



News Journal

Monthly Newsletter of New Jerusalem Lutheran Church

August 2018

The Pastor's Pen

"We Have Work to Do"

I recently went to a new physical therapist. She was very upbeat about the healing of my back and legs. But, I know that it will take some work. After our session, she gave me a sheet with exercises to work on at home. It is expected that I will do the exercises every day. Most of the exercises will involve stretching and strengthening my lower back and legs. I will go once a week, for several weeks, to have a session with my therapist. All in all, I have much work to do. And, it will not be easy. But, anything worth doing is worth doing well and working hard. I have much work to do. This is talking about our physical wellbeing, but what about our spiritual wellbeing? Spiritually, we too have much work to do. Growing spiritually does not just fall from the sky. We have important work to do. Fall is fast approaching and so are the many activities of the church that lie dormant during the summer months as people get away for much needed vacations. What are some of the important spiritual things we need to work on? First, the most important thing we need is to be active in worship, hearing God's word and sharing his Holy Supper. This will give us spiritual growth. We also need to avail ourselves of opportunities to study God's Word in Sunday school and/or Bible Study. We need to be in communion with our fellow church members. It is also to our advantage to be part of a committee, or group in the congregation, doing the work of the church for

example the choirs, youth, women's or men's groups, and Senior Friends, etc.. Good Christian fellowship will also provide us with spiritual growth. Let us do the hard work of physical and spiritual growth and share with others what God gives to us. C.S. Lewis expressed it this way: "Christianity is a statement, which, if false, is of no importance, and if true, of infinite importance. The one thing it cannot be is moderately important." See you in church.

Together in ministry,
Pastor Cauble

Early Services in August



Sunday, August 12 – 8:30 am
Outdoor Chapel

Sunday, August 26 – 8:30 am
Outdoor Chapel

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New School Year



Blessing of the Backpacks

The new school year begins for students Monday, August 27. Please have your children bring their backpacks to church Sunday, August 26, for the Blessing of the Backpacks during the children's sermon. We wish all of our students, teachers, and other school employees a very successful school year. Let's remember all of them in prayer as they return to the classrooms and offices!

Chancel Choir



Choir rehearsal will begin Wednesday, September 5. Join us at 5:30 for supper. Choir begins at 6:00(ish). New members are welcome! If you don't have a ride, we will come get you!

Looking for Volunteers!



The Service Committee is sponsoring a blood drive Monday, October 1st, from 2:30-7:00 pm. Volunteers are needed to work from 4:30 – 7:00 pm. Please see Teresa Vanderlinden for more details or to volunteer.

Senior Friends' Trip



Senior Friends will travel to the Billy Graham Library Wednesday, August 15. They will leave the church at 8:00 am and try to return between 2:00 – 3:00 pm. There is no entry charge for the library; however, they will take donations for gas and you will be responsible for the cost of your lunch. Please contact Boyd or Vicki Adams **by Monday, August 13** if you are interested in going. They need to make arrangements for people to drive cars if there are too many people for the bus.

Lutheran Men

You are invited to a

Night of Fellowship

Sunday, August 5, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Dinner will be a



(potatoes, corn, smoked sausage, onion & shrimp)

****There will be a separate pot for those who do not like or have allergies to shrimp***

Sponsored by Lutheran Men

Monetary donations will be accepted to offset the cost of the meal.

August Birthdays

- 1 – Charles Kanipe, Jeffery Cline, Dianne Black, Donna Yount, Megan Turbyfill, Blake Gates
- 2 – Regina Goins
- 3 – Amanda Lael
- 5 – Dana Hoyle, Josh Hughes
- 6 – Della Lamberth, Dale Weaver, Evelyn Ferguson
- 7 – Sandy Bumgarner, Rebekah Riggs, Ron Orovitz
- 8 – Perry Kiser
- 12 – Robyn (Lutz) Christie
- 14 – Mae Stamey, Norman Bumgarner
- 15 – Robert Spinks
- 17 – Cindy Coulter
- 18 – Ron Sigmon
- 20 – Richard Bunton
- 21 – Brenda Gregg, Laura Lutz
- 22 – Eddie Burns, Dale Lutz
- 23 – Phyllis Seitz, Beth C. Turbyfill
- 26 – Susan Huffman, Eddie White
- 28 – Melanie Starr
- 29 – Jerry Lutz
- 30 – Jennifer Evans
- 31 – Walter Mundy

Thank You for Serving in August

New Jerusalem Lutheran Women

- Group 1 Aug. 14 – 7:00 pm
Hostess – Kathy Lail
Leader – Kay Weaver
- Group 2 Aug. 6 – 7:00 pm
Hostess/Leader – Carolyn Elliott
- Group 3 Aug. 6 – 2:00 pm
Hostess – Linda Lutz
Leader – Doris Lutz
- Group 4 Aug. 6 – 7:00 pm
Hostess/Leader – Vicki Cauble

Council Designate Danny Black

Lutheran Men August 5 – 6:00 pm
Leaders – Donald Barger Sr.
Donald Barger, Jr.

Teller Committee *Danny Black
Ryan Black
Donald Barger, Jr.

Altar Committee

Kay Weaver, Chm.
Karen Teague
Julie Temple
Donna Barger

Pastor’s Assistants

James Morgan and Kylie Morgan

Pastor’s Assistant w/Intinction

Leslie Benfield

Acolyte

Emily Bumgarner

Greeters

Izaiah Morgan
Jennifer Morgan

Flowers in the Church

- August 5 James & Jenny Morgan
- August 12 Keith & Lauren Bullard
- August 19 Susanne & Harvey Blume
- August 26 Open

Ushers

Dennis Bollinger, Chm.
Aaron Beam
Rodney Throckmorton
Wesley Reid

Tape Ministry

- August 5 Robert Hoyle
- August 12 Robert Hoyle
- August 19 B.J. Morgan
- August 26 B.J. Morgan

Nursery

- August 5 Kylie Morgan
Sandra Floyd
- August 12 Jenny Brown
Jan Sorrells
- August 19 Glenda Shook
Diane Owens
- August 26 Sandra Bollinger
Cyndi Beam

Yard Maintenance & Mowing

- August 5 Don Brown & Chuck Floyd
- August 12 Norman & Deron Bumgarner
- August 19 Craig Coleman & James Purgeson
- August 26 Thad Scronce, Garret Turbyfill Family

Looking Ahead

Luther League Meetings Sept. 23 – Mt. Calvary Lutheran
October – Reformation celebration, Gastonia

Homecoming

September 30
Pastor Ken Reed will be our Guest Preacher

How *precious* to me are
your thoughts, O *God!*
How vast is the sum of
them! If I would count
them, *they are more*
than the sand.
I awake, and I am
still with you.
Psalm 139:17-18



August 2018

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
Paraments 1 – Green 8 – Green 15 – Green 22 – Green 29 – Green		1:00 pm – Quilters	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
9:30 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Service of Holy Communion 6:00 pm – Lutheran Men Low Country Boil	Pastor Cauble on Vacation					
	2:00 pm – Women’s Group #3 7:00 pm – Women’s Group #2 7:00 pm – Women’s Group #4	1:00 pm – Quilters				
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Pastor Cauble on Vacation 8:30 am – Early Service 9:30 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Service of Worship		1:00 pm – Quilters 7:00 pm – Women’s Group #1	Pastor Cauble – NALC Convocation in Denver, CO			
			8:00 am – 3:00 pm – Senior Friends’ Trip to Billy Graham Library			
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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26	27	28	29	30	31	
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