



NEWS

Sunday, August 20, 2017 | 9:00 a.m. Worship

Spirit's congregational budget meeting is today, Sunday, August 20, 2017! Join us for an informational session held in the sanctuary following worship. Budget sheets are available for pick up in the narthex.



Registration for SOS is today, Sunday, August 20, following the worship service!

Spirit Council updates on August 27, 2017 after worship. Come for coffee & treats sponsored by Spirit Lutheran Foundation.

Office hours: M-R, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 12 p.m.
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Spirit Lutheran's Ice Cream Socials

The start-up committee has planned four ice cream socials to allow the congregation to get to know Pastor Jim, Cyndee and Caryn a bit better. This also gives everyone the opportunity to meet members of Spirit that we may not know yet. Please make every effort to attend one of these (or all)! See you then!

There will be a sign-up sheet available during church. If you have RSVP'd [online](#), you do not have to sign up at church (and vice-versa). In case of bad weather, please call the host for the day you sign up.

- Aug. 20 at 3:00 p.m. (Dan & Debbie Market - 4655 N. Shore Dr. 715-577-3993)
- Aug. 22 at 6:30 p.m. (Jeff & Karlene Lorentz - 1721 Nicholas Dr. 715-835-4014)
- Aug. 30 at 6:30 p.m. (Craig & Sheryl Hughes - 326 Garfield Ave. 715-832-0586)
- Sept. 7, 2017 6:30 p.m. Location to be announced

Upcoming Saturday youth nights will be cancelled until further notice!

*Today's altar flowers are provided by
Lena & Steven Wright in celebration of...
the many August birthdays in their family.
Blessings and well wishes to you all!*

REACHING OUT IN LOVE



Spirit Prayer List

Prayer is powerful and we need to pray for each other within our family of Spirit. This is the start of our prayer list, with people being prayed for by name in worship. Please take a moment each day to include these Spirit people in your prayers.

Phyllis N.
Kristen T.
Beth & Milo M.
Dwight & Marilyn A.
Sonja T.
Ruth B.
Paula S.
Barbara K.
Richard F.
Curt M.
Kristan M.
Charles
Family & friends of Judy Buchholz

If you, or someone you know would like to be on our prayer list or is hospitalized, please contact the church office at 715-832-2421.

Spirit Worship Attendance

Sunday, August 13: 212

Spirit's July Offerings

July Offerings: \$42,873.58
Simply Giving: \$13,661.00
Total Offerings: \$56,534.58

July Memorials: \$710.00
July's Noisy Offering: \$189.20
Malawi (Karonga) Bowl: \$168.23

The congregation of Spirit Lutheran gives thanks for the following gifts received in July 2017:

Gifts in memory of James Benrud
A gift in memory of Judy Evenson
A gift in honor of Florence Gullickson
A gift in memory of Sharon Heller
A gift in memory of Barbara Lorentz
Gifts in memory of Audrey Olson
A gift in memory of LaMoine Robertson
Gifts in memory of Erv Schmidt
A gift in memory of Marge Schmidt

Spirit's Life Transitions

Our deepest sympathies to the family and friends of Betty Beighley, the mother of Eva Hipp.

- A service was held for Eva at Spirit Lutheran on Wednesday, August 16, 2017.

May God grant peace and love to those who mourn.

Just a reminder:

Submissions for publication in our newsletter are due by 12:00 p.m. on Monday. Spirit Lutheran News will be published, printed and emailed by Thursday. The editor reserves the right to edit all submissions for content, quality, brevity, and accuracy. Any content submitted to Spirit Lutheran becomes the sole property of the congregation and cannot be used in part or in whole without the congregation's consent. Please send your submissions to Padee at pkhang@spiritlutheran.org.

Photo Directories Now Available!

At long last, our new Spirit Lutheran photo directories have arrived!

You may pick up your directory copy during the week at the church office and on Sundays in the narthex, near the entrance to the hallway to the west wing of the building. For this initial print run, in order that everyone has a chance to get a copy, we ask for a limit of one copy per household. If you would like more than one copy, please enter your name and phone on the waiting list for a second printing.

If you would like your copy to be mailed to you, or if you have any other questions, please contact the church office.

Vacation Bible School with Immanuel Lutheran Church and Luther Park Bible Camp.



WE ARE HIRING FOR A FEW POSITIONS!

Are you interested in using your talents, skills, experience and spiritual gifts in ministry? Spirit Lutheran is interested in you.

We are a new congregation looking for part-time Ministry Architects to join our team. Help guide and support people beginning at birth throughout the seasons of their lives in their personal connection to God and one another. Help empower families to love and serve Jesus.

Join us in our mission: Knowing God, Loving Others, Sharing our Gifts.

If interested, or for more information, please contact Pastor Jim Ahlquist at (715) 210-2245, email him at jahlquist@spiritlutheran.org or send inquiries/resumes to Spirit Lutheran, 1310 Main St, Eau Claire, WI 54701.



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You!
Children's Music Director



You!
Children's Music Director

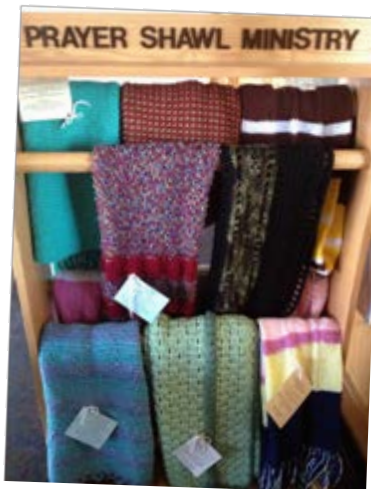
We're looking for two part-time children's music directors to join our music staff!

Do you enjoy working with children, music, and are you a team player? Apply now - stop in the office for an application or contact Bev Smith for more information (bsmith@spiritlutheran.org or 715-563-3804).

FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Attention Knitters, Crocheters & Wanna-be's!

As fall and winter approach, it is the perfect time to take out needles and create a prayer shawl to wrap someone in love and comfort. Our prayer shawl ministry group will begin meeting, starting September 12, on the second Tuesday of each month (September-May) at 5:30 p.m. Lessons, patterns and needles will be provided for beginners. All are welcome to get into the Spirit of stitching and praying. Please join us!



Spirit Golf Outing on Sunday, Aug. 27!

Join us at Mill Run Golf Course! Please arrive around 2:30 p.m. for team arrangements – will be a four person scramble. (A Scramble involves four golfers playing as a team. Each player tees off and the team selects the best shot)

- Cost for 9 holes with cart - \$20.00
- Burger/Brat Buffet – approx. \$12

Signup in the narthex!



Spirit Singers

On Sunday, September 17, at 10:15 in the Choir Room, we will begin a new choir here at Spirit. Anyone who enjoys singing is welcomed and we are not limiting it to adults or to only people who are “trained”.....you are ALL welcome!! We will not sing each week in the church services; instead, we will have a printed schedule (see below) to follow. There will be NO rehearsals on week nights unless specifically called for. Our rehearsals will be on Sunday mornings when you are already here at the church for a worship service (you might even have time to snag a cup of coffee on the way to the Choir Room). We will plan to sing at least once a month at each of our worship services, both the 8:30 a.m. and the 10:30 a.m.

Spirit Singers Rehearsal Schedule for Fall 2017

Sept 17 10:15 a.m. choir room
 Sept 24 9:45 a.m. choir room
 Oct 15 9:45 a.m. choir room
 Oct 22 9:45 a.m. choir room
 Oct 29 9:45 a.m. choir room
 Nov 12 9:45 a.m. choir room
 Dec 3 9:45 a.m. choir room
 Dec 10 9:45 a.m. choir room
 Dec 17 9:45 a.m. choir room

Spirit Singers Singing Schedule for Worship Services for Fall 2017

Sept 24 10:30 service
 Oct 15 8:30 service
 Oct 22 10:30 service
 Nov 12 8:30 service
 Dec 3 10:30 service
 Dec 17 8:30 service
 Dec 24 Early worship TBA

Come on and join us...you have nothing to lose and we all have EVERYthing to gain!! If you have any questions, ask Bev Smith. She will be the director of this new group. bsmith@spiritlutheran.org or 715-834-9602

Calling Those with a “Spirit” of Adventure!

Have you heard of Holden Village, the remote Lutheran retreat center in the Northern Cascade Mountains of Washington state? Have you ever wanted to visit Holden Village? Here is your chance!

In September of 2018, a group from Spirit Lutheran and their friends will travel to Holden for a week of adventure. We will worship, learn, hike, eat, sing, listen to Railroad Creek tumble over the rocks, and feel the peace of the mountains.

If interested in this adventure, please sign-up on the sheet at the Welcome Table on Sunday, September 10 or 17 and plan to attend an information gathering at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 1. This opportunity for a Holden Village Adventure will be opened to other congregations after September 17.

Questions? Talk to Cheryl Jothen, Esther Hager, Linda Knott or Lorrie Franson.




JOY

Don't forget about Spirit's JOY ice cream social!

Who: Older Adults and friends

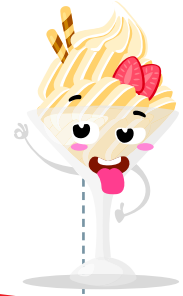
What: JOY (Just Older Youth) Gathering – Ice Cream Sundae Social

When: Thursday, Aug. 24 at 2:00 pm

Where: Spirit Lutheran – Fellowship Hall, 1310 Main Street, Eau Claire, WI

Come for food & ice cream!
(Make your own sundae!)

You're invited to a Spirit Ice Cream Social
at the home of Jeff & Karlene Lorentz on
Tuesday, Aug. 22 at 6:30 p.m.!
- 1721 Nicholas Drive

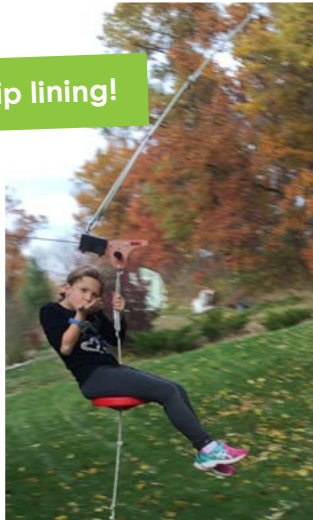


Hosted by
Alexis, Kara,
Caden, & Emily!



Pogo swing!

Zip lining!



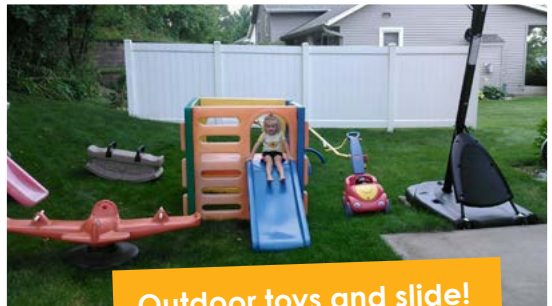
Skate board swing!



Swing set!



(Rain or shine!)
No RSVP needed!



Outdoor toys and slide!

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

Check out the hands that helped clean, furnish, and organize a Western Dairyland apartment this past weekend! Our last God's work. Our hands. event will be happening in September. Stay tuned for further information.



Thank you all!

COMMUNITY EVENTS

**500th Anniversary of the Reformation
at Hope Lutheran Church
2226 Eddy Lane, Eau Claire, WI**

We will be observing the 500th anniversary in October with a joint worship service. To help us prepare for the joint service, Fr. John Schultz and Pr. Curt Rolland will present two studies – August 22 at Hope Lutheran and 23 at St. James Catholic Church. These sessions will begin at 7 p.m. and will be about an hour and a quarter long. Contact Roger Skatrud or Roger Churness for more information.

**You are Cordially Invited to the
service of Installation of Rev.
Josh Toufar! Pastor of Lutheran
Church of the Good Shepherd.**

Sunday, August 27, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.
1120 Cedar St., Eau Claire
Refreshments to follow!

*****More community events on the church
hallway bulletin boards!**

EVENTS

Monday, August 21

9:00 AM Spirit Lutheran Serves @
Community Table
9:00 AM Staff Meeting
1:00 PM Book Club Meeting
6:30 PM Spirit Foundation
Meeting

Tuesday, August 22

9:00 AM Tuesday Quilters
5:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting
5:00 PM Chippewa Valley
Photographers Club
6:30 PM Ice Cream Social

Wednesday, August 23

8:30 AM Wednesday Quilters
4:15 PM Spirit Ring Rehearsal

Thursday, August 24

2:00 PM "Just Older Youth (JOY)"
Ice Cream Social
7:00 PM AL-ANON Meeting

Sunday, August 27

S.O.S. Auditions
9:00 AM Worship
10:00 AM Council Update
2:30 PM Spirit Golf Outing at Mill
Run Golf Course

9:00 a.m. Helpers August 20, 2017

Greeters:

John Christenson
Nancy Christenson

Ushers:

Ron Berkland
Dorothy Thompson
Julie Carr
Leann

Communion Assistants:

Lynn Fering
Craig Hughes
Sheryl Hughes
Debbie Market

Rover:

Loreen Yager
Betty Qualheim

Reader:

Mel Breed

Children's Message:

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