

Serving God's People At The Liturgies

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Holy Eucharist
Fifth Sunday After Epiphany
February 5, 2023
8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Light shines in the darkness for the upright, the psalmist sings. Isaiah declares that when we loose the bonds of injustice and share our bread with the hungry, the light breaks forth like the dawn. In another passage from the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus, the light of the world, calls his followers to let the light of their good works shine before others. Through baptism we are sent into the world to shine with the light of Christ.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude

The assembly stands at the ringing of the bell, at the entrance of the Nave.

Invocation

P In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Apostolic Greeting

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

Confession and Forgiveness

P As we prepare to celebrate the mystery of Christ's love, let us acknowledge our failures and ask the Lord for pardon and strength.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

C I confess to God almighty, before the whole company of heaven, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

P The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins.

C Amen.

Gathering Song

Gather Us In

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GATHER US IN

1 Here in this place the new light is streaming,
now is the darkness vanished away;
see in this space our fears and our dreamings
brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken,
gather us in, the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken,
we shall arise at the sound of our name.

2 We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry,
we are the old who yearn for your face;
we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty,
gather us in, the proud and the strong;
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly,
give us the courage to enter the song.

3 Here we will take the wine and the water,
here we will take the bread of new birth,
here you shall call your sons and your daughters,
call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,
give us to eat the bread that is you;
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

**4 Not in the dark of buildings confining,
not in some heaven, light years away—
here in this place the new light is shining,
now is the kingdom, and now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever,
gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in, all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.**

Entrance Antiphon

P Come, let us worship the Lord.

C **Let us bow down in the presence of our maker, for he is the Lord
our God.** *(See Psalm 94:6-7)*

Canticle of Praise

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**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen, amen.**

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.**

Prayer of the Day

P Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

The assembly may be seated.

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading

Isaiah 58:1-9a [9b-12]

Shortly after the return of Israel from exile in Babylon, the people were troubled by the ineffectiveness of their fasts. God reminds them that outward observance is no substitute for genuine fasting that results in acts of justice, such as feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, and clothing the naked.

A A reading from Isaiah.

¹Shout out, do not hold back!

Lift up your voice like a trumpet!

Announce to my people their rebellion,
to the house of Jacob their sins.

²Yet day after day they seek me
and delight to know my ways,

as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness
and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;
they ask of me righteous judgments,
they delight to draw near to God.

³“Why do we fast, but you do not see?

Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?”

Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day,
and oppress all your workers.

⁴Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight
and to strike with a wicked fist.

Such fasting as you do today
will not make your voice heard on high.

⁵Is such the fast that I choose,
a day to humble oneself?

Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush,
and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?

Will you call this a fast,
a day acceptable to the LORD?

⁶Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the thongs of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?

⁷Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover them,
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

⁸Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up quickly;
your vindicator shall go before you,
the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.

^{9a}Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;
you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

[^{9b}If you remove the yoke from among you,
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,
¹⁰if you offer your food to the hungry
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
then your light shall rise in the darkness
and your gloom be like the noonday.

¹¹The LORD will guide you continually,
and satisfy your needs in parched places,
and make your bones strong;
and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring of water,
whose waters never fail.

¹²Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in.]

A The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 112: 1-9 [10]

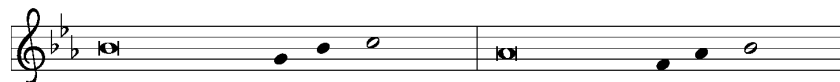
The refrain is sung by the cantor and repeated by the assembly.

The Psalm is sung antiphonally with the congregation singing verses in bold. The refrain is then repeated as indicated .

Psalm refrain



Psalm tone



- ¹Hallelujah! Happy are they who ¹fear the LORD
and have great delight in ¹God's commandments!
- ²**Their descendants will be mighty ¹in the land;
the generation of the upright ¹will be blessed.**
- ³Wealth and riches will be ¹in their house,
and their righteousness will ¹last forever.
- ⁴**Light shines in the darkness ¹for the upright;
the righteous are merciful and full ¹of compassion. R**
- ⁵It is good for them to be gener- ¹ous in lending
and to manage their af- ¹fairs with justice.
- ⁶**For they will nev- ¹er be shaken;
the righteous will be kept in everlast- ¹ing remembrance.**
- ⁷They will not be afraid of any ¹evil rumors;
their heart is steadfast, trusting ¹in the LORD.
- ⁸**Their heart is established and ¹will not shrink,
until they see their desire up- ¹on their enemies.**
- ⁹They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness
stands ¹fast forever;
they will hold up their ¹head with honor.
- [¹⁰**The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth
and ¹pine away;
the desires of the wick- ¹ed will perish.] R**

Second Reading**1 Corinthians 2:1-12 [13-16]**

Though people such as the Corinthians are enamored with human philosophy and wisdom, Paul continuously presents God's hidden wisdom which is Jesus Christ crucified. True spiritual maturity involves judging ourselves and others in light of God's revelation in the cross.

A A reading from 1 Corinthians.

¹When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. ²For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. ³And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. ⁴My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

⁶Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. ⁷But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. ⁸None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,
nor the human heart conceived,

what God has prepared for those who love him” —

¹⁰these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. ¹²Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. [¹³And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual.

¹⁴Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. ¹⁵Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny.

¹⁶“For who has known the mind of the Lord
so as to instruct him?”

But we have the mind of Christ.]

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands to welcome the Gospel.

Gospel Acclamation

The cantor introduces the acclamation. The assembly will repeat the acclamation. Following the verse, the acclamation is sung again by all.

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

Verse Tone

Cantor

Jesus says, I am the light | of the world;* whoever follows me will have the | light of life. (*John 8:12*)

Gospel

Matthew 5:13-20

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus encourages his followers to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, doing good works and keeping God's commandments..

P The Holy Gospel, according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] ¹³“You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

¹⁴“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

¹⁷“Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The assembly may be seated.

Sermon

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

Hymn of the Day

This Little Light of Mine

The assembly stands.

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THIS JOY

- 1 **This little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**
- 2 **Ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine;
ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine;
ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**
- 3 **Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine;
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine;
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

C I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers Of The People

Hearing the Word of God in Scripture and in Preaching moves us to pray for the whole Church, the nations, those in need, the parish, and our special concerns. The intercessor moves to stand with the assembled people of God, as a rich symbol of the petitions truly being the Prayers of the People.

Each portion of the prayers ends with these words:

A Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

Response at the conclusion of the prayers of the people:

C Amen.

Peace

The words of the Peace are an ancient solemn blessing signifying the reconciliation that we have with God and, through Christ, with one another. Please do not use this time for casual greetings or conversations.

P In the waters of the font, God has made us one with Christ who is our life, our hope, and our salvation. The peace of the risen Christ be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

Worshippers will stay in place, speaking a word of peace, nodding, smiling, using the peace sign, using American Sign Language, touching their hearts, etc.

Greeting: Peace be with you.

Response: Peace be with you.

The assembly may be seated.

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering

Offering plates are located by the font and inside the West Nave entrance.

Offertory

Offertory Song

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service (verses 1 and 2)

The assembly stands as the ushers come forward with the gifts.

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BEACH SPRING

- 1 Lord, whose love in humble service
bore the weight of human need,
who upon the cross, forsaken,
worked your mercy's perfect deed:
we, your servants, bring the worship
not of voice alone, but heart;
consecrating to your purpose
ev'ry gift which you impart.**

- 2 Still your children wander homeless;
still the hungry cry for bread;
still the captives long for freedom;
still in grief we mourn our dead.
As you, Lord, in deep compassion
healed the sick and freed the soul,
by your Spirit send your power
to our world to make it whole.**

Offertory Prayer

P Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

C **Blessed be God Forever!**

P Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.

C **Blessed be God forever!**

A Liberating God, you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior,

C **Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving Dialogue

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Preface

Holy, Holy, Holy



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er, God of might:



heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est.



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na



in the high-est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Prayer

At the Presiding Minister's invitation, " ... Let us proclaim the mystery of faith." Sung twice.

C

Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

The Eucharistic prayer concludes, "...forever and ever." Sung twice.

C

A - men, a - men, a - men.

The Lord's Prayer

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P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Lamb of God

The musical score is written on a single staff in G minor (one flat) and 3/4 time. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The first line is labeled 'Cantor' and the second line is labeled 'All'. The lyrics are: 'Je-sus, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.' The score includes a 'Repeat twice' section and a 'Final' section, both marked with a '2' indicating a double bar line.

Invitation To Communion

P This is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

Happy are those who are called to his supper.

C **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

The assembly may be seated.

Communion Of The Faithful

All baptized Christians are invited to share faithfully in the Holy Eucharist. In this sacrament, by the power of God's Word and the Holy Spirit, we receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ along with the bread and wine for our forgiveness and salvation, as we celebrate our unity with Christ and all the saints.

Please come by the center aisle as directed by the ushers.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say, "The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you," and each person may respond, "Amen."

Music During Distribution

Song After Communion

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service (verses 3 and 4)

The assembly stands.

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BEACH SPRING

- 3** As we worship, grant us vision,
till your love's revealing light
in its height and depth and greatness
dawns upon our quickened sight,
making known the needs and burdens
your compassion bids us bear,
stirring us to ardent service,
your abundant life to share.
- 4** Called by worship to your service,
forth in your dear name we go,
to the child, the youth, the aged,
love in living deeds to show;
hope and health, good will and comfort,
counsel, aid and peace we give,
that your servants, Lord, in freedom
may your mercy know and live.

Prayer After Communion

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

P The God who faithfully brings forth justice and breaks the
oppressor's rod † bless, strengthen, and uphold you, today and
always.

C Amen.

- 1 Lord of light, your name outshining
all the stars and suns of space,
use our talents in your kingdom
as the servants of your grace;
use us to fulfill your purpose
in the gift of Christ your Son:**

Refrain

**Father, as in highest heaven,
so on earth your will be done.**

- 2 By the toil of faithful workers
in some far outlying field,
by the courage where the radiance
of the cross is still revealed,
by the victories of meekness,
through reproach and suffering won: *Refrain***

- 3 Grant that knowledge, still increasing,
at your feet may lowly kneel;
with your grace our triumphs hallow,
with your charity our zeal;
lift the nations from the shadows
to the gladness of the sun: *Refrain***

- 4 By the prayers of faithful watchers,
never silent day or night;
by the cross of Jesus, bringing
peace to all and healing light;
by the love that passes knowledge,
making all your children one: *Refrain***

Silent Prayer and Dismissal

A The liturgy is ended. Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

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This Week

Sunday February 5 5 Epiphany	FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY 8:30 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Nave/live streamed on the Good Shepherd Paxtang YouTube Channel—link may be found at www.goodshepherdpxtang.com 9:45 a.m. Adult Faith Formation (Library) 11:00 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Nave)
Monday February 6	10:00 a.m. Mission and Ministry Committee (Library) 2:00 p.m. Building Task Force (Library) 6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Pack 42 (ASH) 6:30 p.m. Evangelism Committee (Library)
Tuesday February 7	9:30 a.m. Workshop (ASH) 10:00 a.m. Ready for School, Ready to Succeed (Sts. Peter and Paul) 1:30 p.m. W/ELCA Board (Library)
Wednesday February 8	9:30 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Chapel) 10:00 a.m. Building Task Force (Library)
Friday February 10	11:00 a.m. Ready for School, Ready to Succeed (Sts. Peter and Paul)
Saturday February 11	5:00 p.m. Word and Sacrament (Chapel)
Sunday February 12 6 Epiphany	8:30 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Nave/live streamed on the Good Shepherd Paxtang YouTube Channel—link may be found at www.goodshepherdpxtang.com 9:45 a.m. Adult Faith Formation (Library) 11:00 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Nave)

Daily Readings

M	2 Kings 22: 3-20, Romans 11: 2-10, Psalm 119: 105-112
T	2 Kings 23: 1-8, 21-25; 2 Corinthians 4: 1-12; Psalm 119: 105-112
W	Proverbs 6: 6-23, John 8: 12-30, Psalm 119: 105-112
Th	Genesis 26: 1-5, James 1: 12-16, Psalm 119: 1-8
F	Leviticus 26: 34-46, 1 John 2: 7-17, Psalm 119: 1-8
Sa	Deuteronomy 30: 1-9a, Matthew 15: 1-9, Psalm 119: 1-8
Su	Deuteronomy 30: 15-20, Psalm 119: 1-8, 1 Corinthians 3: 1-9, Matthew 5: 21-37



Worship Memorials

The flowers are given to the Glory of God
by Kristen Stewart.

The bulletins are given to the Glory of God.

The lamps are burning to the Glory of God
and are given in memory of Carol McCauley
by Dix and Larry McCauley.

Adult Sunday School

Adult Faith Formation meets Sundays at 9:45 a.m. in the Library.

Last Week

Our praise and thanksgiving to God for our many blessings are reflected in our tithes and offerings each week.

Spending Proposal Per Week	\$4,812.00
Total Received	3,245.55
Difference	-1,566.45

Announcements

THROUGHOUT THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, Good Shepherd has done well caring for our neighbors. Currently, for indoor gatherings, masks are optional. At this time, Pastor will be masked and will sanitize prior to distribution of Holy Communion. Thank you.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all those who, because of illness or infirmity, are unable to be with us for worship. Your prayers, cards, and visits to them are invited so that Christ may be glorified by the manner in which his people care for one another.

PRAYER CHAIN: Good Shepherd members lift up prayer requests throughout the week. If you have a prayer request you wish to share, or if you would like to receive prayer requests to include in your daily devotions, please contact Edna Hafer or Suzie Crist.

ASSISTING MINISTERS NEEDED: Please contact Marcia Freed-Dankman or Pastor Baker for more information.

A MEETING OF THE EVANGELISM COMMITTEE will be held next Monday evening, February 6, at 6:30 p.m. in the Library. Anyone interested in serving on the committee is welcome to attend .

VALENTINE BASKETS FOR THE HOMEBOUND: The Mission and Ministry committee will be making up little valentine baskets for our homebound members. We are looking for any individually wrapped heart shaped treats, (peppermint patties, etc.) red and pink items (colored Hershey kisses, etc.) heart-shaped Little Debbie's, anything that would make a little red basket look cute (heart shaped cut outs), etc!!!! We will be assembling 35 baskets on **Monday, February 6th at 10:00 a.m.** in the Library. ANYONE IS WELCOME TO JOIN US!!!! We will then deliver these to our dear homebound members. Thank you to everyone for your continued support of our projects showing these important folks how much we care and miss them.

CHURCH COUNCIL IS SEEKING SUGGESTIONS for renaming the meeting room formerly used as the Paxtang-Swatara Community Library. For those unfamiliar with our various levels, most of the rooms around Good Shepherd have been named in honor of various saints or church forefathers and have received nameplates. Place your suggestions in the offering plate or drop them off at the church office prior to the February 13 council meeting.

ELECTRONIC GIVING OPTIONS AVAILABLE: Contributions may be made via eCheck or Credit Card by scanning the QR code with your smart phone or by clicking on the GIVE NOW button on goodshepherdpaxtang.com.



From the Broader Church and Community

THE LUTHERAN CAMPING CORPORATION is now hiring summer staff to help make this the best summer ever for our campers and guests. Counselors, lifeguards, kitchen staff, maintenance workers, and craft staff are needed. Serve others, grow in community, and have a blast working at camp this summer. Learn more and apply online: LutheranCamping.org/employment.

THE ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY is currently in great need of personal care items: toilet paper, shampoo/conditioner, bars of soap, deodorant, toothpaste, individually-wrapped toothbrushes, razors, diapers, baby wipes, and women's personal hygiene items. Donated items may be placed in the shopping cart in the Breezeway.

CHRISTIAN CHURCHES UNITED is currently operating two overnight shelters for those in need, which will be open through March 31, 2023. The Winter Overnight Shelter for Women and Non-Binary People is located at Grace United Methodist Church, 216 State Street, Harrisburg, and the Winter Overnight Shelter for Men is located at Susquehanna Harbor Safe Haven, 1805 North 12th Street, Harrisburg. Volunteers are needed to staff each shelter, and financial contributions are welcome. For more information: www.ccuahbg.org/volunteer or contact Aisha Mobley, Community Mobilization Coordinator, at amobley@ccuahbg.org or (717) 963-5985.

Christian Churches United Winter Overnight Shelters Items needed

Clothing for Men or Women

Size L, XL, 2X, 3X for all clothing:

- Hoodies/sweatshirts and
- Sweat pants
- Thermals
- Leggings
- Underwear: Women (Sizes: 6/7/8/9/10/12/13)
- Underwear: Men (Sizes: M/L/XL/XXL)

Food Items:—Individually wrapped/microwavable/just add hot water

- Macaroni & cheese
- Oodles of Noodles (Beef or Chicken)
- Soup
- Pop Tarts
- Chewy soft granola bars
- Danishes
- Fresh fruit
- Fruit snacks
- Crackers

Hot Beverage Supplies—Individual Packets:

- K-Cups for Keurig: Coffee/Tea/Cocoa:
- Regular: cocoa and tea bags
- Regular cane sugar
- Flavored liquid creamer or half and half packets

Paper Products

- Cups
- Bowls
- Spoons/forks/knives
- Stirrers (individually wrapped)
- Toilet Paper
- Paper Towels
- Tissues

Drinks

Water:

- Gallon size (for Keurig use)
- Cases of bottled water

Juice:

- Apple juice,
- Cranberry juice

Soda:

- Cans of Sprite/Ginger Ale
- Coke/ Pepsi

Cleaning Products

- Lysol /Disinfectant spray
- Clorox/Lysol wipes
- Bleach

For the Body

- Disposable wash cloths (Pre-soap filled)
- Lotion
- Hand and foot warmers
- Deodorant
- Toothpaste
- Tooth brushes

To donate, or if you have questions, please contact
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