



### **Holy Spirit Lutheran Church to Host 75th Anniversary Service & Celebration!**

Holy Spirit Lutheran Church of Villas will celebrate its 75th Anniversary with a service of Holy Communion followed by a Family Style Meal on Sunday, October 19th, 2025, at 3PM. Holy Spirit is located at 1220 Bayshore Road, Villas, NJ 08251. As for all services and programs, visitors will be warmly welcomed by Holy Spirit's members. Those planning to attend the meal are encouraged to RSVP by no later than Sunday, October 5th by calling (609) 886-2414 or via email at [holyspiritlutheran@comcast.net](mailto:holyspiritlutheran@comcast.net).

Bishop Christa Compton, newly elected bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America's (ELCA) New Jersey Synod, will Preach. The New Jersey Synod includes 143 Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) congregations that share mission and ministry throughout the state. With over 45,000 members, it is one of 65 ELCA synods.

Rev. William Hodgetts, Jr., Zion Lutheran Church, Egg Harbor City, will be Presiding for the Anniversary Celebration. The Rev. Maria Brooks and the Congregation of True Deliverance Praise & Worship Center, Villas, will offer special music for the occasion. Carol Amundsen, Organist of Holy Spirit, will provide musical accompaniment. There will also be other special guests assisting and supporting with the Worship Service.

Vicar Vince Piekarski, current Pastoral Leader of Holy Spirit, said of the upcoming occasion: "This congregation is a legacy that we have all lived in and through over the years, or maybe just for a short time. However, it is a legacy that we hope and desire to continue to carry on and move forward for those people that will be able to gather and worship with us now and in the future."

Holy Spirit holds Worship Services on Sundays at 10:30AM. The Congregation sponsors a community Food Pantry weekly on Thursdays and the last Saturday of each month from 10AM to 1PM. More information about the congregation's other programs is available at [www.holyspiritvillas.com](http://www.holyspiritvillas.com), by email at [holyspiritlutheran@comcast.net](mailto:holyspiritlutheran@comcast.net), or by calling (609) 886-2414.