



# *The Cent-I-Gram*

Centennial Evangelical Lutheran Church, Kimberton, PA 19442

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## *Sunday Morning Worship*

9:30 AM

*Worship services are live-streamed and recorded for those who are not comfortable or able to attend in-person worship.*

## *Speed Puzzle Competition*

February 11, 2026

*Community Meet and Greet 6:00 PM*

*Registration 6:30 PM*

*Competition starts 7:00 PM*

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**Sunday Worship 9:30 A.M. 610-933-1528**

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# Centennial Lutheran

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February 2026

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<b>1</b> <b>9:30</b> <b>Worship</b>	<b>2</b> 7 PM AA	<b>3</b> 9:30 exercise 1:30 Bible Study 7 PM AA	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 9:30 exercise 6:30-8:30 Cub Scouts	<b>6</b> 7:30 AA	<b>7</b>
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The Annual Meeting of Centennial will take place February 15<sup>th</sup> after the service.

While it follows our worship together, I am sure that during that service liturgy many of us will have many questions and thoughts swirling through our minds.

The future missional progression and direction of the church.  
 What will be done on the question of membership.  
 How we will reach out to the community of Kimberton and beyond.  
 Who will be the new faces we will see in this coming year.  
 When will all these things come to pass?

I must imagine that the disciples in Acts must have thought the same thing. Amid such change and turmoil in the world around them, these fishers and laborers were commissioned by Christ to go forth without the idea of a clear timeline or exactly what specific direction they will take next (Acts 1:7-8). It can feel like that sometimes in our lives inside and outside of the church, right?

We know and feel God's love, cemented by the promise of the Resurrection, we express it in magnificent ways through our incredible work in volunteering for bringing food, health, and clothing to all in need!

Yet we are unsure of where that grace may be best spent in the future. Especially with everything happening around us, even just in January!

From things as immediate as snow cancelling our in-person worship several times, to greater events such as our Lutheran siblings rallying in faithful support for the blessed meek of the earth in traditionally Lutheran places like Minnesota and Greenland.

These are the days when we do not know exactly what the future will look like. Yet, God answers us.

With prayer and patience, the disciples, feeling the bountiful music of faith through the fiery tongues of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:3), rallied and spoke together a future of baptismal promise and missional love!

This future required not just prayerful mindfulness, but communal conversation with one another, and outreach to those outside of our normal language of routine!

With Ash Wednesday on the 18<sup>th</sup> heralding the start of Lent, we will ask ourselves what kind of love can we armor ourselves with?

What future can we plan with our 150 years of history?

What lessons can we teach with the community of Christ in the Muhlenberg Parish?

How can we speak with tongues of Spirit-driven understanding with the communities around us?

When can we begin?

That is what we say to ourselves when we awaken and pray each day.

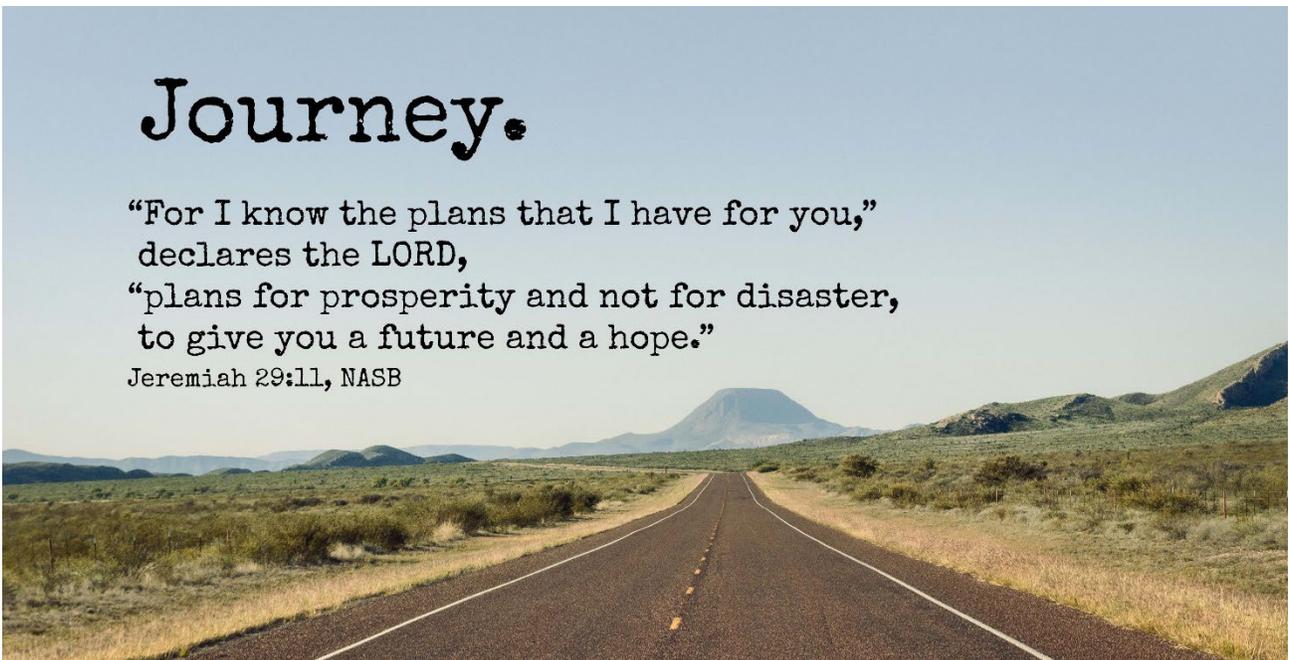
This is what we will be strengthened with as we go through this Congregational Meeting.

This is the Holy Spirit, with us today, where can we begin tomorrow?

# Journey.

“For I know the plans that I have for you,”  
declares the LORD,  
“plans for prosperity and not for disaster,  
to give you a future and a hope.”

Jeremiah 29:11, NASB





## FEBRUARY

- 8     Colin Dawkins West
- 11    Hayden Perrone
- 11    Everly Sweet Genter
- 28    Dave Winning



**Ephesians 4:2-7** - <sup>2</sup> Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. <sup>3</sup> Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. <sup>4</sup> There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; <sup>5</sup> one Lord, one faith, one baptism; <sup>6</sup> one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

<sup>7</sup> But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it.



# WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

## February SCHEDULE

- 1 Sam Kuhl
- 8 Fred Stoudt
- 15 Reggie Ryberg
- 18 Randy Ferree, Ash Wednesday
- 22 Christine Holmes

### *Prayer List*

To request prayer, first ***request permission from the individual in need of prayer*** (as requested by our Synod). Then you may send an email to [prayers@centenniallutheran.org](mailto:prayers@centenniallutheran.org) or call Jerene Gladfelter at 610-933-3542 or the church office at 610-933-1528. Please list the individual's name and a BRIEF description of the situation (i.e. chemo, dementia, auto accident, comfort and peace, etc.) along with the name of the requester and association (brother, co-worker, friend, etc.). Please also advise us when a prayer request is no longer valid. Printed prayer lists are issued at the beginning of each month as a bulletin insert. Please update us by the 25th of each month to ensure that your request is listed.

In addition, there is an email list of individuals desiring to be on the Prayer Chain to receive immediate prayer requests other than those listed monthly. If you wish to be included on this email list, please contact Jerene (610-933-3542) or the church office (610-933-1528) with your email address or telephone number.

### *Live Stream Worship Services*

We have been live streaming the worship service on Centennial's Face Book page. This is available for you if you are not feeling well, or the weather is inclement or if you are traveling. You are still able to worship with us – in real time. Feel free to set aside bread, crackers, wine or grape juice to join with us at the time of Holy Communion. The service can be found on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM on this link: <https://www.facebook.com/CentennialELCA>

### *Pastoral Care*

If anyone wants to have pastoral conversation with Pastor Ian you can do so by calling the office at 610-933-1528 or by emailing his at [pastorianclements@gmail.com](mailto:pastorianclements@gmail.com).

Conversation may take place in-person, on the phone, or via zoom chat depending on what works best for you.

**St. John's Lutheran Church  
Phoenixville, PA  
2025-2026 Concert Series**



**Stacy Arnold, Classical Guitarist**  
February 15, 2026, 4 PM  
"A variety of guitar music, stylistically pleasing in every way."  
[www.stacyarnoldguitar.com](http://www.stacyarnoldguitar.com)



**Pine Forge Academy Choir**  
March 1, 2026, 4 PM  
The choir is noted for its full, rich, and powerful harmonious quality as heard through its spirituals, gospels, anthems, and classical repertoire.  
[www.pineforgeacademy.org](http://www.pineforgeacademy.org)

**Providence Chamber Orchestra**  
April 19, 2026, 4 PM  
Two sides of the Pond, America's 250<sup>th</sup>  
Warlock & Vaughan Williams; Billings, Copland & Hanson

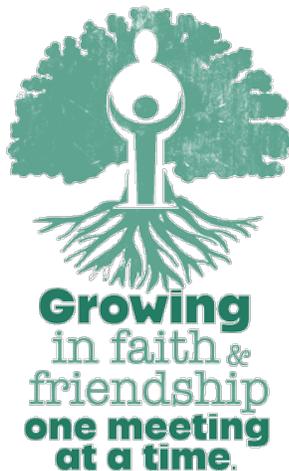


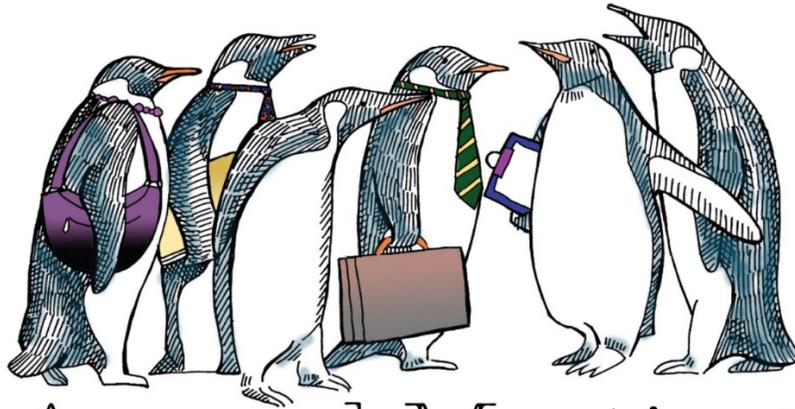
**St. John's Choir & Friends**  
May 3, 2026, 7 PM  
Psalms and Songs  
Thirty-third annual concert with singers from the community accompanied by the WCU Brass Ensemble & Organ  
Rehearsals 7-9 pm, 3/22, 3/29, 4/12, 4/19, 4/26 – Singers welcome, no audition required

**Bible Study  
Every Tuesday at 1:30 at  
Centennial**

**All are welcome!**

**Tune into Facebook or email  
for possible cancellations**





# Annual Meeting

SAVE THE DATE

Annual congregational Meeting is scheduled for  
Sunday, February 15, 2026



## St. Mary's Meals

We will be providing meals  
March 23 – 27, 2026  
See Beth Wise for details.





# UNITE PHILLY



Hand warmers at New Day

Dave hosted church leaders on using the World Cup to connect with neighbors and international visitors.

February 2026

## **Back at New Day**

By the Wednesday following the storm, I (Katie) needed to get out of the house. Dave dug the car out so that I could return to New Day. With temperatures in the 20's during the day, it's so important the doors are open. Two weeks prior, I met Bridget who came here from Georgia. I see her pray before her meals and she firmly believes that God has her here in Philly for a reason. She said how difficult it is for her to be out in the cold and that was before the big storm! Unfortunately, I also learned that she was kicked out of the shelters until 2027 so she has to sleep on the streets most nights. She asked if we had any hand warmers, but we didn't that day. She then told me how those things have kept her alive some nights. For this week, I bought a box of hand warmers and two others joined me in that endeavor. I was able to bring in 120 hand warmers! We gave them out generously along with hats and gloves. When I saw Bridget Wednesday, she was so grateful to have hand warmers. She said she has been staying in a City overnight warming center this week.

If you'd like to help contribute to my next New Day purchase, email [katie.brindley@cru.org](mailto:katie.brindley@cru.org).

Wednesday, I also met Carrie. She's been clean for 4 months now. She is currently getting evicted from PHA housing for violating their community standards. She recognizes what she did was wrong and is hoping for leniency. She told us

that if she ends up back on the streets, she is going to get back into drugs and she firmly said she does NOT want that! As she was leaving I told her I would be praying for her that she won't get kicked out. She was so grateful and told me that prayer changes things. Join me in praying Carrie wouldn't end up back on the streets and can stay clean.

## **Walking Together**

Continue to pray for Alison, a fellow cancer patient I ran into at Woodland. I was able to go for a long walk with her and share fully how God has provided for me through my cancer journey. She marveled that I'm already in remission and said "You are a walking miracle!" I told her God did that! I talked about not being afraid of death. She listened but didn't have many questions that would open a door to fully share the gospel. One evening, I brought her a meal and she cried at the generosity we have received so many times from you.

Pray God would continue to open her heart and that he would reveal himself to her as the doctors don't believe she has much time.

Dave and Katie Brindley	<a href="mailto:dave.brindley@cru.org">dave.brindley@cru.org</a>
5005 Chestnut Street	<a href="mailto:katie.brindley@cru.org">katie.brindley@cru.org</a>
Philadelphia, PA 19139	215-407-7182

To give online to our account: [give.cru.org/0521081](https://give.cru.org/0521081)

Please make checks payable to Cru

## MUHLENBERG PARISH EVENTS

Hello!

Zion Youth Group is hosting an outing to the Reading Royals on March 14<sup>th</sup> – below you'll find the link to grab tickets! We have a ticket block, so we'll all be seated together in Section 110, but you'll be able to pick what Row you'd prefer.

Other Parish Churches: could you share this information with your congregations? Thanks!

[Zion Lutheran Church of Spring City](#) < link for Royals tix.

Thanks so much, hope to see you at the rink!

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### **St. John's Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner is Back!**

Our Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner and Games is back! Shrove Tuesday is February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

Please join us for a delicious dinner featuring pancakes (including gluten-free pancakes), breakfast meats, eggs, fruit and other goodies. The dinner will be from 5-7:30 PM in St. John's Kley Hall. We will also have pancake games for the kids. Proceeds from this year's dinner will once again go toward expenses for the Appalachian Service Project trip.

Please RSVP to Sonya at [office@stjohnphoenixville.org](mailto:office@stjohnphoenixville.org) or 610.933.3947, indicating the number of adults and children attending. We are asking for a free will donation, with a recommendation of \$7 per person, or \$25 for a family of four or more.

**Come and Enjoy a Short Stack for a Tall Cause!**

THANK YOU  
for  
  
GIVING



Dear Centennial Congregation,

On behalf of everyone at Kate's Casa, I want to extend our heartfelt gratitude for your generous support in providing Christmas gifts and a generous monetary donation for the immigrant children we serve. Your kindness and compassion have brought so much joy to families in need, and the smiles on the children's faces were priceless.

Thank you for being such a vital part of our mission to support immigrant families. May the joy you've shared return to you many times over, and may this season be filled with blessings and much love for your congregation.

With deep appreciation,  
Kate Camarda

Thank you

Donna Paul, Helen, Bobb  
and all Centennial Lutheran  
Church,

Jafferson Place  
would like to thank  
you for all of your  
generosity you have  
shown in the last  
several months. We cannot  
tell you how much of  
a difference you have  
made in the lives of our  
residents. We are very  
blessed to have you and  
consider you our friends!

Thank you  
Lori Heath

Jafferson Place



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Centennial Evangelical Lutheran Church  
PO Box 840  
Kimberton, PA 19442

Dear Centennial Evangelical Lutheran Church,

Thank you for the blessing of your tax deductible donation of \$500.00 on 11/19/2025 to the Navajo Lutheran Mission, a 503(c)3 non-profit organization. I promise it will be put to very good work.

Your gift allows life-giving services to be possible for thousands of deserving Navajo families.

As we are over 70 years of service, your donations, love and prayers for this community are more important than ever. The people of Rock Point and large surrounding area count on our Mission for support with the basic necessities of life - faith, food, water, and education.

On behalf of your brothers and sisters in the entire community here, please accept our heartfelt gratitude. With you, we go forward.

Blessings to you with love,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patterson Yazzie".

Patterson Yazzie  
Administrator

PS: Please keep this letter with the receipt attached below for your tax records. No goods or services were received in exchange for donation. Thank you again for your gift. It is treasured!

## Calling all Ajibola fans



Ajibola Rivers has released the first of his suites for solo cello (Suite No 1 in G Major). It is available in CD and also in digital form via music streaming services. The following is where the music can be found:

Order CD via Ajibola's web store:

<https://www.ariversarts.com/category/all-products>

Access Ajibola's music on streaming

services: <https://music.imusician.pro/a/qd29Wrf0>

Centennial Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Church Council Meeting  
January 13, 2026

**In Person:** Christine Holmes, Rick Henricks, Harry Gladfelter, Sam Kuhl, John Miller, Makinzie Ackroyd, Karen Winning, Pastor Clements

**Via Zoom:** Randy Ferree, Dennis Ray, Fred Stoudt

The December 23, 2025 was previously rescheduled for January 13, 2026.

Harry called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Pastor Ian opened with a story from scripture and a prayer.

The minutes for the November 25, 2025 council meeting were approved.

**Pastor's Report:** See the attached pastor's report.

**CURRENT BUSINESS:**

- The Annual Meeting will be held on February 15, 2026. All reports need to be submitted in January.
- The slate for Church Council elections is Dave Winning, Christine Holmes, and Makinzie Ackroyd.
- The new AV equipment was approved and purchased. We are awaiting its arrival.
- Interns from the Chester County Technical School will help with the utilization of our new AV equipment and will also help with outreach through social media.
- Harry made a motion to offer Pastor Clements a full-time position. Rick seconded. Church Council approved. This will be voted on at the Congregational Meeting.
- Council voted to approve changing the two locks to the church secretary's office for security reasons.
- Pastor Clements reached out to the Phoenixville Quakers with ties to Kimberton. They are interested in working with us.
- Dennis will contact the East Pikeland Police Department to inquire about intruder preparedness.

**CONTINUING BUSINESS:**

- The Mutual Ministry Committee will meet in early 2026. The members are Pastor Clements, Heather Haloka, Barbara Ray, Reggie Ryberg, Ava Zinno, and Jessica Yothers.
- Upgrades to the Verizon phone system were put on hold. The current system is not affecting the day-to-day work of our church.

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- We have a renter for one of the empty rooms in the education wing. For now, we are asking for predictable days and times in advance. It will serve as a prototype for possibly renting out other rooms.

**TEAM REPORTS:**

**Finance:**

- We are finishing the year in a financially strong position.
- Rick will have a proposed budget ready two weeks before the Annual Meeting.

**Property:**

- The elevator certificate issued on 12/31/2020 should arrive soon.
- The refrigerator is freezing things again. Dennis will check it out and call for repairs.
- Three broken windows in the education wing were replaced.

**Music and Worship:** The piano in the choir room can no longer be tuned. It is being replaced by a digital, Yamaha piano that will arrive in two weeks. It will have a regular, full-size keyboard.

**Technology:** We are awaiting the arrival of the new AV equipment. Upgrades can be made in the future.

**Muhlenberg Parish:**

- There will be a Potluck and Trivia Night on Saturday, January 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM at St. John's in Phoenixville. Watch for details.
- On April 25<sup>th</sup> there will be a Flea Market at Zion Lutheran of Spring City, in the parking lot. More details to come.

**Congregational Life and Hospitality:** The Congregational Meeting will be on February 15<sup>th</sup>. There will be food after the meeting.

**Missions:** The Annual Report will let us know what is in store for 2026.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen Winning

## **MINISTRY LEADERS**

### **Church Council Members**

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Nancy Miller	jr_nsmiller@verizon.net

### **Hospitality Team Leader:**

Karen Winning	kwinning11@aol.com
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### **Prayer Chain Coordinator:**

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### **Pastor**

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