

June 2015



Worship in June

Sunday Services at 9:30 am

Sunday, June 7

*Second Sunday after Pentecost
The Spirit of Faith*

Sunday, June 14

*Third Sunday after Pentecost
Recognition of Graduates
Walking by Faith and Not by Sight*

Sunday, June 21

*Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Father's Day
Fear vs Faith*

Sunday, June 28

*Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
'Daughter, your faith has made you well.'*

Upcoming Events

Sunday, June 7

*10:45 am
Congregational Meeting
More information on pages 1 & 3*

June 11

*7:30 pm
Book Group
More information on page 3*

Saturday, June 13

*9:30 to 11 am
Second Saturday Garden Day
More information on page 3*

Saturday, June 27

*Sandy Recovery
Hand-in-Hand Day
More information on page 7*

Faith, Foolishness, Money, and Mission

I find myself recently traversing the fine line between faith and foolishness. When is a decision a bold act of faith and when is it a big mistake?

The Parish House Task Force has offered a proposal to renovate the church house to be used for a ministry of spiritual development under the leadership of Pastor Dale Selover. Spiritual development is a growing movement within the church that seeks to draw people into a closer relationship with God through spiritual direction, contemplative practices, and spiritual renewal.

The Church Council supports the ministry. Not only will it serve the people of Prince of Peace, but a ministry of spiritual development will be an outreach to our immediate community. It will also allow Prince of Peace to be a resource to our New Jersey Synod and to our ecumenical partners in our community. This ministry also offers a new model of how to be the church in a changing landscape. The church house can make all of this happen.

But, as we know, there is a cost. And this is where I ask if the decision to go ahead is foolish or faithful.

I answer the question reminding myself that the church is in the faith business, not the fear business. I'm convinced the church has been in decline through the years because we've been afraid to step out in faith. Whenever the church seeks to hunker down and hold on to what it has, the church has made the decision not to respond to opportunities God has placed before her; and that is never a good, or faithful, place for the church to be.

Is this the right time to renovate the church house for a spiritual development ministry? Are we making financial choices that could jeopardize an already fragile financial picture? Or is God inviting us to take a step into new life?

I appreciate the financial concerns that come with this decision. But I know that mission never follows money. Money follows mission. In other words, when the church lives by faith and responds to opportunities that God places before us, people want to support the church's ministry, and the money follows.

On May 31, before worship, Pastor Selover will be leading a session on her ministry of spiritual development, how the church house can benefit that work, and how Prince of Peace can partner in this ministry. Following worship we encourage the congregation to walk over to the house for a tour and to share your questions and concerns with the task force. The congregational meeting is scheduled for June 7th following worship.

— Pastor Froehlke

OK ... So, When Do We Church?

I'd like to thank everyone for being a part of the discussion recently as we have worked to come to a conclusion about what our worship offerings will look like this fall. The Worship and Music Team met multiple times, and we held congregational conversations and a congregational survey. We have come to a conclusion based on a confluence of many factors, opinions, and available resources. Here are the basics:

Sunday Mornings with Christian Education

9:15 am Worship

10:30 am Christian Education

Sunday Mornings without Christian Education

9:30 am Worship

Wednesday Evening Worship/Adult Education

7:30 pm

Throughout the summer, we'll stay with service at 9:30 am. But after Rally Day this fall, we'll move up to 9:15 am to accommodate a slightly earlier Christian Education start time. Looking forward to Rally Day on September 13, we're

planning a 9:30 am worship followed by community brunch and a service project.

On Wednesdays, we will continue to have midweek services during Lent. We're also going to have midweek services during Advent.

Outside of these liturgical seasons, we'll be having special Wednesday night services on the first Wednesday of each month, each with its own theme and special focus. On the Wednesdays that don't have a worship service, Pastor Froehlke will be leading a Bible study for Adults.

Our Wonderful Wednesday schedule will have our children's ensembles active from about 5:30-6:40pm. The Community Meal will be 6:40-7:20 pm, becoming the central focal point of the evening's activities.

We know that this new schedule will not please everyone. But we're excited about this path forward and are looking forward to having a more unified congregation that meets to worship together and have fellowship together. If you have any questions or concerns about this information, please don't hesitate to chat with me

Peace, Doug

Tidings, the newsletter of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, is published monthly. Articles, story ideas, and comments can be emailed to loismcase@gmail.com.

Deadline for the June issue is Wednesday, June 24

Staff and Officers of Prince of Peace

Rev. Peter Froehlke, Pastor

Dr. Doug Helvering, Minister of Music

Victoria Chow-Torres, Church Musician

Kathy Nowak, Parish Administrator

Wendy Schutzer, Cherry Tree Club Director

Eric Jorgensen, Treasurer

Dorothy Safranek, Financial Secretary

Congregational Council

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David New, Secretary (non-voting)

Steve Bromberg (on leave)

Bob Durie (Property)

Josh Grim (Wonderful Wednesdays)

Brandi Hebert (Stewardship)

Beth Kaminski (Digital Team)

Kathy Morris (Youth)

Allison Safranek (Parish Care)

Shin Sawada (Communications)

Newman Wilson (Digital Team)

Worship Ensemble Schedule

June 7

Megan Helvering

June 14

Victoria Chow

June 21

TBA

June 28

TBA

A Reminder . . .

. . . that Prince of Peace's expenses continue through the summer and your regular giving is important and appreciated.

June Events

Congregational Meeting Set For June 7th

A congregational meeting has been called for June 7th. The meeting will include an update on church finances, the proposed spiritual direction ministry, and the church house. A letter providing more information will be sent out ten days before the meeting.

Book Group

The Book Group meets on the second Thursday of the month and welcomes new members at any time.

Questions? Please call Phyllis Church at 799-1793

June 11

*At the home of Ginny Moore
24 Terrapin Lane, Mercerville*

RSVP to ginnycmoore@gmail.com or 609-890-1929

All the Light We Cannot See

by Anthony Doerr

This luminous novel is told in alternating chapters by the two main characters: Marie-Laure, a blind French girl, and Werner, a German orphan boy with a talent for building and fixing radios.



Marie-Laure and her father escape to the walled citadel of Saint-Malo when the Nazis occupy Paris, carrying with them a valuable jewel from the Museum of Natural History. In Germany, Werner joins an academy for Hitler youth and is assigned to track the French resistance. When his assignment eventually leads him into Saint-Malo, his story and Marie-Laure's converge.

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Special Offering For June

As a result of budget cuts for Social Outreach, we have created a new opportunity to support our local communities and non-profit programs.

We devoted April to the Crisis Ministry of Mercer County and are thrilled to report a very positive outcome! Thank you for your continued support and spirit of generosity.

The free will offering for the month of June will be given to Womanspace. Located in Lawrenceville, this organization provides a comprehensive array of services to individuals and families impacted by domestic and sexual violence. It is dedicated to improving the quality of life for women and their families.

Please read more about the amazing services provided by Womanspace at womanspace.org



Local Cub Scouts work in the Peace Garden. The Cubs and their families did an amazing amount of work and contributed great energy to the day.

Come Garden on June 13th

Second Saturday in the Garden Day is June 13, 9:30 to 11. Things are growing fast so we'll have harvesting to do. If you can't come out to work, stop by to see the many varieties of healthy vegetable plants, including a big crop of strawberries that need to be picked every two days.

Graduates to be Recognized June 14

Prince of Peace will honor its High School graduates in worship on June 14.

Congratulations are offered to *Tom Haddock, Robin Slothower, Sara Froehlke, Caroline Bromberg, Courtney Dignan, Michael Rexroad, and John Waaben.*

Help Support High School Youth Going to Detroit

On Sunday June 14th our high school youth going to the ELCA High School Youth Gathering Detroit *Rise Up Together* will host the coffee hour and invite your financial support to help them with their expenses. This youth gathering will emphasize servant projects throughout this hard hit city and our youth will share their thoughts as we prepare to go.

Please consider supporting this great experience for youth. The dates for the Youth Gathering are July 14-19. Youth attending include *Allison Safranek, Cassie Morris, Sean Haddock, Grant Gallagher, Corrine Smith, and Shannon Smith.* Adults are *Kimberly Contini, and Pastor*

June TASK Donation is Shampoo

The Social Outreach team has designated shampoo as the contribution of the month for the Trenton Area Soup Kitchen (TASK). Donations can be placed in the wooden box in the breezeway.

See page 7 for information about the June 27 Sandy Recovery Hand-in-Hand Work Day

Honors and Graduations

Emily Carlson received her Bachelor of Arts Degree in English with Honors from NYU, on May 20th. Emily completed internships with Random House in NYC and Special Olympics Great Britain in London.

During her 3 years at NYU, Emily studied in Florence and London, and was chosen by NYU to participate in the Global Leadership Summit in Abu Dhabi this April.

Emily will begin her career in June as an editor with Standard & Poor's in NYC.

Abhinav Chevula graduated from University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign with a BS in Electrical Engineering.

Sara Grace Froehlke is graduating from West Windsor Plainsboro High School South. She will be attending St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia and majoring in Psychology. At this time, Sara hopes to be a social worker and plans to work in the field of international adoption.

Tommy Haddock is graduating from Hightstown High School and will be attending The University of Delaware in the fall with a concentration in Business and Finance.

Kevin Nowak graduated from Springfield College with a degree in Psychology and will be pursuing a career in Wilderness/Adventure Therapy.

Matthew Rexroad was inducted into the Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society at Rutgers University. He is a pre-med student majoring in Cell Biology and Neuroscience and recently completed his junior year.

Michael Rexroad is graduating from WW-P High School North, Class of 2015. The son of Martin and Shari Rexroad, and brother to Matthew and Christine, Michael is a lifelong member of PoP, having been baptized and confirmed at PoP. This Fall he will be attending Mason Gross School of the Arts at Rutgers University, where he will pursue his BFA in Visual Arts, concentrating in Graphic Design.



Elementary school students in Trenton show their appreciation for the gift of new hoses donated by the Froehlich and Klein families. Students at Mott and Grant Elementary Schools received hoses.

Cherry Tree Club Needs New Sand Toys



During the month of June, CTC will be collecting donations of sand toys for the playground sandbox, in anticipation of our busy outdoor summer months! Please consider donating some sand toys for our children's summer play. A box will be located in the breezeway. Thank you!

Month of June: Clothing Drive for The Rescue Mission of Trenton

For the entire month of June, Prince of Peace is holding a clothing and small furniture items collection for the Rescue Mission of Trenton. This drive is open to all of the churches in the area, as well as to the community at large, so let your friends and neighbors know about it, too.

Clothing may be dropped off at Prince of Peace on any Sunday morning between 9 and 11:30 am or on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays between 9 am and noon. To schedule another drop-off time, contact Berta Schott at 609-799-1783.

Clothing (gently used or new) should be placed in closed bags or boxes. Other accepted items include belts, hats, gloves, scarves, handbags, accessories (no jewelry), linens (sheets, towels, drapes, bedspreads), backpacks, and stuffed animals (no other toys). Receipts for donations will be available. Large furniture items may be donated directly to the Rescue Mission. For pickup, call them at 1-800-528-8825.

The Rescue Mission of Trenton and the PoP Social Outreach Ministry Team thank you for your part in

Confirmands who attended the Among the Wolves retreat for middle schoolers in November. More photos can be seen on the new confirmation page at popnj.org



Popnj.org Has a New Feature

Thanks to Cassie Morris, Prince of Peace's webpage has a new section on confirmation. Cassie has included photos from *Among the Wolves* and the confirmands' visit to the Crisis Ministry in Trenton. To learn more about the confirmands and their activities, visit http://popnj.org/confirmation_2015.html

Thank you, Cassie!

Prince of Peace Sunday School Wrap-Up 2014-2015

On Sunday, May 17th, the youngest disciples of Prince of Peace enjoyed the last day of Sunday School with its annual *Sundaes on Sunday*. The theme of this year's Sunday School program was Stewardship. The children's generous offerings for the year totaled \$239.00. With their giving, the children got to choose the ministries their monies would support. Their offerings went towards

Fall

ELCA Good Gifts

*Purchased Clean Water Purification
Tablets and a bucket*

World Wildlife Fund

Adopted a Snowy Owl

Spring

ELCA Good Gifts

*Fed 6 refugee families for a week
Provided vaccinations for one child
Provided support where most needed*

World Wildlife Fund

*Adopted an African Black-footed Penguin
Provided additional monies to use where needed.*

The children who attended this past year, who numbered approximately fifteen total from ages preschool-5th grade, celebrated their year of giving with a lesson on Matthias the Apostle and delicious sundaes with lots of chocolate fudge sauce, caramel sauce, and whipped cream.

A special thank you to all our Sunday School teachers who participated and provided much needed leadership for our children this year including: *Nancy Durie, Shari Rexroad, Josh Grimm, Meaghan Grimm, Megan Peterson, Tiffani Pfaltzgraff, and Eric Jorgenson*. A special thank you to *Joan Prins* and *Karlfried Froehlich* for being our guest speakers; and to *Martha Winder* for helping coordinate our Sunday school Stewardship program.

Anyone interested in teaching or assisting with the Christian education of our smallest disciples should email Brandi Hebert at brandiandnoel@gmail.com.

Sunday School will resume in September 2015.



Prince of Peace Has a New Rain Garden

Thanks to Grant Gallagher, Prince of Peace has a new rain garden.

Grant installed the garden in May after much planning and fundraising. It is planted with mostly native plants, including ferns and irises, which have just come into bloom.

Rain gardens help in absorbing water that drains off impervious areas like parking lots and they help improve water quality by absorbing runoff before it reaches stormwater drains.

The project is part of Grant's Eagle Scout project.

Thank you, Grant!

Four New Jersey Synod Pastors Have New Books Out

Rev. Ken Regan (Holy Trinity, Wenonah) has published a book, *God Made the Rainbow*, about a young minister's struggles to raise two little girls after the loss of his wife.

Rev. Chris Halverson (St. Stephen, Plainfield) has published a book *Silicon Soul*, which blends science fiction and theology.

Rev. Charles Austin (Retired) has published a book, *You Can Build A Sandcastle: A Simple Guide to Fun at the Beach*; the sand-castle how-to includes a meditation on God and the beach.

Rev. Jack DiMatteo (Chaplain, Compassionate Care Hospice, Parsippany) has published a new book, *Faith and Farewell: When Your Parents Approach Their Final Days*.

All four books are available at amazon.com

Lutherans Are There Helping in Nepal



LWR and partners work to coordinate a food distribution to people in the remote village of

Thank you to the Prince of Peacers who have contributed money for earthquake relief in Nepal.

Lutheran World Relief (LWR) has staff on the ground reaching out to people in some of the most remote areas of Nepal, distributing food rations, shelter supplies, and other essential items.

To contribute, go to elca.org, and search for Nepal Area Earthquake, or write a check to Prince of Peace indicating *Nepal Relief* on the memo line.

Here is LWR's suggested prayer for the people of Nepal:

God of mercy and justice, in the presence of sustained devastation your promises are lasting. We continue to lift up our voices for our sisters and brothers in Nepal as the ground beneath them shifts. Remain with those who work to bring relief. Sustain those who have lost much and those who mourn. Abide with those whose days are uncertain. Fill us with your Holy Spirit as we endeavor to support the work being done in Nepal. All of this we do because of the grace first shown us by your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lutheran Office of Governmental Ministries (LOGM) Merges to Form New Body

The New Jersey Synod's advocacy organization, LOGM, has merged with New Jersey's Episcopal parishes to form the Lutheran Episcopal Advocacy Ministry of New Jersey (LEAMNJ). Rev Sara Lilja, an ordained Lutheran pastor, will serve as director.

The overarching goal of LEAMNJ is to serve as a powerful public witness of faith, shaping and influencing public policy in the state. It will represent nearly 80,000 people in 450 parishes in New Jersey and will be backed by over 8.7 million Christians in the U.S.

The new entity builds on the LOGM, a voice for justice and peace for over 25 years in Trenton and throughout the state, and on the long history of activism in pursuit of social justice by the Episcopal dioceses.

The new director states:

As society has become more bifurcated into seemingly separate worlds of those with means and those without, we come together to forge a strong voice to express the commitments of our faith traditions in advocating for policies leading to a just society. I'm proud to lead this charge on behalf of our new partnership and to grow the expression of compassion and social justice by means of education and advocacy through congregations throughout the state.

Rev. Sara Lilja

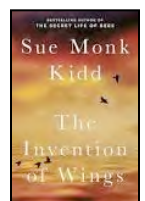
Book Group, continued from page 3

July 9

Location TBA

The Invention of Wings by Sue Monk Kidd

This novel is based on the life of the early 19th century abolitionist and suffragette, Sarah Grimke. Born the daughter of a wealthy South Carolina plantation owner, Sarah is appalled by the institution of slavery and rebels against a society that seeks to suppress her sharp intellect and relegate her to the role of traditional wife, mother, and slave owner. Told in the first person, the chapters alternate between the two main characters, Sarah and Handful. The reader follows their unlikely friendship from childhood to middle age, each struggling in her own way with the horrors of slavery.



Parish Care News

Sending some Prince of Peace Care to Jordan

Fill the box by June 14th

Nick Lally, Cynthia Reyes' husband and Nancy and John Reyes' son-in-law, has been deployed to Jordan. We would like to send a box to him sharing our care and thanks for his service to our country. The box is going to be mailed on June 15.

Please bring some things to help fill the box by Sunday, June 14. The items can be left in the box on the table.

A few suggestions – but not limited to:

Peanut butter (not huge jars)

Candy treats – chocolate and non-chocolate

Protein energy bars

Crackers

Hot chocolate packets

Puzzle books

Paperback Books (he enjoys history books)

4th of July decorations

Notes of thanks, encouragement, support

Also feel free to send things that you know military personal would appreciate/need while deployed overseas: Home baked goods - ?? - we are not sure how long it will take for the box to be delivered, but if you have something that will stay tasty for a few weeks we can give it a try. I am sure that the goodies get shared amongst his unit so let's send lots of

POP CARE, LOVE, THANKS and PRAYERS to ALL

Questions, want to help? Contact Martha Winder 609-799-7280.

Honoring Graduates; Rides; Pamphlets

June 14 we will honor our High School graduates.

Please make sure we have the details for your graduate.

Rides needed to and from church for Sunday service from the Monroe area.

Hope Through Healing is a series of pamphlets mailed to our families and friends that have lost loved ones. They cover the stages of grief with some comforting information. Mailings go out about every three months during the first year of loss. It is time to restock our supply, If you would like to help support this ministry, donations to help cover the cost are appreciated. Donations can be placed in the offering or left in the office; just mark the donation with *Parish Care Hope through Healing*. If you would like more details, please contact Martha Winder.

We are always looking for folks to be involved with our ministries; or if you any ideas how we can share our POP care, please let us know. — Martha Winder



Sandy Recovery Hand-in-Hand Workday Scheduled for June 27

The next *Hand-in Hand-Day* is June 27. Interested in helping that day? Let Nancy Reyes (reyesn@ufrsd.net) know so those from POP can travel and work together.

Not available that day but want to help another time this spring or summer at your convenience? Organizers can find a way for your whole family to help — bring the kids and give them the opportunity to help someone they don't know while volunteering as a family, or make it a group outing.

Have teens who need community service? Or want to get some hands-on experience doing renovations/building/painting, etc? Pick a day and an appropriate task will be found. if you have something in mind they can probably work with you.

Interesting Facts about Lutherans and Sandy Recovery

Lutheran Social Ministries of New Jersey (LSMNJ) has been faithfully working during the 2 1/2 years since Superstorm Sandy devastated the New Jersey coast with more than 10,000 families still displaced.

52,908 volunteer hours representing a labor value of \$1,334,000 have been donated. \$325,000 in Unmet Needs funding for 115 families have been paid to vendors or used to purchase materials.

More information and photos can be found on facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/lsmnj.disaster.recovery> or on instagram at https://instagram.com/lsmnj_disaster_recovery/

Spiritual Direction

Spiritual direction helps us learn how to live in peace, with compassion, promoting justice, as humble servants of that which lies beyond all names.



A classic seven-circuit labyrinth at Columba's Bay, Iona Scotland. Walking a labyrinth is an ancient contemplative practice performed by both Christians and non-Christians.

Spiritual direction explores a deeper relationship with the spiritual aspect of being human. Simply put, spiritual direction is helping people tell their sacred stories every day.

Spiritual direction has emerged in many contexts using language specific to particular cultural and spiritual traditions. Describing spiritual direction requires putting words to a process of fostering a transcendent experience that lies beyond all names and yet the experience longs to be articulated and made concrete in everyday living. It is easier to describe what spiritual direction does than what spiritual direction is. [The spiritual director's] role is not to define spiritual direction, but to describe the experience.

— from *Spiritual Directors International* (sdiworld.org)

What useful information for congregation members is available on our

This is the first of several articles reviewing useful sections of our website. Many times we think that we must call or visit the church to get certain information, but instead a lot of material is accessible instantly online via Computer or SmartPhone.

First notice the six links listed at the bottom right of the Homepage (www.popnj.org) under *Schedules and Information*. They are all easily opened and printable. Take time to see what is there, and how the contents can be helpful to you in connecting with Prince of Peace Church.

1) **Click on the Church Calendar link**

This is an updated list of all activities; classes; music rehearsals; special events coming up; Book Group times; Christian Focus meetings; Parenting at Panera dates/times; and various Team Meetings scheduled and when - to name a few.

2) **Click on the Worship Leader schedule**

Full listing of the dates of services that leaders will support. Identifies Lectors; Greeters; Ushers; Acolytes; Communion Assistants; Fellowship; Altar Guild; and Assisting Minister for the various Services throughout the month. As soon as this is created in the Church Office, it is available online.

3) **Click on Announcements**

Item of the month for the Trenton Area Soup Kitchen; notice when we change our Worship Schedule; Congregational Meeting announcements; Educational Opportunities; or other items of note. This is constantly updated from week to week.

4) **Click on Tidings Newsletter**

This link accesses the latest *Tidings*, and a number of 'previous issues' interesting to re-read. The *Tidings* is posted as soon as published, and is available in both PDF and FlipBoard format.

5) **Click on Informational Blog**

This includes our Praying People List; and allows comments as appropriate in typical Blog fashion. There are reminders of special events coming to PoP Church, and many other updates.

6) **Click on Parish Care Announcements**

Fill a box with items to be sent to College Students on special holidays; to Service men and women; and to others who would benefit from our congregation's care and concern. The opportunities are listed as soon as available.

Al Parker
PoP Webmaster

Q's & A's About the Cherry Tree Club, Part 4

This is Part 4 of the series devoted to answering questions about the Cherry Tree Club. Issues to date have focused on general facts about the CTC; the students and their families; and details about the programs and services provided at the CTC. We hope you have found this series informative. Today's questions will address POP's involvement with the program and some financial issues. If you have any specific question that you would like addressed, please email Wendy Schutzer at wlschutzer@aol.com.



What has Prince of Peace Church's involvement been with the program to date?

In 1995, the church opened its doors to allow volunteers to provide a three hour program for homeless children, one day per week. Over the course of the years, various other building users came and left the church. So as the CTC program expanded, the program moved into spaces that had been utilized by other outside programs.

The church now allows the CTC to use Room 2, Room 4/5, Room 6, and half the Fellowship Hall, Monday - Friday, 6 hours per day.

How have church members been helpful to the program over the years?

Church members have been extremely helpful in many ways: volunteering in the classroom; providing meals; sponsoring birthdays; laundering sheets and blankets; supporting special holiday events (Christmas Gift Baskets, Easter Egg Dying, Graduation Pictures, etc.); donating needed items; and helping with set-up and break-down of rooms when they are needed for other purposes.

How much does the CTC cost and how is it financed?

The CTC program costs about \$210,000-\$220,000 per year in real expenses. HomeFront and the CTC both work to raise the funds to support the program through federal and state funds; appeals; fund raisers; etc. POP does not provide any direct monetary support for the program.

How can the CTC provide such a wonderful program on such a small budget?

The CTC is not charged for many services and items that support the program. These items are called in-kind contributions. For example, all the hot lunches that are donated would be a cost to the program if they were not donated. Other examples of in-kind contributions include volunteer hours; professional staff services; donations of pull-ups; rent-free use of POP; etc.

What is the CTC Ministry Team?

The *CTC Ministry Team* is a group of church members who have come together, under the leadership of Pastor Froehlke, to strengthen the relationship between the church and the Cherry Tree Club. It is hoped that this team will be able to enhance the church membership's understanding of the program and to ensure a positive relationship between the church and the program.

Thrivent Funds Help Buy Books

Pictured at right are Ms. Isabelle Perry and Emily, a CTC student. Ms. Perry is a retired speech-language pathologist who started volunteering with the CTC in October 2014. She comes in four hours per week and works with the children who have more severe speech and language issues.

A Thrivent Financial grant recently subsidized the purchase of speech and language materials which enhance her ability to work with the children who exhibit delayed communication. The language materials contain colorful pictures and engaging activities which motivate students to have fun while building listening and speaking skills.

Thank you to Thrivent for making the purchase of these wonderful materials possible!





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Educational Hour: 9:45 am

Summer Sundays Schedule

Worship at 9:30

Office Hours

9 am - 2 pm



On a beautiful spring morning in May, the congregation posed under the fully blooming cherry tree to demonstrate its solidarity with the citizens of Baltimore during the recent protest in that city over the death of Freddie Gray, who died while in police custody. The photo was posted on the Delaware-Maryland ELCA Synod's facebook page along with similar photos from other area churches. Other photos can be seen on https://www.facebook.com/hashtag/stepoutforbaltimore?source=feed_text&story_id=497810360367134