

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.*



Dear Friends,

Lord, listen to your children praying.

Many times when I lead prayer, I ask those present what they would like to pray for. There is always so much: thanksgiving for joys, praise for God's presence, shortfalls to confess, feelings and concerns to share, requests to be made. Many feel there is even more than usual to pray for these days. What would you include?

Lord, listen to your children praying.

As we enter the season of Lent, we pray that God would help us examine our hearts, help us confess where we have let God down, and help us to believe that since Christ died for each one of us, God does not leave us stuck in our sin but calls us to live life abundantly and share that life with others.

Lord, listen to your children praying.

This year our community Lenten services will focus on the Lord's Prayer. Each Wednesday, beginning March 8, we will focus on a different petition of this precious prayer which sets the pattern for how we speak with God. Please look for the schedule enclosed in this newsletter and please join us. If you cannot be present, please join us in prayer.

*Watch, O Lord, with all those awake this night.
Watch O Lord with all those who weep.
Give your angels and saints charge over all who sleep. ¹*

This text from St. Augustine adapted by Marty Haugen is one of my favorites. We will sing it for our prayers on March 22nd when our brothers and sisters join us for midweek worship at New Jerusalem.

*Soothe your suffering ones, in your love, Lord.
Heal afflicted ones, in your love, Lord.
Shield your joyous ones, in your love, O Lord we pray. ²*

Whom else and what else would you add? Is there something you would like us to include on Sundays? Would you like to ask members of our Prayer Chain to pray for something specific? Would you like to be part of the Prayer Chain? Let us know.

*Lord, listen to your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit in this place.
Lord, listen to your children praying. Send us love, send us power, send us grace. ³*

Amen. Let it be so.

Pastor Ruth



¹ Marty Haugen, used with permission.

² *ibid*

³ Ken Medema – ELW 752. Used with permission.

NEWS & EVENTS

in New Jerusalem and the Synod

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

The following items were discussed and decisions made at the February 13th meeting:

- A meeting with synod staff member, Pastor Mike Bennethum, was scheduled for March 26th after church to discuss the results of the vitality survey.
- Supply organists will be paid mileage for anything exceeding 20 miles round trip.
- Authorization was given to the Finance Committee to use up to \$25,000 from reserve funds to pay approved expenses.
- Approved that the congregation continue to donate 6% of proceeds from special projects be donated to local non-profits.
- At least six members of council will attend the March 4th Church Leadership meeting led by Pastor Jim Bowers.
- Approval was given to hold a Reformation 500 Bookstore sale in March.

REFORMATION 500 BOOKSTORE!

The 500th anniversary of the Reformation is fast approaching! Do you want to learn more about Martin Luther, his writings, and their impact on Christianity? Do you want to reflect on the ongoing impact of the Reformation today? Stop by our Reformation 500 Bookstore to shop for engaging books on the Reformation for readers of all ages and interests! Save up to 50% plus receive free shipping on all Bookstore titles.

Our Bookstore is sponsored by Augsburg Fortress, the publishing ministry of the ELCA. The books will include bestselling biographies like *Luther the Reformer* as well as an atlas of the European Reformations, a graphic novel for young readers, and primary sources from The Annotated Luther series.

The bookstore will be set up in the overflow area of our worship space March 1st through 26th. An order form will be available at all times. Members will be available to assist in selections after each service.

Stop by to view and get fascinating books on the Reformation. If you would like us to send you a list of the available books, please call the office.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Daylight Savings Time begins on **Sunday, March 12th**. Please remember to ***turn your clocks ahead one hour*** before going to bed Saturday night.

SERVICE OF HEALING AND HOLY COMMUNION – March 19th at 2:30 p.m.

The congregations of Hope, Bowers, Christ Mertz, Dryville, and New Jerusalem Lutheran jointly sponsor this opportunity for worship the third Sunday of each month and rotate between churches. **The service for March 19th will be held at Hope Lutheran Church, Bowers.** If you know of someone who might like to attend, but would need help with transportation, or if you are able to assist with transportation, please speak with Pastor Ruth.

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICE

On **Wednesday, March 22nd at 7:00 p.m.**, New Jerusalem will be hosting the midweek Lenten service. Please join us for worship. See the worship schedule included in this newsletter for locations of the other midweek Lenten services.

RESULTS OF THE VITALITY SURVEY

A meeting to discuss the results of the Vitality Study we recently participated in will be held **Sunday, March 26th**, immediately following worship. Pastor Mike Bennethum, the Director for Evangelical Mission and Executive Associate of our bishop, will help us understand the results of the survey and lead us in a discussion of their implication for our congregation. All are welcome.

APRIL NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for the April 2017 newsletter is **Sunday, March 26th**. Please have all your announcements and articles to the church office by this date. Thank you!

SPECIAL PROJECTS DATES

These are the proposed dates for our shoofly bakes and dinner for the first half of 2017 (March through June) and are subject to change. Any changes will be announced in the church newsletter and bulletin.

March 27, 28, 29	Shoofly Bake
April 22	Chicken Pot Pie Dinner
May 1, 2, 3	Shoofly Bake
June 5, 6, 7	Shoofly Bake

We are slowly losing our volunteers due to age and/or illness. In order to continue these projects we need volunteers. If you are able to give just a couple hours per day, it would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Help is needed to clean up and do dishes after shoofly baking. Starting time would be at 3:00 p.m. for approximately 1 ½ hours or whatever time you can give. Any help is greatly appreciated. To volunteer, or if you have questions, please contact Sheila Gehman at 610.730.3304 to schedule times. Thank you! – *The Shoofly Bakers*

MARCH SIGN-UP SHEETS

We are in need of Flower sponsors for March 12th and 26th. Thank you to everyone who signed up.

EASTER FLOWERS

The sanctuary will be decorated with beautiful flowers for Easter on Sunday, April 16th. If you would like to order any flowers, an order form is included at the end of this newsletter. Please return your order form with payment to the church office by **Sunday, April 2nd**. Thank you!

MEALS OF FREEDOM CONFIRMAND RETREAT – March 31 to April 2

Our confirmands, some of our parents, and Pastor Ruth will join 60 other Lutherans at Bear Creek Camp for a retreat focusing on the way the Exodus story and the life of Jesus have meaning for us today. Please keep these sisters and brothers in your prayers.

BRANDYWINE FOOD PANTRY

(as of February 15, 2017)

Donated items most helpful right now:

- canned fruits, such as sliced peaches, mandarin oranges, pears, fruit cup, etc.
- canned items, especially those with meat, such as beef stew, chili, chicken breast, chicken a la king, tuna, ham, Spam, spaghetti, ravioli, lasagna, etc.
- instant mashed potatoes or scallops or other potato products
- soups, especially Progresso brand
- mayonnaise, brown mustard, ketchup, ranch dressing, pickles
- coffee (regular, decaf and instant), hot chocolate, tea
- fruit juice, such as grape, cranberry, apple
- jelly, peanut butter, marshmallow fluff
- Hamburger Helper, stuffing mix, Rice-a-roni, Pasta Sides
- pasta of various types, spaghetti sauce, macaroni and cheese
- vinegar, cooking oil, flour, sugar
- cereal (hot and cold)
- snacks of all kinds, including pretzels, chips, energy bars, etc.
- paper products including tissues, toilet paper, paper towels
- personal care items, such as shampoo/conditioner, bar soap, personal hygiene items
- cleaning and disinfectant products, including dish soap and laundry detergent

** Please check dates on donated food products.*

The pantry is supported by churches, civic groups, individuals, businesses, and schools in and around the Brandywine Area School District. We welcome all donations of food, personal items, or cash. Checks may be made out to Brandywine Food Pantry and mailed to St. Peter's United Church of Christ, 122 W. Franklin Street, Topton, PA 19562.

The pantry is open to area residents by appointment on the first three Tuesdays of the month and the third Thursday from 9 a.m. to approximately 1 p.m. For appointments, call 610.682.7633. Either call Tuesday or Thursday, or leave a message with your contact information. Donations may be dropped off during pantry hours or call to arrange a convenient time.

The Brandywine Food Pantry thanks you for your continued support!



THEME: “The Lord’s Prayer”

(Light refreshments to follow worship.)

MARCH 1 - Ash Wednesday

Hope Lutheran, Bowers – 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Grace/Lutheran Home, Topton – 2:30 p.m.

Christ DeLong UCC, Bowers – 7:00 p.m.

New Jerusalem UCC, 6:00 p.m. (light meal), 7:00 p.m. (worship)

St. Paul’s, Mertztown – 7:00 p.m.

MARCH 8 – The First Petition – Our Father in Heaven

New Jerusalem UCC – Elizabeth Haines (preacher) – 7:00 p.m.

MARCH 15 – The Second Petition – Your kingdom come

Hope Lutheran, Bowers – Corrine Dautrich (preacher) – 7:00 p.m.

MARCH 22 – The Third Petition – Your will be done, on earth as in heaven

New Jerusalem Lutheran – Michael Combs (preacher) – 7:00 p.m.

MARCH 29 – The Fourth Petition – Give us today our daily bread

Christ DeLong UCC, Bowers – Vicar Althea Albright (preacher) – 7:00 p.m.

APRIL 5 – The Fifth Petition – Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us

Christian Congregation, Mertztown – Roger Ulrich (preacher) – 7:00 p.m.

APRIL 12 (Holy Week) – The Sixth and Seventh Petitions – Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil

St. Paul’s Lutheran, Mertztown – Ruth Doty (preacher) – 7:00 p.m.

APRIL 13 – Maundy Thursday

New Jerusalem Lutheran – 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Grace/Lutheran Home, Topton – 2:30 p.m.

St. Paul’s Lutheran, Mertztown – 7:00 p.m.

St. Peter’s UCC, Topton – 7:00 p.m.

APRIL 14 – Good Friday

Christ-Mertz Lutheran, Dryville – 7:00 p.m. (only)

Grace/Lutheran Home, Topton – 2:30 p.m.

St. Paul’s Lutheran, Mertztown – 7:00 p.m.

St. Peter’s UCC, Topton (Tennebrae and Communion) – 7:00 p.m.

NEWS & EVENTS

in the community

IT'S TIME TO TALK!

The Council on Chemical Abuse will host a program titled "It's Time to Talk!" specifically designed for parents of students of all ages. Prevention experts will discuss how and when to start the conversation with your child about drugs and alcohol. It will be held on **Wednesday, March 1st** from 6-8 p.m. at the Boyertown Area Multi Services Center, 200 W. Spring Street, Boyertown. There is no fee for attendance and is open to everyone regardless of residency. For more information, contact Alicia Kline at 610.376.8669, Ext. 121 or akline@cocaberks.org.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER BREAKFAST

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Fleetwood has invited members of New Jerusalem to a World Day of Prayer Breakfast on **Saturday, March 4th**, at 9:00 a.m. Pastor and Mrs. Paul Hetrich will be speaking on their missionary work in Micronesia. Tickets are a \$4.00 donation and includes a continental breakfast. If you are interested in attending, Korinne has a few tickets in the office. Please see the poster on the bulletin board for more information.

JOURNEYS THROUGH GRIEF

Lutheran Congregational Services is sponsoring 3 six-week grief support groups. There is no cost to attend, but registration is required. The schedule is as follows: St. John's Lutheran Church, Kutztown - Tuesday evenings from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm, March 7th - April 11th; Luther Crest, Allentown, - Monday mornings from 10:30 am - 12:00 pm, March 6th to April 10th; and Emmaus Moravian Church, Emmaus - Monday evenings from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm, March 6th to April 10th. Contact Sylvia Havlish to register at 610.657.7075. Simply leave a message. There is no need for her to call you back unless you request it. Check out the LCS website at www.libertylutheran.org for more information.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY will be held on **Thursdays, March 9th and 23rd** at 1:30 p.m. at Christ DeLong UCC in Bowers.

BREAD, BOWL AND BIBLE 2017: "Reading the Bible with Martin Luther"

Bread, Bowl and Bible is a yearly Lenten event for Lutheran churches of the Oley cluster. Each gathering begins with the first part of the study at 4 p.m., dinner at 5 p.m., and the concluding portion of the study from 6-7 p.m. The gatherings will be held **Sundays, March 12th, 19th, and 26th** at St. John's Lutheran Church, 45 N. Reading Avenue, Boyertown. The study will be based on a 2013 book by Dr. Timothy Wengert, *Reading the Bible with Martin Luther*.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT FORUMS

The **Lutheran Home at Topton** will be running Bereavement Support Forums the third Wednesday of each month from 6:30-8:00 p.m. They will be held in Deibert Hall, first floor of D-wing. On **March 15th**, - *What I Miss Most: Learning to do for myself*. Crafts, refreshments and a time for sharing will follow each program or presentation.

TOO GOOD FOR DRUGS

The Brandywine Heights Community Task Force presents this family fun and educational event on **Thursday, March 16th**, at the Brandywine Heights Middle School from 6-8 p.m. Education for all ages, games, prizes, popcorn, soft pretzels, cotton candy. A night for the entire family! - *Sponsored by BHHS SADD Club, BHASD teachers, and the Council on Chemical Abuse*

CLASS FOR LAY PERSONS

Pastor David Strobel will lead a class in "Law, Gospel and the Two Kingdoms: Dynamic Tensions at the Heart of Lutheran Theology" on **Saturday, March 18th**, from 9-12 noon at the Lutheran Center, 2354 Gove Road, Allentown. Cost is \$10 and can be paid the morning of the event. If interested in attending, please register by Wednesday, March 15th with Pastor Mary Gade at 610.266.5101.

2017 FARM FAMILY APPRECIATION CELEBRATION

A celebration will be held on **Saturday, March 18th**, at the Hamburg Field House. There will be a catered hot buffet meal from 7-8 p.m., hoedown and line dancing to show appreciation for farm families in Berks and the surrounding counties. Square dancing and country music by “The Majestics” from 8-11 p.m. Everyone is invited! Registration is due by March 3rd. Please see the flyer on the bulletin board for cost and ticket information. For more information call Lisa at 610.378.1327 or go to www.godslove.org/calendar.

ILLUSTRATED LECTURE

Historical illustrated lecture of the towns, farms, and countryside that is now under Blue Marsh Lake. Take a trip back in time to see what this bucolic portion of Berks County looked like prior to the development of the lake in the 70’s. Held on **Sunday, March 19th** at 2:00 p.m. at St. John (Hain’s) UCC Church, 591 N. Church Road, Wernersville. Admission donation of \$5.00 to benefit Project Care II Fund.

LOAVES & FISHES MEAL

A free community meal called Loaves and Fishes will be held on **Tuesday, March 21st**, from 5:30-7:00 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, Topton. Come out and share a meal and fellowship.

KATIE LUTHER’S BREW

Did you know Katie Luther was renowned for the beer she brewed and served to her family and guests?

Using her original recipe, the East Berks Mission District is partnering with Saucony Creek Brewery in Kutztown to produce a beer she brewed for the household. This is being done to commemorate the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation. Proceeds from the sale will go to the United Lutheran Seminary’s scholarship fund. (Gettysburg and Philadelphia Seminaries are merging to form United Lutheran Seminary.)

The beer is a hefeweizen and will be bottled in 750 ml. bottles for sharing with others as Martin would have shared it with those gathered around his table.



This will be a special, limited edition beer, so order early! Order deadline is March 31st.

The beer will be available for pick up on Saturday, May 6 from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m. There will be a celebratory event at the brewery from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. with appearances by Katie and Martin. See the bulletin board or call the church office for details and an order form.

SAVE THE DATE! – Saturday, April 29th

28th Friend, Inc. Community Services Annual Benefit Auction will be held on **Saturday, April 29th** at 5:30 p.m. at the Kutztown Fairgrounds, Beltzner Hall. \$40 for catered dinner and drinks. For more information, call 610.683.7790 or visit www.friendinc.org.

RELENTLESS PRAYERS

Are you reluctant to bring the same prayers to your heavenly Father over and over? Maybe you don’t want to trouble God; after all, he already knows what you’re going to say. Plus, you think you’re not worthy to ask for anything!

If those thoughts surround you, think about Patrick, Ireland’s patron saint. At 16, he was dragged from his home to be a slave. Patrick tended sheep in the cold. Hungry and miserable, he begged God for mercy and deliverance.

In his *Confessio*, Patrick recalls praying “a hundred times in the day and almost as many at night.” Without ceasing, he told God of his needs, wants, thanksgiving and confession. And God heard his prayers.

Pray relentlessly. God is always listening!

–MaryAnn Sundby

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To the Congregation of New Jerusalem Evangelical Lutheran Church, thank you so much for your donation of \$107.00 to the Brandywine Food Pantry. It is with help like this that we can provide for families in need in our community. –
Brandywine Food Pantry

Did You Know?

HEN

The hen represents Jesus' deep care and compassion even for those who killed prophets God had sent to them. "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem," mourned Jesus shortly before his death. "How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!" (Matthew 23:37, ESV).



ST. PATRICK'S DAY TRIVIA

You may know that St. Patrick used shamrocks to teach about the Trinity, but did you know these other facts about him?

- ♣ St. Patrick wasn't Irish. (His parents were Roman citizens living in either Scotland or Wales.)
- ♣ He was kidnapped and sold as a slave at age 16. After escaping six years later, he joined a monastery in England.
- ♣ March 17 is the date of St. Patrick's death, not his birth. He died in 461 A.D.
- ♣ The color originally associated with St. Patrick is blue, not green.
- ♣ The harp, not the shamrock, is the national symbol of Ireland.

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"Fasting makes sense if it really chips away at our security and, as a consequence, benefits someone else, if it helps us cultivate the style of the good Samaritan, who bent down to his brother in need and took care of him".

—Pope Francis



- 3 Linda Guinther
- 10 Tammy Barlet
- 13 Judith Kemmerer
- 18 Sara Moyer
- 19 Lucille Jones
- 21 Cynthia Rissmiller
- 25 Barbara Johnson
- 25 Lillian Jones
- 26 Donald Gajewski
- 28 Jerry Keller



- 5 Gladys Kline and Earl Derr (1 year)
- 26 Lester and Tammy Barlet (29 years)

If your name or the name of someone you know didn't appear on this list, we apologize and hope you will let us know so we can make the necessary corrections. Thank you.




 IN OUR
Thoughts and Prayers


PRAYERS FOR AWARENESS OF GOD'S PRESENCE for Those Homebound or in Care Facilities: Dallas and Anna Angstadt, Cliff Barlet, Samuel Behm, Edna Conrad, Jean Deysher, Helen Fair, Dennis Guinther, Verna Guinther, Shirley Hertzog, Drena Kocher, Irene Noll, Warren Reinhart, and Arlene Yob.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING:

Members: Beth Angstadt, Myles Angstadt, Bertha Bennecoff, Luann Bennecoff, Lori Eck, Ted Eshbach, Phyllis Fenstermacher, Erma Gajewski, Erma Guinther, Amanda Herman, Diane Keller, Penny Keller, Paige Lambert, Sheila Long, Leon Moyer, Linda Moyer, Betty Musser, Joanne Pauley, Joyce Roethermel, Doreen Seaman, Betty Stoudt, and Jeff Wengert.

Friends of the congregation: Kathy Adams, Thelma Bright, Evelyn Collins, Dick Curtin, Richard D., Mark Derr, Esther Dunkelberger, Alice Epler, Katie F., Olivia Fenstermacher, Eric Fox, Sonja Hernandez, Tara K., Lauren Kinney, Terry and Denise Kiser, Ella Kline, Carla Kuser, Chris Masters, Lillian Mengel, Kyle Olinger, Stacy Price, Tim and Carol Romig, Sue S., Charles Sanders, Olivia Schoenly, Tom and Pat Snyder, Jack Stoudt, Marilyn Timm, Jacki Wagner, and Sallie Weil.

OTHER PRAYER CONCERNS: For our nation, for our new president, for peace between citizens and those who serve them, for all our military personnel serving around the world, for areas of our nation and the world enduring drought, storms, flooding, and other disasters, for refugees and the countries to which they flee, and for peace in the world.

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST: Sandy Burkhart, Denise Haage, Corinne Hersh, Andrew S., Donna Schwoyer, and Denise Wright.



New Jerusalem Lutheran Church
Statement of Accounts
January 31, 2017

<u>Asset Accounts</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Memorial	\$ 17,349.91
Thrivent	6,379.73
Checking	6,415.85
Youth	828.33
Fidelity	136,447.53
Cash Reserve	15,052.60
Mission Investment	11,259.38
Local Care	1,027.50

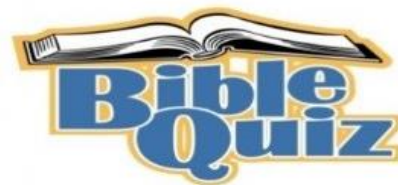
January 2017 – 'Actual' vs. 'Required'
Income

<u>Income</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>
<u>Used For:</u>	<u>Per Month</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Operating Expenses	\$ 8,519.17	\$ 6,370.71	\$ (2,148.46)

*Income Required per Month — Based on 2017 Budget
 Passed by Congregation
 Less Budgeted Benevolence Contribution*

Parking Lot – Funds received to offset expenses for
 Driveway/Parking Lot Repaving

\$ 37,140.00	Total Expenses for Project
\$ 12,813.50	Funds Received to offset expenses



In John 4, Jesus talks with a woman about living water. Where does that conversation take place?

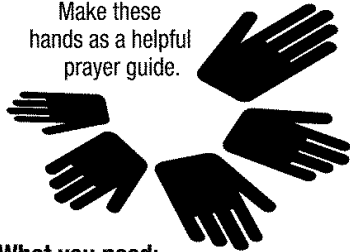
- A. Sychar
- B. Samaria
- C. Galilee
- D. Jacob's well



Answer: A, B and D (see John 4:4-7ff)

PRAYER HANDS

Make these hands as a helpful prayer guide.



What you need:

- 7 pieces of construction paper (different colors)
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Stapler
- Colored pens
- Stickers

What you do:

1. Trace your hand (the same one) on each piece of paper.
2. Cut out and stack the hands. Staple together atop the pinky.
3. On the top hand (the front cover), write "Prayer Hands." Decorate with stickers.
4. On the second hand, write "Praise God." On the third, write "Ask for forgiveness." On the fourth, write "Thank God." On the fifth, write "Pray for others." On the sixth, write "Pray for me."
5. Use your book to remember what to pray for every day.



The psalmist's prayer

The Psalms are full of wonderful verses about God's care and protection.

Directions: Find each missing letter in the alphabets below. Use the resulting words to complete Psalm 86:7, NIV.

A B C E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z _____
 A B C D E F G H J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z _____
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 A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q S T U V W X Y Z _____

When I am in _____, I _____ to you,
 because you _____ me. Psalm 86:7, NIV

Answer: When I am in distress, I call to you, because you answer me. Psalm 86:7, NIV

MARCH WORSHIP ASSISTANTS & SPONSORS

DATE	GREETER	READER	ACOLYTE	FLOWERS	BULLETINS
3/5	Julian Tich	Julian Tich	--	Lisa Landis	Phyllis Fenstermacher
3/12	Jeannette DeLong	Roy Merkel	--	<i>(sponsor needed)</i>	Erma Gajewski
3/19	Betty Stump	Emily Jones	--	Lucille Jones	Dale Schwoyer
3/22 (7:00 p.m.)	Tara Basta	TBA			
3/26	Joshua Keck	Cindy Rissmiller	--	<i>(sponsor needed)</i>	Gladys Kline

ALTAR GUILD: Ted and Betty Eshbach

CHILDREN'S BULLETINS: Lucille Jones

SANCTUARY CANDLE: Gladys Kline

COMMUNION BREAD: 3/5 – Jeannette DeLong

COMMUNION SET-UP: 3/5 – Faye Dey

COUNCILPERSON: Dan Pauley

COST: Flowers - \$35.00; Bulletins - \$7.00; Children's Bulletins - \$5.00; Sanctuary Candle - \$15.00

MARCH 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Ash Wednesday Services <i>(Please see the Community Lenten Services schedule for times and locations.)</i>	2	3	4 9:00-12:00pm-Council Leadership Program (snow date: March 11 th)
5 First Sunday in Lent ▪ Holy Communion ▪ Fellowship after worship Reformation 500 Bookstore 12:00-2:00pm-Confirmation Class	6	7 7:00pm-Choir Rehearsal	8 7:00pm-Midweek Lenten Service, New Jerusalem UCC	9 1:30pm-Bible Study, Christ DeLong UCC, Bowers	10	11
12 Second Sunday in Lent Reformation 500 Bookstore Daylight Savings Time Begins	13 7:00pm-Finance Committee Meeting 7:00pm-Council Meeting	14 7:00pm-Choir Rehearsal	15 11:30am-Fellowship Luncheon at Janelle's 7:00pm-Midweek Lenten Service, Hope Lutheran, Bowers	16 6:00-8:00pm-Too Good for Drugs Event, Brandywine Heights Middle School	17 St. Patrick's Day	18 9:00am-12:00pm-Class for Lay Persons, Lutheran Center, Allentown 7:00-11:00pm-Farm Family Appreciation Celebration, Hamburg
19 Third Sunday in Lent ▪ Fellowship after worship Reformation 500 Bookstore 12:00-2:00pm-Confirmation Class 2:30pm-Service of Healing & Holy Communion, Hope Lutheran, Bowers	20 Spring Begins	21 5:30-7:00pm-Loaves and Fishes Meal, Trinity Topton 7:00pm-Choir Rehearsal	22 7:00pm-Midweek Lenten Service, New Jerusalem Lutheran	23 1:30pm-Bible Study, Christ DeLong UCC, Bowers	24	25 Annunciation of Our Lord
26 Fourth Sunday in Lent ▪ Meeting with Pastor Mike Bennethum after worship Reformation 500 Bookstore Newsletter Deadline	27 4:00pm-Mutual Ministry Committee Meeting Shoo-fly Pie Bake----->	28 7:00pm-Choir Rehearsal ----->	29 7:00pm-Midweek Lenten Service, Christ DeLong UCC, Bowers ----->	30	31 Katie's Brew Order Deadline Confirmand Retreat until April 2 nd at Bear Creek Camp	

EASTER FLOWER ORDER FORM

(Daffodils, Hyacinths, Lilies, Mini Daffodils, Tulips)

(PLEASE PRINT)

NAME: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____ ENV. # _____

DEDICATION: _____

	<u>Qty.</u>		<u>Cost</u>		<u>Total</u>
Daffodils (8" pot)	_____	X	\$8.50	=	_____
Hyacinths	_____	X	\$7.50	=	_____
Lilies	_____	X	\$9.00	=	_____
Mini Daffodils (6" pot)	_____	X	\$7.50	=	_____
Tulips	_____	X	\$7.50	=	_____

Total Amount Due: \$ _____

PLEASE CHECK ONE:

_____ I will pick up my flowers after the Easter service.

_____ Please donate my flowers to a homebound member.

**Please return this form with payment to church
office or offering plate by Sunday, April 2nd.**