

**Lancaster
Presbyterian
Church**

*A Congregation of
the Evangelical
Presbyterian Church*

Rev. Dr. Kelly Negus
Senior Pastor

Rev. Will McCabe
Associate Pastor

Raffi Wright
*Director of Youth & Music
Ministries*

**The Ten Biblical Principles
of Revitalization:**

1. Remember
God's faithfulness.
2. Repent continually.
3. Be gospel driven
and Christ centered.
4. Pray without ceasing.
5. Minister the word.
6. Cultivate spiritual formation.
7. Engage clear vision,
mission and values.
8. Equip
empowering servant leaders.
9. Build small groups.
10. Pursue
Great Commission discipleship.

Welcome to Sunday Morning Worship

Sunday, September 21, 2025

Ministry Matters:
What Jesus Values in His Church
Revelation 1:4-20 (1225)
The Man Who Commands
Pastor Will McCabe

LPC Small Group Ministry

Anyone who still wants to sign up for a small group may contact the church office, or Lisa Negus, at any time.

Soup Sunday Luncheon
Sunday, September 28th at 12:15pm

Everyone is invited to a Soup Sunday Luncheon on Sunday, September 28th at 12:15pm, following our Adult Education hour. If you are able to provide soup, bread, butter or dessert, please sign up on the sheet provided on the Information Table.

Purpose:

**For God's glory
we are committed
to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ
in all we say and all we do
to make and equip disciples
in our families, our community, and the world.**

Core Values:

**We believe in the authority of Scripture
and we affirm
the historic teachings
of Reformed Christianity.**

Welcome to Sunday Morning Worship

September 21, 2025 ~ 9:30 AM

Welcome

Please sign the
Friendship pad as it is
passed through the pew,
returning it to the side
aisle.

Large Print Bulletins and Hearing Assistance Devices

are available
An usher will assist you.

Child Care is provided
through kindergarten in the
preschool wing on the first
floor.

An usher will guide you.

Prayer Cards are
available for special prayer
requests. Prayer cards can
be found in the pew
envelope holders and as
you enter the balcony.
They can be placed in the
offering basket.
A wooden box in the back
of the sanctuary is available
for confidential prayer
requests.

Please silence your
cell phone.

** Stand, if able*

Prelude

Welcome and Friendship Pad – Rob MacDonald Minute for Mission: Raffi Wright

Call to Worship

(Daniel 2:20, 22-23a)

Blessed be the name of God forever and ever,
to whom belong wisdom and might.
he reveals deep and hidden things;
he knows what is in the darkness,
and the light dwells with him.
To you, O God of my fathers,
I give thanks and praise

Hymn: *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Red Hymnal #337

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Gracious God,
How great are Your signs
And how mighty are your wonders!
Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom
And Your dominion endures from generation to generation.
Forgive us for our immodesty
And when we fail to give You the honor You deserve.
Cleanse our hearts from guilt and hear us
As we come before you in this moment of silence:

Silent Confession

Lord Jesus,
You have taken our burdens
And covered our blemishes.
Thank You, Father, for loving us
And sending Jesus to take our place on the Cross.
Holy Spirit, remind us these truths
In times of joy and times of sorrow.
Strengthen us that we may worship You
In truth and deed.
In Jesus' Name we pray, Amen!

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father,
who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day
our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not
into temptation,
but deliver us from evil:
For Thine is the kingdom,
and the power,
and the glory, forever.
Amen.

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all
blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures
here below;
Women: Praise Him above
ye heavenly host
Men: Praise Him above ye
heavenly host
Women: Praise, Father Son
Men: Praise, Father Son
Women: Praise, Father Son
Men: Praise, Father Son
All: Praise, Father, Son, and
Holy Ghost!

Children's Message: Deb Eaton

Hymn: *Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending

Red Hymnal #306

Prayer for Illumination

Revelation 1:4-20

The Man Who Commands

Pastor Will McCabe

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

The Affirmation of Faith

Essentials of Our Faith #6

Jesus Christ will come again to the earth-
personally, visibly, and bodily-to judge the living and the dead,
and to consummate history and the eternal plan of God.

"Even so, come, Lord Jesus."

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: *Dear Refuge of My Weary Soul* ~ Shelton Ridge Love

LPC Chancel Choir

***Doxology**

***Benediction**

Parting Song: *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Red Hymnal #87

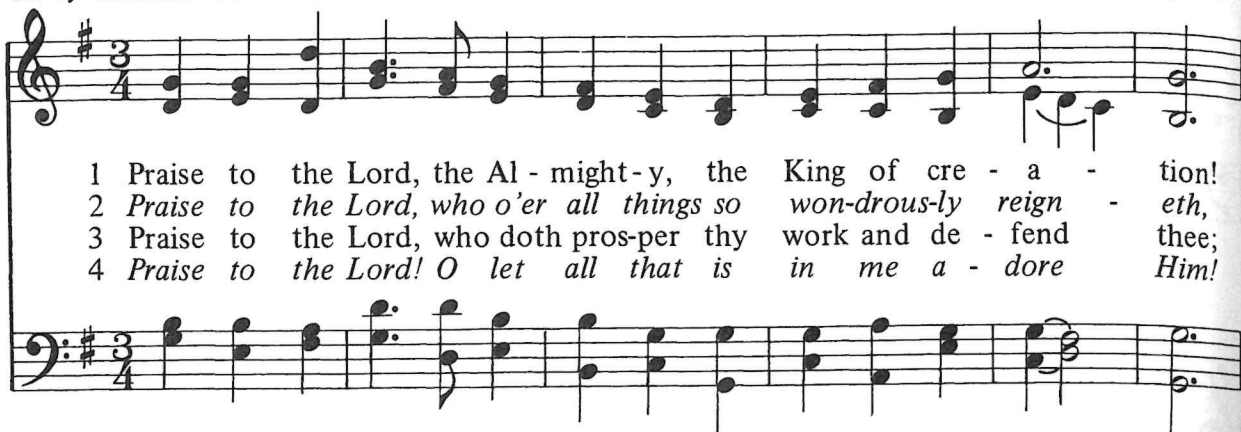
Postlude

Raffi Wright, LPC Youth & Music Director

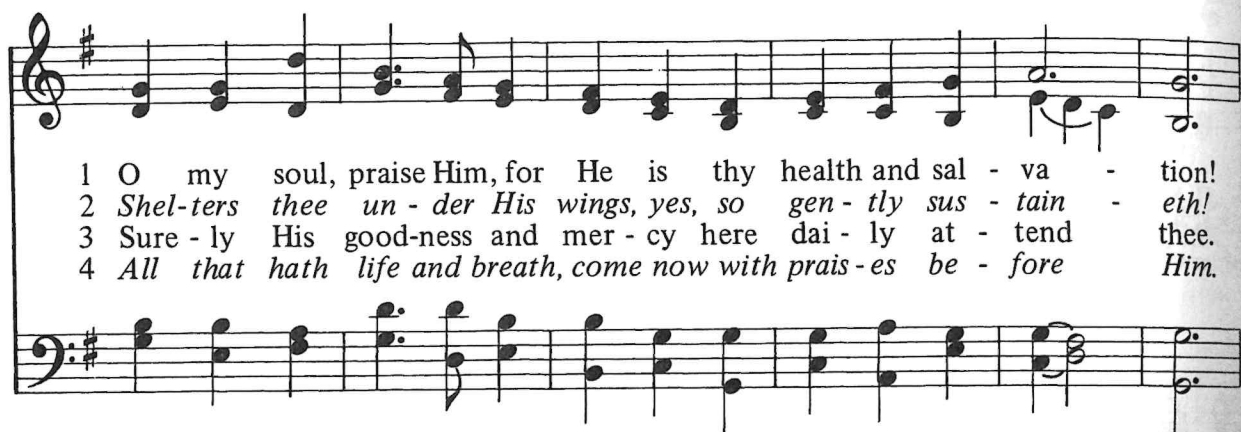
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

For then shalt thou have delight in the Almighty.

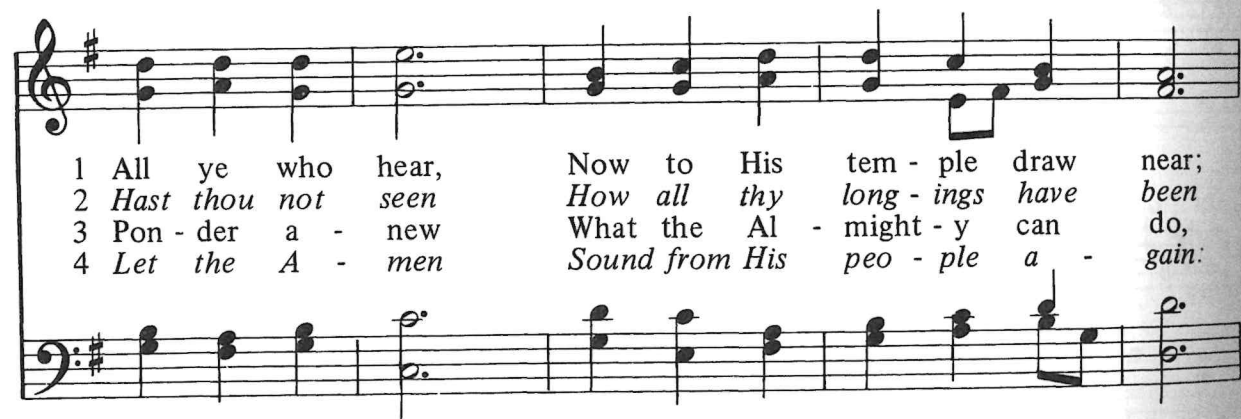
— Job 22:26

Joachim Neander
Tr. by Catherine WinkworthLOBE DEN HERREN
"Stralsund Gesangbuch"


1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!
 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous-ly reign - eth,
 3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros-per thy work and de - fend thee;
 4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a - dore Him!



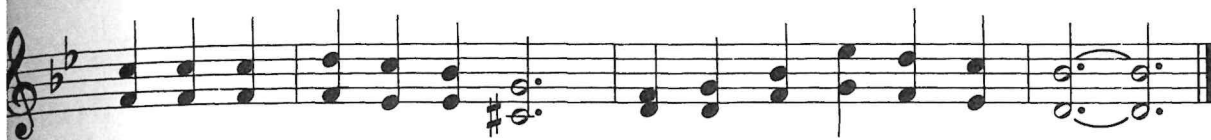
1 O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and sal - va - tion!
 2 Shel-ters thee un - der His wings, yes, so gen - tly sus - tain - eth!
 3 Sure - ly His good-ness and mer - cy here dai - ly at - tend thee.
 4 All that hath life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore Him.



1 All ye who hear, Now to His tem - ple draw near;
 2 Hast thou not seen How all thy long - ings have been
 3 Pon - der a - new What the Al - might - y can do,
 4 Let the A - men Sound from His peo - ple a - gain:



1 Join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 2 Grant - ed in what He or - dain - eth?
 3 If with His love He be - friend thee.
 4 Glad - ly for aye we a - dore Him. A - men.



won-der-ful day it will be— Je-sus is com-ing a - gain!



Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending 306

Charles Wesley

Martin Madan

Based on John Cennick

Jeff Redd, alt.

This same Jesus, . . . shall come in like manner as ye have seen Him go into Heaven.

— Acts 1:11

REGENT SQUARE

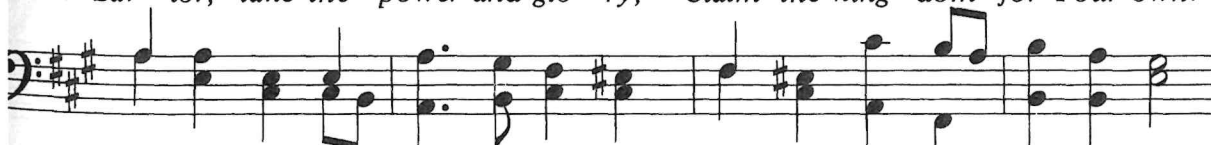
Henry T. Smart



- 1 Lo, He comes with clouds de-scend-ing, Once for fa-vored sin - ners slain;
- 2 *Ev - ery eye shall now be-hold Him, Robed in awe-some maj - es - ty;*
- 3 Now re-demp-tion, long ex-pect-ed, See in sol-emn pomp ap-pear:
- 4 Yes, A - men! let all a-dore Thee, High on the e - ter-nal throne;



- 1 All the man - y saints at-tend-ing Swell the tri - umph of His train:
- 2 *Those who once de - nied and killed Him, Pierced and nailed Him to the tree,*
- 3 All His saints, by man re-ject - ed, Now shall meet Him in the air:
- 4 *Sav - ior, take the power and glo - ry, Claim the king - dom for Your own:*



- 1 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! God ap - pears on earth to reign.
- 2 *Deep - ly wail-ing, deep - ly wail-ing, Shall the true Mes - si - ah see.*
- 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! See the day of God ap-pear.
- 4 *Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ shall reign and Christ a-lone! A-men.*



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Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

The eternal God is our refuge and underneath are the everlasting arms. — Deuteronomy 33:27

Elisha A. Hoffman

SHOWALTER
Anthony J. Showalter

1 What a fel - low-ship, what a joy di - vine, Lean - ing on the ev - er -
 2 *O how sweet to walk in this pil - grim way, Lean - ing on the ev - er -*
 3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, Lean - ing on the ev - er -

1 last - ing arms; What a bless - ed - ness, what a peace is mine,
 2 last - ing arms; *O how bright the path grows from day to day,*
 3 last - ing arms? I have bless - ed peace with my Lord so near,

1 Lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms. Lean - ing,
 2 *Lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.* Lean - ing on Je - sus,
 3 Lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

lean - ing, Safe and se - cure from all a - larms; Lean -
 lean - ing on Je - sus, Lean - ing on

ing, lean - ing, Lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.
 Je - sus, lean - ing on Je - sus,

Praying for Our Family

Marsha Haas
Judy Cavanaugh
Jeremy Miller
Bill Stortz
Al Martin
Helen Markham
Carole Schafer
Mike Eaton
Doris Moranski
Violet Chaves
Ron Stasiowski
Judy Martin
Don Flaig

Home Members

Shirley Richard
Nancy Patterson
Dave Breckenridge
Millie Epolito
Jackie Harbold
Judy Kish

Military Personnel:

Thomas Carlsen II

Prayer Ministry:

All prayer requests can be emailed to the church office at office@l-p-c.org, or simply complete the form on our church website.

Wednesday Family Night 2025: Awana @ LPC!

We are thrilled to be launching Awana at LPC for **Cubbies** (ages 3 – PreK), **Sparks** (K–2nd), and **T&T** (3rd–6th). **Cubbies** will meet in the LPC building from **6–7 PM** while **Sparks/T&T** will meet in the Potter's House across the street from **6–7:30 PM**.



Before Awana each Wednesday, we will have a **family dinner** (5:15 PM – 6:00 PM) with pizza from Picasso's! We ask families to contribute \$1/slice, if possible. We strongly encourage parents to join their children for dinner, as it's a meaningful opportunity to grow in community together!

After dinner, the kiddos will go to Awana, and we welcome parents and guardians to join us for an **adult small group** (Bible study) with dessert and coffee. On select weeks, we'll also offer special activities for adults, such as crafting nights.

Awana is a fun, Bible memory program for kids that helps them grow in their faith through Scripture memory, engaging lessons, and exciting games. AWANA stands for Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed (2 Timothy 2:15). At LPC, we believe that the Word of God is precious and powerful and that the memorization and meditation of it transforms hearts and lives. This powerful ministry teaches young minds and equips parents in leading their children in the way of the Lord!

This is going to be a BLAST! We hope you join us!

Please sign up to join us by using the link below (this can also be found on our website under Youth Ministry). Signing up ahead of time helps us to plan for accurate materials!

<https://lancaster-presbyterian-church-505410.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/3066277>

LPC T-Shirts

LPC has new shirts available! We believe that wearing the shirt provides a great way of both showing your love for the church while also providing an opportunity to share the love of Christ with those you see in your day-to-day lives. Both kinds of shirts are \$15 each with kids shirts being free! Go to Marie in the main office after the Sunday Service or you can come by the church during office hours (9am-1pm) to get them. Cash or check will be accepted for payment.

Mighty Warriors Sunday School Class

Mighty Warriors class will begin Sunday, October 12th, during the Adult Education hour.

The schedule for the fall semester will be as follows: October 12, October 26, November 9, November 23, December 14 December 28???(Hope to get another teacher for this day, as I will be out-of-town)

Come and grow in the Lord. He LOVES YOU! King David writes in Psalm 52: 8b *"I trust in God's unfailing love for ever and ever."* May God be glorified!

Hope to see you on October 12th! In His Service, Mrs. Miller

Copies of the August 2025 Session meeting minutes are available on the Information Table for those interested.

Adult Education Class - *Learning to Love the Psalms*

The Adult Sunday School Class will begin a new video series this Fall called "Learning to Love the Psalms", with Robert Godfrey of Ligonier Ministries. The Book of Psalms is one of the greatest treasures the Lord has given to His people. Through these sacred poems, God has given us a rich songbook and a divinely inspired guide for our prayers. Dr. Godfrey provides an overview of the Psalms with the specific goal of learning to love them through a study of their themes, structure, and beauty. Each class centers around the ~ 20-minute feature video by Dr. Godfrey with class discussions around some specific Psalms.

In addition, dispersed throughout the Fall/Winter/Spring terms, there will be 10 single lessons called "Book at a Glance". Five of these lessons will be led by Laurie Muscato and will cover the Old Testament books Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, and Joshua. Each lesson will give a bird's eye view that allows us to see what place the book has in the Bible narrative, why it matters, and how it points to Jesus. The other five books to study are the single-chapter books of the Bible; Philemon, 2 John, 3 John, Jude, and Obadiah led by various members of the Adult Education Committee. These books are often overlooked due to their brevity but are significantly relevant for today covering such topics as avoiding pride, rejecting deception and fighting for the faith.

Junior & Senior High Youth Group (7th –12th grade)

Join the GroupMe to stay in the loop for all upcoming events!



Sunday, September 28th - Apple Picking at Smith's Orchard! Group leaves LPC at 12PM, pick up from LPC at 4PM. Dinner will be provided at LPC when we return. *Bring cash if you'd like to purchase slushies/donuts at the Orchard.*

Saturday, October 11th - Youth Group Dinner, Bible, Games & Small Groups (5:30pm to 7:30pm)

Saturday, October 25th - Youth Group "Fear Not" Fest Dinner, Bible, Games & Small Groups & CANDY! (5:30pm to 7:30pm)

Contact Raffi Wright, LPC Youth & Music Director with questions (raffi@L-P-C.org).

Sermon Series for 2025

Overall Theme for the Year: Church Health and Vision

Ministry Matters: What Jesus Values in His Church (9 weeks)

Revelation can be intimidating: it's confusing, frightening, and difficult for us to apply today. However, the beginning chapters establish why Jesus had His apostle and friend, John, write this letter. We're going to examine the seven churches the letter is addressed to and see for ourselves how Jesus warns, commends, and loves His churches, noticing the unique situations they faced, while also seeing the timeless truths God wants us to know as we also go through trials in the 21st century.

Sunday, Sept 28th: Revelation 2:1-7 (Ephesus)

Sunday, Oct 5th: Revelation 2:8-11 (Smyrna)

Sunday, Oct 12th: Revelation 2:12-17 (Pergamum)

Sunday, Oct 19th: Revelation 2:18-29 (Thyatira)

Sunday, Oct 26th: Revelation 3:1-6 (Sardis)

Sunday, Nov 2nd: Revelation 3:7-13 (Philadelphia)

Sunday, Nov 9th: Mission Conference

Sunday, Nov 16th: Revelation 3:14-22 (Laodicea)

Sunday, Nov 23rd: Revelation 5:1-14

Wednesday, Nov 26th: Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service @ 7:30pm

Dear LPC Family,

The Safety & Security Team are planning a fire drill at LPC on **Sunday, September 28, 2025** between 11:05 - 11:15 a.m., rain date 10/5/25 at the same time.

OBJECTIVE:

Our objective is to be better prepared in the event of a real emergency evacuation. We need to practice how best to exit the building and where to meet in the event of an emergency. Our prayer is that it will never be necessary.

DIRECTIONS

When the fire alarm sounds, calmly walk to the nearest exit and proceed to the very end of Heather Lane (the alley just west of the church). In case of a fire, everyone needs to be upwind (west) of the building to avoid smoke inhalation and safely away from parking lot entrances to be clear of all arriving emergency vehicles. We will congregate for a full five minutes, and a member of the Safety Team will notify when to re-enter the church.

PHYSICAL RESTRICTIONS

If you are physically able we would appreciate your participation. If you are physically unable you do not need to participate, please remain seated. Please note that during the fire alarm there will be flashing lights.

CHILDCARE

We request that childcare workers advise all children ahead of time so they won't be startled. Please coach the children to hold hands and walk together following the childcare leader.

This is a learning experience for everyone.

Sincerely, The Safety & Security Team

FILL A BARREL FOR GBENEKORO

As you know, LPC has adopted and supports an EPC church plant in the village of Gbenekoro, Sierra Leone. Gbenekoro is one of the villages where the Kuranko tribe lives. They are an unreached people group, and a very closed Muslim group to the gospel. This year we were able to come alongside the Gbenekoro Church in their outreach into the surrounding Kuranko villages by supporting six church planter/evangelists working in six different villages. Asking each of them how LPC could help support their ministry in practical ways other than prayer and financial support their responses were almost unanimous. "The communities we work in are extremely impoverished and what would help our missionary work the most would be resources to carry out the good news of Jesus Christ, bibles, bible learning and activity materials, clothing, food, and farm tools." Praying for the Lord's direction in how our congregation could be directly involved in the work we were led to EPC Pastor Tom Holmes, in Manor, PA.

So, Let's Fill a Barrel for Gbenekoro! There will be a blue barrel outside Pastor Will's office.

What to include slightly/good used or new: bibles, bible teaching materials, kids and young adult clothes, shoes, sandals, tennis balls, deflated soccer balls, frisbee, reading glasses, farming tools.

If anyone has access to or knows where we can get more of the same barrels for future shipments, please let us know. They can be used but never for chemicals because they will be used for water storage after being emptied.

Your mission committee thanks you for your continued support in making the gospel known.

LancasterPresbyterianChurch
MissionCommittee





Come and enjoy a special presentation

Searching for God through Art

Friday, September 26th or Saturday, September 27th

Lancaster Presbyterian Church will be offering a special presentation given by art history instructor, Alan Nowicki, who will once again go "Searching for God through Art." Part art history lesson and part theological discussion, Mr. Nowicki will weave a series of new stories about the creation of various masterpieces and how it offers a glimpse towards God. Historical information will be given on the artists and pieces, including the likes of Pieter Bruegel and James Tissot, to name a few. There will be two opportunities to see the presentation, Friday, September 26th at 7pm or Saturday, September 27th at 4pm. Come be inspired by the art and how it points toward something greater.



**Friday, September 26th at 7pm
Saturday, September 27th at 4pm**

**Lancaster Presbyterian Church
5461 Broadway St.,
Lancaster, NY 14086
(across from the Lancaster Library)**

**FREE and open to the public
Doors open a half hour before**

For more information on this and other events happening at Lancaster Presbyterian Church please visit their website at www.L-P-C.org or call the church office at 716-684-2277

LANCASTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRESENTS

TRUNK OR TREAT

games, giggles, goodies

October 29 | 6 - 7:30 PM

trunks of treats, hearts of love

Games - Costumes - Candy
Cider - Donuts - Family Fun

LPC POTTER'S HOUSE & PARKING LOT

5477 Broadway, Lancaster, NY 14086

