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*Come Worship  
With Us  
Sunday Mornings  
at 9:30 AM*





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June 2018

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<b>SUNDAYS</b> 9:30 AM - Worship with Holy Communion 10:45 Education Hour					<b>1</b> 7:30 PM - AA	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b> 6:30 PM-AA 9:30 AM Worship Dedication of our cross 10:45 Education Hour	<b>4</b> 6:45 PM - Boy Scout Troop 158 7 PM Webelos II 7 PM-AA	<b>5</b> 9 AM-Exercise 10 AM-La Leche League 7 PM - AA	<b>6</b> 10:30 AM Bible Study 7PM Pack 170 exec mtg	<b>7</b> 9 AM-Exercise 8 PM - Hist. Soc. AA set up chairs for Fri. night	<b>8</b> 7:30 PM - AA	<b>9</b>
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May 23, 2018

Greetings in the name of Christ!



Patti and I have just returned from a truly wonderful trip to Alaska. I'm not sure how we wound up going to our 49<sup>th</sup> State. We just started talking about it last fall, and the next thing you know, we were taking a cruise and land tour that we enjoyed immensely. One thing that made our time up north so memorable was the weather. We had been warned by so many people to get ready for some dismal weather conditions - for the fog and the rain to obscure our view of the natural wonders - that we had already resigned ourselves to being cold and damp, and unable to see very far. We really lucked out!

On one of our land excursions during the cruise, a tour guide greeted us by saying, "Welcome to the nicest day in the history of Juneau!" It was a crystal clear day with weather in the mid 60's. The same was true for our first stop in Ketchikan, where we took a three hour ride in a small boat around one of the many inlets in southwest Alaska.

There were elaborate, colorful totem poles to be seen, each telling the story of the Native Alaskan tribes who carved them; there were otters and sea lions and flocks of birds taking to the air in a great flurry of fast-beating wings. We were also able to spot several Bald Eagles. In the tall spruce trees, these majestic birds build nests that can weigh up to 1,500 pounds. The pilot of our boat, Captain Kacey told a story about a college group that disassembled a nest no longer being used. In it they found the bones of many types of small animals, and also were surprised to find seven or eight dog and cat collars!

The weather was also great in Skagway, boom town of the 1890's Yukon Gold Rush. We walked around in short-sleeved shirts. Then our cruise ship afforded us spectacular views of the Alaskan Bay and Glacier Bay National Park. The land portion of our trip by rail and motor coach was no less impressive. In Denali National park, we were able to spot caribou and a couple of Grizzly Bears. But no moose.

Our weather held out so that we had some awesome views of the 20,000' high Mount Denali, a name that means, among other things, 'the Great One.' But we were told that you don't just view Denali – Denali reveals itself to you.

On our next-to-last day, while the bus was heading south to Anchorage, we finally got to see a few moose by the side of the road, and then, to everyone's delight, also by the side of the road, we spotted a mama moose with two young calves! There was only one thing left to do – in downtown Anchorage, Patti and I got to try reindeer hot dogs!

It was a great trip, but now we're glad to be back, looking forward to what promises to be an active summer at Centennial, one in which five of our teenagers, accompanied by Barbara Ray and Dave Winning, will head to Houston at the end of June for the ELCA National Youth Gathering. We believe these young people (of all ages) are in for a life-changing, faith-building experience!.

Blessings,

*Pastor Jerry*

June 2018	<i>Assisting Ministers</i>			
	3	10	Father's Day 17	24
Greeters	Carole & Fred Stoudt	Judy & Reggie Ryberg	Helen & Paul Breitegam	Peg & Randy Ferree
Deacons	Rick Henricks	Dave Winning	Ron Allen	Sam Perrone
Ushers	Darian Capobianco Valerie Griffiths	Darian Capobianco Valerie Griffiths	Joel Smiley Chuck Cantwell	Joel Smiley Chuck Cantwell
Acolyte	Evelyn Capobianco	Makinzie Ackroyd	Darian Capobianco	Sam Perrone
Lector	Larry Shumaker	Kathy Geiger	Helen Breitegam	Randy Ferree
Altar Guild	Jan Bird	Jan Bird	Frances Warren	
Counters	Jean & Randy Mull	Ron Allen	Peg & Randy Ferree	Judy Ryberg Beth Wise
If you are unable to be here on your Sunday, please switch with someone or call John Miller at 610-933-8523.				

## Prayer List

To request prayer, first ***request permission from the individual in need of prayer*** (as requested by our Synod). Then send an email to [prayers@centenniallutheran.org](mailto:prayers@centenniallutheran.org) or call Joanne Cantwell at 610-933-0341 or Jerene Gladfelter at 610-933-3542. Please list the individual's name and a BRIEF description of the situation (i.e. chemo, dementia, auto accident, comfort and peace, etc.) along with the name of the requester and association (brother, co-worker, friend, etc.). Please also advise us when a prayer request is no longer valid. Printed prayer lists are issued at the beginning of each month as a bulletin insert. Please update us by the 25th of each month to ensure that your request is listed. In addition, there is an email list of individuals desiring to be on the Prayer Chain to receive immediate prayer requests other than those listed monthly. If you wish to be included on this email list, please contact Joanne (610-933-0341) or Jerene (610-933-3542) with your email address or telephone number.



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We would like to thank Thrivent Financial for Lutherans' (SM) and those people who have designated Choice Dollars via the Thrivent Choice (R) program.

This month we gratefully acknowledge gifts designated by the following people:

*Peg Ferree*

If you have any questions about Choice Dollars or how to designate them to our church, please contact [thrivent@centenniallutheran.org](mailto:thrivent@centenniallutheran.org)



## Father's Day carnations

**Deadline to order, June 3, 2018**  
**Take the carnations home after the service**  
**Father's Day, June 17**  
 (please take only what you ordered)  
**\$2 each - Give cash or checks to**  
**Rebecca in the office or attach payment to**  
**order form and place in offering collection plate.**  
**Make checks payable to Centennial Lutheran Church.**

**Please print clearly:**

I would like to order \_\_\_\_\_ Father's Day carnations at \$2 each

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 (Your name as you wish it to appear in the bulletin on Father's Day.)

Telephone number \_\_\_\_\_

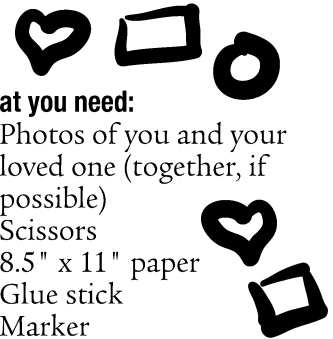
Email address \_\_\_\_\_

# DADS

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# BLESSING

Surprise your dad or another special man with this Father's Day gift.



### What you need:

- Photos of you and your loved one (together, if possible)
- Scissors
- 8.5" x 11" paper
- Glue stick
- Marker
- 8.5" x 11" photo frame

### What you do:

1. Cut photos into shapes (hearts, circles, etc.).
2. Arrange photos on the paper, leaving room for a message, and glue them down.
3. Write: "I'm blessed as can be. My heavenly Father has given me the best \_\_\_\_\_ [dad, uncle, friend] in the world, and he belongs to me!"
4. Place your picture message in the frame.
5. Give your gift to show love and appreciation.





Dear Friends in Christ,

Thank you for the donation of Box Tops. The collection of Box Tops for our school, Navajo Christian Preparatory Academy, assists the school financially and so we wish to continue with the program.

Campbell Soup labels were discontinued completely in January 2018. All remaining labels will not be eligible for collection packaging and/or processed.

We appreciate your support to the Navajo Christian Preparatory Academy and Navajo Lutheran Mission.

Thanks for helping our school be the best it can be. We really appreciate everything you do!

Sincerely,

*Lovelea Begay*  
Mission Manager

Dear members of Centennial Evangelical Lutheran Church:

On behalf of the staff, board, and volunteers of Phoenixville Area Community Services (PACS) thank you for your generous contribution of food and grocery items on 4/12/18 for the emergency pantry.

Every day some of our neighbors are faced with crises that result in their going without their essential needs met - proper food, shelter, heat, water and other basics. The generosity of donors like you gives PACS the needed support to respond to urgent needs when people reach out for help.

Our mission of service in the community is as important as ever. So many of our neighbors are struggling to eat and pay for other essentials like rent or mortgage, utilities and heat. With very limited budgets, some are faced with choices between paying for food, prescription medicine, heating their homes or keeping the electricity turned on. These are choices no one should have to make.

PACS is dedicated to making sure essential needs are met and helping people improve their circumstances by providing information and connections to services, resources such as food, and education. With your generosity, we will continue to provide help to our neighbors in need, not just through their time of crisis, but with referrals and follow up so they can get back on their feet.

Thank you for supporting our mission and sharing our commitment to make a difference in our community, providing hope and building a brighter future for those in need.

Sincerely,

*Carol A. Berger*  
Executive Director





- 1 Marjorie Gabrill
- 2 Pastor Jerry
- 9 Thomas Slomeana
- 10 Maxine Kuhl
- 11 Joyce Bustard
- 13 Ray Wambold, Jr.
- 17 Victoria Lightcap
- 20 Victor Zimmerman
- 21 Judi Kuplast
- 21 Helen Breitegam
- 22 Larry Shumaker
- 23 Joel Smiley
- 25 Helen Eager
- 25 Danielle Izquierdo

*"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it."*

*Psalm 118:24*

***Do you notice any missing birthdays?***

*We want to be sure to include everyone on our birthday list. If you notice that a birthday is missing from our list, please take a moment to let the office know. You can leave a note in the office or sent an email to Rebecca @centenniallutheran.org. Thank you!*



### **Wednesday 10:30 AM Morning Bible Study continues**

Come join Pastor Jerry at the church for a time of studying the scripture lessons for the upcoming Sunday. All are welcome! If you have any questions please contact Pastor Jerry at the church office (610-933-1528) or by e-mail: [pastorjt@centenniallutheran.org](mailto:pastorjt@centenniallutheran.org).



### **Coming Events**

Coming Events is a weekly publication listing the calendar for the week and telling you about anything special coming up along with general church announcements. Coming Events is posted to the website (usually by Tuesday afternoons) and a link is emailed to everyone on our church-wide email list. If you are not on this email list and would like to be, please email [rebecca@centenniallutheran.org](mailto:rebecca@centenniallutheran.org). You can also access the Coming Events publication on the website at [www.centenniallutheran.org](http://www.centenniallutheran.org) under the *Coming Events* tab.

### **Prepaid Giant Cards**

Purchase a \$25 or \$50 pre-paid Giant grocery card! Available every Sunday. Contact Beth Wise (610-935-1727) or contact the church office to buy a \$25 or \$50 pre-paid grocery card redeemable at any Giant Food Store. Giant will donate 5% of the proceeds to support the youth.

## Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekends

Marriage is a journey! A Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend can help you enrich your marriage and add some pizzazz to your journey. Sign up TODAY to be sure to get the Weekend of your choice.

Weekends scheduled this fall in Northeast US are:

\* September 14-16, 2018 at Spruce Lake Retreat in Canadensis, PA. A lovely hotel-style retreat center with many acres of woodlands in the heart of the Poconos, an hour north of Allentown, PA .

\* October 19-21, 2018 at Olmsted Retreat Center. A stunning, hotel-style retreat center adjacent to the Olmsted Mansion in the Allegheny National Forest, 2 hours north of Pittsburgh.

\* November 9-11, 2018 at Hampton Inn Berkshires in Lenox, Massachusetts. Situated on the edge of a nature preserve in the heart of the Berkshires, an hour northwest of Springfield MA.

Two nights lodging, 5 meals for each of you, and all supplies are included with your registration fee, plus toward the end of the weekend you will be given an opportunity to make a confidential contribution of whatever amount you wish toward the continuation of the program. For further information or to sign up, go to: [www.GodLovesMarriage.org](http://www.GodLovesMarriage.org) and pay the \$100 registration fee with your credit card, or mark the option to mail a check. For questions, or if you would like a brochure, contact Northeast US Directors of Lutheran Marriage Encounter, Fred & Julie Schamber, at 724-325-3166 or [fjschamber@comcast.net](mailto:fjschamber@comcast.net).



**Coming Soon! Saint Basil's**



**DESIGNER BINGO**



**Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>**



**Kimberton Fire House - Covered Bridge Room**

**Lunch served - Doors open at 11:30am - Games Begin at 1:00pm**

**Beautiful Designer Handbags!**

**Door Prizes! Raffles! Jackpot! Specials!**

**20 Games for \$25 - Call Sharon Gubanich 610-724-4904**

**Seating Limited - Call early for tickets**



All entrants must have a ticket - No one under 16 years of age admitted

## Billboards for Jesus

An online search for “advertising fails” reveals some hilarious and cringe-worthy signs. Often the “fail” is due to an ad’s placement. For example, a billboard about childhood obesity appears next to one for a fast-food restaurant, and a promotion for *The Walking Dead* is posted near a mortuary.

As Christ’s ambassadors on earth (see 2 Corinthians 5:20), we serve as walking, talking billboards for Jesus and our faith. Despite our sinfulness — and often “cringe-worthiness” — Jesus lives in us, whom he created to do good works (see Ephesians 2:10).

Even though we will never be perfect billboards for Jesus, let’s not cover up our message. Instead, let’s embrace the privilege of being salt and light (see Matthew 5:13-16), proclaiming the gospel in a dark world.

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**Need for Pastoral Care:**

Please notify us if you or a family member is hospitalized and/or in need of a pastoral call or visit. We have no other way of knowing of a hospitalization or a pastoral need. Please call Pastor Jerry on his cell phone at 215-260-9755 or notify the church office at 610-933-1528.

**Unlikely Methods**

- “By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days” (Hebrews 11:30, NRSV). What must Joshua and the Israelites have thought of those orders?
- What must Naaman have thought when Elisha prescribed a leprosy cure of washing seven times in the muddy Jordan River (2 Kings 5)?
- What must the disciples have thought when Jesus allowed himself to be crucified?

God seems to delight in using unlikely methods to accomplish his plans. Remember that when life doesn't make sense or circumstances seem hopeless.

God's plans are rarely straight-forward or predictable. He's full of surprises. With a little faith and obedience, we will see God work in our lives, too.

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