

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.*



[M]y bags are packed, I'm ready to go." – John Denver

Packed bags.

On August 21st we blessed the backpacks of the students in our congregation, many of whom have now started their new school year. What will they carry in their bags? Pencils and pens, rulers and erasers, and books, lots of books. Those bags looked pretty big! We also pray they will carry a whole lot more, including courage, eagerness to learn and to make new friends, respect for self and others, and the ability to focus when it is important and to stick-to-it when the going gets tough. Most of all, we pray that they will carry love: the conviction deep inside themselves that they are dearly loved by us, treasured and unconditionally loved by God, so much love that it can't help but overflow to others.

When you pack your bags this fall, whether those be briefcases for work, suitcases for a vacation, bags for running errands or shopping bags at the grocery store, what will you put inside? Will you recognize symbols of love: God's love, the love from family and friends, love that can't help but overflow?

"All my bags are packed." — Well, almost all. — "I'm ready to go." — Well, just about. "I'm leaving, on a jet plane," That much is true.

In a few days five other Lutherans and I will fly to Tanzania to visit ministries of The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania, one of the fastest growing Lutheran bodies in the world. Tanzania is just south of Kenya on the east coast of Africa. It will take us about 24 hours and be dark when we arrive at Kilimanjaro Airport.

What will we pack in *our* bags? As little as possible for ourselves: clothes, anti-malarial medications, cameras and love, lots of love. Not only will each one of us know that we are being sent off with the love of family, friends, and our congregations and accompanied by God's undeserved and unconditional love, but, thanks to members of New Jerusalem and others, we will stuff as many tangible expressions of love into our bags and the extra suitcases we will take. We will cram in as many pencils and pens, rulers and erasers, shoes and sheets, underwear, beach balls and medical equipment as we can.

Where and how will these items be used? Pencils and erasers will go to the students at Ilburo Special Needs Primary School, serving children with disabilities, many of whom are deaf. School supplies, shoes, sheets, and underwear will help some of the 350 high school girls at MaaSAE Girls Lutheran Secondary School with their studies and needs for daily living. The medical supplies will be distributed to Selian Lutheran Hospital and Arusha Lutheran Medical Center including its Hospice Program, Nursing School and NICU. And the beach balls? We can't wait to deliver those to Plaster House, a rehabilitation facility for children recovering from surgery. Even kids with casts can enjoy a beach ball.

As we carry these supplies we will pray that they do more than meet specific needs of the students, that they also inspire courage, eagerness to learn, respect for self and others, and "stick-to-it-tiveness" when the going gets tough. Most of all, we pray that they will carry love, the conviction deep inside themselves that they are dearly loved by us, treasured and unconditionally loved by God, so much love that it can't help but overflow to others.

What will we bring back? Lots of pictures and stories, as well as new experiences and visions of what it means to be followers of Jesus Christ, and love, lots and lots of love as well as symbols of that love from the sisters and brothers we meet.

Our gospel lessons in September will include stories about God's love: the lost coin, the lost sheep, and Lazarus lying at the gate of the rich man. May these readings continue to challenge us to share God's love through creative and diligent stewardship. May God lead us to include love in whatever bags we pack and carry this month and to share it freely.

Pastor Ruth

NEWS & EVENTS

in New Jerusalem and the Synod

COUNCIL MEETING UPDATE

The following items were discussed and decisions made at the August 15th meeting:

- Fifty new ELW hymnals will be purchased with Memorial fund money. Members of the congregation will have an opportunity to sponsor the new hymnals in honor of/memory of someone. These will replace the green LBW hymnals.
- Confirmation classes will be held on October 2nd, 16th and 30th from 12:00-2:00 p.m.
- Permission was given to have Forrest Merkel purchase chain to rope off the drainfield.
- A screen will be purchased for use with the projector that was purchased previously. Ted Eshbach will work with Joshua Keck to make a platform to hold the projector and a laptop.
- Upon the recommendation of Mutual Ministry Committee, guidelines for use of the church building will include the following fees: Members may use the downstairs or narthex for free, though donations will be accepted. Non-members may use the downstairs for a \$75.00 fee. A separate janitorial fee of \$30/members and \$50/non-members would apply. This fee schedule would not apply to the scouts.
- The synod asked members of the congregation to share their stories of faith. Please refer to the article in this newsletter for more info. Council members were asked to each submit a story.

STORM SUNDAY

On Sunday, September 4th, we worship with the wind and the weather. A special focus for this service is a 'storm experience'. Please join us!

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed on Monday, September 5th, in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

PASTOR RUTH – TRIP TO TANZANIA

Pastor Ruth will be away from September 6th to September 20th. During this time pastoral care will be provided by Pastor Cheryl Meinschein. If you would need to get in contact with Pastor Meinschein, you can reach her at her church office at 610.682.7664 or at her home at 610.395.2777.

HELP NEEDED FOR CRUISE FOR A CURE

Saturday, September 10th, from 1:30-6:00 p.m. at Larry Dey Auto Service (rain date Sunday, September 11th). There is a Volunteer Schedule on the table in the narthex for you to sign if you are able to help at the Cruise. We are also asking for donations of drinks, fruit and desserts. Donation sheets are on the table in the narthex. Cakes with frosting sell best as cobblers. We ask that you please do not make a dessert using cream cheese or one that needs refrigeration. Please bring your items to Larry Dey Auto Service on Saturday by 10:00 a.m. or on Friday by 5:00 p.m. All proceeds benefit the American Cancer Society through our Relay for Life Team. Thank you for your help and donations.

If any members donated raffle prizes, please have them to church by Sunday, September 4th. Thank you!

OLEY VALLEY FAIR TIME!

New Jerusalem will be serving french fries at the Oley Fair on Thursday, September 15th. There will be three 4-hour shifts: 10-2, 2-6, and 6 to closing. If you can volunteer any time to help, please call Virginia Guinther at 610.944.8988. Thank you for your help!

CHOIR REHEARSALS BEGIN

Rehearsals for the Senior Choir begin on Tuesday, September 20th. Anyone that would like to sing or is interested in playing bells is welcome to join us. Contact Sara Jane Beshore or Faye Dey if you would be interested in joining one or both of the choirs.

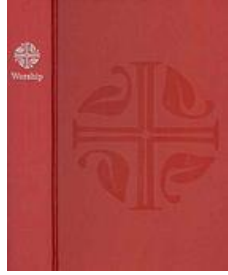
SHOO-FLY PIE BAKE SALE

New Jerusalem will be holding a shoo-fly pie bake sale on Tuesday, September 27th, to Wednesday, September 28th. Please call the office if you would like to order any pies. Cost is \$5.00/pie.

RALLY SUNDAY

Another school year has begun. Rally Day will be held on Sunday, October 2nd. Breakfast will be served before worship from 8:30-9:15 a.m. Hope to see you there!

SOON YOU'LL SEE RED – or should we say, cranberry. Our new hymnals, *Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW)*, have arrived. Published in 2006, the ELW contains many of the hymns contained in the green book, *Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW)*, which was published in 1978, and the blue book, *With One Voice (WOV)*, which was published in 1995. In addition, some old favorites appear as well, such as “Jesus Loves Me”, and “This Little Light of Mine”. The communion liturgy we used from the LBW is incorporated in the new(er) hymnal, along with 9 other options.



Worship and Music Committee and Council have decided to invest in 50 ELWs to start with. We have been using material from the ELW for several years, often printing it in the bulletin, so this should help us save space in our service folders. In addition the ELW has hymns from other cultures which choir has been helping us to learn. Many people also find that the graphics assist in worship.

Be assured, even though we will not need so many copies of the green hymnals (LBW) we will not just get rid of them. Many of our members donated these and find the nameplates in the front covers to be very special. If you or your family donated a green hymnal and would like to keep the one that has a special nameplate in it, please let us know. In the same spirit, if you would like to help defray the cost of the new hymnals (\$22.50 a piece) and would like to have a nameplate placed inside of one, please let the office know. Special envelopes are available for this purpose or you can send in a donation and let us know what you would like the nameplate to say.

If you would like to have a copy of the ELW for yourself or give one to someone for a gift, we can arrange to order those as well.

Meanwhile, look for the cranberry book and enjoy exploring the many gifts for worship God’s people have placed in it. We’ll help each other get better acquainted with this new resource.



DO YOU HAVE A STORY TO SHARE?

We’re sure you do and we’d like to hear or read it, no matter how short.

Think about a time you

- experienced God’s grace, God’s unconditional love,
- experienced God as Creator,
- experienced God as Savior,
- experienced the Holy Spirit,
- had a meaningful worship experience,
- have seen God’s hands at work in the world,
- experienced forgiveness from someone, or
- got involved in addressing an injustice.

How about sharing

- a Bible passage that speaks to you and why it is important to you;
- how your Baptism or experience with Holy Communion affects/affected you at a particular time in your life;
- how you use your gifts to serve others in your everyday life;
- a Bible character or character in a movie, book, or play demonstrates to you that no person is all good nor all bad, but a little of both and tell us a little of that character’s story.

Why do we want to hear your story? Because the stories each of us have are fascinating and sharing them is a way Christians help one another grow in faith.

Please send or give your stories to the church office. If it’s hard for you to write one down, ask someone else to do it for you or call Pastor Ruth.

We plan to share these stories in the congregation in a number of ways and send some of them on to our synod office to be shared among other members via Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. The synod is trying to collect over 500 stories to share as part of celebrating the 500th anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation. (If you don’t want us to share your story outside the congregation, just let us know.)

Thanks for sharing! Can’t wait to hear from you.



NEWS & EVENTS

in the community

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study will resume on September 8th and September 22nd at 1:30 p.m. at Christ DeLong UCC, Bowers.

BATTLE OF THE BANDS

The Brandywine Heights Community Task Force presents the 2nd Annual Battle of the Bands to be held on Saturday, September 17th, beginning at 2:00 p.m. at the Brandywine Heights High School, Mertztown. NO tickets are required. For more information visit www.eventbrite.com.

LYONS FIDDLE FEST

On Sunday, September 18th, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., the Lyons Fiddle Fest kicks off their 33rd year (rain date is Sunday, September 25th). Admission is a \$5.00 donation.

LOAVES AND FISHES

Help kick-off the Loaves and Fishes season with a free community meal on Tuesday, September 20th, from 5:30-7:00 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 121 S. Home Avenue, Topton. The meal for this month will be sausage sandwiches, side dishes, and desserts.

BOY SCOUT TROOP 585 – FUNDRAISER

You're invited to an Applebee's Flapjack Fundraiser Breakfast to support Boy Scout Troop 585 on Saturday, September 24th, from 8:00-10:00 a.m. at Applebee's located at 7150 Hamilton Blvd., Trexlertown. The cost is \$7.00/person. For tickets and more information, contact Tracey Hersh at 610.393.7937 or napadelt23@gmail.com.

READY.SET.READ! PROGRAM

Volunteer reading tutors are needed to tutor 2nd grade students who are struggling with reading at Oley Valley Elementary on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:30-11:00 a.m., Kutztown Elementary on Thursdays from 3:30-4:30 p.m., and Brandywine Heights Elementary on Wednesdays from 3:30-4:20 p.m. No previous teaching experience is required. This opportunity is for

anyone interested in volunteering weekly during the 2016-2017 school year. Current background clearances are required prior to assignment. Please contact Darby Wiekrykas at United Way at 610.685.4574 or darbyw@uwberks.org. Help make a difference in a child's life!

CELEBRATING OLD MAIN – THE LUTHERAN HOME AT TOPTON

This fall will begin an \$8.2 million dollar construction project to renovate and refurbish "Old Main." The project will entail renovation of the second floor, installation of an elevator, and completion of various exterior refurbishment efforts.



Share in the excitement with a celebration on Saturday, September 24th, from 12:00-4:00 p.m. at the rotunda parking lot behind Old Main. The celebration will feature historic walking tours, tour of Old Main 2nd and 3rd floors, tour of the historic Putz, live music, kids' activities, food and drinks, and much more. Free admission. Visit www.diakon.org/old-main for more information.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Volunteers are needed to help host this year's Berks County Veteran's Appreciation Dinner and Dance. The event will be held on Saturday, November 12th, beginning at 4:00 p.m. in the Wilson High School's gymnasium, located along Grandview Boulevard in West Lawn.

Veterans of all service eras are invited to attend the event, as are members of the community who love to come out and dance. Dinner buffet is available as doors open and throughout the evening. If interested in joining the committee, please contact Dale Derr at 610.378.5601 or dgderr@countyofberks.com or veterans@countyofberks.com.

SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

On September 4th our worship will mark Storm Sunday. How appropriate for a month in which many hurricanes occur on the east coast and when we are urged nationwide to refresh our preparedness practices and restock our supplies.

Because God's people respect that storms and other disasters occur, as individuals and congregations they seek to take the steps that will not only minimize the effects, but also help them recover as quickly as possible so that they can assist others. Here are some of the things they keep in mind:

1. Identify the types of hazards which we are most likely to experience: flood, hurricane, winter storm, tornado, fire, earthquake or violence.
2. Prepare a plan to "shelter in place" as well as to evacuate.
3. Make a plan for home, vehicle and workplace/church.
4. Assemble and renew supplies.
5. Develop a communication plan.
6. Stay alert to conditions and warnings.
7. Inventory and document property, make sure everything is properly insured and that important documents are copied or backed up and safe-guarded.

And, of course, God's people pray when trouble threatens or strikes. Once a disaster occurs they get into action to help survivors.

For more information, go to www.ready.gov or www.community.fema.gov/hazard, or www.redcross.org/get-help/prepare.

A FAMILY EMERGENCY PLAN

1. List name of family members and close friends and how to contact (e.g. phone, cell phone, email). Designate who your emergency contact outside your immediate area would be.
2. List names and descriptions of pets and registration number(s).
3. Make a plan of action, including identification of:
 - a. which disasters are most likely to affect your household,
 - b. escape routes from the house,
 - c. where you would meet locally if you were separated during an emergency,
 - d. where you would meet if you couldn't get into your neighborhood,
 - e. where your children would be evacuated to if they were at school or daycare,
 - f. what would be needed for household members with a special disability, and
 - g. where pets could be taken (e.g. pet-friendly motels and animal shelters)
4. Prepare an emergency kit.
5. Share the plan with those who need to know.
6. Review and practice the plan every 6 months.



HOW TO MAKE A STAY-OR-GO-KIT (Emergency Supplies)

If a disaster hits a community, food, water or electricity may not be available for several days. Here's what a family should always have on hand for use if they need to shelter-in-place or evacuate. Keep all these things in a container that can be quickly taken with you if you need to evacuate. Emergency kits should be updated every 6 months.

At least a 3-day supply of food and water

- one gallon of water per person, per day
- food that is easy to make and won't spoil, like canned soup, dry pasta and powdered milk
- a manual can opener
- basic utensils to prepare and serve meals

Health supplies

- at least a 3-day supply of medicines
- medical supplies like syringes, cane, hearing aid with batteries

Personal Care items

- soap
- toothbrush and toothpaste
- baby wipes
- contact lenses or glasses
- at least one change of basic clothes for each person. Don't worry about fashion!

Safety Supplies

- first aid kit
- emergency blanket
- multipurpose tool (that can act as a knife, pliers, file, screwdriver)
- whistle

Electronics

- NOAA weather radio
- flashlight
- radio – battery powered, solar or crank for updates on the situation
- cell phone with chargers – including crank
- extra batteries

Documents

- e.g. insurance cards, immunization records, diplomas, account numbers
- paperwork about serious medical conditions (You may want to keep a copy of these papers with a trusted family member or friend who does not live in your house, just in case a disaster strikes while you are not at home.)

- ✓ Get a kit
- ✓ Make a plan
- ✓ Stay informed

Did You Know?

Ship

The Christian church has long been symbolized by a ship. While the Old Testament tells of Noah's ark preserving righteous people during the flood, the New Testament recounts Jesus calming the storm that battered the disciples' fishing boat. St. Ambrose described the church as a ship with the cross as its mast, and others have compared salvation to being drawn out of the sea of death into the safety of the church (ship). Indeed, many large churches are constructed to represent a big boat, with the main worship space called the nave – Latin for ship.



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Thank You!
THANK YOU!

Dear Friends,

What a wonderful day full of surprises! Thank you for being present to celebrate my 25th year of ministry. I cannot express how much your presence at this celebration meant to me.

Thank you for the gifts: the beautiful scrapbook and cross and the wonderful shoo-fly pie!

Mostly, thank you for remaining faithful to the Gospel, serving your church and living out your baptism in your daily lives.

And, thank you and all the people, past and present, at NJLC for helping me become the person I am.

Blessed by your love, *Pastor Laura Stoneback*

“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.”

—Nelson Mandela

GOD'S PEOPLE SPEAK UP with their mouths, their hands, their feet and their votes.

Our Lord created us for community. We are made to be in relationship with fellow humans as well as our planet and cosmos. As infants, children, and even as adults we must be nurtured and cared for by community. As we mature we become responsible for building and maintaining healthy communities not only locally, but also nationally and internationally. This means we are to critique what is going on and work to promote what will serve the common good, the good of all.

Here in the United States adults 18 and older have the privilege and responsibility to “speak up” with their voices and their votes. God calls us to engage in *constructive* dialogue which means listening with open minds, critiquing (thinking about, sorting out) what is being said and speaking about what we perceive God is calling us to do that will benefit *all*, especially the most vulnerable and those who cannot speak for themselves. We are called to be a part of the solution for what is wrong in our community, nation and world.

Even when choices we are offered do not seem particularly appealing, God calls us to be involved. This may also mean becoming more active locally so that we can influence the larger picture. Besides speaking up and becoming active, our responsibilities definitely include prayer.

Election Day is November 8th. If you are an adult, are you registered? Do you have a way to get to your polling place? Do you need an absentee ballot? If you need help with any of these things, please speak to Pastor Ruth or another member.



Giving Your All

Christ says, “Give me all. ... No half-measures are any good. ... Hand over the whole natural self, all the desires which you think innocent as well as the ones you think wicked — the whole outfit. I will give you a new self instead. In fact, I will give you Myself: my own will shall become yours.”

—C.S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity*

VOTER REGISTRATION GUIDELINES

In order to be eligible to register to vote in the state of Pennsylvania you must be:

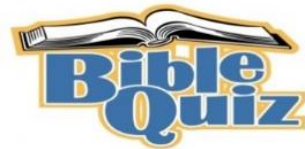
- a citizen of the United States for at least one month
- a resident of Pennsylvania and the election district in which you want to register and vote for at least 30 days before the next election
- at least 18 years of age on or before the day of the next primary, special, municipal, or general election

You may register to vote in the following ways:

- at the Berks County Elections Office, Services Center, 633 Court Street, located at the corner of Court and Reed Streets, downtown Reading
- when applying for or renewing your PA driver’s license
- by mail. Registration-by-mail forms are available at many municipal buildings, state liquor stores, and some branches of the U.S. postal service
- by downloading the registration form at www.pavoterservices.state.pa.us. There you may download, print, complete, sign and mail the form to: Attn: Election Services, Berks County Services Center, 633 Court Street, 1st floor, Reading, PA 19601.

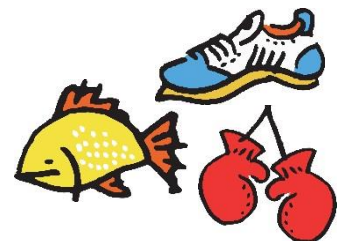
PLEASE NOTE: The last item is for printing and mailing only! **In Pennsylvania, all election documents require an actual signature.**

DEADLINE: October 11, 2016 is the last day to register to vote before the November 8th election.



Which of the following sports does Paul use metaphorically to describe the Christian life?

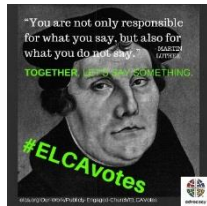
- A. fishing
- B. running a race
- C. boxing
- D. both B and C
- E. all of the above



Answer: D (see 1 Corinthians 9:24-27)

ELCAvotes!

Our national church, The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, reminds us that:



We are called to conversation and prayer around our role as U.S. residents and as people of faith in ensuring our election systems promote dignity and respect for all.

We are called to act by speaking out as advocates and engaging in local efforts to guarantee the right to vote to all citizens.

ELCAvotes is an initiative to:

- Expand the role of the church in encouraging faithful and non-partisan voter participation by providing faith based resources around voting;
- Provide a framework for all Lutherans to understand and speak out about the intersection of voting/elections, racial/gender and economic justice;
- Provide young adults the tools to understand and speak about what it means to be a young person of faith who is civically engaged; and
- Engage with and equip ethnic communities to talk about voting rights and race and their connection with elections today.

In August 2013 the ELCA Social Policy Resolution, "Voting Rights to All Citizens" resolved *"that members, congregations, and synods of this church be encouraged to "promote public life worthy of the name" by speaking out as an advocate and engaging in local efforts such as voter registration and supporting legislation to guarantee the right to vote to all citizens ..."*

To sign up for up-to-date information on ELCAvotes, visit: <http://bit.ly/ELCAvotes>

You can learn more about ministries of the ELCA that are leading this effort: **ELCA Advocacy**

Website: ELCA.org/advocacy

Email: washingtonoffice@elca.org

Social Media:

<https://www.facebook.com/ELCAAdvocacy>

<https://twitter.com/ELCAAdvocacy>

"Our Lutheran tradition teaches us we need to engage deeply in the world, not retreat from it. We can't fulfill our baptismal covenant to strive for peace and justice in all the world by opting out ... We go to the polls because it is one of the tools of change and we don't leave our tools unused." (The Rev. Steve Jerbi, Pastor at All People's Church, Milwaukee, Wis.)

New Jerusalem Lutheran Church Statement of Accounts July 31, 2016

<u>Asset Accounts</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Memorial	\$ 15,990.67
Thrivent	5,912.31
Checking	10,690.03
Youth	968.05
Fidelity	132,858.82
Cash Reserve	14,094.01
Mission Investment	11,236.70
Local Care	782.50

July 2016 — '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>	
Operating Expenses	\$ 8,894.75	\$ 5,751.40	\$ (3,143.35)

*Income Required per Month — Based on 2016 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
\$ 6,859.50 Funds Received to offset expenses





- 2 Dawn Wartzluft
- 9 Elizabeth Keller
- 10 Larry Dey
- 10 Regina Kohl
- 11 Virginia Guinther
- 16 Dorothy Turner
- 17 Taylor Cleaver
- 17 Shirley Hertzog
- 20 Michael Barlet
- 20 Ty Rissmiller
- 21 Madison Cleaver
- 24 Andrew Musser
- 25 Elaine Seip
- 25 Kenneth Wiltrout
- 26 Beth Angstadt
- 27 Drena Kocher
- 27 Betty Stump
- 28 Paige Lambert
- 28 Brooke Wengert
- 30 Ronald Herman



- 6 David and Dawn Wartzluft (19 years)
- 10 Gary and Vikie Seyfert (11 years)
- 20 Ronald and Wilma Herman (41 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.

**PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING
IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

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

PRAYERS FOR HEALING:

Members: Beth Angstadt, Myles Angstadt, Ted Eshbach, Erma Gajewski, Erma Guinther, Amanda Herman, Penny Keller, Sheila Long, Leon Moyer, Joanne Pauley, Joyce Rothermel, and Doreen Seaman.

Friends of the congregation: Kathy Adams, Thelma Bright, Ronald Casper, Pastor Laura Csellak, Evelyn Collins, Richard D., Mark Derr, Kerry Dirsra, Olivia Fenstermacher, Eric Fox, Scott Fox, Tom Gajewski, Sonja Hernandez, Tara K., Lauren Kinney, Terry and Denise Kiser, Carla Kuser, Chris Masters, Georgene McCool, Lillian Mengel, Robin Naugle, Kyle Olinger, Stacy Price, Faith Rothermel, Charles Sanders, Olivia Schoenly, Christine Schwoyer, Donna Schwoyer, Mazie Soden and her family, Jack Stoudt, Marilyn Timm, and Sallie Weil.

OTHER PRAYER CONCERNS: For our nation as we prepare to elect a new president, for all our military personnel serving around the world, for areas of our nation enduring drought, storms and flooding, for those throughout the world affected by disaster, for refugees and the countries to which they flee, and for peace in the world, especially the Middle East and the Ukraine.

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST: Lester Barlet, Sandy Burkhart, Patrick Collins, Alice Epler, Denise Haage, Jesus (pronounced Hay-seuss), Corinne Hersh, Linda Moyer, Andrew S., and Theresa S.



THREE-MONTH WORSHIP SCHEDULE

September

- 4 10:00 AM Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost – Holy Communion (G)
▪ Storm Sunday
- *11 10:00 AM Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost (G)
- 18 10:00 AM Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost (G)
- *25 10:00 AM Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost (G)

October

- ◆ 2 10:00 AM Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost – Holy Communion (G)
▪ Rally Day (breakfast served 8:30-9:15 a.m.)
- 12:00-2:00 PM Confirmation Class
- 9 10:00 AM Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost (G)
- *16 10:00 AM Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost (G)
- 12:00-2:00 PM Confirmation Class
- 23 10:00 AM Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost (G)
- *30 10:00 AM Reformation Day – Holy Communion (G)
- 12:00-2:00 PM Confirmation Class

November

- 6 10:00 AM All Saints' Sunday – Holy Communion (W)
- *13 10:00 AM Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost (G)
- 20 10:00 AM Christ the King Sunday – Holy Communion (W)
- 23 7:00 PM Thanksgiving Eve Service – Holy Communion (W)
- *27 10:00 AM First Sunday of Advent (B)

FELLOWSHIP DATES:

- (*) Fellowship after worship
(◆) Breakfast before worship



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GOT CLUTTER?



We have the answer for you! New Jerusalem will be holding their first [Yard Share and Bake Sale](#) on Saturday, October 15, 2016 from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

And we need your help to make it a success! Clean out your attic, basement, spare rooms, closets, and garage of all your unwanted/unused items and bring them to church between [September 29th](#) and [October 10th](#).

On the day of the share, members of the community will be invited to take whatever they would like at no cost though they may give a financial donation. Soups and baked goods will be available to purchase. 10% of the proceeds will go to the Brandywine Food Pantry and the rest to paying off paving of the parking lot.

Some guidelines to follow are: items should be in working order and have all their parts/pieces, clothing items should be free of stains and rips. We can **NOT accept mattresses/boxsprings, TV's or other major appliances, items that have been recalled/banned or do not meet certain safety standards.**

Volunteers are needed to help organize this event, provide food to sell, and clean up. Sign up in the narthex or call the office.

SEPTEMBER WORSHIP ASSISTANTS & SPONSORS

DATE	GREETER	READER	ACOLYTE	BID THE PRAYERS	FLOWERS	BULLETINS
9/4	Susan Schlenker	Dale Schwoyer	--	--	Dale Schwoyer	<i>(sponsor needed)</i>
9/11	Phyllis Fenstermacher	Gladys Kline	--	--	Virginia Guinther	Virginia Guinther
9/18	Marie Liebensperger	Roy Merkel	--	--	The Rissmiller Family	Dale Schwoyer
9/25	Betty Stump	Sara Jane Beshore	--	--	Jeff & Dawn Wengert	Gladys Kline

ALTAR GUILD: Gladys Kline

CHILDREN'S BULLETINS: Katie Ellen and Elwood Cleaver

SANCTUARY CANDLE: Elaine Seip

COMMUNION BREAD: 9/4 – Gladys Kline

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COUNCIL PERSON: Ty Rissmiller, 610-944-1963

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

SEPTEMBER 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost ▪ Storm Sunday ▪ Holy Communion	5  OFFICE CLOSED	6 Pastor Ruth – Vacation until Sept. 20th	7	8 1:30pm-Bible Study at Christ DeLong UCC, Bowers	9	10 1:30-6:00pm-Cruise for a Cure at Larry Dey Auto Service
11 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost ▪ Fellowship after worship ▪ Cruise for a Cure (rain date) Patriot Day Grandparents' Day	12 7:00pm-Finance Committee Meeting	13	14	15	16	17 2:00pm-Battle of the Bands at Brandywine Heights High School
18 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost	19	20 5:30-7:00pm-Loaves and Fishes Free Community Meal TBD-Senior Choir Rehearsal	21 11:30am-Fellowship Luncheon	22 1:30pm-Bible Study at Christ DeLong, UCC Fall Begins	23	24
25 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost ▪ Fellowship after worship 	26 Shoo-fly Bake----->	27 ----->	28 ----->	29	30	