

News Journal

Monthly Newsletter of New Jerusalem Lutheran Church

November 2025

Give *thanks* in all
circumstances; for this is
the *will of God* in
Christ Jesus for you.

1 Thessalonians 5:18

Kristy's Commentary

This time of year, I always reflect on my time here at New Jerusalem. It is hard for me to believe that as of October 31, I have been with you for 8 years!

During these 8 years, I have had two surgeries, my dad has had heart surgery, and my mom was diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease. My daughter graduated from high school, then from college, and is engaged to be married next June. My son graduated from high school, then from CVCC, and is now at UNC Charlotte. My husband and I celebrated our 20th and 25th wedding anniversaries. With the good and the bad, the people of this congregation have supported me, comforted me, laughed with me, and sometimes laughed AT me! I appreciate all you do for me.

I also appreciate the way you take care of each other as a church family, as well as those in our community, our nation, and the world. There is so much love in this congregation. I'm proud to be a small part of it.

To steal a quote from Pastor Cauble (who I already miss dearly), "God loves you...and so do I."

Much love,

Kristy Painter

CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER

November 9 – Service of Worship

10:30 am

(Nominating Ballot for Church Council)

Those not eligible for election to council are Danny Black, Deron Bumgarner, Lisa Cook, Cindy Coulter, Robert Hoyle, John Lutz, Rusty Lutz, BJ Morgan, Jack Robinson, Betty Scipione, Thad Scronce, Danny Sorrells, Jan Sorrells, Callie Southers, Karen Teague, and Ken Temple.

November 16 – Service of Holy Communion

10:30 am

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, November 16, 2025, during the 10:30 am Service of Holy Communion. We will elect four new council members, adopt a budget for 2026, and discuss any other business that may come before the congregation.

**PLEASE REMEMBER THAT YOU MUST BE
PHYSICALLY PRESENT TO PARTICIPATE
AND VOTE ON NOVEMBER 16.**

INTERESTED IN SERVING ON CHURCH COUNCIL?

If you are interested in serving on the church council, you may place your name on the yellow legal pad in the Gathering Room. If you know of others, in the congregation, who might be willing to serve, please do not hesitate to ask them to think and pray about serving on council.

Bible Study in November



Thursdays at 6:00 pm

November 6, 13, 20

Gathering Room

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO COME TO THESE STUDIES!

Thank You



Dear Friends in Christ at New Jerusalem,

Hope and I want to express our appreciation to you for the thoughtful gift that you gave us for Pastor Appreciation Month. We were pleasantly surprised, not expecting anything since we were just there that Sunday to supply. Your kindness and thoughtfulness in including us was such a loving and kind thing to do.

Again, thank you for your kindness!

In His love,
Pastor Gary and Hope Coble



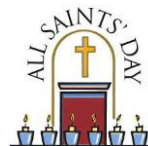
Dear Friends at New Jerusalem,

It is always nice to be remembered and thought of even though I do not see you very often in worship. Betty and I do enjoy being with the Senior Friends group every month.

I was delighted to receive the Pastor Appreciation card and gift card to enjoy. I continue to serve Grace Lutheran Church in Bessemer City, North Carolina as long as I am able. I sit as much as I can when I lead worship and preach sitting on a stool in the pulpit. I am only able to stand for brief portions of the service.

Thank You very much for your thoughtfulness.
Pastor Ron Orovitz

All Saints Sunday – November 2, 2025



Always, on All Saints Sunday, we remember the members of our congregation who have died and moved on to the Church Triumphant since last All Saints Day, November 1, 2024. A candle on the altar will be lit in their memory and a bell rung as each name is spoken during the Prayer of the Day. This year, we remember:

Pat Bell
Ed Kanupp
Cindy Morgan
Ruth Perkins
Buddy Rader

“Rest eternal grant them O Lord and let light perpetual shine upon them.”

Christmas Card Updates



BIRTHS/BAPTISMS:

Wade and J.B. Shannon (Parents: Justin and Salem Shannon)

Isaac Ronin Weaver (Parents: Dale and Raye Lynn Weaver)

NEW MEMBERS:

Dale, Raye Lynn, Maggie, Isaac and Charley Weaver

Arlene Machamer

Aaron Hamrick

Bob and Terri Landers

Jim Mauney

MARRIAGES:

William and Janet Lynch

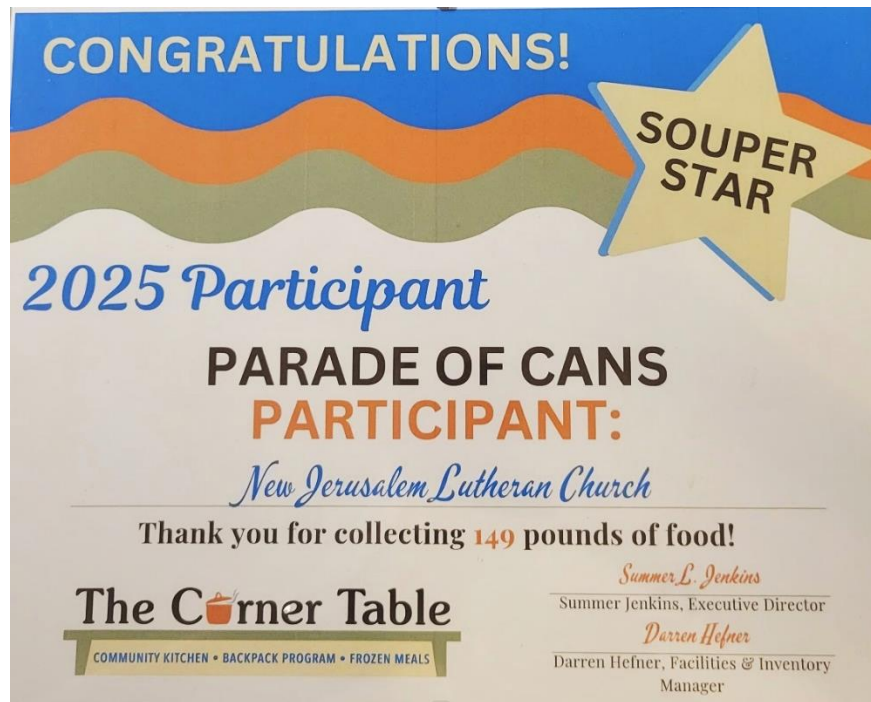
Cayden and Emily (Bumgarner) Breden

Gunnar and Lauren (Barger) Funderburk

DEATHS:

Pat Bell, Cindy Morgan, Ruth Perkins, Buddy Rader

NJLC Souper Star



This certificate was presented at our Senior Friends October meeting. Thank you to the members of Senior Friends and others in the congregation for helping to send 149 pounds of food to Corner Table. The certificate is on display in the narthex.

Senior Friends Reminder

Senior Friends are reminded to bring a side dish (vegetable, fruit, salad or dessert) to go with the turkey by Bob Bekemeier for lunch on November 19. Keep things simple as we need your surprise baking for the Craft/Bake sale on Saturday, Nov. 22.

Senior Friends Answer the Call



Thanks to everyone who responded to the request to send items to Hurricane Helene victims. Debbie McGee and Paula White delivered our items to Valley Hope Foundation (a non-profit organization at Black Mountain, NC and serving western NC). Prior to delivery, they separated and inventoried the donations. Some of the totals included 287 pairs of socks, 86 pairs of gloves, 63 toboggans, 22 blankets, 10 quilts and more. Every item is deeply appreciated and will aid in keeping our friends warmer as winter approaches. Thank you!

Bake and Craft Sale!

New Jerusalem Senior Friends "Bake and Craft" Sale will take place on **Saturday, November 22, 2025** beginning at 9:00 am and running to 1:00 pm. They will have homemade baked cakes, pies and goodies, canned goods, arts and crafts, etc. *You don't have to be a Senior Friends member to make donations or to shop. We 'd appreciate your help!* ***If you are interested in donating cakes and baked goods, they should be homemade. Arts and crafts should be in good to new condition.*** Preferably these items should be brought to the Fellowship Hall on Friday evening, Nov. 21st, between 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm. (If not, bring the morning of the sale between 8:00 am and 8:45 am.) If items are brought at any other time, please have it labeled for Senior Friends, your name and description of the item, and possibly your suggested price. Place it on the wooden table in the Fellowship Hall. If any items need to be refrigerated, please do so and leave us a note saying you have done so.

All proceeds will be donated to worthy organizations. We appreciate your support. If you have any questions, contact

Barbara Hamrick, Evelyn Ferguson, or Sandra Bollinger.

Special Note: We will also have **hot dog lunches** available for purchase beginning at **10:30**.

Decorating our Chrismon Tree and Sanctuary

Volunteers needed on Tuesday, November 25 at 6:30 pm

Please come join members of the Chrismon Committee as we prepare our sanctuary for the Advent/Christmas Season. We always have a great deal of fun and fellowship. Don't worry, we can always find a job to "fit you." Refreshments will be served after we finish, so feel free to bring a favorite snack to share. **Y'all please come!** If you have any questions, contact either Kathe Canupp or Sandra Bollinger.

The lights will be turned on during the Hanging of the Greens service on Sunday, November 30th—*the first day of Advent!*



**New Jerusalem
Lutheran Church
Senior Friends
Bake & Craft Sale**

*Let us help you with your
Thanksgiving baking
and Christmas shopping!*

Our hotdog lunches will be available for purchase beginning @ 10:30 AM.



Sat., Nov. 22nd from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
New Jerusalem's Fellowship Hall
2120 Startown Road, Hickory

**All MONEY raised will be donated
to worthy organizations.**
Thank you for your support!

Senior Friends Highlights

Wednesday, October 15, 2025

NJLC Senior Friends meeting was held on Wed., Oct. 15 at 11:30. Barbara Hamrick welcomed members and visitors, which included a total of **36 people** (33 members and our 3 guests: Mitzi Elkin- Susanne Blume's companion, Jim Johnson-Kay Weaver's father, and Marilyn Punch). Passed around sign-up for reservations for Pastor Cauble's Retirement Meal on Oct. 26. Expressed thanks to all who donated items for people dealing with the aftermath of Hurricane Helene. Paula White is making the arrangements for their delivery. Recognized our Oct. birthdays and anniversaries. Shared updates on several members. Elaine Garner did the devotions and Pastor Orovitz shared the meal prayer.

Sandra Bollinger did a short program titled *Pass the Pumpkin*. Each person was randomly given a number (from the pumpkin) and in turn was asked a question related to the fall season (ex. favorite fall color, favorite drink: apple cider or hot chocolate, scariest costume, favorite Halloween candy...).

Business:

- Reports: Sandra Bollinger shared highlights of our Sept. meeting. Glenda Shook gave the treasury balance. Cookout cost (meat & buns) totaled \$136.66. The offering was collected.
 - Thanked hostesses and set-up people.
 - Elaine Garner shared that prior to today's meeting she had received 90 calendars.
 - Reminder given that **Reservations** for Christmas luncheon on Dec. 3 must be in by Sun., Nov. 9th and payment of \$16 each is due by our Wed., Nov 19th meeting. You are to make **reservations and payments to Glenda Shook**. Checks are to be made out to **NJLC Sr Friends**.
 - Fri., Nov. 14th: Wohlfahrt Haus Dinner Theatre in Wytheville, VA. - Reminder to those attending dinner theater bus leaves NJLC at 9:00 am. Barbara will send address to those driving. She verified those riding the bus.
 - Distributed sale labels for Bake & Craft sale. If need more labels, see Sandra. Bring any unused ones back to Sandra. All items brought in need to be tagged and if possible, with the suggested price.
 - Nov. 19 meeting is for planning the Craft & Bake Sale which is on Sat., Nov. 22 (9am-1pm). Hot dog sale begins at 10:30 am on Saturday. Set up on Fri., Nov. 21, 5:30-7:00 pm. Passed around sign-up sheets for items for Hotdog sale, as well as scheduled times to work in both the kitchen and at the Bake/Craft Sale, and for Clean-Up. Sign-up sheets will be posted in the Gathering Room between now and our next meeting.
 - On behalf of the Corner Table, BJ Sheaves shared a certificate recognizing NJLC's 2025 participation in the *PARADE OF CANS*. NJLC had collected and donated 149 pounds of food. The certificate will be displayed in the Gathering Room.
 - Group was reminded because our Nov. meeting will be planning for Bake/Craft Sale, we recommend menu be **light dishes**! We know some will be cooking a lot for the sale. Bob Bekemeier is preparing a turkey for us for the meeting, so might want to center around that meat dish. If there is leftover meat, BJ Sheaves agreed to take it to the Corner Table.
 - Final item of business: Voted for the five organizations to receive our Bake & Craft Sale proceeds. The five recipients will be named at our Nov. meeting and they will be mailed their checks after December meeting.
- The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Barbara Hamrick, Co-President

Sandra Bollinger, Secretary

LOOKING AHEAD: November devotions: Paul Kurzyna
Nov. Hostesses: Libby Mauney, Carolyn Miller, Betty Sheaves
Nov. Program: Finalizing Plans for Bake & Craft Sale
Next meeting is Wednesday, Nov. 19th at 11:30
(Baker's Choice: Easy dishes)



HANGING OF THE GREENS

*This Church-wide Festival will be held
on the First day of Advent
Sunday, November 30, 2025
at the 10:30 AM Worship Service
at New Jerusalem Lutheran Church*



*Mark your calendars now to join us for this very special event
as we prepare our hearts, minds, and bodies for this holy
season of Advent and the coming of our Messiah.*

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

Time and Talent

2026 TIME AND TALENT SHEET NEW JERUSALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

Name: _____

In prayerful consideration of the ministry of Christ's Church and New Jerusalem Lutheran Congregations and of the gifts (time, talents, and treasures) I have been given by God in Baptism, I would like to serve and respond to God in the following areas during the coming year.

Committees

I will serve on these committees:

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Worship | <input type="checkbox"/> Fellowship & Communications |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance/Stewardship | <input type="checkbox"/> Witness |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Church Property | <input type="checkbox"/> Service |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cemetery | <input type="checkbox"/> Long Range Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Learning, Youth, & Family | <input type="checkbox"/> Church Council (will serve if elected) |

WORSHIP

- ☐ Pray with pastor before each service (need two volunteers each Sunday)
- ☐ Serve as Pastor's assistant
 - ☐ Help with communion
 - Month _____
 - ☐ Read Lessons
 - Month _____
 - ☐ Assist w/ intinction method of communion
- ☐ Serve as Usher
- ☐ Serve on Altar Committee
- ☐ Serve as Acolyte
- ☐ Serve as Crucifer, Banner Bearer, Torch Bearer, etc.
- ☐ Direct or help with the Christmas Play
- ☐ Help with Children's Sermons
- Other _____

WITNESS

- ☐ Will visit active, inactive, and potential new members
- ☐ Will visit shut-ins
- Other _____

LEARNING

- ☐ Attend weekly Thursday evening Bible Study
- ☐ Children's Church/Kids of the Kingdom
- ☐ Teach Sunday School Age? _____
- ☐ Teach Vacation Bible School Age? _____
- ☐ Help with Vacation Bible School
- Other _____

YOUTH

___ Will be a youth group advisor. Which group? ___

___ CROP (Children Receiving Our Prayers)

Other _____

SERVICE

___ Help with the tape ministry

___ Help drive members to doctor visits, store, etc.

___ Non-Circle members who are willing to help with funeral meals

___ Help prepare meals for Public Service members or others

Other _____

PROPERTY

___ Help mow grass (church and parsonage)

___ Help mow the ball field

___ Help rake leaves as needed

Other _____

FINANCE

___ Help count money on Sunday

Other _____

Other ideas for serving _____

FELLOWSHIP

___ Will help with social events at the church

___ Will help with setup and/or cleanup for events

___ Help with serving fellowship meal(s)

Other _____

COMMUNICATIONS

___ Help change church sign message board

___ Help with the church website

Other _____

PUTTING FAITH INTO ACTION

___ Choir Chancel _____

___ Handbell Choir Adult _____

___ PROM (Please Remember Outreach Ministry)

___ Life-to-Life Discipleship

___ Volunteering beyond NJLC (Ashure, Carolina Caring, Habitat, PCC)

___ NALC Committee/Board, Carolinas Mission Region Committees

___ Youth Group (age _____)

___ Lutheran Men

___ Lutheran Women

___ Senior Friends

___ Chrismon Ministry

___ Quilting Ministry (Piece Makers)

Other (please specify) _____

These will be filled out during the service Sunday, November 16.

New Jerusalem Lutheran Church

Church Council Meeting

October 13, 2025

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

The October Church Council meeting was held October 13, 2025. All members of the Church Council were in attendance except Lisa Cook and BJ Morgan. The meeting was called to order by President Ken Temple. Rusty Lutz led devotions. Ken Temple will lead the devotions in November. Jack Robinson was council designate in September and said that the door near the choir room was locked, but not closed all the way. The Fellowship Hall was also unlocked when Life-to-Life met one Tuesday evening. Everyone is asked to make sure the doors are shut and locked when leaving. The minutes for the council meeting held September 9, 2025, were approved as presented.

Treasurer Reports were received as information and show the following month end balances.

*Allocations: \$12,986.38	Benevolence: \$15,591.75	*Youth: \$4,270.10	Phillips Fund Checking: \$30,745.80
Current Available: \$77,718.81	Edward Jones Acct: \$38,137.62	Women's: \$715.00	Mauser Fund CD: \$89,297.10
Current CD: \$49,978.40	Cemetery Fund: \$11,067.32	Cemetery CD: \$14,993.55	Building: \$164,911.00

* Allocations include Youth Fund total as well.

Search for Interim Pastor and Pastor

Discussed next steps for:

- Pastor Johnson suggested Pastor David Hefner from Claremont as our Pastor of Record. He would be on call for funerals, anyone needing guidance or counsel, etc., until we have an interim. Pastor Johnson has already spoken with him and he is willing to serve if we would like him to.
- Interim Pastor
 - Pastor Johnson, as dean, will make a recommendation. He says he will be ready to make a recommendation in 2-3 weeks. The list should include two or three people. The final decision will be ours (for interim pastor, call committee, and pastor).
 - The interim pastor should do visitations and communion for shut-ins.
- Pastor Search/Call Committee
 - We are one of five churches in our district who are in transition. There are three more just outside our district who are in transition.
 - According to our constitution, the call Committee should include 6 voting members (at least one confirmed youth, if available) and should be in place within 30 days of pastor's retirement.
 - Twelve names were nominated for the Call Committee. Council voted and six with the most votes will be called to ask if they will serve. If any decline, more will be called.
 - Once a Call Committee has been formed, they will meet with the Pastoral Care and Transition Team to do a congregational assessment. Then a congregational profile (a summary introduction to potential pastors) will be created.
 - The Call Committee will either watch potential candidates preach in person or watch their services online.

Congregation +/-:

- Megan thanked Sandra Bollinger for setting up for Homecoming and Kristy thanked her for helping put inserts in bulletins several Fridays.

- 125th Anniversary of the church
 - 2030 will be our 125th anniversary. We need to form a committee to start planning the celebration.
 - Long Range Planning or the new Strategic Planning Committee will look into this.
- Family Life Center Fund
 - There was concern regarding Building Fund money being redirected to the Family Life Center Fund because once the money is designated, it can't be used for anything else.
 - Council clarified that the Family Life Center Fund has a 15-year designation. If there is no progress on the Family Life Center after 15 years, then the money in that fund becomes available again.
 - There is already a nice amount in the building to cover other items.

Announcements/Petitions and Communications:

- The NALC requests that each congregation consider contributing 5-7% of the church's annual budget in 2026. The following was also requested:
 - Pray regularly for the leaders, pastors, seminarians, and mission partners of the NALC.
 - Participate actively in making disciples and living out the Great Commission in our community.
 - Support the mission and ministry of the NALC through faithful and sacrificial financial giving in 2026.
 - Our congregation's financial pledge is to give \$10,000 in 2026.

Old Business:

- Updated Bus Driver List needed by insurance company
 - Current drivers: Deron Bumgarner, Chip Canupp, Allen Cook, Megan Gwaltney, Robert Hoyle, Paul Kurzyna, BJ Morgan, Dennis Weaver
 - Jan Sorrells needs to be added for youth trips. Since everyone else wants to remain on the list, we now have nine drivers which will require one driver to submit their motor vehicle records. Kristy will call to see if that person has to be the most recent added or if it can be anyone on the list.
- Employee Reviews
 - Completed Reviews: Helen and Paula
 - Still to be completed: Megan, Carolyn, and Connie (No review will be completed for Connie until after she returns home).
 - Reviews should be done before the congregation votes on the new budget.

New Business:

- Loose Offering
 - The Learning, Youth, and Family Committee recommended replacing Loose Offering with Noisy Offering. The children would collect the noisy offering one Sunday per month and decide where the money would be donated.
 - **Rusty Lutz made a motion to switch from Loose Offering to Noisy Offering.** Robert Hoyle seconded the motion. *The motion passed unanimously.*
 - Offering not in an envelope on the other Sundays would be put in the Current Fund.
- Money was collected for the flowers on the altar September 28 in honor of Pastor Cauble for his retirement.

Ministries: (Pastor is a member of all committees):

Cemetery Committee (Rusty Lutz): No meeting.

Property Committee (Thad Scronce):

- Church grounds cleanup dates will be announced soon.
- Letters on the brick sign in the center of the grounds are falling off the sign.

- A question was raised about grinding the stump where the power company cut down a tree. John Lutz has a solution.
- Discussion has continued about the purchase of an enclosed trailer. A 12-foot trailer that can be pulled behind the bus has been suggested. It can be used.
- Aaron Lail has property behind church and is building a house. Robert and Ken met with Aaron and agreed to allow him to use our road to get equipment in. He verbally committed to repair any damage the equipment may cause.
- The supply line in women's restroom was fixed.

Fellowship Committee (Karen Teague):

- Met last Sunday and finalized plans for Pastor Appreciation reception.
- Still finalizing Pastor Cauble's dinner.

Finance and Stewardship Committee (Deron Bumgarner):

- 2026 Proposed Budget
 - The Finance Committee met Tuesday, September 23 to prepare a budget for 2026. Proposed budgets for Current, Benevolence, and Building were reviewed.
 - Current
 - The Finance Committee originally calculated raises for each employee using 5% and then rounding to an even dollar amount. This caused the percentage increases to be different for each person. These values were reflected on the proposed budget that was distributed. It was since changed to a recommendation of 5% for each employee so that there was no confusion.
 - The Youth & Family Budget was increased from last year to reflect the planned National Youth Gathering (\$8,000) and the Youth Mission Trip (\$6,000) planned in 2026.
 - Benevolence
 - We need to make a decision for how the money formerly going to Matt and Sabrina Pursley is to be designated. Do we want to support Nate Watters through The Navigators or choose another missionary through CRU? Lisa Cook was going to talk to her nephew about CRU. For now, the budget amount will remain, but with the recipient to be named in the future.
 - Building – The proposed budget is \$10,000.
 - **The motion came from the Finance Committee to accept the 2026 proposed budget of the following amounts: Current: \$274,725.00; Benevolence: \$34,710.00; Building: \$10,000.00; TOTAL BUDGET: \$319,435.** Karen Teague seconded the motion. *The motion passed unanimously.*
 - The Council-approved 2026 Budget is to be distributed to the congregation by the first Sunday in November and will be voted on at the Annual Congregational Meeting (3rd Sunday, November 16).

Learning, Youth, and Family Committee (Lisa Cook and Callie Southers):

- Megan provided a handout with a summary of recent events and an outline of upcoming events.
- Upcoming events include play practice beginning October 19, the Fall Festival November 1, helping the Service Committee with Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child and Thanksgiving Box Meals, a Christ the King Bonfire on November 22, and the Angel Breakfast to be held December 14th.
- Megan also included a schedule for events planned in 2026 including the NALC National Youth Gathering and a mission trip.

Long Range Planning Committee (Rusty Lutz and Danny Sorrells):

- Held the annual planning session. Attendance was not great, but those who were in attendance participated well. Thank you to Megan for organizing the session.
- The quarterly check-in meeting will be held this coming Sunday.

- A new Strategic Planning Committee is needed. The Long Range Planning Committee will help coordinate. The names of Brianne Southers, Jennifer Bumgarner, and Rhonda Kiser have been proposed, but the committee is open to others.

Service Committee (BJ Morgan and Karen Teague):

- There was not enough food to donate this month.
- No meeting.

Witness Committee (Robert Hoyle and Ken Temple):

- Met and discussed connections with other committees and witnessing through those events.

Worship Committee (Pastor Cauble, Cindy Coulter, and Jack Robinson):

- No meeting. Carolyn and Connie are choosing the music.
- Cindy Coulter said that there are plenty of seats and robes for new choir members!

Next Council Meeting: Monday, November 10, at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Ken Temple, President

Lisa Cook, Secretary

September 14, 2025 Called Council Meeting

Attendees: Ken, Robert, Jack, Cindy, Danny, BJ, Lisa, Karen, Thad, Callie, Rusty (Deron absent)

Minutes:

- Points of discussion and agreement without a motion:
 - Council to provide flowers for 28Sep Worship Service – Pastor Randall’s last sermon as our Pastor (Kristy order, bill to Ken Temple, then Ken will divide by 12 for each Council persons share.)
 - Ken will ask Bob Alle to be our Pastor for December services (Dec 14, 21, 24 8pm, 28). (Done, Pastor Bob is signed up for December!)
- Business requiring a motion:
 - Finance brought a motion to Council to increase Pastor’s love offering (recognition for many years of service as he retires) to \$5000.
 - Someone seconded the motion (Thad?)
 - Key points:
 - If the total of congregants’ gifts are less than \$5000, then church will add funds from Current to total a check/gift to Pastor Randall of \$5000.
 - For example: if congregants total gift is \$3000, then church will add another \$2000 from Current and give a check to Pastor of \$5000.
 - (total will be tallied as late as possible before the 28 Sep service)
 - If the total given is \geq \$5000, then church will not add any additional funds from Current, and provide a check for the full amount.
 - Check will be provided to Pastor on Sunday, 28 September.
 - Recognizing that congregant gifts could come in later than 28 September, if the total before 28 Sep was less than \$5000, then the additional gifts will go back to Current up to the amount that the church added.
 - Using same example as above, if gifts come in after 28 September of \$2500, \$2000 will be returned to Current, and an additional \$500 check will be written to Pastor Randall.
 - The motion passed with all in favor.
- Meeting adjourned.

November Birthdays

1 – Michael Bollinger
 2 – Neal George, Robert Hoyle, Lauren Barger
 3 – Erik Bolch
 4 – Diana 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, Caiden Hewitt
 20 – Maggie Rousey
 23 – John Lutz, Dennis Bollinger, Cathy Fletcher
 24 – Carolyn Miller, Dan Wallace
 25 – Etta Mae Bollinger
 26 – Roger Moore, Paul Kurzyna
 27 – Charlotte Bullard
 28 – Jamie Johnson, Tim Seitz, Susanne Blume
 29 – Tammy Lutz, Jack Robinson
 30 – Jerry Sigmon, Andy Martin, Terry Turbyfill,
 Tim Howard

Thank you for serving in November

New Jerusalem Lutheran Women

Group 1 Nov. 4 – 6:30 pm
 Gathering Room

Group 3 Nov. 3 – 2:00 pm
 Leader – Teresa Vanderlinden
 Gathering Room

Group 4 Nov. 3 – 7:00 pm
 Hostess/Leader – Pat Bolch
 Gathering Room

Council Designate Ken Temple

Teller Committee *Ken Temple
 Alan Bolch
 Julie Temple

Altar Committee Betty Scipione, Chm.
 Karen Teague
 Lisa Cook

Pastor's Assistant Sandra Bollinger

Acolyte

Lydia Lutz

Flowers in the Church

November 2 James and Jenny Morgan
 November 9 Wayne Cashion
 November 16 Open
 November 23 Sandra Bollinger
 November 30 Senior Friends

Ushers

Paul Kurzyna, Chm.
 Nick Helms
 Ken Temple
 Dennis Bollinger

Tape Ministry

November 2 & 9 Robert Hoyle
 November 16 & 23 BJ Morgan
 November 30 Connie Bumgarner

Looking Ahead

Sunday, December 14 Angel Breakfast

Sunday, December 7

Christmas Play 5:00 pm

Saturday, December 20

Sorting Christmas Cards 9:00 am – 10:30 am

Sunday, December 21

Happy Birthday, Jesus Party 9:30 am – 10:15 am

Tuesday, December 24

Christmas Eve Service 8:00 pm



November 2025

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
Paraments 2 - White 9 - Green 16 - Green 23 - White 30 - Blue						1 4:00 pm – Fall Festival *** Set clocks back one hour
2 9:30 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Service of Holy Communion After Service – Birthday Celebration	3 2:00 pm – Women’s Group #3 7:00 pm – Women’s Group #4	4 1:00 pm – Piece Makers 6:15 pm – Life-to- Life Discipleship 6:30 pm – Women’s Group #1	5 6:00 pm – Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm – Hand bell Choir Rehearsal	6 6:00 pm – American Heritage Girls 6:00 pm – Bible Study	7	8
9 9:30 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Service of Worship and Nominations for Church Council	10 6:30 pm – Church Council Meeting	11 12:30 pm – Bible Journaling Group 1:00 pm – Piece Makers	12 6:00 pm – Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm – Hand bell Choir Rehearsal	13 6:00 pm – Bible Study	14	15
16 9:30 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Congregational Meeting & Service of Holy Communion	17	18 1:00 pm – Piece Makers 6:15 pm – Life-to- Life Discipleship	19 11:30 am – Senior Friends Meeting 6:00 pm – Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm – Hand bell Choir Rehearsal	20 6:00 pm – American Heritage Girls 6:00 pm – Bible Study	21 Packaging of Thanksgiving Box Meals 5:30 – 7:30 pm – Set up/receive items for Bake & Craft Sale	22 Delivery of Thanksgiving Box Meals 8:00-9:00 am – Receive items for Bake & Craft Sale 9 am – 1 pm - Senior Friends Bake & Craft Sale
23 Christ the King 9:30 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Service of Worship	24	25 12:30 pm – Bible Journaling Group 1:00 pm – Piece Makers 6:30 pm – Decorate Chrismon Tree	26 6:00 pm – Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm – Hand bell Choir Rehearsal	27 <i>Thanksgiving</i> Church Office Closed	28	29
30 9:30 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Hanging of the Greens 4:30 pm – Worship Committee						

