



Tidings of Joy



“Joyfully Reaching Out to Others in Christian Love and Service”
Joy Lutheran Church, ELCA

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September 2017

Staff

The Rev. C. Judd Ludder - Interim
Steven K. Weiss – Organist
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Worship Times:

Sunday

10:00a.m. Worship Service

8:45a.m. Adult Sunday School

Children's Education Time
(During the Sermon)

Saturday September 2nd

5:30p.m. Pilgrim Journey Band
(Prayer and Praise)

Sunday September 3rd

10:00a.m. Pilgrim Journey Band
(Liturgical Modern Worship)

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JOY CORE VALUES

Worship: Joyfully experiencing Christ through word, music, sacrament and prayer

Property: Providing the physical means to fulfill the spiritual needs of church and community

Outreach: Extending Christ's compassion and care to others

Fellowship: Enjoying each other's company

Welcoming: There is a place at Joy for everyone

Education: Getting to know the Word

Relationships: Everyone is worthy of care and respect

2017 Church Council

Interim Pastor - Rev. C. Judd Ludder

President - Chris Peters

Vice President - Erik Maenpaa

Secretary - Kelly Arner

Treasurer - Kim Tolley

Financial Secretary - Linda Kratzer

Council Members at Large:

Chris Allebaugh

Rene Harper

Judy Garrison

Sandra Kenyon

John Manaseri

Melody Shaffer

Pastor's Point

I'd like to comment on a few things this month. The first thing - or two things, I guess - are attendance and giving. They have been good! It's not often, if ever, I've been able to write that in about 34 years of ministry so when you have the opportunity, you want to take it. It's really wonderful and gratifying that your support of Joy Church remains regular and strong in these important months. It's a wonderful message to potential new pastors, because good stewardship is a sign of spiritual strength. Nice going!

Perhaps you've heard by now, but if not - Joy Church received a most generous gift of \$20,000 toward the purchase of a new, full color, double sided electronic sign to replace our existing sign on Jupiter Boulevard. The donor is not interested in recognition so I won't mention a name here, but this individual's faith in her Lord and her church is inspiring. If you remember my message a few Sundays ago regarding "if you want to walk on water, you have to get out of the boat" I mentioned I thought God was "passing by" Joy Church. I meant that in a positive sense in terms of God's presence shown to us in special ways. I'm even more convinced now.

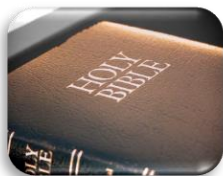
As you know, I think Joy Church will do just fine in the future under the leadership of a new pastor. While I have been here, we together have been trying to put things in place that will make that possible. This was always an ambition of mine in that our current signage at Joy is . . . well, pretty yucky! I mean, it's SO dated that it is not only not helping - it's actually serving as a deterrent, I think, for people visiting. A new electronic sign will really be able to communicate what's going on at Joy to our community. It will be great! Additionally, we need to address the sign on the corner as well, but that is much easier done.

Please note that Space Coast Conference Lutheran Churches and area Catholics will participate in a joint service in commemoration of the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation on Wednesday, September 27, at 7 pm. The service will be at St. Sebastian Catholic Church. If you are able to attend, you should. I will see you there!

As the summer comes to a close and we get ready for fall, I again thank you for your support of Joy Church and me. Please keep our Call Committee in your prayers, as well as the people of Texas who have and will suffer much due to hurricane Harvey. Lutheran Disaster Response is always a good way to help.

In Christ,
Pastor Ludder

Lectionary "A" for September 2017



Gospel Readings

September 3rd Matthew 16:21-28
September 10th Matthew 18:15-20
September 17th Matthew 18:21-35
September 24th Matthew 20:1-16



Sunday School is back in session. We can always use additional teachers. The materials are supplied to you and are very easy to follow. Because we rotate months, you do not have to teach more than 3 times during the year. Please pray about becoming a Sunday School teacher.

NOTE: Children are dismissed for "Children's Education Time" following the Pastor's "Kid's Talk", and return prior to Communion.



REWARDING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF JOY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Promise of Brevard is a nonprofit organization which was established in 2009 as a way to provide housing opportunities for young adults with special needs to have a sense of independence, while simultaneously living, working and thriving in their community. Promise residents will begin moving into their apartments in August of this year and all 126 young adults with special needs, with an average age of 32, will move into the affordable housing by November 2017. The housing is located at 4105 Norfolk Parkway on 39 acres adjacent to the Hammock Landing Shopping Plaza in West Melbourne.

Promise of Brevard is looking for volunteers to help in various capacities:

1. Promise Treasures Thrift Shoppe opened in October 2013 and is located at 3040 West New Haven Ave.
2. Promise Cafe and Bakery opening in October 2017, located at 3000 Minton Road in West Melbourne.
3. Promise Creative Arts Center opening in the fall of 2017, located at the main campus.
4. Hydroponic Garden/opening fall of 2017.

If you are looking for a rewarding volunteer opportunity, please look through the yellow folder located in the Narthex and you can call Loren Hinton at 321-722-7400 or email her at loren@PromiseinBrevard.com.

You can always ask Sandi or Tom Nicosia if you have any questions.

September 23rd



Barbecue catered by Sonny's.

Sign-up starting September 3rd. Tickets will go on sale starting September 10th for \$10.00. The tickets will be color coded to distinguish your choice of meat.

October 29, 2017

October Fest



October Fest Menu will be: brats, hot dogs, buns, German potato salad, sauerkraut, red cabbage, and apple strudel. The cost will be \$10.00 a person.





ATTENTION

All Joy Crafters (men & women) are invited to help

***JOY Lutheran Church Women
Annual CHRISTMAS CRAFT SALE (fundraiser)***

November 4, 2017 9:00 to 2:00 p.m.

- Crafts (all crafts, sewing, knitting, crocheting, wood working, jewelry making, etc.)
- Bake sale
- White elephant table
- Men's group: hot dogs sale
- Tables for rent for anyone who has crafts/items to sell (not garage sale)

For planning purposes: Please let Marjorie know 1) if you would like to contribute to WELCA's crafts or help with craft sale; 2) \$10.00 rent a table to sell your crafts.

Marjorie Maenpaa at 327-8400

or

email: marjorie.maenpaa@gmail.com

Rachel's Circle Handiwork



The above picture shows a few of the items that the ladies of Rachel's Circle make during their Wednesday meetings here at Joy. The baby kits and afghans go to various places like Arnold Palmer Hospital, Ronald McDonald House and other various hospitals.

If you are interested in knitting or crocheting, or just want to make some items and donate, please come to one of our meetings and join in the fellowship. Soon we will begin working on the craft fair items for November.

Congratulations to Al and Angela on their recent marriage (July 30th).



Young at Heart

Young at Heart **will not** be meeting in September.

Young at Heart will be meeting on **October 19th at noon**. All are welcome, especially those 55 and over. Invite your friends, relatives, and neighbors. Lunch will be potluck, so please bring a dish to share (your choice of meat, vegetable, salad, or dessert). We have a great time getting to know each other. So, please come out and join us. October's Young at Heart will be hosted by Marge Maenpaa and Dot Kirsch

Always check Sunday's bulletin for any changes.

“Across the Ocean/Across the Street”

Our “Across the Ocean/Across the Street” was an enormous success. Because of everyone's generous donations, we were able to meet our goal of 10 Kindergarten and 10 First Grade kits for Turner Elementary School and 30 kits for Lutheran World Relief. Thank you to everyone for making this campaign a success!



Musical Notes from "Pilgrim Journey"



If you love to sing, we would love for you to try our prayer and praise service on the last Saturday of the month at 5:30pm. This a very informal service, and pastor's message is slightly different from that of the following Sunday morning message. **NOTE: Pilgrim Journey will be leading worship music on the First Saturday & Sunday in September.**

Martin Luther wrote, *"The gift of language combined with the gift of song was given to human beings to let us know that we should praise God with both word and music, namely, by proclaiming the [Word of God] through music."*

Congratulations to Al and Angela on their recent wedding.

"DAILY BREAD"

Feeding Hungry



If you are interested in serving at "Daily Bread" on the 4th Friday of the month, contact Elaine Heine at 321-215-7928 or Connie Steinhorst at 321-725-6391.

"Feed the hungry and help those in trouble. Then your light will shine out from the darkness, and the darkness around you will be as bright as day."
Isaiah 58:10 NLT



Sharing Center

A basket is provided in the Narthex for collection of 'can-in-hand' or some other non-perishable food item each Sunday. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP



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Coffee, Snack, and Cold Drink served in the kitchen after worship.

If you enjoy the "Coffee Fellowship", consider signing up to host a Sunday. The signup sheet is in the narthex.

Church Cleaning



Your help is needed. Can you offer some of your Time, as part of your Stewardship, to assist with the church cleaning??

Please give Jackie Baudek a call at (321) 723-4503 or 321-795-7853; with the time and day you are available. Or, just show up on Friday mornings.

JOY Lutheran Church - Women of the ELCA

Mark the following date(s) on your calendar:

- September 17..... Thankoffering Sunday
 - October 7..... Pancake Breakfast, followed by a meeting
 - November 4..... Holiday Craft Show
 - November 10-13.... Lake Yale Fall Gathering
 - December 2..... Women's Christmas luncheon at the Mansion
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Dorcas Circle - (Quilting) Meets every Tuesday at 10:00am.

Martha Circle – (Bible Study) Meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at **11:30am** (after quilting).
Come have a wonderful time learning from Pastor Lynn Ash (bring a sack lunch).

Eve Circle - (Bible Study) Meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at **11:30am** (after quilting).

REMINDER: WELCA Eve Circle Bible Study on Tuesday, the 18th of September, 11:30 a.m., September *GATHER* magazine. Starting NEW Bible Study: The Apostles' Creed (this is a 3-month Bible Study: September, October & November) Session 1: We believe in God.....The Apostles' Creed is part of our prayer life, our welcome liturgy and our teaching tools. It connects us to the history of the church and the faith.

Rachel Circle - (Knit/Crochet) Meets every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.

Phoebe Circle - (Card making) Not currently active, but thanks to Doris Bunker and others, for mailing to the congregation for birthdays and get-well.

The ladies of WELCA would like to thank Bob Lindner for his efforts in securing funds for us through Thrivent. We received \$250.00 which we used to buy quilting supplies and supplies for our Pancake Breakfast.

SHEPHERD'S CENTER FALL SESSION

“An Adventure in Learning”

The Fall Session begins September 21st at First Presbyterian Church of Palm Bay located at 1080 Port Malabar Blvd N.E., 32905. Classes which begin at 9:00, 10:00, 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. meet each Thursday. The session will end on November 16, skipping November 2nd. Tuition is \$20.00 per person and \$30.00 for a couple. Everyone is invited to participate. Try something new this Fall!

This term, you will have the opportunity to choose from the following subjects and teachers/facilitators: Jack & Ann Dawkins -Smithsonian Aerial America, Mary Anne McMillen -Take Those Old Cookbooks Off the Shelf and Ancient Cultures- Hellenistic Egypt and Rome, Dean Martineau - Baha'i Faith, Linda Jump - Writing Your Life, Pastor Debra Cox -Mythology of Ancient Cultures, Musical History Tour and The Constitution - Rick Rakauskas, Val Anderson - Stretching, Chris Rakauskas - Beginning French, Peg Currie - America the Story of Us.



There are confidential listeners in Stephen Ministry who will listen to your concerns. Ask Pastor Ludder. Remember Senior One Place can offer alternatives and Health First can also.

Stephen Ministers also hold Services at nursing homes on the following schedule. Volunteers to help are always welcomed.

Life Care - 2nd Sunday 10am
Palms Rehab - 3rd Friday 10 am
Sarah Care - 1st & 3rd Wed. at 1pm



¹⁷When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears, and rescues them from all their troubles. ¹⁸The Lord is near to the brokenhearted, and saves the crushed in spirit. ¹⁹Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord rescues them from them all. Psalm 34:17-19(NRSV)

We especially pray for:

Dan Abrahams
Pastor Lynn Ash
Marion Bauman
Thomas Bauman
Linda Bechard
Ernie Church
David Cruz,
Janie Day
Todd Eagle
Winnie Hall
Josh Herndon
John Kirsch
Pastor Bill Menter
Nancy Pagelsdorf
Elaine Simonelli
Delores Williams

We care about you!



If you so desire, please let us know when you or your family is in the hospital. If you want to have information about your hospitalization and basic condition released to Joy Lutheran Church, you need to inform the hospital. Also, please have someone call the church at 321-951-0166 and let us know you have been hospitalized.

Please contact the church office, if you would like to have a visit from the Pastor, a Stephen Minister, or would like to be listed for prayer support.

"BREAD OF LIFE" BACKPACK PROGRAM



The "2017-2018 School Year" started on August 10th, 2017. The "Bread of Life" backpack program for Turner Elementary School is a wonderful outreach to our community. So please be generous in your monetary donations, as we provide food for five families each weekend. The cost is about \$125 per week.

Thank you everyone for your donations and helping with the packing and delivery of the backpacks.



September Birthday Blessings

- 09/02 Connie Thorman
- 09/05 Haley Herndon
- 09/10 Barbara Sparks
- 09/11 Brittany Wolf
- 09/13 Erik Maenpaa
- 09/22 Dennis Baudek
- 09/22 Judd Ludder
- 09/25 Dennis French
- 09/28 Donna Hubbard

Notify the church office, if corrections need to be made to the Birthday List.

September 4, 2017



Labor Day is a special day. Even though it is not a religious celebration, we give thanks to all those that; provide care for the sick, produce food for our tables, and manufacture goods for our use.



The Flower Chart is posted in the Narthex. If you would like to have flowers in honor of or in memory of someone please choose the Sunday and sign up. You may put your check for \$20.00 in your offering envelope and indicate that you are paying for flowers. There may be some dates blocked out by Worship and Music, for the Festival Sundays. If someone has already signed up for the date you wanted, please choose a date close to the one you want, or let the church office know you have signed up, so two vases of flowers can be ordered. Flowers are provided by “Emma’s Flowers.”



Eternal Candle

If you would like to provide the **Eternal Candle** you may also sign up on the Flower Chart for the month you wish. The cost is \$5.00 weekly.

January-August 2017 Stewardship

General Fund	(See Sunday bulletin for current information.)		
Needed each Month	\$11,965	Needed YTD	\$95,720
Received in August	\$10,551	Received YTD	\$97,299
Building Fund			
Budgeted each Month	\$2,720	Budgeted YTD	\$21,760
Received in August	\$2,520	Received YTD	\$19,780

SEPTEMBER 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Check Sunday Bulletins for details or changes in schedule.					8:30am Property Work Group	5:30pm Prayer & Praise Worship Pilgrim Journey
3	Labor Day 4	5	6	7	8	9
8:45am Adult Bible Study 10am Worship Pilgrim Journey		10am Dorcas Circle	10am Rachel Circle		8:30am Property Work Group	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
8:45am Adult Bible Study 10am Worship		10am Dorcas Circle 11:30pm Bible Study 1:00pm Fellowship Mtg. 2:00pm Social Ministry	10am Rachel Circle		8:30am Property Work Group	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
8:45am Adult Bible Study 10am Worship (Thankoffering Sunday)		10am Dorcas Circle 11:30am Eve Circle Bible Study 6:00pm Worship & Music 7pm Council Mtg.	10am Rachel Circle		8:30am Property Work Group 10am-2pm Daily Bread	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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