

And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.

Wear RED on Sunday!

PENTECOST
SUNDAY
MAY 19, 2024



Allentown Parks & Rec has a Monday Funday series that began this week and runs through the summer. These events rotate through six of Allentown's parks, and the first set of events is held in Franklin Park, copied below:

May 13

Music Production and Art with Fine Feather, St. Stephens Outreach Center and Cohesion (5:30pm-7:30pm)

May 20

Skateboarding and Science with Homebase Skateshop, Davinci Science Center, St. Stephens Outreach Center and Cohesion (5:30pm-7:30pm)

June 3

Community Cookout with Fine Feather, Cohesion, Homebase Skateshop, Davinci, St. Stephen's and PAL (5:30pm-8:00pm)

Visit the [Parks & Rec website](#) for the full schedule and information!



While the official celebration of Teacher Appreciation week was last week (always the first full week of May), we want to take a moment and give thanks for teachers! College-level professors and staff are currently overseeing finals and submitting grades. School-age students and teachers are winding down their year and preparing to say goodbye for the summer. We give thanks for all those that nurture young minds and provide safe environments for learning! Thank you for all the energy it takes to do this work day after day, and the ways your job stretches far beyond the classroom, lab, or stage.

Let us pray: God of wisdom, your Son came among us as a teacher. Send your blessing on all engaged in the work of education: give them clearness of vision and freshness of thought, and enable them to train the hearts and minds of their students so that they may grow in wisdom to face the challenges of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (adapt. from ELW)

**YES, IN GOD'S BACKYARD
LEARNING EXCHANGE
AND FUTURE FORUM**

May 29th, 2024
09:00am - 03:00pm
(Lunch Provided)

FREE FULL-DAY WORKSHOP

Envisioning a Future Where Churches Thrive and Create Access to Healthy & Affordable Homes

The Allentown Community will continue conversation about how we can be part of the response to various needs that exist as part of the stable housing crisis. The Lehigh Conference of Churches is organizing a day-long workshop event in conjunction with Ripple Community, Inc., First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem, Mark-n-Sparks, and Touchstone Theater.

Wednesday, May 29 • 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
St. Timothy Lutheran Church
S. Ott Street, Allentown

Individuals from Christ Church will be attending this event. You can register on the [Lehigh Conference of Churches webpage](#), or contact our office if you have any questions. This conversation is ongoing in various ways. If this event isn't for you but you have interest in being a part of what we can do, a staff member can fill you in on all the opportunities being explored.



Upcoming Concert Events

YPP Spring Concerts

Saturday, May 18
4:00 p.m.
Tix \$10 @ door

Lehigh Valley Chamber Orchestra

Sunday, May 26
3:00 p.m.

Colors from the Newer Era

Tix \$15 from [LVCO web](#) or @ door

The Allentown Band, Summer Harmony, & Eric Fennel

Sunday, June 2
3:00 p.m.

Broadway to the Met

Free-Will offering for Concerts at Christ

SUMMER PLANNING

6/9 END OF REGULAR CHOIR SEASON

6/9 END OF FELLOWSHIP UNTIL SEPT

6/16 HYMN SING PRELUDE

7/7 HYMN SING PRELUDE

7/28 SUMMER MUSIC SUNDAY

Summer is quickly approaching! Last Sunday, we bid farewell to the choral scholars from Muhlenberg College. The Bell Choir and Chancel Choir will mark the end of their season June 9 during worship. Hymn Sing Preludes will be offered during June, July, and August. On July 28, the choir will make a one-day return as we mark the commemoration of Johann Sebastian Bach, Heinrich Schütz, and George Frederick Handel. These three German-born musicians have done much to enrich the life of the church. Schütz was an early master who focused on settings of biblical texts. Bach wrote over 300 cantatas along with works for organ and instrumental pieces, and has been called the "fifth evangelist" for the way he proclaimed the gospel in music. Handel's great work, Messiah, is a setting of scriptural texts.

CLARION LITE SPONSORSHIPS

Thank you to this week's sponsor:

Lila Kromer in memory of Cletus Kromer

If you'd like to sponsor the Clarion Lite or Altar Flowers in memory, honor or celebration, please call the church office or pick up a form in the Narthex.

The cost is \$25 for each Clarion Lite sponsorship and \$35 for an Altar Flower sponsorship.

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Wednesday, May 15

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Thursday, May 16

Friday, May 17

6:45 p.m. LVCO rehearsal (gym)

7:00 p.m. Bible Study (Zoom)

Saturday, May 18

9:00 a.m. Church Council meeting (Chapel/SHRA)

4:00 p.m. YPP Spring Concert (Sanctuary & Chapel - reserved 1:30 p.m. on)

Sunday, May 19 • The Day of Pentecost

10:30 a.m. Worship

11:45 a.m. Fellowship (Chapel)

Monday, May 20

Tuesday, May 21

11:30 a.m. Staff meeting (pastor's study)

12:30 p.m. Knit Wits (SHRA third floor)

6:00 p.m. YPP auditions & end of year work

Wednesday, May 22

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Thursday, May 23

Friday, May 24

6:45 p.m. LVCO rehearsal (Sanctuary)

7:00 p.m. Bible Study (Zoom)

Saturday, May 25

Sunday, May 26 • The Holy Trinity

10:30 a.m. Worship

11:45 a.m. Fellowship

Monday, May 27

Offices Closed - Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 28

11:30 a.m. Staff Meeting (pastor's study)

12:30 p.m. Knit Wits (third floor SHRA)

Wednesday, May 29

Worship Attendance May 12: 70 in-person 21 online

MAIN OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY - FRIDAY 8:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.