

# The Parish Press

Brickerville United Lutheran Church  
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Dedicated Vicar: Philip Supeck  
Sunday Morning Worship: 8:30am  
Adult Sunday School: 10:00am

## APRIL 2025 NEWSLETTER

### Message from the Council President

After a couple of false starts, Spring has sprung. The daylight hours are lengthening, and daffodils and tulips are beginning to pop up everywhere.

Once again our program year is picking up with many outreach opportunities and social events. Check elsewhere in this newsletter and in the bulletin for details.

As Lent winds down, Holy Week presents opportunities for Worship: Maundy Thursday Service will be held here at Brickerville at 7 pm, and Good Friday Service will be at Jerusalem ELC in Rothsville, also at 7 pm. On Easter Sunday, come share breakfast with your Church family at 7:15 am in the Fellowship Hall, prior to our Easter Service at 8:30 am, when Alleluias will once again be proclaimed.

The search continues for a pianist/organist for BULC. When candidates are identified, they will be a supply organist on a Sunday as an "audition" for the congregation before hiring. Further announcements forthcoming.

A task force will be coming together soon to address technology needs/and improvements for BULC. If you have an interest in this effort, let any council member or myself know.

Also coming soon, your council and affected committees will host a Listening Session regarding the availability of Holy Communion every Sunday. Watch your Bulletin for details.

Finally, this year's Synod Assembly will be meeting in York, PA from June 5-7 to select a new bishop. Delegates have already met at the conference level to raise up names for consideration. Normally, two lay delegates are sent per congregation. Synod regulations allow congregations with less than 175 baptized members to send one if they choose. Your council, in a cost-saving move, made the decision to send yours truly to vote on your behalf at Synod Assembly in June. I will report on the outcome in a future message.

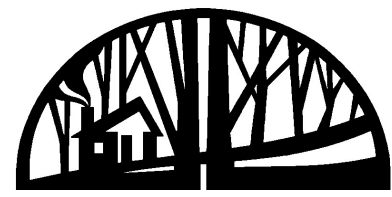
Enjoy the increasingly sunny weather!

May the Lord bless you all,

*Tom*  
Tom Hocking, Congregation Council President 2025

## A Note from the Vicar. No Strings Attached

We are blessed to be part of a congregation that gives generously of their time, their talents, and their treasures. Thank you all for sharing your gifts with us and with our neighbors as we live, learn, and grow together as members of God's church.



## VICAR'S MESSAGE

Sometimes our decisions to financially support the work of the congregation comes with strings attached. Whereas there is a time and place for this type of giving, these days I want to encourage you to be more open when considering what your financial gifts are supporting at Brickerville United Lutheran Church. Our approved spending plan is only a best guess as to the money we will receive and the money we will spend throughout the year. Whereas we try very hard to be good stewards of our finances, some things do not always go according to the spending plan. We should not get upset with one another when this happens. No human is perfect or without sin, therefore nothing we create together will ever be perfect or absolute.

As we grow in grace, I would ask each of you to consider freely giving the first fruits of your financial gifts to the General Fund rather than restricting them for a specific purpose. This will help us consistently reach the financial goals outlined in our spending plan, which already includes benevolent expenses. The General Fund is the money we use to keep our church building and our congregation operating. In restricting our financial gifts, we lose the ability to grow our General Fund to cover day-to-day expenses. When this happens, we are forced to use our savings, which overtime, will be depleted. We want to preserve our savings for as long as possible and giving with no strings attached to the General Fund, will help us accomplish this goal.

Please **DO NOT** be alarmed. The financial status of Brickerville United Lutheran Church is still in a comfortable position. However, some trends have emerged that if not addressed now, will present concerns in the future. I am confident that if we commit to giving in this way, we will soon realize greater financial freedom expanding our abilities to love and serve those within our congregation, those within our community, and those we have yet to meet.

Look for information on A Stewardship Revolution from the subcommittee on Stewardship in our monthly newsletters and in our weekly bulletins. As always, if you have questions, feel free to speak with me or any member of our Committees on Finance, Stewardship, or Endowment.

*Give liberally and be ungrudging when you do so, for on this account the Lord your God will bless you in all your work and in all that you undertake.* Deuteronomy 15:10 NRSVUE

Peace be with you!  
Vicar Philip J. Supeck

### Vicar's Time Away

Vicar Supeck will be out of the office and unavailable during the following times. To request Pastoral Care during these times, please call the church office.

- Vacation- Monday, April 21, through Saturday, April 26, 2025
- Vacation- Monday, June 9, through Sunday, June 15, 2025
- Seminary Week - Monday, June 23, 2025, through Sunday, June 29, 2025

### Vicar's Availability at BULC

Mondays and Wednesdays 8am to 4:30pm. Call him at 717-725-3429 on those dates if you would like to schedule an appointment with him.

## **Seek the Voice of Love...A Lenten Lesson**

I hope each of you are finding time to turn inward, to reflect, fast, pray, and listen with your whole heart, for the voice of God in your life during this Lenten season. If you have been reading along in our shared devotions, you should be picking up some helpful insight on how we can experience Life Renewed as individuals, as a congregation, and as members of God's church. If you have not been following along, or you have not yet heard God's voice, it is okay. As Zach Fetter says, "Look for hope!" Start there. It is never too late to experience the hope found in the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit.

I share the words from March 21, 2025, as written by David L. Miller in Life Renewed. Devotions for Lent 2025. 2024 Augsburg Fortress.

*Hear, everyone who thirsts; come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Isaiah 55:1 NRSVUE*

*How shall we hear the voice in this scripture passage? As a command? A gentle invitation? Or something much more, like a heartfelt cry. Please come! the Holy One cries; Come home. I am the food for which you long, the wine that gladdens your heart. Bring your hunger and your despair, I will fill your barren hearts, dissolve your despair, and awaken tears of joy.*

*The heart of God cries out for you, for every last one of us, even as God cried out through the prophet Isaiah to Israel. Conquered and carried into exile, they would have lost everything that was home for them. Do not surrender to despair, not ever, God says to them. My heart is an overflowing banquet of grace and life, blessing and peace, even amid your struggle and disappointment. I will bring you home, and you will know me.*

*We need to hear this. I turned off the news this morning. There was too much war and conflict, too much hurt and need, too many strident voices. There seemed no center to life, no truth, just competing claims and unsolvable problems. Pushing away the nose, I sought the voice of Love, who calls us home to eat the bread of welcome and drink the wine of peace. That voice is always there, deep within, calling: Come home. My heart is eager to welcome and fill you... once again.*

As we continue through these days of Lent and look forward to Easter and the Eastertide, may you seek the voice of Love that continuously calls, without ceasing, for you, for me, for all humankind to step into the presence of God and experience Life Renewed!

Peace be with you!  
Vicar Philip J. Supeck

### **OTHER IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

#### **Gifts of Love Fund & Clergy Discretionary Fund:**

As a reminder, BULC has a fund set aside for our active members who may need financial assistance with unexpected expenses. For example, unexpected medical bills, a water heater replacement, increased utility payments. If you find yourself needing some assistance, please contact Vicar Philip at 717.725.3429 to discuss your need. All information and payments are kept confidential.

BULC also has a Clergy Discretionary fund which is designed to be used for local requests for emergency assistance. If interested in giving to this fund, please indicate "Clergy Discretionary Fund" under "other": on your giving envelop

### HOLY WEEK SERVICES:

- April 17 7:00pm Maundy Thursday @ BULC
- April 18 7:00pm Good Friday @ JELC
- April 20 7:15am Easter Morning Breakfast @ BULC
- April 20 8:30am Easter Service

### MEN'S BIBLE STUDY:

WHEN: Saturday, April 3th 9:00am

WHERE: St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
200 W Orange St. Lititz

All men are invited.

A continental breakfast will be served.

Any questions, please see Steve Kupstas.



### BARNSTORMERS "GAME NIGHT"

#### FUNDRAISER FOR CITY GATE:

Friday, May 2, at 6:30pm

Tickets \$12.00 per seat.

Each ticket purchased, City Gate will receive \$4.00

See sign up sheet to reserve your seat

Pay Jackie F or June K directly..

Deadline: April 6.



### 2025 EASTER FLOWERS ~

Thank you to all who purchased Easter flowers to decorate our sanctuary.

Jackie Fetter has a list of what type of flower was ordered by whom. Please pick-up your flowers following Easter service. Thanks



### WOMAN'S STUDY & WELCA:

WHEN: Monday, April 21 at 10:00am

WHERE: Fellowship Hall

Join us at 10:00 am as we continue reviewing

The Gift of Years,

Growing Older Gracefully". This will be a time for

sharing, support & finding our purpose.

Any questions, see Jackie Fetter.



Join us each Sunday at 10:00 for adult Sunday School. Our present lessons is "Acts. Catching up with the Spirit" by Matthew Skinner.

**FAMILY FUN NIGHTS:** We will be having family fun nights from 6:00-8:00pm starting July 9th and running for all the Wednesday evenings in July with an ice cream social on August 6th. Keep an eye out for more details. All age groups are encouraged to attend.

#### STILL LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS:

The Christian Education Committee is looking volunteers who would be willing to do a short lesson/activity with children who may be visiting our church. Activities would be available so no preparations would be involved. Volunteers would have to have background checks that the church would assist you with. If interested, please see Steve K, Ida Y, Nita K.

## Awaken Spring:

Your invitation to Lutheran  
Woman's Lunch Exchange

Saturday, April 26  
10 am - 1 pm

Guest Speaker: LuAnn Wise

Title of Program: "Enjoying This Journey Called Life"  
(A drama and teaching)

Location: Brickerville United Lutheran Church

340 E. 28th Division Hwy, (Route 322) Lititz (Brickerville)

We invite all women and guests to hear this inspirational speaker  
Lunch will follow:

Bring a non-perishable food item for Lititz Warwick Food Bank welcome

Please RSVP by 04/13/25 by calling:

717.627.2202

IN OUR  
*Thoughts and Prayers*

For HEALING, COMFORT and HOPE, we pray for

Be present with those who are in need.  
For our members who are ill, in nursing homes,  
hospital or homebound



## Larry R. Weachter

February 20, 1940 — March 11, 2025

Larry R. Weachter, 85, of Lititz, passed away on Tuesday, March 11th, 2025, at the Lancaster General Hospital. Born in Hopeland, Larry was a son of the late Charles and Margaret (Reed) Weachter, and the loving wife of Nancy E. (Shiffler) Weachter for over 60 years.

Larry worked as a miner for Grace Mines in Morgantown, and Sensenig Propeller Services in Lancaster. In his younger years, Larry was a Polkateer in Ephrata. He and Nancy were long-time members of the Brickerville United Lutheran Church. In his free time, Larry enjoyed gardening and other yard work. His gentle and supportive nature will be deeply missed.

Along with his wife, Larry is survived by a grandson, Ryan (Shavonnah) Weachter; two daughters-in-law, Deborah Weachter and Marion Weachter. Larry is predeceased by two sons, Kevin and Keith Weachter; granddaughter, Brittany; sister, Romaine Geib & brother, Galen Weachter. A graveside service was held on Monday, March 17th at the Brickerville United Lutheran Church Cemetery, 340 E. 28th Division Highway, Lititz, PA 17543.

Have a child, grandchild or great grandchild graduating or getting married this spring. Submit information to the office so we can share your great news in our newsletters!



Proud members Barry & Linda Whitcraft share that their niece, Madelyn Whitcraft, won Miss Lancaster County Scholarship 2025 competition on February 1, 2025. She is the daughter of Jeremy and Joanna Whitcraft from Lancaster.



## A Stewardship Revolution!

Did you know that with the vote of our revised bylaws and constitution that we reinstated a Stewardship Committee? The committee members are Paul Fetter, Krissy Heidlauf, Dean Kissinger, June Kupstas and Vicar Phil. Our first meeting was on March 3. Our goal is to learn and educate. We plan to share monthly in the newsletter concepts and insights.



We are venturing into a Stewardship “Revolution” because as defined, a revolution is a wide-reaching change in the way something works or is organized or is in people’s ideas about it. We believe we need to understand more about stewardship and why it is important for the life blood and longevity of our church...our ministry. Much like at home, yes, we need a spending plan or budget, but we also need to strive to stay in the black (having expenses less than or equal to our income). At BULC, that has not been the case for at least the past 2 years or longer; we have been in the red. In 2024, our expenses were approximately \$5,000 over our income, and this year for January and February, our expenses exceeded our income by approximately \$9,000. Yes, the first few months of the year tend to be lower in giving, but still, you get the picture. The Stewardship Committee and all of us as a church family need to consider new ideas of generating income and increasing members, as well as looking if there are further ways to lower expenses. We are fortunate that we have savings/investment accounts, so yes, all bills are being paid. However, as with our household finances, we won’t be able to guarantee the longevity of BULC if we consistently accept having expenses greater than income. We will be sharing some Stewardship Principles to consider over the upcoming months.... (Source ELCA, 10 Stewardship Principles)

RESPOND GRATEFULLY to what God has first given us. All that we do is a response to God’s grace. Everything we are, have, and use comes from God. Best of all, God gives the gift of Jesus Christ and the community of believers. It all begins with God. Our confession of faith in Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior is not of our doing. Grateful stewards put God first.

*“...but they gave themselves first to the Lord” 2 Corinthians 8:5*

OBEY RESPONSIBLY to glorify God as a faithful proclamation of God’s word. We acknowledge our faith and show our faith in the gospel for the glory of God and for building up of the body of Christ. This takes courage. It involves life-long obedience, include the ways we treat our families, others and ourselves.

*“...you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ.” 2 Corinthians 9:13*

All revolutionary ideas and prayers are welcome!

### **Property Updates:**

#### **Last one to leave the church:**

Sundays: Please make sure you check BOTH glass narthex doors as they are unlocked on Sunday mornings.

Make sure coffee pots are unplugged and all lights are off, especially in the sanctuary.

Make sure alarm keypad display says “ Fire System NORMAL” (if it doesn't, contact, Pam, Rodney, Gordie or Steve H.

#### **New Door Alarm**

A door alarm is now located in the hallway under the bulletin boards. It should ring each time the door is opened. This will help those in the Fellowship hall during events and meetings, to be notified someone has entered the building.

Offerings received through Ash Wednesday and Maundy Thursday special envelopes will support the 2024-2025 LSS Generosity Appeal to help build a new Lutheran hospital in Mbeya, Tanzania. This hospital is part of LSS commitment to the Konde Diocese and global Lutheran community.





This month was an adventure. I will share some highlights of it along with notes from meetings.

March 1 City Gate free lunch; On a brisk, windy day we served about 140 hot meals.

March 3 LWR quilting day welcomed a “new” lady who asked to join us because she saw we “advertised” to the community.

March 15, BULC held Community Quilting Day. There were 12-15 people at all times tying knots, sewing patches and finishing quilts, and packing into boxes for shipping. Soup and hot dogs were served for a free lunch!

March 17 began with WELCA reviewing of a section of the book by Joan Chittister “The Gift of Years”. The women who attend, by recognizing and sharing the “gifts” we have, are becoming more aware of aging into life's “gifts”. Therefore creating compassion and awareness of each others challenges. Because WELCA has been a part of this congregation's Outreach, it has become blended with anyone wishing to be involved. Don Bemederfer is currently our council liaison for Outreach and has welcomed the involvement of WELCA.

Last month we agreed to identify those in our congregation who are not active and continue to support the church financially. Also identifying those who over the past several years have not found a welcoming church. Discussion was held on how to reach out. Mailing postcards with handwritten invitations were decided upon. Don suggested future initiatives of: how to encourage blended families in our community and summer music of a Mountain Dulcimer group.

Noon-time found us at a Leprechaun Lunch which consisted of a baked potato bar, salads and dessert, guests from the community and selfies with a “life-sized” leprechaun, and green Bingo prizes!

With a blink of an eye, the fellowship hall transformed into a funeral gathering and luncheon to remember and reflect on the life of Larry Weachter

Sunday, March 23 following worship, a number of women, gathered to handwrite a message of invitation to our Community Sunrise Breakfast at 7:15am and 8:30 Easter, Resurrection of our Lord Service. The postcards are being mailed to those 16 individuals/families that we've been missing.

Good-Bye March, until we meet again.....Hello April, month of rebirth, renewal, sowing, growing and promises kept.

April outreach collection is a continuation of Baby Shower items for House of His Creation. See poster by the pack and play for items needed.

April 7 9am Quilt knotting for LWR

April 20 7:15am Easter breakfast, invite your family, friends and neighbors to join you.

April 25 10am meet speaker LuAnn Wise to arrange fellowship hall for her presentation next day. Help is needed for table set-up and sound system

April 26 10am WELCA Spring Luncheon featuring LuAnn Wise presenting “Enjoying this Journey called Life”. This is a women of the ELCA cooperative event with St. Paul Lititz with invitations to local Lutheran churches. RSVP by April 13 by signing-up on narthex counter.

You will notice brightly colored bags labeled with names of “seniors” and others for you to place cards, springtime treats, and thinking of you items.

Deadline for filling bags is Thursday April 17, so that these bags may be delivered by volunteers before Easter.

Thank you for your support in filling and delivering along with the many “thank-yous” from recipients of Valentine bags for the inspiration, Jackie



Thank You!

February 14, 2025

Brickerville United Lutheran Church  
340 E 28th Division Highway  
Lititz, PA 17543-9723


Dear Friends,

Thank you for your generous gift of \$545.00 to Lutheran World Relief's Quilt and Kit Shipping Fund!

Quilts and kits bring immense comfort to people as they endure difficult times. We hear it every day. For families navigating the hardships of war, disaster, displacement or extreme poverty, these are not just blankets or bundles of supplies. Embedded in each handmade gift is a message of hope reminding them that they are not alone. The difference is the love that quilters and kit makers put into each one.

As you know, the sewing, assembling, packing and blessing of these gifts require a ton of work and dedication, but they are only the beginning of the process. Getting quilts and kits into the hands that need them is the essential next step, and I am so grateful for your thoughtful support in making shipping and distribution possible! We simply cannot do it without you.

Thanks to you and our wider Quilt & Kit community, this beautiful ministry — which dates all the way back to the beginning of Lutheran World Relief in 1945 — will continue to bring Christ's comfort and love to the next generation! YOU are Lutheran World Relief, and I deeply appreciate you.

Thank you,  
  
Ambassador Daniel V. Speckhard  
President and CEO

P.S. God bless you and your generous spirit.

As required by the IRS, this letter confirms that Lutheran World Relief has given you no goods or services in return for this gift. This letter is your receipt for your charitable gift of \$545.00 – Quilt & Kit Shipping Fund.



1/22/2025

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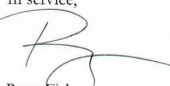
Dear Brickerville United Lutheran Church,

**Thank you so much for your generous gift of \$700.00 to Luthercare!** Because of you, we're able to come together in community to help families throughout Lancaster and Lebanon Counties.

Your gift for Luthercare truly enables us to make a difference in the lives of those we serve, and we're so grateful that you feel led to partner with us in this work.

Our records indicate you would like your gift recognized as: Brickerville United Lutheran Church. If you have any questions or would like to make any changes to your recognition information, please contact Cameron Dickerson at [cdickerson@luthercare.org](mailto:cdickerson@luthercare.org) or phone 717-626-1171 ext. 1624.

Thanks again for your generosity! Your support of benevolent care, childcare scholarships, nursing scholarships, COVID-19 relief, and other Luthercare programs have a ripple effect through our community and help so many families, residents, children, and nurses when they need it most.

In service,  
 Thank you!  
Ryan Fisher  
Assistant Vice President – Philanthropy

*This letter confirms for tax purposes that no goods or services were provided in exchange for your gift.*



Putting Action Behind Hope

January 27, 2025

Dear Brickerville United Lutheran Church,

We wanted to thank you for your donation to 4 Girls On A Mission! Your generous donation of \$1000.00 on December 19, 2024 funds our mission to "Put Action Behind Hope" by seeing a need and meeting that need one person at a time.

Here are some of the ways that we have been able to help those in need thanks to generosity from contributors like you:

- Purchase and deliver furniture for women moving into new apartments
- Purchase groceries and household supplies for individuals and families struggling with expenses
- Obtain emergency shelter for single moms and their children and provide them with local resources for transitional shelter
- Assist individuals with unexpected car repair expenses
- Purchase school supplies and sneakers for children going back to school
- Assist many individuals and families with rent
- Purchase Christmas gifts, groceries and household supplies for single mothers
- Support other non-profits like American Cancer Society, Ephrata Cancer Patient Fund, Good Samaritan Services, Ephrata Social Services, Real Life Community Services, Milagra House

Thank you! We couldn't do this without generous support from people like you.

With gratitude – Ali Weber, Jody Eberly, Cathy Davidson and Sheri Golembiewski

**Lititz Warwick Community Chest**

P.O. Box 148  
Lititz, PA 17543  
(717) 627-0770  
[lwcommunitychest.org](http://lwcommunitychest.org)


January 20, 2025

Brickerville United Lutheran  
340 E 28<sup>th</sup> Division Hwy  
Lititz, PA 17543

Dear Brickerville United Lutheran;

On behalf of the board members of the Lititz Warwick Community Chest, I would like to thank you for your food donations of 274 lbs. for 2025. Your donation will be used to help local families through a difficult time. We are grateful to be part of a generous and caring community.

Our volunteers continue to deliver non-perishable food from our pantry stock along with fresh meats and other perishable foods, fruits and vegetables. The Lititz Warwick Community Chest made 793 deliveries in 2025. We appreciate your ongoing support in meeting this need.

Sincerely,  


Dori Resch  
Lititz Warwick Community Chest





Connect. Empower. Restore.

warwick-hub.org

December 4, 2024

Brickerville United Lutheran Church  
340 E. 28<sup>th</sup> Division Highway  
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Brickerville United Lutheran Church,

Thank you for making the work of the Warwick Community Hub possible through your generous giving! With your support, we can practically help our neighbors by connecting people to resources, empowering next steps, and restoring lives.

Your gift, for the the families impacted by the Newport Commons fire and for the transitional housing fund, ensures that we can continue in this journey of walking alongside our Warwick community neighbors to help them thrive and have restored hope. These funds will go directly to those families/programs.

If you are not already following us, we invite you to join us on Facebook and Instagram at *Warwick Community Hub* and sign up for our email newsletters at [warwick-hub.org](http://warwick-hub.org), for the latest updates.

Blessings,

Steve Jeffrey  
Hub Director

*Thank you so much!!!*

The Warwick Community Hub is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. This receipt certifies your charitable contribution is tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. We acknowledge no goods or services were provided to you in return for your contribution. Please contact us at [info@warwick-hub.org](mailto:info@warwick-hub.org) with any questions. (Warwick Community Hub Tax ID: 871768933)

Contribution to Warwick Community Hub

Date	Description	Payment Method	Amount
November 30, 2024	Donation- Newport Commons	Check	\$500.00
November 30, 2024.	Donation- housing program	Check	\$1000.00



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Below is an itemized list of your financial gifts to ZOE for the calendar year of 2024. Thank you for your continued support and generosity. Your gift continues to allow us to reach more people with the gospel and rescue more children from trafficking. For that, we are forever grateful!

ZOE is a 501(c) 3 organization and your donations are tax-deductible to the full extent of the law. No goods or services were provided in return for the contribution. Should you have any questions about your receipt, please contact [Karen@gozoe.org](mailto:Karen@gozoe.org).

With hearts of gratitude,

Michael and Carol Hart  
CEO + President, ZOE Founders



February 17, 2025

Brickerville United Lutheran Church  
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*Thank You*

Dear Brickerville United Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your generous gift of \$520.00 to ministries of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) through ELCA Good Gifts.

*"[Jesus said,] 'Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' [The lawyer] said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'"*  
(Luke 10:36-37)

As a church, we are freed by the transformative life of Christ, and this freedom emboldens us to love and serve our neighbors just as Christ has shown us. Your gifts to the ministries of the ELCA help people around the world feel the power of God's love.

Your Good Gift is a very good gift indeed. Through resources such as seedlings and seminary courses, vaccinations and vegetable gardens, Bibles and blankets, you equip God's people — around the world and around the corner — with what they need to live abundant lives.

Thank you for your gracious gifts. The glory of God shines through you.

With gratitude,

Rachel Wind  
Executive for Development

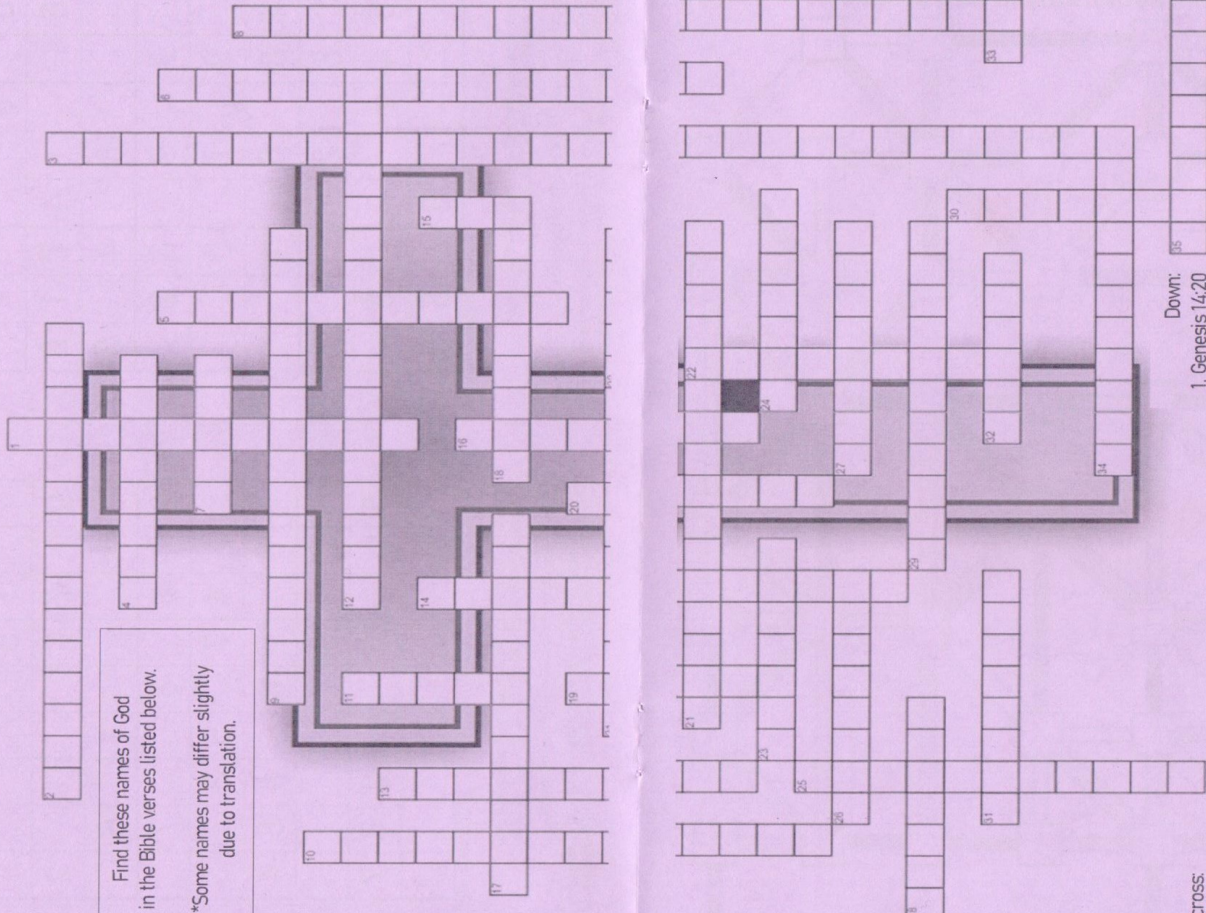
P.S. Please see the reverse side of this letter for your official receipt.

*Dear BULC Women,  
A hearty thank you for the cards, notes,  
soup and sweet surprises in my Valentine  
gift bag. Thank you, to Deb Ober and  
Jackie Fetter for the delivery service and  
visit. May you be richly blessed as you  
continue to service Him.  
Love, Joan Ritzman*

**Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,**  
With a full and grateful heart, we send our thanks and appreciation for your very generous gift in support of our Feeding Ministry at St. Paul's Penryn. Sharing of your resources and generosity is the example Christ sets before us. Thank you for your example. Know that your donation helps us to feed the most vulnerable of God's Children. In Christ's service,  
**Pastor, Angie Hammer**

# Hello, my name is God

Find these names of God in the Bible verses listed below.  
\*Some names may differ slightly due to translation.



Across:

- 2. John 8:12
- 4. Job 19:25
- 7. Matthew 1:21
- 9. Exodus 15:26
- 12. 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 4:8

- 17. Romans 11:26
- 18. John 1:29
- 21. Mark 5:7
- 23. Ecclesiastes 12:1
- 24. Matthew 19:16

- 26. Luke 4:41
- 27. Exodus 17:15
- 28. John 10:9
- 29. Acts 15:26
- 31. Isaiah 7:14

- 32. Psalm 18:2
- 33. Exodus 3:14
- 34. John 15:1
- 35. Isaiah 64:8
- 1. Genesis 14:20

- 3. John 14:6
- 5. John 6:35
- 6. Isaiah 9:6
- 8. Revelation 22:13
- 10. John 10:11

- 11. Matthew 26:49
- 13. John 15:1
- 14. Psalm 136:3
- 15. Genesis 1:1
- 16. Luke 1:47

- 19. 1<sup>st</sup> John 4:8
- 20. Judges 6:24
- 22. 1<sup>st</sup> John 3:1
- 25. Genesis 17:1
- 30. John 1:41

Down:

- 1. Genesis 14:20

## ~ Eternal Father! Strong to Save ~

Eternal Father, strong to save, Whose arm does bind the restless wave,  
Who bids the mighty ocean deep Its own appointed limits keep;  
O hear us when we cry to thee, for those in peril on the sea!

- William Whiting

E O D H I S R K C Q V E S R M O T I  
B K N H C R G C V O N I S M G S K M  
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## We Need You for our New Photo Directory!

Exciting News! We have determined that it is time for a new pictorial directory, including the members of both our congregation and Jerusalem's. Our Shared Ministry Committee has selected Universal Church Directories to help us create the new photo directory. Universal is widely known for top quality directories and photography (including removal of eye glass glare). Their photographer will take the pictures and review your proofs with you immediately following. Photography date is **Tuesday, May 6, 2 – 8:30 at Brickerville.**



Sign-ups for your time slot will **begin on March 30.** We hope everyone will participate. The directory will be sectioned for each congregation so it will be easy to find pictures as well as contact information for members from both congregations. This will be a great way for us to get to know more members from our partner congregation. And there will be an opportunity to obtain pictures or take digital pictures of our shut-ins to ensure they are included in the directory. Universal provides a complete professional studio. You'll enjoy a variety of poses, portrait sizes, finish and framing options and you will have the opportunity to purchase portraits to give to family and friends. For those with local families, you may also decide to do a second time slot for photography of your larger family, not for the directory. For participating you will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and the new church directory. Questions can be directed to Jean Slaymaker (Jerusalem) or June Kupstas (Brickerville). Stay tuned for more information.



Did you know we had our very own leprechaun make an appearance at BULC's Leprechaun Luncheon, Monday, March 17th??

A great time was had by all including several guests from our community who joined us for a potato bar, green salads and green desserts and of course, fellowship.



## RINGGOLD BAND



### 173rd Anniversary Spring Fundraising Concert

Come join the Ringgold Band and the Ringgold New Horizons Band for an enjoyable afternoon of concert band music at our new venue:

Muhlenberg High School, 400 Sharp Ave, Reading, PA 19605



Col. Timothy J. Holten



Mr. Ariel Metzger

## APRIL Worship Assts

	<u>April 6</u> Communion 8:30am	<u>April 13</u> Communion 8:30am	<u>April 17</u> Maundy Thurs 7:00pm	<u>April 20</u> Easter 8:30am	<u>April 27</u> Worship 8:30am
<b>Pastor</b>	Vicar Philip	Vicar Philip	Vicar Philip	Vicar Philip	Vicar Philip
<b>Organist</b>	JP Welliver	JP Welliver	Donna B	JP Welliver	JP Welliver
<b>Greeters</b>				Bill & Marilyn	Bill & Marilyn
<b>Ushers</b>					n/a
<b>Lay Reader</b>		Ida Y	Jeannie A	Steve K	Bill S
<b>Acolyte</b>	Dean K			Dean K	
<b>Comm Asst</b>	Freda F	Nita K			n/a
<b>Counters</b>	n/a	Dean K Bill S			Terry O John H

*We still are in need of Worship & Communion Assistants.*

*Please sign-up on the sheets posted on the bulletin board if you can help. Thank you!*

### *Bulletin Sponsors for April*

**Eileen Lieberman**

*Newsletter Sponsor for April*

**Joan Ritzman**

Never too early to start planning:

### **ANNUAL PICNIC PLANNING MEETING**

Monday: April 28th at 10:00am

*Please note: this meeting is not listed on the April calendar*



### **Elizabeth Twp Annual Easter Egg Hunt:**

Saturday, April 19th :00pm

Elizabeth Twp Park. All are welcome.



### **LOCAL COMMUNITY GIVING OPPORTUNITY:**

Baby Shower for House of His Creation, Lititz during March and April: household items: tissues, toilet paper, paper towels, dish and hand soap, laundry detergent, fabric softener Baby items: bibs, onesies, sleepers, pacifiers, hats, diapers, wipes, diaper bags, towels, washcloths, baby wash, lotion, brush/comb, tubs, swaddlers. All baby items NEW, no furniture, used toys or stuffed animals.



Parents, Grandparents and  
Great -grandparents.....

If you have any exciting news or upcoming graduations, weddings, retirements, anticipated new arrivals in your family, please let the office know for the June Newsletter!

Carl Ober  
Gardens at Stevens  
Room 227  
400 Lancaster Avenue  
Stevens, PA 17578  
717.733.3595  
Birthday: September 23rd

Fred Oerther  
325 East 2nd Avenue  
Lititz, PA 17543  
717.626.5072  
Birthday: May 22nd

Millie Seace  
Legends of Lititz  
Memory Unit Room 317  
80 West Millport Road  
Lititz, PA 17543  
717.723.9928  
Must get code from front desk  
Birthday: July 2nd

Shirley Rettew  
Pleasant View Retirement  
148 Terrace Garden  
544 North Penryn Road  
Manheim, PA 17545  
717.742.7674  
Birthday: Sept 12th

Letitia Young  
Pleasant View Retirement  
145 Terrace Garden  
544 North Penryn Road  
Manheim, PA 17545  
717.283.8315  
Birthday: February 9th



April 6	Betty Lou Ramsey
April 8	Jeannie Aungst
April 9	Phyllis Peters
April 11	Douglas Miller
April 13	Stacy Aungst
April 22	Steve Kupstas
April 26	Terry Ober

Dear Church members,

I was invited by my friend to attend your St. Patrick's Day luncheon and bingo games. We had a wonderful time, and even got to meet a real leprechaun for the first time in my life!

Thank you everyone for an enjoyable day.

~ Brenda Leinbach



**LIVING LUTHERAN MAGAZINE  
returns to publication:**

Living Lutheran Magazine resumes their publication. The church receives 3 copies which will be on the information table in the narthex (by the mail bins) Help yourself, and return for the next person if possible.



**BULC In-church and Virtual Worship Services**

Instructions for on-line viewing:

Using your computer or smart-phone, go to your browser (Google, Foxfire or similar site) and enter this address: <https://www.facebook.com/BrickervilleUnitedLutheranChurch>

You should see a post that shows the Live Stream almost simultaneously with the start of worship at 8:45 am on Sundays.

This year's EASTER FLOWERS are  
PRESENTED to the GLORY of GOD

- \*In honor of our Granddaughters* by Dean & Nita Kissinger
- \*In Memory of Jean Turnbull and in Honor of Ronnie Denlinger* by Carol Denlinger
- \*In loving Memory of our parents and in Honor of our adult children* by Bill & Marilyn Shanfelder
- \*In loving Memory of loved ones and granddaughter Tara Lynn* by Ida Young
- \*In Honor of my great nieces & nephews* by Eileen Lieberman
- \*In Memory of our parents* by Paul & Jackie Fetter
- \*In loving Memory of hubby Jerry, and brother Dick* by Freda Fasnacht
- \*In Honor of Jean & Carl Lorah's 63rd Anniversary* by Carl Lorah
- \*In Honor of Grandchildren: Katie, Zach, Addison, Maddie and Kara* by Jean & Carl Lorah
- \*In loving Memory of Luke Styer* by Lynne Styer
- \*In loving Memory of my parents* by Pam

**Sudoku #3** (EASY)

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	6				4	7	1	8
2				8		4		3
		7		9		8	2	
		9		7		6		
	4	8		6		1		
1		6		2				7
8	5	4	7				6	
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Fill in the blank squares so that each row, each column and each 3-by-3 block contain all of the digits 1 thru 9.

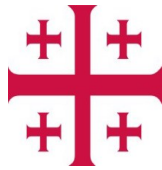
**Sudoku #6** (CHALLENGING)

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	2		3					
5						2		7
					2	4		

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Fill in the blank squares so that each row, each column and each 3-by-3 block contain all of the digits 1 thru 9.

If you use logic you can solve the puzzle without guesswork.

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