



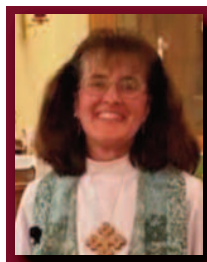
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August 2026

The Herald



## Pastor's Reflection

At the beginning of July, I had the opportunity to attend the week-long Rostered Ministers Gathering hosted by the ELCA in Indianapolis. While there have been a few of these, this was my first chance to go as part of my continuing education. The theme for the gathering was “Woven Together,” and to bring this theme to life, they had a pastor – who is also an artisan – working all week to create a woven tapestry. She brought a few sections already prepared but others were woven at the conference. Some folks brought pieces of cloth and string to her to add to the piece. She stitched together all of the sections to create the unique work of art – weaving together the disparate parts to form a whole – that is not perfect but a reflection of what can be made with time, intention, and prayer. (You can see a picture of the tapestry below.)

This was the first conference with the ELCA’s new presiding Bishop, Yehiel Curry, who served as one of the keynote speakers. In his time with us, he envisioned the church as many disparate pieces woven together with all of their bright colors and different textures to create the living church that is unique and beautiful. In the weaving, we can remember that we are all interconnected, even with people and churches that we do not know, personally. We are reminded in our scripture and in our worship, that we are connected with the faithful across every age; with the saints who have gone before us and with

the saints who are yet to come. We all form the body of Christ which we envision as the church – a place where people can come together to form community as we worship, pray, sing, and serve together. We are woven together – each with our unique gifts, talents, and personalities – to be church together, to be the people of God out in the world.

As we gather and worship each week, we are grounded in our faith community where we are surrounded by people some have known all their lives. Some are connected as family; some as friends; some as friends who have become family. Each one of us is a member of this faith community, but we are also part of a larger church. There are 217 worshipping communities and congregations over nine counties in the Lower Susquehanna Synod alone! There are six other synods in Pennsylvania, and sixty-six synods that make up the ELCA. We have many local Lutheran neighbors! The Rostered Ministers Gathering was a wonderful reminder of this. We are a diverse church with many gifts who all wish to serve the mission of Christ in the world – for the sake of our neighbors and as a reflection of the living Christ out in the world. It was a beautiful reminder that the image of Christ is in each person we meet.

We are woven together for the needs of the world. We are a

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## President's Paragraph

"A temporary inconvenience for a permanent improvement." That's the phrase the PA Department of Transportation likes to use when doing highway work. These words are supposed to give motorists some hope that when the inconvenience is over, there will be an improved situation.

You've heard these words from me at times in the past. As you are all aware, the ceiling in the back of the church needs to be repaired. Hopefully the work will begin sometime this month. It will mean some disruptions and some dirt, (our apologies to Judy). The damage was caused by a leak in the bell tower, which will also be repaired. These repairs are long overdue. We hope there won't be much of an inconvenience, but you never know. Remember, a permanent improvement is in the works.

My thanks to this congregation for your love and care of our church building. I ask for your patience and understanding as things get underway.

*Bill*



Bill Brookhart  
Council President

## Pastor's Reflection

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beautiful tapestry of gifts given to us by God which make us unique, special, and treasured. We are able to share these gifts with one another as we are able. I pray that each week at worship we are reminded how we can use these gifts, that nothing is too small to be valuable. St. Paul writes about this to the early Christian communities that he found in the first century. He envisions the church woven together by many people just as the body is woven together in many parts. No part is greater than another. The gifts of each make us complete together. We celebrate the profound wonder that the psalmist proclaims,

<sup>13</sup> "For it was you who formed my inward parts;  
you knit me together in my mother's womb.

<sup>14</sup> **I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.**

Wonderful are your works;  
that I know very well.  
(Ps. 139:13-14)

There is a bold confession of faith and proclamation of hope in these words. They remind us that we are connected to the very creation of the world when God created the sun and moon and stars and trees and plants and animals....and us. We are here for a time, and we are uniquely created by a God who loves all that God has made. The whole creation is a tapestry woven together with beautiful mastery – so grand in scope and scale that humans cannot fully grasp it. We are wonderfully made in our unique individuality. God loves you because you are YOU! We are wonderfully made to

live in community to support and care for one another; to work together to help and love one another. We are wonderfully made in grand diversity to reflect the infinite God who made us all.



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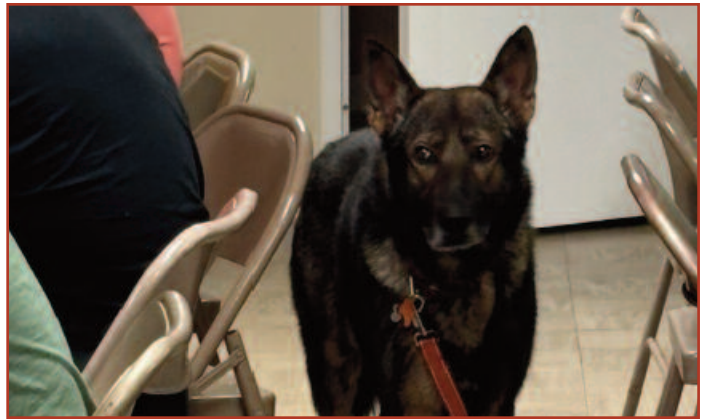
## Hiker Meals 2026 is a Wrap

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Another year of A.T. Hiker meals is in the books. CLC began serving our famous spaghetti and meatballs in May and ended on July 15.

Despite a slow start to the season, things gradually picked up and the last three weeks had large numbers of hiker friends stopping in for a hearty meal.

As in the past, the hikers came from all over the U.S. as well as other countries. We also had 4 canine hikers accompanying their owners. There is always dog food and treats available for them as well. One pup even ate an entire plate of meatballs!



Thank you to the congregation for supplying desserts each week!

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## Church Picnic and BINGO...Oh, What Fun!

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The annual CLC Church Picnic was held on Sunday, July 12 following the worship service. In the past the picnic had been held at the home of Mike and Charlene Lentvorsky, and we thank them for their hospitality and generosity over the years. However, let's be real, attendance has been small for the past few years; the reason being many in the congregation are advanced in years and it can be difficult for them to navigate the trip to Shermans Dale. Thank you, Mike for doing everything you could to make things easier

with your golf cart!

The picnic was held in the church fellowship hall and attendance was good. There was plenty of great food, as usual, and most stayed for an afternoon of Bingo. Thank you everyone for making it a success.



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**August 13-15** - Harriet Tubman Educational Trip

**August 23** - Back to School Celebration - Clark's Ferry Tavern - 3:00-5:00

**August 28** - Movie and Potluck at Mt. Zion - 6:00

**September 13** - God's Work. Our Hands

**September 19** - Pioneer Days at Clark's Ferry Tavern

**September 23** - CLC Book Club

**October 18** - Deadline for November newsletter contributions

**October 25** - Reformation Day Potluck after church



***Congratulations!***

*...And now these three remain: faith, hope and love.  
But the greatest of these is love.*

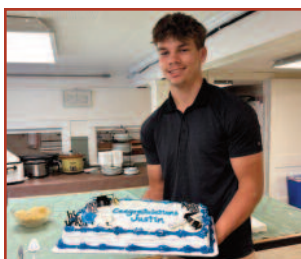


On Saturday, July 18,  
Jonathan Lentvorsky married  
Lindsey McCurdy in  
Shermans Dale, PA.  
Jonathan is the son of Michael  
and Charlene Lentvorsky.



On Saturday, August 1,  
Rebecca Still and Gabe  
Sharkey were married in  
Montoursville, PA.  
Rebecca is the daughter of  
Adam and Barbara Still and  
granddaughter of Allan and  
Shirley Imler.

**Both days were joy-filled, and we wish  
God's blessing on these couples as  
they begin their lives together.**



CLC celebrated  
Justin Still's high school  
graduation.  
Congrats Justin!

*Congratulations* to the Meisel family  
on the birth of Reed. He is the son of  
Ellen and Gary Oster, and brother of  
Graham. Proud grandparents are Ernie  
and Becky and proud uncle is Ben.

## Congregational Connections

### Meet Kim Merlino

I was born on July 1, 1947, the great granddaughter and granddaughter of Lutheran ministers, daughter of Waldemar and Ruth Sanders. I was raised in Western Pennsylvania. I met and married James Merlino on February 8, 1969. Jim was in the Air Force and stationed at Clinton Sherman Air Force Base. We drove to Elk City, Oklahoma near the base. I worked in a dress shop. After 11 months, Jim got orders to go to Vietnam. He left in March 1970. Many, many prayers were said that he would come home safely. Our prayers were answered when he returned in March 1971.

We have two sons, Kevin, born June 5, 1981, and Michael born September 13, 1984. Jim worked as an electrician for the Commonwealth of Pa. at State hospitals in Western PA and was promoted to Maintenance Supervisor. He was transferred to the Department of Welfare in Harrisburg in February 1989, as Facilities Maintenance Manager. We moved to Carlisle, PA. We were members of St. Stephens Lutheran Church, New Kingstown, for over 25 years. I worked at Cumberland Valley High School in the cafeteria and then as a study hall monitor for a total of 19 years.

My son, Kevin, owns a landscaping business.

He is married to Melissa and they have three children, Aimee, 16; Britney, 12; and Bentley, 6. Michael is married to Rene. They have three children, Reagan Mae, 16; Conner, 13; and Zoey, 18, who is engaged to Nick. They have a son, Hudson, born July 9, 2026.



Jim passed on January 4, 2023. I sold the house and moved to Duncannon to live with my son, Kevin, and his family.

Michael, who lives in Blandburg, PA, and works at Dan Vaughn Designs in State College, told me to check out Christ Lutheran Church (CLC) and the Senior Center in Duncannon, which is what I have done.

I enjoy going to the Senior Center to play Bingo and for the interactions with others. I also enjoy attending CLC functions and after church going to lunch with friends. During the sermon, I take notes which helps me to concentrate on what is being said.

Pastor and everyone at CLC have made me feel very welcomed and I thank you.



**Breathing in Creation: Family Friendly Hike**  
**October 12 | 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**  
**Pine Grove Furnace State Park**  
**1100 Pine Grove Road, Gardners, PA 17324**

As the leaves begin to change and the beauty of autumn surrounds us, join us for a relaxed morning of walking, conversation, and reflection

in God's creation. Together, we'll enjoy the trails and natural beauty of Pine Grove Furnace State Park while taking time to slow down, connect with one another, and notice God's presence in the world around us. Along the way, we'll offer a few simple reflections and opportunities to pause, wonder, and appreciate the gift of creation.

This family-friendly event is open to all ages. Whether you come on your own, with colleagues, friends, or with family, you're welcome to join us. Please dress for the weather and wear comfortable walking shoes. Participants are encouraged to bring water and a packed lunch as we conclude our time together. **Registration is requested.**

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## Fundraising Committee Remains Busy This Summer

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The fundraising committee remains quite busy this summer. Between scheduling events and activities, making the crafts and attending the various events, there is little time for much else! We all appreciate your efforts and the time you commit to helping our church.

Updates from recent fundraisers include:

- 😊 Harshbarger's (May) - earned \$310
- 😊 Harshbarger's (June) - earned \$93
- 😊 PA Hunters Event - earned \$84
- 😊 Multiple Yard Sales - earned \$150

Thanks to everyone who helped us with these activities.

### Upcoming fundraisers:

- 😊 August 8 - Rock the Block - crocheted items sales
- 😊 August 18 - Harshbarger's fundraiser.

- 😊 October - Marianna's sub sale delivery
- 😊 September (date TBD) - Red Robin fundraiser **(special note: CLC needs to have at least \$200 in sales in order for us to receive 20% back)**
- 😊 September 19 - Pioneer Day - Apple Dumpling sales
- 😊 Various yard sales

### Ongoing opportunities:

We are also continually selling Karns gift cards in \$25, \$50, 100 increments (if interested in a different amount please let Becky Yohe know). You buy the gift cards from Becky at face value, and the church receives 5% of the sales. So if you shop there anyway, it is a win-win for all!

### Treatville opportunity:

Terry and Becky participated in Treatville at Hersheypark last year where they handed out

candy to children. Hersheypark is offering this opportunity again this year. Terry and Becky plan to do multiple shifts, and welcome anyone else who may be interested. The shifts are for four hours and the church will receive \$8 an hour. As a participant, you will receive a free Hersheypark ticket that can be used for the park, for Sweet Lights or for parking. It's a win-win for everyone! Please see Terry or Becky if you would like more information or would like to participate.

As of the June financial report, the fundraising committee has generated \$1,816. Thank you!

If you have any ideas for future fundraisers, please reach out to Becky or Terry.

As always we just want to continue to thank you all for all your support and help to continue to make these fundraising efforts possible and with a great outcome!!

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## Reformation Day Potluck

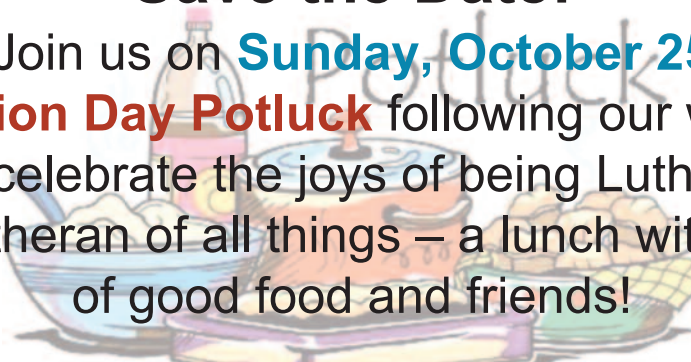
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### Save the Date!

Join us on **Sunday, October 25**

for a **Reformation Day Potluck** following our worship service.

We can celebrate the joys of being Lutheran with the most Lutheran of all things – a lunch with a whole lot of good food and friends!



# CHURCH COUNCIL UPDATE

Below are a few updates from your church Council:

† The annual audit was completed and no discrepancies were found. Council complimented treasurer, Ann Fleisher for her meticulous work, which made the audit process go smoothly.

† Council contracted with Miller's Outdoor Services to provide lawn mowing service at \$100 per month on as an needed basis.

† The windows in the Sunday School wing have been replaced as have various lighting fixtures.

† A special thank you is extended to all who helped with weeding our flower beds. They have looked beautiful all summer and Council

appreciates everyone's effort.

† Council voted to pay an annual subscription to the Duncannon EMS to cover costs for any needs the church may have for ambulance service. Funds for this coverage will come from the Dues and Licensing budgeted line item.

There will be no Council meeting in August. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on September 10.

Council is asking for your prayerful consideration to be part of the 2027-2028 Council.

Elections will be held in November. Please see any Council member if you are interested.

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## Who Is Mad Mabel? Book Club to Find Out

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Join the CLC and Friends Book Club as they read *Mad Mabel* by Sally Hepworth. The discussion date will be Wednesday, September 23 at 7:00 pm.

The description of the book is as follows: **From New York Times bestselling author Sally Hepworth comes a twisty tale of justice, redemption, and one irrepressible woman who's not done breaking the rules just yet.**

Meet Elsie Mabel Fitzpatrick: eighty-one years old, gloriously grumpy, fiercely independent, and never without a hot cup of tea—or a cutting remark. She minds her own business in her quiet Melbourne suburb, until a neighbor turns up dead and the whispers start flying.

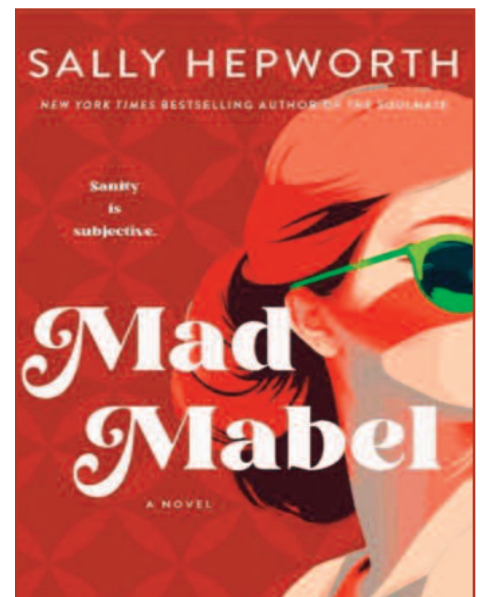
Because Elsie hasn't always been Elsie. Once upon a headline, she was Mad Mabel Waller—Australia's youngest convicted murderer. But was she really mad, or just misunderstood? Either way, she's kept her secret buried for decades.

Enter seven-year-old Persephone, a relentless little chatterbox who has just moved in across the road (armed with stickers, questions, and no sense of personal boundaries); Joan, who appears to have it in for Elsie; and a healthy dose of public interest—the cops are sniffing around, and the media is circling like seagulls at a picnic.

So Mabel does what she's always done best—she takes matters into her own hands.

Is she a cantankerous old lady with a shady past? A cold-blooded killer with arthritis? Or just someone who's finally ready to tell her side of the story?

Sharp, surprising, and wickedly funny, this is the unforgettable story of a woman who's spent a lifetime being underestimated—and is about to prove everyone wrong. Again.





It's beginning to look – a little bit – like Christmas! As the hot summer days are drifting by, we gathered to celebrate Christmas in July! While we still have several weeks of summer ahead of us, our calendars tell us that we are less than five months until Christmas. At this service, we gather for hymns and scripture readings, and kick-off our Toys for Tots collection which will run through the beginning of

December. And while the service is a bit of fun – and a wonderful excuse to sing Christmas hymns – it also serves as a reminder that we are to be a people who “Keep Awake” for Jesus’s coming among us –not just at Christmas, not just during Advent, but always – even in July! The promise of the coming Christ is an eternal and everlasting gift that shines through every season.

So....Come all ye faithful and Go Tell it on the Mountain....a Savior is born for us today!



## Movie Night with Mt. Zion

Our friends at Mt. Zion have invited us to join them for a potluck and movie night on Friday, August 28 in their fellowship hall..

The potluck dinner will begin at 6:00 with the movie starting at 7:00. We will be watching *The Sheep Detectives* which came out earlier this year, starring Hugh Jackman and Emma Thompson.

Mt. Zion is located at 325 Old Stonehouse Road South, Boiling Springs, PA.



# LOWER SUSQUEHANNA SYNOD

WHERE THE HUNGRY ARE FED AS WE HAVE BEEN FED BY CHRIST.

## ASSEMBLY WRAP-UP

The 2026 Lower Susquehanna Synod Assembly took place at St. Matthew Lutheran Church in York on June 5-6. The theme this year centered on coming together as various faith communities to serve one Lord and one mission together.

Bill and Cindy Brookhart served as voting members along with Pastor Jenn and Lisa, who currently serves on Synod Council as a lay member. She was recently elected to another three-year term.

The primary business of the assembly was to conduct elections and approve the 2027

budget alongside the joys of worshiping and learning together through various workshops.



# Financial Statement

## Christ Lutheran Church Financial Summary As of June 30, 2026

CLC's Current Fund income is \$65,260 for the first 6 months of 2026, which is \$847 less than in 2025. During the same period, our total Current Fund expense is \$77,046, which is \$1,636 higher than 2025. Combined, this amounts to a (\$11,786) Current Fund loss so far during 2026, \$2,483 worse than in 2025.

During January - June 2026 our current fund received \$1,816 fundraising income and \$12,452 salary income from Mt. Zion Lutheran Church. We are grateful for those who contributed their time and / or resources toward each of our fundraising events, as well as for our Shared Ministry relationship with Mt. Zion. Without these 2 sources of income, our Current Fund loss through June 2026 would be (\$26,054), which highlights the importance of both of these sources of income.

Our total assets are currently \$64,552, which is \$32,009 less than a year ago. Our Current Fund Balance is a positive \$7,626, which is \$23,409 less than June 30, 2025.

### Summary of Income and Expenses

|                                  | 2026<br>June YTD | 2026<br>Expense Budget | Over (Under)<br>Budget |
|----------------------------------|------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Total Current Fund Income        | \$ 65,260        | \$ 73,410              | \$ (8,150)             |
| Total Current Fund Expense       | \$ 77,046        | \$ 73,410              | \$ 3,636               |
| Net Income (Loss) - Current Fund | \$ (11,786)      | \$ -                   | \$ (11,786)            |

August

### Summary of Assets

|                             | June 30, 2026 | June 30, 2025 | YOY Change |
|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------|
| Checking - Members 1st      | 479           | 2,580         |            |
| Savings - Members 1st       | 1,005         | 2,153         |            |
| Money Market - Members 1st  | 11,271        | 41,212        |            |
| Mission Investment Accounts | 51,797        | 50,616        |            |
| Total Assets                | 64,552        | 96,561        | (32,009)   |

### Summary of Current Fund Activity and Balance

|                                   | 1/1/2026<br>Beg Balance | Profit (Loss)<br>YTD March 2026 | 6/30/2026<br>End Balance | 6/30/2025<br>End Balance |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 30100 · Unrestricted Current Fund | 19,412                  | (11,786)                        | 7,626                    | 31,035                   |



# Celebration of Service

St. Paul writes to the Corinthian church, <sup>11</sup> All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. <sup>12</sup> For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. <sup>13</sup> For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. (1 Cor 12:11-13)

The life of a community of faith is supported by the work of many individuals and groups who give of their time and talents to serve in ways that bring life to the mission of the gospel and the work of this Christ Lutheran Church congregation.

On July 12, we centered our worship

around celebrating some of the leaders of our church and learned about the work that they do and why this work is meaningful to them. We were grateful to hear about the following areas of ministry:

Bill Brookhart – Church Council

Cindy Brookhart – Worship & Music

Ernie Meisel – Financial Management

Bev Reifsnnyder – Altar Guild

Jean Tota – Community Outreach

Charlene Lentvorsky – Communications

Thank you to these folks for the work they do, and keep an eye out for future opportunities to hear about other areas of ministry at CLC!

## *In Memoriam*

Gracious Lord, in sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to God's loving care,  
our brother, **Ronnie Hoffman**.

Eternal rest grant him, O Lord; And let light perpetual  
shine upon him.



# Coffee & Dessert Tour

**DATE: SEPTEMBER 4, 2026- SEPTEMBER 27, 2026**



**\$15 PER TICKET**

## ***PARTICIPATING BUSINESSES***

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SHINE COFFEE CO.  
BUFFALO BREW  
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TWIN KISS**

Do you love coffee, desserts, and supporting the people of Perry County? Then this fundraiser is for you!

Purchase a tour ticket and enjoy local favorites while supporting our Breadcoin program, which helps low-income families and individuals purchase food at participating restaurants, markets and coffee shops.

Sip, savor, and make a difference – get your ticket today!

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## I Said A Prayer For You Today

*I said a prayer for you today  
 And know that God must have heard  
 I felt the answer in my heart  
 Although He spoke no word.  
 I didn't ask Him to send treasures  
 Of a far more lasting kind.  
 I asked the He'd be near you*

*At the start of each new day.  
 To grant you health and blessings  
 And friends to share your way.  
 I asked for happiness for you  
 In all things great and small.  
 But it was for His loving care  
 I prayed the most of all.*

## POCKET PRAYER QUILT

Finishes to 2" x 2"

All seam allowances are  $\frac{1}{4}$ ".

### 4-PATCH VERSION

- Fabrics in contrasting colors:
  - (2)  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " strips, at least 3" long, for **patchwork**
  - (1)  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " for **backing**
  - (1)  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " for lining (*optional*)
- Small cross pendant
- Small safety pin
- Printed prayer, cut to 2" x 2"
- Embroidery floss (*optional*)

### POCKET PRAYER PACKS

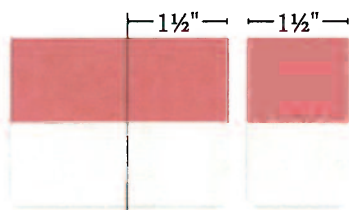
with crosses, safety pins,  
and printed prayers

are available at  
[ShabbyFabrics.com](http://ShabbyFabrics.com)  
while supplies last!



### MAKE QUILT

From *each* of two contrasting **patchwork** fabrics, cut (1)  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " strip at least 3" long. Sew together down length of strips, and press seam toward darker fabric. Cut strip set into (2)  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " units.



Arrange units to form a patchwork pattern. Sew units together, and press seam open. 4-Patch Block should now measure  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ".



You can add batting, if desired, but we found that the bulk made turning difficult. For this reason, we chose to use a light lining fabric (*optional*). If using lining fabric, place 4-Patch Block on top of it, right sides up. Place **backing** square on top of 4-Patch Block, right sides together.

Sew around edges, leaving an opening in one side for turning. Trim corners, then turn right side out. Push corners out, and press. Carefully place cross inside to the middle of quilt, then topstitch  $\frac{1}{8}$ " around entire quilt.

Use embroidery floss to tie down quilt center, if desired.

### RECOMMENDED PRODUCTS

- Clover Point Turner
- Charm Packs
- Mini Charm Packs
- Chenille Needles
- Kai Scissors
- Patchwork Pins
- Creative Grids -  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $8\frac{1}{2}$ " ruler (#CGR48)
- Creative Grids -  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " Square Up Ruler (#CGR4)
- Konfetti Neutral Thread Set
- Olfa Spinning Rotary Mat - 12" x 12"
- Olfa 45mm Rotary Cutter
- Creative Grids 9in Seam Guide Tool
- Optional Embroidery Floss

Available at [ShabbyFabrics.com](http://ShabbyFabrics.com)

### As seen on the HOW TO MAKE A POCKET PRAYER QUILT

video featured on our YouTube channel:



[YouTube.com/ShabbyFabrics](https://www.youtube.com/ShabbyFabrics)

# Pocket Prayer Quilt Craft

## HOURLASS VERSION (MAKES 4)-----

- Fabrics in contrasting colors:
  - (2) 5" x 5" squares *Charm packs work great for this!*
  - (4) 2½" x 2½" for **backing**
  - (4) 2½" x 2½" for lining (*optional*)
- (4) Small cross pendants
- (4) Small safety pins
- (4) Printed prayers, cut to 2" x 2"
- Embroidery floss (*optional*)

## ASSEMBLE QUILT-----

Join (2) 5" x 5" squares of contrasting colors, right sides together, and sew together all the way around all four sides.



Cut in half diagonally, twice.

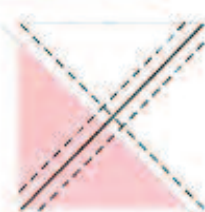


Press units open, pressing seam toward same fabric on both units.

Place one unit on top of the other, right sides together, with similar fabrics in opposite corners as shown.



Draw a line from corner to corner, noting the direction of the diagonal. Sew ¼" on either side of the drawn line. Cut apart on drawn line **OR** use Creative Grids 9in Seam Guide tool as shown in the video. Press seams as desired.



You will have (2) Hourglass Blocks. Square up each block to 2½" x 2½".



Repeat for a total of (4) Hourglass Blocks.

If using lining fabric, place Hourglass Block on top of it, right sides up. Place **backing** square on top of Hourglass Block, right sides together.

Sew around edges, leaving an opening in one side for turning. Trim corners, then turn right side out. Push corners out, and press. Carefully place cross inside to the middle of quilt, then topstitch ⅛" around entire quilt.

Use embroidery floss to tie down quilt center, if desired.

This "Pocket Prayer Quilt" was made especially for you to slip in your pocket. Throughout the day when your fingers touch the cross inside the quilt, be mindful of God's love and grace for you. Keep it as a tangible symbol of God's peace.

