

June 2026

Monthly Newsletter

St. Thomas Speaks



A Word from Pastor Shawn

It has been a wonderful six months since I began my pastorate here at St. Thomas. Wow—has it really already been six months? Time has truly flown by.

In that short time, I have experienced the famous Chicken BBQ, worshiped through Holy Week with you, and gathered around campfires roasting hot dogs and s'mores. It has been such a joy getting to know this congregation, and you have all been incredibly welcoming and hospitable to me and my family. We truly feel blessed to have found ourselves among you.

During these first six months, I have been learning about St. Thomas, about the passions of this church, the meaningful work being done in this community, and the many ways that ministry comes to life here each day. I have seen firsthand that this congregation is a loving community that joyfully shares life together and genuinely desires for others to be part of it as well.

There is energy here. There is joy, passion, and a willingness to follow where God is leading. I am grateful to be part of this ministry and excited to see what comes next for all of us. Feel free to stop by the church or I can come out to you. Also I have begun serving "Home Communion" where I bring the sacrament of our Lord's Supper to you. If you are interested, you can reach out to the church and I will set up a time to come out.

May God's peace and love surround you.

In this newsletter
you can expect:

Updates about
Events this
month

Birthdays

Stories of Impact

Prayer list
information and
updates

This month's
church calendar

Community
impact
information

Monthly/Weekly Events



Coffee Fellowship

Every first Tuesday of the Month
at 10:00 am
In the Fellowship Hall!

Join us for fun times,
community, and delicious
snacks and drinks

Illustration of two coffee cups, a bag of coffee beans, and coffee beans scattered on a wooden surface.



Join Us For Our Weekly

ONLINE BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays
7:00 PM

Everyone is Welcome!

Link to Meeting:
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88474665272>

Illustration of an open Bible with a white cross on the cover.



Love music? Love to sing?

Join our choir!

REHEARSALS
EVERY THURSDAY
AT 6:45 PM

You do not need to know how to read music to participate!

See Betsy Smith for more information
or if you have any questions

Illustration of a piano keyboard and musical notes.



Like making or writing cards?
Join Our

Card Ministry

Open to anyone and everyone
Every 3rd Sunday
1:00 pm

Illustration of envelopes and a card with a heart.

See an event you might be interested in? Feel free to join!
Everyone is welcome!

Events This Month



Sunday, June 21st is Father's Day! Thank you to all the fathers and father figures who helped us grow into the people we are now. We greatly appreciate the sacrifices, lessons, and love that you share with us as we grow as people. Make sure to thank your father or father-like figure today and tell him how much you appreciate him!

It's that time of year again when everyone is looking forward to fresh, juicy blueberries. The 20th Annual Blueberry Sale begins this month! Call in or email to secure yourself a box of delicious blueberries. Pick up will be at the church on Tuesday, July 7th from 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM. Your last day to order is Tuesday, June 30th, so make sure you order soon!



Join us for our Riverboat Service, held on the Pride of the Susquehanna Riverboat. On Sunday, June 21st, our church service will take place on the river. Boarding begins at 9:30 AM, and the boat will depart promptly at 10:00 AM, so make sure you are there on time to take part in this service. The Pride of the Susquehanna Riverboat is located at 11 Championship Way, Harrisburg, PA 17101

Focus this Month

This June, our Monthly Mission Focus will be the United Church of Christ Homes Benevolent Fund.

This fund helps with providing assistance to residential and personal care residents who cannot pay for the cost of their care and are not receiving governmental assistance. As a church, we can help contribute to this fund. We can be a caring community and help provide these people with assistance and help.

“Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.”
Hebrews 13:16

Updates

The June | July | August edition of *Our Daily Bread* is available now. Pick one up from one of the foyers or see Kristen in the church office for a copy.

We will have a Baptismal Service on June 28. Join us as we celebrate the baptism of Hunter Lawson and Finlay Lawson.

Having a special anniversary? Getting married? Getting baptized? Have another important update for the church to see? Let us know by emailing admin@stthomasucc.net or by calling [\(717\) 652-7259](tel:(717)652-7259).

We would love to hear from you!

Birthdays this Month:

1 - Joan Parson	13 - Deanna Summers
6 - Dale Byers	13 - Betsy Myers
6 - Richard Yingst	17 - Alan Gallagher
8 - Ben Byers	19 - Laura Gifford
12 - Joan Tracy	19 - Mary Ellen Rutter
	30 - Susan Davis

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 DULCIMERS 10-12 PM ELDERS 6:15 PM SCOUTS 6-9 PM	2 COFFEE 10:00 AM P&L 6:30 PM	3 TOPS 10-12 PM BIBLE STUDY 7:00 PM	4 BELLS 6:00 PM CHOIR 6:45 PM	5	6 BABY SHOWER
7 SCOUTS 6:30 - 8 PM	8 DULCIMERS 10-12 PM SCOUTS 6-9 PM	9	10 TOPS 10-12 PM BIBLE STUDY 7:00 PM	11 BELLS 6:00 PM CHOIR 6:45 PM	12	13 BABY SHOWER
14 SCOUTS 6:30 - 8 PM	15 DULCIMERS 10-12 PM SCOUTS 6-9 PM	16 RENTAL 6-11 PM	17 TOPS 10-12 PM RENTAL 6-11 PM BIBLE STUDY 7:00 PM	18 BELLS 6:00 PM RENTAL 6-11 PM CHOIR 6:45 PM	19 JUNETEENTH RENTAL 6-11 PM	20 RENTAL 6-11 PM
21 FATHER'S DAY RIVERBOAT SERVICE 10 AM CARD MINISTRY 1:00 PM SCOUTS 6:30 - 8 PM	22 DULCIMERS 10-12 PM CONSISTORY MEETING 6:15 PM RENTAL 6-11 PM SCOUTS 6-9 PM	23 RENTAL 6-11 PM HISTORICAL PRESERVATION 7:00 PM	24 TOPS 10-12 PM RENTAL 6-11 PM BIBLE STUDY 7:00 PM	25 BELLS 6:00 PM RENTAL 6-11 PM CHOIR 6:45 PM	26	27 GRADUATION PARTY
28 SCOUTS 6:30 - 8 PM	29 DULCIMERS 10-12 PM SCOUTS 6-9 PM	30 LIFELINE SCREENING DAY 8:00 AM				
FELLOWSHIP HALL		CONFERENCE ROOM		ONLINE	OFF-SITE	OTHER

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