

Tidings of Joy "Joyfully Reaching Out to Others in Christian Love and Service"



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Traditional Worship Service 10:00a.m.

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AUGUST GOSPEL READINGS





"**Office Hours**: Weds and Thurs 9am-2pm, and by appointment. It is strongly suggested to call ahead before dropping by. Pastor is off Mondays. Best means to contact pastor is 321-312-7339 or pjdbryant4tide@gmail.com."

Pastor's Point

Pr. J. David Bryant

Friends.

What do these words:

graced, affirmed, humbled, overwhelmed, blessed, moved, challenged, and awed, all have in common? These express some measure of what I experienced during my recent sabbatical.

I am <u>profoundly grateful</u> for the chance to be restored and re-created! "Thank you" suddenly seems too paltry a word, but nevertheless—*THANK YOU!* – *from the bottom of my heart*. When June came to an end, even with the grand Germany trip, I was feeling incredibly weary. As Pr. Robert Kinley of Trinity Lutheran, Jacksonville, FL says, "One year of pandemic ministry is like 3 years of regular ministry." His observation is true. The best way I can describe how I felt after 2.5 years of pandemic ministry is to offer these words from The Band's 1968 release, The Weight:

"I pulled into Nazareth, was feelin' about half past dead.

I just need some place where I can lay my head

"Hey, mister, can you tell me where a man might find a bed?"

Sabbatical time for me was an exercise in finding the holy, healing "some place where I can lay my head." And Lord willing, I have found such places and am the better for it. During my sabbatical, I trust that the good Reverend Pamela McMillan loved you well and that you reciprocated in like and kind.

I am looking forward to the next good adventure that God has for us. And I am looking forward to sharing this adventure with all of you.

Peace, JDB+

Thank You Pastor Pam

It has been a blessing to have you with us during Pastor Bryant's sabbatical.

While it may be easy to simply say the word of God, to put it into perspective and preach it is a very special gift. Thank you for sharing God's Word with us each Sunday during July. Thank you for using that gift to help enrich each of our lives!

In your work as a pastor, may God fill you with the Holy Spirit and enrich the lives of both you and those around you! Thank you for your service and for taking the time to know us, as well as us to know you

Blessings, David Steinhorst

"May the LORD reward you for your deeds, and may you have a full reward from the LORD, the God of Israel....!" Ruth 2:12



Gospel Readings

Lectionary "C" for August 2022

August 7.....Luke 12:32-40 or Luke 9:28-36

August 14.....Luke 12:49-56

August 21.....Luke 13:10-17

August 28.....Luke 14:1, 7-14



Next meeting is August 17th, 7:00pm



ALL LADIES ARE WELCOME

Summer 2022: Crafted in Christ A summer of rest and renewal

Eve Circle (Bible Study) –3rd Tuesday, @11:30am, August 16th

For summer 2022, participants will enjoy a threesession Bible study that uses the concept of quilting to explore rest, renewal, and Christian community.



Session 3: "Ties that bind,"

This session examines how God invites us to commit to a new way of life with God and with each other.

Pancake Breakfast

Saturday August 6th, 2022, 8:00am - 9:30am



The cost is \$6.00. Proceeds will be used for projects as designated by the Joy Women of the ELCA.

NOTE: WELCA and "Men of Joy" both have meetings on Saturday following the Pancake Breakfast. So, come for the breakfast and then go to your meeting.

Daily Bread Inc 815 E. Fee Ave, Melbourne, FL

FREE hot meals are served 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., 7 days a week

<u>JOY Lutheran Church Team</u> serves meals the 4th Friday of each month. Please contact Elaine Heine (321-215-7928) or Chris Allebaugh (321-388-2555) if you can help. Thanks to each of you for your support of this ministry. Please remember DAILY BREAD depends on volunteers. Volunteers are needed for dining hall, outreach center and warehouse – help needed 7 days a week.



60 personal hygiene kits to DAILY BREAD

Kim Tolley's employer, CPI, sponsored 15 youth group who made 60 hygiene kits. Thanks to a Thrivent grant for \$250.00 and a big Thank You to Marjorie who did the shopping for these kits. Donations were also received from Pr. Norm Holm (Ruth Holm's son) of Calvary Chapel, JOY members and Rachel Circle members.

Also NEEDED are laundry pods for laundry services & for clients. DAILY BREAD is appreciative of all we do.

The 2022-2023 School Year begins August 10th. Please remember this outreach program.



"BREAD OF LIFE" BACKPACK PROGRAM"

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 as many as seven families each weekend. This program is so very important, especially at this time with families barely making ends meet. The cost is approximately \$190 per week.

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

See Charlotte Abrahams for any further details concerning this great outreach program.

Women ELCA Florida Bahamas Synodical Women's Organization

You are invited to

FL-BAHAMAS SWO Fall Gathering
November 11, 12, 13, 2022
Lake Yale Baptist Conference Center
Leesburg, Florida



A packet of registration materials is included in this invitation to join your sisters in Christ at this year's Fall Gathering. All of these materials are also available for download on our website www.flwelca.com. Please make copies for any woman who is interested in attending and does not have Internet access. The deadline for registration is September 15, 2022. Registration forms, scholarship and grant forms should be sent to the Registrar whose name (Diane Cummings) and address are listed on the forms.

Online registration is again available on our website. Just visit the website and follow the directions for registration and workshop signup. We encourage you to use this option to quickly complete your registration forms and sign up for workshops.

A list of available workshops is also included in this packet. Please select up to six (6) workshops in order of preference and return your request form with your registration. There will be three workshop sessions. Please note that some of the workshops have a materials fee.

See you in November! Blessings,

Loraine Van Haecke and Lisa Klima, 2022 Gathering Co-chairs

Registration Fee\$ 4.	5.00
Room/Meals\$18	7.00
(Motel style room per person/double or triple occupancy)	
Spouse (Room & Meals, no registration fee)\$18	7.00

Contact Elaine Heine (215-7928) or Connie Steinhorst (725-6391), if you have any questions.

AN AREA-WIDE WOMEN'S EVENT. FOR EVERY WOMAN



Dates: October 21 & 22

Times: Friday 7:00 – 9:30 pm – General Entrance & Product Tables open at 6:00 pm Saturday 9:00 am – 12:30 pm – General Entrance & Product Tables open at 8:00 am

Where: Calvary Chapel, 2955 Minton Rd, West Melbourne, FL 32904

For more information or to register, visit https://www.calvaryccm.com/connect/news-and-events?eventId=43162

Special Pricing: First 900 tickets purchased can use the code 'CHAPEL' and get a reduced price of \$35.

Individual Tickets – All tickets are General Admission unless an Upgrade is also purchased. \$54 Early Bird Individual | \$59 After Early Bird Individual

Early Bird Deadline: September 26, 2022 \$69 At Door *Plus per ticket processing fee.

This event is for information only and an invite on behalf of Calvary Church.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

AUGUST 6: Pancake Breakfast - 8:00am-9:3am., \$6.00

AUGUST 6: WELCA meeting - 10:00am

October 21 & 22: FRESH GROUNDED FAITH EVENT-All Ladies Invited, held at Calvary

Chapel, West Melbourne

CIRCLE MEETINGS

Eve Circle (Bible Study) - Third Tuesday, @11:30am, August 16th

Dorcas Circle (Quilting circle) – every Tuesday @ 10:00am "Needed ladies to help make quilts, no sewing experience needed, easy on-the-job-training provided – all ladies are welcome."

Rachel Circle (knitting/crocheting circle) - every Wednesday @ 10:00am

Ruth Circle (crafts) – Meets on 1st Monday @ 10:00am – all crafters welcome – come, share your crafting ideas. August's meeting will be August 1st.

Young at Heart on summer break. Next meeting September 15th at noon.

THANK YOU, MEMBERS, for your participation in the JULY School supplies campaign for Turner Elementary and LWR school packs

WELCA HOLIDAY FESTIVAL and SILENT AUCTION COMING SOON! NOVEMBER 5th

FL-BAHAMAS SWO FALL GATHERING @ LAKE YALE: Nov. 11th-13th.

Audit Committee

The Audit Committee continues to audit the financial records of JOY Committees and groups on a quarterly basis. In order to complete the audit for 2022 fiscal year, the committee will need to obtain financial reports from the various committees of the church.

Erik Mäenpää

Property Committee

The work on the kitchen cabinets is coming to completion. Jim Collins will need to complete some adjustments and add some trim. The ladies have started to place items in the cabinets. The new cabinets and countertop are wonderful. The ladies should be well pleased with the additional counter space and the additional drawers and cabinets with shelves.

We have received information from another cleaning company offering us their services. We will meet with their representative in late July early August to see if they might be offering us better cleaning service.

We are continuing to maintain the grounds cutting the grass, weeding the Memorial Garden, clearing the palmetto palm growth, and trimming the tree limbs.

Gary Krause has completed the painting of the pergolas in the Memorial Garden. He has also installed new energy efficient flood lights on the pergolas and has repaired the outside lights on the building.

The parking lot lights will need some attention as we go forward. We will once again resume the interior painting and start with the Narthex and restrooms, followed by the kitchen and the Wollom Jackson room.

Erik Mäenpää

CIP Brevard of Florida

Recently students from CIP Brevard of Florida assisted the ladies of JOY WELCA in assembling and packing health kits of which are donated to Daily Bread for distribution to the homeless in our community.

CIP Brevard is a specialized transitioning program in Melbourne, Florida assisting young adults on the Autism Spectrum, and other learning differences to find success in college, employment, and independent living.





Dear Friends.

Thank you for all the prayers, cards, and phone calls for Philip and me during our time of sickness and confusion. They have been greatly appreciated. Please continue to pray for Philip and our family.

Linda Kratzer

Thank You

I can't thank everyone enough for all your prayers. It is comforting to have so many friends praying for me.

Your prayers, well-wishes, and cards are much appreciated.

Blessings to all, Wahneeta Ryckman

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP





Coffee, Snack, and Cold Drink after Worship.

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



Tidings of Joy is only as good as the input received from Church Council, WELCA, Men's Group, Various Committees, Circles, etc. Please provide David Steinhorst with your news, thankyou's, updates, etc. for the **September 2022 Tidings no later than August 25th**.

Email David Steinhorst <u>dsteinhorst@cfl.rr.com</u> or provide a printed copy.

Online giving is an option for us, and also for others visiting our website.

A link to our online giving portal is found on the JOY website. The secure link to that portal is:

https://www.joylutheranelca.com

Scroll down to the purple box that says, "online giving." Feel free to check it out, even if you do not elect to use it. What can it hurt to learn about something new, right?

Again, this is an option, not just for us but for others beyond JOY. Participate if you feel so led. Don't participate if you are not so led. Give in whatever way works best to suit you.



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 if you have been hospitalized.

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



We especially pray for Friends, Family, and Members of Joy.

WHO ARE:

- Suffering the loss of a loved one.
- Suffering from pain or illness.
- Suffering from depression or loneliness.
- Recovering from illness or surgery.

Lord, look upon those in need with eyes of mercy. May Your healing hand rest upon them, may Your life-giving powers flow into every cell of their body and into the depths of their soul, cleansing, purifying, restoring them to wholeness and strength for service in Your Kingdom. Amen.

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

<u>Outreach</u>: Extending Christ's compassion and care to others

Fellowship: Enjoying each other's company

<u>Welcoming</u>: There is a place at Joy for everyone

Education: Getting to know the Word

<u>Relationships</u>: Everyone is worthy of care

and respect

2022 Church Council

Pastor: Rev. John David Bryant President: Marjorie Mäenpää Vice President: Barbara Herndon

Secretary: Kelly Arner **Treasurer:** Kim Tolley

Financial Secretary: Church Secretary

Council Members at Large:

Chris Allebaugh Kristina Deyette Sue Getter Linda Kratzer Gary Krause Mary Sherman



August Birthday Blessings

08/14	Charlotte Abrahams
08/18	Marion Bauman
08/22	Peggy Marion
08/22	Jim Parker
08/23	Terry Embrey
08/23	Gary Krause
08/23	Elaine Heine
08/23	Emily Walton
08/29	Ruth Laumer

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



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."



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.

Joy Financials (See Sunday Bulletin for latest information.)

GENERAL FUND	January - April	*May	Year to Date	
Income	\$55,411.37	\$28,689.00	\$84,100.37	
Expenses	\$66,824.03	\$22,420.45	\$89,244.48	
Overage/Shortage	(\$11,412.66)	\$6,268.55	(\$5,144.11)	
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	January - April	May	Year to Date	
Income	\$4,250.97	\$914.93	\$5,165.90	
Expenses	\$654.33	\$468.03	\$1,122.36	
Overage/Shortage	\$3,596.64	\$446.90	\$4,043.54	

^{*}May income includes the transfer of \$20k of funds, by CT, from MIF acct. back to the General Fund.

AUGUST 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	The Transfiguration 6
	10:00am Ruth Circle Crafts	10:00am Dorcas Circle Quilting	10am Rachel Circle Knitting/Crocheting		8:30am Property Workday	8:00am – 9:00am Pancake Brkfst WELCA &
						"Men of Joy" have mtgs following.
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
10:00am Worship		10:00am Dorcas Circle Quilting	10am Rachel Circle Knitting/Crocheting		8:30am Property Workday	
			11:00am Fellowship Meeting			
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
10:00am Worship		10:00am Dorcas Circle Quilting	10am Rachel Circle Knitting/Crocheting		8:30am Property Workday	
		11:30am Eve Circle Bible Study	7pm Council Mtg			
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
10:00am Worship		10:00am Dorcas Circle Quilting	10am Rachel Circle Knitting/Crocheting		8:30am Property Workday	
					Daily Bread Team 10:30am-1:00pm	
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
10:00am Worship		10:00am Dorcas Circle Quilting	10am Rachel Circle Knitting/Crocheting			
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
						Check website & messages from Pastor Bryant for changes in schedule.