

Life

Together



October 2026



A Loving Family, Growing in Faith, Sharing the Hope...of Christ!



A Note from Pastor Karen

On the second Sunday of October, we are inviting you to bring your pets to church. The animals will be invited to come to the altar to receive this blessing. 'Live without fear, Your Creator loves you, made you holy, and has always protected you. Go in peace to follow the good road and may God's blessing be with you always. Amen.'



Most pet blessings aren't elaborate, but the inspiration they offer teaches a powerful message: **a blessing acknowledges our awareness that our love for our pets can teach us something about God's love for us.**

St. Francis' Love for Creation

If you've only heard of one saint, chances are it is St. Francis of Assisi. His international popularity hasn't waned in 800 years. In fact, if Francis were a man born ahead of his time, in many ways his time is now. His profound love of all created things was the source of his reputation as an animal lover and a profound believer in the sanctity of all God's creation.

One story tells of Francis stopping in a field to preach to the birds. They gathered around him and kept silent while he spoke. They burst into song when he urged them to praise God. Francis called them "my little sisters" and told his followers to imitate the birds in their joy, their humility, and their trust in providence.

Long before sorting your recyclables was in vogue, Francis had a deep connection with the earth. He saw himself as just one part of creation. The earth and the air, fire and water, birds and beasts were his brothers and sisters, not mere objects to be dominated, tolerated, or ignored. God created the world, and Francis saw that it was very good.

"Safeguarding creation requires us to live responsibly in it, rather than managing creation as though we are outside it," they wrote. Francis had that insight long before climate change became a catchphrase. **"Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? Yet not one of them is forgotten in God's sight."**
(Luke 12:6)

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Church Hours:

Monday & Tuesday
9:30 to 3:30;
Wednesday 9:30 to 12:30
Sunday Worship: 9:30
Sunday Bible Study @11:00a



Sunday services can be viewed, live streamed, at 9:30 on Facebook or anytime on the website.



Staff

Office Assistant:
Denise Miller
Coordinator of Music:
Sheryl Williams
Sexton: Jeff Neely



Pray: Lord, you have shown us affection and faithfulness through all of creation. We are thankful for the laughter and joy that our animals have given us. Help us to share kindness and care with all living things, to be stewards of all creation. We take up this cup, grateful for having been entrusted with the care of your creation. We marvel at how you have fashioned and formed our world in harmony and peace. Amen.



Council Recap – September 8, 2026

As we continue still in need of 2 council members, our agenda does not get smaller. The needs of the church stay our top priority and our mission strong. As the year winds down, it is time to reflect on the budget for 2026 and what we need for 2027. Your input is valued.

- The Ministry Team now meeting on Monday mornings and open to all who want to attend
- October 19 Luther Memorial is doing a celebration of the 250th birthday of USA with special songs and readings
- Time to start thinking Stewardship - Two temple talks; October 25 and November 1, with pledges due November 8
- Pastor to meet with the bishop about several topics including consolidation

Election day is fast approaching. This requires someone to open the building at 6 am and close after the voting. Might also need someone to open the building for the machines to be delivered if not a working day for Denise.

Respectfully submitted by *Analee Cree* - Council Secretary



Please keep in your prayers: The family & friends of Trudy Mueller and the family & friends of Gilda. Also: Donna Graham, Larry Kozlowski, Shirley Englert, Carolyn Hayes, Brian & Penny Gresh, Candy & Arch Watkins, Sam Elder, Jared Semrau, Joy, Priscila Mirone, Don Morey, Joan Doehrel, Pat Kerr, Connie Kerr-Vogt, Cheryl Hicks, Christine Petrone, Ed & Jeanne Tropper, Cindy & Rich Filson, Dick & Diana Stoker, Harry & Susan Speakman, Kathy Sinnott, Maury & Linda Allen, Damian & Marcia Santabene, Don & Donna Holder and Little Library visitors.

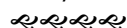
Please contact the church office, 814-868-8685 ahadministrator@hotmail.com or Pastor Karen, pastorkaren@gmail.com at 814-881-3266, with Prayer List requests or updates.



Prayer Warriors: On **Wednesday, October 21 from 1-3:00** the church sanctuary will be open for silent prayer and meditation. Participants can also join us from home, or wherever you are, for as long as you can! The needs are great world wide, and we commit to praying for all needs, near and far, knowing that Jesus is in our midst as we pray, and that God honors all prayer. Please consider joining us.



A Note from Connie Kerr Vogt: All of your many prayers, cards, texts, calls, emails were so **greatly** appreciated during my unexpected lengthy recovery from the first of two scheduled surgeries! It really brightened my days to hear from my beloved church family!



Little Free Library: There are really no words to express the overwhelming gratitude for all the financial gifts given to the Library this past month. Every penny of these donations will be used to create educational packets to support young children in reading/writing/math and science. The packets (large Ziplock bags) contain educational workbooks (by Scholastic and other reputable companies), lined primary writing tablets and supports such as pencils, sharpeners, markers, crayons and colored pencils based on the packet's requirements. Preschool and Elementary Reading Series have also been purchased for children's use to support reading skills.

One of many rewarding stories from 'the camera' at the Library—a young mother and her preschool son visit weekly, and when the first of the new packets were added, both mother and son reacted with great excitement. They carefully looked through them and chose two, then held them up to the camera waving and calling out their thanks.

This is just one of many stories to demonstrate the impact your generosity has had on our neighborhood. May our God reward you ten times over for your donations and support.

A very special THANK YOU is offered to Dave and Nancy Cuning for all their work on keeping the Library in beautiful working condition!



Tom Glasoe Shares His Memoir Project

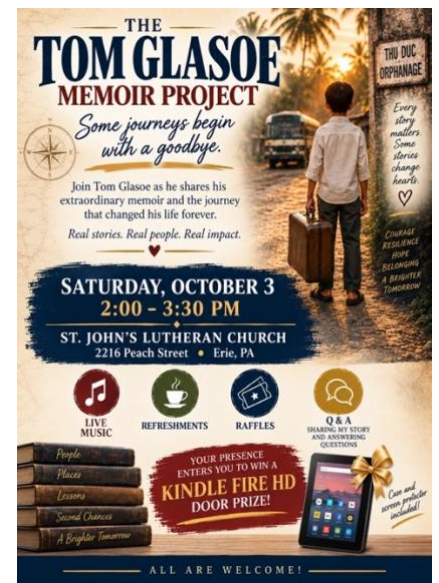
Rev. Tom Glasoe, pastor of Messiah Lutheran in Wesleyville, is writing a memoir about his journey, which begins in an orphanage in Vietnam. Friends of his are throwing a fundraiser party towards publication of his book. This event will be Saturday, Oct 3, 2-3:30 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran. He will tell some of his story and read a chapter or two. There will be live music, refreshments, and a silent auction. Everyone is welcome.

Thanks! Pastor Jean (the dean)

Rev. Jean N. Kuebler, pastor ~ Faith Lutheran Church



Altar Flowers-\$25 per arrangement: Sign-up sheet / request forms with additional information on the table in the narthex.



Abiding Hope said **"Farewell"** to a wonderful lady and friend on September 9th. **Trudy Mueller** was an active assoc. member of AHLC and longtime friend of Carolyn Hayes and was beloved by many ladies of AH. She will be missed.

"Do not cry because they are gone, smile because they lived."



Support Kairos Prison Ministry: Support Bob Hick's and the prison ministry he has championed for years. Bob will Be "Going to Jail" November 15-18; help pay his "bail". The donation box is at the sanctuary entrance. Dig deep and help Bob continue this important prison ministry.



Bosco's Friends and Family

Once again, we have the saving coupons for this event on October 21. Buy one for yourself and your friends. Only \$5 and you're going to save that on your first purchase. Good even on sale items! Remember, the \$5 coupon cost comes back to AHLC. See Analee or Denise to shop your heart out and SAVE \$\$\$\$\$.



Crop Walk: The 51st Crop Walk took place on September 27th. It's not too late to donate. Go to events.crophungerwalk.org/chw/home. Click on donate and type in "Abiding Hope" to donate by Oct 30th. Or see Analee to donate on or before Oct 11th. Kearsarge Food Pantry gets funds, not based on what Abiding Hope raises, but the total collected. Thank you.



Care and Share discussion group, led by Damian Santabene, continues in October on Thursdays at 1. On October 8th, Damian will take folks behind the altar and explain what and why things happen "Behind the Altar". All are welcome to join this interesting and meaningful discussion group.



[Learn More /WELCA Fall Gathering](#)

Prayer Shawl Gatherings Ladies meet for prayer, good conversation, knitting or crocheting shawls, prayer squares, or lap robes for the homebound. Start a new project or complete a piece you've started, but not quite finished. Experience not necessary, yarn and instruction available to all. Oct meetings: Monday the 5th and 19th at 12 noon

Donation: "An act or instance of presenting something as a gift, grant, or contribution."

When I think of the definition of this word, I think of every member of Abiding Hope. The impact of your donations comes in many forms. Helping to provide a funeral meal, volunteering to serve during the service, helping at Food Pantry, supporting Outreach programs and the caring for each other in multiple ways. Thank you for the school supply donations to Bethesda. They were thrilled. The water and Gatorade put smiles on the faces of the Millcreek Police

Department. Other donations of clothes, shoes, personal care items are welcomed and appreciated. If you have a preference of where you want them donated, please note on the bag. Just a reminder to please mark the bags with "Men"/ "Women" and size if possible. It makes it easier for me to find the right home for the donations and for the receivers. Thank you again for all you do to make the word DONATION equal Abiding Hope Member. *Analee Cree*



Reformation Day is one of our most beloved Lutheran church holidays / commemorations - celebrated on 31 October in remembrance of the beginning of the Reformation.

According to Philip Melanchthon, a working partner of Martin Luther's, 31 October 1517 was the day Luther nailed his *Ninety-five Theses* on the door of the All Saints' Church in Wittenberg, Electorate of Saxony. Historians and other experts on the subject believe that Luther may have chosen All Hallows' Eve on purpose to get the attention of common people, because Halloween was widely celebrated by communities with scary costumes and rituals meant to scare the devil away.

Reformation Sunday was a big deal in the church of my youth. Folks pulled their red apparel out of the closet and filled the pews. For us, Reformation Sunday was a great time to help each other understand Luther as a fascinating character, often admirable, sometimes despicable, always a man of faith.

For him, nothing we can do, no act of penance, can seal the gift of forgiveness or secure God's favor, because both are already ours. God does not parcel them out to the qualified; God pours them out to the needy. For Luther, there could be no compromising this good news.

Luther believed that we are to receive Christ's grace freely, not cheaply. Being called to account is not easy— but it is worth the struggle so that we may know the power of Christ's cross and the fullness of His love.

One aspect of bearing the name "Lutheran" is the enduring commitment to be open to change, so that each day we meet God with fresh perspective and greater love.



Receiving Communion: If it is a challenge for you to come forward to receive communion, please alert the usher and you will be served communion at your seat.



October Green Team Article

Seek God's Wisdom and Guidance for Election Day



Psalm 25:4-5 (NIV): "Show me your ways, Lord, teach me your paths. Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long."

Pledge to be a Climate Voter. I recognize the urgent need to address climate change for the well-being of our planet and all living beings, including current and future generations. I commit to making my vote count toward a thriving, just, and sustainable future for all.

As a Climate Voter, I will:

- Live my values by making daily choices that reflect my commitment to environmental stewardship, reducing my carbon footprint, supporting renewable energy, conserving natural resources, and promoting social equity.
- Inspire and educate by talking openly about why voting matters for climate progress, sharing accurate information, encouraging respectful dialogue, and inviting others to participate.
- Prioritize climate by learning about ballot measures and candidates' positions, plans, and records on climate action, and voting for policies and leadership that support effective, science-based, and equitable climate solutions.
- Combat voter suppression by knowing my rights, sharing accurate voting information, helping others navigate the voting process, and reporting misinformation, barriers, or intimidation when they occur.
- Stay engaged beyond Election Day by staying informed, asking questions, participating in public life, and helping hold leaders accountable for the climate commitments they make.

I pledge to be a responsible voter who understands that democracy and climate action are deeply connected. My vote is a tool to protect public health, strengthen communities, and help secure a livable future. From <https://electionearth.org>

A Prayer for Voting

Heavenly Father,

As I approach this opportunity to vote, I ask for Your wisdom and guidance. Help me to make choices that reflect Your values of justice, love, and peace. "If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God" (James 1:5, NIV). Guide my heart, Lord, to vote with discernment and faith. May every vote cast align with Your will and bring blessing to our nation. In Jesus' name, Amen.



Let There be Light! The Good, the bad, the ugly. The **Good**, we have light bulbs that lasted 10 years. The **Bad**, they need replaced and can only be reached with a lift. The **Ugly**, to correct this "NEED" we will be depleting our Building Emergency Fund. Please consider when possible, donating a few extra dollars to build up this fund to help cover the next unexpected building need.

THANK YOU!





Thank you so much to you and everyone at Abiding Hope Lutheran Church for collecting the school supplies! We divided them among our classrooms in Erie and Meadville right away, and they were much needed.



Lauren I. Roberts ~ Communications & Events Coordinator @ Bethesda



Sing Democracy 250 ~ October 17th @ 7pm



The Abiding Hope Choir will perform at Luther Memorial on October 17th at 7pm for the performance of **Sing Democracy 250** for the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. The concert will

feature the Presque Isle ProMusica as orchestral accompaniment to a chorus recruited from all over Erie County. Together they will perform two new works commissioned for the occasion:

Redeem the Dream by Brandon A. Boyd and **US** by Michael Bussewitz-Quarm, as well as other patriotic pieces. Reception to follow.

Sing Democracy 250 is a national initiative to mark America's 250th birthday with music that will inspire citizens to renew our democracy. High school, college and community choirs from every state join to lend their voices to the cause and carry the torch of democracy forward through a specially designed music program.

Please visit the Sing Democracy website: <https://www.singdemocracy250.org> for more information!



KAFP Report:

KAFP said goodbye to Don & Carol King on September 10th. They have volunteered for many years, and it is now time for them to step back. Thank you for your years of service, Don & Carol.

On September 15th our volunteers aged 60 or older attended a luncheon given by GECAC to honor senior volunteers at the Erie Yacht Club. Then, on September 17th, Rich, Cindy and Cheryl attended an awards luncheon given by Second Harvest.



We thank those who donated to our little fundraiser in lieu of participation in Erie Gives. Also, thanks to those who continue to donate money and food items so that we may continue to serve our neighbors with food insecurity. It will soon be time to give away Thanksgiving turkeys and extra volunteers are needed. Sign up with Rich. Rich Filson – Director KAFP

Town Hall Meeting Topics

Following worship on September 13, Rick Penn led the quarterly Town Hall (29 members in attendance) held in the sanctuary. After updating the congregation on the church's finances, Rick reviewed the Erie Conference/ELCAs consolidation options. As Pastor Karen approaches her retirement, the church needs to understand the options AH should consider to plan for our future. These options were discussed at the August Council meeting with Bishop Kristen Papson.

1. **Hire a new pastor.** With this option AH would simply hire a new pastor and move ahead as in the past. This option is not a viable option with no new seminary graduates ready for

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ordination and a church treasury ill equipped to pay for a full-time pastor. Note: 41 of the 70 churches in our synod are currently without a pastor.

2. **Consolidation:** Option to combine AH with another church into one building with a new name and new id number. Abiding Hope was formed when Zion and Our Savior consolidated.
3. **Merger:** Option to join or merge with another established church, dissolving Abiding Hope and become part of the established church.
4. **Yoking:** 2 churches share a pastor. Example Lamb of God and Mount Calvary are currently sharing Pastor Karen Thompson
5. **SALM - Synod Authorized Lay Minister** - a program designed by the NWP Synod to train authorized Lay Worship Leaders for Ministry. With completion of 5 additional courses of ministerial training, a candidate will be authorized by the Synod to conduct worship and funeral services without the assistance of a lay distributor. These Lay Ministers will be paid by the church they serve.

A question-and-answer session followed. Submitted by Nancy Cuning



🎵 Music Notes 🎵

This month, Traditional Worship with organ accompaniment will take place on October 4th, followed by Blended Worship for the rest of the month. On October 18th, Brian Gresh will be leading worship on guitar. Blended Worship incorporates many types of worship music and styles, from old traditional hymns to spirituals, gospel songs, Taize, contemporary music, solos, ensembles and liturgy. The goal is to appeal to and include everyone's personal preferences. I am also open to including your favorite hymns and songs in our worship services whenever possible, so please feel free to put any suggestions in my mailbox or come speak with me after worship!

The Choir was scheduled to resume rehearsals after summer vacation in September, however, due to several unforeseen events, some members of the choir have temporarily been unable to participate. For now, rehearsals and anthems will take place on a week-to-week basis whenever possible. We appreciate your patience and understanding.

Abiding Hope's instrumental ensemble, consisting of Howard Lyon, Paul Sontheimer, Pastor Karen and Cindi Reid, is now rehearsing Monday afternoons with a goal of providing monthly special music. They are working hard and we hope you will enjoy hearing them very soon!

In the meantime, some musical alternatives to choir anthems were suggested and may be introduced in the next few months! Please feel free to also share your ideas as well for other musical offerings that could be explored.

Please remember to put **October 17th @ 7:00 pm** on your calendars for the **"Sing Democracy 250"** concert at Luther Memorial Church and be sure to see the special article in this newsletter for details!

Finally, the dates for the combined Christmas Cantata, **"Love!"**, have been set for Sunday, **December 20th @ 2:00 pm at Abiding Hope Church, and Sunday, January 3rd @ 2:00 pm at Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church.** We hope you will plan on attending one or both Cantatas.

Happy Fall and Blessings to All!

Sheryl Williams ~ Coordinator of Music ~ sheryl4013@yahoo.com ~ (814) 882-2830

Let's Eat Out

Men's Night Out

Wednesday, Oct 14

6:30 pm

All guys are invited to enjoy great food and good conversation with men friends on Oct 14 at Ricardo's. Sign up in the narthex or just show up.

Ladies Night Out

Thursday, Oct 15

5:30 pm

Ladies: Come join your AHLC friends, both old and new, at Ricardo's on Thursday, Oct 15 at 5:30. Sign up with Jacque or in the narthex. Rides leave AH at 5pm.

Ricardo's

2112 E Lake Road - on Erie's Eastside

In October, Men's Night Out and Ladies Night Out will BOTH be held at Ricardo's Restaurant on East Lake Road. The men will meet at 6:30 on Wednesday, October 14th while the ladies will enjoy lovely conversation, drinks and entrees on Thursday the 15th at 5:30. Sign-up in the narthex and join the good times.



October Birthdays

10/05 Peggy Kaeberlein
 10/07 Marcia Santabene
 10/09 John Coleman
 10/13 Raelyn Loutzenhiser
 10/16 Jacque Holmberg
 10/18 Carol Korn
 10/19 Ann Louise Bitzer
 10/22 Ernie Robinson
 10/22 Macy Loutzenhiser
 10/25 Kathy Coleman
 10/27 Joshua Paris



October

Anniversaries

10/12 Rick & Therese
 Penn - 41 yrs.
 10/24 Matt & Sally Zill - 56
 yrs.

Abiding Hope

2026 Church Council

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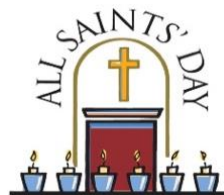
Rich Filson

Diana Stoker

Barb Ruhlman



2026 Abiding Hope All Saints' Sunday November 1 at 9:30



**Remembering those who have passed on
 before us in faith is very important.**

As part of our worship services on Sunday, November 1st, All Saints Sunday, you will have the opportunity to say special prayers and light a candle of remembrance for loved ones who have passed. In addition, there will be a memorial insert in the bulletin with the names of loved ones you wish to be remembered by our Abiding Hope family. *If your loved one passed after November 2, 2025, please add an asterisk after the name.*

Submitted by _____

PRINT CLEARLY, place the form in the offering plate by
 Sunday, Oct 25 or to the office by Monday the 26th.

Time, Talent, Treasure and *TISSUES*?

What is the meaning of tissue in Stewardship? All that we have is a gift from God and tissue represents the physical body and health that God has given humanity. So, good stewardship of your "tissue" means treating your body as a temple through proper rest, nutrition, physical care, and medical attention. Did you know that you could share this special tissue gift with others? Many people have received the gift of life through living donation. During a living-donor transplant, a healthy adult can donate a portion of their body to someone with a life-threatening disease. Following the transplant, the donor's body will regenerate, or grow back, in a few months. If you have questions about this process, please talk with your physician.

Jaxon Derry, grandson of John and Jacque Holmberg, is an approved bone marrow donor. His surgery will take place in Maryland/D.C. on October 12th. The recipient of this gift of his tissue is a 60-something woman living in France. *Please keep them both in your prayers.* Jaxon will be in the hospital for 4 days and has received 29 days leave from the U.S Army for this procedure.



Sloppy Joes Again! Thursday, November 19th, all Abiding Hope members again have an opportunity to serve our Erie homeless population by bringing them a warm meal, along with a side dish of your smiles!

Volunteers will be needed for this activity from 4:00 pm until around 6:45 pm at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, [643 West 17 Street, Erie PA](#). Thank you to the Thrivent Financial Action Team program for covering most of the cost for the food and supplies...

... HOWEVER, ... we welcome everyone's donation of homemade cookies to serve with this meal. Who doesn't enjoy eating a good cookie? So...volunteer bakers would be appreciated along with the volunteer servers, "setter uppers and clean uppers"!

Please add your name to the list in the narthex at church or contact John or Jacque Holmberg. Thank you in advance for caring for this hungry community of folks.

NOTE: All leftovers are donated to the folks at Community Shelter Services, [655 West 16 Street](#).



"Wings of Wonder: Pennsylvania Birds of Prey"

A Presentation by the Tamarack Wildlife Center

Monday, October 5, 6:00 p.m.
at Faith Lutheran Church, 5414 E. Lake Rd.

Get up close and personal with some of Pennsylvania's magnificent birds of prey, including a live falcon, hawk, and owl. Light refreshments to follow.



*Fall Back 1 hour
before bedtime
on Saturday,
October 31st*



AH Income History

Aug 23 – Sept 22

2026	\$9,714
2025	\$32,864
2024	\$33,203

Note: 2024 and 2025
income includes Erie
Gives deposits



ZOOM Bible Study
previously scheduled
for the 1st and 3rd
Sunday evenings has
been cancelled.



Save these Nov Dates

11/3 Make a plan to
VOTE!!!

11/8 Stewardship Sunday
Pledge cards due today!

11/15 Harvest Dinner @
New Hope RSVP by 11/9

11/19 Sloppy Joe dinner
at Holy Trinity @ 4pm





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Oct. 31, 1517



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Stewardship focus begins this month with a Temple Talk on Oct. 25. Andy Saska will speak on "Possessions"; on Nov 1, Jo Zeimet will discuss "Time & Talents". Completed pledge cards due Nov 8.				1 Care & Share Group 1:00pm	2 Sat 10/3 Tom Glasoe Project 2pm @ St John's	3 DL to RSVP for WELCA Fall Gathering Music L 8:30-12:30 Overeaters 10:30
4 20th Sunday after Pentecost Traditional Worship 9:30 Choir 9 & 10:45a Bible Study 11a	5 Ministry Team 10:30 Prayer Shawls 12noon Al-Anon 7:30	6 Oct 5 @ 6pm "Wings of Wonder" @ Faith LC M Lessons 3:30-5p	7 Tops 9-11	8 KAFP 9-11:30 Care & Share Group 1:00pm "What happens behind the Altar?"	9 	10 WELCA Fall Gathering Messiah LC 11am M Lessons 8:30-12:30 Overeaters 10:30
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25 Reformation Sunday Blended Worship 9:30 Temple Talk Bible Study 11a Choir 9 & 10:45a Deadline for All Saints forms	26 Ministry Team 10:30 Al-Anon 7:30	27 M Lessons 3:30-5p	28 Tops 9-11 	29 Care & Share Group 1:00pm	30	31 FALL BACK 1 HOUR

Blessing of the Pets
Sunday, October 11 @ 9:30

Bring your well-behaved pet to church on October 11th and receive a special pet blessing.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11 @ 9:30

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Reformation Sunday
October 25th ~ 9:30am

*The Son of God has set us free
 from sin and death by His Grace.*

Abiding Hope
 Lutheran Church

Friendship Harvest Dinner
 at **NEW HOPE**
Presbyterian
 5440 Washington Avenue

Sunday, November 15
12:15 PM
 RSVP by Nov 9th -
 Sign up sheet in the narthex.

Free will offering to help defray the food costs.

Be Thankful

Monthly KAFP Food Drive
Let's Share & Care
 Join us helping families in need!

October donations requests:
Egg Noodles & Monetary Donations to purchase Bread and Sweets

Each month donate much needed food staples so that all our families will receive these items.

Thank you for donating
Abiding Hope
 Lutheran Church
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Presbyterian Church New Hope

Drop-off location:
 2402 W Grandview Blvd.
 For more information:
www.abidinghopeerie.org

Join Us for

Julia's CASH BASH

Cash Drawings, Basket Raffle, Tips, Cash Bar, Music

1ST PRIZE - \$1000.
2ND PRIZE - \$500
2 - 3RD PRIZE OF \$100

ST. FRANCIS USHERS CLUB
9085 MAIN ST. MCKEAN, PA

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10, 5-9PM

includes full dinner, dessert, beverages and entry for cash prizes up to \$1,000

\$30 per person

Must be 18 years old. Need not be present to win. Proceeds to benefit Julia's House. For tickets call Maureen @ (814-746-0690) or at the door.

All Saints' Sunday
Sunday Worship
November 1 ~ 9:30

Remembering those who have passed on before us in faith

A Loving Family, Growing in Faith, Sharing the Hope...of Christ!