



SEPTEMBER 2021

LEARNERS ALL OVER THE WORLD

At this time of year, one thing we're all thinking about is **SCHOOL**.

Most of us remember those hectic days before school started, when we started buying pencils, erasers, notebooks with lined paper, and everything we thought we would need for the classroom.

Then there were new shoes to be purchased, as well as new clothes to start off the new year. It was an exciting time for all.

In other parts of the world, school can be a very big deal. Missionaries in various countries are happy to share the "school kits" which people in the U.S. have prepared, so that children in underprivileged nations can go to school.

Education, world-wide, has faced many challenges this year, regardless of students' locations.

Annville United Methodist Church supports a missionary, Carrie Callahan, who lives in Hungary. She, too, is getting ready for school. This is Carrie's 10th year with QSI International School. She will be teaching music and art this year.



To email Carrie, use this: carriecall@gmail.com
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"I scream, you scream, we all scream for ice cream!"

It's September, that time of year when most Protestant denominations start thinking about "Rally Day," the day that traditionally kicks off the church school year.

This year, here at Annville United Methodist Church, we are going to try something different: Celebration Sunday! After our 9 a.m. worship service, we will have a celebration at 10 a.m., with ice cream sundaes, games, and music. It will be a good time to check out the Sunday School classrooms, because the following week, **September 19**, will be Children and Youth Kick-off Sunday, when Sunday School classes will be held for all ages. That's right – all ages! You're never too old to attend Sunday School. Here at Annville UMC, we have two different classes for adults.



Prayer at the Beginning of a New School Year

At the beginning of a new school year,
 O God of wisdom,
 we offer thanks and praise for the gift
 of new beginnings and for the opportunity
 to learn and to wonder.
 We pray for teachers, students, and staff
 that this year might be rewarding for all.
 Be with us as we face the challenge of new tasks,
 the fear of failure, the expectations
 of parents, friends, and self.
 In our learning and our teaching, may we grow
 in service to others and in love for your world,
 through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen

Sermon Series on the Gospel of Mark

Sept. 5 Mark 10:1-16 (Communion)
 Sept. 12 Mark 10:17-31
 Sept. 19 Mark 10:32-45
 Sept. 26 Mark 10:46-52



The 2021 CROP walk will take place on
 Sunday, October 10th. Registration is at
 12:30 p.m. The walk starts at 1 p.m. Please
 consider walking and/or sponsoring a walker.
 Join with us as we raise funds to help
 neighbors near and far get the meals they need
 today and sustainable food security for
 tomorrow.

Here is the pastor's CROP Walk page:

<https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2021/heather-hammel>



Pastor Heather Hammel

Pastor Heather Hammel is part of the CROP
 Hunger Walk to help end hunger one step at a
 time.

Pastor Heather Hammel's Fundraising Progress

RAISED:	GOAL:	Donate
\$0	\$250	



Saturday, Sept. 4
 2-5 p.m.

Indoor Project Day

Help with organizing and cleaning as we prep for the
 fall ministry season!
 Supplies and coffee provided!
 Now we need **you** to make it fun and finished!

Treasurer's Report

Below is a comparison on congregational giving
 between 2020 and 2021:

January 1st through August 23rd

	2020	2021
NEEDED	\$112,200	\$105,400
RECEIVED	98,471	93,478

Online Giving

Your financial support of our church and ministries is
 vital to our ability to carry out our mission. The best way
 to give online is by setting up Bill Pay through your
 online bank. This allows the church to receive your full
 donation without paying any fees for processing. If you
 have any questions about online giving, please contact
 the church office.

COVID Protocols at AUMC

- Masks are optional.
- We have a greeter taking attendance on Sunday mornings.
- To enter on Sunday mornings, we use only two doors: the door for the lift and the door on College Avenue that leads to the sanctuary.
- All pews are open. None are roped off.
- Pew racks have hymnals, Bibles, and pens.
- Our offering is collected as you enter the building, near where you get a bulletin.
- We serve Communion using the individually sealed plastic goblets.
- Coffee, tea, water, and individually wrapped snacks are available in the narthex to be enjoyed after the worship service.

September 2021

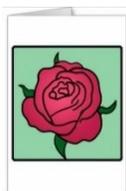
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Choir 7:30 pm	2	3	4 2-5 - Indoor Project Day
5 Communion	6	7 Girl Scouts 5:30	8 Trustees - 6:30 Choir 7:30 pm	9	10	11
12 Celebration Sunday - 10 am	13	14 Girl Scouts 5:30	15 Choir 7:30 pm	16	17	18
19 Kick-off with classes.	20	21 Girl Scouts 5:30	22 Choir 7:30 pm	23	24	25
26	27 Leadership Team - 7 pm	28 Girl Scouts 5:30	29 Choir 7:30 pm	30		

Wedding Anniversaries

September 7 – Ed and Kathy Dannels
 September 8 – Ben and Mary Bow
 September 17 – Bob and Barb Kreider
 September 29 – Mike and Stephanie Gaffey
 September 30 – Matthew & Heather Hammel

Birthdays

September 4 – Michele Zimmerman
 September 7 – Benj Bow
 September 13 – Cindy Morton
 September 15 – Stephanie Gaffey
 Kay Kerkeslager
 September 18 – Bob Clark
 September 19 – Phillip Rose
 September 29 – Donna Hedrick
 Todd Gamble



Donations Wanted

If you happen to have greeting cards to spare, please consider donating them to the church office.



Weekly choir rehearsals will resume on Wednesday, September 1, from 7:30 - 9 p.m. All are welcome, regardless of voice part or experience, and commitment can be flexible. See Mark Sorensen or a current choir member for more information.

Once-a-Month Service Opportunities

Would you like to serve once a month in the following way? Be a nursery attendant, a greeter, a children's Sunday School teacher, or a Scripture reader? Talk to the pastor about fulfilling this need.



Big Brothers, Big Sisters wants to increase their presence and service in Lebanon County. If you would like to find out more about this organization, contact Krysta Pavasco at the following number or email address: (717) 685-5176
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