



Tidings of Joy

“Joyfully Reaching Out to Others in Christian Love and Service”
Joy Lutheran Church, ELCA



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Pastor

Rev. Robert Endruschat, STS
Interim Pastor

Steven K. Weiss
Organist

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Secretary

Worship Time(s):

Sunday

Worship Service 10:00a.m.

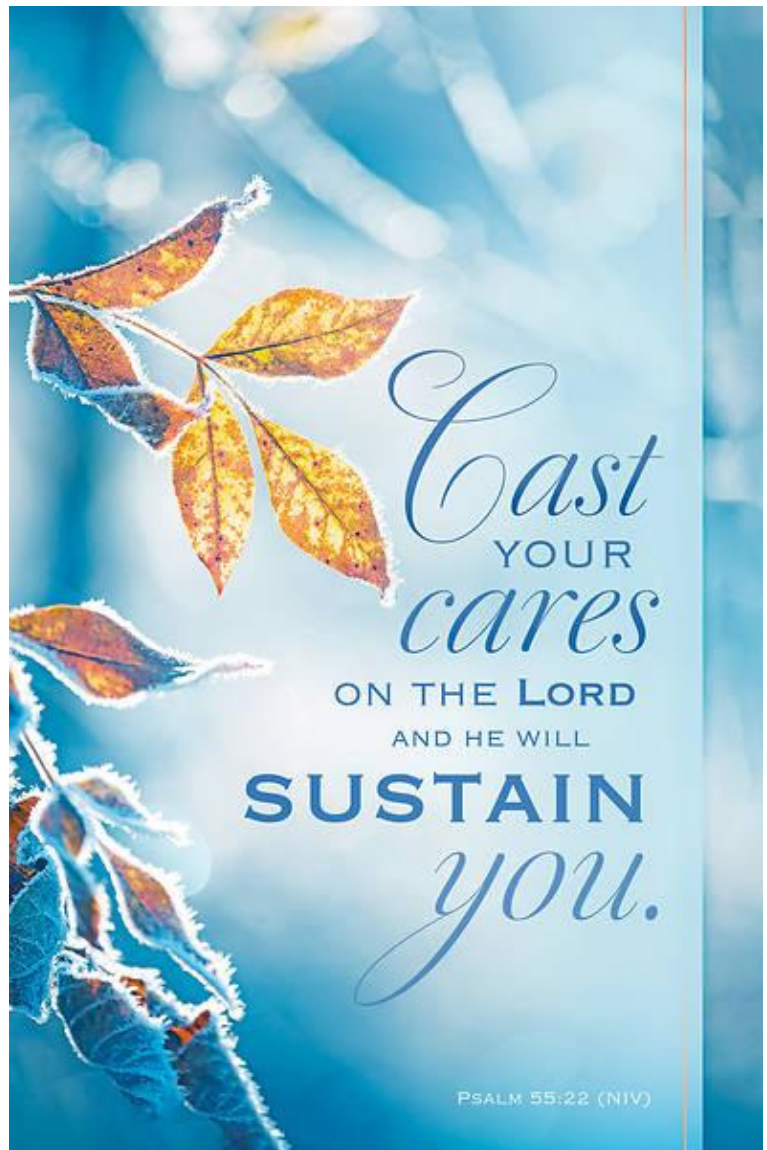
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Jesus Others & You



August Office Hours: Tuesday and Thursday 9am-4pm, and by appointment. It is strongly suggested to call ahead before dropping by. Best means to contact Pastor Endruschat is 561-302-3483 or email at interimjoy2024@gmail.com

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus,

One of the most important things you can do for the Body of Christ is to make the invitation for someone you know to come to church. Here is an accumulation of the best practices to help build the Body of Christ.

1. Invite someone you know – a number of surveys show that a majority of persons first comes to church because a friend invited them. When you invite someone, it is not only personal; it's also the most effective invitation.

2. Pray about your inviting – the Holy Spirit wants to work through you to help others come to church to hear the Good News. Ask the Spirit's help through prayer as you reach out to someone else.

3. Invite persons in time of need – there are times in the lives of most people when the message of Christ and the fellowship of worship are especially needed. Such persons also may be more open to an invitation to worship. People going through the stress of change – a loved one's death, sickness in the family, loss of job, a new community, or a baby – can be served by the message of the risen Christ around which worship revolves.

4. Invite persons to special services – special worship occasions are also times when people may be open to an invitation. Natural opportunities to invite visitors are Christmas, Easter, and when Sunday School or Vacation Bible School students participate.

5. Invite people who don't have a church home – while our congregation is happy to have visitors from other churches, our reaching out is aimed at non-church persons. Our parish family isn't seeking to "steal" members from other congregations. Instead, our congregation treasures opportunities to serve relatives, friends, and associates of our members who do not have a church to call their own.

6. Invite people because we are proud of our parish family – there can be a healthy kind of pride in our parish family and what Christ has given us to offer. That pride is the good feeling we have about our congregation and our satisfaction in what God has done for us and through us. Because we have experienced the "joy of salvation" in our worship, we will want others to share that joy and salvation.

7. Invite people in your own way – don't worry about how to invite someone to come to church with you. If you are concerned enough to ask that person, the Holy Spirit will bless your asking. There is no single "right way;" even if your words may seem stumbling (to you), the Spirit will work through you.

8. Don't give up – if your invitation doesn't work the first time, try other ways to invite that person to worship. Do not push! Be gentle, but make sure the person knows the welcome mat is out.

9. Invite people to worship with you – non-churched visitors will attend our services more readily if you're there to worship with them. More than once, people have said they would like to visit services, but don't know anyone. Arrange to bring them or meet them at church and sit with them. Being with visitors for the first time also gives you an opportunity to help them with worship practices we may take for granted.

10. Ask your pastor for help – there's always someone ready to help you in your inviting; your pastor. He sets aside time to contact persons – by home visits, over the phone, by a mailed note – to whom our congregation is reaching out. **BRING A FRIEND!**

In His Name,

Pr. Robert Endruschat ✠

Gospel Readings

Lectionary "C" for August 2025

August 3 Pentecost 8..... Luke 12:13-21
August 10 Pentecost 9..... Luke 12:32-40
August 17 St. Mary, The Virgin Luke 1:46-55
August 24 Pentecost 11..... Luke 13:10-17
August 31 Pentecost 12..... Luke 14:1, 7-14

The 2025-2026 School Year
begins August 11th.

Please remember this outreach.



“BREAD OF LIFE” BACKPACK PROGRAM”

The “Bread of Life” backpack program for Turner Elementary School is a wonderful outreach to our community. We provide food for as many as ten families each weekend during the school year. The cost is approximately \$250 per week. This program is so very important, especially with families barely making ends meet.

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

Message from Church Council President

Thank you to all who came out for our Ministry Focusing Workshop, with Pastor Derek Hoven on Saturday 07/19/2025. It proved to be very uplifting and positive. About forty members and friends attended. It was part of the Call process in finding out where we are, where we have been, and where we want to go in the discernment and call process. The call committee will be taking the results of that meeting to develop a plan so that available candidates can be matched up with our church.

We have been researching security cameras to provide a level of security for our property. After our recent break in, the council feels we need to better protect our property. It's a shame we must do this, but it seems in the current world, most everyone has some kind of protection, and our church needs that same protection.

Our Property Committee works very hard every Friday. They keep the grass mowed, doors and windows working. They power wash along with many other tasks. They are looking for a few people, male, or female to help. It's also a good way to get to know the other members. If you can help, just show up between 8:30am – noon on Friday morning.

Note: A reminder if you have call process questions that our call committee consists of Eric Maenpaa, Chris Allebaugh, Barbara Herndon, Jim Collins, Bob Getter, and Luther Radway

Mary Sherman,
Church Council President



Next meeting:
August 21st at 7:00pm

Pancake Breakfast

Saturday August 2nd, 2024, 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.



For all who are led by the spirit of God are children of God.
Romans 8:14



Scan QR code for more information and to register

Women of the ELCA Fall Gathering

November 7-9, 2025

Warren Willis United Methodist
Camp & Retreat Center,
Fruitland Park, FL

Come join your sisters for
Fellowship, Worship,
Workshops, Bible Study and
a rejuvenating weekend!

Women's Bible Study

Will not be meeting.
during the month of August.

**Our next Bible Study will be:
September 16, 2025 @ 11:30 a.m.**



Please plan to join us in the fall.

Social Ministry

Our next meeting will be August 21, 2025, at 11:00am.

If you would like to learn more about this ministry, please join us on the 3rd Thursday of the month.

You can contact Marjorie Mäenpää if you have any questions.

RUTH CIRCLE



**WELCA Crafts meeting
August 29, 2025 (Friday)
@10:00a.m.**

All ladies of JOY are welcome.
If you have questions, contact Holly Walsh.



JOY LUTHERAN CHURCH WOMEN



UPCOMING EVENTS:

8/2/2025 Pancake Breakfast 8:00 – 9:30 a.m., \$6.00
8/2/2025 WELCA meeting @ 10:00 – all ladies are invited.
NO Young at Heart Luncheon in August
NO Eve Circle Bible Study in August

CIRCLE MEETINGS

Dorcas Circle (Quilting circle) – every Tuesday @ 10:00 a.m.
Rachel Circle (knitting/crocheting circle) - every Wednesday @ 10:00 a.m.
Ruth Circle (crafts)–last Friday of the month, check with Holly.

“PROVIDENCE CONNECTS” formerly known as “DAILY BREAD”

Rachel Circle packed up twenty-five personal care kits for Providence Connects in July. All contributions are Very Welcome. Personal care kits are made up of deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shaving cream, hair combs and brushes for women & men, razors for men & women, wash cloths, body soap, chap stick or lip balm, fingernail clippers or nail file, gallon size zip lock bags, small (individual) hand sanitizer.

Note: We continue to make personal care kits for Daily Bread, now known as Providence Connects. The physical facility is closed but health, food & shower trucks will be available for the homeless. Personal care kit items are needed.



School Supply Campaign: Thank You for your generous response for the Turner elementary school supplies & Lutheran World Relief Backpacks Campaign. School supplies have been delivered and appreciatively received at Turner Elementary. Lutheran World Relief school backpacks are shipped in January.

*“I lift up my eyes to the hills--from where does my help come?
My help comes from the Lord, who made Heaven and earth.”*

Psalm 121:1-2(NRSV)

SPECIAL EDITION

Breaking News

Est. 1988

DailyBreadinc.org

Summer 2025

DAILY BREAD ANNOUNCES



Daily Bread announces new name to better reflect the growing impact of the 37-year old organization!

Honoring Legacy.
Celebrating Growth.

PROVIDING FOOD. PROVIDING OUTREACH. PROVIDING HOUSING.

The name "DAILY BREAD" may have changed to "PROVIDENCE CONNECTS," but some of the basic needs remain the same.

Rachel Circle will continue to provide Hygiene Kits, with the help of your support.

All contributions are welcome. Personal hygiene kits are made up of: deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shaving cream, hair combs and brushes for women & men, razors for men & women, washcloths, body soap, ChapStick or lip balm, fingernail clippers or nail files, gallon size zip lock bags, small (individual) hand sanitizer.

Young at Heart

Young at Heart will be on vacation the month of August.



We will meet again on **September 18th at noon**. All are welcome, especially those fifty-five and over. Invite your friends, relatives, and neighbors.

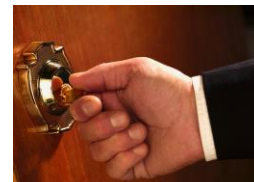
We always have a wonderful time getting to know each other. Please come out and join us.

HELP WANTED!!!

NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH?

We have a few members who have given up driving their cars. We are looking for help in getting them to Church Services and back home again. This could be done on a rotating basis if you are unable to do it every week. Please see Mary Sherman or call 717-582-2206 if you can help with this.

DON'T FORGET TO LOCK THE CHURCH DOORS!



It is important to remember to lock the church doors when the church is left unoccupied.



You're invited to a Life Line Screening event!



Where: Joy Lutheran Church
When: Monday August 11, 2025

Life Line Screening is the nation's leader in **Stroke and Cardiovascular Disease Risk Screenings.**

Trusted by over 10 million customers.

Screenings are simple and painless. Get peace of mind or early detection.

Who should attend: Anyone over the age of 40

Special Pricing for \$159

- Carotid Artery Disease Screening
- Peripheral Artery Disease Screening
- Atrial Fibrillation Screening
- Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening
- Plus a FREE Hypertension Screening

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Call 888-814-0466
and use promo
code: HSCA001

Visit
LLSA.SOCIAL/HSCA

Text the word
"circle" to
216-279-1607

These tests cannot detect all risk factors for all conditions, such as and including the presence of coronary artery disease.

Those with abnormal results should discuss possible next steps with their family healthcare provider and ensure they understand the risk and benefits of any additional testing or procedures.

Has your Home Address, Phone Number, or Email Address changed?



Please let the church office know of any changes. This is the only way that we can be sure to stay connected.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP



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Coffee, Snack, and Cold Drink after Worship.

If you enjoy the "Coffee Fellowship," considering signing up to host a Sunday. The signup sheet is in the fellowship area (side room).

| <i>Joy Financials</i> | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| GENERAL FUND | First Qtr | April & May | Year to Date |
| Income (pledged) | \$17,121.07 | \$13,291.01 | \$30,412.08 |
| Income (unpledged) | \$10,238.70 | \$3,512.35 | \$13,751.05 |
| Income (all other) | \$7,399.43 | \$3,966.77 | \$11,366.20 |
| Income - Total | \$34,759.20 | \$20,770.13 | \$55,529.33 |
| Expenses | (\$31,071.13) | (\$24,483.41) | (\$55,554.54) |
| Overage/(Shortage) | (\$3,713.28) | (\$3,688.07) | (\$25.21) |
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| CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS | First Qtr | April & May | Year to Date |
| Income (pledged) | \$173.11 | \$656.24 | \$829.35 |
| Income (unpledged) | \$1,940.32 | \$606.18 | \$2,546.50 |
| Income - Total | \$2,113.43 | \$1,262.42 | \$3,375.85 |
| Expenses | (\$1,295.39) | (\$1,971.69) | (\$3,267.08) |
| Overage/(Shortage) | \$818.04 | (\$709.27) | \$108.77 |

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 Endruschat. Or contact Pastor Endruschat at 561-302-3483 or email at interimjoy2024@gmail.com, 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

Outreach: Extending Christ's compassion and care to others

Fellowship: Enjoying each other's company

Welcoming: There is a place at Joy for everyone

Education: Getting to know the Word

Relationships: Everyone is worthy of care and respect

2025 Church Council

Pastor, Interim: Rev. Robert Endruschat

President: Mary Sherman

Vice President: Bob Leonard

Secretary: Kelly Arner

Treasurer: Kim Tolley

Financial Secretary: Linda Kratzer

Council Members at Large:

Lori Embrey

René Harper

Lois Manaseri

Mike Pettigrew



August Birthday Blessings

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| 08/14 | Charlotte Abrahams |
| 08/22 | Jim Parker |
| 08/23 | Terry Embrey |
| 08/23 | Elaine Heine |
| 08/23 | Gary Krause |
| 08/29 | Ruth Laumer |

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

Newsletter

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 2025 Tidings no later than August 26th.**

email David Steinhorst
dsteinhorst@cfl.rr.com
or provide a printed copy.



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 **\$25.00** 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"** (321) 768-7776.



Eternal Candle

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 **\$30.00 for the month.**



Communion Wine

If you would like to provide the **Communion Wine**, you may also sign up on the Flower Chart for the month you wish. The cost is **\$20.00 for the month.**

AUGUST 2025

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| <i>Check website & messages from Pastor Robert for changes</i> | | | | | 8:30am Property Workday 7:30pm The Melbourne Assembly of the Body of Christ | 8:00-9:30am Pancake Breakfast 9am Girl Scouts 10:00am WELCA Meeting |
| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 10:00am Worship 1:00pm & 7:30pm The Melbourne Assembly of the Body of Christ | 6:00pm Boy Scouts | 10:00am Dorcas Circle Quilting 6:00pm Cub Scouts | 10am Rachel Circle Knitting/Crocheting | | 8:30am Property Workday 7:30pm The Melbourne Assembly of the Body of Christ | |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | St. Mary 15 | 16 |
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| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 10:00am Worship 1:00pm & 7:30pm The Melbourne Assembly of the Body of Christ | 6:00pm Boy Scouts | 10:00am Dorcas Circle Quilting 6:00pm Cub Scouts | 10am Rachel Circle Knitting/Crocheting | 11:00pm Social Ministry 7:00pm Council Meeting | 8:30am Property Workday 7:30pm Melbourne Assembly of the Body of Christ | |
| 24/31 | St. Bartholomew 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| 10:00am Worship 1:00pm & 7:30pm The Melbourne Assembly of the Body of Christ | 6:00pm Boy Scouts | 00am Dorcas Circle Quilting 6:00pm Cub Scouts | 10am Rachel Circle Knitting/Crocheting | | 8:30am Property Workday 10:00am Ruth Craft Circle 7:30pm Melbourne Assembly of the Body of Christ | |