All Around Arndt's - August 18, 2025

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Attendance and Offering:

August 17, 2025 Attendance - 39 Offering - \$1,263.00

Let us pray for families of Arndt's:

Kevin and Tammy Russell; Bennett, Rachael, Olivia and Bennett Rymon and Rebekka Fehnel; Bruce and Debbie Sandt; Vicky Schafer; Michael, Pattie, Henry and Charlie Schallock; Myk and Susie Schallock; Robert, Anne, Alexandra and Jacob Schallock; Adam, Ashley, Evan and Jacob Selmasska; Carl and Ellen Selmasska; Dan Selmasska.

<u>Thank you.</u> I would like to thank everyone that helped and supported our Basket Raffle this past Saturday. First of all, thanks to Linda Kleppinger and Donna Lewis for allowing the Open Arms Basket Raffle to be included in the yard sale. Special thanks to Charlie Miller and Doris Tarlowski for securing Thrivent grants that were used to purchase many things for the raffle. Thank you to the following people for their help in making our event a success.

- Linda Kleppinger, Bruce Sandt and Jim Bialker who manned the food table.
- Vicky Schafer for donating baskets and staying to pick and call the winning numbers.
- Rawlynn Wood for setting up, baking for the bake sale and donating a basket.
- Janet Heller for baking cherry crumb pies for the bake sale.
- Lorraine Hammerstone for donating many items for the baskets as well as several Longaberger baskets to fill.
- Jean Ruschman for her basket donation; and
- Jean Ruschman and Joan Kocher for using their "muscle" to do the breakdown of the tables and chairs.
- Donna Lewis for her donation of several baskets to be filled.
- Scott Lewis for cleaning up all the grass that blew inside.
- Pastor Jean for her donation of basket items.
- Peggy Freeman for donating proceeds from her yard sale table.
- Sue Wexler for her continued patience and help answering all my questions

I especially want to thank everyone that came out on Saturday to take a chance, to buy baked goods or to buy a hot dog for lunch. Open Arms is truly blessed to be part of the Arndt's family.

Pattie Corcoran

Announcements and Reminders

<u>Summer Worship Hours.</u> Summer worship hours are Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. and continue through Labor Day.

Arndt's Yard Sale and Basket Raffle: It was a perfect day for a yard sale on Saturday, August 9, 2025. All but two vendors showed and enjoyed a good stream of visitors to their sale tables. We had twelve vendors, several new to this year's event. I secured a Thrivent grant of \$250 to pay for an ad in The Nazareth Key, which ran the week prior to our event date and during the week of same. The ad not only captured details about the yard sale but also highlighted the basket raffle, a new addition to this year's event. As it turned out, the basket raffle was a good draw and many people either went directly into the church to take a chance on a basket(s) then wandered out to the yard sale, or vice versa. Also, ads were placed on a public ad board near 25th Street in Wilson as well as an on-line ad source intended for yard salers.

As the yard sale opened, I walked around to all the vendors and welcomed them and shared how we are working to grow our yearly event and to look for it next year in The Key. Again, I visited the vendors near the close of the yard sale and many said they saw a fair amount of sales, which made me happy and relieved! I also covered the concessions under the pavilion which was also very successful; in fact, we sold out of all the hot dogs and sauerkraut and many of the accompaniments. Those funds as well as those from the basket raffle will benefit the Open Arms program.

A lot of planning goes into such an event, but thankfully, our church members who were there offered to help wherever it was needed, both during morning set-up and tear-down at the close of the event, which was greatly appreciated. I announced at our August 10th church service that we will plan to conduct a yard sale and basket raffle again next year and stressed how important it is for our members to support fundraising efforts for our church. All in all, between the basket raffle, concessions and vendors, we brought in a whopping \$1849+. Pattie Corcoran will provide details on the basket raffle and concessions. Funds received from the yard sale will be given to Sue for deposit.

My volunteers included Ed Kleppinger, Scott and Donna Lewis, Bruce Sandt, Jim Bialker, Jean Ruschman, and Vicky Schafer, who distributed flyers for us. Their support was greatly appreciated!

I would like to work with a group of members to conduct another fundraiser in the future, but that's just a thought at this time. We'll see what we come up with.

God's Blessings, Linda Kleppinger & Donna Lewis Mission District Covered Dish Picnic and Hymn Sing: Join us outside in the pavilion for a covered dish picnic and hymn sing on Wednesday, August 20th. Supper will be at 6:00 p.m., followed by a hymn sing at 7:00 p.m. Arndt's will provide hot dogs, rolls, paper products and utensils. Please bring a covered dish to share: salads, side dishes and desserts.

Miniature Golfing at Mountainview Family Drive-In: We continue our summer mini-golf outings this Thursday, August 21st, at 6:00 p.m., at Mountainview Family Drive-In, 602 Jacobsburg Road, Nazareth. Cost is \$5 per person. All are welcome to play. Please use the sign-up sheet in the narthex if you are planning to attend so we know who to expect.

<u>Arndt's Golf Outing:</u> The Arndt's 19th annual Golf Outing will be held this Friday, August 22, 2025, at Green Pond Country Club, 3604 Farmersville Road, Bethlehem, PA. Shotgun Start at 9:00 a.m. Cost is \$100 per person and includes golf with cart, hot dogs, beverages, prizes and dinner. Contact Jim Bialker, <u>ibialker@yahoo.com</u> or 610-360-4686 or any member of the Golf Committee (Josh Huber, Scott Lewis, Mike Affa) with questions or if you need additional information.

<u>Wine...Shine...Dine...</u> Join us for this wine tasting event at Arndt's on Saturday, August 23, 2025, beginning at 12:00 noon. Cost is \$20 per person and registration starts at 11:00 a.m. Charcuterie and lunch will be provided and each ticket purchased will be entered to win a "Basket of Cheer".

<u>Worship Minister Volunteers Needed:</u> If you are able to help during worship by being a lector, assistant minister or usher, please sign up on the sign-up sheets on the bulletin board in the coat room area. Thank you for your willingness to serve.

Backpack Pals Program: Arndt's Church continues to collect applesauce packs for the Backpack Pals program—either the 4-cup or 6-cup packages, unsweetened preferred. There is a bin in the narthex for donations. We thank you for your continued support of this project and thank you to Linda Kleppinger for delivering our donations each month.

Mew Arndt's Website now has photos! I am now posting pictures of Arndt's events. Please take time to view our updated website www.arndtslutheranchurch.org. If trying to view photos from your smartphone click on the menu button with 3 lines in the upper left corner of the home page. Photos may be sent to Denis Burns at dkburns@outlook.com Enjoy!

<u>Church Calendar on Arndt's Website:</u> For up-to-date information on dates and times of services and activities at the church, check out the 'Calendar" tab on the Arndt's website, <u>www.arndtslutheranchurch.org</u>.









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You can create an account at RaiseRight.com to order e-cards or physical cards easily online or use the printed order form found in the Narthex and on our church website. If you choose to use the printed form, submit it to Denis Burns, along with your check made payable to Arndt's Lutheran Church. Questions? Contact Denis Burns at 610-216-9539.

Arndt's Weekly Calendar

Monday, August 18, 2025 thru

Thursday, August 21, 2025: Arndt's Summer Camp, 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Contact: Rita Willis: 201-852-2139

Open Arms Senior Connection, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 19, 2025:

Tuesday, August 19, 2025: Boy Scout Meeting, 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Wednesday, August 20, 2025: Country Line Dancing Class, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Barbara Willett, Instructor – 610-253-7382

Wednesday, August 20, 2025: Mission District Covered Dish Picnic (6:00 p.m.) and

Hymn Sing (7:00 p.m.). All are welcome.

Open Arms Senior Connection, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Thursday, August 21 2025:

Thursday, Aug. 21, 2025: Miniature Golfing at Mountainview Family Drive-In,

6:00 p.m. Sign up in the narthex.

Friday, August 22, 2025: Annual Golf Tournament at Green Pond Country Club

Saturday, August 23, 2025: "Wine . . . Shine . . . Dine" wine tasting event, 12:00 noon.

Sunday, Aug. 24, 2025: Outdoor Worship Service in the pavilion (9:30 a.m.)

> followed by a covered dish Brunch. Please bring a breakfast item or dish to share. There is a sign-up sheet

in the narthex.

Save the Date

Saturday, October 18, 2025: Fall Women's Retreat at Country Meadows, Forks.

Wine...Shine... Dine

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August 23, 2025 Registration 11 a.m. Tastings begin at 12 noon



WINE & SHINE TASTING
CHARCUTERIE & LUNCH PROVIDED

Each ticket will be entered To win a Basket of Cheer











