



New Jerusalem Lutheran Church

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

Our Mission: Responding to God's grace, we are a welcoming congregation growing in Christian faith through worship, learning, serving and fellowship.

Our Vision: New Jerusalem Lutheran Church is a compassionate community of disciples that values everyone and expresses faith by connecting with God, the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and all creation.



Seventh Sunday of Easter - May 13, 2018 - Worship at 10 a.m.

TEXTS FOR THIS SUNDAY 05/13/2018

1st Reading: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26 2nd Reading: 1 John 5:9-13
Psalm: 1 Gospel Reading: John 17:6-19

(mother of Jim Freeman); Mildred Kulak, (mother of Gary Kulak); Darla Dodle (Clarice Dieter's neighbor); Kim Lassiter (Linda Guyton). *Names in brackets indicate the person requesting the prayers. Please keep Eva in the church office informed of those for whom we pray and who can be removed.

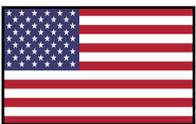


Move In Day

Each fall is the perennial move-in day on or near college campuses. Legions of parents descend with carloads that include tiny refrigerators, Ikea furniture, electronics, area rugs, and posters. They unload the one they have birthed, raised, nursed, instructed, and reprovved for eighteen or so, to prepare him or her for independence. Then, just like that, the parents are gone, perhaps wiping away tears. Perhaps their final words were ones they hoped would stick.

"Study well." "Make good choices." "Watch your time." "Don't stay up too late." But in every parental heart is a simple prayer: "O God, be with them." In the final portion of Jesus' great prayer for the disciples (John 17:6-19), he entreats the Father to love and protect the disciples as a parent who knows their time for direct supervision is coming to an end. In this preparation we hear his pleading like a loving parent who wants the best for the ones he has sheltered, taught, loved, reprovved, and sent. Jesus begs for God to hold them in the truth that is to do as they have been taught, to follow the model established for them. Jesus asked for the disciples to be protected and surrounded so that they may not be lost. He prays for the disciples to have their joy completed, and to live what they have seen and understood from their rabbi. May we, like the disciples, live in the truth of the gospel, love as we have been loved, have our joy complete, and, above all, know that God is with us.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE OUR NATION:



Lori Magnusson, Bob Godec, Lt. Kawika Chang, Major Andrew Zapf, Major Mack Brownell, Capt. Gretchen Day, Capt. Christopher Day, Christopher Lentz, Ryan Lemp and Blake Traina.

PRAYERS OF HEALING AND OTHER NEEDS:

Bernie & Nancy Orndorff (members of NJLC); Thomas Hannon (Jim Hannon); Jeanie Sullivan (Dick Sullivan); Cheryl Fleming (friend of the Chatfield Family); Carol Francis & family (friends of Linda Heffern); Stacey Zimmerlee (Rick Norgaard's cousin); Shirley Debow (member of NJLC); Rob Freeman (AIM @ NJLC 1999-2006); Joyce (Miller) Goodson, Cathy (Smith) Bolinger and Pat Mascaro (friends of Judy Fox); Peggy Steadman (Richard & Jeanie Sullivan's daughter); Gary Edwards (friend of David Whipple); Cheyenne Whipple (Warren & Sherry Whipple's daughter-in-law); Travis Rook (Clarice Dieter's nephew); John Lamm (son of Barbara Lamm); Joyce Norris Miller (cousin of Barbara Tritapoe); Bob & Keith Keister (brothers of Mack Keister); Patricia Freeman

Happy Mother's Day

A woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised. Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates. Proverbs 31:30-31

"When God Made Mother's"
by Ruth White, from *A Gentle Spirit*.

He made them as something special!

Their hands are delicately formed; they can create an exquisite piece of art while binding the imaginary wound of a child's broken heart. A mother's soothing touch to a feverish brow is like a "magic cure" to the inner soul.

Kings have been transfused by the plasma of her dreams. Nations are still being conquered through the inspiration of her ideals. Weak leaders are often supported by her feminine mystique. Her offspring have walked on the moon, tilted the soil, explored planets, and plumbed the ocean depths.

She is a paradox! Unpredictable. Not easily understood by the male species. They have studied her, used her body, written pages of scientific data about her. Yet no one has discovered the mystery of the woman herself.

Nor will they ever!

God and God alone is able to contemplate her worth. For it was she He chose to bear His Son, to tutor Him in childhood, and to minister to Him at the cross.

She was the very last of all God's creative acts. When he had finished with His original "MASTERPIECE" called woman, it was if God said: "Now that I have made mothers, I can rest."

WE WELCOME MRS. ROBIN BETZ, who is now serving as New Jerusalem's new nursery attendant on Sunday mornings during the 10:00 a.m. worship service. Mrs. Betz has considerable experience working with children from raising her own children to being a Vacation Bible School leader and Sunday School teacher. She currently serves as a substitute teacher in the Loudoun County Public Schools. The New Jerusalem nursery will be open every Sunday under Mrs. Betz's supervision and with the help adult volunteers from New Jerusalem on a rotating basis. If you can help with our preschoolers, speak to Kate Freeman or Susan Pursel to volunteer.

Sermon on the Amount		Attendance 67
Received 5/6/2018	\$ 2,585	Received 2018 YTD \$ 58,856
Needed Weekly	\$ 3,458	Budgeted for 2018 \$ 193,000
Over/(Under) Budget	\$ (873)	Projected Year End \$ 170,028

