



# The Light House

A Christ Hamilton United Lutheran Church Publication

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## Worship Schedule for Holy Week

- **April 2nd @ 9am**—Palm Sunday Service
- **April 6th @ 7pm**—Maundy Thursday Service
- **April 7th @ 7pm**—Good Friday Service, LH
- **April 8th @ 11am**—Easter Egg Hunt
- **April 9th Easter Services**
  - 6:30am**—Sunrise Service, LH parking lot
  - 7:30am**—Continental Easter Coffee Hr.
  - 9:00am**—Easter Day Service, church


### A note from the Council President:

The good news is that two months into this year we are financially in the black. And although finances are still something we are monitoring closely, future planning is the main focus.

As it has been announced recently in church, council is actively establishing our “vision” committee. It is felt that as we come out of “covid times”, Christ Hamilton and all churches face great challenges. The committee will consist of some council members and volunteers from the congregation.

The goals of the committee will be to establish our church’s “core values” and develop mission and vision goals. This will be a long process over several months with meetings for congregational input. The committee will be using a book “Cultural Architecture/ a path to creating vitalized congregations” written by a Lutheran pastor as a guide. It will be a biblically driven process to help make us be the best church we can be.

With all of us working together and with God’s help the future of Christ Hamilton will be bright.



**Easter Egg Hunt,  
April 8th at 11am**

Toddlers through 6th graders  
Prizes for each age group!

Drizzle or Shine!

In the event of heavy rain it will  
be drive-thru style!

- The youth group will be doing Adopt-A-Highway on Sunday, April 23rd from 10:30-1pm, lunch at Old Mill around 12:15
- There will be NO youth group on EASTER
- Youth Mission Trip June 18th-24th to Niagara Falls, NY. Youth will serve and build relationships with a variety of people in Niagara Falls through the Boys & Girls Club, Union Mission and local senior centers. Youth will partner with a local church through facilitating children's programming.
- The youth collected over \$1,800 during their weekend famine. This money went to World Vision and the local Street2Feet Mission. They also collected over 120 cases of water for the local Street2Feet Mission and the Wesleyan homeless shelter.
- The youth hosted the Community Meal on February 19th. They successfully served about 70 people!
- On February 12th the youth collected over \$550 during the Souper Bowl Sunday event. Donations went to the Wesleyan church homeless mission.



**First Communion Retreat** will be held on Saturday, April 29th from 9am to 12pm in the Lighthouse serving area. If you are interested in having your child receive communion please contact the church office. Please note children must be in 4th grade or older and be baptized to receive communion.

## ARK 2 Preschool



### Ark 2 egg hunts:

Friday March 31st mommy & me  
 Tuesday April 4th 11:30am 3 year olds  
 Thursday April 5th 9:15am PK/KP

Preschool Sunday May 7th 9am service with take home sandwiches for everyone: free will offering to Ark 2 Preschool. The children will present The Fruit of the Spirit with Deb Kolb

Ark 2 Preschool Closing program Friday evening May 12th 6pm in the Light House

Last days of school Thursday May 18th 3 year olds and Friday May 19th PK/KP and mommy & me with pool days and visits from the ice cream truck.

Summer office hours for Debbie and Penny in June and July are Tuesdays 9am till 1pm.

## Spring Cleanup Event

*A Saturday in May 6th  
 9am to 12pm*

Well it's that time of year again! The leaves are popping, the air is warm and the smell of spring is all around. Please bring gloves, rakes, leaf blowers, pruners and whatever else you use to clean up outdoors. There will be plenty of jobs and tasks for everyone, so bring the whole family for a morning of fresh air and service! Please see Joe Marshall or John Young when you arrive to see where you can help!



### **PATH Walk**

**When:** Sunday, May 7th, 12:30-1:30pm  
**Where:** 7th & Monroe St., Stroudsburg  
**Who:** ANYONE is welcome!  
[www.pathhouse.org](http://www.pathhouse.org)  
 Pledge/registration forms available at coffee hour!

### **Dinner Fellowship Group**

**Where:** Sal's Pizza, Wind Gap  
**When:** April 12, 2023  
**Who:** EVERYONE  
**RSPV:** by April 11th to church office 570-992-4085.

### **Community Meal**

**NO MEAL IN APRIL**

**May 21st, 4:30-6pm**  
 Baked chicken, mac & cheese, veggie and dessert!  
**Next Meal:** June, 18, 2023

# ARK 2 Preschool

Ark 2 Preschool is growing and we want you to know that enrollment for the 2022-2023 school year is underway!

We will be offering mommy & me, three year olds, 4&5 year olds, 5 year olds five day Kinder-Prep, and enrichment.

Contact information for Ark 2 Preschool: 570 992-4950 website [ark2preschool.com](http://ark2preschool.com), Ark 2 Preschool Facebook, Director email [ark2dir@ptd.net](mailto:ark2dir@ptd.net), and registrar [ark2reg@ptd.net](mailto:ark2reg@ptd.net).

## **Ark 2 Sunday at Christ Hamilton! May 1st, at 9am**

Everyone is invited to attend the 9am service in the Lighthouse on Sunday May, 1st at 9am. The Ark 2 children 3's through 5's will be presenting the "sermon" as they present the Fruit of the Spirit in song along with Mrs. Kolb. They have been learning the Fruit of the Spirit all school year.

This is an Ark 2 fundraiser. Deli sandwiches, chips, bottled water, and cupcakes will be given out to everyone after the service. A free will donation will go toward Ark 2 Preschool and our scholarship program.

**If you would like to donate items the Ark is looking for:** any size water bottles, small bags of chips and home-made cupcakes.

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