

## 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.*



*We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord.*

Dear Ones made my partners and friends through Jesus,

On Sunday, May 21, over 130 members and friends of 7 local congregations joined together to pray and praise, feast at the Lord's table, and picnic under the trees at Bowers Park. We celebrated the Ascension of Jesus and our conviction that Christ is Lord of heaven and earth. Together we affirmed that God Gets Us, God's Got Us, and God Gathers and Sends us. Pointing out ways we see Jesus making good on his promise to send the Helper, we sang, "We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord."

Worshipping together – and we'll be back again in Bowers Park on August 7 – Worshipping together is just one of the ways we experience being one in the Spirit. Over the past several years God's Spirit has been reviving the Brandywine Ministerium, where pastors from 9 congregations gather regularly for prayer, sharing, and planning. Two other deliberate groups – Congregation Conversations and Ministry with Youth – gather regularly to plan ways our congregations can cooperate. The latest evidence of their work is the bingo we held at the Lutheran Home on May 6 when 45 residents and 31 volunteers from our churches enjoyed the afternoon together. (Those animals some of us stuffed in April were a definite hit on the prize table.) Starting this spring youth in our area were given the opportunity to gather every Thursday afternoon at the Revive Café which meets at Trinity Topton. A few days ago, members of the Compassionate Crafters who meet at Trinity, Topton, came to New Jerusalem to get material and batting from our bountiful supply so they, too, can work on quilts for Lutheran World Relief. In this newsletter you'll see announcements of the three VBS events we are co-sponsoring in the area. Yes, worshipping together is just one of the manifestations of how we are one in the Spirit.

In case you haven't noticed in past reports of their activities, our council members have met on separate occasions with the councils of Hope, Christ Mertz, St. Paul's Mertztown and Trinity. At each of these meetings we have been exploring how the Spirit works in different settings and noting both our similarities and the ways we complement one another. As we meet together, we listen for how God's Spirit might be re-forming the Christian community in our area. Not only do we of New Jerusalem find these conversations to be an important part of discerning our future, our honesty in naming the realities we are dealing with is helping our sisters and brothers be honest about their realities as well.

*We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand  
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.*

The purpose of discerning, practicing, and celebrating how we are one in the Spirit is *not* primarily about survival. The purpose of learning to walk together better is that we become more effective channels for the Spirit to spread the news that God is in our land. And this is the news we share: It is the God of love who is Lord of heaven and earth. It is the God who wants to be in loving relationship with every child of earth and who also wants every human to be in loving relationship with others and with all of creation, who is king of kings and lord of lords. It is the God for whom no sacrifice is too great, who reaches out to embrace each of us, no matter how imperfect we are.

Walking together, journeying together. Did you know that that is, in fact, the meaning behind the Greek word *synod*. And so, I note that the first three days of June, Carole Herbert, Sherrie Carl, and I will attend the annual assembly of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod of the ELCA. Here we will listen and learn about how we can walk together better with the other congregations in the synod, so that we can spread the news of God's love more broadly. We will also listen intently for how the Spirit is active in other locations while being curious about what hints that same Spirit might whisper in our ears on how to better share God's love in our community.

Love. Love, God's love, is what this walking together is all about. When we walk together, side by side, hand in hand, we are able to share God's love with each other, reassure and support each other that God's love is, indeed, for us and will not let us go. As we demonstrate love, acceptance, and even forgiveness for one another, we are living examples what Jesus' message is all about. And, as we work together, to share love in the community through the food bank, activities for youth, crafts that comfort others, and so many other ways, we pray our actions will point to God's love, that others will know we are Christians, followers of Jesus, by our love.

*All praise to the Father from whom all things come  
And all praise to Christ Jesus, [God's] only Son,  
And all praise to the Spirit who makes us one:  
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

*-Jason Upton*

May your days be filled with experiences of God's love.

*Pastor Ruth*



# NEWS & EVENTS

at New Jerusalem and in the community

## COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The following items were covered at our Council Meeting on Monday, May 15:

- Carole Herbert and Sherrie Carl attended the Berks Mission District meeting on May 4.
- An AED training and refresher course will be held over the summer by Pastor Jeremiah Sassaman.
- Bingo with the residents of the Topton Home went well with 45 residents participating.
- On June 7 council will meet with the council of St. Paul's, Mertztown
- On July 9 Pastor Ruth Doty will do a pulpit exchange with Pastor Scott Lingenfelter of Trinity Topton.

Our next council meeting will be held on **Monday, June 12, at 7:00 p.m.**

**PASTOR RUTH** will be taking flex time from June 19 to June 27. She will be available by phone. If in person pastoral care is needed, please contact Pastor Jeremiah Sassaman at 610.657.0269.

## BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study will be held on **Mondays, June 5 11:00 a.m.** We will complete our study of 2<sup>nd</sup> Peter and then take a break for the summer. New members are welcome.

## COLORING GROUP

There will be NO coloring group this month.

## FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

We hope you will be able to join us to treat dad or the special men in your life to a delicious breakfast on **Sunday, June 18, from 8:30 to 9:15 a.m.** Please sign the sheet on the table in the narthex if you are planning to attend the breakfast so we will know how much food to prepare. There is also a sign-up sheet if you are able to help provide any food for the breakfast. Even if you don't get to sign up, you are welcome for breakfast and to invite others to come.

## JULY 2022 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for the July newsletter is **Sunday, June 18th.**

## HELPING HARVEST/TOPTON MOBILE MARKET

The Helping Harvest food distribution will take place on **Tuesday, June 16, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** at the Brandywine Heights MS/IS.

## 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, June 17**, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Topton.

**COMMUNION ON THE PARKING LOT** will be held on **Saturday, June 10, at 5:00 p.m.** Spread the word. Other dates have been scheduled for July 8, August 12, September 9, and October 14.

## MUSIC FESTIVAL WITH THE MAJESTICS

Mark **Saturday, July 29, at 6:00 p.m.** on your calendar for an evening of fun and toe tapping, hand clapping music with "The Majestics Band." Other congregations will be assisting us with setup and food. More details to come at a later date.

## Upcoming Events

- **Music Festival featuring The Majestics Band**, Saturday, July 29, 6:00 p.m., at Bowers Park
- **Community Outdoor Worship at Bowers Park**, Sunday, August 6, 2023, 10:30 a.m.
- **Youth Volleyball Tournament**, St. Paul's Mertztown, Saturday, August 5, 1:00 p.m.





- 5 Sara Jane Beshore
- 5 Justin Rahn
- 18 Jayna Howell
- 19 Erma Guinther
- 21 Annabell Keller
- 28 Amy Hahn
- 29 Daniel Moyer
- 30 Richard Carl



- 9 Jason and Tina Howell (12 years)
- 15 Alan and Sherrie Carl (34 years)
- 24 Randy and Tammy Cleaver (14 years)



**VBS for the Tipton Community**

June 18 through June 22 from 6:00-8:15 p.m. at the Tipton Borough Park. The theme is “Mystery Island.” Go to [www.redeemertipton.org](http://www.redeemertipton.org) to register for VBS. For more information, contact Redeemer Bible Fellowship Church at 610.641.1090.

**VBS at Christ Mertz Lutheran Church, Dryville**

July 17 through July 21 from 9:00-11:30 a.m. The theme will be “Stellar – Shine Jesus’ Light.” Help is needed to guide center work (arts and crafts, music, storytelling, snack pre, attendance, supplies, etc.) Below is a link to a preview video.

<https://player.vimeo.com/video/718884634?h=9b29dd896e&byline=false&portrait=false&&title=false>

If you would like to assist in any area, please contact Carla Flemming at [carla.flemming64@gmail.com](mailto:carla.flemming64@gmail.com).

**VBS at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, Mertztown**

July 24 through July 28 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. The theme is “God’s Living Water.” If you are able to help out with VBS, please let Pastor Jeremiah Sassaman or Kimberly Meitzler know at 610.682.6229.

**BRANDYWINE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS**

Donated items most needed right now:

- Breakfast: pancake mix, cereal
- Lunch/Dinner: beef stew, Hamburger Helper, canned meat (tune and/or chicken breast), Ramen noodles, pasta sides, rice (instant), spaghetti sauce (with meat or traditional), soup (all kinds)
- Baking/Cooking Products: cooking oil, flour, sugar
- Snacks: chips, cookies, crackers, pretzels, pudding,
- Drinks: coffee, fruit juice (all kinds)
- Condiments: ketchup, mayonnaise, mustard
- Miscellaneous: peanut butter, evaporated milk
- Personal Hygiene Products: shampoo
- Household Items: dish soap, laundry detergent
- Paper Products: paper towels, tissues, toilet tissue

NOTE: Please check the expiration dates on donated food products.

**New Jerusalem Lutheran Church  
Statement of Accounts**

**April 30, 2023**

<u>Asset Accounts</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Memorial	\$ 18,533.89
Thrivent	10,354.10
Checking	5,081.97
Youth	412.71
Fidelity	53,663.69
Cash Reserve	14,423.77
Mission Investment Fund	11,682.12
Local Care	<u>2,395.31</u>
Total:	<u>\$ 116,547.56</u>

Total Balance of Asset Accounts  
from **April 30, 2022** \$ 132,225.38

**April 2023 – ‘Actual’ vs. ‘Required’ Income**

	Income		
<u>Used For:</u>	<u>Per Month</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Operating Expenses	\$ 9,860.00	\$ 8,000.50	\$ (1,859.50)

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



## WORSHIP SPONSORS & ASSISTANTS

### Altar Flower Sponsors:

June 4 – *sponsor needed*

June 11 – Dale Schwoyer

June 18 – Ty and Cindy Rissmiller

June 25 – Larry and Faye Dey

### Bulletin Sponsors:

June 4 – Elaine Seip

June 11 – Gladys Kline

June 18 – *sponsor needed*

June 25 – *sponsor needed*

### Sanctuary Candle Sponsor:

*sponsor needed*

### Altar Guild Volunteer(s):

*volunteer needed*

### Communion Bread Sponsor:

June 4 – Vikie Seyfert

### Communion Set-up Volunteer:

June 4 – Faye Dey

### Readers:

June 4 – Cindy Rissmiller

June 11 – Ty Rissmiller

June 18 – Kathy Bailey

June 25 – Dale Schwoyer

### Councilperson(s) for the Month:

Ted and Betty Esbach

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## “WHEN I PLANT MY VEGETABLES I FEEL AT HOME.”

So reads a recent article in *LifeLines*, the quarterly newsletter from ELCA World Hunger and Lutheran Disaster Response.

In the article Elodie relates how she came to Minnesota as a refugee from the Congo five years ago. Living in this new place was hard for her and her daughter. They were lonely and had trouble finding jobs. One day her pastor, Dana Nelson of Galilee Lutheran Church, invited her to join the Rice Street Gardens, within walking distance of her apartment. Elodie accepted and now grows all kinds of vegetables she and her daughter can cook or freeze for the winter. But the garden means more to her. “When I plant my vegetables, I feel at home. I feel like I have the food from my country.”

Many members of our congregation and community can relate to this sentiment, that when they plant their gardens, be they vegetables, fruits or flowers, they feel at home. Digging our hands into the soil can help us feel at one with our Creator, who, the author of Genesis 2 writes, formed us from the dust of the ground. Watching the plants with which we are familiar grow, many of which trigger childhood memories, can also give us a sense of home.

Elodie is not the only refugee who relaxes in the garden. A young man named Grace who also came to the U.S. from the Congo, grows the vegetables he remembers, especially a dark, leafy green called cassava. Now Elodie and Grace help each other with their plots.



*Rice Street Gardens*

Rice Street Gardens and others like it are supported in part by our gifts to ELCA World Hunger and, as we see, grow more than food. The volunteers and gardeners are planting seeds for the kind of world God wants for us, a world where everyone has enough to eat, food they love, support when they need it, and a strong community that welcomes and loves them.

-Adapted from: *LifeLines Spring 2023*

## WHEN IS A QUILT MORE THAN A BLANKET TO SNUGGLE UNDER?

When it protects little bodies from a cold, damp floor.

A recent video from Lutheran World Relief shared that 1 in 3 children in Tanzania suffers from stunting. As a result, not only are their bodies smaller, but they get sick more often, take longer to recover, are developmentally delayed and have trouble learning. One of the major causes is malnutrition.

In a 2020 study by the Arica Health Institute, it was found that in the cold, mountainous region of Njombe region, where many of the children experience stunting, one of the drivers for stunting was that the children had to use so much energy to keep their little bodies warm, this used up a lot of the nutrition that would otherwise go to helping them grow. By placing quilts under the children, the children's bodies can use more of the nutrition they do take in for normal growth and development.

Volunteers in the Njombe region partnered with Lutheran World Relief to provide quilts for the children. Now, with the final shipment of quilts due shortly, it is anticipated that 9,000 little ones will soon have a warmer place to sit and eat.

The message back to us is, *Asante. Asante sana.*  
(*Thank you. Thank you very much.*)



*In 2022 a total of 220,317 quilts have been shipped from LWR warehouses in the U.S. to 19 countries. For more info go to [www.lwr.org](http://www.lwr.org). Videos are available on [www.youtube.com/LutheranWorldRelief](https://www.youtube.com/LutheranWorldRelief)*

"To pray is to grasp heaven in one's arms, to embrace the Deity within one's soul and to feel one's body made a temple of the Holy Spirit.

—Charles H. Spurgeon

## CROSSTALK

In her recent article "Shaping a Listening Culture," Pastor Peggy Hahn starts off by observing, "There is no 'crosstalk' in AA or Al-Anon.

This doesn't mean there's no talk about Jesus. It means that "no one is allowed to even interject a comment when someone else is sharing. It means not criticizing what another person said, not telling someone what to do about their problems, and not analyzing anyone else's psyche or situation."

At first this can feel awkward. We are so used to what we think of as "conversation." However, not engaging in crosstalk can be a simple form of "listening etiquette." It can open us up to listening more deeply. It can help us better see the world through another person's eyes. Such listening is "counter to our current us-and-them culture in this country. The polarization we lament over is evidence of a lack of listening without crosstalk."

When we are truly listening, we show respect for others as God's people. We are not listening to be convinced or to argue a point. We have to suspend judgement to fully listen to another person. Peggy notes, "such work on the part of the listener creates trusted space for sharing."

Trusted space for sharing. We often long to have such sacred space. It is in such space that we are better able to hear God and our own hearts. It is in such space that we are better able to see the world through God's eyes, envision the future God desires and would lead us into. "When we wonder what the Holy Spirit is doing in this changing world, we are opening ourselves up to listening."

At worship on May 28, we will hear St. Paul remind us that the Spirit has given us a variety of gifts, ways to serve, and activities; that each of us is given the manifestation of the Spirit *for the common good*. We *need* this variety. It is vital for discerning and being able to do God's work. Therefore, it is important that we carefully listen and intently observe the ways our siblings manifest and use their gifts, for it is through what is said and done by others who seek the common good, that the God of the Cross, speaks to us and builds God's kingdom.

So, my friends, let's practice not getting in the way of what God is saying because we are too busy thinking about what we are going to say.

-Adapted from: Peggy Hahn @LeadConnects.org

# 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, Irene Noll, and Gabriele Sanders.

## 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:** Charlie Ackerman, John Arndt, Steve Beck (TX), Jason Beshore, Darlene Bogert, Earl Derr, John Drumheller, Jennifer Engle, Alice Epler, Karen Gossert, Shirley Hahn, Nancy Harnish, Debra Kenny, Kelly Kline, The Koontz Family, Cayden Kresge, Catherine Lenio, Julia Lombardo, Joe M., Vivian Reist, Arlan Schwoyer, Patricia Sigfried, Cleon and Jean Smith, Shawn Spatz, Robert Taylor, Leon Wagner, Tim Walck, Waylon Warmkessel, Leticia Weaver, 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; 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:** Carrie Bausch, Nancy Bennecoff, Gary DeWees, Katie Didyoung, Don Gajewski, Erma Gajewski, Lorelai Gold, Amanda Herman, Johnson-Agiri Family, Mary Kring, Leilani Rodriguez, Andrew S., Tierney Schmeer, Donna Schwoyer, Lesley Wegman, and Linda Wegman.

## STEWARDSHIP OF OUR BODILY HEALTH

Paul writes, "Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own?"

-2 Corinthians 6:19

God has given each of us a physical body that, like an automobile, is a masterfully engineered, complex vehicle that carries us along our road of life. Like our cars, our bodies need attention and care to function optimally and bring us smoothly down the road of life.

Of course, many of us have health problems for factors beyond our control, such as genetics, environment and misfortune. With so many variables over which we have *no control*, we need to do our best with the variables we *can* control.

For June, dedicate yourselves to being a better steward of your body. Here are some ideas:

- **Get a physical.** A doctor can evaluate you and advise you on optimizing your health.
- **Move it!** Even small amounts of exercise improve health and wellbeing. Ask your doctor how to get going.
- **Diet.** Not just eating to lose weight, but also eating for healthy living. Learn about the nutritional value of the foods you now eat, and explore choices that are more healthful.
- **Stop smoking.** The number one preventable health risk, smoking causes cancers, high blood pressure, heart disease, etc. Enough said.
- **Sleep.** Eight hours of shuteye does wonders for body and mind.
- **Pray and meditate.** Spiritual disciplines lower your stress, which improves physical health, too.

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-Rob Blezard

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"Rest is not idle, is not wasteful. Sometimes rest is the most productive thing you can do for body and soul."

—Erica Layne





## A timeless timeline

Explore your history while compiling this family timeline.



### What you need:

- Paper
- Clear tape
- Ruler
- Pencil

### What you do:

1. Tape together at least 3 sheets of paper horizontally.
2. Draw a straight line across the center of the long paper. Label dates at regular intervals to keep the information organized. For example, each page you add could represent 10 years.
3. Gather information for the timeline. Start with your birth year and memorable events in your life. Interview family members to learn what year they were born and when key things in their life happened. Include notes and photos.
4. Add pages as needed. Carefully roll up the timeline to keep for generations to come.



## JESUS' FAMILY TREE

Matthew records a timeline of Jesus' family dating back to Abraham. Do you know who is in Jesus' family tree?

*Directions: Use Matthew 1:1-17 to order the genealogy. Then put the letters in order in the boxes to answer the question below.*

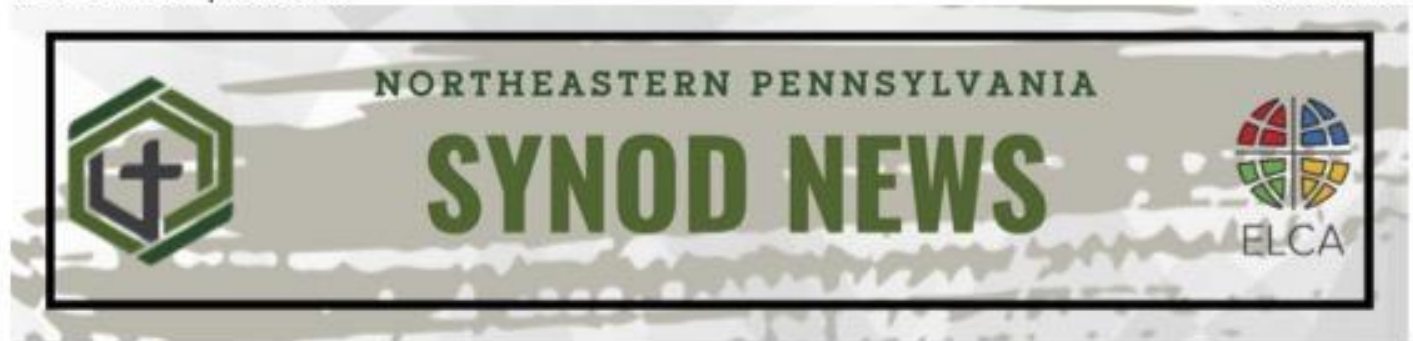
- T. Uzziah the father of Jotham
- O. Jacob the father of Judah
- N. Jacob the father of Joseph
- E. Elihud the father of Eleazar
- U. Boaz the father of Obed
- F. Abraham the father of Isaac
- R. Solomon the father of Rehoboam
- E. Josiah the father of Jeconiah



**How many generations were there from Abraham to David, from David to the Exile, and from the Exile to Jesus, the Messiah?**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

Answer: FOURTEEN



## **WE MATTER TO THE WHOLE CHURCH: A STORY FROM OUR SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA SYNOD**

Being a member of a congregation council is significant in the life of a disciple. Serving as a leader in a congregation is rewarding, terrifying, awe-inspiring and messy. You are among friends, family and your community of believers, and are chosen to lead in your congregation. It's just a few times a month, but as Barbara Nugent, a synod vice president, shares, "Then life happens, and you find out the reporting required. Situations occur; personalities clash; decisions need to be made. Who do you go to for direction?"

The Southwestern Pennsylvania Synod provided that direction in February when it offered training to 70 congregational lay leaders that strengthened each person's skills and faith. From evangelism to the ELCA constitution and bylaws, they gathered to meet the passions and needs, offering workshops with special breakouts for presidents, vice presidents, secretaries and treasurers that covered such topics as worship and music, communications, advocacy, stewardship and social justice/anti-racism. The day started with Bishop Kurt Kusserow encouraging these valued leaders to keep the focus on our purpose:

“Your leadership in the life of your congregation ought always to bear in mind that your congregation finds its fulfillment in the universal church, and that the universal church exists in and through congregations such as yours. I think this means addressing local questions and concerns in the life of your congregation as if they matter to the whole church (because they do).”

Everyone was hungry to gather ideas, consider future steps but also have an opportunity to connect, be empowered, feel valued and cared for and remember the excitement of being church. Rev. Melissa Stoller, director for evangelical mission, said it this way: “The day was a very visible yet not necessarily quantifiable force that we are church together. Wandering but not alone. Feeling worry, power, uncertainty, and joy as one.” Central to this gathering was living into the mission of this synod “to serve, connect and equip congregations of the SWPA synod to tell the story of Jesus.” Everyone knew that the synod was there for the congregations with staff, volunteers and greater church support, not only this day but in the days to come, and synod staff are supported through the generous mission support of congregations allowing them to be there for our leaders. One leading Scripture for the day reminded each leader of their value: “Therefore, friends, select from among yourselves seven men of good standing, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this task, while we, for our part, will devote ourselves to prayer and to serving the word” (Acts 6:3-4). Hoping each of our synods are seeking ways that work for them to encourage and empower congregational leaders. Knowing that we are church together, church that supports each other across the whole church prayerfully, financially, emotionally and with a hope for renewal.



## Our Synod has PRIDE



**June is Pride Month** which celebrates LGBTQIA+ folx and their many achievements.

Although injustices and prejudices still exist within our society, we have made great strides since the Stonewall Riots in 1969, attaining marriage equality. However, as previously mentioned, we still have a long way to go in the struggle for equal rights. By learning about LGBTQ Pride/History Month, congregational members are more likely to have an understanding and acceptance for all individuals, no matter what they look like, what gender they do or don't identify as, and who they love. Consider celebrating PRIDE in your congregation!

# JUNE 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 NO Coloring Group	2 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg.  7:00pm-Celebrate Recovery, Redeemer BFC, Topton	3
				Synod Assembly	Synod Assembly	Synod Assembly
4 <u>The Holy Trinity</u> 10:00am-Worship with Holy Communion -Fellowship after worship	5 11:00am-Bible Study  12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg.  6:00pm- Congregation Conversations	6	7 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg.  6:30pm-Meeting with council of St. Paul's, Mertztown at St. Paul's	8 9:30-11:00am- Compassionate Crafters, Trinity Lutheran, Topton	9 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg.  7:00pm-Celebrate Recovery, Redeemer BFC, Topton	10 5:00pm-Communion on the Parking Lot
11 <u>Second Sunday after Pentecost</u> 10:00am-Worship	12 11:00am-Bible Study  12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg.  7:00pm-Council Mtg.	13	14 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg.	15	16 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg.  7:00pm-Celebrate Recovery, Redeemer BFC, Topton	17 8:00am-James Men's Ministry Breakfast, Trinity Lutheran, Topton
18 <u>Third Sunday after Pentecost</u> 8:30am-Father's Day Breakfast 10:00am-Worship  6:00-8:15pm-VBS at Topton Borough Park  <b>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</b>	19 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg.  6:00-8:15pm-VBS at Topton Borough Park	20 11:00am-1:00pm-Helping Harvest Food Distribution at Brandywine Heights Intermediate/Middle School  6:00-8:15pm-VBS at Topton Borough Park	21 12:00pm-Fellowship Luncheon (location TBD)  12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg.  6:00-8:15pm-VBS at Topton Borough Park	22 6:00-8:15pm-VBS at Topton Borough Park	23 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg.  7:00pm-Celebrate Recovery, Redeemer BFC, Topton	24
25 <u>Fourth Sunday after Pentecost</u> 10:00am-Worship	26 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg.  Korinne - Vacation	27  Korinne - Vacation	28 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg.  Korinne - Vacation	29  Korinne - Vacation	30 12:45pm-1:45pm-AA Mtg.  7:00pm-Celebrate Recovery, Redeemer BFC, Topton  Korinne - Vacation	