



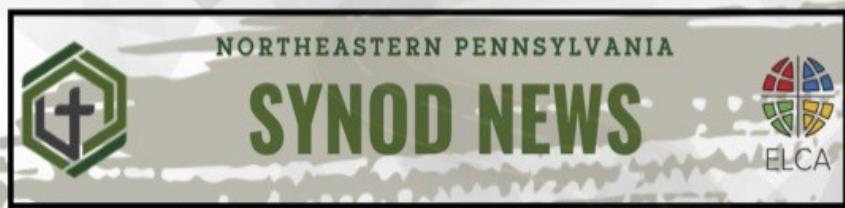


# SEPTEMBER 2023

United Fellowship Lutheran Church

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><b>WORSHIP SERVICE</b> <b>CHANGING TO 10:15 AM</b> <b>ON THE 10TH</b></p> <p><b>SEPTEMBER 10TH IS</b> <b>RALLY DAY STARTING</b> <b>WITH A PANCAKE</b> <b>BREAKFAST AT 9AM!</b></p>		<p><b>Noto's Deli Hoagie</b> tickets for sale all month - \$9 each!</p> 	<p><b>CR Choir Room</b> <b>QR Quilters Room</b> <b>NS Nursery School</b> <b>O Main Office</b></p>	<p><b>S Sanctuary</b> <b>FH Fellowship Hall</b> <b>K Kitchen</b> <b>L Lounge</b> <b>SS Sunday School Room</b></p>	<p><b>1</b></p>	<p><b>2</b> Be still and know that I am God. Psalm 46:10</p>
<p><b>3</b> -Worship with Holy Communion 9:30am -New Member Class 11am</p>	<p><b>4</b> -AA Mtg 9am (FH) <b>LABOR DAY</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b></p>	<p><b>5-A Place to Belong</b> Sr. Center 10am-2:30 pm (FH) -GSCNS Fall Classes Start -Pr. Jamie vacation</p>	<p><b>6</b> -Quilters 9:30am-12:30pm -Finance Mtg. 10am -Girl Scouts 7-8pm (FH) -Pr. Jamie Continuing Ed</p>	<p><b>7</b> -Council Reports Due -Pr. Jamie Continuing Ed</p>	<p><b>8</b> Pr. Jamie vacation</p>	<p><b>9</b></p>
<p><b>10</b> -Rally Day Breakfast 9am -Worship 10:15am with Holy Communion -Installation of Sunday School &amp; Nursery School Teachers -God's Work, Our Hands</p>	<p><b>11</b> -AA Mtg 9am (FH) -Food Pantry Delivery 9am</p>	<p><b>12 -A Place to</b> Belong Sr. Center 10am- 2:30 pm (FH) -Council Mtg 6pm</p>	<p><b>13</b> -Quilters 9:30am-12:30pm -Veteran's Group 10am- 12noon -Staff Mtg 5pm - Employee Reviews 6-8pm</p>	<p><b>14</b> -Fellowship &amp; Community Building Mtg 6pm -Food Pantry 6-7:30pm</p>	<p><b>15</b> -Budget Worksheets Due</p>	
<p><b>17</b> -Worship with Holy Communion 10:15am -New Member Installation -Property Committee Mtg -Worship &amp; Music Mtg</p>	<p><b>18</b> -AA Mtg 9am (FH) -GSCNS Board Mtg 6pm -Christian Ed Mtg 6:30pm</p>	<p><b>19</b> -A Place to Belong Sr. Center 10am-2:30 pm (FH) -Stewardship Mtg 6pm</p>	<p><b>20</b> -Quilters 9:30am-12:30pm -TrunkOrTreat Mtg 6pm -Girl Scouts 7-8pm (FH)</p>	<p><b>21</b> -Safe Harbor meal delivered -Food Pantry 6-7:30pm -October Newsletter Info Due</p>	<p><b>22</b> -Special Finance Committee Mtg 10am</p>	<p><b>23</b> -Property Work Day 9am-12noon <b>FIRST DAY OF</b> <b>AUTUMN</b></p>
<p><b>24</b> -Worship with Holy Communion 10:15am -Baptism -Special Congregational Mtg</p>	<p><b>25</b> -AA Mtg 9am (FH) -GSCNS Open House 6-8pm</p>	<p><b>26</b> -A Place to Belong Sr. Center 10am-2:30 pm (FH)</p>	<p><b>27</b> -Quilters 9:30am-12:30pm -WUFLC Bible Study 12pm -Girl Scouts 7-8pm (FH)</p>	<p><b>28</b></p> 	<p><b>29</b></p>	<p><b>30</b></p>
				<p><b>Coming soon...</b> <b>Trunk Or Treat -</b> <b>October 22, 2-4pm</b></p>	<p><b>Cider Social -</b> <b>October 29</b></p>	<p><b>Pumpkin Rolls</b> <b>Fundraiser</b></p>



## THE THREE ROADS TO VITALITY

As we gather together in the embrace of faith and fellowship throughout the synod (from assemblies, worship, ordinations, anniversaries, and to other synod-wide events) we are reminded of the powerful journey we are on as a Church with a capital C. Our commitment to Christ's teachings has allowed us to evolve beyond mere existence and instead embrace life abundantly. Throughout our synod over the past few years, we've been celebrating three key phrases that define our thriving communities: Growing Young, Stronger Together, and Going Beyond Death to Life.

### Growing Young

Embracing life is not limited to any particular age group; it is a concept that transcends generations. We are proud to be a church that nurtures an intergenerational atmosphere, where the wisdom of our elders and the enthusiasm of our youth combine to create a vibrant and dynamic community.

In the teachings of Jesus, we find the encouragement to become like children, embracing a childlike faith that is open, eager, and receptive to God's grace. Our thriving churches have taken this message to heart, fostering an environment that allows every member, regardless of age, to experience spiritual growth and development, to participate in leadership roles, and exude the various elements of the growing young wheel. In doing so, we not only remain young at heart but also enrich each other's lives by sharing diverse perspectives and experiences.

### Stronger Together

In unity, we discover strength. Our churches embody the spirit of togetherness, recognizing that we are bound by a shared faith and a common purpose. When we face challenges or trials, we do so as a united body, drawing support from one another, and standing firmly rooted in God's love.

As the Apostle Paul once wrote, "For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ, we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others." (Romans 12:4-5, NIV). This unity allows us to overcome obstacles, reach out to those in need, and fulfill our mission to be the hands and feet of Christ in the world.

### Going Beyond Death to Life

In a world that often fixates on the inevitability of death, our church communities boldly choose to focus on the promise of resurrection and life. We are reminded of the words of Jesus when he said, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die." (John 11:25, NIV). This powerful message resonates within our hearts, filling us with hope and joy.

As a Church and as individual churches, we understand that life is not confined to this earthly existence alone. Our spiritual journey extends beyond the boundaries of mortality, and we find solace in knowing that a greater, eternal life awaits us. By embracing this profound truth, we are empowered to live with purpose, spreading love, compassion, and the Gospel to all corners of the world.

As we continue to journey together as a church that goes beyond death to life, grows young, and stands stronger together, let us celebrate the joy of living in God's grace. We invite you to participate actively and fully in our synod's diverse ministries, outreach programs, and spiritual growth opportunities, as they allow us to deepen our understanding of God's love and make a lasting impact in the lives of others. Remember, the limitations of this world do not define us but rather by the boundless life that Christ offers us. Let us carry this message of hope and transformation into our communities, touching lives, and inspiring others to embrace the abundant life that comes through knowing and following Jesus.

May God bless each one of you abundantly, and may our churches continue to be a beacon of light, love, and life in a world that desperately needs it.

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