



The CHIMES

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November 15, 2020

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

WHAT'S THE BUZZ

PPP LOAN FORGIVEN!

We are happy to share the great news that our PPP (Paycheck Protection Program) loan for \$112,000 has been forgiven! We recognize and appreciate the hard work of Treasurer Bill Vance to provide the necessary documentation to obtain this loan forgiveness.

GENEROSITY MATTERS!



Even though we are not yet worshipping and fellowshiping in person, our church continues to serve us and others through new and innovative, albeit different, ways. As we plan for 2021, we ask that you consider what your part will be in continuing and expanding our ministries.

During worship this month, you will hear other church members tell their stories about generosity. You will also receive a 2021 commitment card. We ask that you prayerfully consider expanding your financial generosity as you grow in your relationship with our Lord and in response to God's steadfast love because ... your Generosity Matters!

Tim Wessel, Chair of the Stewardship Committee

TODAY AT MUHLENBERG

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Kevin & Rhonda Stees

Brandon, Anna

1891 Rhianon Lane
Harrisonburg, VA 22801
Home phone: 540-433-6257
Email: rlstees@verizon.net

Kevin and Rhonda came to Harrisonburg when he was offered a position at JMU. They say it has been a great place to raise their children.



Kevin's parents, Richard and Linda Stees, moved to Harrisonburg before Anna was adopted. Around that time, Kevin's family started looking for a new church to call home and were drawn to Muhlenberg before Linda passed away. "It was through the loving care of the pastors and people that we became more attached to Muhlenberg."

Kevin is a Council nominee. *For bios on all nominees, see pages 6-7.*

TODAY AT MUHLENBERG (CONT'D)

SUNDAY MORNINGS

Join your Muhlenberg friends and family for education and fellowship via [ZOOM](#) each Sunday from 8:30 – 11:00 using this link:

[HTTPS://US02WEB.ZOOM.US/J/84731416878](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84731416878)

8:30 – 9:00 Communion Service via Zoom
 9:00 – 11:00 “Coffee Hour” Fellowship
 9:30 – 10:00 K - 3rd Grade Class
 9:30 – 10:00 4th - 5th Grade Class
 9:30 – 10:30 Adult Faith Lens Class
 9:30 – 10:30 Adult 40-Day Journey Class
 10:15– 10:30 Pre-K Story Time
 11:00 Worship on [Facebook](#),
[YouTube](#), [Wellstream Phone](#)

- **Pastoral Care** ~ If you would like a private word with the pastor on call, we will provide a breakout room for you.
- **Small Group Fellowship** ~ Want to catch up with a small group of friends? We have private breakout rooms for that!

If you don't have a reliable internet connection, call in on Sundays at 1-301-715-8592 and enter the Meeting ID: 84731416878.

WELLSTREAM PHONE

We want all members to have the opportunity to “participate” in worship and hear The Word. **Wellstream Phone is a service that works from your home or cell phone — no internet required. Simply call the number below and select an option. Information will be available by 11 am each Sunday.** Contact Linda Depoy (434-3496) with any questions.

Wellstream Phone Number:

1-434-205-8777

FINANCIAL NEWS

RECENT ATTENDANCE

While we aren't meeting in person, we are able to track our online viewership:

11/1	8:30 Communion	19
	11:00 Total Live Views	85
	4:00 All Saints Concert	
	In-person/Live Views	18/42
	Total Views this Week	475
	Hours Viewed this Week	175
11/8	8:30 Communion	21
	11:00 Total Live Views	93

FINANCIAL REPORT

Through October 2020			
	Y-T-D Actual	Y-T-D Budget	Y-T-D Last Year
Gifts & Offerings	\$504,446	\$673,509	\$566,725
Total Receipts*	\$642,631	\$765,722	\$650,160
Expenses	\$660,132	\$813,258	\$689,353
Excess Income/ (Expenses)	(\$17,501)	(\$17,501)	(\$39,193)

* Includes \$12,331.53 – federal PPP proceeds

Giving in support of our Spending Plan	\$ 14,306.00
Giving to Other Designated Funds	\$ 8,197.11
Total Giving for the Week	\$ 22,503.11

November Thrivent Choice Dollars: \$47

To give online, scan here →



Muhlenberg is not suspending its ministry through this unprecedented time, and we ask you not to suspend your financial contributions either. We are committed to maintaining our ministries, even if they are in a different form for now. We also want to be able to continue to support the needs of the most vulnerable in our community.

You can make a one-time or recurring donation through the [donation page](#) on our website, or mail your check to the church: 281 E. Market Street, Harrisonburg, VA 22801.

THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY AM BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays at 10:30 am, participants study the Narrative Lectionary text for the upcoming Sunday. All are welcome to join via [ZOOM](#) using the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/200491556>

PASTORS' BOOK CLUB

THIS Wednesday (11/18), 6:30 pm

We will discuss *For All Who Hunger: Searching for Communion in a Shattered World* by Emily M.D. Scott.

Recalling her journey as a single woman and a pastor looking for love and friendship in a city of millions, *For All Who Hunger* articulates the value of church as a place where people can hear not only that they are loved, but that they are good. Please join us via [ZOOM](#)

THIS Wednesday, November 18, 6:30 pm.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82701657853?pwd=NWFhZVh0VGdEY1Z5dzRCSjNVQzZlZQT09>

Just because we call this a book "club" doesn't mean there are "membership" requirements! A different group gathers each month based on interest, so feel free to attend, even if you haven't before!

HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER

Wednesdays at 7:00 pm

Led from the sanctuary by Music Ministry Accompanist Linlin Uta and a rotating slate of singers, including the pastors, this service is livestreamed on [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#).

The service will be recorded and available to view any time.

FALL SCHEDULE

For details about worship, education & fellowship opportunities, click [HERE](#) for the fall newsletter.

ADULT SMALL GROUP STUDY

You are invited to participate in a 4-week study, *For Such a Time as This*, exploring Biblical leadership wisdom for today's communities. Sessions include:

- Wilderness Voices: John the Baptist as Way-Making Leader
- Leading from a Tent: Wa(o)ndering Leadership
- Do You Hear What I Hear: Mary as Singing Leader
- Home By Another Way: Magi as Wise Leaders

This study, created by Dr. Jill Crainshaw of Wake Forest Divinity School, will be facilitated by Muhlenberg member Kathy Thompson. We'll meet via Zoom, **Thursdays at 7 pm, November 19, December 3 & 10**. It's not too late to sign up for the last 3 sessions — *contact Kathy* (thompskb@jmu.edu).

LOST AND FOUND

This Virginia Synod annual retreat is for 7th - 8th grade youth and adult leaders. This year we will gather online for large group experiences with singing, skits and fun, and small group experiences with new friends, lots of games, conversation, and faith sharing! The event will take place from **6:00 pm Friday, Nov. 20 through 7:30 pm Saturday, Nov. 21**. Register at: <https://www.vasynod.org/event/lost-and-found/>.

6TH – 8TH GRADE YOUTH GROUP AND BIBLE STUDY

We're off to a great start! All 6th - 8th graders are invited to attend these outdoor, socially distant events at Hillandale Park, pavilion 1:

November 22, 2:00-4:00 pm (note time change)

December 6, 1:00-3:00 pm

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

Staff is busy planning for meaningful Advent and Christmas seasons. We will offer worship opportunities (online and in person via parking lot services), a fun Advent-ure Sunday (*see details below*), daily video devotionals, a children's Christmas program, and multiple ways you can help those less fortunate this holiday season (*see page 9 for details*). We are also planning special events for Christmas Eve. Stay tuned for details.

ADVENT-URE SUNDAY



Advent-ure Sunday has been part of Muhlenberg's Advent season for more than 20 years! Christian Formation invites everyone to join us, **Sunday, December 13, 4:00 pm in the parking lot.** We will hear from St. Nicholas and have family craft activity bags to take home. Greenery will be available for you to clip and use in your Advent wreath.

For more information, contact Diane Bayer +(bayer@muhlenberglutheran.org).

REMEMBER & HONOR LOVED ONES

Again this year, we will offer the opportunity for you to remember or honor a loved one with a poinsettia that will adorn our sanctuary for Christmas service recordings. **Cost per plant is \$17.**

Local & Global Mission will also suggest two agencies that you may consider supporting in addition to or as an alternative to purchasing a poinsettia.

Names of loved ones will be included in *The Chimes*. Watch for details next week.



ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

Members are invited to a virtual Annual Meeting of the Congregation **Sunday, November 22, 12:15 pm** via [Zoom](#). The Purpose of the Meeting:

- † **Review and vote on the 2021 Spending Plan for Ministries** (available for download [HERE](#), or hard copies are available in the Muhlenberg pick-up box)
- † **Elect Congregation Council Members:** Nominees are Cathy Copeland, Joe Grandstaff, Bruce Hamilton, and Kevin Stees (*see pages 6-7 for bios*)

~see next page for participation instructions~

ANNUAL MEETING PARTICIPATION INSTRUCTIONS

Virtual Annual Meeting of the Congregation *Sunday, November 22 at 12:15 pm via [ZOOM](#)*

STEP 1: ZOOM DOWNLOAD / PHONE OPTION

First, download the Zoom app. Go to <https://zoom.us/download> and follow the prompts for installation, as with any downloaded program. Click [HERE](#) for a video tutorial about Zoom.

If you can't download the app, you can always join by phone. Call the number below 5 minutes before the meeting and provide additional information as prompted:

1-929-205-6099 (Meeting ID: **857 5211 9470** Passcode: **038184**)

STEP 2: ATTENDING THE MEETING

Once Zoom is downloaded, you're ready to attend the meeting:

- The meeting is on Sunday, November 22 at 12:15 pm. Please logon approx. 5 minutes before the meeting by clicking [HERE](#) or this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85752119470?pwd=OWthTGUxWXIweDV5dDF6NWRRYjVKUT09>
- Follow the prompts to run Zoom, and then wait for the meeting host to let you in. If, for some reason, Zoom doesn't open, you can always open Zoom manually, select "Join a meeting" and enter this 11-digit Meeting Code: **857 5211 9470**. You will also need to enter the passcode: **038184**
- Once you are admitted by the host, select "Join with computer audio"
- For this meeting, you will be separated into different "breakout rooms" (small groups) for member voting. This will happen automatically – there's nothing you need to do. Each breakout room will have a moderator. For voting, please follow the instructions of the moderator so votes can be accurately tallied. You will then be automatically sent back to the main meeting room.

STEP 3: ZOOM ETIQUETTE

- To assist moderators, edit your name on Zoom to include the names of all voting members in your home. Click [HERE](#) for a video tutorial that includes instructions on name editing.
- Mute your audio (click on the "Mute" option) until you are asked to unmute for voting, etc.
- Make sure video is turned on so the host can see you and know you're still logged in.

QUESTIONS/MORE INFORMATION:

- If you have questions about Zoom **before the meeting**, please **contact Communication Minister Christian Perritt** at perritt@muhlenberglutheran.org or **540-810-3996**.
- **On the day of the meeting**, **Bill Wightman** is available for support at **540-435-6868**.
- Visit our website at <https://www.muhlenberglutheran.org/congregationalmeeting.html> for meeting materials and additional information.

CONGREGATION COUNCIL NOMINEES

Below are brief bios to help you learn more about the current slate of Council nominees:

CATHY COPELAND



I moved to Harrisonburg in 2010, after growing up in Indiana and living in Maryland and Alabama. My husband, Adam, and I became members of Muhlenberg in August 2011, and both of our children—Latham (8) and Gwendolyn (5)— have been baptized here.

We love our church family at Muhlenberg and have sponsored several new families. Adam and I served as interim campus ministers for nearly two years between 2011-2013. My children are very vocal members for the Cherub Choir. I currently serve as Muhlenberg's Faith in Action representative. I've taught Children's Church, attend the Wednesday evening Book Clubs, and have enjoyed being part of the Mary Martha Group.

On the job front, I have taught Writing, Rhetoric, and Technical Communication at JMU for 10 years. Recently, I also began work as the American Democracy Project Program Coordinator for the American Association of State Colleges and Universities, a non-partisan, non-profit organization that encourages students to be civically engaged with their community.

My family and I love Harrisonburg, and we appreciate our Muhlenberg family. I'm honored to be nominated for Council and would be honored to serve.

JOE GRANDSTAFF

I was born in Fort Valley, Virginia and graduated from Strasburg High School in 1973. In 1977 I graduated from Madison College with a degree in Communications.

In 1999, I married Kay Grandstaff, who is retired from Harrisonburg City Schools as a classroom teacher. We have four children: Mark McLawhorn lives in Raleigh, NC; Philip McLawhorn lives in Portsmouth, VA with his wife Kate; Kyle Grandstaff lives in Atlanta, NC with his wife Caroline and grandsons William and Douglas; and Austin Grandstaff lives in Charlotte, NC with his wife Lexi. Kids still at home are our dog Zelda and our cat Miss Kitty.



I am semi-retired from the Hospitality and Tourism Industry. I worked during my career for the Shenandoah Valley Travel Association, Museum of American Frontier Culture, Virginia Hospitality and Travel Association and Massanutten Resort. I currently work as a Supervisor and Event Manager for RMC Events at JMU and UVA.

I am a Past President of the Harrisonburg Lions Club and am on the Board of the Shenandoah Valley Travel Association. I am an Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America. I was brought up in the Brethren Church.

I enjoy roaming the back roads of the Shenandoah Valley looking for bargains. I also have a passion for landscaping and restoring old electronics.

BRUCE HAMILTON



I was born and raised in and around Chicago, Illinois. I attended Augustana College in Rock Island, Illinois, a private liberal arts college affiliated with the Lutheran church, graduating with a BA in political science. Upon graduation I enlisted in the U.S. Air Force serving as an intelligence analyst for four years during the Vietnam war. After my discharge I remained in Alaska to do my student teaching. I accepted a teaching position in Madison County, Virginia. While teaching in Madison, I used my G.I. Bill benefits to obtain a Master's degree from UVA. I was an elementary school teacher and principal in Madison County, Orange County and Harrisonburg City. The last nineteen years I was in HCPS serving as principal of Keister and Spotswood Elementary schools and opening Stone Spring Elementary and serving as principal there. During my time there and after my retirement I served as an Auxiliary Police Officer in the patrol division of the Harrisonburg Police Department.

My wife Wanda and I have three daughters and seven grandchildren. We have been members of Muhlenberg for about four years. I enjoy UVA sports, reading, walking with Wanda and our dog (Rufus), visiting family and traveling, which I hope we can do once again after the pandemic. I look forward to any contribution I can make to the mission of our church here at Muhlenberg.

KEVIN STEES

I grew up in Vienna, Virginia. I went to undergraduate school in Illinois (where I met my wife, Rhonda) and graduate school in Arizona. We came to Harrisonburg when I received an offer to teach at JMU in music. It's been a great place for us to raise our family that consists of three children, Ryan, Brandon and Anna, and it's a place that we've come to call home. We recently welcomed another to our family when our son, Ryan, married Mary Pearson this summer. They met through Presbyterian Campus Ministry and their involvement in music at JMU. All of our children were baptized in the Presbyterian church where our oldest two children were raised and confirmed.



My folks moved to Harrisonburg before we adopted our daughter, Anna. Around that time, we started looking for a new church to call home. We were drawn to Muhlenberg before my mom passed away, and it was through the loving care of the pastors and people that we became more attached to Muhlenberg. We enjoy being here with my dad, Richard, and our Anna has really appreciated the opportunities through Christian formation.

I'm the tuba and euphonium professor at JMU and conduct the JMU Brass Band. Some of you may have seen me in either capacity at Muhlenberg. I also enjoy tabletop games, particularly with my son, Brandon, and during the pandemic we've started a new online endeavor called *Brandon's Game Shelf*. Besides my music making and gaming, I enjoy reading and anytime we can spend together as a family. I have been serving on the Gathering Together Task Force and appreciated the invitation to be further involved by serving on Council.

MUHLENBERG NEWS

CREATION CARE TIP



Creation Care offers a simple tip that will help you protect God's earth. Contact Ramona Sanders for more information: 433-1165 or rsanders97@verizon.net.

Women's consumer spending affects virtually every aspect of the environment. When we pay for goods, manufacturers pay attention to us. Why not use that consumer clout to pressure companies to save energy, protect forests, use safer ingredients, and otherwise become more responsible environmental citizens?

CROSSES & LINKS

The names of saints past and present adorn the sanctuary in celebration of All Saints Sunday. White crosses represent our pastors. The red and white links represent names of individuals the congregation has named as important in their life of faith. The crosses and links were featured in worship November 1 — click [HERE](#) for the worship video. The collection will be displayed through Sunday, December 6.

MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS

Contact Music Minister [Elizabeth Williams](#) for more information.

ADULT CHOIRS

Celebration Singers ~ Tuesdays, 6:30 – 7:30
November 24, December 1 & 15

Sanctuary Choir ~ Wednesdays, 7:00 – 8:00
November 18, December 2 & 16

CHILDREN'S CHOIRS

Tweens and Teens ~ Tuesdays, 5:00 – 5:30
For grades 6 – 8.
November 17 & 24, December 1, 8 & 15

REMINDERS

PASTORAL CARE

Pastor Lauren and Pastor Alex are available for phone conversations, email, and video/in-person meetings as needed. Simply email or call them at the church office — they'll be happy to hear from you!

ENTERING THE CHURCH

Staff continues to work mainly from home. **All doors are locked at all times.** To keep everyone safe, we ask that congregation members refrain from coming to the church building unless necessary. **If you need to be in the building, use the Gathering Area doors to enter and exit.** We suggest you wear a mask as much as possible. If you have something to drop off, arrange with a staff person to receive it ahead of time. Thank you!

LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE

Hurricanes devastate the areas they hit. 100% of gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response go directly to aid in disaster relief. Ways to give:

- **Online:** www.elca.org.
- **Phone:** 800-638-3522 (Monday-Friday, 8:00-5:00 Central Time).
- **Mail:** make checks payable to Lutheran Disaster Response, designate *Hurricane Relief* and send to ELCA, PO Box 1809, Merrifield, VA 22116-8009.
- **Offering:** make checks payable to Muhlenberg and designate Lutheran Disaster Response.
- **Via Thrivent:** Thrivent members can direct Choice Dollars to Disaster Relief and/or make a personal donation that will be matched by Thrivent. Visit thrivent.com Disaster Response for details.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

Christian Formation and Local & Global Mission ministry teams are offering many opportunities to make your Advent and Christmas a time of sharing with others. By providing these different opportunities, we hope you find one that touches your heart. Another way you and your family can take part is by praying for those who are in need in our world! Contact Diane Bayer (bayer@muhlenberglutheran.org or 434-3496) with any questions about these projects.

ANGEL TREE



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We are again sponsoring an *Angel Tree* for the Salvation Army. Because of COVID, the needs especially great. To participate, choose an “angel” from “Angel Envelope” in the pick-up/drop-off box outside the Gathering Area. Complete instructions are included with each angel.

CHRISTMAS SOCKS

Fill a **pair** of dark socks with things like...

- water flavoring powder packets**
- tissues**
- toothpaste/toothbrushes**
- crackers, granola**
- hand warmers**
- soap, shampoo, lip balm**
- bus tickets**
- gift cards to local food shops, etc.**

Tie the pair of filled socks together and bring them to church **December 6 or 13 during 4:00 pm parking lot** events. Filled socks may also be placed in the pick-up/drop-off box outside the Gathering Area before December 13. If your sock contains bus tickets, gift cards, or other valuable items, contact Diane Bayer for instructions.



SENIOR CITIZEN SANTA BAGS

Sponsored by JAMers

The JAMers offer this service opportunity every year for the whole congregation. The following items will be collected:

- shampoo**
- toothbrushes/toothpaste**
- combs/brushes**
- body lotion**
- soap**
- hand sanitizer**
- tissues**
- hot chocolate**
- popcorn**
- snack crackers**
- stamps, envelopes & greeting cards**



Bins for collection of these items will be available at the 4:00 parking lot events **Sundays December 6 & 13.**

ALTERNATIVE ADVENT...



An opportunity to do something a bit different as part of your Advent devotions. Pick up a box **Sunday, December 6 at 4:00** during our Advent-ure Sunday parking lot activity.

Each day during devotions, put something in the box (e.g. a canned good, a bar of soap, a toothbrush or toothpaste, etc.).

The boxes should be **returned Christmas Eve** and placed on the table outside the Muhlenberg Activities Center.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY Dedication Last Sunday



Thanks to everyone who responded to the recent survey to gauge interest in Muhlenberg's participation in a faith build with Habitat for Humanity. The responses indicated strong interest and Council has approved our participation.

There was a groundbreaking dedication last Sunday at **658 Virginia Avenue**. Pastor Alex provided the invocation, and members of the congregation were invited to attend. Below is a photo from the dedication.

For more information about Habitat for Humanity, visit centralvalleyhabitat.org. If you're interested in helping with the build or have questions, contact Diane Bayer (bayer@muhlenberglutheran.org) or Karen Thomsen (kethomsen25@gmail.com).



*The house Habitat for Humanity is building is a duplex.
Pictured above are the two families who will call the new house, "home."*

NEWS FROM VIRGINIA SYNOD



The Synod offers many events, activities, and educational opportunities

for congregational members. Click [HERE](#) to see their Weekly Update and learn more!

CAROLINE FURNACE UPDATES

An invitation from Caroline Furnace...

Summer 2021 pre-registration is NOW OPEN! We are offering every opportunity to experience Summer Camp in 2021: Come as a family, as an overnight camper, or online from home! We look forward to sharing new opportunities with you next year, to include more Family Retreats and Camp at Home, plus a NEW Youth Group Service + Adventure Week!



As we learn and grow from this unusual year, many of our new procedures and best practices will continue into 2021. We are so excited to see you again and look forward to welcoming you back to Caroline Furnace soon!

Get the full update, view the Summer 2021 schedule, and pre-register here:

www.carolinefurnace.org/summer-schedule.

NEWSLETTERS

Sign up to receive newsletters like *The Virginia Lutheran* or *Weekly Update* from the Virginia Synod Office. Click [HERE](#) to sign up and stay in touch!

MORE REMINDERS

Contact Parish Administrator Linda Depoy (434-3496 or depoy@muhlenberglutheran.org) for assistance on the topics below.

EMAIL NEWSLETTER

Have you been receiving our weekly email newsletters with links to the worship booklet and *The Chimes*? We also send out occasional email newsletters on specific topics like our seasonal schedule or the death of a member. If not, first make sure our emails didn't end up in your spam or promotions folders. To subscribe or verify that you are on the list, send your email address to Linda Depoy.

COMMUNICATING WITH MEMBERS WITHOUT ONLINE ACCESS

Members of the congregation who cannot read *The Chimes* online can request a copy be mailed to them weekly. If you know a member without online access, contact Linda Depoy.

CONTACT INFORMATION

With our ever-changing lifestyles, it's sometimes difficult to be sure everyone has your correct contact information. Have you recently ...



- moved?
- cancelled your home phone?
- changed your cell phone number?
- changed your home/work email address?

If so, please be sure your information is updated with the church by contacting Linda Depoy.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION NEWS

Contact Christian Formation Minister Diane Bayer
(434-3496 or bayer@muhlenberglutheran.org)
for more information.

JAMERS

Meet at Westover Park, Pavilion #2 NEXT
Sunday, November 22, 2:00-4:00 pm. Masks
will be worn and we will social distance as we
roast hot dogs and marshmallows and play
some JAMers games. We look forward to
seeing you there!

CHILDREN AND YOUTH MUSICIANS

Parents, if you have a child/youth who can play
an instrument, please contact Diane Bayer **now**
(no later than November 22). We want to include
musical pieces in the Children's Christmas
program airing Sunday, December 20.

JOYS, THANKS & CONCERNS

*This is the space for sharing joys, thanks, and concerns of our
congregation, our synod, and the wider church. Please lift these
up as a part of your daily prayers. To share joy, thanks, or
concern (e.g. birth, illness, injury, or death of an immediate
family member; thank-you and congratulatory notes, etc.),
contact Parish Administrator Linda Depoy (434-3496 or
depoy@muhlenberglutheran.org). Submissions will be printed
with consideration for space and appropriateness at the
discretion of the pastors and editor.*

✚ Patchwork Pantry writes, “During the
months of August-October Muhlenberg
Lutheran Church contributed 50 lbs. of
assorted food and produce to Patchwork
Pantry. Please accept this as a sincere
thank you from our Executive Board and
volunteers. Your commitment month after
month to our ministry enables so many in
our community receive the food and
nourishment they need...” If you are
interested in contributing to Patchwork
Pantry, call 434-6283.

WEEKLY CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

November 16-22

*If viewing electronically, you can
click the links below to access meetings and services.*

- Mon. 2:00 pm** Weekly Staff Meeting
6:30 pm Congregation Council
- Tue. 5:00 pm** Tweens and Teens
5:30 pm Children's Choir
- Wed. 10:30 am** Wed. Morning Bible Study
6:30 pm Pastors Book Club via [ZOOM](#)
7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir
7:00 pm Holden Evening Prayer
via [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)
- Thu. 8:00 pm** Muhlenberg Young Families
via [ZOOM](#)
- Sun. [Sunday am ZOOM link](#)**
8:30 am Communion Service
9:00 am “Coffee Hour” begins
8:30 am Communion Service
9:00 am “Coffee Hour” begins
9:30 am K – 3rd Grade Class
9:30 am 4th - 5th Grade Class
9:30 am Faith Lens Class
9:30 am 40-Day Journey Class
11:00 am Service Livestreamed
via [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)
12:15 pm Congregational Meeting
via [ZOOM](#)
2:00 pm 6th-8th Grade Youth
2:00 pm JAMers

The weekly deadline for routine articles for *The Chimes* is **Thursday at 8 am**. Requests for a series, inserts or full-column articles should be made two weeks in advance. Submit information to Parish Administrator Linda Depoy:

[\(depoy@muhlenberglutheran.org/434-3496\)](mailto:depoy@muhlenberglutheran.org/434-3496)

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