



## Why Study History in Church?

By Sister Dottie

*"To be ignorant of what occurred before you were born is to remain always a child. For what is the worth of human life, unless it is woven into the life of our ancestors by the records of history?" – Cicero*

Too often we think of separation of church and state as keeping the secular world separate from the religious realm. But our churches and denominations have been operating within the secular world since before Jesus. The church has not always made the best choices in history and have hurt many people, usually marginalized groups and those with less power to stand up. I invite you to attend our Adult Sunday School class beginning **September 10** at 9:15 a.m. in the Conference Room, as we take a deep dive into the anti-Semitic arm of the Christian church throughout history and the cost that others have paid for the complicity of many Christians. We will follow it up with a trip to the United States Holocaust Museum in Washington, DC on September 30. This class will then continue to look at the history of American immigration through a Gospel lens and the indigenous boarding schools operated by religious institutions.

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## Homes of Hope

Our cooperative ministry in Manheim Township, facilitated by Love Inc., is currently engaged in cleaning, painting, and installing new flooring to prepare for a new family's arrival. We anticipate them joining the HOH program around Labor Day. The purpose of this home is to offer temporary housing for a displaced family with school-aged children in our Township.

To support this initiative, we need help re-stocking the home with essential household items. An Amazon "MT Homes of Hope" gift registry has been created. Go to <https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/SIRWCETAYRZH>. Purchase items, and delivery is automatically sent to Sherry.

We are also accepting donations in the form of cash, checks (made payable to Homes for Hope), Giant/Weis gift cards, Walmart gift cards, and Target gift cards for grocery purchases, as well as items we provide to families (household items, linens, and personal belongings) when they successfully complete the program, then move out. Please contact Sherry Moul with any questions: [slmoul1981@gmail.com](mailto:slmoul1981@gmail.com) or 717-468-0163.

*As Summer comes to an end, we will transition to our regular worship schedule on **September 10**, which includes Traditional services in the sanctuary at 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., along with the New Day worship service in the Family Life Center also at 10:30 a.m.*

## Quick Notes

### LIVING IN COMMUNITY NEW DAY SERMON SERIES —

**September 3: Romans 12:9-21.** Paul presents benchmarks for faithful relationships with Christians and non-Christians. Love is the unflagging standard of our behavior. When we encounter evil, we do not resort to its tactics but seek to overcome it with good. While Christians cannot control the actions and attitudes of others, we seek to live at peace with all people.

**ALL CHURCH PICNIC** — Join us, **Sunday, September 10**, after the 10:30 a.m. service on the Delp Road side. Food will be provided. Come for a time of fellowship, games and conversation. This will be a great way to get back in gear for fall! The picnic will be held indoors in the event of inclement weather.

**NURSERY STORY TIME** — Starting **September 10**, our nursery coordinator, Alyssa Kerper, will hold a story time for our young toddlers (ages three and under) in the nursery at 9:15 a.m. There will be a story, an easy craft and a snack as well as free play. If you have a child and can be an extra body in the nursery, it would be appreciated. We are hoping to have enough volunteers to rotate parents so this will enable parents to have some time in adult education.

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**— Pastor Ross' Wednesday Bible Study will begin on **September 13**. We will be studying the Gospel of Mark, which is the Gospel we will be reading in our worship services starting in December. The class meets from 9:30-11:00 a.m. in the Café. Please bring a Bible translation of your choice to class, as we sometimes wander from the appointed texts from Mark. Mark's Gospel is the oldest of our four Gospels, and is the closest gospel we have to a true "narrative" Gospel.

**MAKING A JOYFUL NOISE** — It's time to begin thinking about singing in St. Peter's choirs! Our choirs are open to all, and we would love to have you join us!

**Herald Choir:** high school age through adult, singing each Sunday at the 10:30 a.m. traditional service. Rehearsals are Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. (6:30 p.m. October-December)

**Canticle Choir:** high school age through adult, singing monthly at the 8:00 a.m. traditional services. Rehearsals are the last two Sunday mornings per month, 9:00 a.m.

**St. Peter's Ringers:** advanced handbell choir, high school through adult, ringing approximately once per month at both traditional services. Rehearsals are Monday evenings, 7:00 p.m.

**Exultate Ringers:** beginning / intermediate handbell choir, ringing on occasion at both traditional services. Rehearsals are Mondays, 6:15 p.m.

Interested singers and ringers, please email me at [tom.berdos@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:tom.berdos@stpeterslutheran.org), or talk with me after worship!

## Worship for Sept. 3

*Time after Pentecost*

### Traditional Worship & Communion

8:00 a.m.

*Preaching: Pastor Hand*

### Traditional Worship

9:30 a.m.

*Preaching: Pastor Hand*

### New Day Worship

9:30 a.m.

*Preaching: Sister Dottie*



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## Upcoming Worship Assistant and Volunteer Schedule

### September 3

**8:00 a.m.** — **Lector:** Eric May; **Greeters:** Bob & Phyllis Hollinger; **Ushers:** Eric & Tamara Rotz family; **Welcome Center:** Mary Ann Oberholtzer; **Acolytes:** Eric & Tamara Rotz family; **A/V:** Tom Badorf; **Communion Assistants:** Ginny Stickler & Bill Sassaman; **Altar Guild Coordinator:** Debbie Shue; **Altar Guild:** Nancy Miller.

**9:30 a.m.** — **Lector:** Jim Gotwald; **Greeter:** Vicki Legath; **Ushers:** Brian Tolbert & Lis Wolf; **Welcome Center:** Rich & Ann Larrick; **A/V:** Bob Preston.

**New Day** — **Communion Assistant:** Sharon Schaefer.

**Flowers Deliverers:** Tim & Sharon Fickes.

### September 10

**8:00 a.m.** — **Lector:** Jennifer Schlener-Thomas; **Greeter:** Betsy Kemper; **Ushers:** Mark & Angela Moshos; **Welcome Center:** Susie Roderick; **A/V:** Bill Schlener.

**10:30 a.m.** — **Lector:** Judy Logan; **Greeters:** Dan & Karen Beck; **Ushers:** Scott Glassford & Cheryl Oeschger; **Welcome Center:** Jean Pretz; **A/V:** Dave Tilley; **Communion Assistants:** Gary & Dawn Troxell; **Altar Guild Coordinator:** Debbie Shue; **Altar Guild:** Pam Preston.

**Coffee Bar:** Shirley Dombach & Phyllis Hollinger.

**Flowers Deliverers:** Lois Benton & Kathy Burke.

### September 17

**8:00 a.m.** — **Lector:** Ginny Stickler; **Greeters:** Lloyd & Marty Bull; **Ushers:** Ben DeLeonardis & Liz O'Brien; **Welcome Center:** Ron & Joan Beck; **A/V:** Tom Chever; **Communion Assistants:** Randy & Debbie Shue; **Altar Guild Coordinator:** Debbie Shue; **Altar Guild:** Nancy LeFevre.

**10:30 a.m.** — **Lector:** Becky Lutz; **Greeters:** Scott & Sharon Breeden; **Ushers:** Cortes family; **Welcome Center:** Sherry Weller; **A/V:** Bill Schlener. **Acolytes:** Cortes family;

**New Day** — **Communion Assistant:** Jenny Sassaman.

**Coffee Bar:** Mark & Donna Aho.

**Flowers Deliverers:** Cathy Graver & Becky Lutz.

### September 24

**8:00 a.m.** — **Lector:** Ann Marie Strubel; **Greeters:** Travis & Susan Chaby; **Ushers:** Gene Olson & Kyle Templeton; **Welcome Center:** Benjamin DeLeonardes; **A/V:** Jordan Lambert.

**10:30 a.m.** — **Lector:** Lois Miklas;

**Greeters:** Dick & Loretta Chubb; **Ushers:** Geoff & Anneliese Owen; **Welcome Center:** Libby Stoner; **A/V:** Bob Preston; **Communion Assistants:** Clint Frontz & Shirley Gorner; **Altar Guild Coordinator:** Debbie Shue; **Altar Guild:** Beverly Swanson.

**Coffee Bar:** Mark & Angela Moshos.

**Flowers Deliverers:** Tim & Sharon Fickes.

### Worship Participant Schedulers

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