

BERN BUGLE'S JOYFUL NOTES



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Bern Evangelical Lutheran Church
820 West Leesport Road, Leesport PA 19533
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Worship Availability

Sundays 9:00am

In Sanctuary Worship following CDC
guidelines

Parking Lot Service (91.7fm)

Video on Website

Ministers: ALL THE MEMBERS
EVERYDAY

Pastor: The Rev. Phyllis Wolkenhauer
727-543-3537

pastorphylliswolkenhauer@gmail.com

Parish Secretary: Beverly Whipple/Korinne
Hotzman

Music Director: Jane Battaglieri
610-370-0965

Happy Birthday

*Denotes 80 Years Young!

08/02 Zackery Schlottman	08/20 Mitzi Cote
08/07 Eric Fix	08/20 Toni Sweitzer
08/07 Robert C. Hissinger	08/21 Betty Klopp *
08/09 Timothy Moyer	08/22 Bristol Long
08/12 Cameron Cote	08/24 Lanny Werley
08/14 Audrey Henderson *	08/25 MaryEllen Grace Reichart
08/16 Bonnie Schlappich	08/29 George Schaeffer *
08/17 Aiden Angstadt	08/30 Ted Mountz
08/19 Ryan Wagner	08/30 Ethan Wismer
	08/30 Emma Wismer

Happy Anniversary

08/02 E.Berry & Margaret Hey (35)
08/06 Philip & JoAnn Ketz (55)
08/12 Barry & Bonnie Eiche (43)
08/25 Jim & Myra Bernhart (59)

Bugle Sponsor

THE BERN BUGLE THIS MONTH IS PROVIDED

In honor of those returning to
the front lines at our schools

Building Principles

Devotion to Jesus as Lord &
Savior
Compassionate Sharing &
Community Service
Persistent Faithfulness
Courageous Witness
Flexible Leadership

Newsletter Deadline

Articles for the September Bern
Bugle are due by 08/21

Purpose Statement

God's purpose for our
congregation is to:
Learn God's mission
Share God's love
Witness through Word & Service
Welcome all to a fellowship of
forgiveness & thankful praise

Congregational Council Meeting Highlights

- Revisited Worship survey results
- Approved Dylan Slusser for confirmation
- Investigating options for updates to the sound system



Friday, October 22, 2021

3:00-6:30pm

Drive Thru Pick Up Only

Dinners not picked up by 6:30pm will be sold

\$9.00 Dinner Includes

½ Chicken Baked Potato Apple Sauce Bottled Water

Call to order 610-374-4343 / 610-678-595

or

Order online at bernchurch.org

2021 Bulletin, Newsletter, & Altar Flowers Sponsorships

In order to provide high quality weekly bulletins & cover mailing costs we invite you to become a sponsor for only \$20.

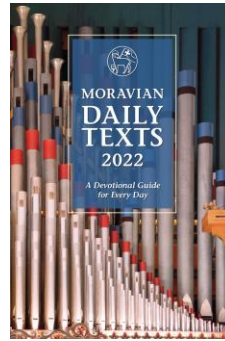
Or you can sponsor our monthly newsletter to help us share our faith, our church, our family. We are able to share news of birthdays, upcoming events, and so much more for \$40.

Or you can help in presenting our best before God as we worship by sponsoring Altar Flowers.

You are welcome to do all these things in honor of loved ones or important anniversaries or in memory of someone or to the Glory of God.

Contact the office or click on the Sponsor Buttons on our Website!

(When you sign up electronically, a reminder email will be sent to you a few days before the Sunday or month you are sponsoring.)



Moravian Daily Texts 2022

If you would like to have a Daily Texts ordered for you, please call the church office by August 9th to get the pre-order price. Paperback, large print and other editions are available.

Parish Secretary Transition

Thank you to Beverly Whipple for her dedication and innovative work that has enhanced our ministry here at Bern. God Bless you in your new calling! (Beverly's last day will be August 3.)



Welcome to Korinne Hotzman who will begin as our parish secretary on August 10. Korinne comes to us with many years experience as a church secretary. She is currently working half time at New Jerusalem Lutheran Church in Fleetwood. As we discovered with Beverly, it is a joy to share a staff member with another congregation. We look forward to Korinne's presence in the church office and her ministry among us. **Welcome Korinne!**

Hello, my name is Korinne Hotzman and I will be the new Parish Secretary at Bern Lutheran Church. My family consists of my husband, Steve, and my two daughters, Riley and Katelyn, as well as two cats named Oliver and Claws. I am a member of Hope Lutheran Church in Bowers. I love to go hiking, biking, and camping with my family whenever I can. I am very excited to be working here and am looking forward to meeting and getting to know the members of Bern Lutheran Church. My office hours are Tuesday from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Wednesday from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. If you are in the area, I would love for you to stop in so I can meet you.



Church Office Hours

Pastor Phyllis

Monday 9:00 – 11:00am
Tuesdays 9:00 – 11:00am
Thursday 9:00 – 10:30am
(Pastor Phyllis can be contacted at other times by her cell 727-543-3537)
Her day off is Friday.

Parish Secretary Korinne

Tuesday 8am – 2pm
Wednesday 12noon – 4pm
Thursday 8am – 1pm



Confirmation Class Starting Soon...

Confirmation Classes will be starting on September 13, meeting after worship in the Youth Room. Students in the 7th grade or older are welcome to attend. Those Pastor Phyllis has spoken to about these classes will receive a letter this month with more information. If you haven't spoken to Pastor Phyllis and are interested, please contact her.



SAVE-A-TAPE PROGRAM

Please be sure to use your Save-A-Tape card when making your purchases at Redner's. We can only use receipts that have used this card. For more information, please visit:

<https://www.rednersmarkets.com/redners-save-a-tape-program.html>



We will be celebrating the Confirmation of Dylan Slusser on August 8, 2021. Dylan has worked hard in his individual program. He has met all the same requirements as those who study with a class. Before the pandemic you would see Dylan as an acolyte or a reader, walking in the CROP Walk, participating in congregational ministries, and taking 40 sermon notes. Dylan is now ready to be confirmed. His Faith Statement is prepared and ready to share. Join us for worship on Sunday, August 8 at 9:00 am to be spiritually fed by the faith of one of our youth. You are also invited to stay after worship to congratulate him at a Social Hour, sponsored by our Altar and Worship Committee.



Thursday Morning Bible Study is coming back beginning September 16. We have a good time together learning about the lessons that are assigned for the upcoming Sunday. If you appreciated the Home Worship Ideas during the pandemic, you will enjoy this time with your brothers and sisters of Bern. The study begins at 9:00 am and runs for one hour.

Everyone is welcome. Bring your friends.



If you are unable to get to worship & would like the sacrament brought to you by Pastor Phyllis &/or a Eucharistic Minister, please call Pastor Phyllis.




A group of women from Bern and Trinity Lutheran in Reading meet monthly for lunch and fellowship. We have been meeting under the drive through at Bern during the summer. Everyone brings their own lunch and a lawn chair. Before the pandemic we met in a local restaurant and will soon be returning to a restaurant. As for this month, we will meet on August 16 at noon at Bern. Come and enjoy the fellowship and meeting new friends.

Prayer Requests

Members
Peggy Reagan, Warren Lengel; Ruth Mease; and Ruth Keeney.

Family and Friends

Ashley, Kim Peth, Stacy Laroche, Philip Triantis, Mike, George Frey, Dennis Hettinger; Peggy Deemer; Joe & Karen Young; Ryder Knechtle & family; Brian; Jamie Hey; Glenn Jones; Kailey; Renee Fullmer; Linda & John Bachman; Patrick; Susan; Owen Hey; Joyce; Rev. Fred Foerster; Brenda Frey; Erin Ascencio; and Lesley Wegman.



Glossy Magazine Recycling Program

for Ronald McDonald House

We have restarted this program and are actively collecting glossy magazines. You will find a black bin under the coat racks to place your magazines.

Why do we do this?

To help each other and the environment.

When the containers are full, Ronald McDonald House calls Consolidated Scrap Resources, Inc. to pick up the containers. They process the contents and sell them to a paper mill, which turns the discarded paper into new magazine paper. A portion of the proceeds from each ton of paper collected comes directly to RMHC-CP. Since this program began in 2004, over **\$371,000** has been raised by recycling over **14,000 tons** of glossy paper.

Schuylkill Valley Food Pantry



102 Apple St, Leesport, PA 19533

You are needed to help distribute food on the morning of August 21 beginning @7:30am. There is work for all skill sets and

all ages. If you have questions, talk to Pastor Phyllis. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the hallway. THANK YOU!

INCOME & ATTENDANCE

\$3259.19 is needed per week to meet 100% of the Budgeted Expenses

Budget Report - Year to Date

	<u>June</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Income	\$10,221.23	\$90,680.43
Congregational		
Fund Raising	\$382.50	\$625.949

World Hunger	\$833.50	\$1,500.00
Mission Field	\$466.00	\$1,300.00
W.B.M.D.	\$303.50	\$600.00
Other	\$143.00	\$0.00

Actual Income

Expenses	<u>YTD</u>	
Budgeted Income	\$68,031.89	
Non-Budgeted Income	\$23,274.48	
Budgeted Expenses	\$83,364.12	
Non-Budgeted Expenses	\$547.66	
Benevolence to be Paid	\$425.00	\$3218.00
Surplus/Deficit	-\$4,572.38	+\$7,394.59

Capital Improvement Account

	<u>June</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Member Contributions	\$105.00	\$720.00
Interest	\$0.66	\$3.94
Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00
		\$40,118.39

Savings Account

	<u>YTD</u>
Thrivent Choice dollars	\$318.00
Interest	\$19.64
Expenses	\$0.00
	\$131,447.49

Benevolence	<u>YTD</u>	<u>2021 Pledge</u>
Synod & ECLA	\$1615	\$3,000.00