

**June 2023
Readings**

June 4
The Holy Trinity
First Sunday after Pentecost
Year A
First Reading
Genesis 1:1 - 2:4a
Psalm
Psalm 8
Second Reading
2 Corinthians 13:11-13
Gospel
Matthew 28:16-20

June 11
Time after Pentecost
Year A
First Reading
Hosea 5:15 - 6:6
Psalm
Psalm 50:7 - 5
Second Reading
Romans 4:13-25
Gospel
Matthew 9:9 - 13, 18-26

June 18
Time after Pentecost
Year A
First Reading
Exodus 19:2 - 8a
Psalm
Psalm 100
Second Reading
Romans 5:1 - 8
Gospel
Matthew 9:35 - 10:8 (10:9-23)

June 25
Time after Pentecost
Year A
First Reading
Jeremiah 20:7 - 13
Psalm
Psalm 69:7-10 (11-15) 16-18
Second Reading
Romans 6:1b-11
Gospel
Matthew 10:24-39



PASTOR'S PONDERABLES— June 2023

From our Interim Pastor's Desk:

Like some of you, I am already thinking about this summer. Many of us like to vacation, go to family or school reunions, and get away some during the summer months. Where do you like to go? What do you like to do? And while summer is a great season in many respects, it is also a season that concerns me because of the impact it can have on church life.

To be sure, the church usually experiences a loss of attendance and offerings in the summer months. As we start to frame our summer plans may we all remember the presence of the Lord in our lives. We know from Hebrews 13:5 that our Lord will never leave us or forsake us. That faith proclamation fills our hearts with peace, hope, and joy. We are God's. We belong to our Lord. Psalm 24: 1 makes all of this so clear as it states that "the earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world and those who dwell therein."

Christy and I visited the Grand Canyon several years ago when we were attending a special senior pastor's conference in a town near the canyon. Looking at this incredible "wonder of the world" gave me pause to reflect on the beauty of God's handwork. And, yet, as wonderful as the Grand Canyon is, it is not as incredible as any of us. The person is the pinnacle of God's creation and has been entrusted to care for God's world. May we always be faithful stewards of the resources we enjoy and be about taking care of God's created order.

During this summer you may travel to all kinds of places. Know that each and every place you visit belongs to God. Give thanks and praise to God for the creation and do your part in preserving the beauty of our land, air, and water when you are traveling or just staying at home. Whether you are traveling or "staying at the ranch," I encourage you to worship. Visit a Lutheran church or another denominational church when you are away and worship here when you are home. And when you cannot get out try to take in our services online. May we always know that God never takes time off from our lives. As we worship we are moved to better appreciate God, life, and the call to discipleship. Worship God and experience God's love, grace, and direction in and for our lives. Our sovereign God is always with us!

Pastor Dan's Time Away:

Pastor Dan and Christy will be in Italy from May 31 - June 10 on a trip that was arranged a year ago. Should a pastor's assistance be needed while he is gone, contact Pastor Karen Larson (717-656-9200) or Pastor Cliff Eshbach (717-290-7138). Pastor Dan looks forward to greeting us again at worship on June 11.



FROM THE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Roger L. Kurtz

As I write this article, we are drawing near the close of the 2022-23 choir season. Please take the time to thank the following members of our choir for their dedication in leading the sung praise and prayer of our worship these past nine months: Ken Craley, Zachary Fetter, Cheri Kurtz, Jeanine Schreiber, Patti Stripling, and John David Wissler. Each week these faithful volunteers meet on Wednesday evenings for an hour and a half and again on Sunday mornings before the service to prepare musical offerings that glorify God and proclaim his Word in our liturgies. We wish them well-deserved and renewing rest during the summer months ahead.

A total of 122 persons attended the superb concert presented by QuintEssentially Brass in our nave on Sunday, April 23. Many thanks to Ken and Janet Craley, Brenda Fetter, Zachary Fetter, Cheri Kurtz, Mel Ravegum, and John David Wissler for helping with usher responsibilities. Between the free-will offering received that day and several gifts sent following the event, contributions totaling \$1,022 were donated toward our ongoing Music at Jerusalem Concert Series. While it is extremely important to help individuals who are in need of the basic physical necessities for sustaining life, there is also a growing hunger in our society for creative expression that nurtures and uplifts our souls. Sadly, more times than not the current secular culture falls short in satisfying that craving for beauty and substance. While churches can help fill this artistic void, there are many larger congregations in our area which formerly supported an annual music series, but no longer do so. The two programs we present each season are a wonderful, much-appreciated ministry to the surrounding community and help to make this small corner of the world a brighter and better place.

After an absence of four years, we plan to revive a pre-pandemic tradition of having both a women's and a men's ensemble sing during the summer months. Our current choir members will serve as a nucleus for the two groups, which are open to anyone who enjoys singing and can attend a rehearsal held before the service. Please consider joining if you are someone who may not be able to make the commitment of singing with our choir on a regular basis throughout the year. The Men's Ensemble will sing on Sunday, July 2, and the Women's Ensemble will sing on Sunday, July 9. Both groups will meet prior to the 10:30 a.m. service on those respective dates at 9:40 a.m. To help in my planning and preparation, kindly let me know in person or contact me via phone (717-626-1527) or email (rogerk@dejazzd.com) if you are interested in participating.

Have an enjoyable and relaxing summer season!

Roger

June Worship Leaders

	Altar Guild	Assisting Minister/Lector	Ushers	Acolyte	Zoom Monitor
June 4	Picnic	Zachary Fetter	Andy Anderson, Claude Grube	Not Needed	Not Needed
June 9	Emma Miller		Andy Anderson, Claude Grube		
June 18			Andy Anderson, Claude Grube		
June 25	Jean Slaymaker	Jill Clubb	Andy Anderson, Claude Grube		

Barry Becker

1160 Pine Hill Road
Lititz, PA 17543
717-626-7665
Birthday: August 14

Lillian Logeman

Ephrata Manor
99 Bethany Rd.
Room #121.
Ephrata, PA 17522
223-264-8805
Birthday: August 31

Norma Rhoads

2646 Camp Road
Manheim, PA 17545
717-627-8815
Birthday: September 24

Doris Witwer

Viva Senior Living
150 Kempton Ave.,
Room 252
Harrisburg, PA 17111
717-901-6026
Birthday: February 20

June Food Bank Suggestions:

- **helpers (tuna, chicken, hamburger)**
- **instant mashed potatoes**
- **canned soup**



Items can be placed in the box near the elevator on the first floor - thank you!

Property Committee Update

1. Slate Roof Repairs completed
2. Boiler Inspection completed
3. Nave ceiling fan assessment still pending
4. AC Annual Predictive Maintenance completed... leak found in #5 Heat Pump unit-...? repair vs replacement .. info to council for review

Community Picnic and Concert in the Park

You are invited to attend Brickerville United Lutheran's 'Ole Fashioned Picnic in the Park on Saturday, July 1, from 3:30 to 8:00 p.m. The picnic will take place at the church's shaded grove at 340 E. 28th Division Highway, Lititz. We will be honoring all veterans and active military. The Ringgold Band of Reading will once again provide entertainment. Food will be available for purchase including homemade chicken corn soup, hamburgers, hotdogs, beef barbecue, fresh fruit salad and dinner salads, homemade desserts, ice cream, and ice cream floats. The picnic will be held rain or shine. Donations are accepted at the gate to help offset entertainment costs but are not required. Please bring lawn chairs or blankets to enjoy the outdoor performance under the shade trees.

June, 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4 Holy Trinity First Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 Annual Church Picnic Holy Communion	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 Time after Pentecost 10:30 am Holy Communion	12 July/ August Newsletter Deadline	13	14 Flag Day	15	16	17
18 Time after Pentecost 10:30 am Holy Communion Father's Day Pizza Luncheon at 12pm	19 Community Meal 5:30 to 6:30 pm	20 7 pm Council Meeting	21 First Day of Summer	22	23	24
25 Time after Pentecost 9am Adult Forum 10:30 am Holy Communion	26	27	28	29 Eid al-Adha	30	

PRAYER CONCERNS



Christine and Andy Anderson, Barry Becker, Nate and Crystal, Cheryl Gabers, Weston Hertzler, Pam Cramer, Hunter Leisey, Lillian Logeman, Joy McCurdy, Byron Miller, Judy Perry, Norma Rhoads, Lisa Riley, Vickie and Jim Salmi, Greg Summers, Tracey Whitney, Doris Witwer, Neal Vital, and Vivian Aichele. Be with military personnel, first responders, healthcare workers, the people of Ukraine, and the people of Turkey and Syria.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS



- 1 - Tamara Dewitt
- 6 - Andy Scheid
- 12 - Sarah Schreiber
- 14 - Jeffrey Mearig
- 18 - Nicholas Carson
- 25 - Larrie Miller
- 25 - Jeffrey Morgan
- 26 - Sharon Levering
- 30 - Heather Kopp



JUNE WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- David & Debra Carson 6/7/76
- Greg & Barb Sammet 6/28/03
- Richard & Kathleen Schreiber 6/29/91



JUNE ANNIVERSARIES OF BAPTISM

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| Jeanine Schreiber 6/9/63 | James Doutrich 6/24/82 |
| Audrey Adams 6/11/33 | Ross Clubb 6/25/89 |
| Byron Miller 6/18/50 | Charlotte Scheid 6/29/86 |
| Deb Carson 6/24/56 | |

Congratulations to Zachary Fetter Cocalico HS... Class of 2023



Michael and Susan Fetter would like to announce the Graduation of their son Zachary Fetter on June 5, 2023. Zachary is graduating from Cocalico High School and is planning to attend Reading Community College. Please join us in wishing him great success in his next adventure.

Join us for a
berry sweet time!



Strawberry Festival

Saturday, June 3 • 11 AM – 1 PM

Luther Acres, 600 East Main Street, Lititz.

Rain or shine! In the event of rain, event moves indoors.



\$6.00

**Strawberries, Shortcake,
Ice Cream, Whipped Cream**

\$4.00

Hot Dog, Chips, Drink



Plus, win a beautiful quilt!

Purchase raffle tickets for a chance to win one of two beautiful queen size quilts, shown here.

Prices: • \$5 for two tickets

• \$10 for arm's length strip of tickets

• \$15 for double arm's length strip of tickets



For more information, visit www.Luthercare.org.

Proceeds benefit charitable activities of Luther Acres Residents' Council.

Jerusalem Evangelical Lutheran Church

Council Meeting Minutes

April 18, 2023

“As followers of Jesus, we serve our neighbors locally and globally”

Present: Joyce Burkholder, Scott Barr, Jill Clubb, Rene Amey, Pastor Yeiser, Mike Fetter, Patti Stripling, Floss Morgan, Zach Fetter, Brenda Fetter

Absent: Beth Smith, Andy Anderson, Christine Anderson

Guests: none

Devotions were led by Pastor Yeiser

Meeting was led by Brenda Fetter

Recognitions: Rene Amey for Easter flowers

Larrie and Emma Miller for picking up supplies for Lenten meals

Joyce Burkholder for providing soup for Lenten meals

Jeff and Jeanine Schreiber for providing dessert for Lenten meals

JD Wissler, Jeff and Jeanine Schreiber for helping to change banners

Janice Styer for dessert for Lenten meals

BULC for Lenten meals and Spud Night

Roger Kurtz and Choir- for Easter music

Those who took the CPR training

Those who helped to strip the altar and replace altar items for Good Friday service

Zach Fetter for leading the adult forums and for recording the audio of our services

Reports:

Pastor's Report: written report was read and discussed

Secretary's Report: written report was distributed and discussed. Motion to approve report was made by Rene Amey; Joyce Burkholder seconded motion; the motion passed

Treasurer's Report: Written report was distributed and discussed. Motion to accept the report was made by Jill Clubb; Patti Stripling seconded the motion; the motion passed

Old Business:

Synod Assembly Delegate: Jill Clubb volunteered

Prayer List administrator- no volunteers. A volunteer is still needed to maintain the prayer list.

Church Picnic: 6/4/23. Invite will be extended to BULC. Committee met. Barbecue and hot dogs provided. A-M Salad; N-Z Dessert. Bring place settings and chairs. Bingo and other games.

New Business:

BULC to host a Spaghetti Dinner on May 13th

Brad Clubb to organize mulching

Committee Reports:

Sunday School: none

Worship and Music: none

Cemetery: none

Memorial: none

Finance: none

Property: none

Service: Bake Sale Auction 5/21/23- 9:00 am

Stewardship: none

Reminder Dates:

5/13: Spaghetti Dinner at BULC 4-6pm

5/16: Election Day

5/21: Bake Sale Auction 9:00 am

Next Meeting 5/16/23 in the sanctuary due to Election Day

Announcements/Correspondences:

Thank you from LWR for \$1000. Gift

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Joyce Burkholder; Rene Amey seconded the motion; the motion passed

Respectfully submitted,

Jill Clubb

Council Secretary

All Jerusalem Members

On Sunday June 18 following our worship service BULC will join us for a Pizza Luncheon in our Social Hall. Pizza, ice cream, and drinks will be provided. All are welcome to come and join in for good food and fun times. Please see sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex if you plan to attend.

COMMUNITY MEAL

Our first Community Meal of the summer will be Monday June 19th from 5:30-6:30!
Please join us in the social hall for good food and fellowship!
We will also be posting a sign up sheet for volunteers to help set up the social hall, serve the meal and clean up. We will also have a sign up sheet for baked goods.
Thank you!

PERSONAL CARE KITS

The following items will be collected during June for Lutheran World Relief :
Bath Towels (dark preferred, 20"x40" to 52"x27")
Nail Clippers
Combs- large, wide tooth preferred
Bath size bar soap, individually wrapped
Thank you for your continued support of this important global outreach mission!

Much Appreciation and Gratitude!

Our generous and faithful congregation has donated a total of \$2,300.00 to the Turkey/Syria Earthquake Disaster. The first \$1000.00 came from the service committee funds and the second \$1300.00 came from the red envelope donations.

Jerusalem Evangelical Lutheran Church
36 Church Street
Lititz, Pa 17543

05/01/2023

Dear Jerusalem Evangelical Lutheran Church,

We, at Rothsville Volunteer Fire Company Ambulance Corps would like to thank you for your generous donation of \$275.00, Ck. #22875. The donation you have contributed will help us to offer improved services to our community. With your continued support we will be able to pledge to you that in your time of need, help will not be far away.

Thank you.

Rothsville Volunteer Fire Company
Ambulance Corps

MISSION SUPPORT

2022



Evangelical
Lutheran Church
in America

THANK YOU

To the members of
Jerusalem (Rothsville) Lutheran Church
Lititz, Pennsylvania

from the
Lower Susquehanna Synod

of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.
In grateful appreciation for giving

\$9411

for Mission Support beyond the congregation for synod and
churchwide ministries of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Synod Bishop
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Presiding Bishop
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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Dear people of Jerusalem,

Thank you for your recent generous gift to Lutheran World Relief. Your love is being put to work right away helping families like Awa's who had to flee from their home from violence. I'm so grateful for your partnership in this work.

In gratitude,
Emma Wagner



Thank You!

May 2, 2023

Jerusalem Evangelical Lutheran Church
36 Church St
Lititz, PA 17543-3036

Dear Friends,

Thank you for sharing your love with neighbors devastated by the earthquake in Turkey. Your \$1,300.00 emergency gift is a godsend to families in desperate need.

Your gift is being put to use immediately to get lifesaving care to families. Because of you, families will get the urgent support they need, like medical care, food, water and other critically needed items. It's because of your compassion and generosity that we are able ready to deliver urgent relief aid.

Please check our website for updates about the response to this tragic situation.

Thank you for extending God's love where it is needed most.

In gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daniel Speckhard".

Ambassador Daniel V. Speckhard
President and CEO

As required by the IRS, this receipt confirms that Lutheran World Relief has given you no goods or services in return for your charitable contribution of \$1,300.00.

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Mr. Roger L. Kurtz, *Director of Music*

Beth Smith, *Treasurer*

Zachary Fetter, *Office Administrator*

Joan C. Dull, *Sexton*

Congregation, *Ministers*