

Bulletin Board Announcements for September 4–5

Rally Day is September 12



We will kick off our fall Worship and Sunday School schedule on Sunday, September 12. Our Praise Service will continue at 8:30 AM, followed by our learning hour for children and adults at 9:45 AM. The Traditional Service will once again be held at 11:00 AM. Sunday School Registration forms have been mailed to families and are available in the narthex. The forms can be dropped off in the box on the registration table. Please register in advance. Please be sure to bring your Bibles for a day of blessings.

Our first Wednesday Gathering will be held on September 15. Dinner will begin at 6:15 PM, with Confirmation from 6:30-8:30 PM and children's music from 7:00-8:30pm

Blessing of the Backpacks & Briefcases

At All Worship Services the weekend of September 11-12

Children and adults are encouraged to bring to church their backpack, briefcase or whatever bag they take to do God's work in the world. During the service there will be an opportunity to bring the bags forward to ask God's blessing upon them and those who use them.

Church Office Hours

The church office will be closed on Monday, September 6 for the Labor Day Holiday. The office will be resuming the regular fall office hours on Tuesday, September 7. The office hours will be open 9 am–4pm, Monday–Thursday and 9 am–2 pm on Friday

Mission Trip Summer 2011

Sunday, June 26 to Saturday, July 2 in Reading, PA

After a very successful trip to Savannah this past summer, Sr. High and College youth will be back on the road serving next summer. They will head to another Group Workcamp to work on housing projects for low income residents. **Registration forms and a \$50 deposit are due Sept. 17!** See Pastor Keseley for forms and details.

Weekly Email News

Did you get the weekly Abiding Presence e-news this past week in your inbox? If not, send an email to Pastor Keseley at pastorkeseley@me.com and ask to be signed up.

College Student Addresses

Since a new school year is beginning, Pastor Keseley is again looking for the snail mail and email addresses of all of the Abiding Presence college students who live at home or are away at school. Please make sure that your college student's address gets to Pastor Keseley or the church office.

Learning Ministry

Waffles and Wii

Every Sunday beginning Sept. 12 from 9:45am-10:45am in the Titus Classroom

Sr. High Youth will gather in the new and improved youth room in Titus each Sunday morning for home-made waffles on their very own waffle maker, Wii games and conversation about what it means to be WE the body of Christ. Vicar Cutler and Pastor Keseley will lead the conversation. For more information, contact Vicar Cutler at Elizabeth.anne.cutler@gmail.com.

“Faith Talk” Adult Sunday School Series

Sundays, September 26-October 31 from 10:00 -10:45 AM in the Fellowship Hall

Adult Sunday School will kick off the new year with a series called “Faith Talk”. Each week we will look at a different biblical person who was called to talk publically about their faith. We will look at what tips we can learn from them about how we can talk about our faith in the midst of our everyday lives. The series will be led by Pastor Keseley and Vicar Elizabeth.

Wednesday Night Adult Education

Wednesdays, September 22 & 29 from 7:00-7:45 PM in the Fellowship Hall

Rob Bell is a Christian pastor, author and developer of NOOMA, a series of spiritual short films that explore issues of faith and life. Each week we will use one of these 10 minute films as the starting point for discussion. Pastor Keseley and Vicar Elizabeth will convene the class and get the discussion started.

First Holy Communion

Sunday, October 17 at 8:30 and 11:00 AM

Classes on Wednesdays, September 22 & 29 and October 6 & 13 from 5:15-6:15 PM

Children will be invited to receive their first Holy Communion on Sunday, October 17 at either the 8:30 AM or 11:00 AM service. There will be a series of classes to help children learn more about communion on Wednesdays, September 22 & 29 and October 6 & 13 from 5:15-6:15 PM. Children are then invited to stay for Wednesday night dinner immediately following class. To sign up for the classes, or if you have questions about if your child is ready to receive his/her first Holy Communion, please talk with Pastor Keseley.

Worship Ministry

Worship Assistants

We are in need of additional people to assist in the following worship ministries:

- Nursery assistants for both Sunday worship services
- Acolytes for the 8:30 Praise Service (youth in grades 4-12)
- Communion ware washers for the 8:30 Praise Service beginning in September
- Communion assistants for the 8:30 Praise Service
- Readers for the 8:30 Praise Service
- Ushers for Saturday Vespers Service



We also are in need of someone who will coordinate the schedules for drivers for Burke Lake Gardens. If you can assist with any of these ministries, please fill out your Count-Me-In form or contact the church office, 703-455-7500, or kathi@abidingpresence.net or sharon@abidingpresence.net. Thank you.

Wednesday Gatherings

Begin September 15th



Join us as we kick off another year of Wednesday Gatherings. Dinner for everyone will begin at 6:15 pm. Lynn Jones has volunteered to coordinate our dinners this year. She is asking for volunteers to assist with setup/cooking or serving/cleanup. Please sign up on the Count-Me-In form to continue to make this a successful event

Schedule of Activities:

Puppet Team	5:00-6:15 pm
Dinner	6:15-7:00 pm
Confirmation	6:30-8:30 pm
Adult Bible Study	7:00-7:45 pm
(begins 9/22)	
Sonrise Cherubs	7:00-7:30 pm
Christ's Chimers	7:00-7:30 pm
Sonrise Singers	7:45-8:30 pm
Hallelujah Ringers	7:45-8:30 pm

Dinner Menus

Sept. 15	Tacos
Sept. 22	Spaghetti & Pastas
Sept. 29	Barbecue Chicken
Oct. 6	Chili & Baked Potatoes
Oct. 13	Hot Dogs & Baked Mac & Cheese
Oct. 20	Pizza
Oct. 27	Potluck & "Trunk or Treat"

Fellowship Ministry

WELCA 2010 Fall Gathering

September 18th at First Trinity Lutheran Church, Washington, DC

The Women of the ELCA 2010 Fall Gathering will be held on September 18th from 9:30-2:00 at First Trinity Lutheran Church, 309 E St, NW, Washington, DC. The guest speakers will be Fred and Roberta Anderson of the World Mission Prayer League. The event will also include an update on resources from WELCA and an opportunity to discuss your ministries within your congregations. A light breakfast and lunch will be provided. First Trinity has ample parking and is located next to the Judiciary Square Metro station. Mark your calendars.....and bring a friend. RSVP to Bonnie Priebe for the luncheon at bonnielass_us@yahoo.com or at 301-341-2788 by September 12th. A flyer with more information is in the narthex.

All Lutheran Women's Retreat

October 22nd-24th, Shenandoah Valley

The All Lutheran Women's Retreat will be held this year in the beautiful Shenandoah Valley. With the theme of "Laughter is a gift from God" led by Pastor Jean Bozeman it should be an uplifting weekend. The date is October 22-24, 2010. The registration fee is \$90 which includes materials, Friday reception, all Saturday meals and Sunday breakfast. The location is the Holiday Inn in Harrisonburg, VA. Flyers with registration information are in the narthex.

Senior High Youth

Movie & Faith Talk with Pastor

Sunday, Sept. 26 from 3:30pm-5:30pm at the Parsonage

Come to watch a movie and then discuss the faith themes that are present in it. Youth should bring a snack/drink to share. If you need directions to the parsonage in Springfield, just ask. RSVP to Pastor Keseley at pastorkeseley@me.com

Volunteer Ministers for September 4-5

Today's Scripture Readings: Deuteronomy 30:15-20, Psalm 1, Galatians 4:4-7, Luke 1:46-55

Saturday Vespers, Aug. 28, 6:00 PM

Cantor: Bev Shiner
Communion Assistant: Peggy Hrolenok
Usher:: Roger Runningen

Praise Service, August 29, 8:30 AM

Acolyte: Matt Glass
Communion.: Liz Quigley
Nursery: Nicole Zupan
Reader: Lori Rossett
Sound Technician:
Usher: Lorretta Mayfield
Welcome: Jan Jackson

Traditional Service, August 29, 10:00 AM

Cantor: Vanessa Utell
Communion: Emily Colman
Crucifer: Erin Downs
Nursery: Leigh Anne Audsei
Reader: Julie Moore
Sound Technician:
Ushers: John Clark & Jeff Goebel
Wash Communion Ware: Liz Quigley
Welcome Team: Tim & Martha Staehling & Mary-Elise Sheets

Thank you to everyone who helps make our services possible, including:

Altar Guild: Nancy Cooley Cookie Brigade: Sandy England
Sunday Fellowship: Lynne Linder Counters: Steve Linder, Lynne Linder & Jane Curtis



Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by Ivan and Kathryn Ives in celebration of their daughter Kate's birthday on September 5th.

The Week at a Glance.....This Week at Abiding Presence

Sun., 9/5	8:30 am, Praise Service 9:30 am, Fellowship 10:00 am, Traditional Service	Fri., 9/10	3 B's Bible Study at Sue Goebel's Home
Mon., 9/6	Labor Day Holiday, Church Office Closed	Sat., 9/11	6:00 pm, Saturday Vespers Service
Tues., 9/7	6:45 pm Joy Singers 7:30 pm, AP Choir	Sun., 9/12	8:30 am, Praise Service 9:45 am, Chapel 10:00 am, Learning Small Groups 11:00 am, Traditional Service
Wed., 9/8	7:30 Stewardship 7:45 pm, Hallelujah Ringers Rehearsal		

Prayer Requests

Please pray for our members:

Alessandra Rodriguez; Charlene Agne Traub

Sympathy of the congregation to Jenna Reed and the Calo family on the death of Jason Calo, nephew of Jenna.

Sympathy of the congregation to Vanessa Utell on the death of her grandmother, Sylvia Shafer.

Please pray for these friends and family members:

Carolyn Loving, cousin of Kathryn Ives; Brian Porter, son of Tom and Eleanor Porter; Dan Goodwin, friend of the Downs Family; Manuel, Brian, Jason, Marcus, Jeremy, Jessee, David, Grant, Carlos, Jonathan, Josh, Damion, Robert, Frank, Bill, Luis and Mark, amputees at WRAMC; Bob Wollow, brother-in-law of Renee Waldrop; Kevin, friend of Jesse Farver; Way Greer, mother of Lori Rossett; Beth Lussier, aunt of Sharon Downs; John's Family, friends of Kathryn Ives