

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
September, 2010

Newsletter



September Activities

September 12th - PROMOTION SUNDAY for all Sunday
School

classes and **CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION** following
the 11:15 AM church service. All 7th and 8th grade
students and at least one parent are asked to give this
time top priority.

**September 13th - 7:00 P.M. - CONFIRMATION
CLASSES BEGIN**

**September 14th - 7:00 P.M. - Sunday School Staff
Meeting**

September 17th - LIFE LINE SCREENING - Pre-register
by calling 1-800-636-0418
calling:

**September 19th - 10:00 A.M. - RALLY DAY & TEACHER
APPRECIATION SUNDAY**

Pastor's Ponderings

Wednesdays at 1:00 pm and 7:30 pm. This year we will continue that study by focusing on the Acts of the Apostles.

The book of Acts begins, "In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning ²until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. ⁴While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; ⁵for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

Whereas the Gospel of Luke informs us about the life, death and the resurrection of Jesus, Acts of the Apostles continues the story by informing us of how the Apostles, after Jesus' ascension continue the mission of advancing the good news after acquiring the Holy Spirit.

Acts recounts the actions, sermons and miracles of the Apostles and disciples after Jesus' ascension. It is the beginning of the mission of the church. Should you decide to join us in studying this mission, you will hear of Jesus commissioning of the Apostles, His ascension into heaven and the descent of the Holy Spirit upon them at Pentecost.

You will witness the sermons of Peter and Paul, sit in on the first Apostolic Convention in Jerusalem and witness many convert their lives to Jesus. You will witness healings and miraculous acts. You will witness the three missionary journeys of Paul (not to mention his miraculous conversion from persecutor of the church to one of the greatest witnesses of the saving power of Jesus' name). You will witness persecution and martyrdom.

If you set aside one hour of your life each week for the next several months, you will go on a journey of faith that should inspire and uplift you as we discover again the unending power of Jesus through the workings of the Holy Spirit.

As testified in the Acts of the Apostles, ¹¹This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.' ¹²There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved" (Acts 4:11-12 NRSV).

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Andy

SERMON PREVIEWS:

Sept. 5 - PENTECOST 15
HOLY COMMUNION
Sermon: "**Pastor Ed Schmidt**"
Luke 14:25-33

Sept. 12 - PENTECOST 16
HOLY COMMUNION - 10:00 A.M.
SHARE SUNDAY/BAPTISMS
PROMOTION SUNDAY
Sermon: "**BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS**"
Luke 15:1-10

Sept. 19 - PENTECOST 17
HOLY COMMUNION - RALLY DAY
TEACHER APPRECIATION SUNDAY
Sermon: "**THERE'S ALWAYS ROOM FOR
ONE MORE**"
Luke 16:1-13

Sept. 26 - PENTECOST 18
HOLY COMMUNION - 10:00 A.M.
Sermon: "**WHEN IS ENOUGH TOO MUCH?**"
I Timothy 6:6-19



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH
10:00 A.M.

CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION
Following 11:15 Church Service

All 7th & 8th Grade students and at least one parent are asked to give this time top priority.

Oct. 3 - PENTECOST 19
HOLY COMMUNION
Sermon: "**A LITTLE PASTORAL CARE
GOES A LONG WAY**"
II Timothy 1:1-14

Oct. 10 - PENTECOST 20
HOLY COMMUNION - 10:00 A.M.
SHARE SUNDAY/BAPTISMS
Sermon: "**KEEP IT SIMPLE**"
II Timothy 2:8-15

Oct. 17 - PENTECOST 21
HOLY COMMUNION
Sermon: "**THE DOUBLE EDGED SWORD
OF GOD**"
II Timothy 3:14-4:5

Oct. 24 - PENTECOST 22
HOLY COMMUNION - 10:00 A.M.
Sermon: "**NO PAIN, NO GAIN**"
Joel 2:23-32

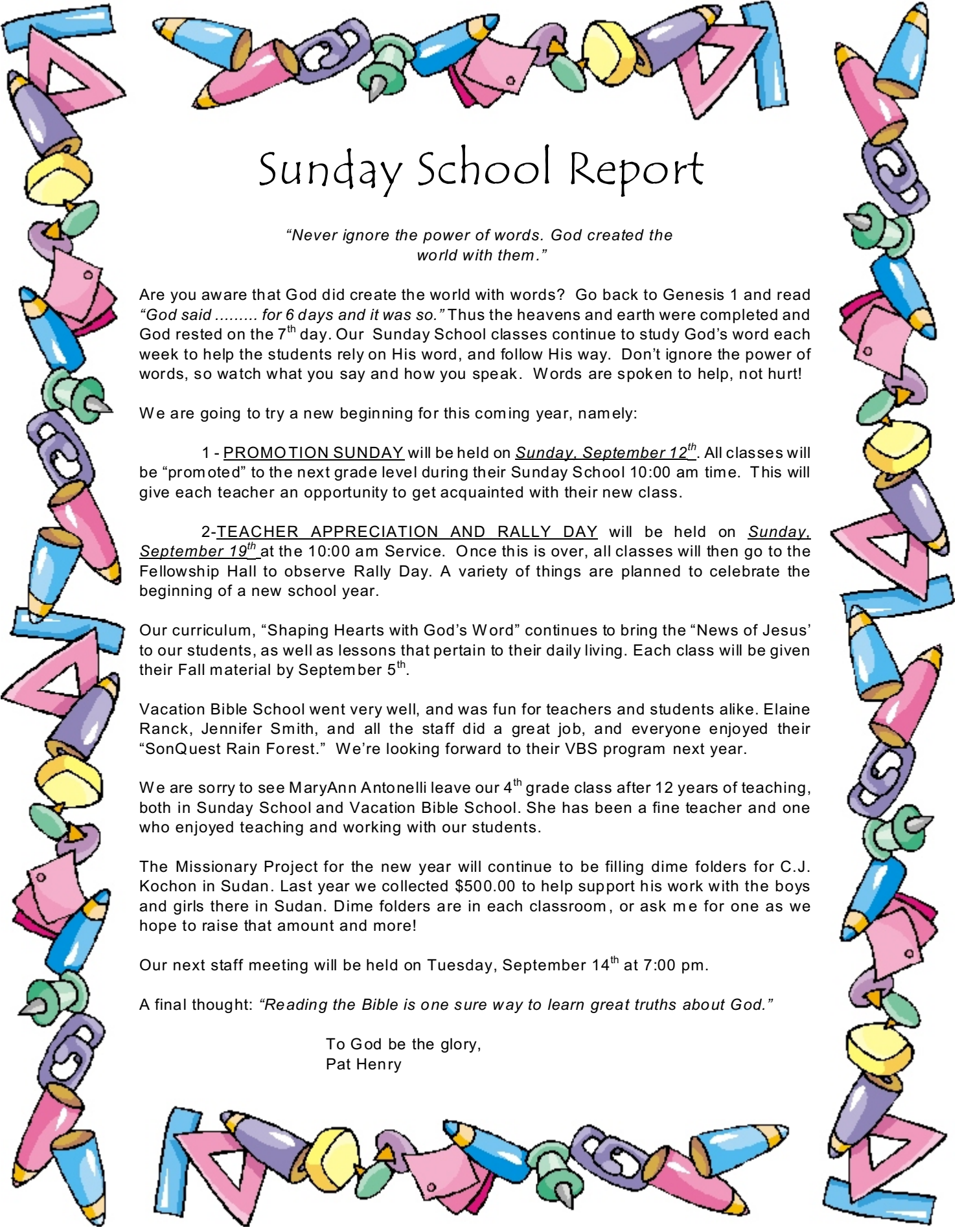
Oct. 31 - REFORMATION SUNDAY
HOLY COMMUNION
Sermon: "**JUST STAND UP AND TELL
THE TRUTH**"
II Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12



AND
TEACHER APPRECIATION
SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 19TH
10:00 A.M.

LIVE FOR JESUS



Sunday School Report

"Never ignore the power of words. God created the world with them."

Are you aware that God did create the world with words? Go back to Genesis 1 and read "God said for 6 days and it was so." Thus the heavens and earth were completed and God rested on the 7th day. Our Sunday School classes continue to study God's word each week to help the students rely on His word, and follow His way. Don't ignore the power of words, so watch what you say and how you speak. Words are spoken to help, not hurt!

We are going to try a new beginning for this coming year, namely:

1 - PROMOTION SUNDAY will be held on Sunday, September 12th. All classes will be "promoted" to the next grade level during their Sunday School 10:00 am time. This will give each teacher an opportunity to get acquainted with their new class.

2-TEACHER APPRECIATION AND RALLY DAY will be held on Sunday, September 19th at the 10:00 am Service. Once this is over, all classes will then go to the Fellowship Hall to observe Rally Day. A variety of things are planned to celebrate the beginning of a new school year.

Our curriculum, "Shaping Hearts with God's Word" continues to bring the "News of Jesus" to our students, as well as lessons that pertain to their daily living. Each class will be given their Fall material by September 5th.

Vacation Bible School went very well, and was fun for teachers and students alike. Elaine Ranck, Jennifer Smith, and all the staff did a great job, and everyone enjoyed their "SonQuest Rain Forest." We're looking forward to their VBS program next year.

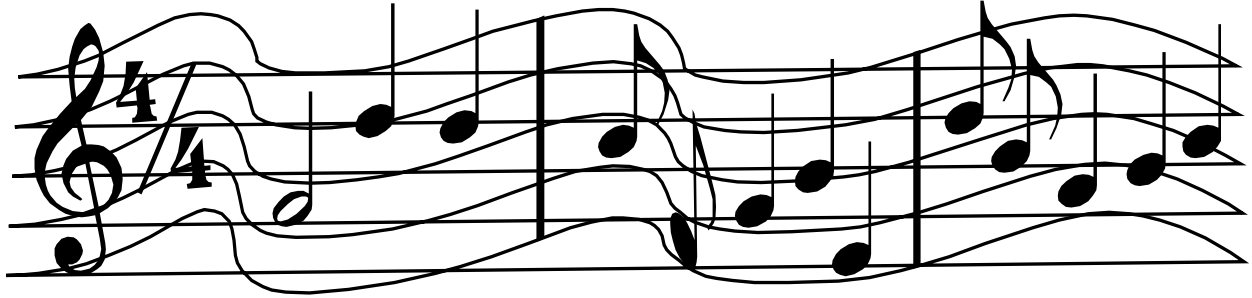
We are sorry to see MaryAnn Antonelli leave our 4th grade class after 12 years of teaching, both in Sunday School and Vacation Bible School. She has been a fine teacher and one who enjoyed teaching and working with our students.

The Missionary Project for the new year will continue to be filling dime folders for C.J. Kochon in Sudan. Last year we collected \$500.00 to help support his work with the boys and girls there in Sudan. Dime folders are in each classroom, or ask me for one as we hope to raise that amount and more!

Our next staff meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 14th at 7:00 pm.

A final thought: *"Reading the Bible is one sure way to learn great truths about God."*

To God be the glory,
Pat Henry



Junior Choir Notes

A New season of fun, fellowship, singing and leading the congregation in worship!

The summer has seemed to zip on by even though the temperature has made most of us wonder if we are in a dream or reality. And summer means pools and picnics and eating outside as well as trips to the shore for most of us.

Now it is time to begin to learn new music for another year. Rehearsals this year will start on Sunday, **September 26th at 9:45 a.m.** in the choir room. October 17th will be the first time to sing for the congregation. We will be doing, "*Follow, Follow*" a song about following Jesus.

A reminder for choir members: we sing at two of the three services. Many children choose to sing at 8:30 and 10:00 so they can go home after Sunday School. Some like to sing at 10:00 and 11:15. Either is fine and some sing at all three!

We will be welcoming several new people and trust that some of our former members who are now in confirmation class will be joining us as well.

Once again we will be accompanied by Mr. Kraemer. A sincere and special thank you to him. Thank you also to parents for making sure children are at church on time. 8:30 means being at the church at 8:10 to robe and rehearse.

Enjoy the rest of the summer and the Labor Day weekend. Looking forward to seeing everyone at our first rehearsal, September 26th at 9:45 a.m.

Love to all,
Mrs. Schmidt



Youth News

The Youth Group has had a quiet summer. A car wash planned for June was cancelled due to a scheduling conflict, but plans are in the works for one this Fall or Spring.

Many fun activities and service projects are planned for this coming year, including a drive for donations to benefit the Camden County SPCA. We will be asking for items like pet food, blankets, towels, toys, etc to make life more comfortable for God's creatures awaiting adoption. Details for this project will be available in the October Newsletter. Keep your eyes peeled for a comprehensive schedule of events to come out in September.

We are also looking to continue our monthly Youth Nites, welcoming our incoming 6th graders, who we hope will join us for a great year.

In His Name,
The Youth Ministry Team



Social Concerns Ministry

We hope everyone enjoyed this very hot summer. The pantry was very busy in June and July. On Our pantry day in June, we helped 61 families and in July, we had 55 families. Needless to say, our pantry is looking very threadbare. Items needed to replenish the shelves are:

Peanut butter & jelly, canned fruit, tuna, mac & cheese, canned corn, box potatoes, pancake mix & syrup, kids' cereal, baked beans, paper towels, toilet paper, napkins, pasta, spaghetti sauce.

Any donation is greatly appreciated.

October 2nd and 3rd will be our "Wild Weekend". Saturday, the 2nd, we will hold a clothing drive and Sunday, the 3rd we will be hosting our "Fall Breakfast". Also, watch the bulletin for more info regarding a yard sale.

A big "Thank You" goes out to all who helped get the 17 Knight Avenue house back in shape. It really looks very nice.

Also, thanks to all those who helped with our "Back to School" project. We had 46 kids that needed help.

We still could use help on pantry day in our "Clothes Closet" at 17 Knight Ave. The hours are 9-11 am and 6-7 pm. Any time you could spare helping would be very much appreciated. If interested, please contact Karen Bal at 856-939-4411 or email her at kbal08012@yahoo.com and she will get back to you.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Share Sunday - September 12th

Pantry Day - September 23rd

Caring and Sharing,
Sharon Feters

" We make a living by what we get - we make a life by what we give."

Prayer Shawl Ministry

This chairman is writing this article for the newsletter after hearing our great Praise Band at the Sunday service. Their playing of "Something Good is Going to Happen" was done beautifully and had the church members rocking. Our Trinity Family is blessed to have such fine musicians and vocalists performing for us.

For me, one of the "something good is going to happenings" will be starting up our Prayer Shawl Ministry after a summer break. Our 1st meeting will be held on Friday, October 1st, 2010. We are not meeting in September as we fall in the Labor Day celebration time slot.

Not everyone had a break! Our sister act (Mary Raws and Dolores Keller) made baptismal blankets for 4 new little members. (They did this and also helped with Vacation Bible School. We are very proud of you, ladies!) We also received prayer shawls from Sarah Whelan and Helen McGarvey. Others have been working over the summer and will present their shawls soon. We received another crochet volunteer, Jean Lauser. She is the mother of our church member, Gwen Steet. Thank you. If anyone knows someone who would like to help, please let us know. They do not have to be a member of our church. Our group is open to anyone and everyone who is interested. God Bless our Volunteers.

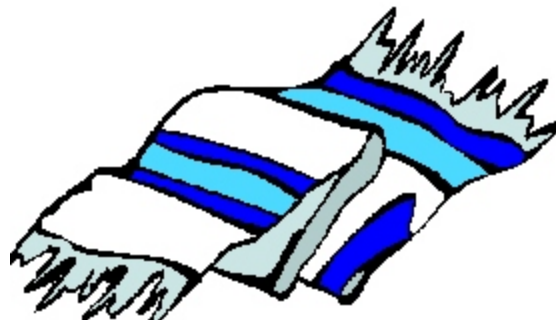
Recently, I was speaking to a Supt. of Schools, in another district. He was saying his mother had been ill for a time and received a prayer shawl (from another group.) She became so attached to it, when she died they buried her with it. This says a lot for the comfort, joy, peace and love that receivers get from the prayer shawls.

This is a blessing for a completed shawl, written by JaneBristow from www.shawlministry.com/prayers.htm "PRAYER OF BLESSING May God's grace be upon this shawl..warming, comforting, enfolding, and embracing. May this mantle be a safe haven.... a sacred place of security and well-being... May the one who receives this shawl be cradled in hope, kept in joy, graced with peace, and wrapped in love. Blessed Be!"

Remember we meet on 1st Fridays, the next meeting being October 1st, downstairs at Trinity, at 10 am.

"Until we meet again, May God Hold You in the Palm of his Hand."

The Prayer Shawl Ministry Family
Carolyn Lunn, President





LIFE LINE SCREENING

YOU CAN AVOID A STROKE!

Trinity Lutheran Church is pleased to offer a preventive health event. Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will host their affordable, non-invasive, painless health screenings on ***September 17, 2010***. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries, which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms, which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs, which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat, which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Stroke, Vascular Disease and Heart Rhythm Package; all 4 tests for only \$139 - Add an osteoporosis screening for \$10 more; all 5 tests for \$149 (\$66 savings!)

**Your Health is in your hands so call:
1-800-636-0418
for more information or to pre-register.**

LUTHERAN HOME NEWS

I hope that everyone has had a safe and wonderful summer. It's sad to see how quickly the summer has gone, but it's also nice to look forward to a nice, new season with cooler temperatures and the beautiful new tapestry of fall leaves and colors with which the Lord will be painting our earth.

I don't have a lot to report at this time as we don't meet during the summer months, but we are gearing up for a great 2010/2011 year.

Our first auxiliary meeting will be held on September 9th. The annual Oktoberfest will be held on Saturday, October 9th from 4 to 7 p.m. Tickets for adults will be \$12.00 and children will be \$6.00.

We have received approximately \$20.00 in donations this year in our Leona's Lutheran Home Wishing Well. I am bringing that money to the September meeting to contribute towards the wheelchairs. I will update you on the wheelchair project and all our other plans for the year as I learn more.

Thank you for your continued, faithful support. It is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,
Sandy Counsellor

"The Lord is the everlasting God, the creator of the ends of the earth" Isaiah 40:28.

SOMETHING BEAUTIFUL

"Spread love everywhere you go; to show love for God and our neighbor we need not do great things. It is how much love we put in 'doing' that makes our offering something beautiful to God."

-Mother Teresa

LUTHERAN CARE at MOORESTOWN
255 East Main Street,
Moorestown, NJ

The Auxiliary of the Lutheran Home
Invites You To Its Annual



Saturday, October 9, 2010

Gut Essen
Menu

Pork and Knockwurst
Sauerkraut and Mashed Potatoes
Baked Beans and Apple Sauce
Beverages
Rolls and Homemade Cake

Entertainment



Accordion Player - Bob Cirimelli

Three Seatings
4:00 to 5:00 pm – 5:00 to 6:00 pm
6:00 to 7:00 pm

Tickets \$12.00 - Children \$6.00