



The Lutheran

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Church of the Redeemer (Episcopal).

Sayre, PA 18840

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Combined Summer Worship

Our combined worship continues at 10 a.m. at Redeemer Can't attend worship but you CAN watch it? Go here: <https://www.redeemersayre.org> (copy and paste into your browser.)

Canon/Pastor Melinda Away

Canon/Pastor Melinda will be away through August 8th and then again from August 11-14th. In the event of a pastoral emergency during these times, please contact Jerry at either office during office hours. During non-office hours please contact her at (607) 846-1692 and she will reach out to the pastor that will be filling in while Canon/Pastor Melinda is away.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE THROUGH AUGUST 17

Saturday, August 9, 5:15 PM Holy Eucharist Rite II The Rev. Melinda Artman presiding

Sunday, August 10, 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II Nave, Redeemer, Pastor Melinda presiding

Saturday August 16 5:15 PM **NO SERVICE**

Sunday August 17 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II Nave, Redeemer, Bishop Kevin Nichols, presiding, Canon Melinda Artman assisting. Join us for a reception with the Bishop after the service downstairs in the Parish Hall.

The (Episcopal) Bishop is coming!

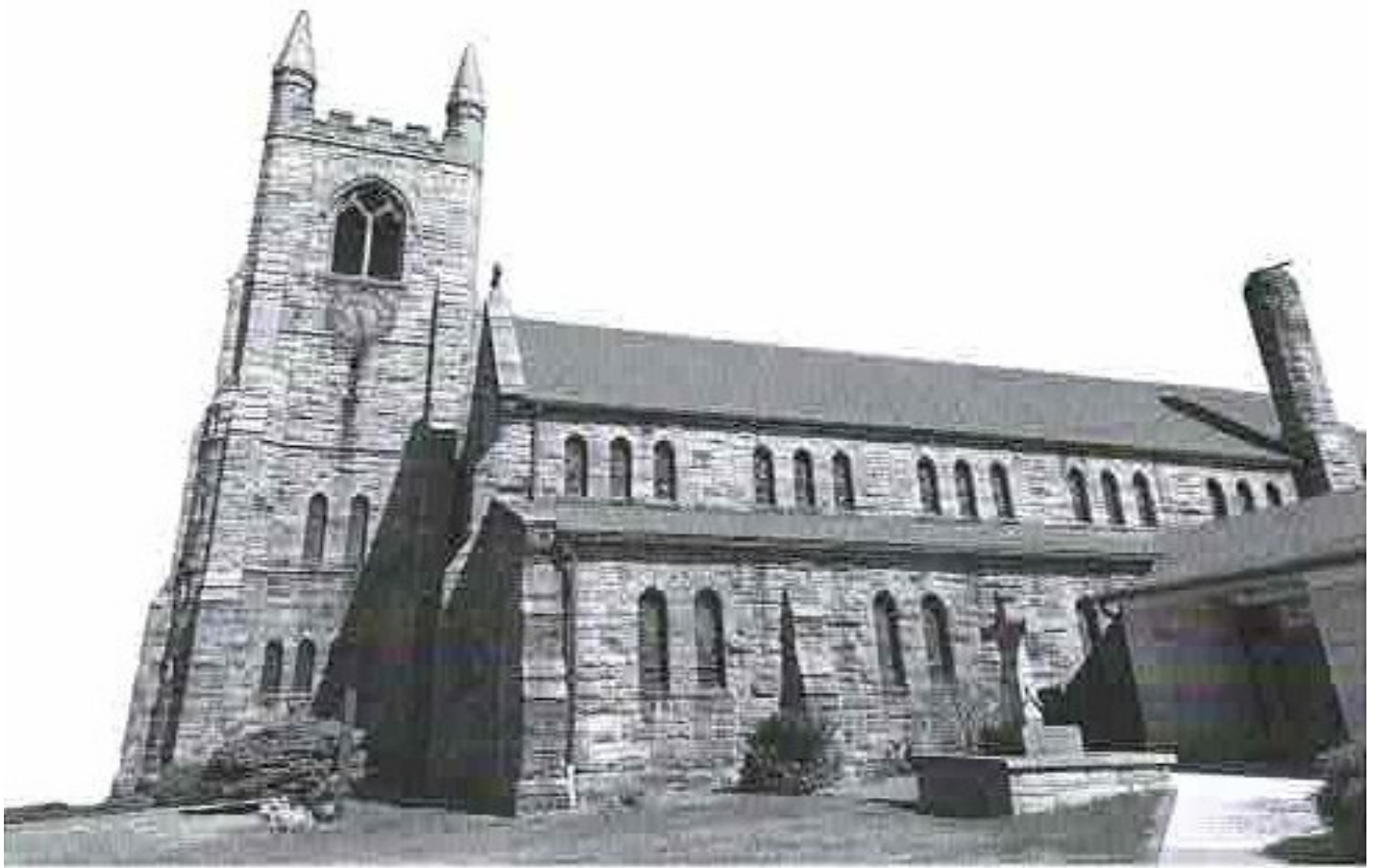
We are pleased to announce that the Rt. Rev. Kevin D. Nichols will be our celebrant and preacher on **Sunday August 17**, with Pastor Melinda assisting him.

Canon Melinda is presenting FOUR people for reception. Reception means not only officially transferring membership, it means that those being received officially become Episcopalian Christians. As a visit from the Bishop is a big deal, after worship there will be a different kind of reception ... with food! Obviously, Bishop Kevin is visiting during our joint summer worship—it will be his delight to be with both Lutherans AND Episcopalians. He will be meeting with available members of Council and Vestry after the reception (with food!)



Note: In case you missed it on the front page, our hope is that as many of you as possible will join us in worshipping with the Bishop on the 17th, consequently **WILL NOT** be a Saturday 5:15 p.m. service on the 16th.

Scripture Reflections are on a hiatus
Look for them later in August.



Dear friends at St. John,

How blessed we are to have you
as partners in so many things
we do at Redeemer! Thank you
for all, and especially for your
(great) → Sponsorship of the Community
job Cheryl! Supper & the excellent volunteers -
Nick, Louise, Yvonne, Irene, Belinda -
(and excellent desserts too!)

Thank you! Love, Community Super Team



St. John Corner

Living into Our Mission @ St. John

For the month of **July & August** as part of living into our mission St. John members will continue to collect hygiene items for the Athens School District. (Redeemer members are welcome to participate as well!) As in the past, items such as tooth paste, body wash, deodorant etc. are much appreciated.

Pastor Melinda is going where?

Dubuque Iowa! The NEPA Synod has received a grant through the Lily Foundation for churches in rural areas. In particular, the NEPA grant is aimed at fostering 6-2-6-1 congregation partnerships, especially with ecumenical partners. Bishop Christopher deForest asked an ecumenical partner ~Pastor Melinda ~ to attend a conference at Wartburg College with him. At the conference they expect to learn what resources might be available to churches in rural areas, as well as learn expectations of grant recipients. Pastor Melinda will be in Iowa Monday August 11 through Wednesday August 13, and returns to Sayre mid-morning on Thursday August 14.



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Craft Day

The next Craft Day will be on Saturday, September 6, from 10- 2 p.m. in the South Wing. We hope to see you there.





Redeemer Corner

Weekly Video Spotlight

This week, The Rev. Barbara Hutchinson and Jessica Larkin of St. Andrews, Shippensburg, show us Grace Place, a community garden and food ministry offering fresh produce, events, and free meals to the surrounding neighborhood. Grace Place is more than a garden. It's become a true gathering place in Shippensburg, a micro-

cosm of the Beloved Community we are all trying to build.

[Weekly Video Spotlight: Grace Place Gardens](#)



Outreach at Redeemer

For the month of **August** we are collecting canned fruit for our local food pantries. (St. John members are welcome to contribute as well).

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August 9 & 10 Lessons

First Lesson: Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

Psalm: 50:1-8, 23-24

Second Lesson: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Gospel: Luke 12:32-40

Serving in Worship at Redeemer at 10

Reading the lessons & Prayers

August 10: Belinda Klovekorn

August 17: Margaret Cole

Usher

Walter Chaykosky

Bruce Carpenter

Greeter

Linda Murrelle

Rose Carpenter

Acolyte: Kayla Marshall

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays @ St. John

Renee Woinovick	8/9
Rod Noldy	8/10
Linda Noldy	8/14
Jennifer Joyce	8/17
Yvonne Mizener	8/19
Nenette Lowery	8/21

Birthdays @ Redeemer

Tracy Schamel	8/8
Sofia Storelli	8/17
Elaine Ferris	8/28
Beverley Clare	8/30

Anniversaries @ St. John

Jennifer & Ryan McGee	8/13
Jennifer & Joe Joyce	8/17

Anniversaries @ Redeemer

Sid & Marylou Ranck	8/24
Melinda Artman & Nina Seebeck	8/28

HOW TO EXPERIENCE LIFE THROUGH THE SENSES

Epiphany Roman Catholic Church and Valley United Presbyterian Church are working together again to feature local speakers as they teach us how we can engage with life through our senses.

A freewill offering will be collected to support local organizations.

AUGUST 6TH – SIGHT

Speaker: Stephanie Mullen

Location: Valley United Fellowship Hall

AUGUST 13TH – TOUCH

Speaker: Rev. Alicia Dixon-Garrard

Location: Valley United Fellowship Hall

AUGUST 20TH – HEARING

Speaker: Rev. Rachel Helgeson

Location: Epiphany Parish Hall

AUGUST 27TH – TASTE / SMELL

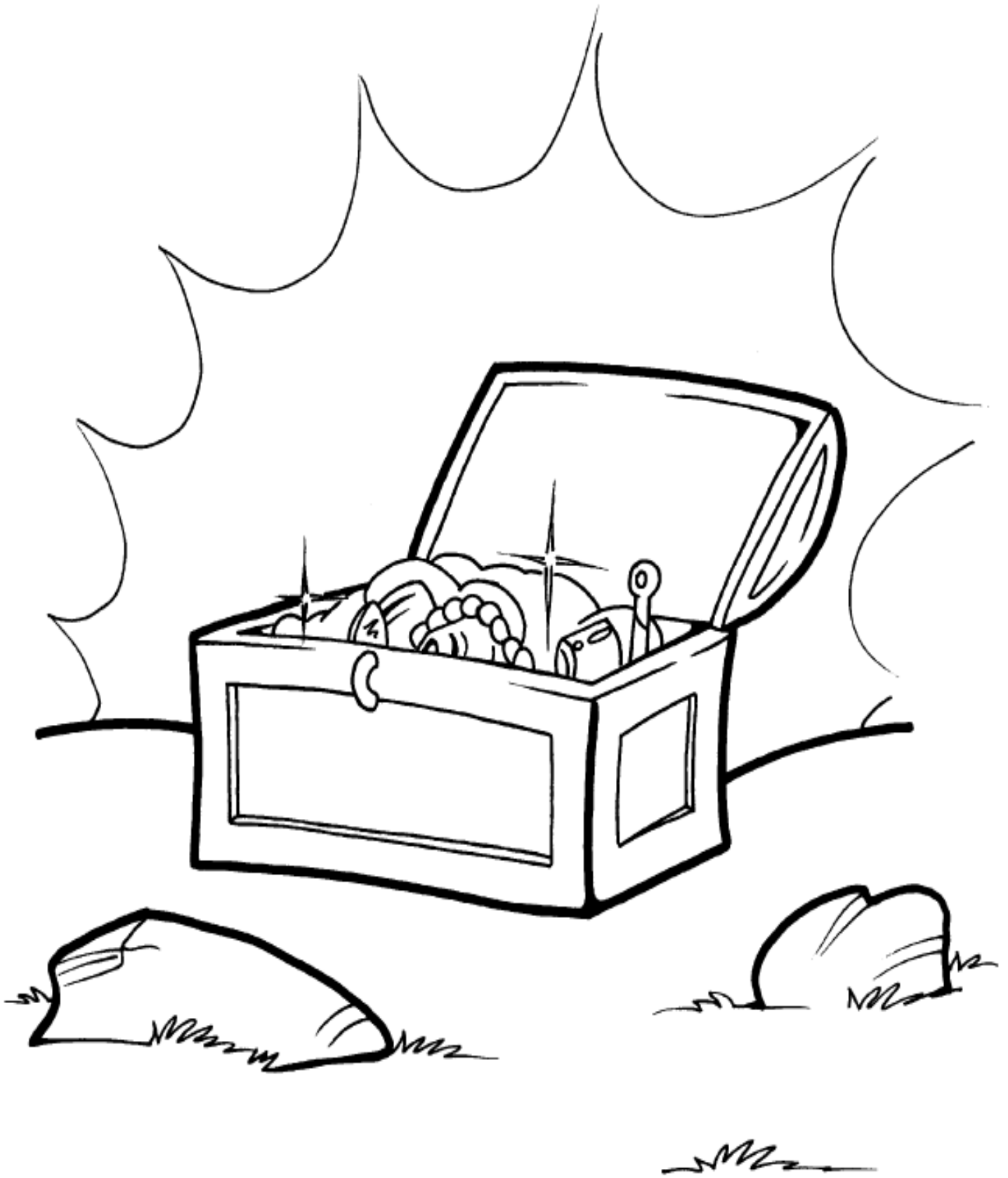
Speaker: Alice Fedorka Bennett

Location: Epiphany Parish Hall

Dinner and fellowship start at 5:45pm.

Join us as we learn how to use our senses to access and enjoy life.





Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a
treasure in heaven that will not be exhausted, where
no thief comes near and no moth destroys.
Luke 12:33b-34 (NIV)

Treasures in Heaven

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.
Luke 12:34 (NIV)

Enter the correct words in the boxes based on the shape of the letters.



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heart

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thief

moth
sell

heaven
treasure

Treasures in Heaven

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Luke 12:34 (NIV)

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



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1. 14-18-5-13-1-22-18-5 _____

2. 1-5-19-19 _____

3. 16-5-1-14-18-25-3-1 _____

4. 26-5-13-12-5-9 _____

5. 14-26-10-5-6 _____

6. 4-25-14-26 _____

7. 24-10-12-5 _____

8. 26-5-13-18-14 _____

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