

Emmanuel C.S.I. Church, Philadelphia
4937 Church Avenue,
Feasterville-Treose, PA 19053

Sunday school at 9:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship at 10:00 a.m.

1st & 3rd - Malayalam Holy Communion
2nd - English Holy Communion
4th - English Holy Communion
5th - Malayalam Matins

Teleconference Prayer - Every Wednesday @ 8:30 PM

Fasting Prayer - Every Saturday @ 10:00 AM

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2025 Year Plan
Importance days of the Church Calendar

Date	Event
08/03/2025	Mission Sunday Laity Sunday
08/09/2025	Church Picnic
08/17/2025	Harvest Festival
08/24/2025	Harvest Festival
09/06/2025	Sunday School Competitions
09/21/2025	Choir Sunday
09/27/2025	CSI Formation Day
09/28/2025	Senior Citizen's Sunday
10/05/2025	Laity Sunday
10/19/2025	Church Day
10/26/2025	Reformation Sunday
11/02/2025	Sunday school Sunday
11/09/2025	Unity Sunday
11/23/2025	Thanksgiving Sunday
11/29/2025	House to House Caroling (Local areas)
12/13/2025	House to House Caroling (outside areas)
12/20/2025	Christmas Carol
12/25/2025	Christmas Day



From Achen's Desk

Dear Brothers and Sisters,
 Grace and peace to you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. I thank you for your encouragement and prayer. As we step into the month of August, we are approaching the season of harvest. I invite you to prepare your hearts and homes for our Harvest Festival, a cherished time in the life of our church.

The Harvest Festival is more than just a celebration of crops gathered. It is a moment of deep thanksgiving to God, who provides for our needs in every season. It is a time to pause, reflect, and recognize that all we have, comes from the hands of God: the food we eat, the work we do, the health we enjoy, and the love we share in our families and community.

August is also the time of the year when we uphold a vital part of our parish life: the fellowship of the laity—the community of believers who, by baptism, are called to live and share the Gospel in everyday life. In its deepest identity, Church is a community of the faithful—lay men and women—who form the Body of Christ. The laity is the Church in the world. Each and every one of us carry the message of Christ into our homes, workplaces, schools, and neighborhoods. Our witness, our presence, and our prayers are essential to the life and mission of the Church.

Fellowship among the laity is not merely social—it is spiritual, missional, and communal. When believers come together in prayer, service, and encouragement, the Church becomes stronger. In Acts 2:42, we read: "They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer."

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Back to School prayers will be conducted on Sunday, August 24, 2025, during the church service. All school/college bound students are requested to attend the service.

This fellowship was not just about gathering; it was about building one another up in faith, standing together in times of struggle, and rejoicing together in times of blessing. I urge each of you to stay connected. In a world that often isolates and divides, Christian fellowship unites, heals, and strengthens. It reminds us that we are never alone in our walk with Christ.

Finally, I invite you to continue praying for peace in our world and for those in our community who are ill, grieving, or in need. May our parish always be a place of compassion, hospitality, and hope.

Rev. Sandeep Jacob

Birthday Greetings:

The following members will be celebrating their birthdays in the month of August. They are requested to attend the Thanksgiving prayer during the Service.

Mrs. Elsykutty Mathew	08/01
Mr. Justin T. Kuruvilla	08/05
Mr. Kuruvilla Oommen	08/06
Mrs. Rebekah Colacot	08/07
Mr. Chris O. Kuruvilla	08/10
Dr. Mrs. Navya George	08/13
Mr. Nishanth Samuel	08/14
Mr. Mathew John	08/16
Mrs. Achamma Issac	08/18
Miss Maria Prasuna George	08/24
Miss Lina Mary Varghese	08/24
Mr. Abraham Kunnel	08/24
Mrs. Gracy Mangalath	08/25
Mr. Manu John Colacot	08/27
Miss Hope Hussain	08/27
Mr. Johnson John	08/28



God's richest blessings be upon you as you celebrate yet another year on this journey with Christ and as you commit each day into the hands of the Lord.

❖ Reminders....

Our regularly scheduled Wednesday's Teleconference Prayer meeting will be held at 8:30 PM.

Also, weekly Fasting Prayers will be held on Saturday at 10:00 AM. The Zoom link for both meetings will be sent WhatsApp.





Wedding Anniversaries⁶

Congratulations and best wishes to all the couples who will be celebrating their anniversaries in the month of August. They are requested to attend the Thanksgiving prayer during the Service.

Mr. Cherian Abraham & Mrs. Annamma Cherian	08/01
Mr. Kizhakayil Mathew & Elsykutty Mathew	08/08
Mr. Jacob Easo & Mrs. Nancy Mariam Jacob	08/08
Mr. Sebin Jacob Easo & Femi Sara Easo	08/08
Mr. Russal Samuel & Mrs. Vineetha Samuel	08/14
Mr. Anish Mathew & Mrs. Elizabeth A. Mathew	08/18
Mr. Kuruvilla Oommen & Mrs. Sereena Kuruvilla	08/21
Dr. Thomas J. Colacot & Dr. Reena Colacot	08/28
Mr. Manu Colacot & Dr. Mrs. Sandra Colacot	08/28

May you truly sense God's love as you celebrate your Wedding Anniversary and see the future years together as memories to be made. By M.S.Lowndes



The Women's Fellowship meetings will be held on First and Third Sundays of each month, following the church service

Lectionary for August 2025

August 03 8th Sunday after Pentecost

Mission Sunday

Theme: Mission: From Everywhere to Everywhere

Malayalam Holy Communion Service

1 Lesson: 1 Kings 17: 1 - 16

Psalm 107: 1 - 15

2 Lesson: Galatians 2: 1 - 10

Gospel: Matthew 13: 47 - 52

Lay Ministry: Mr. Koshy K. Varghese & Family

August 10 9th Sunday after Pentecost

Theme: Marriage: Lasting Life of Love

Matins in Malayalam)

1 Lesson: Genesis 29: 1 - 20

Psalm 128

2 Lesson: Hebrews 13:1 - 6

Gospel: Matthew 19: 3 - 9

Lay Ministry: Cherian Abraham & Family

August 17 10th Sunday after Pentecost

Malayalam Holy Communion

Theme: Baptism: Born from Above

1 Lesson: Genesis 8: 1-14

Psalm 25

2 Lesson: Colossians 3: 1 - 11

Gospel: John 3: 1 - 8

Songs:

Lay Ministry: Mr. Russal Samuel & family

Lectionary for August/September 2025

August 24 11th Sunday after Pentecost

English Holy Communion

Theme: Restoring the Image of God in distorted Communities

1 Lesson: Micah 6: 1 - 8

Psalm 113: 1 - 9

2 Lesson: Galatians 3: 18-29

Gospel: Luke 4: 16 - 21

Lay Ministry: Mr. Saju Issac Mathew & Family

August 31 12th Sunday after Pentecost

Malayalam Holy Communion

Theme: Sacrament of Holy Communion

1st Lesson Exodus 12: 1 - 14

Psalm 42

2nd Lesson 1 Corinthians 10: 14 - 22

Gospel Luke 22: 7 - 20

Lay Ministry: Youth Fellowship Members

September 07 13th Sunday after Pentecost

Education Sunday

Theme: Education as the Ministry of Church

1 Lesson: Nehemiah 8: 1 - 8

Psalm 119: 41 - 48

2 Lesson: Acts 18: 24 - 28

Gospel: Matthew 5: 1 - 12

Lay Ministry: Mr. Abraham Kunnel & Family