

Announcements and Upcoming Events

We offer with joy and thanksgiving what God has first given us, ourselves our time and our possessions.

"Unified Fund Summary (the Unified Fund is the checking account from which all routine operating expenses are paid; e.g. payroll, utilities, supplies, etc.)"	
Beginning Bal August 4, 2025	\$4,838.03
Sunday Offerings	\$3,010.00
Returned reimbursement check	\$200.00
Online Giving	\$1,115.00
Subtotal	\$9,163.03
Payments	(\$7,025.26)
Ending Bal. August 4, 2025	\$2,137.77
Beginning Bal August 11, 2025	\$2,137.77
Sunday Offerings	\$2,799.00
Thrivent Choice Dollars	\$75.00
Online Giving	\$1,265.00
Subtotal	\$6,276.77
Payments	(\$4,807.79)
Ending Bal. August 11, 2025	\$1,468.98
Unified/Temporary Restricted (Designated) Fund Offerings August 10, 2025	
Building/Renovation Fund	\$50.00
Capital Campaign	\$50.00
Member Emergency Fund	\$15.00
Worship attendance for August 10 th at 8AM-40 & 10:30AM-44 for a total of 84.	

Mission Statement

*"Glorify God, Share the Love of Jesus,
Do Good works through Service"*



Lauren Bungard*Cathy Lilly
Angie McKool*Lynn McDaniel
Kristie Byer*Jack Winters* Jeff Eash
Rachel Thomas-Kimmel* Patty Rullo
Mary Jane McCreedy*Greg Lilly

August 17, 2025

Pastor Mark's Schedule Week of August 17-23

Sunday 8/17	Sunday Morning Worship Game Night Ministry Team Meeting between services Worship at FCI-Loretto, 2:00PM-4:00PM
Monday 8/18	Office Hours, 9:00AM-1:30PM Spiritual Direction @ 2:00PM
Tuesday 8/19	Working from the parsonage in the morning Somerset Area Ministerium Meeting, 3:30PM
Wednesday 8/20	Quarterly Pericope Bible Study, 8:30AM-2:30PM @ The Lutheran Home in Duncansville
Thursday 8/21	Office Hours, 9:00AM-1:30PM Afternoon off
Friday 8/22	Baxter/Herbold Wedding Rehearsal, 5:00 PM @ Friesland Wedding & Event Center Overtime, 8:30PM-11:30PM
Saturday 8/23	Herbold Baxter Wedding, 4:00PM-??? @ Friesland Wedding & Event Center Game Night, 6:00PM

Pastor Mark is always available by phone or email at any time of the day or night if you need him for pastoral care.
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Please join us for lunch on Rally Day, September 7th at 11:30am. The church will provide hamburgers and hot dogs. If you are able and willing to bring a side dish to share, please use the list below as a guide according to your **last name**. If you are unable to provide a side dish for any reason, please join us anyway! The day won't be complete without you!

A - E Potato/Pasta

F - L Salad

M - P Dessert

Q - Z Vegetable



The **St. David's Lutheran Church Service Team** is helping Somerset County Meals on Wheels with desserts. **Desserts will be collected on SUNDAY, September 7th, from 8:00-11:00AM.** Desserts requested by Meals on Wheels include:

- Cakes – no icing, but chips and sprinkles are acceptable.
- Cookies – 2 dozen minimum
- Brownies – no icing
- Breads – (Banana, Zucchini, Blueberry)

ALL DESSERTS MUST BE IN DISPOSABLE CONTAINERS. Thank you.



St. David's Evangelical Lutheran Church

God's Work Our Hands Day of Service & Rally Day

Sunday, September 7, 2025

Theme: "Celebrating the 80th Anniversary of Lutheran World Relief and its Quilt/Blanket/Kit Ministry."

Schedule for the Day

8:00 AM – Worship at St. David's

9:00 AM – Gathering & Community Building

9:30 AM – Worship at St. David's (including the installation of our Sunday School & Catechetical Teachers)

10:45 AM – Games & Community Building

11:30 AM – Lunch

12:15 PM – Embark for our projects in the local Mission Field

3:00 PM – Conclude

Summer has slipped by quickly once again. September is but a few days away. That means it is time for the community of St. David's to join together for a day of service – God's Work Our Hands/Rally Sunday – September 7. We are observing the 80th anniversary of Lutheran World Relief and its ministries that include quilts/blankets [that ladies of St. David's make each year] and kits [that we have collected and packed in past years on GWOH Sunday]. The schedule for the day is printed above. **Be sure to join the day by completing the sign-up sheet found in the announcement racks in the rear of the nave or complete the form in the newsletter and drop it off at the church.** All are welcome to be a part of the day and its several activities! Many hands (ours) make light work (God's)!



One of the GWOH projects at St. David's this year involves providing Teacher Kits for teachers at Conemaugh Township and Johnstown Christian School. There are 7 different items needed for the kits. *[Dry erasers, crayons, tissues, wipes for children, wipes for cleaning desks, glue sticks, and pencils]*. Look for the big black board in the narthex, and then **please take one, two or several tags, purchase the item/s and bring them to the church and place them in**

collection boxes in the narthex. Please act today since we only have a few weeks before GWOH Sunday. Thank you in advance for participating in this ministry that will touch kids in our Mission Field right outside our doors. Let's make a difference TOGETHER as the people of St. David's!



Each year, St. David's Lutheran Church opens the Fellowship Hall to host around 200 students following home Conemaugh Township football games on Friday nights at Overtime. The students, in grades 7-12, are fed chocolate chip cookies and pizza, play cornhole and other games, and know that they have a safe location to socialize. However, this ministry needs volunteers, or Overtime may not be able to continue. We are looking for adults (18 and over) in the Conemaugh Township area who can give a few hours of their time on Friday nights during football season... we need you!

Volunteers are asked to show up at St. David's Fellowship Hall (lower level) between 8 and 8:30 (Overtime begins at 9 p.m. and ends at 11 p.m.). Help is needed in the kitchen, at our registration tables, setting up and cleaning up, and in general, mostly being an observant chaperone. Volunteers need to have up-to-date clearances filed with our church office and are welcomed for some or all of the dates: August 22, September 12, and October 3 (Homecoming), 10 and 24

If you have any questions, please contact Rachel Kimmel (rachel.b.thomas@gmail.com or 814.248.1670).

To submit your clearances, please contact Jessica, St. David's Church Secretary,
at stdavids_sec@atlanticbb.net.



Attention all parents of students age 3 (Pre-school) to 12th grade: The first day of Sunday School is right around the corner (~~September 14~~) and it is time to register your child at St. David's for Sunday School. Please use the QR code to find the registration Google form and fill it out on-line before **September 7**.




We need teachers/helpers in some of our Sunday School classes! Our programs are easy to follow, and our kids are eager to learn God's word! Instructors are needed to take over some Confirmation classes. Chrissy Troxell and Jack Winters have volunteered to teach one Confirmation Class each. We are still in need of **2 more volunteers**. You could tag team this with someone. You will have guidance! Another Youth Ministry that needs leadership is the Acolytes. You would work with Randy Whetzel in scheduling, training, etc. Please prayerfully consider these Youth Ministries! Please let Cathy Lilly know if you have any questions or interest calilly.cl@gmail.com or 814-233-0429. More information will follow soon.



Children and Youth Meeting September 14th after the 10:30 service

Anyone interested in joining the Children and Youth Team is invited to join us at our first meeting of the school year. The Children and Youth team focuses on fun, faith-filled experiences both inside and outside of the church walls for the children and youth of the congregation, and we are always looking for people to help!

✱Weekly Calendar of Events ✱		
Sunday 8/17:	8:00 AM	Worship/Communion Service
	9:15 AM	Game Night Planning Meeting (C16)
	10:30 AM	Worship/Communion Service
	Secretary's office hours for the week of August 18-22 will be Monday 9AM-2:30PM; Tuesday-Friday 9AM-3PM. Any changes to hours will be noted on the church calendar on the Facebook page and to the schedule posted on narthex door.	
Monday 8/18:	6:00PM	Columbarium Meeting (C19)
Wednesday 8/20:	1:00 PM	Staff Meeting (C19)
Friday 8/22:	9:00 PM	Overtime (FH9)
Saturday 8/23:	6:00 PM	Family Game Night
Sunday 8/24:	8:00 AM	Worship/Communion Service
	9:15 AM	Confirmation/Acolyte Meeting (C16)
	10:30 AM	Outdoor Worship/Communion Service
✱August 17✱ (Intinction)✱		
8:00 AM	10:30 AM	
Acolytes	Acolytes	
Altar- Sue Risch	Altar- Mandi Tercek	
Communion Assts- Sotosky Family	Communion Assts- Sarah Worst & Mary Jane McCready	
Lector- Erin Sotosky	Lector- Sarah Worst	
Ushers- Sotosky Family	Ushers- Joyce Gindlesperger & Carole Williams	
Counters- Sue Risch, Ronna Marisa, Joyce Gindlesperger		
✱August 24✱ (Intinction)✱		
8:00 AM	10:30 AM-Outdoor Worship	
Acolytes	Acolytes	
Altar- Ronna Marisa	Altar- Lois Tessari	
Communion Assts- Doug & Linda Shrader	Communion Assts- Greg & Cathy Lilly	
Lector- Sue Risch	Lector- Wendy Figard	
Ushers- Joe & Sue Risch	Ushers- Greg & Cathy Lilly	
Counters- Doug & Linda Shrader, Jean Magdelinic		



There will be a Confirmation/Acolyte team meeting on August 24th between the services in the 4/5/6th classroom (C16)



There will be a Family Game Night on Saturday, August 23rd from 6 PM to ?? with outdoor games, board games, snacks, drinks, bonfire and, of course, s'mores! So, bring your family, games, chairs and prepare to have fun! There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex.



Our deepest sympathy is expressed to the family of **Nathan Guy "Nate/Mudd" Stevens** who passed away on August 9th. We commend him to our merciful Savior in the sure and certain hope of resurrection. A private service will be held at a later date.