

**SAINT JOHN'S
EPISTLE
MARCH 2014**

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church
P.O. BOX 270, BERRYSBURG, PA 17005
The Rev. Thomas G. Bruner, Jr., Pastor

Dear Friends in Jesus,

After a longer-than-usual season of Epiphany green (perhaps a time when we appreciated the green more than usual, in the midst of so much wintry white!), it is almost time to bring in the rugged cross of Lent. We will observe **Ash Wednesday**, the traditional beginning of the Season of Lent, on **March 5 at 7:00 P.M.** with a Liturgy of Holy Communion, including the optional imposition of ashes. (Those desiring to receive the mark of a cross, traced in ashes on their forehead, will come forward at the appropriate time in the worship, much as we come forward to receive Holy Communion.) As is traditional here at St. John, those communing will have the option of receiving the wine from the common cup.

I'd really like to see us increase our congregational family attendance on this important day. I've long believed that it isn't really our busy schedules that keep us away from Ash Wednesday worship – it's more about avoidance. Let's be honest – it is a rather somber day, and I don't think that it will ever show up on anyone's list of favorite days in the Church Year (including mine), but I truly think that we can't begin to fully appreciate God's gracious Easter "cure" for us without taking the opportunity that Ash Wednesday gives us to pray and think through the extent of the "disease" of our sin and brokenness and death. (And then there's no better way to follow up on that Ash Wednesday worship than by taking part in our series of Wednesday community gatherings for supper and worship that gets underway the following week, on March 12. The full schedule can be found on the back side of this page.)

One more thing about our Lenten journey this year. Maybe you recall that, in one of these letters back in the late fall, I had mentioned that I would like us to make it a Lenten tradition to use a common resource for Bible reading and prayer during the season of Lent? Well, I'm pleased to say that we now have that resource available for the taking. It is a little booklet called *too deep for words*. It comes from our denominational publishing house, Augsburg Fortress, and it includes a scripture reading, reflection, and prayer for each day from Ash Wednesday through the Eve of Easter on April 19. *We have ordered enough copies of the devotional that every member household can have one to use, and, to start with, they will be handed out before worship on February 23 and March 2. If, as you read these lines, you haven't yet gotten your household's copy, please check with me.* We also have a limited number of large-print copies – please help make sure that those folks with vision problems get these copies. (As I mentioned back in the fall, it isn't my intention that you give up what you do in the way of regular daily Bible reading during Lent – instead, please add this brief time to your daily life, so that we share this experience of Bible reading together.)

Blessings to you and yours in these very last days of the Epiphany season!

Pastor Tom

COMMUNITY MIDWEEK LENTEN SUPPER & WORSHIP SCHEDULED

On Wednesday evenings during Lent, the Lutheran, United Church of Christ, and United Methodist congregations of the Berrysburg and Elizabethtown area will again join together for a light supper and worship. The supper, consisting of simple items like soup and sandwiches, will begin at **6:15 P.M.** Following supper, at **7:15 P.M.**, we will join in worship. Worship will end by approximately 8:00 P.M. Once again this year, the host pastor of each congregation will lead the worship, while the pastors will each take turns preaching in a congregation other than their own. Our theme for this year's Lenten series will be *Communities of the Apocalypse: Where Do You Live?* The details for these Wednesday evenings are as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Host Congregation</u>	<u>Preacher/Topic</u>
March 12	Trinity United Methodist Church Elizabethtown	Rev. Jeffrey Wagner The Church in Smyrna (That Would Suffer Persecution)
March 19	<u>At St. John</u>	Rev. Nathan Minnich The Church in Pergamum (That Needed to Repent)
March 26	Peace United Church of Christ Berrysburg	Rev. Susan Halverstadt The Church in Thyatira (That Tolerated a False Prophet)
April 2	Salem Lutheran Church Elizabethtown	Rev. Daniel Shahan The Churches in Sardis & Laodicia (That Had Lost Their Passion for the Gospel)
April 9	Salem United Church of Christ Elizabethtown	<u>Pastor Tom</u> The Church in Philadelphia (That Endured Patiently)

Please don't miss these opportunities to have your faith refreshed and deepened, as we journey together through the Season of Lent. May God bless us as we once again make our way along this pathway that leads to the Cross!



STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL PLANNING TO GET UNDERWAY

The first planning meeting for the 2014 Strawberry Festival will be held on Tuesday, March 4, from 6:15 to 7:15 P.M. at the church. All interested persons are invited to attend. (As previously announced, the Festival itself is coming up on Wednesday, June 11 – please mark your family calendars as we begin to prepare for this annual event by which we are so well known in our community, near and far!)

NEWS FROM THE ST. JOHN WOMEN OF THE ELCA

First let me say thank you to all the ladies making the "Prayer Shawls". What a wonderful job you ladies have done. On February 16th Pastor held a service of "Blessing of the Shawls" and there were twenty-five in all. Keep them coming.

Our next meeting will be held on March 9th at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Our leaders will be Ann Bruner, Heidi Lehman and Jean Weaver.

We will have a lot of things to go over this month since we had no meeting in February. I'm looking forward to seeing you there.

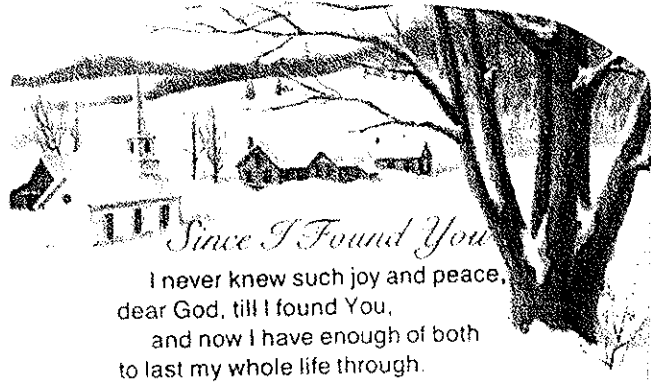
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NEW WORSHIP RESOURCE ADOPTED AT CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

At Part 2 of our Annual Congregational Meeting on January 19, our congregational family voted to approve the use of *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* as our new worship book, with the total cost of approximately \$5,600 to be paid with accumulated interest from our Memorials Fund. On a very wintry Sunday morning, the vote was: 47 Yes, 9 No. The new worship books have now arrived, and we will begin using them in the Easter Season, following Easter Sunday. Stay tuned for more details!

AND ANNUAL REPORTS STILL AVAILABLE

If you were not able to be present for the meeting on January 19, copies of the 2013 Annual Congregational Report are still available in the foyer. Please be sure to pick up yours, and perhaps one for a friend or neighbor as well. *This is especially important this year, because the Congregational Report contains a newly updated congregational directory of addresses and telephone numbers as well as the "Ways to Serve" form, which can be returned to either Pastor Tom or Council President Jim Watson.*



Since I Found You

I never knew such joy and peace,
dear God, till I found You,
and now I have enough of both
to last my whole life through.

As long as I'm in touch with You
throughout each passing day,
if I become confused or lost,
You help me find my way.

And when sadness fills my heart,
as happens now and then
You're always there to lean on,
and renew my faith again.

I wish everyone could have
the peace of mind I do,
and the joy and love, dear God,
I've had since I found You!

Doris A. Orth

SUMMER CHURCH CAMPING IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER!

Even though it is still winter, brochures and registration forms have already begun arriving for summer camping experiences at Mt. Luther, Nawakwa and Kirchenwald. Please don't forget that camping experiences are available for all ages and for all tastes in comfort. For St. John members who attend a camping experience, our Sunday School will pay a portion of the registration fee, making an already affordable experience that much more of a bargain! Please see our Camperson, Angie Maurer, for more information. *And please read on for a report from some real-life Happy Campers...*

With all the other choices facing you for family time away this summer, WHY go to church camp?

We say, "WHY NOT?"

When 8 year old Gracie begged us to send her to Craft Camp at Camp Mount Luther the summer of 2011, I briefly struggled with how I should respond. My overprotective mom instincts reasoned that this adventure could only end with a late night call from Camp Mount Luther explaining that Gracie was ready to return home—after all, Gracie was only 8 and she had never left home for more than a night. But my heart knew that it took a lot of courage for her to ask to do such a thing, so I decided to embrace her request, and off to Camp Mount Luther Gracie went that summer.

Although she stayed the entire week at Craft Camp, she clearly missed us as much as we missed her. She said she had fun, but had no intention of going back the following summer. So when a representative from the Lutheran Camping Corporation of Central PA visited St. John's the winter of 2013 to talk about camping opportunities at Kirchenwald and Nawakwa, I only half listened to the presentation. It wasn't until Gracie nudged my arm and pointed her chin toward the speaker that I realized she had been giving it her full attention. Wanting to encourage Gracie's interest, I listened intently as the representative went on to talk about Family Camp choices. Gracie leaned over my forearm, looked up at me with a little smile, and declared, "I will go back to church camp if. . .we ALL go this time."

Six months later the Gehrings were at Camp Nawakwa. The kids couldn't wait to play and explore, and Clint and I. . .well, we weren't sure what to expect. Clint had gone to Lutheran church camps as a child, but we both wondered what we would do while the kids were off engaged in children's programs throughout the day. We were pleasantly surprised by what we gained that week.

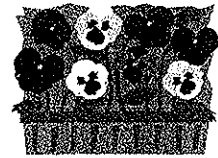
That week our faith was renewed and shared with new Christian friends, Lutheran friends. As Clint and I felt our community of faith grow in significant ways throughout the week at Adult Bible Study and during family activities, we saw the same happening for Gracie and Gabe, but through planned and unplanned play opportunities. Oh, and we had a lot of fun too! Most importantly, Gracie and Gabe had more than great camp counselors to guide them that week. They had us—their parents—to serve as role models of faith in Christ. That's what Gracie was missing that first week she spent at Craft Camp. I'm so glad she hoped for more from us!

This winter we find ourselves coordinating our Family Camp week with our "camp besties." The girls want to claim cabins next door to each other this summer, and the boys have "big" plans for late nights with the Walkie Talkies. And the adults? Well, we look forward to spending an undistracted week focused on renewing our faith, making more memories, and strengthening our ties to Christian friends. To God be the glory!

Amy, Clint, Gracie, and Gabe Gehring

Check out the video of our week at Camp Nawakwa:

<http://animoto.com/play/G2fhVtTvLKjgQmcFNsdQWg>



WORSHIP SERVICES FOR MARCH 2014

Altar Guild for March

Ginny and Delmar Enders

Lector for March

Judith Cheatham

Ushers for March Carol Hassinger (L), Dale Hassinger (E) Bill & Karen Paulman

MARCH 2, 2014

The Transfiguration of Our Lord
Holy Communion

Sunday School Superintendent- Fay Nichols
Sunday School Pianist- Lois Watson
Greeters- Delmar & Ginny Enders
Acolytes- Ryan Henninger & R J Henry

MARCH 5, 2014

Ash Wednesday
Holy Communion

Greeters – The Craig Shade Family
Acolytes - Owen Mattern & Katherine Gessner

MARCH 9, 2014

The 1st Sunday in Lent

Sunday School Superintendent- Larry Gessner
Sunday School Pianist- Judy Ferree
Greeters- The Lynn Mace Family
Acolytes- Tyler D'Alesandro & Aidan Roadcap

MARCH 16, 2014

The 2nd Sunday in Lent

Sunday School Superintendent- Lynn Henninger
Sunday School Pianist- Jean Weaver
Greeter- The Baumgardner Family
Acolytes- Gracie Gehring & Kelsey Henninger

MARCH 23, 2014

The 3rd Sunday in Lent

Sunday School Superintendent- Jeff Lehman
Sunday School Pianist- Louise Baumgardner
Greeters- The Maurer Family
Acolytes- Reyann Cheatham & R J Henry

MARCH 30, 2014

The 4th Sunday in Lent

Sunday School Superintendent- Ken Koller
Sunday School Pianist- Sandy Paul
Greeters- The Jim Watson Family
Acolytes- Gracie Gehring & Katherine Gessner

God promises a safe landing, not a calm passage.

March 2014



**ST. JOHN'S EVANGELICAL
LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Pastor Tom's Day Off
2 The Transfiguration of Our Lord 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Liturgy of Holy Communion	3 9:00 Blanket Making for LWR 7:30 Dartball Match St. John at Faith United Methodist, Fisherville	4 10:00 Pastor Tom at Conf. Pastors Mtg. 6:15 Strawberry Festival Planning Mtg #1 7:15 Prayerful Planning Mtg. NO St. Choir Rehearsal Shrove Tuesday	5 Ash Wednesday 7:00 Liturgy of Holy Communion, with Optional Imposition of Ashes			8 Pastor Tom's Day Off 7:00 A.M. Men's Prayer Group at the Church
9 The 1st Sunday in Lent <i>Day of Prayer for Peace with Justice, Beginning in the Middle East</i> 9:00 Sunday School 9:00 Confirmation Class 10:15 Liturgy of the Word Afternoon—Youth Group Service Trip to Bethesda Mission 6:00 Women's Group Meeting 7:30 Congregational Council Meeting Daylight Savings Time Begins	10 9:00 Blanket Making for LWR 7:00 Upper Dauphin Conf. Cabinet Mtg. at Simeon United, Gratz 7:30 Dartball Match – Lykens United Methodist at St. John	11 10:00 Pastor Tom at Conf. Pastors Meeting 6:15 Sunday School Teachers & Officer Mtg. 7:30 Senior Choir Rehearsal	12 6:15 Lenten Supper and Worship at Trinity United Methodist Church, Elizabethtown			15 Pastor Tom's Day Off
16 The 2nd Sunday in Lent 9:00 World Hunger Appeal Kickoff Event 10:15 Liturgy of the Word 11:15 Brief Green Team Gathering	17 9:00 Blanket Making for LWR	18 10:00 Pastor Tom at Conf. Pastors Meeting 1:00 Gathering at the Manor at Susqu. Village 6:15 Worship & Music Comm Mtg. 7:30 Sr. Choir Rehearsal	19 Joseph, Guardian of Jesus 6:15 Lenten Supper and Worship <u>AT ST. JOHN</u>			22 Pastor Tom's Day Off
23 The 3rd Sunday in Lent 9:00 Sunday School 9:00 Confirmation Class 10:15 Liturgy of the Word 1:30 Church Dartball League Tournament at Valleys Church, Halifax	24 9:00 Blanket Making 6:30 Prayerful Planning Group Gathering	25 Annunciation of Our Lord 10:00 Pastor Tom at Conf. Pastors Meeting 6:15 Property Committee Mtg.	26 6:15 Lenten Supper & Worship at Peace United Church of Christ, Berrysburg			29 Pastor Tom's Day Off
30 The 4th Sunday in Lent 9:00 Sunday School 9:00 Confirmation Class 10:15 Liturgy of the Word	31 9:00 Blanket Making for LWR					

*St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church
Congregational Council Meeting Minutes
January 12, 2014*

The Council Meeting was called to order by President Jim Watson.

Pastor Tom offered devotions.

Present – James Bullock, Jamie Doyle, Carol Hassinger, Lorraine Henninger, Roy Henry, Ken Koller, Sandra Lamenza, Jeff Lehman, Sandra Shade, Cheryl Shadle, Jim Watson and Pastor Tom

Excused Absences — Eric Mattern

Reorganization:

Motion by Jamie Doyle to nominate Jim Watson for President.

Motion by Sandra Shade, 2nd by Jim Bullock to close the nominations.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Lorraine Henninger to nominate Jeff Lehman for Vice President.

Motion by Sandra Shade, 2nd by Jamie Doyle to close the nominations.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Lorraine Henninger to nominate Jamie Doyle for Secretary.

Motion by Sandra Lamenza, 2nd by Sandra Shade to close the nominations.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Lorraine Henninger to nominate Sandra Lamenza for Assistant Secretary.

Motion by Jamie Doyle, 2nd by Sandra Shade to close the nominations.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Jamie Doyle to nominate Lorraine Henninger for Current Treasurer.

Motion by Sandra Shade, 2nd by Sandra Lamenza to close the nominations.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Lorraine Henninger to nominate Sandra Shade for Assistant Current Treasurer.

Motion by Ken Koller, 2nd by Roy Henry to close the nominations.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Sandra Lamenza to nominate Carol Hassinger for Farm & Improvement Treasurer.

Motion by Lorraine Henninger, 2nd by Ken Koller to close the nominations.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Lorraine Henninger to nominate James Bullock for Benevolence Treasurer.

Motion by Jamie Doyle, 2nd by Cheryl Shadle to close the nominations.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Jamie Doyle to nominate Lorraine Henninger & Sandra Lamenza for Cemetery Board Representatives.

Motion by Sandra Shade, 2nd by Ken Koller to close the nominations.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Cheryl Shadle to nominate Louise Baumgardner, Tamara Spicher and Lois Watson for Usher Chairpersons. 2nd by Sandra Lamenza.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Jamie Doyle to nominate Pat Herb for Finance Secretary.

Motion by Lorraine Henninger, 2nd by Cheryl Shadle to close the nominations.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Ken Koller, 2nd by Cheryl Shadle to accept the November and December Council minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Reception of Petitions and Communications: Bergey Water completed our 4Q water sample for DEP free of charge.

Lutheran World Relief provided a summary from the Fall Ingathering. St. John's participation was very solid as always.

Community Aid Collection Boxes for shoes & clothing provides a grant for hosting a drop off box on your property. Council declined because we support Goodwill and it may attract trash drop offs due to our seclusion.

Discussed issue raised by our Sextons.

Thank you card from Chris Mummert from the Malaria Campaign Task Force for our Synod which is making great progress.

Request from non-members Chris Foracker and Sara Schreffler (granddaughter of member Sue Lebo) to have their wedding here with Pastor Tom officiating in October 2014. Motion by Sandra Lamenza, 2nd by Ken Koller to approve. Motion passed unanimously.

Due to pay final \$500 piece of our \$1,500 pledge to Seminary for Crossroads campaign from Local Benevolence.

Medic 6 will receive annual gift of \$100 from Local Benevolence.

UDA HS Parent/Teacher Organization will receive gift of \$100 from Local Benevolence for Post Prom.

Thank you from Devon Radel for supporting him last year with his travel to Georgia to for missionary work thru the Victory Christian Fellowship group at PSU and request for support

for his upcoming trip to the University of Alabama on March 10-14 for missionary work with the same group. Motion by Carol Hassinger, 2nd by Sandra Shade to support him with a \$150 gift. Motion passed unanimously.

Pastor's Report: Motion by Cheryl Shadle, 2nd by Ken Koller to accept Pastor's report. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Reports: Motion by Jamie Doyle, 2nd by Ken Koller to accept the treasurer's reports. Motion passed unanimously.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Church Property: Ceiling fan installation should occur shortly.

11/26 meeting was cancelled due to weather. Next meeting is 1/28/14.

Finance Committee: 4th Quarter and year-end audit Monday, January 13th @ 6:30pm.

Worship & Music: Next meeting 1/21/14.

Christian Education: Sunday School Teacher and Officers Meeting Tuesday, 1/14/14 @ 6:15pm.

Stewardship: No report

Evangelism: 12/17 Meeting cancelled. Next meeting 2/18/14.

Youth Ministry: Spaghetti Super Sunday, January 19th at 5:00pm.

Mutual Ministry: Met 1/12/14. Looking for new Committee member

Executive: Meeting tonight following Council meeting.

Nominating: No report

History Committee: The history booklet continues in process.

Green Team: No report

Other Reports: Prayerful Planning Group- Four sub-committees working on their topics. A comprehensive plan will be presented to Council by the end of March.

Unfinished Business: Strawberry Festival meeting will be 3/4/14.

Discussion will be held from month to month on Shaking Hands due to flu season. People are doing great job of exercising common sense.

New Business: Discussion on the Usher duties.

Sweetheart Banquet Saturday, 2/15 at 6:00pm. \$15 per person.

Discussed Memorial Placement of flowers. Mae Shaffer monies designated specifically for Memorial Flowers has been depleted for several years and will be discontinued. Motion by Lorraine Henninger, 2nd by Sandra Lamenza to discontinue. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion of transferring ¼ of original Mae Shaffer principal trust from Memorial Account to Cemetery Committee in the amount of \$11,100 per the specifics of her will. Motion by Lorraine Henninger, 2nd by Sandra Lamenza to proceed with the transfer. Motion passed unanimously.

Next Council Meeting: February 9, 2014 at 7:30pm.

Adjournment: Motion by Jim Bullock, 2nd by Cheryl Shadle to adjourn at 9:01 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jamie Doyle, Secretary

Treasurers Report for

	November 2013			
	<u>Prior Balance</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>EOM</u>
Current	5,582.07	10,257.54	10,800.93	5,038.68
Benevolence	53.76	1,573.05	1,573.00	53.81
Memorial	27,848.07	737.69	333.00	28,252.76
Improvement	4,344.54	473.00	275.00	4,542.54
Bicent CkAcct	23,523.97	296.46	-	23,820.43
Bicent Svngs	5,300.91	-	-	5,300.91
Flower	144.51	262.00	240.00	166.51

	December 2013			
	<u>Prior Balance</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>EOM</u>
Current	5,038.68	14,495.24	16,654.18	2,879.74
Benevolence	53.81	1,755.10	1,755.00	53.91
Memorial	28,252.76	738.73	14,884.17	14,107.32
Improvement	4,542.54	459.00	88.65	4,912.89
Bicent CkAcct	23,820.43	230.83	1,100.00	22,951.26
Bicent Svngs	5,300.91	-	-	5,300.91
Flower	166.51	268.50	362.50	72.51

A PROUD GRANDPARENT EVENT

We wanted to share a very special event we attended on Saturday, January 25th in Maryland.

Our youngest grandson, Glenn Herb, earned his Eagle Badge and the ceremony was held at the fellowship hall of the Methodist Church they attend.

Most of you members here at St. John's know that Glenn has had a disability since the age of 5. He is now 18 and will graduate from high school in May. Since the age of 5 Glenn has had to overcome many obstacles most of us take for granted. He has limited use of his left arm and hand and suffers from a limp on his left side. Against all odds Glenn survived two major operations and has had to learn to reuse his left arm and leg. I tell Glenn that he is my hero because some adults will never experience the pain and suffering that Glenn has in his short life. I truly believe that Glenn's life was spared for a reason. God has special plans for Glenn and I feel that someday he will make a difference in the world in a good way.

Glenn has persevered in all activities in which he has participated. I have never heard Glenn complain and I have never heard him say anything indicating that he feels sorry for himself.

Glenn's final project towards earning his Eagle Badge was to build a ramp for an elderly woman in his area and also to landscape around the ramp. Friends and other scouts helped as well as Glenn's family. We were privileged to participate in that project. We traveled to Maryland one weekend and helped. Another proud moment for both of us.

So, attending the ceremony for Glenn when he received his Eagle Badge was definitely a very special moment for us. He worked harder than most scouts to attain this honor and we can't help but express our happiness and joy about his achievement.

Glenn's ceremony was attended by approximately 65 people. Some family, friends, church members, and fellow scouts were there to share in his special day.

I thank God that we were able to attend and participate in this important day in his life's journey.

In closing, we would like to say that we are no different than all other grandparents who are proud of their grandchildren's achievements. We hope you will take the time to share in your grandchildren's achievements and joys as we try to do with all our grandchildren.

Thank you for taking the time to read this. God Bless All Our St. John's Family.

Pat and Harold Herb



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Tuesday 8:00 A.M. – 9:30 A.M.
Wednesday 8:00 A.M. – 12:00 Noon
Thursday 8:00 A.M. – 12:00 Noon
Friday 8:00 A.M. – 9:30 A.M.
(Other times by appointment)



OUR MISSION

St. John congregation, responding to the call of the Holy Spirit through the Gospel, unites together to preach and teach the Word, administer the sacraments, and carry out God's mission. With God's guidance and grace, we strive to boldly proclaim by word and action the reconciling Gospel of Jesus: Working together for justice and peace, and caring for those in need in our community and world. We invite everyone to join us wherever you are on your faith journey.