

All Around Arndt's - February 23, 2026

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Arndt's Bicentennial Year 2026

To commemorate this historic milestone of Arndt's Lutheran Church, we are hosting a year-round calendar of events. We look forward to seeing you at Arndt's each week as we celebrate the history of our beautiful church.

2026 CALENDAR OF EVENTS		
January 18th 10:30 AM The Arndt's Story	February 15th 10:30 AM Leadership in Action	March 15th 10:30 AM Church Ministries
April 19th 10:30 AM Community Outreach	May 17th 10:30 AM Music Ministry	June 20th 2:00 PM Lawn Social
July 19th 9:30 AM Christian Education	August 16th 9:30 AM 68 Years of Scouting	September 20th 10:30 AM Fellowship
October 18th 10:30 AM Women's Ministry	November 15th 12 Noon Luncheon The Next 200 Years	December 20th 10:30 AM The Year in Review

Printed copies of the History of Arndt's Church, recently presented by Jean Ruschman, are available in the narthex.

Attendance and Offering:

February 22, 2026

Attendance – 33 on Zoom

Offering – \$

Let us pray for families of Arndt's:

Irma Lacey; Sue Laros; Jeri Leiendecker; Marjorie Leuschner; Scott and Donna Lewis; Freda Lieberman; Craig Limeberry; Joanne Linehan; Charles Lucas; Patricia Lucas.

Winter Weather Policy: In the event of inclement weather on a Sunday, we will make a decision to cancel in-person worship and move to Zoom. Below is the Zoom invitation that you should use to participate, either by computer or phone, when in-person worship is canceled. **Reminder: Zoom will only be used when in-person worship is canceled.**

Jean Huber is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Sunday Worship – Only when in-person worship is canceled due to weather.

Time: Jan 25, 2026 10:30 a.m. and every week on Sunday when in-person worship is canceled.

Join Zoom Meeting on Computer:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81853887110?pwd=78fJZ1kdDbwzodHYzxMnsgNOzuVeuC.1>

Meeting ID: 818 5388 7110

Passcode: 202714

Join Zoom Meeting by Phone:

1-646-558-8656

Meeting ID: 818 5388-7110

Passcode: 202714

**Check for cancellations on WFMZ Channel 69 or on our church website,
arndtslutheranchurch.com**

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Announcements and Reminders

Annual Congregational Meeting: Our annual Congregational Meeting has been rescheduled for Sunday, March 8th, immediately following worship. Please plan to attend this important meeting in the life of the church.

Action Team Planning Meeting: The annual meeting to plan our Thrivent Action Team Grants will be held on Sunday, March 8th (postponed from February), following worship and our annual meeting. **Lunch will be provided for those attending the meeting – please register by signing the sign-up sheet in the narthex to help us plan for the food order.**

You are encouraged to attend the meeting, whether a present Thrivent member or someone who wants to learn more about the Action Team program. Associate memberships are available for \$19.95 and you can obtain one Action Team grant per year as an associate member to be part of the program.

Year-End Giving Statements: Arndt's Church giving statements for 2025 are available if you would like a copy for income tax purposes. Please sign the "2025 Giving Statement" list in the narthex and your statement will be printed for you.

Mid-Week Lenten Services

Our joint midweek Lenten soup suppers and worship services begin this week. Each Wednesday during Lent we will join together at 6:00 for a supper of soup, bread and dessert, followed by a worship service at 7:00 p.m. The schedule is as follows:

February 25

United Fellowship Lutheran Church
2115 Washington Boulevard, Wilson Borough

March 4

Arndt's Lutheran Church
1851 Arndt Road, Forks Township

March 11

St. Paul's Third Lutheran Church
2561 Newburg Road, Palmer Township

March 18

St. John's Lutheran Church
330 Ferry Street, Easton

March 25

St. Andrew's Lutheran Church
3900 Freemansburg Avenue, Palmer Township

Please join us as we journey together through Lent to Holy Week

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Easter Flowers: Orders for Easter flowers are being accepted to help decorate the sanctuary on Easter Sunday. An order form is attached to this edition of All Around Arndt's. Orders and payment are due on or before Wednesday, March 18th.

Women's Mini-Retreat: The Arndt's Women's Lenten Retreat, "A Season of Renewal: Patience, Pilgrimage, Preparations" will be held at Country Meadows Forks, 175 West Newlins Road, Forks Township, on Saturday, March 14th from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. Registration fee is \$10. For our service project, we will be collecting male and female hair care products. Suggestions are: combs, brushes, shampoo, conditioner, hair spray, straighteners, styling gels and sprays for all types of hair. There will be a box for your donations in the narthex. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex. All women are invited.

Cold-Weather Ministry: St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 330 Ferry Street in Easton, is accepting donations of coats, sweaters, sweatshirts, hats, scarves and gloves as part of an ongoing ministry to assist those persons in the Easton area community who are homeless and/or in need of these necessities. Every day, several items are hung on the fence outside the church for people to take as needed.

Arndt's will be collecting these requested items and delivering them to St. John's for them to use in this ministry. There is a collection bin in the coat room for your donations.

Worship Minister Volunteers: Worship Minister volunteers are always needed to assist during worship on a Sunday morning. If you would like to volunteer, please sign the sign-up sheets on the bulletin board in the coat room area. Thank you for your willingness to serve.

Church Calendar on Arndt's Website: 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, www.arndtslutheranchurch.org.

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. Currently, the Backpack Pals program is distributing approximately 555 bags each month. Your willingness to donate to this program is appreciated

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Upcoming Basket Raffle Event: Open Arms will sponsor a Basket Raffle as part of the Arndt's Lawn Social on Saturday, June 20th. They are asking for donations of items that can be used to make baskets or for donations of themed baskets to include in the basket raffle. You may drop off any donations at church and place them in the bin marked for "Basket Raffle" donations. Prepared baskets may also be brought to the church and they will be kept until the time of the event. Please direct any questions you may have to Open Arms Director Pattie Corcoran, either by phone at 610-533-7842 or email at pac625@gmail.com

ANNUAL TAKE-OUT LASAGNA DINNER



Saturday, March 21, 2026

Enjoy a homemade Italian meal while raising funds for Arndt's. Dinner includes lasagna, Italian roll, salad, and dessert. All for only \$15 per person.

Pick up time is from 5:00-6:00 p.m. at Arndt's Church.

To reserve meals, please use the order form at the end of this newsletter.

Order forms are also on the counter in the narthex and on the church website

www.arndtslutheranchurch.org

Order forms with payment may be placed in the red & white box in the Narthex or mailed to the church.

All meals must be pre-ordered and paid for no later than Sunday, March 8.

Please make checks payable to *Arndt's Lutheran Church*.

Questions? Contact Gerry Burns at 610-349-8746 or gerib1968@gmail.com

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Lasagna Dinner Committees

PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE NARTHEX



Lasagna Dinner Sous Chefs Needed!

If you enjoy cooking and can help prep for our lasagna dinner, please sign up in the Narthex. We will prep on Friday, March 20 beginning at 9:30 in Fellowship Hall. All instructions and supplies will be provided. We will prep together as a team.

Lasagna Pans needed

If you have a 9"x12" glass lasagna pan that we could borrow for the lasagna dinner, please sign up in the Narthex. Pans can be put in the kitchen beginning Sunday, March 8 and will be returned the week following the dinner. Thank you!

Desserts Needed

We are looking for donations of Brownies or Cookies for the dinner. If you can help with this, please sign up in the Narthex. Dessert items may be delivered to Fellowship Hall on Friday, March 20 at 10 a.m. or Saturday, March 21 at 11 a.m.

Meal packers and servers

If you can help pack meals and/or distribute them on Saturday, March 21, please sign up in the Narthex. Packers are needed at 3:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall and distribution will be from 5:00-6:00 p.m. in the lounge.

Any questions, please contact Gerry Burns at 610-349-8746.

Arndt's Weekly Calendar

Tuesday, February 24, 2026: Open Arms Senior Connection. 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 24, 2026: Boy Scout Meeting, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 24, 2026: Bible Study on Zoom, 7:00 p.m.

Jean Huber is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Bible study

Time: Beginning January 20, 2026 and every week thereafter on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m.

Join Zoom Meeting by Computer:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81797765558?pwd=q4Yi9crl6iYT0AcCgW9bf9VbAtp7O4.1>

Meeting ID: 817 9776 5558. Passcode: 672799

Join Zoom Meeting by Telephone:

1-646-558-8656

Meeting ID: 817 9776 5558. Passcode: 672799

Wednesday, February 25, 2026: Arndt's Book Club at Country Meadows, Forks, 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, February 25, 2026: Country Line Dance Class – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, February 25, 2026: Midweek Soup Supper at United Fellowship Lutheran Church, 2115 Washington Boulevard, Wilson Borough, 6:00 p.m., followed by Worship Service at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.

Sunday, March 1, 2026: Children's Sunday School, 9:00 a.m.

Sunday, March 1, 2026: Second Sunday in Lent – Service of Holy Communion, 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, March 1, 2026: Bicentennial Committee Meeting after church

Looking Ahead

Sunday, March 8, 2026: Third Sunday in Lent – Service of Holy Communion, 10:30 a.m., followed by annual Congregational Meeting (rescheduled from 2/22/26)

Sunday, March 8, 2026: Action Team Planning Meeting following worship. Lunch will be provided.

Sunday, March 15, 2026: Potato Bar following worship sponsored by Open Arms. Baked potatoes with toppings. Donations gratefully accepted to benefit the Open Arms Senior Connection program.

NEW FACEBOOK PAGE

Arndt's Lutheran Church has so much to offer our community. In an effort to spread the word about our church, worship and activities, we have created a new Facebook page:

Arndt's Lutheran Church of Forks Township, PA.

If you use social media, please go into our page and click on "follow." The more people that "follow" the page, the more likely it will appear on Facebook feeds and hopefully generate interest in Arndt's church. Our goal is to provide church information, special announcements, important dates, photos and more.

The first post that now appears on our Facebook page reads:

Arndt's Lutheran Church history dates back to 1731, when the Hans Arndt family emigrated from Germany to America. His second son, Major Jacob Arndt acquired land along Bushkill Creek in 1760 where he and his wife would raise their family. J. Henry Messinger one the largest landowners in Forks Township, would deed land adjacent to the Arndt property that would be the beginning of a Christian community in Forks Township. In August 1826, Arndt's Church, named after Jacob's oldest son, John, became a reality. In 2026, we will celebrate our Bicentennial with special monthly events and services. All are welcome at Arndt's church and we hope you visit this new page often.

If you would like to post an announcement or photos, please contact Gerry Burns at gerib1968@gmail.com

Let's show the Lehigh Valley that the small church on the hill in Forks Township is a great place to be!

PHOTOS NEEDED

In preparation for the Bicentennial Celebration of Arndt's, we are looking for photographs and other memorabilia about Arndt's Lutheran Church and our church community. If you can lend us photos from years gone by (worship services, special events, fundraisers, etc.) we would appreciate it. **All photos will be returned.** Please put your name, address, and phone number on the back of each photo. Photos may be placed in the labeled box on the counter in the Narthex. Thank you in advance for your help in making this a special year for our Arndt's community.



Arndt's Lutheran Church



CELEBRATING

200 YEARS

1826 - 2026

EASTER PLANT ORDER FORM - 2026

Name _____

Phone _____

<u>Plant</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Total</u>
Pink Tulips	_____	\$8.00	_____
Red Tulips	_____	\$8.00	_____
Yellow Tulips	_____	\$8.00	_____
Purple Tulips	_____	\$8.00	_____
Daffodils (Regular)	_____	\$8.00	_____

(All plants are in 6" pots)

Total Paid \$ _____

Make Checks Payable to "Arndt's Lutheran Church". (Payment due with order)

Dedication for the Easter Sunday Bulletin

**Payment and orders due by
Wednesday, March 18th**

Plants may be picked up after the 10:30 service on Easter Sunday.

