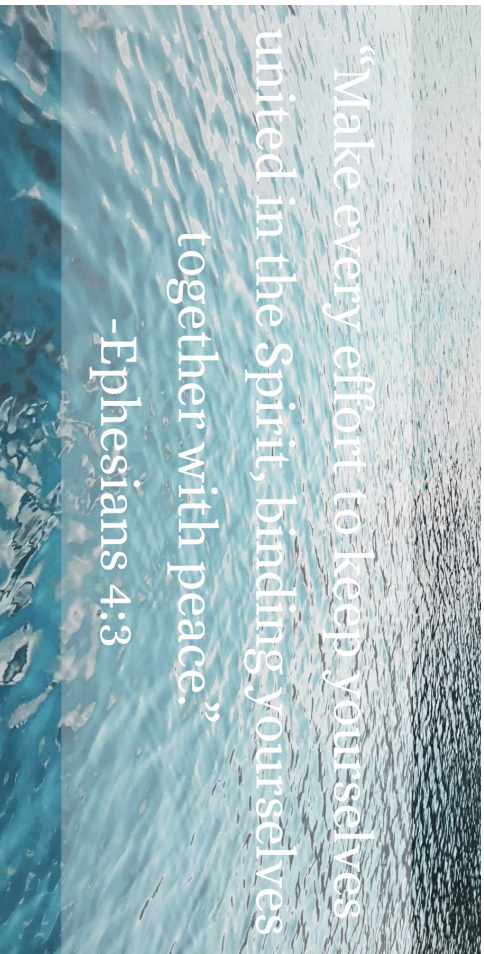




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A Note from Pastor Jesse...

Pastor Jesse Funk: jfunk@halifaxgmc.org / 717-896-8092 x 102 "Christ Centered | Community Driven."

Happy August everyone!

As everyone filters back in from a summer of trips and vacations, I look forward to having everyone back worshipping under one roof! It has been a busier summer than we've been used to, with more family events occurring in particular.

But now, with VBS and the start of the school year quickly approaching, I pray that you sense the Holy Spirit's leading in your life. The church doesn't need volunteers, it needs disciples! I believe God is redeeming this unique time to call forward new leaders, new volunteers, and leading HCC into an individual and collective strength that we see every so often in the Old Testament.

Israel got a lot of stuff wrong, which we can certainly learn from, but we can also see Israel's deepest moments of joy, fulfillment, and even security were when the whole nation of Israel responded to God's call, not just the ones at the top.

So as we travel our own uncharted path as our spiritual ancestors did, let us remember that when God speaks, He speaks to all of his children.

Please do not forget to keep our new pastor and his congregation in your prayers at this time!

Our **Adult Discipleship** programs will also look slightly different this year. We are looking to begin a **church-wide study** on Labor Day Weekend. We have selected "The Real God" by Chip Ingram as our study. This will be an 8 week series, which will also be the subject of the Sunday messages. Each group that meets weekly is planning to start this series the week of September 6.

We are also looking to have a Men's group and a Women's group on Wednesday nights for this, so if the Holy Spirit has been nudging you to lead a group, please consider helping run one of our church-wide groups this fall! I'd be happy to sit down and talk with you about it!

"Be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the Lord!"
-Psalm 31:24

In Christ,
Pastor Jesse

FOOD ROOM



HALIFAX FOOD ROOM

Contact Food Room Coordinator With Any Questions:
Kara Stiely – kstiely240@comcast.net

HOURS

Mondays: 9 – 11:30 AM
Thursdays: 3:30 – 6 PM
3rd Saturday of the Month: 9 – 11 AM

LOCATION

105 Wind Hill Drive, Halifax.
The brick house at the top corner of the church parking lot.
(Follow the sign by Wind Hill Rd.)

Pre-registration is not needed.
When you arrive, volunteers will assist you!

CORNERSTONE



CORNERSTONE COUNSELING

A Faith Based Counseling Service

Our Mission is to Glorify God by Bringing Hope and Healing to Mind, Heart, and Soul through Accessible, Affordable Counseling.

Address: 105 Wind Hill Drive, Halifax, PA 17032 | "House on the Hill"



COUNSELING SERVICES IN HALIFAX ARE AVAILABLE FOR INDIVIDUALS, COUPLES, FAMILIES, & CHILDREN.

Financial assistance is available.

Counselors come to Halifax from
In Him Christian Wellness.

Website: <https://ccmhalifax.com/>
(or scan the QR code)

To schedule an appointment, please email or call:
intake@inhimchristianwellness.org | 717-220-5446.



WANT TO CONNECT AT HCC?

Currently, a men's prayer group meets every other Thursday evening at the church. If you're interested in finding brothers in Christ to bear your burdens, please consider attending!

Prayer Groups



The vision for the Adult Ministries is to expand our number of prayer groups. If you're interested in leading one, please reach out to Pastor Jesse.

jfunk@halifaxgmc.org | 717-896-8092, ext. 102

Life Groups

We're meant to do life together! LifeGroups are the friends we grow, laugh, and serve with.



Contact Pastor Jesse to find or start a LifeGroup that fits your schedule and season of life.

jfunk@halifaxgmc.org | 717-896-8092, ext. 102

YOU'RE INVITED!

WOMEN'S MINISTRY Fellowship Lunch

WE WILL MEET AT DENNIES LENNIES HALIFAX, PA

1ST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH
AT 11:30
FIRST DATE: SEPTEMBER 1ST

EVERYONE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE COST OF THEIR OWN MEAL

MEN'S BREAKFAST

FOOD x FELLOWSHIP x FAITH

1ST TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH

COME TOGETHER FOR AN HOUR OF FOOD AND CONVERSATION - 8:30AM AT DENNIES LENNIES.

WE READ FROM THE BOOK,
100 VERSES FOR SUCCESSFUL LEADERS.

JOIN US ANYTIME, WE CAN ALWAYS ADD A CHAIR.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT JOHN MCCARTY:
570-547-1848.

Join Our Sunday Coffee Crew!

We are looking to grow our Sunday coffee & refreshment team at HCC!

More information & a sign-up sheet by date can be found in the church lobby!

If you have any questions, please reach out to Kayla Wilbert in the HCC office:
office@halifaxgmc.org or 717-896-8092 x110



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday, August 2nd

Text: 1 Corinthians 11

Title: Spirit vs. Flesh: Reverence

Sunday, August 23

Text: 1 Corinthians 15-16

Title: Spirit vs. Flesh: Inheritance

Sunday, August 9th

Text: 1 Corinthians 12

Title: Spirit vs. Flesh: Purpose

Sunday, August 30

TDB

Sunday, August 16th

Text: 1 Corinthians 13-14

Title: Spirit vs. Flesh: Fruit



AUGUST CALENDAR

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9am ↻ Adult S.S. Class	9am ↻ Food Room Open	8:30am ↻ Men's Breakfast & Dev	9am VBS
9am ↻ Middle & High School Su	9am VBS	9am VBS	2:30pm ↻ Youth
9am ↻ Traditional Worship	12pm Tutoring	9:30am ↻ Bedrock Gang	6pm ↻ God is O
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Help is needed to set up/organize the Halifax Free Back-to-School Yard Sale

Sort/set up clothes from **July 20th-August 6th**

- anytime after 9am if coming in the evening call to coordinate

Help during Open days

- **August 7th** 10am-2pm, 4pm-6th
- **August 8th** 10am-2pm

Help pack up leftovers

- Monday **August 9th**, 9am

THIS IS A
GREAT WAY TO
COMMUNITY
SERVICE HOURS
IF NEEDED!



**Organized by Northern Dauphin
Human Services
Held at Valley's ECC
3682 Peter's Mtn. Rd., Halifax**

Contact Valley's ECC 717-896-3118 or 717-497-0159 for more info

HOLIDAY TREASURES BAZAAR

Halifax Community Church
105 Wind Hill Drive, Halifax, PA

FOOD

SILENT AUCTION

FREE ENTRY

VENDORS

NOV. 7

9 AM - 3 PM

If you're interested in being a vendor, please email
office@halifaxgmc.org for an application.
\$25 for first table, \$20 for returning vendors.
Deposit due at time of sign-up.



UPCOMING EVENTS

YOUNG ADULTS FELLOWSHIP

Let's gather for bible study, fellowship and a yummy meal!
This will be a reoccurring event on the 2nd Sunday of each month, at different Halifax locations.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 13TH
4:00-7:00PM

RSVP to Kayla Wilbert office@halifaxgmc.org
& address will be provided then!

GOD is on the Move

A time for families to **get moving** together and **come together** with fellow members of the congregation in **fellowship**.

RUN OR WALK THE TRACK

FAMILIES TOGETHER

KIDS PLAY. PARENTS MOVE. EVERYONE CONNECTS.

let's Move together

WEDNESDAYS 6-7 PM

AT THE

Halifax TRACK

Building stronger families. Building stronger faith. Building our community—together.

Aug 1			
5	6	7	8
Center Open in the Move	9am VBS 3:30pm Food Room Open 6pm Parenting Workshop 7pm Scout Meetings (Earl Rh 7pm Trustees Meeting 7pm Praise Band Practice	RockStart School Program 9am VBS	10am Reach-Out Lifegroup
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Choir/Bell Room

Conference Room

House on the Hill

HUB

Off-Site

Sanctuary

Sunday School Rooms

Youth Center



ROCKSOLID YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Ministry Coordinator: Cherry Pechart—youth@halifaxgmc.org | 717-896-8092, x 113
We exist to reach, equip, and empower students to be life-long followers of Jesus.

Recharge/Growth Opportunities

Youth Sunday School-

Join us from 9-10am in the HUB.

Summer Study: Experiencing God by Blackaby

This is a Book Study that the Youth are invited to complete at home and then study as a group each Sunday. To get the most out of the study, I encourage the youth to complete the personal devotions leading up to the discussion. Below is the schedule for Sunday Discussion.

August 2nd- Watch Movie Narnia;

Voyage of the Dawn Treader, part 2

August 9th- Experiencing God, Reality 5

August 16th- One Service: No Sunday School

August 23rd- Experiencing God, Reality 6

August 30th- Experiencing God, Reality 7

September 6th- Finish Movie Narnia;

Voyage of the Dawn Treader

September 13th - Fall Sunday school begins

YOUTH TRIP TO LITTLE BUFFALO STATE PARK



As a Thank you for all your hard work helping with VBS, we are taking a trip to relax at Little Buffalo State Park.

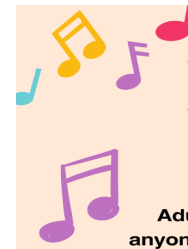
Thursday, August 6th

Leave after Bible School- Return to Church at 5:30pm

**LUNCH PROVIDED
POOL OPEN
HIKING TRAILS
FISHING ALLOWED**



To make sure we have enough room for transportation please RSVP by August 3rd using the QR Code above.
Questions- contact Cherry Pechart youth@halifaxgmc.org



MUSIC MINISTRY POTLUCK



Adult Choir, Hand Bell Choir, and Praise Team are invited, as well as anyone that may be interested in joining us this upcoming season. Please bring your favorite side dish or dessert. Meat and drinks will be provided. Families and spouses are welcome to join us!

**Location: HUB -
lower level of HCC**

RSVP to Carol: 717-439-4572
cbostdorf@halifaxgmc.org



SUMMER PICNIC

Sunday, August 16th following
our Backpack Sunday service

Attendees are asked to bring a side or dessert to share. Please bring chairs, as we are expecting a large attendance!

DON'T MISS OUT!
CHECK THE
WEBSITE FOR THE
AWESOME MUSIC
LINEUP!

ONE-DAY 7:30AM-
MIDNIGHT

SIGN-UP WITH
GOOGLE LINK!

TICKETS LIMITED.



SAVE-TH-DATE

SEPTEMBER
12TH, 2026

UPRISE
MUSIC
FESTIVAL

Change for this Year- One Day Only!

RockSOLID Youth Event
6th -12th Graders Welcome

Questions- Contact Cherry Pechart
YOUTH@halifaxgmc.org, 717-896-8092, ext. 113

WEDNESDAY YOUTH GROUP KICK OFF

September 2nd

at the Halifax Youth Center
6-7:30pm

5:30 Dinner

Bible Lesson
Small Group Discussion
Games

All Youth 6th-12th Grades Welcome!

STEWARDSHIP

Thank you for your generous giving towards Forward in Faith!

Forward in Faith Savings Balance: **\$100K**

(Cost Incurred to Date has been removed from this number.)

MUSIC MINISTRY

Creative Worship/Choir Director: Carol Bostdorf—cbostdorf@halifaxgmc.org | 717-896-8092, x 105

Choir Rehearsals on Wednesdays at 6:30PM / Bell Rehearsals on Thursdays at 6PM / Praise Team on Thursdays at 7PM

Back to School Sunday is August 16th at 10am on the back parking lot. Bring Your Own Chairs! We will have worship with our New Pastor so we will have name-tags for everyone to wear. During the service there will be a time of blessing all school students and their backpacks as well as all School teachers and staff. The new pastor will lead us in the message that morning. Following the service will be the church picnic for a time of Fun (yard games for the kids), food and fellowship. This will be a great time to meet our new pastor and his wife and welcome them.

Music Ministries, Adult Choir and Hand Bell Choir, will begin in September. If God has given you the gift of music (singing or playing an instrument) please pray about using that gift during our worship services. We would love to have you be a part of our team. Adult choir will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, September 9th at 6:30pm. The Hand Bell choir will begin rehearsals on Thursday, September 10th at 6:00pm. Please contact Carol Bostdorf, cbostdorf@halifaxgmc.org if interested in participating!

Special Music Needed

June through September 13th

Are you interested in using your gift in worship?
We'd love to have you share your musical talents
during our services this summer!

Contact Carol Bostdorf
cbostdorf@halifaxgmc.org



Summer Hours –

Open Wednesdays 2:30-5:30pm

August 18th - Reopen daily from 2:30-5:30pm.

The Youth Center follows the Halifax School District Schedule and is open all full school days of the Halifax Area Schools.

All 6th-12th grade students from any school are welcome to attend!

See Halifax Youth Center Facebook page or the Halifax Community Church website for more information, code of conduct, and all necessary Youth Center forms.

Youth Center Meals: Can you help???

Food is a very important part of the Youth Center Ministry at this time.

Thanks for your help in this important way!

Please sign up using the YC Meals google form-
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1AqguVn-An5qzE13nydvPEy5JUtkFT_iQS8AIyeAzuaU/edit?usp=sharing
or contact Cherry Pechart, youth@halifaxgmc.org or 717-497-4338



- Please sign up by Wednesday the week before so meal plans can be organized.
- Frozen meals can be dropped at the Youth Center or placed in the Church HUB freezer labeled "Youth Center".

Mac n' Cheese Monday - Prepare or provide Mac n Cheese, these can be fresh or frozen.
Three 9x13 pans is usually perfect.

Taco Tuesday - Prepare 5 lbs taco meat (chicken or beef) in advance and freeze.

Whatever Wednesday - Prepare a meal for Youth Group (5:30pm); anticipate 20 to 30 youth. You can drop off meal warm by 5:15 at the Youth Center or prepare/deliver ahead of time to be warmed up by Youth Center staff.

Throw Back Thursday - Prepare a casserole or two; can be an oldie but goodie or something new you want to try; soups are great, too! Freshly prepared or Frozen are fine!

- Include baking instructions, temperature and time 😊.
- If preparing the same day, deliver to the Youth Center by the 2:15pm.

Free the Fridge Friday - We've got this covered! Thank You!!



For more information please contact Cherry Pechart at youth@halifaxgmc.org

717-896-8092, ext. 113 or visit the Halifax Youth Center on Facebook.



ROCKSTAR CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Children's Ministry Coordinators: Tricia & Adam Farner
children@halifaxgmc.org | 717-896-8092, x 103

VBS is almost here and Rainforest Falls will soon be filling the church! Our "Decoration Creation Party" will be on **July 28th from 6-9 pm**. Families and members that might want to contribute but can't be here with us that week, it's a great time to enjoy creating décor for the great week ahead. "VBS Decorating with Pizza" will be **August 2nd** following second service, please stay and let me know you're coming so we have enough pizza! We had a great turnout of helpers the last 2 years and we definitely need your help again! We are so excited to see "Rainforest Falls" fill the church August 3-7th. If you have found yourself with some free time that week, we'd love to have you! Call or text Tricia, 717-678-0145.

We could also use some help with taking down our VBS decorations after second service on **August 9th**. Kids we'll be singing/dancing to some VBS music on August 9th during service so don't miss it before the Rainforest gets packed away!

August 16th is our "BackPack Sunday/Back to School Sunday." We will have blessings over our students and teaching staff. This will be a great morning and we'll have some activities and fun to do following our outdoor service during the luncheon!

We do have a few openings in our volunteer schedule so please reach out if you are interested in sharing your gifts in this way, we'd be blessed to have you! Our volunteer team is amazing and always willing to help, so if you have any questions, please connect with one of us!

August 7th, 1-3pm, we will be celebrating Vacation Bible School with a VBS wrap-up swim gathering at the Halifax Community Pool! All families and children are welcome! It's such a fun way to celebrate our amazing week together! Be sure to come, we had a great turnout last year and it's a great time to continue our fellowship with children and families!

Our children will be moving to their new classes for Sunday School on **September 13th**. Currently, our Stepping Stones Program has invited the incoming 5th graders to the program over the summer months, but they will officially move over on September 13th. We will also be promoting our Little Pebbles who are entering Kindergarten into the RockSTAR Program and our outgoing Stepping Stones youth will move on to RockSolid. It's been such a great year, we are sad to see the future 6th graders leave our wing, but excited for them to continue growing in their faith with the RockSolid team! Our amazing Stepping Stones leaders have really enjoyed this group of kids! If families have any questions, please reach out!

"God is on the Move" kicked off this summer and it's been so enjoyable to see the children play together and with adults alike. Some of the men in our church family have really jumped into running and it's so exciting to see all the friendships being made and relationships being built. NDCS 5K better look out for us this year!

Since Butcher's Family Fun Farm has closed, we will be doing our Fall Family Event at Lake Tobias Wildlife Park. We have lots of exciting Fellowship opportunities coming this Fall! Stay tuned as dates and plans come together!

