

July 2023

Readings

July 2

Time after Pentecost

Year A

First Reading

Jeremiah 28:5-9

Psalm

Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18

Second Reading

Romans 6:12-23

Gospel

Matthew 10:40-42

July 9

Time after Pentecost

Year A

First Reading

Zechariah 9:9-12

Psalm

Psalm 145:8-14

Second Reading

Romans 7:15-25a

Gospel

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

June 16

Time after Pentecost

Year A

First Reading

Isiah 55:10-13

Psalm

Psalm 65:(1-8) 9-13

Second Reading

Romans 8:1-11

Gospel

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

July 23

Time after Pentecost

Year A

First Reading

Isiah 44:6-8

Psalm

Psalm 86:11-17

Second Reading

Romans 8:12-25

Gospel

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

July 30

Time after Pentecost

Year A

First Reading

1 Kings 3:5-12

Psalm

Psalm 119:129-136

Second Reading

Romans 8:26-39

Gospel

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52



PASTOR'S PONDERABLES— July and August, 2023

From our Interim Pastor's Desk:

I have enjoyed communicating with you through the medium of the newsletter; thus it is with sadness that I compose my final article to you. As many of you know, my time with you will end on July 14 with July 9 being my last Sunday. Then, beginning July 15, I will be assuming the position of Interim Senior Pastor at Advent Lutheran Church in east York. While I am looking forward to this new opportunity, I certainly will miss you. What was originally intended to be just a two month call here ended up being expanded to six and a half months! I want to thank each congregation, too, for the greetings concerning my 40th anniversary of ordination and for the reception that was held in my honor following Jerusalem's service on June 18. That was very kind and gracious of you.

I am grateful for my time with you and am glad it happened this way. I see two fine congregations here that are on the journey of working together in cooperative ministry. You have had a number of joint activities and even a joint worship service and picnic together. As you continue to grow in this ministry you will find more opportunities to (while maintaining your own individuality) cooperate together for the spread of God's work in the world.

From a logistical standpoint, the synod will be in contact with both church councils to arrange for a new interim pastor to be assigned here. During that person's tenure, a call committee will be formed and you will eventually call a pastor that will hopefully be with you on a long term basis. That pastor will find many gifts and diversity between, and within, the congregations that he or she serves. Under that person's pastoral guidance you will, together and separately, continue to make a positive impact in your respective communities and world.

As I contemplate my final weeks with you, I will be visiting the home bound and hospitalized, leading worship services, attending council meetings, and tending to any situations that may require a pastor's assistance.

I know that it can be frustrating for congregations as pastors come and go. But know and trust that the perfect pastor, the Good Shepherd, is always with you. You are not alone! Remember that this is our Lord's church and joyfully and eagerly work together with your sisters and brothers in Christ to faithfully engage in the Spirit led ministry to which you are blessed. As for me, I will remember you in my thoughts and prayers. I pray for God's blessings and guidance to always be with you. And it will be, for as our Lord assures us at the end of Matthew's gospel: "I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Pastor Yeiser



FROM THE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Roger L. Kurtz

As mentioned in last month's newsletter, we are reviving 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.

We extend our deep appreciation to the following musicians who have enriched/will enrich our worship together during the summer season:

June 11 – Cheri Kurtz & Patti Stripling, soloists

June 18 – Mixed Quartet (Zachary Fetter, Cheri Kurtz, Jeanine Schreiber, & Patti Stripling)

June 25 – Jerusalem Choir

July 2 – Men's Ensemble

July 9 – Women's Ensemble

July 16 – John David Wissler, soloist

July 23 – Brooke Maharg & Jeanine Schreiber, soloists

July 30 – Jeanine Schreiber, soloist

August 6 – Jessica Kistler, flutist

August 13 – John David Wissler, soloist

August 20 – Sharon Levering, guest organist

August 27 – Ross Ellison, guest organist

September 3 – Jeanine Schreiber & John David Wissler, soloists

July Worship Leaders

	Altar Guild	Assisting Minister/Lector	Ushers	Acolyte	Zoom Monitor
July 2	Emma Miller	J.D. Wissler	Andy Anderson, Claude Grube, Charles Sweigart Jr.		
July 9	Emma Miller	Zachary Fetter	Andy Anderson, Claude Grube, Charles Sweigart Jr.		
July 16	Jean Slaymaker	Brenda Fetter	Andy Anderson, Claude Grube, Charles Sweigart Jr.	Zachary Fetter	
July 23	Brenda Fetter	Zachary Fetter	Andy Anderson, Claude Grube, Charles Sweigart Jr.		
July 30		Jill Clubb	Andy Anderson, Claude Grube, Charles Sweigart Jr.		

HOME COMMUNION MEMBERS

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

Pleasant View
Retirement Community
544 North Penryn Rd.
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

August Worship Leaders

	Altar Guild	Assisting Minister/Lector	Ushers	Acolyte	Zoom Monitor
Aug. 6		J.D. Wissler	Andy Anderson, Claude Grube, Charles Sweigart Jr.		
Aug. 13	Emma Miller	Zachary Fetter	Andy Anderson, Claude Grube, Charles Sweigart Jr.		
Aug. 20	Jean Slaymaker	Brenda Fetter	Andy Anderson, Claude Grube, Charles Sweigart Jr.	Zachary Fetter	
Aug. 27	Brenda Fetter	Jill Clubb	Andy Anderson, Claude Grube, Charles Sweigart Jr.		

July, 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Zachary Fetter will be on vacation from July 29 to August 5						1 Brickerville Picnic 3:30 to 8:30 pm
2 Time after Pentecost 10:30 am Holy Communion	3	4 Independence Day Church Office will be closed	5	6	7 National French Fry Day 	8
9 Time after Pentecost 10:30 am Holy Communion	10	11	12	13	14 Pastor Yeiser's Last Day	15 Saturday evening in Mount Gretna with Brickerville
16 Time after Pentecost 10:30 am Holy Communion National Ice Cream Day	17 Community Meal 5:30 to 6:30 pm	18	19	20	21	22
23 Time after Pentecost 10:30 am Holy Communion	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 Time after Pentecost 10:30 am Holy Communion	31					

August, 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
6 Time after Pentecost 10:30 am Holy Communion	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 Time after Pentecost 10:30 am Holy Communion	14 A day in Ocean City, NJ with Brickerville	15 September Newsletter Deadline 7 pm Council Meeting	16	17	18 Lower Susquehanna Synod Women's Convention at Swamp Lutheran	19 Lower Susquehanna Synod Women's Convention at Swamp Lutheran Church
20 Time after Pentecost 10:30 am Holy Communion	21 Community Meal 5:30 to 6:30 pm	22 National Peach Pie Day 	23	24	25	26
27 Time after Pentecost 10:30 am Holy Communion	28	29	30	31		

PRAYER CONCERNS



Christine and Andy Anderson, Barry Becker, Nate and Crystal, Cheryl Gabers, Weston Hertzler, Pam Cramer, Hunter Leisey, Lillian Logeman, Joy McCurty, Byron Miller, Judy Perry, Norma Rhoads, Lisa Riley, Vickie and Jim Salmi, Kathy and Rich Schreiber, 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.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

3 - Claude Grube	14 - Joey Hoover, Jr.
4 - Jean Ehrhart	20 - Leslie Carson
5 - Nicole Nafe	27 - Betsy Smith
8 - Timothy Sweigart, Sr.	29 - Brenda Fetter
12 - Richard Schreiber	30 - Dana Mearig



JULY ANNIVERSARIES OF BAPTISM

Bradley Burkholder 7/4/76	Chance Bowman 7/15/01
David Carson 7/7/63	Nicholas Carson 7/18/10
Dean Carson 7/7/63	Shelby Hoover 7/21/74
Steve Carson 7/7/63	Leslie Carson 7/22/84
Linda Nafe 7/7/63	

JULY WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Timothy & Lisa Sweigart 7/28/90



July Food Bank Suggestions:

- canned fruit
- instant mashed potatoes
- rice



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

**August 2023
Readings**

August 6
**Time after Pentecost
Year A**
First Reading
Isaiah 55:1-5
Psalm
Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21
Second Reading
Romans 9:1-5
Gospel
Matthew 14:13-21

August 13
**Time after Pentecost
Year A**
First Reading
1 Kings 19:9-18
Psalm
Psalm 85:8-13
Second Reading
Romans 10:5-15
Gospel
Matthew 14:22-33

August 20
**Time after Pentecost
Year A**
First Reading
Isiah 56:1, 6-8
Psalm
Psalm 67
Second Reading
Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32
Gospel
Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28

August 27
**Time after Pentecost
Year A**
First Reading
Isiah 51:1-6
Psalm
Psalm 138
Second Reading
Romans 12:1-8
Gospel
Matthew 16:13-20

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

3 - Jean Slaymaker
5 - Lori Kemler
14 - Barry Becker
14 - Grant Clubb
31 - Lillian Logeman



AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES OF BAPTISM

Ryan Carson 8/5/12
Heather Kopp Moser 8/26/79
Jeff Schreiber 8/25/57
Barry Becker 8/27/55

AUGUST WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Kala (Stripling) and Casey Wolfe 8/5/11
Jesse & Robin Volker 8/20/77



August Food Bank Suggestions:

- canned fruit
- applesauce
- helpers (tuna, chicken, or hamburger)
- adult toothbrushes



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

COMMUNITY MEAL

Our second Community Meal will be Monday July 17 from 5:30-6:30.

Please join us in the social hall for good food and fellowship!

A sign up sheet for volunteers to help with set up, serving, clean up and baked goods will be posted.
Thank You!

SCHOOL KITS

The following items will be collected during the month of July to compile school kits for Lutheran World Relief:

70-80 sheet spiral bound notebooks

Pencil sharpeners

Blunt tip scissors

Crayons- 16 or 24 count boxes

2.5" erasers

Pencil sharpeners


Thank you!

COMMUNITY MEAL

Our third Community Meal will be Monday August 21 from 5:30-6:30.

Please join us in the social hall for good food and fellowship!


A sign up sheet for volunteers to help with set up, serving, clean up and baked goods will be posted.
Thank You!




**Building Up
HOPE**

LOWER SUSQUEHANNA SYNOD'S 2023 GENEROSITY APPEAL

THE LOWER SUSQUEHANNA SYNOD AND TREE 4 HOPE ARE BUILDING UP HOPE IN GUATEMALA THIS YEAR!! Tree 4 Hope, one of our synod's global mission partners, founded Hope Academy, the first and only bilingual, STEAM school for girls living in poverty in Guatemala. Over the past 5 years, Hope Academy grew from a program of 16 to a thriving school supporting over 100 girls ages 3 through 6th grade. To respond to the overwhelming educational needs, Hope Academy is *Building Up Hope* and adding a second floor. This expansion will provide educational hope for almost 200 students every year! Please consider helping us Build Up Hope in Guatemala for generations to come.



Watch the video at <https://youtu.be/GeCnlvFBtCg>



LOWER SUSQUEHANNA SYNOD
THIS IS CHRIST'S CHURCH. THERE IS A PLACE FOR YOU HERE.

Thank you to all who helped in any way with our Church Picnic on Sunday June 4th. We had a beautiful day with great attendance, excellent food, fun games, and wonderful socialization with our sister BULC, neighbors and friends.

Sorry Mr. Pip Ravegum. Your birthday June 29 was missed in our newsletter. Please accept our apologies. Pip will turn 89 on June 29. Send him a card or place a phone call to him to wish him a "Very Happy Birthday."

Thank you to Pastor Yeiser for his donation of the Theological Dictionary of the New Testament Books to our library. They are located on the lower shelves. Take some time and check them out!

Property Committee Update

1. Special thanks to Brad Clubb for supplying the mulch and to Brad & Jill Clubb and Jean Slaymaker for spreading the mulch.
2. Thanks to Larrie & Emma Miller for donating, planting and maintaining the Geraniums at the front church entrance
3. Nave ceiling fan assessment still pending
4. Non functioning #5 Heat pump unit .. repair/ replacement on hold .. council decision
5. Thanks to Brad Clubb for Evergreen tree removal by the main church door entrance

Property Committee Needs: Toilet Paper & Kleenex

Looking ahead to Rothsville Community Day Saturday 9/16/23 Polo Field next to church
Fun, Food, Fellowship and Entertainment for all ages 9:30am to 2:00pm

Volunteers needed to help in our area of children's games/activities - WILL YOU HELP?
Speak to Ken Craley personally or call 717-625-3848 717-875-8603
for more information.

Dear Jerusalem Lutheran Church,

Thank you so much for the luncheon that was held for my graduation recognition on June 25, 2023. I also thank you for all the gifts you gave to me. I am truly blessed and honored to be a member of this congregation and as your office administrator. God bless you all!

Blessings,
Zachary Fetter

Norma Rhoades has recently taken a fall and broke her left arm. She had surgery at Lancaster General Health and is now at Pleasant View Retirement Community. where she is recovering in Rehabilitation Therapy. The address is 544 North Penryn Rd., Manheim, PA 17545. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

Please keep Kathy and Rich Schreiber in your thoughts and prayers. Kathy's father recently passed away.

We wish to thank all of our church family for helping us in this time of need. Modern technology can never replace the caring and compassion shown to us by our friends. God Bless all of you.

Chrystine & Andy Anderson

Thank you to all who helped in any way with Pastor Yeiser's Appreciation Celebration on Sunday June 18th. The pizza for Pastor Yeiser was as close in perfection to the pizza he enjoyed in his recent trip Italy. Thank you to BULC for providing the lovely cake and ice cream.

Dear Jerusalem Knitters,

We received another box of 35 hand knitted hats from you! You are as prolific as you are generous. Thank you so much for caring so “warmly” for our seafarers and immigrants. And God bless you always.

Peace,
Pastor Marsh Dredge



Jerusalem Lutheran and Brickerville Lutheran Church councils have voted to continue with the sharing of a minister. The Lower Susquehanna Synod has been informed and we are waiting for their direction.

Thank you to all who attended and to all who helped in any way with Zachary Fetter's Recognition on June 25th. It was a delightful luncheon with great food and fellowship.

Pastor Yeiser's last day with us will be on July 14, 2023.

Brickerville Events

July 15 Saturday Evening in Mt. Gretna
on your own, no reservations.

5:30pm Enjoy food at Jigger Shop.

7:30pm Enjoy music of 60's party anthems and make out songs at the Tabernacle open air theater. Rain or shine, pay what you want.

No reservations needed.

Come out for all or part, meet up with friends and have a fun time, stroll through Mt. Gretna.

August 14 A day in Ocean City, NJ

This an Elite coach excursion. Cost is \$91 includes transportation and driver gratuity

Please contact Jackie Fetter by July 14 if interested. 717 821-2616 or 717 949-3467

August 18-19 Lower Susquehanna Synod Women's Convention at Swamp Lutheran Church Reinholds.
Reservations needed by July 17.

Contact Jackie Fetter

September 9 8-12 noon Annual Flea Market in our grove. Rent a table \$10, donate stuff, come and see. Donations may be dropped off at BULC during preceding week. Please contact Jackie @717 821-2616 or church office @ 717 627-2202 to arrange for pick up or space rental.

Proceeds will be used for church roof repair and HVAC upgrade.

September 17 10:00am Polka Mass with Heidelberg brass band followed with lunch in social hall. Main entree and drinks will be provided People with names A-M salads and sides, N-Z desserts.

5/31/2023

Jerusalem Evangelical Lutheran Church
36 Church St.
Lititz, PA 17543

Dear Jerusalem Evangelical Lutheran Church,

Thank you for graciously investing your financial resources in the ministry of Love INC of Lancaster County. Your gift of \$241.00 sustains our ability to build and activate a strong network of churches that serve Lancaster County people in need. We are very thankful that you believe in our ministry!



Your financial investment has been part of life transformation in the lives of families and communities across Lancaster. Debbie's story is just one example. Debbie is legally blind and often struggles with completing daily tasks around her home, due to her visual impairment. Various churches from around the County have been visiting Debbie as "readers." Volunteers come to read her mail and check her clothing for spots before laundering them. They even label canned goods, to be easier for Debbie to find on her own. Although Debbie takes on most of the cleaning, a church volunteer comes once a month to clean. Volunteers from the past still connect by visiting or sending cards. The church community has provided connection, friendship and stability in the midst of challenging

life circumstances. This is Love In the Name of Christ.

When you give to Love INC of Lancaster County, you are contributing to hundreds of neighbors being served across the County. Your investment helps Love INC empower gifts present in church congregations around Lancaster and connect gifted church members to neighbors in need. You then become a part of nearly 450 volunteers from 56 unique churches, transforming lives, in this community!

We were so glad to see God use Love INC to connect our neighbors to Christ's love, through needs being met. Thank you for giving generously so that our ministry and work may continue to transform communities and lives, in the name of Christ.

Sincerely,

John A. Rairigh
Executive Director
Love INC of Lancaster County



LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

Dear Friend,

Greetings from the Quilt & Kit Ministry at Lutheran World Relief. I'm writing to update you about the Quilt & Kit Tracker.

The Quilt & Kit Tracker was launched in 2013 so that faithful people like you, who devote your time and talent so generously, could follow the journey of your quilts and kits to neighbors in need.

Now, more than a decade later, the technology behind the Tracker is obsolete, making the system unreliable and difficult to use. If you have used the Tracker in the last year or more, you have likely experienced lags in reporting or have been unable to retrieve updates. The Tracker is no longer serving its important purpose, and we are sorry for the frustration you experienced.

Therefore, as of May 15, the Quilt & Kit Tracker is officially out of service. This means that, moving forward, barcodes should no longer be used and that no reports or updates will be generated by the Tracker for previous donations with Tracker-generated barcodes.

Please rest assured that the quilts and kits you so lovingly assemble and ship to us are reaching neighbors around the world – as they always have. I've enclosed a list of all the countries quilts and kits reached in 2022.

Your hard work and generosity are as needed and appreciated as ever! In fact, one of the biggest shipments in Lutheran World Relief history will arrive this summer in Mali, where food prices have risen exorbitantly because of global supply chain bottlenecks and the war in Ukraine. Quilts and kits will reach communities where families are struggling to afford to eat, embracing them in God's love and helping them care for themselves and their families.

At the same time, **plans are in motion for a completely new, state-of-the-art system** that will allow you to follow quilts and kits from the time they leave your hands to the time they reach their destination. While we do not yet have a target completion date for this system, progress is underway and we will keep you updated as it takes shape. **During this period of transition, we are committed to sharing more photos, videos and stories of your quilts and kits reaching your neighbors around the world.**

Please share this update with your congregation, quilting group and others who have used the Tracker. And please do not hesitate to contact us if you have questions.

Thank you for your unwavering generosity and for being such a caring person. We are deeply grateful to God for your faithful partnership in this ministry.

P.S. If you haven't already, please sign up for email updates at lwr.org/qkinfo and join the **LWR Quilters & Kit Makers group on Facebook**, so in the coming months you can see even more photos, videos and stories from distributions around the world!

Joy and Blessings,

Martha Piedrasanta

Senior Manager, Quilt & Kit Ministry
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WHERE DID LWR QUILTS & KITS GO IN 2022?



462,262

QUILTS & KITS

IN 19 COUNTRIES



220,317
QUILTS



1,650
BLANKETS



94,060
PERSONAL CARE KITS



90,860
SCHOOL KITS



46,560
BABY CARE KITS



8,815
FABRIC KITS



31,950
FACE MASKS

COUNTRY	SHIPPING WAREHOUSE	QUILTS	BLANKETS	SCHOOL KITS	PERSONAL CARE KITS	BABY CARE KITS	FABRIC KITS	MASKS
ANGOLA	Maryland	18,480			9,890	4,950	1,230	
ARMENIA	Maryland	12,375					1,230	
BURKINA FASO	Minnesota	14,760		4,480	9,100	4,480	4,100	4,400
DIJIBOUTI	Minnesota	10,080		15,360				
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	Minnesota			15,360				
GEORGIA	Maryland	36,960						
GUATEMALA	Minnesota	7,200			21,700	7,200		
HAITI	Minnesota	8,640			2,800			
JORDAN	Maryland	7,260		5,500				
LEBANON	Maryland	15,180		8,000	6,900	4,200	1,230	
MALI	Maryland	22,440		5,000	4,830	3,150	205	6,250
NIGER	Minnesota	11,160		5,760		3,840		4,400
PERU	Minnesota	15,840			7,000			
POLAND	Maryland	11,520		2,500	7,360	3,480		
SIERRA LEONE	Minnesota	10,800			7,000	3,840		4,400
SOUTH SUDAN	Maryland	3,630	1,650	13,000	3,220	2,100	820	6,250
SYRIA	Maryland			6,500	5,908			
TANZANIA	Minnesota	7,920		6,400		6,080		
UKRAINE	Maryland	6,072		3,000	8,280	3,240		6,250
TOTAL		220,317	1,650	90,860	94,060	46,560	8,815	31,950

This shipping information is from LWR's 2022 fiscal year (Oct 2021 - Sept 2022).

Report of the 2023 LSS Synod Assembly

The Synod Assembly of the Lower Susquehanna Synod of the ELCA began with a ZOOM Edification Day on May 20th. Keynote speaker Pastor Jennifer Hope Tringali discussed her mission in Guatemala, Hope Academy. Hope Academy educates girls in Guatemala from age 7. The school currently enrolls over 100 girls, and is building a second floor to the current building which would accommodate 75 more students. The school is bilingual, and teaches the girls farming and business in addition to their regular schooling.

I attended a breakout session on church communication led by Deacon Marsha Roscoe. She stated that Jesus' Great Commission directs us to communicate our Christian message to others. How do we do that? She states that three ways our Church can get our message to others is through our website, Facebook and email. Deacon Roscoe emphasizes the importance of a good website, calling it our "new front door". A seminar on church communication will follow this summer or fall.

The business portion of the assembly took place via ZOOM on June 2nd and in person on June 3rd. The theme of this year's assembly was "Created for Community". Bishop Dunlap spoke about the importance of coming together as a church. He also identified four areas of focus for the LSS over the next two years:

- Leadership Transitions
- Celebrate Ministry of Small Congregations
- Foster Regional Cooperation
- Streamline Administration

The Report of the Churchwide Representative was delivered by Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton. She expressed appreciation for the generosity of the LSS to Mission Support, Lutheran Disaster Response and ELCA World Hunger.

Throughout the business meeting, several reports were given and nominations were made for open council and synod positions. Voting took place to fill these open positions. The 2024 Budget was presented and passed.

Discussion took place regarding the election of a new Bishop in 2025. Some of the rules for the election were changed. The Committee on Reference and Council proposed an amendment to add a youth from each congregation as a voting member to the assembly. A motion was made to amend the amendment to allow each congregation to send both a youth and a person of color as additional voting members to assembly. Discussion took place with the motion passing.

The assembly concluded with a Service of Holy Communion.

Respectfully Submitted

Jill Clubb, Representative to the LSS Synod Assembly

Jerusalem Evangelical Lutheran Church

Council Meeting Minutes

May 16, 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, Andy Anderson, Christine Anderson

Absent: Beth Smith

Guests: Larrie Miller

Devotions were led by Pastor Yeiser

Meeting was led by Brenda Fetter

Recognitions: Those who helped with Election Day: Scott Barr, Charles Sweigert, Brenda Fetter, Joyce Burkholder, Dave Carson, Larrie Miller, Jean Slaymaker
Larrie and Emma Miller for planting geraniums
Pastor Yeiser for donating the Theology Dictionary series
Roger Kurtz for arranging for the Quintessentially Brass concert and to those who helped
Jean Slaymaker, Brad Clubb and Jill Clubb for mulching around the church

Reports:

Pastor’s Report: written report was read and discussed

Secretary’s Report: written report was distributed and discussed. Motion to approve the report was made by Rene Amey; Andy Anderson seconded motion; the motion passed

Treasurer’s Report: A written report was distributed and discussed. \$1300. Donation from the Lenten red envelope collection was made to LWR for earthquake relief in Turkey and Syria. 36 hats were made and sent to Seafarer’s International. The Lenten loose plate offering totaled \$241. Discussion regarding where to send money took place- motion made by Jill Clubb to send money to LOVE, Inc.; seconded by Christine Anderson; the motion passed. A motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report, subject to audit, was made by Jill Clubb; Christine Anderson seconded the motion; the motion passed

Old Business:

Prayer List administrator- Janice Styer volunteered

Mulching has been completed

New Business:

Haller performed an annual preventative maintenance inspection of our HVAC systems. A heat pump refrigerant leakage was found in the heat pump servicing the upstairs educational classrooms. The cost to replace the heat pump would be \$12,333.00; the cost to repair the leakage would be \$3100.00 plus labor, but it would not be guaranteed that this repair would be successful. Another option would be to not replace the heat pump- fans would be used to cool the rooms, which are seldom used.

Heat would be provided by the original system. Discussion took place. A motion was made by Mike Fetter to put replacement or repair of the heat pump on hold until later this year or next year to see how we manage through the summer; motion was seconded by Zach Fetter; the motion passed.

D&M Recycling provided a brochure to put a recycling bin on church property. Discussion took place. Concerns were expressed regarding a lack of space for this bin and about trash being left. Council will not be pursuing this.

Committee Reports:

Sunday School: last Adult Forum is May 28th.

Worship and Music: no meeting this month

Cemetery: none

Memorial: records are being transferred to the computer

Finance: see Treasurer's Report

Property: see above under New Business

Service: Bake Sale Auction 5/21/23- 9:00 am; Community Meals will resume this summer

Stewardship: Dave needs 2-3 volunteers for this committee

Reminder Dates:

5/21: Bake Sale Auction 9:00 am

5/24: Sewing Night at BULC

6/4: Picnic and Polka Mass

Next Meeting 6/20, 2023

Announcements/Correspondences:

Thank you from LWR for \$1300. For earthquake relief

Thank you from Rothsville Fire Co. for \$275. Donation

Thank you from ELCA Mission Support- Lower Susquehanna Synod for \$9411. From 2022

Pastor Oplinger's membership has been transferred to Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Rene Amey; Patti Stripling seconded the motion; the motion passed

Respectfully submitted,

Jill Clubb

Council Secretary

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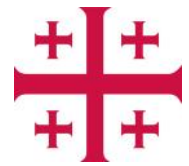
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