THE MESSENGER MAY 2021

GILEAD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Service time 10:30 AM

**A WORD FROM PASTOR JEFF SILVERNAIL**

**May Messenger – Pastor Jeff**

“O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!... When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?” Psalm 8:1, 3-4

This is for me a wonderful time of year. I love watching the greening of the landscapes all around us. I am getting excited about what will go in my garden this year and the seedlings have been started. It is warm enough to walk and bike and kayak in comfort. One can even go outside in the evening without freezing to look at the moon and the stars and to contemplate this amazing creation and the awesome God who created it all.

They are the same heavenly bodies the ancient Psalmist looked at to contemplate the awesomeness of God. We may know more now about the stars and about the natural world, its cycles and its interactions, but it doesn’t change how God’s name is majestic in all the world and majestic in our heart.

If anything for me at least, I am even more awed by God with what I know about the sciences.

I hope you too are able to get out and appreciate the wonder of God’s creation around us, above us, below us and within us. Take the time, look around, relax, contemplate, and enjoy.

Blessings in God’s name,

Pastor Jeff

**GILEAD’S VISION STATEMENT**

We ring out a joyous message of welcome and togetherness to neighbors near and far through the Spirit of Christ!

**VALUES FOR GILEAD LUTHERAN CHURCH**

PRAISING GOD through Traditional and Contemporary music and Lutheran liturgy.

GROWING IN FAITH through Fellowship, Study, Prayer and Service.

STAYING CONNECTED with each other and reaching out to others in the community.

LISTENING for the Spirit’s guidance in all we do.

AFFIRMING each person as worthy of love and respect.

Please keep our homebound and those that can’t be with us in your prayers:

Bill Beck, John Grassman, Mike Boomhower, Matthew Raymond, Tom Spade, Kelly Nutter, Bob Guerin, June Boomhower, Rick Brown, Peter Valdeon, Liam, Joe Carista, Allen Sheffer and Issiah Burnell.

 **MAY BIRTHDAYS**

 Kathleen Newton 2 Brian Keefer 10

 Michelle Krill 2 Ada Galvin 10

 Lisa Kreiger 4 Kristine Anthony 17

 Al Coonradt 7 Wyatt Brown 18

 William Krill Jr. 7 Stacie Kreiger 22

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

 Pastor Jim and Linda Hulihan 10

 Michael and Shayne Roberts 16

 Matthew and Stacie Kreiger 17

 MAY CHURCH CALENDAR

 **5th Sunday of Easter, May 2nd  Ascension of Our Lord, May 13th**

Holy Communion Holy Communion

 1st Reading: Acts 8:26-40 1st Reading: Acts 1:1-11

 Psalm: 22:25-31 Psalm: 47

 2nd Reading: 1 John 4:7-21 2nd Reading: Ephesians 1:15-23

 Gospel: Mark 15:1-8 Gospel: Luke 24: 44-53

 **6th Sunday of Easter, May 9th 7th Sunday of Easter, May 16th**

 Holy Communion Holy Communion

 1st Reading: Acts 10:44-48 1st Reading: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

 Psalm: 98 Psalm: 1

 2nd Reading: 1 John 5:1-6 2nd Reading: 1 John 5:9-13

 Gospel: John 15:9-17 Gospel: John 17:6-19

 **Day of Pentecost, May 23rd The Holy Trinity, May 30th**

 Holy Communion Holy Communion

 1st Reading: Acts 2:1-21 1st Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8

 Psalm: 104:24-34, 35b Psalm: 29

 2nd Reading: Romans 8:22-27 2nd Reading: John 3:1-7

 Gospel: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15 Gospel: John 3:1-17

**EVENTS CALENDAR**

 **Multi Committee Meeting 5:30pm**

 **May 11th Council Meeting 6:30pm**

 **May 27th Body and Soul Pantry/Dinner 3-6pm**

**WORSHIP LEADERS READERS**

May 2nd Pastor Dan Hahn Andrea Keefer

May 9th Deacon Jim Netzer Eleanor Bode and Melanie Hickey

May 16th Pastor Dan Hahn Betty Britt

May 23rd Deacon Jim Netzer Michele Krill

May 31st Pastor Jeff Silvernail Eleanor Bode

 **EMAIL LIST**

I have acquired an email list for most of the congregation. I have decided to email the monthly Messenger to everyone. If you have been receiving it in the mail you will continue to do so, unless you have requested to receive it via email. If you find that receiving it via email works for you and you no longer need it mailed to you please send me a message, a.keefer.gilead@gmail.com and I will remove you from the mailing list. If you know someone that would like to receive the monthly Messenger please pass that along to me as well. Thank you for all of your support!

Andrea Keefer, Church Secretary

 **DIRECTORY UPDATE**

We are working on updating our church directory. Please send us your current contact information if you would like to be included in the directory. If you know someone that would like their information in the directory please pass this message along. We would like to include name, address, phone number and email address. You can leave a message at the church 518-279-9270, email akeefer.gilead@gmail.com or mail us your information to PO BOX 26 Cropseyville, NY 12052

 **DEFENSIVE DRIVING**

We will be holding a defensive driving class on Saturday June 5th  from 9:00-

3:30. This will be a very small class of 20 people. We are not advertising this in our usual papers. It is currently being offered to members and friends of Gilead and

those people who took this course 3 years ago. The class will fill up fast and we

already have 11 people enrolled. Contact the Shanahans @ 518-279-9552 ASAP.

 **MULTI COMMITTEE**

Journey Together Picnic at Gilead Lutheran in Brunswick

308 Brick Church Rd. Troy (Rt. 278 Brunswick)

Saturday, June 12th at 2 p.m.

Bring your own lawn chair and an Easy-Up canopy if you have one. The Multi-Committee will be providing grilled chicken, Iced tea, lemonade, paperware, cups and utensils. Please bring a food item to share with the group.

RSVP to Kat Raymond 518-575-4184 (please leave a message) or Arctikat61@outlook.com By June 7, 2021. We will need a headcount for food quantity or Inclement weather cancellation.

Please join us for some outdoor fun! Bring along a game to play. As always Gilead is committed to your safety, so social distancing and masks will be required. Thank you and see you there!

 **COMMUNITY MINISTRY**

Our food Pantry is in need of the following items:

Toothpaste, Liquid soap, deodorant (mens and womens), dish detergent, macaroni and cheese, canned tomatoes, tomato sauce, canned corn, canned peas, canned carrots, canned potatoes, black beans and tomato soup. Thank you for your continued support.





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**READ ME, SEE WHAT’S NEW!!**





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 **Brunswick, New York**

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