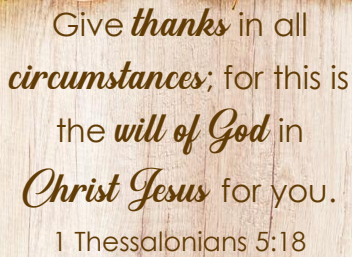


News Journal

Monthly Newsletter of New Jerusalem Lutheran Church

November 2018



Give *thanks* in all
circumstances; for this is
the *will of God* in
Christ Jesus for you.
1 Thessalonians 5:18

The Pastor's Pen

My Granddaddy, Ray Cauble use to say that if the pastor was truly preaching the word, he should never have to ask for more money to be given to the church. In his wise opinion the congregation would respond and give as they should. Well, I am going to go against granddaddy's wisdom and talk a little about giving and stewardship.

The busy time has begun and fall finally seems to be arriving. The cooler temperatures are here and we look forward to more activities around the church. This is also stewardship time and we look at what is most important in our lives. As we heard in the Gospel, a few Sunday's ago, the rich young ruler was unable to give up everything to follow Jesus. His priorities were on human things and not on the things of God. He had great possessions and could not part with them. The giving of our time, talents, and treasures is a year round thing but we pay particular attention to good stewardship at this time of year. Our giving at New Jerusalem is good but could always be better. I hope that we can make up the deficit we see every Sunday in our bulletin. I encourage each of us to think and pray about our giving. Could all of us give a little extra as we enter the final months of the year? As of our last bulletin, October 21, we were behind \$4,366.43 in the Current fund. Let's finish strong, in our giving, and wipe out this deficit and finish the year on the plus side.

Speaking of giving, what a wonderful offering we took up for Hurricane Relief. On September 30 and October 7, we took up nearly \$2000.00. The giving for the Thanksgiving Boxes has also been very good. We have taken up nearly \$2000.00. This has truly been a great response to the needs of others. Thank you for all that you do for the Kingdom and for New Jerusalem. God has truly blessed us in so many ways. Let us respond with thankful hearts as we give of our time, talents, and treasures.

Together in ministry,
Pastor Cauble

Annual Congregational Meeting



The annual congregational meeting will be held on Sunday, November 18 during the 10:30 am Service of Worship. The purpose of this meeting is to elect four new council members and adopt a budget for 2019. Other business may be brought up during this meeting. The first vote for church council will be held on Sunday, November 11. Please begin thinking and praying about whom you might nominate for council. Talk to the people, you have in mind, and see if they will serve if elected.

Bible Study in November



Tuesday mornings – 10:00 am
November 13th, 20th, 27th
Bollinger Yount Room
(We will continue our study in the
Gospel of John)

Thursday evenings – 6:30 pm
November 1st, 15th, 29th
Bollinger/Yount Room
(We will continue our study in the
Book of Romans and then begin a study from
the book **Disciples of the Cross**)

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO COME AND JOIN US
FOR BIBLE STUDY!**

Senior Friends



New Jerusalem Senior Friends “Bake Sale” and Charity Bazaar will be Saturday, November 17, 2018 beginning 9:00 am until 2:00 pm. They will have homemade baked cakes and goodies, arts, crafts, quilts, etc. If interested in donating cakes and baked goods, they should be homemade. Arts and crafts should be in good to new condition. Sign up sheets will be posted on the bulletin board for donations and work sheets. All proceeds will be donated to worthy charities. Contact Vicki Adams, Boyd Adams, Barbara Hamrick, or any of our Senior Friend members.

Thank You



Our New Jerusalem Lutheran Women would like to thank everyone for their generous donations on the three Sundays which had the loose offering designated to our group. Because of your generosity, we should be able to fully meet our budget and possibly reach out and extend our original goals. Thank you for helping us to further our Mission Statement: ...develop a ministry of Christian love and service.



Dear New Jerusalem Church family,
Thank you all so much for the cards, prayers, and visits while I was recovering from my surgery. I am so blessed to serve such a loving congregation. I am recovering well and the doctor has said I can return working a few hours a day. I was so happy to return and was actually excited when I got to answer the phone again for the first time: “New Jerusalem Lutheran Church!” I truly love being here and I sincerely appreciate all of your concern for me.

Sincerely,
Kristy Painter

All Saints Day – November 4, 2018



We lovingly remember those who have died since last All Saints Day, November 1, 2017: Cordie Cline, Betty Burns, Kathryn Shidal, Jerry Lutz, Nathan Shook, Elaine Brooks, Sophie Elizabeth Weaver, and Stuart Reid.

Hanging of the Greens

A Church-wide Festival



Sunday, December 2, 2018 at 7:00 PM

*Mark your calendars now for this
very special event.*



*The Congregational Covered Dish Meal
will be held in the Fellowship Hall at 5:30 PM.*

Members, Family and Friends are asked to bring your favorite dishes for this covered dish meal and enjoy a time of fellowship and good food prior to the Hanging of the Greens Program.

(Meal hosted by Lutheran Men in Mission and New Jerusalem Lutheran Women)

If you are interested in having an active part in the Chrismon program, contact Sandra Bollinger ASAP.
Phone 828-294-4585 or email sdbollinger73@gmail.com

New Jerusalem Lutheran Church Church Council Meeting

October 15, 2018

(Motions are in **BOLD** and Actions are *Italicized*)

The October Church Council meeting was held in the Fellowship Hall on October 15, 2018, at 6:30 pm. All members were present. The meeting was called to order by President Garret Turbyfill.

Devotions were shared by Jimmy Purgeson. Etta Mae Bollinger has devotions in November.

Aaron Beam reported that all went well for him as Council Designate in September.

The minutes for the Council meeting held on September 10, 2018 were approved as corrected.

Treasurers' reports were received as information and show month end balances:

Current:	\$ 91,354.03	Cemetery CD:	\$ 5,417.59	Phillips CD:	\$ 32,000.00
Available:	\$ 1,651.82	Checking:	\$ 11,090.88	Checking:	\$ 2,736.17
Benevolence:	\$ 8,588.48	Youth:	\$ 644.10	Mauser Fund:	\$ 76,444.74
Building:	\$ 67,704.66	Hand bells:	\$ 3,425.47	Lutheran Women:	\$ 440.04

Pastor's Report (September 2018): Pastoral Contacts: 51. Including Home Visits: 9; Hospital Visits: 2; Nursing Home Visits: 3; Pastor's Study: 13; and other: 24. Services of Worship: 7; Meetings: 14; Officiated at one wedding for Nick and Meredith (Lutz) Lombardi on September 8, 2018; Officiated at the burial service for Elaine Brooks on September 11, 2018.

Congregational sympathy was extended to the family of Elaine Brooks whose service of Christian burial was held on Tuesday, September 11, 2018.

Stuart Reid's funeral was held last Thursday, October 11. Our sympathies are extended to his family.

The busy time of the church year is beginning. Now, until Easter Sunday, is the busiest time of the year. Confirmation classes are going well. We have a great class of seven students. I look forward to teaching them every Sunday morning. Our two Bible Studies are also going well. The Tuesday morning class is continuing our study in the book of First Kings. The Thursday evening class is now studying the Book of Romans.

Our Mission/Witness month got off to a great start with a good attendance at our "First Annual BBQ Supper" on October 7. My thanks are extended to the Lutheran Men's Group, the Fellowship Committee, and the Witness Committee. Possibly, we could do this again in the fall of 2019 and showcase another ministry that we support.

Kristy Painter is doing well and should be back at work soon. However, we do not want her to overdo it.

Thank you for all that you do!

Together in ministry,
Randall A. Cauble,
Pastor

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CONGREGATIONAL SUGGESTIONS/CONCERNS:

- The American Heritage Girls requested authorization for a debit card connected to their checking account. After discussion by council, the consensus was that current church policy does not allow debit cards with church associated bank accounts.
- Etta Mae reported that a member informed her that the zero turn lawn mower was removed from the property. John said that one of the members took the mower to service the blades and then returned it to the scout hut.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

- Thank you notes:
 - VA Coordinator, Ellen Gibbs, for the financial donation to the CVCC Veteran's Center.
 - Renee Bentley, for a financial donation to the Pregnancy Care Center.
 - Robert Silber shared thanks for the donation of 77 lbs. of food to ECCCM.
 - St. Jude Children's Hospital for the gift of \$308.00.
 - Gordon Conwell Seminary for a gift of \$1500.00 for Lutheran Studies.
 - Corner Table soup kitchen for a gift of \$1,175.00.
 - Thanks from Pregnancy Care Center for donations to date of \$1,392.00.
 - Thanks from Family Care Center for a donation of \$800.00.
 - A thank you note from the Pursley family (CREW) for a donation of \$1,500.00 and a year to date total of \$2,980.00.
 - Vickie Blevins, Executive Director, shared thanks from the Catawba County Council on Aging for a gift of \$500.00.
 - Lorissa Vines, Catawba Regional Hospice, sent thanks for a donation of \$250.00. (New Jerusalem is a Hall of Faith partner and a picture of our church is displayed there.)

OLD BUSINESS:

- Jimmy reported that the new stove is installed in the Fellowship Hall kitchen.
- Aaron reported that Northwest Drywall Company in Hickory has submitted a quote for sound panels for the Fellowship Hall. The Property Committee will study the proposal and make a recommendation.
[Anyone interested in sponsoring part of the project is encouraged to contact Aaron Beam or John Lutz.]

NEW BUSINESS:

- 2019 Budget: **The Finance Committee brought a budget to council as a motion. The motion was seconded by Aaron Beam. After discussion and amendments, the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.** The budget will be presented at the congregational meeting on November 18.
- *Loose Offerings were designated as follows: November 11, 18 – Current Fund; November 25 – ECCCM; Thanksgiving Service (November 22) – ECCCM; December 2 – Joy Mission Church of South Carolina.*

COMMITTEE REPORTS: (Standing and Special*):

Church Property & Cemetery: (John Lutz/Aaron Beam):

- Receiving budget pricing for new pavement for the church parking lot.
- The boiler has been serviced for heating season.
- The front church yard is being re-seeded. Grass killer has been applied and the project will be completed soon.
- Several new roof leaks were discovered after the latest hurricane.

***Fellowship:** (Donald Barger):

- Set up and cleaned up for Homecoming on September 30.
- Provided BBQ for the Lutheran Men's BBQ meal in October. There were 55 people in attendance.
- The committee needs to think about a new chairperson for 2019.

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Finance: (Garret Turbyfill/Etta Mae Bollinger/Deron Bumgarner): Provided a budget to council for 2019.

Learning, Youth, & Family: (Robert Hoyle/Adrian Lutz):

- Randall and Robert reported on the Mission Trip for summer 2019. The dates are June 30 – July 5 in Savannah, Georgia. The cost is \$284 per person.
- SLYC attended the Luther League function in Gastonia on October 14 where over 100 youths from North and South Carolina were in attendance.

***Long Range Planning:** (Jimmy Purgeson):

- The new stove is installed.
- The committee is exploring new carpet and tile for the entry vestibule in the Fellowship Hall.

Service: (Thad Scronce):

- The committee will be boxing meals for Thanksgiving on November 16.

Witness: (Danny Black/Pastor Cauble): Will meet the last Sunday in October.

Worship: (Rodney Throckmorton/Pastor Cauble): No report.

Next Council Meeting: Monday, November 12, at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Garret Turbyfill, President

Robert Hoyle, Secretary

November Birthdays

1 – Michael Bollinger
 2 – Neal George, Robert Hoyle, Lauren Barger
 3 – Erik Bolch
 4 – Dianna Bumgarner
 9 – Glenn Mauser, Randy Cline, Leslie Benfield
 10 – Andrea Bumgarner, Janet Lutz
 11 – Caren Howard, Al Lail, Elizabeth Hewitt, James Helms
 12 – Ronny Lamberth
 14 – Wesley Reid
 15 – Ryan Lutz, Eric Preslar, Lori Goins
 16 – Garret Turbyfill
 18 – Lindsay Klinck
 20 – Maggie Rousey
 22 – Linda Lutz
 23 – John Lutz, Dennis Bollinger, Cathy Fletcher
 24 – Carolyn Miller, Dan Wallace
 25 – Etta Mae Bollinger
 26 – Roger Moore
 28 – Jamie Johnson, Tim Seitz, Susanne Blume
 29 – Tammy Lutz, Jack Robinson
 30 – Jerry Sigmon, Andy Martin, Terry Turbyfill, Tim Howard

Kathy Lail
 Sandra Bollinger

Pastor's Assistant

Nick Helms

Pastor's Assistants w/Intinction

Chip Cannup
 Janet Spinks

Acolyte

Sadie Hoyle

Greeters

Carolyn and Brian Riggs

Flowers in the Church

November 4

Betty & James Purgeson

November 11

Dennis & Sandra Bollinger

November 18

Pastor & Vicki Cauble

November 25

Open

Ushers

John Lutz, Chm.

Robert Hoyle

James Morgan

Izaiah Morgan

Tape Ministry

November 4

B.J. Morgan

November 11 & 18

Connie Bumgarner

Dianne Black

November 25

Tommy & Patty Greenhill

Nursery

November 4

Carolyn Riggs

Vicki Cauble

November 11

Della Lamberth

Jennifer Bumgarner

November 18

Kirsten Lutz

Janet Spinks

November 25

Sandra Bollinger

Jan Sorrells

Thank you for serving in November

New Jerusalem Lutheran Women

Group 1 Nov. 6 – 7:00 pm

Hostess – Donna Barger

Leader – Kay Weaver

Group 2 Nov. 5 – 7:00 pm

Hostess/Leader – Etta Mae Bollinger

Group 3 Nov. 5 – 2:00 pm

Hostess – Linda Lutz

Leader – Teresa Vanderlinden

Group 4 Nov. 5 – 7:00 pm

Hostess/Leader – Cindy Lutz

Lutheran Men

Nov. 4 – 6:00 pm

Ken Temple, Dennis Weaver

Council Designate

Etta Mae Bollinger

Teller Committee

*Etta Mae Bollinger

John Lutz

Deron Bumgarner

Altar Committee

Karen Teague, Chm.

Julie Temple

Looking Ahead

Luther League

Dec. 9

Caroling at Trinity Village, Hickory

Special Services

Dec. 2

5:30

Covered Dish Meal

7:00

Hanging of the Greens

Dec. 16

5:00 pm

Soup and Sandwiches

Followed by Christmas Play

Dec. 24

8:00 pm – Christmas Eve Service

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Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
Paraments 7 - White 14 - Green 21 - Green 28 - White				1 6:30 pm – Bible Study	2	3
4 9:30 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Service of Holy Communion 6:00 pm – Lutheran Men	5 2:00 pm – Women’s Group #3 7:00 pm – Women’s Group #2 7:00 pm – Women’s Group #4	6 * NO BIBLE STUDY* 1:00 pm – Quilters 7:00 pm – Women’s Group #1	7 6:00 pm – Chancel Choir Rehearsal	8 * NO BIBLE STUDY*	9	10
11 9:30 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Service of Worship	12 6:30 pm – Church Council Meeting	13 10:00 am – Bible Study 1:00 pm – Quilters	14 11:30 am – Senior Friends 6:00 pm – Chancel Choir Rehearsal	15 6:30 pm – Bible Study	16	17 9:30 am – Luther League 9:00 am – Senior Friends Craft & Bake Sale
18 9:30 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Service of Holy Communion 7:00 pm – Thanksgiving Worship	19	20 10:00 am – Bible Study 1:00 pm – Quilters	21 6:00 pm – Chancel Choir Rehearsal	22 <i>Thanksgiving</i> No Bible Study *** Church Office Closed	23	24
25 9:30 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Service of Worship	26	27 10:00 am – Bible Study 1:00 pm – Quilters	28 6:00 pm – Chancel Choir Rehearsal	29 6:30 pm – Bible Study	30	