

THE GOOD NEWSLETTER

of New Jerusalem Lutheran Church
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THE MISSION OF NEW JERUSALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH:

*We are a group of people who
gather together in friendship and love
to worship God, to spread God's Word,
and to care for God's people.*



*"Never be afraid to trust an unknown future to a known God."
-Corrie ten Boon*

Dear Partners in Ministry,

Well, you did it again, God! I had all these ideas floating around about what you wanted me to say in this newsletter, but was struggling to get a focal point, and today, as I was looking for something else, I found this quote I'd printed out a couple of weeks ago. It hit the nail on the head and I smiled at how you showed up *again*, just when I needed you.

January, my friends, was named after the Roman god Janus, the one with two heads: one looking forward, the other looking backward. How appropriate for this time of year, when we think about all that happened last year and we not only wonder—and, if we're honest, some of us worry—about what will happen in the coming year. "Will my health hold out?" "Will my resources hold out?" "Will my loved ones be okay?" Our congregation wonders, "Will we be able to divest ourselves of our building before our financial resources run out?" "What will become of the building and land?" "What will our congregation be like after that?" "Can we maintain the life-giving fellowship we find as a congregation?" "Where will we worship?"

Many of us make plans—in January we call often them *resolutions*—about what we will do, how we will get done what we've put off, how we will do things better or stop doing things that aren't helpful or are even hurtful. Recently I saw a billboard citing an Asian proverb, "When people plan, God laughs." I have to ponder that. I'm not sure that totally reflects the God I know, though I'm sure there are times, many times, when God shakes God's head and says to God's self, "Really?" "Where did you come up with that one?" "Do you really think that's a good idea?" But I know there are other times God calls us to use our brains and figure things out.

A book I am currently reading is entitled, *When Church Stops Working*. Its premise is that the Christian church in North America has been led astray by secular wisdom. We've been lured into looking for success and measuring it the way corporations define it, like the ideas that bigger is better and if you find the right mission statement, the right music for worship, the right programs, the right whatever, then the people and funds will follow. Such thinking leads us to focus on *what we are doing*, on ourselves, instead of on God, on what God has done, on what God continues to do, on what God has promised to do, and on what God *really* calls us to do.

Each Sunday we tell the stories of what God has done. We tell them over and over because they remind us how God shows up, usually in unexpected ways. The stories tell how God brought justice and freedom and hope into the worst of circumstances, how God used the least likely people to bring about God's will. We don't just read them by ourselves, we tell them when we are gathered together and then we explore what God might be saying to us through these stories. While no one story captures the essence of God, together they point out what we can know about the God who is more than we can

comprehend. As Corrie ten Boom would put it, they point us to the “known God,” to what God has chosen to reveal about God’s self. For Corrie ten Boom, one of the essential things God has revealed is that God is faithful, God is one in whom we can put our trust, and God will provide a way when there seems to be no way. How did she know? Her experiences growing up in a family of faith and her experiences of seeing God even as she lost her family members to the Nazis and spent years in a concentration camp, confirmed what she knew about God from scripture.

Root and Bertrand, the authors of *When the Church Stops Working*, remind us that when Jesus was about to ascend, when Jesus gave his disciples orders for what they were to do, the first thing he said was, “Go back to Jerusalem and wait together.” Wait. He didn’t tell them to get busy, he told them to wait, to wait for the Spirit. What would happen next was not going to be about them, but about how *God* was going to act. Jesus wasn’t telling them to sit on their hands, they were to wait together and pray and take care of one another the way he had showed them *and* to expect that Spirit to show up.

Waiting is hard. It’s probably one of the hardest things for us to do. I, we, often get impatient when we wait. We’re doers. We like to move. We like to see “progress” toward a goal. We want to see that *we* and what we are doing is getting results. With that kind of attitude, the story we proclaim is more about us than about God. No wonder people are not impressed or attracted.

Dear friends, God also calls *us* to wait. So let us allow ourselves to rest in God. Let us use the time of waiting to do as Jesus said, to expect the Spirit to show up, and to even look for and name where that is already happening. Let us treasure our community, share its wisdom, the wisdom of the ages and the wisdom of each member. And let us continue to care for one another while proclaiming God’s good news to those outside our circle.

At the risk of this letter getting so long and losing your attention, here are a few ways I see God’s Spirit at work even as we wait for the future to open up:

Times of transition often provoke anxiety which can lead people to feel shame that they hadn’t done enough or the right things. It can lead people to turn on one another, to point out how someone is not doing enough, or, if they as a group had only done so and so, things would be different. I don’t see that happening at New Jerusalem. What I see is members pulling together, cherishing, encouraging and expanding the fellowship we have. I see people stepping up to do what needs to be done. And I hear laughter, even when circumstances also bring tears.

Something else I see is generosity. In times like this we could pinch every penny. We could have said that given the circumstances we’re not going to do the Good Gifts Tree, but instead we ask people to contribute to New Jerusalem. But, no, the Good Gifts Tree is loaded with ornaments, testimonies to the conviction God is calling us to tangibly share God’s good news outside of our community.

Finally, I see a sense emerging among our Lutheran congregations, that we don’t have to wait to get a polished plan in place before we act together. Rather, we can take stock of the resources and riches we already have and figure out more ways to use these to meet our needs.

So, dear friends, be at peace. The God to whom we entrust the unknown, has made God’s self known to us as a God of love and faithfulness, has made God’s self known to us in Jesus Christ.

Pastor Ruth

NEWS & EVENTS

at New Jerusalem and in the community

COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The following discussions took place and decisions made at our council meeting on Monday, December 11:

- Continued planning for divestment of our building including:
 - reviewing the status of the survey and application to the township for permission to deed the small cemetery to the Cemetery Board;
 - meeting with potential realtors;
 - engaging a lawyer to help with legal issues;
 - plans for an open house in February or March for organizations and individuals who might be interested in the building;
- Made plans for continuing work on going through our records and developing a timeline of significant events that occurred in the history of our congregation.

Our next council meeting will be held on **Monday, January 8, at 7:00 p.m.**

JANUARY SIGN-UP SHEETS

We are in need of Altar Flower and Bulletin sponsors for January 7, 14, 21, and 28, a Sanctuary Candle sponsor, and an Altar Guild volunteer. Please sign up if you are able to sponsor or volunteer for any of these items.

CHRISTMAS UN-DECORATING

We will be taking down the decorations on Sunday, January 7. Please plan to stay after the worship service to help.

BIBLE STUDY

Our Monday morning Bible Study will be held on **Monday, January 15, 22, and 29 at 1:00 p.m.**

PLEASE NOTE: There will be no Bible Study on Monday, January 8th.

COLORING GROUP

The Coloring Group will be meeting on **Thursday, January 4, at 10:00 a.m.** If you can't join us, pages can be sent to you. If interested, contact Phyllis Fenstermacher at 610.682.2423 or Diane Keller at 610.682.4152.

HELPING HARVEST/TOPTON MOBILE MARKET

The Helping Harvest food distribution will take place on **Tuesday, January 9, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** at the Brandywine Heights MS/IS.

COMPASSIONATE CRAFTERS

Want to crochet, knit, or sew to God's glory? Join Trinity's Compassionate Crafters. Meetings take place on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month from 9:30-11:00 a.m. in the Sunday School room at Trinity Lutheran Church, Tipton. We are in desperate need of sewers! We are working on quilts for Lutheran World Relief. Our next meetings will be held on **Thursday, January 11 and 25.**

JAMES MEN'S MINISTRY (JMM)

Breakfast gatherings start at 8:00 a.m. on the third Saturday of each month. Their next meeting will be held **Saturday, January 20,** at Trinity Lutheran Church, Tipton.

FEBRUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER

The deadline for the January newsletter is **Sunday, January 22.** Please have all articles and announcements submitted to the church office by this date. Thank you!

ELCA GOOD GIFTS

This year, the branches of our Good Gifts Tree were proud to display donations to provide:

5 goats	2 water filters
1 share of a cow	1 pig
1 clinic visit	4 honeybees
3 school supplies for a child	8 chicks
2 feed a refugee family	2 roosters
1 mosquito net for a family	1 feed 10 people
2 school fees and uniform	1 warm blanket
for a girl	

For a total contribution of at least \$800.00. These are the ones we know about. Others may have been sent in without placing an ornament. Thank you to everyone who chose to share God's love in this way.



ALL HANDS ON DECK - JANUARY 6 AND 13. 9 a.m. until... TIME TO CLEAN OUT THINGS WE DO NOT NEED

This January 6, the day we celebrate how a star led the wise men to see baby Jesus, we will spend time brightening things up at church. We started cleaning things out in April. Now it's time to continue the process and inventory what we have. Since, depending on how many show up, this may take more than one Saturday, please plan to also come on the 13th.

As we continue the process to divest ourselves of the building, it is important that we have it as clear as possible so those who might be interested in it are better able to appreciate what is available and imagine how it might be used. So, put on your old clothes, grab some dustcloths, and let's get busy!

ANNUAL MEETING – February 4

Plan now to attend the Annual Meeting immediately following worship on Sunday, February 4, with a snow date of Sunday, February 11. We will be reviewing reports of what has been happening in the past year, electing council members and delegates to Synod Assembly, and providing an update on how we are discerning our future.

SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY

Souper Bowl Sunday breakfast and food collection will take place on **Sunday, February 11, 2024**. Breakfast will be served beginning at 8:30 a.m.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

The end-of-year contribution statements for 2023 should be arriving in your mailbox by the end of January. Please check them over and notify the church office if you see there are any discrepancies. Thank you!

FRIEND, INC. COMMUNITY DONATIONS

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Thanksgiving Boxes for Friend, Inc. With the help of a \$250 grant from Thrivent, we were able to fill 8 more boxes and purchase 8 cans of coffee for Friend, Inc. That made a total of 10 Thanksgiving boxes donated.

Also, thank you to everyone who participated in Christmas Gifts for Children through Friend, Inc. Fourteen church members purchased gifts and with the help of a Thrivent grant, we were able to purchase clothing for an additional 7 children, making that a total of 21 gifts purchased. – *Cheryl Wiltrout*

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone for each expression of love and wishes for blessings for Christmas. You are truly members of a congregation that reflects God's great love. It is a privilege to serve among you.

Unfortunately, I had to run out after worship on Christmas Eve and could not greet each of you personally, but know I was on my way to sharing your love and God's wonderful news with our family in faith at Trinity.

In honor of your love and faithful service, Rick and I have added gifts of a goat and food for a refugee family to the Good Gifts tree. - *Pastor Ruth*



To the members of New Jerusalem Lutheran Church, I would like to thank everyone for their thoughtful and generous Christmas gifts. You have such kind and warm hearts that you share with everyone. This means so much to me. Thank you! – *Korinne Hotzman*

NEW JERUSALEM DATA BEING DIGITALIZED THROUGH THE LUTHERAN ARCHIVES

On November 30th records of our congregation's members through the years were taken to the Lutheran Archives to be copied and then digitalized through an arrangement the Archives has with Ancestry.com. We will get the material back as well as access to a digitalized version in late February. Ancestry.com uses the material to enhance its records of births and deaths.

The Lutheran Archives is located on the campus of United Lutheran Seminary Philadelphia (formerly Lutheran Theological Seminary Philadelphia). One of nine Lutheran Archive centers in the U.S., this one is located in the basement of Brossman Hall of the campus in Germantown. It houses an amazing collection of material from congregations in eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York and New England, the northeastern U.S. Think of an area at least the size of our nave with moveable walls of shelves. Choose a particular location you want to see, press a button, and the "wall" of shelves moves enough for you to walk down the aisle. Should our congregation actually close, all our records—council minutes and all the other memorabilia including our original Constitution, architectural plans for the building erected in 1918 (the center of our current church), etc.—will be taken for storage to the Archives and stored in perpetuity.

**New Jerusalem Lutheran Church
Statement of Accounts**

November 30, 2023

<u>Asset Accounts</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Memorial	\$ 18,778.88
Thrivent	10,749.32
Checking	2,244.11
Youth	412.82
Fidelity	20,349.76
Cash Reserve	13,428.42
Mission Investment Fund	11,705.63
Local Care	<u>2,252.77</u>

Total: \$79,921.71

Total Balance of Asset Accounts
from **November 30, 2022** \$ 130,215.23

November 2023 – ‘Actual’ vs. ‘Required’ Income

	<u>Income</u>		
<u>Income</u>	<u>Required</u>	<u>Actual</u>	
<u>Used For:</u>	<u>Per Month</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Operating Expenses	\$ 9,860.00	\$ 4,249.00	\$ (5,611.00)

*Income Required per Month — Based on 2023
Budget Passed by Congregation
Less Budgeted Benevolence Contribution*

My oldest friend
worry

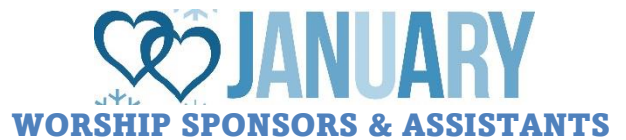
and I had
a sleepover
last night, loving God

today,
worry has filled out the
to-do list for me, even
stapling a second page
to make room for everything
worry thinks should fill my moments.

could you send me
a new best friend,
Tender God,

maybe
Hope?

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Altar Flower Sponsors:

January 7 – *sponsor needed*
January 14 – Dale Schwoyer
January 21 – *sponsor needed*
January 28 – *sponsor needed*

Bulletin Sponsors:

January 7 – *sponsor needed*
January 14 – *sponsor needed*
January 21 – *sponsor needed*
January 28 – *sponsor needed*

Sanctuary Candle Sponsor:

Dale Schwoyer

Altar Guild Volunteer(s):

volunteer needed

Communion Bread Sponsor:

January 7 – Gladys Kline

Communion Set-up Volunteer:

January 7 – Gladys Kline

Readers:

January 7 – Sara Jane Beshore
January 14 – Gladys Kline
January 21 – Ty Rissmiller
January 28 – Kathy Bailey

Councilperson(s) for the Month:

Sherrie Carl

We light the candle of grumpiness
in this season of waiting,
for time seems to be moving so slowly
in these endless days.
God who is coming,
with a new box of trainers (sneakers)
with our names on them,
so we'll be able to
sprint to the finish line
ahead of all our worries, cares
and fears.
Amen.

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What the new year brings to you
will depend a great deal on what
you bring to the new year.

IN OUR
Thoughts and Prayers

PRAYERS FOR AWARENESS OF GOD'S PRESENCE for Those with Limited Mobility or in Care Facilities: Anna Angstadt, Myles Angstadt, Erma Guinther, Shirley Hertzog, Gabriele Sanders, and Dorothy Turner.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND SUPPORT:
Members: Holly Allen, Virginia Guinther, Lucille Jones, Brian Keller, Diane Keller, Forrest Merkel, Grace Miller, Linda Moyer, Lloyd Moyer, and Horace Rothermel.

Friends of the congregation: Brad Auge, Sr., Steve Beck, Sharon Bennett, Jason Beshore, Darlene Bogert, Earl Derr, John Drumheller, Marge Drumheller, Jennifer Engle, Alice Epler, Dawson Freed (military), Shirley Hahn, Nancy Harnish, Debra Kenny, Kelly Kline, The Koontz Family, Cayden Kresge, Catherine Lenio, Julia Lombardo, Emma Loose, Joe M., Vivian Reist, Arlan Schwoyer, Patricia Sigfried, Jean Smith, Shawn Spatz, Carol Spiegelmeyer, Laverne Stevens, Robert Taylor, Johnathan Wagner, Tim Walck, Leticia Weaver, Family and friends of Leslie Wegman, Richard Weller, Althea Young, Becky, Dawn, Jason, Kim, Lynn, Pat, Sam, and Tim.

OTHER PRAYER CONCERNS: We pray for: peace in the world, and particularly in the Ukraine and eastern Europe, Israel and Gaza; all seeking to respond responsibly to COVID-19, especially healthcare workers; those recovering from and responding to disasters, especially those in Puerto Rico; migrants and refugees; for our nation, including our president, congress, judicial system, and leaders of our communities; an end to the many ways prejudice and racism maintain inequality between people and injustice; an end to threats between nations; peace in the world; our military personnel serving around the world.

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST: Gary DeWees, Don Gajewski, Erma Gajewski, Lorelai Gold, Amanda Herman, Johnson-Agiri Family, Leilani Rodriguez, Andrew S., Otis Spiegelmeyer, Tierney Schmeer, Donna Schwoyer, and Linda Wegman.

With a new year comes
new hopes, new ideas, and new
opportunities to make our lives
the best they can be.



- 3 David Moyer, Sr.
- 5 Wilma Herman
- 10 Norma Conrad
- 14 Holly Allen
- 14 Keith Boyer
- 15 Myles Angstadt
- 21 Jonathan Allen
- 29 Darla Stout
- 30 Lloyd Moyer



- 14 Gary and Carrie Paige Lambert (10 years)

**CONTRARY TO WHAT THE MEDIA SAID,
CHRISTMAS WAS NOT CANCELLED IN
BETHLEHEM.**

While it's true that the tree was not lit in the center of town in Bethelhem of Judea and other displays of lights were never turned on, Christmas was not cancelled. Christmas can never be cancelled. God acted once in history, giving us the gifts of God's Son in the form of a vulnerable human baby. That can never be erased and Christians will continue to celebrate Christ's mass, even if the lights do not shine outside.

What did happen in Bethlehem of Judea this year was that there were not tourists, no exhuberant celebrations in the streets for Bethelhem of Judea is in Palestinian territory and the people are fearful of attack. Instead of a baby wrapped in swaddling clothes adored by wisemen, the nativity display at Christmas City Lutheran Church was simply a baby wrapped in the black and white scarf of Palestinians and lying in a heap of rubble. A poignant but excellent reminder that Jesus came to be with us, to be with us in our troubled world. Nothing can cancel that message or diminish its power. Thanks be to God!

happy new year



Our Brandywine Food Pantry is always in need of monetary donations as well as non-perishable food items, personal care items, paper products, and/or household supplies, including the following:

Breakfast: cereal, oatmeal (regular and instant), pancake mix, pancake syrup

Canned items: (especially those with meat) beef stew, chicken a la king, chicken breast, chili, ham, Spam, soups (all kinds), tuna

Meals (meat/tuna needed): Hamburger Helper, Tuna Helper, sloppy joe sauce

Microwave/Canned meals: Chef Boyardee meals (beefaroni, beef ravioli, lasagna, spaghetti)

Canned vegetables: beans (all kinds), carrots, tomatoes (diced and stewed)

Canned fruit: applesauce, fruit cup, mandarin oranges, sliced peaches, pears, pineapples, etc.

Dry Goods: rice (preferably in boxes), noodles, pasta (all kinds), Ramen noodles, potatoes (mashed), potatoes (scalloped)

Condiments: ketchup, mayonnaise, mustard, salad dressing

Beverages: apple juice, grape juice, cranberry raspberry juice, coffee (regular), hot chocolate, tea, dry milk

Extras: jelly, marshmallow creme, peanut butter

Baking items: brownie mix, cake mixes (boxes), cooking oil, evaporated milk, flour, sugar

Snacks: cookies, crackers, snacks (individual packs)

Gluten free and/or sugar free items

Paper products: paper towels, tissues, toilet tissue

Personal care items: bar soap, hand soap, shampoo, shower gel, hairbrushes, combs, individually-wrapped toothbrushes, toothpaste, etc.

Cleaning and disinfecting products: dish soap, laundry detergent, disinfectant products, etc.)

Donations can be brought to church or directly to the food pantry at St. Peter's United Church of Christ, 122 W. Franklin Street, Tipton, PA 19562. Drop off hours are: the last three Mondays of each month from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.; the first three Tuesdays of each month, and the third Thursday of each month from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (come to the back door of St. Peter's). Please feel free to contact the pantry at 484-861-7117 or brandywinefoodpantry@gmail.com. Checks made out to Brandywine Food Pantry can be mailed to the above address.

BACKPACK HEIGHTS BACKPACK PROGRAM

While some of us have eaten very well during the holidays, many of our children in the Brandywine Heights School District face food insecurity. About 40% of kindergarten children live in families with income at or below the poverty level. To address this need, our congregation has obtained a Thrivent Grant to supplement donations to the Brandywine Backpack Program. Below is a list of items needed to put in backpacks of children on Fridays so they will have supplemental food over the weekend and holidays. Please bring your donations to church before January 28, 2024.

- cereal (individual cups or boxes, any variety)
- muffins (individually wrapped, any variety)
- meals (cheese ravioli, lasagna, spaghetti and meatballs) 7.5 oz. microwaveable cups
- chicken and rice (microwaveable cups, 1.97 oz.)
- macaroni and cheese (microwaveable cups, 2 oz.)
- soup (microwaveable cups, any variety)
- Cups of Noodles (beef or chicken microwaveable cups)
- vegetables (individual microwaveable cups, any variety)
- fruit (individual cups, any variety)
- fruit squeeze (any brand, any variety)
- cracker sandwiches (individual packs, any variety)
- goldfish crackers (individual packs, 1 - 1.5 oz.)
- granola bars – chewy (individually-wrapped, any variety)
- Jif to go (individual cups of peanut butter, box of 8 cups)
- popcorn (microwaveable packs or pre-popped bags, individual servings)
- juice boxes (100% juice, any variety)
- non-refrigerated milk (like juice boxes, 6.75 oz.)
- gift cards (Weis Markets)



New INSIDE

Geodes look plain on the outside but contain beautiful crystals. Create these "rocks" to show how God makes us new on the inside.

What you need:

- Clean cardboard egg carton
- Scissors (and adult help)
- Epsom salt
- Plastic zippered bags (one per color of dye)
- Food coloring
- Glue
- Paintbrush



What you do:

1. Cut out the tops and bottoms of all the egg compartments so you can make 6 ball shapes.
2. In each bag, put 3 tablespoons of Epsom salt and a drop or two of food coloring. Seal and shake to mix.
3. With the paintbrush, spread glue inside two egg-carton halves. Sprinkle a spoonful of Epsom salt into those halves. Then close and shake.
4. Open your homemade geode and shake out excess salt.
5. Optional: Preserve the crystals with a coat of clear-drying glue.



HAPPY NEW YOU!

Changing the calendar each January is a reminder that God makes all things new.


Directions: Use the clues and the calendar code to complete 2 Corinthians 5:17, ESV.

JANUARY 2024						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	God	night	word	in	love	Jesus
7		8	9	10	11	12
glory	therefore	speak	give	light	Christ	a
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
saw	beginning	anyone	waters	help	is	many
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
he	again	through	earth	made	while	back
28	29	30	31			
new	if	and	creation			

- The second Monday _ _ _ _ _
- The last Monday _ _
- The 16th _ _ _ _ _
- One day before the 20th _ _
- The day before the first Friday _ _
- The last weekday of the second week _ _ _ _ _
- The day after the 20th _ _
- The day after 18th _ _
- The first day of the second weekend _
- The last Sunday _ _ _
- The last day of the month _ _ _ _ _

Answers: Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation.

JANUARY 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<p>1 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg.</p>  <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg.</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg. 7:00pm-Celebrate Recovery, Redeemer BFC, Topton</p>	<p>6 9:00am-Clean-out Day</p> <p>EPIPHANY</p>
<p>7 <u>Baptism of Our Lord</u> 10:15am-Worship with Holy Communion -Fellowship after worship -Undecorating the church after worship</p>	<p>8 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg. NO Bible Study 7:00pm-Council Mtg.</p>	<p>9 11:00am-1:00pm-Helping Harvest Food Distribution at Brandywine Heights IS/MS</p>	<p>10 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg.</p>	<p>11 9:30-11:00am-Compassionate Crafters, Trinity Lutheran, Topton</p>	<p>12 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg. 7:00pm-Celebrate Recovery, Redeemer BFC, Topton</p>	<p>13 9:00am-Clean-out Day</p>
<p>14 <u>Second Sunday after Epiphany</u> 10:15am-Worship -Annual Reports due to church office</p>	<p>15 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg. 1:00pm-Bible Study</p> <p>MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17 12:00pm-Fellowship Luncheon 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg.</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg. 7:00pm-Celebrate Recovery, Redeemer BFC, Topton</p>	<p>20 8:00am-James Men's Ministry Breakfast, Trinity Lutheran, Topton</p>
<p>21 <u>Third Sunday after Epiphany</u> 10:15am-Worship -Fellowship after worship -Pastor Ruth out of town</p>	<p>22 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg. 1:00pm-Bible Study</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg.</p>	<p>25 9:30-11:00am-Compassionate Crafters, Trinity Lutheran, Topton</p>	<p>26 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg. 7:00pm-Celebrate Recovery, Redeemer BFC, Topton</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>28 <u>Fourth Sunday after Epiphany</u> 10:15am-Worship -Brandywine Backpack Program donations due to church</p>	<p>29 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg. 1:00pm-Bible Study 6:00pm-Meeting with area Lutheran leaders, Henry Auditorium</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg.</p>			