betterment of this community, Salem Lutheran, and the family of faith called the Lebanon Lutheran Cooperative Ministry.

The Council *needs* the leadership of members who are willing, not only to give time and money, but who are willing to make difficult decisions and even risk a little criticism from other members.

Prospective Council members need not have experience in church leadership. The Council is where you get that experience. There is no other qualifying requirement (other than being confirmed and possessing mature judgment).

There are no education, career, or financial qualifications. Genuine faith and willingness to *speak and work* is what we need and request.

Contact the Church Office if you are interested.



Special Congregational Meeting Announcement

The Salem Lutheran Congregational Church Council, Property Committee and Finance Committee are asking for Congregational approval to accept the bid from Nolt Paving to repave all three parking lots in the fall of 2019, not to exceed \$56,000. The Special Congregational meeting will take place immediately following the October 13, 2019 service in the Chapel. The meeting is to vote on the above recommendation. The scheduled date for paving to begin is Mon., October 21, 2019. The estimated time to finish the work is three days.

Background information:

Nolt Paving came in as the lowest inclusive bidder. The work included in the bid is as follows:

Remove old deteriorated asphalt off site

Line Painting and parking blocks

Paving all three lots

Remove interior concrete curbs on 9th Street Parking lot (formerly where the gates where located).

Any member of the congregation can request a copy of the Nolt Paving three page estimate by contacting the church office.

The Congregational Meeting:

At least 26 voting members of the Congregation must be present to have a quorum.

All actions approved by the congregation shall be by majority vote of those voting members present and voting Robert's Rule of Order will be used to govern the meeting.

There is no absentee voting

SALEM SALUTATIONS

Thank you so much for remembering my birthday. The cards were so very heartwarming and I do appreciate your thoughtfulness. I'm really enjoying my life in the south! Blessings to all, Lucille Kauffman Thank you so much for the fruit tray I received for my birthday. Also to Marilyn Hollis for a nice visit when she brought the fruit. Thank you to all who sent me such beautiful birthday cards. It sure brightened my day. I miss all my friends from Salem. Thanks

again. -Mary Clay

From the Christian Education Committee:

We welcome to the team Emily Miller as our High School class teacher! Emily is the grand-daughter of Mary Miller, daughter of Donna & Michael Miller, and a teacher at Lebanon Middle School. *Thank you, Emily!*



CROP WALK – SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2019

LOCATION: Meet at EMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 6 Boundary Road, Grantville, PA 17028 THE CHURCH IS LOCATED AT THE ENTRANCE TO MEMORIAL LAKE STATE PARK IN THE FORT INDIANTOWN GAP AREA. (The CROP Walk is through Memorial Lake State Park!)

1:00 pm – Nice lunch for walkers and supporters of walkers

1:30 pm – Registration 2:00 pm – Walk – Please note: No bicycling this year.

YOUR GIFT NO MATTER HOW SMALL MAKES A DIFFERENCE. DONATE AT THE CROP WALK TABLE IN THE LOBBY OR SEE SHARON MARTIN. THIS WALK BENEFITS YOUR LOCAL FOOD BANKS (LCCM AND THE JOY PANTRY IN JONESTOWN).

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: CWS/CROP

EASY ONLINE DONATIONS CAN BE MADE AT www.crophungerwalk.org/lebanonpa

Your donation will go directly to our local walk.







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Marilyn Hollis, or for

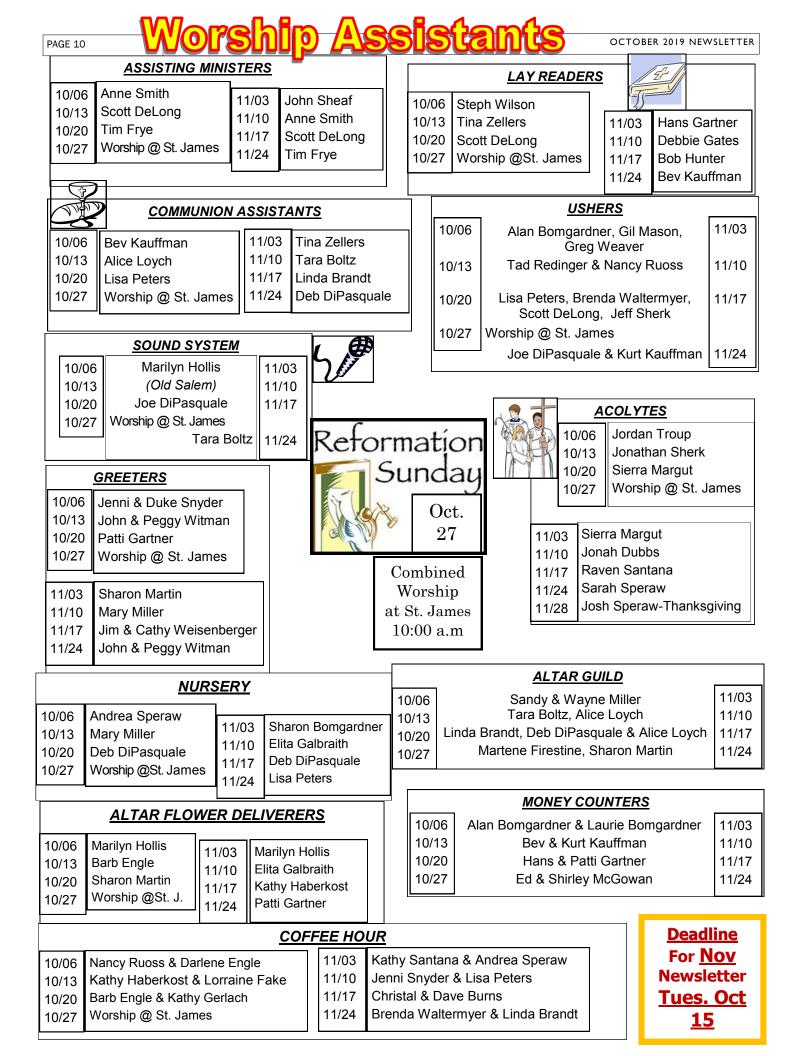
HOLIDAY BAZAAR Sat. Nov. 2nd 7a-2p

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of a minimum of 2 dozen cookies of any kind that will be sold by the pound on Bazaar day. We welcome you to drop off your donations at the church kitchen the week of Oct 28. pickup call: 717-228-9911

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SALEM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH ENDOWMENT FUND

Income from the funds shall be distributed as deemed necessary and/or feasible to accomplish the following:

One-fourth for missions of the ELCA in this continent and worldwide, including, but not limited to grants to the ELCA for new congregational development in North America, professional leadership, educational ministries, global ministries, ecumenism, social ministries, and capital financing. Outreach to the community shall also include, but not be limited to grants to ELCA seminaries, colleges, or students attending such schools, social service agencies to which this congregation relates, and to special programs designed for those persons in our parish area who are in spiritual and/or economic need.

Three-fourths for causes or programs, which at the discretion of the Committee are consistent with the enhancement of the mission of the church.

**Please fill in and return to the church office by Sunday October 27, 201	<u>9</u> **
Submitted by: Date :	
Phone Number:	
For Organization:	
Mailing Address:	
Name of Project or Committee:	
Who will benefit from this project or activity:	
Brief description of the project or activity for which funding is requested:	
Expected results from this project or activity:	
Expected results from this project of activity.	
Amount of funding requested (Note: If amount exceeds \$500.00, please attach a deta	iled budget
or breakdown of expenses):	
Time frame for when funds will be needed and utilized:	

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¹⁶ Let your work be manifest to your servants,

and your glorious power to their children.

¹⁷ Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us,

and prosper for us the work of our hands—

O prosper the work of our hands! -Psalm 90:16-17

...do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share - 1 Timothy 6:18



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The mission of Salem Evangelical Lutheran church is to go, listen, serve, and LOVE <u>all</u> people as disciples of Jesus Christ.

The Church Staff:

The Revs. Robert Ierien and Kristal Smith, *Pastors* Jess Davis, *Vicar;* Mark S. Dimick, *Cantor* Louise Pouss, *Junior & Bell Choir Director* Crystal Nace, *Treasurer;* Alta Bomberger, *Asst. Treasurer/Financial Secretary*

Joanne Hayes, *Housekeeper;* Mary Lynne Mulligan, *Church Secretary*

The Congregation Council:

Tara Boltz; Laurie Bomgardner; Scott DeLong; Linda Ebling; Mike Firestine, Vice President; Joanne Foltz; Shirley McGowan. President; Crystal Nace, Secretary/Treasurer; John Sheaf

Salem's Board Reps. to the Lebanon Lutheran Cooperative Ministry: Debra Gates & Crystal Nace

> 'The many...one body in Christ, and members one of another' who carry out God's work in many un-sung ways: All of you!!