

March

Bethany News

2026

FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF BETHANY LUTHERAN

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*Bethany Lutheran Church
Palmyra, NJ*

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Monthly Meetings

Church Council & Finance Committee	2 nd Tuesday	Pack 9 BSA	every Monday & Tuesday and 3 rd Friday Night
Worship Committee	1 st Monday	Crew 9 BSA	every Monday Night
Men's Breakfast	1 st & 3 rd Saturday	Troop 9 BSA	every Tuesday Night
WELCA Circles	1 st full week		
WELCA Exec. Board	3 rd Thursday		

A Message From Our Pastor:

Beloved people of Bethany,

I am so grateful for the amazing ministry you all continue to do, day in and day out. Whether it be through our new community meal, our continued partnership with Bread of Life food pantry, our WELCA collections, gifts from the Endowment fund, Faith Formation for all ages in Sunday School and Bible Study, or all the behind the scenes work to support our worship services, the Holy Spirit is active here at Bethany. In my almost three years here, I continue to notice new places where the Spirit is at work.

Pastor Nadia Bolz Weber is doing a Lenten discipline this year of noticing something good every day. It's a practice rooted in gratitude and appreciation to God of simply becoming more aware of the many ways God shows up all around us.

She writes about how when she first became sober, her sponsor tasked her with reporting one good thing every day:

The trick this woman was clearly playing on me was this: in order to report something good to my sponsor each day, I was suddenly on the hook to notice the good. Like when I had just the right amount of change in my pocket for a slice of pizza. Or when the manager at the grocery store I worked at said "good job" before I clocked out. Or how the tulips had just started peeking out of the spring dirt.

At some point it dawned on me that even though my life mostly still sucked, the kinds of things I was now forced to notice probably happened every day I wasn't noticing them. And I had missed it all.

Good things happen around us all the time. Even in the midst of our broken world, God is still good and shows up in moments we often fail to notice. One morning in February, before worship, I noticed little Charleigh sitting on the pew with her parents all grown up and looking over the bulletin before service. A little "God moment" if I've ever seen one. Or at Fastnacht as everyone laughed at the "Church-related dad jokes" Emily shared. Or the excitement as folks volunteered to serve at our community dinner. I could go on and on. The more you pause and notice the ways where God is moving in our midst, the more examples you can find. I invite you to join me in noticing where God is active, where the good shows up, and helping to lift those places up and rejoice together.



In Christ's name,
Pastor Bre

A Message From Our Council President

As Lenten season is upon us let us remember, Lent is not just about giving things up, but rather a return to God, with your whole heart to experience his grace and mercy.

Please mark your calendars so you don't miss any of the special Lenten services or soup suppers.

Just a reminder that we are still in need of one more Church Council Member. Church council is a wonderful opportunity for you to become involved and help shape our future. If you have any questions please reach out to one of our council members or if you are interested please join us at our next council meeting on March 10th, 2026 at 7:00 PM in the Miller House.

Thanks for all you do.

Stephanie Staudenmayer
Council President

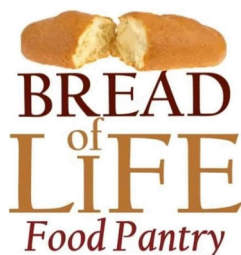
Council Meeting Summary

Minutes from the February 10th, 2026 Council Meeting

Attendance in December averaged 52, with numbers ranging from 20 on a snowy Sunday to 90 for the Christmas pageant, and 30/59 across Christmas Eve services. Pastor Bre highlighted upcoming Synod Assembly participation opportunities, and hybrid Bible study options. The Endowment Committee approved four \$1,000 outreach grants.

A key action item was approval of a new monthly Community Meal hosted by the Social Ministries Committee, beginning February 26th, 2026, in Gibson Hall. Following discussion about safety and advertising, the motion passed.

Allison Greenfield
Council Secretary



We recently had 169 families receiving help.
As food prices have risen recently,
ongoing donations are especially needed.
Drop off in the Narthex or
call the office at 856-829-2373 for pickup
At your home

Christian Education

Coming up in April . . . A new discussion group on “*Faith & Civic Life*”
Let’s read and discuss the new ELCA Social Statement Together!

Are you curious about what our Lutheran denomination has to say about our faith and civic life? Last summer, after a six-year process, the Churchwide Assembly of the ELCA voted to adopt the new Social Statement, “Faith and Civic Life”. Please join us to read and discuss the statement together:

Six Sundays following Worship Service
April 12, 19, 26, May 3, 17, 24 (or 31)

(Group will decide whether to meet after Congregational Meeting & Memorial Day weekend.)

“ELCA social statements are teaching and policy documents that provide broad frameworks to assist us in thinking about and discussing social issues in the context of daily life.” They do not tell us what to think – they provide a framework for thoughtful engagement with social issues as we participate in God’s work in the world. For more information, visit www.elca.org/socialstatements .

We look forward to interesting, meaningful discussions as we journey together throughout the Easter Season! Please let Mimi Confer know if you are interested in participating.

Hope to see you there!



Fellowship Committee

A Big **Thank you** to the Scouts of Bethany for their coffee hour celebration on February 8th. We had 46 members from both the congregation and scouts attend.

THANK YOU to all who participated in our February 15th *Fastnacht Party*. The delicious food and joyful entertainment was enjoyed by all 36 of us who attended. Donations of \$43.00 will be gratefully added to the “Kitchen Fund”.

Upcoming events at Bethany include:

Wednesday, March 18th at 6:00 PM *Soup Supper* hosted by Bethany, prior to our
7:00 PM Worship Service

Sunday, April 5th at 9:00 AM *Easter Breakfast* prior to our Worship service.

Please watch for “sign-up sheets” in the Narthex and let us know if you plan to attend.

Thanks (again)

Your Fellowship Committee.

Social Ministry

Dinner Is Served

Thursday, March 26th, 5:00 - 7:00 PM

You know how sometimes as we go about our day, we see someone, and our heart just goes out to them. Maybe it's a neighbor, who we suspect is going through a particularly stressful time. Maybe it's someone we know whose been having trouble making ends meet. Maybe it's someone we think might be lonely. Maybe it's someone asking us for money on the street. I know when my heart goes out to someone like this, I wish I knew what to say or what to do to let them know they're not alone, that someone cares.

The Social Ministries Committee is organizing a new congregation-wide ministry – a free monthly Community Dinner on the last Thursday of each month, open to everyone. Everyone is Welcome! We hope that when you feel compassion for someone like this, and wonder what you can say, that you will invite them to come with you to this dinner!

This is not a particularly religious event, although we are organizing it in response to the love of God that we know through Jesus Christ. There's no program, just a hot meal and an opportunity to be friendly and kind to strangers. If you feel called to help with this ministry of hospitality, please speak to a member of the Social Ministries Committee, or call the church office. We need people to make desserts, do meal-prep at home and bring to the dinner, friendly greeters to welcome people and help them find their way through our building, people to serve dinner, people to eat and chat with strangers and make them feel at home, and people to clean up!

Thank you so very much to everyone who helped last month!

Thanks be to God for this opportunity to serve our neighbors!



Stewardship Letter

Hello Bethany Friends,

Happy St. Patrick's Day to all, and I know everyone is looking forward to the Spring Season this year as we have had a rough Winter Season. The wintry weather, lingering piles of snow everywhere has been a mess and I for one am tired of looking at that white stuff!

We are now in our Lenten Season with Easter Season approaching in six weeks which is my favorite time of the year as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord & Savior Jesus Christ. We must always consider what his sacrifice has done for us and the world. We believers know that we have everlasting life through Jesus as was his ministry's gospel to all Christians. Let us be thankful and show our support to the Church and Community around us and around the entire world. As we prepare for the remembrance of the suffering on the cross that Jesus endured for our redemption and to show us the power and glory of God the father in Heaven.

I also wanted to mention that I am still looking for a few good Lutherans to join the Stewardship Committee as we need more hands to start our brand-new stewardship campaign this Fall Season. We will be sharing a lot of information, mailing out a lot of letters to our congregation members in advance of the new Intent Cards which will be our new way to approach our giving of time, talent, and financial support to our Community. It is going to be a lot of fun to be involved in this exciting new adventure that we will be walking together to "Build a Culture of Generosity" here at Bethany Lutheran Church.

I am also extremely excited that we are hosting our first ever Community Dinner Event open to All people in our community. We are doing this to help feed the people in our community who could use a satisfying meal, someone to talk with, and a warmer environment. Hopefully, this event will be a successful evangelical fellowship time for our Church. I will be in attendance with many others supporting the Church and our Community.

Thank you all for your gracious and generous giving as always!

May God Bless you all and keep you safe, healthy, and happy! Remember God loves you and wants you to love him too! So, let us spread the love as Jesus has taught us as we go through our daily lives. **Amen!**

"For God so loveth a Cheerful Giver" 2 Corinthians Thanks be to God!

Tom Willard - Chairperson



Women ^{of the} ELCA

Please come out and join our March 10th or March 11th WELCA meeting.

We meet in the Miller House at 11:00 AM.

Pack a sandwich and enjoy a video presentation on Clarence Jones who happens to be a famous graduate of Palmyra High School!

Hope to see you there.

Thanks for all you do!
Stephanie Staudenmayer

Worship Committee

Highlights in February:

February 1st: *4th Sunday of Epiphany*
February 8th: *5th Sunday of Epiphany (Scout Sunday)*
February 15th: *Transfiguration of Our Lord*
February 18th: *Ash Wednesday (Central Baptist, Palmyra)*
February 22nd: *1st Sunday in Lent*

Services coming up in March:

March 1st: *2nd Sunday in Lent*
March 8th: *3rd Sunday in Lent*
March 15th: *4th Sunday in Lent*
March 22nd: *5th Sunday in Lent*
March 29th: *Passion/Palm Sunday*

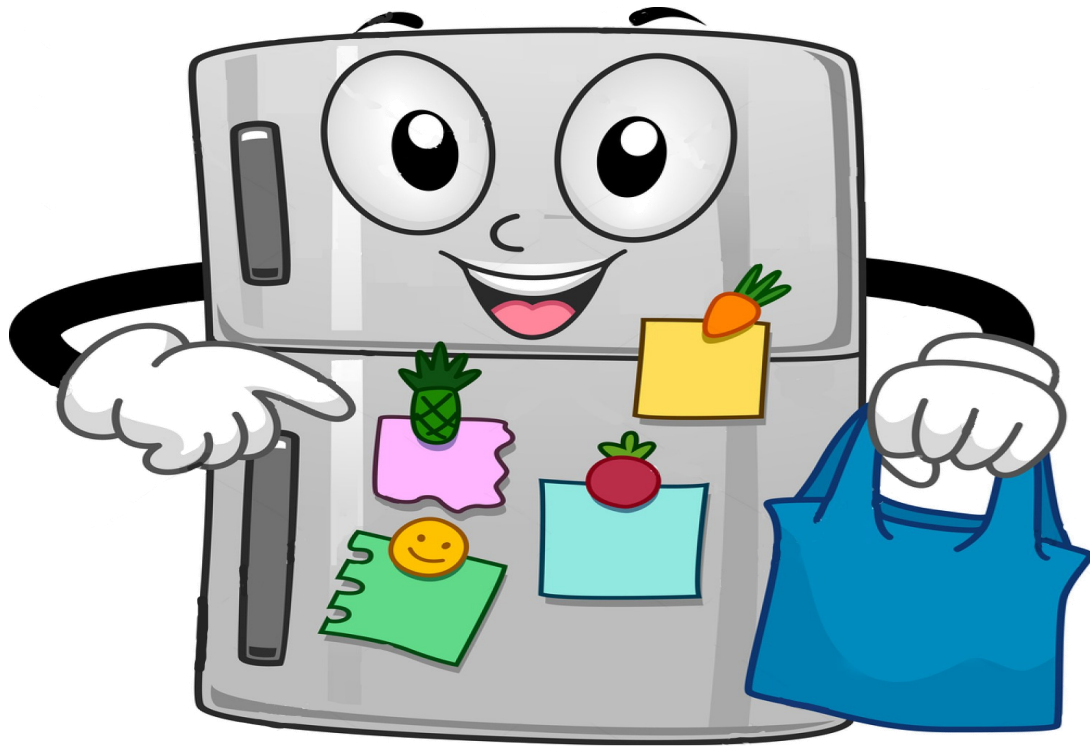
Lenton Services

Soup Suppers will be held on the following dates, locations, and times:

March 11th: *Mt. Zion AME Church, Riverton; Soup 6:00 PM, Service 7:00 PM*
March 18th: *Bethany Lutheran Church, Palmyra; Soup 6:00 PM, Service 7:00 PM*
March 25th: *Calvary Presbyterian, Riverton; Soup 6:00 PM, Service 7:00 PM*

Before you know It, April will be upon us and will bring Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter. Envelopes for ordering Easter Lilies will be included in the March 1st bulletin and placed in the Narthex. Get ready for these holy events. More to come in the next Newsletter.

All groups using the refrigerators



**must Label your
food, with the
marker or it will be
either eaten or
tossed out.**

SOUP-ER BOWL

“BIG GAME WINNER”

We did OUR part to CAN hunger

By topping last year's collection,
we donated 358 cans to



Bread
of
Life
Pantry!

Thank You!!!



March

02 Morgan Dalesio

08 Parker Smith

10 Ruthellen Cheney

12 Eleanor Mauroschadt

12 Brandi Smith

17 Elisa Schoen

19 Jack Flynn, III

20 Pastor Breanna Tessitore

20 Chloe Vetrecin

22 Kimberly Salton

23 Dorothy Isard 90th

23 Linda Richardson

29 Ann Deats

31 Ben Cheney

March Liturgical Volunteers:

Altar Guild: Kathy Austin & Mary Ann Middleton
Counters: Mimi Confer & Bill Isard

March 1

Communion Assistant: Bob Middleton
Greeter: Charleen Burik
Head Usher: Bob Middleton
Reader: Rick Dreby

March 8

Communion Assistant: Sue Bohus
Greeter: Mimi Confer
Head Usher: Fred Shaffer
Reader: Emily Cheney

March 15

Communion Assistant: Bill Knowles
Greeter: Joan Kelly
Head Usher: Mike Wilson
Reader: Peggy Schock

March 22

Communion Assistant: Marie Carlin
Greeter: Dana & Robert Hozier
Head Usher: Bill Knowles
Reader: Sue Bohus

March 29

Communion Assistant: Lois Gerkens
Greeter: Debbie & Ben Cheney
Head Usher: Stephanie Staudenmayer
Reader: Stephanie Staudenmayer

What's Happening...

March

- 03/01 Communion**
11:15 AM: Sunday School (Church 2nd Floor)
- 03/02** 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM: Quilters (Miller House)
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM: Scouts (Gibson Hall/Undercroft)
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM: Worship Meeting (Miller House)
- 03/03** 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM: Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM: Scouts (Gibson Hall/Undercroft)
- 03/04** 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM: Bible Study (Miller House)
6:30 PM - 9:00 PM: Pack Comm. Meet (Church 2nd Floor)
- 03/05**
- 03/06**
- 03/07** 8:00 AM: Men's Breakfast (Cinnaminson Diner)
3:00 PM - 7:00 PM: Piano/Organ Practice (Sanctuary)
- 03/08 Communion-Day Light Savings Day**
- 03/09** 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM: Quilters (Miller House)
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM: Scouts (Gibson Hall/Undercroft)
- 03/10** 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM: Martha Circle (Miller House)
3:00 PM - 7:00 PM: Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
7:00 PM: Council Meeting (Miller House)
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM: Scouts (Gibson Hall/Undercroft)
- 03/11** 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM: Eve Circle (Miller House)
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM: Bible Study (Miller House)
6:00 PM - Soup Supper at Mt. Zion AME, Riverton (7:00 PM Lenten Program)
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM: Troop. Comm. Meet (Miller House)
- 03/12**
- 03/13**
- 03/14** 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM: Piano/Organ Practice (Sanctuary)
- 03/15 Communion**
- 03/16** 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM: Quilters (Miller House)
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM: Scouts (Gibson Hall/Undercroft)
- 03/17 St. Patrick's Day**
3:00 PM - 7:00 PM: Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM: Scouts (Gibson Hall/Undercroft)
- 03/18** 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM: Bible Study (Miller House)
6:00 PM - Soup Supper at Bethany, (Gibson Hall) (7:00 PM Lenten Program)
- 03/19** 10:30 AM: WELCA Exec Board. Meeting (Miller House)
- 03/20**
- 03/21** 8:00 AM: Men's Breakfast (Cinnaminson Diner)
3:00 PM - 7:00 PM: Piano/Organ Practice (Sanctuary)
- 03/22 Communion**
Last Day to order Easter Lilies
- 03/23** Bethany News Articles are due
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM: Quilters (Miller House)
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM: Scouts (Gibson Hall/Undercroft)
- 03/24** 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM: Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM: Scouts (Gibson Hall/Undercroft)
- 03/25** 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM: Bible Study (Miller House)
6:00 PM - Soup Supper at Calvary, Riverton (7:00 PM Lenten Program)
- 03/26** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM: Community Dinner (Gibson Hall)
- 03/27**
- 03/28** 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM: Piano/Organ Practice (Sanctuary)
- 03/29 Communion-Palm Sunday**
- 03/30** 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM: Quilters (Miller House)
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM: Scouts (Gibson Hall/Undercroft)
- 03/31** 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM: Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM: Scouts (Gibson Hall/Undercroft)

Sunday, March 8th, 2026
it time to set your clocks
forward 1 hour





Lenten Soup Suppers and Program

6:00 pm Soup Supper
7:00 pm Lenten Program

March 11 - Mt. Zion AME, Riverton

March 18 - Bethany Lutheran Church, Palmyra

March 25 - Calvary Presbyterian, Riverton

All donations to support

Triboro Clergy Emergency Vouchers for the Homeless





2026

Easter Lilies

Deadline for ordering

March 22, 2026



\$10.00 each



DINNER IS SERVED!

JOIN US FOR A DELICIOUS DINNER!

THURSDAY, MARCH 26TH, 2026

5 - 7 P.M.

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

ACROSS FROM THE TRAIN PLATFORM


BROAD ST. & MORGAN AVENUE

 **PALMYRA, NJ**



FREE

ALL ARE WELCOME



Help make
a change!

Support our

DIAPER DRIVE

Donate diapers for the Maker's Place,
a non-profit diaper bank in Trenton, NJ

**The Maker's Place is especially grateful for sizes 5, 6, & 7!*

**Help Us Reach our Goal of 5,000 Diapers!
Donate Baby Wipes, Pull-ups and Diapers of
All Sizes by March 15, 2026.
Please label all donations "Diaper Drive".**

Sponsored by Epworth's United Women in Faith
Epworth United Methodist Church
501 Morgan Avenue
Palmyra, NJ 08065

Holy week

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SCHEDULE

MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 2, 2026

*Central Baptist | 7:00 PM
514 Maple Avenue | Palmyra, NJ*

*Epworth UMC | Tenebrae Service | 7:00 PM
5 Morgan Avenue | Palmyra, NJ*

GOOD FRIDAY

April 3, 2026

*Bethany Lutheran Church | Tenebrae Service | 7:00 PM
617 Morgan Avenue | Palmyra, NJ*



Easter

BREAKFAST

Gibson Hall

Month

04

Date

05

Year

25



from **9AM** to **10AM**

Sign up in the Narthex

Sponsored by Council



Spring Cleaning?
Council is collecting
New and Gently Used

Books And Stuffed Animals

for our

Palmyra Day Table

Donations are being
collected from
now until
April 26th, 2026

WANTED
New Or
Gently used

Books
and
stuffed Animals

In The Mail....



Where Children with Cancer and Their Siblings
Can Just Be Kids for a Week Every Summer!

January 10, 2026

Bethany Evangelical Lutheran Church
Broad and Morgan Street
Palmyra, NJ 08065

Dear Bethany Evangelical Lutheran Church:

Thank you for making a difference!

Camp No Worries is a place of happiness, friendship and new adventures. **Your thoughtful 2025 donation of \$1,000.00** helped provide one week of virtual camp to children with cancer, their siblings, and families with none of the financial burden. Camp No Worries is a camp run solely by volunteers and is free for all families to attend and participate. This would not be possible without supporters like you.

We are proud to say that last summer was our 31st year providing camp. Planning for summer camp 2026 has already begun and we are looking forward to making camp an experience that will ensure the kids a true week of "No Worries".

The experiences, friendships, fun and memories that happen at Camp No Worries last far-longer than just the week of camp, they truly last a lifetime!

Sincerely

Mary Jo Mazza
Camp No Worries Board of Director

2025 YEAR-END TAX STATEMENT OF CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS

Federal Tax Identification number 82-3793545

No goods or services were provided in exchange for this contribution

If you feel this letter contain any errors, please contact:

Mary Jo Mazza maryjomazza@hotmail.com



In The Mail....



29 Pleasant Grove Road, Port Murray, NJ 07865
Ph: (908) 832-7264 Fax: (908) 928-4066
www.CrossRoadsRetreat.com

Cross Roads Camp and Retreat Center is a welcoming and inclusive community providing life changing and sacred adventures for renewal, growth, and joy.

February 3, 2026

Bethany Evangelical Lutheran Church
Rev. Breanna L. Tessitore
617 Morgan Ave
Palmyra, NJ 08065-1929

Dear Pastor Tessitore and Congregation,

Greetings from Camp!

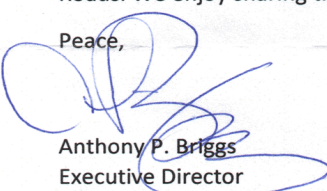
Winter has settled in at Cross Roads, and while the grounds may be quieter, the life of this place continues – rooted in community, faith, and gratitude. Thank you for your generous gift to Cross Roads Camp and Retreat Center.

As we enter a new year, we are holding close our 2026 theme, *Wildly Together*. It reminds us that God calls us into a community that is alive and grace-filled, made stronger by many people bringing their unique gifts together. Your support is part of what allows Cross Roads to remain a place where all are welcome, where faith is lived authentically, and where connections deepen in every season.

Because of you, Cross Roads continues to be a place of belonging and transformation. We are deeply grateful to walk this journey with you and look forward to all that God will unfold in the year ahead – *wildly, faithfully, together*.

If you're ever in the area, I hope you'll stop by and visit. I welcome the opportunity to spend time with you, show you around Camp, and share more about what's happening here at Cross Roads. We enjoy sharing this place with all who feel drawn to it.

Peace,


Anthony P. Briggs
Executive Director
anthony@crossroadsretreat.com

Gift Date:

Gift Amount: \$1,000

Please see reverse for a summary of this year's giving.

No goods or services were received in exchange for your donation.

Cross Roads Camp and Retreat Center is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, Federal Tax ID 22-3715488, and your gift is tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

Please retain this receipt for your tax records.

In The Mail....



JOSEPH'S HOUSE OF CAMDEN
856.246.1087
PO Box 555
Camden, NJ 08101
<http://www.jhoc.org>

Mr. Robert Middleton
Bethany Evangelical Lutheran Church
617 Morgan Avenue
Palmyra, NJ 08065

Dear Mr. Middleton,

On behalf of everyone at Joseph's House, I would like to extend our deepest gratitude for your generous donation of check #1339, in the amount of \$1,000.00, dated 1.24.2026. Your support is vital to helping us continue our mission of providing shelter, care, and dignity to those experiencing homelessness in our community. Thanks to you, we can continue offering a safe haven to individuals who are struggling, providing not just a roof over their heads but also the resources and support they need to regain their independence and stability. Your gift is making a tangible impact on the lives of those who need it most.

As we reflect on this past year, we are reminded of the difference that compassionate people like you make in the lives of our guests. Your contribution ensures that our programs, whether it's providing emergency shelter, meals, or case management services, remain strong and responsive to the needs of our community. We are grateful for your commitment to Joseph's House and the mission to end homelessness. Your belief in our work and your dedication to helping those in need inspire us every day. Together, we can continue to make a lasting difference.

Thank you again for your generosity. We look forward to sharing more of our progress and the impact of your support in the coming year. Should you have any questions or wish to learn more about how your donation is being used, please don't hesitate to reach out.

With heartfelt appreciation,

Colandra Coleman

Colandra Coleman
Executive Director

*We are so grateful for
your generosity to our
unsheltered guests!
Colandra*

Joseph's House of Camden, LLC is a 501 (c) (3) organization and no goods or services were provided in consideration for your gift.

Please save this letter for tax purposes.

In The Mail....



New Jersey Synod

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

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Bethany, Palmyra

February 2026

Dear Pastor, Congregational Leaders, Members and Friends,

Grace and peace to you from God, our Father, and the Lord our Savior, Jesus Christ.

On behalf of the Office of the Bishop and alongside all of you, I want to rejoice in the generosity your congregation has demonstrated in so many ways, not least of which through your participation in annual Mission Support to your New Jersey Synod. Generosity is one of the concrete ways our baptismal life takes shape and makes a difference. I think it is worth repeating if you haven't heard it before: *Generosity is what God wants for us, not from us.*¹¹⁷ Lives of generosity are transformative and transforming. To that end, please note a few items included in this mailing.

Enclosed with this letter is a certificate of *Thank You* from your NJ Synod Council, Bishop and all who work and serve in this space of being church together. Please share this with your congregational leadership and community along with our most sincere and profound sense of appreciation and gratitude.

Some highlights about giving this past year:

- Together, we exceeded mission support offerings by over \$1,000!
- 109 of our 143 congregations met or exceeded their mission support intention!
- 34 of those same 143 congregations *exceeded* their mission support intention (nearly 24%)!
- 100% of your NJ Synod's 'new start' ministries (i.e. Tapestry Collective, Camino de Vida and Casa Unida Luterana) shared mission support offerings being valuable partners in our generosity journey!
- 50% of Mission Support received has been shared with the ELCA!

Last, if you have not already -and many thanks to you if you already have!- please have your congregation share your 2026 Mission Support Intent with the Bishop's Office by going to the stewardship homepage on the NJ synod website: www.njsynod.org/stewardship. Together God makes us a people of hope and love.

I give thanks to God for you. And I give thanks to God because of Christ within you.

Sincerely,

Rev. Dean R. Brown

Rev. Dean R. Brown
Assistant to the Bishop for Stewardship and Generosity

*Thank you, Bethany, for your ministry and for your generosity!
Bishop Compton*

PS – In addition to the Mission Support 'Thank You' poster, enclosed are also copies of the 2025 'Where Does My Offering Go?' and the NJ Synod's '7 Aspirations' surrounding giving and mission support.

¹¹⁷Rev. Dr. Michael Binder, Luther Seminary, "Faithful Innovation project"

In The Mail....



New Jersey Synod

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

THANK YOU

Bethany Lutheran Church, Palmyra

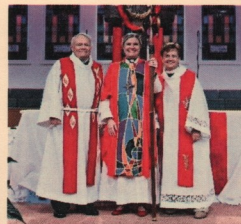
In grateful appreciation for giving

\$11,777.02

for 2025 Mission Support.



Behold!
I MAKE ALL
THINGS NEW.



In The Mail....

Contact
Helping You Find Your Way

988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline
Sexual Violence Services
Emotional Support Helpline

P.O. Box 333
Moorestown, NJ 08057
www.contactburlco.org

Office 856 234-5484
info@contactburlco.org

February 2, 2026

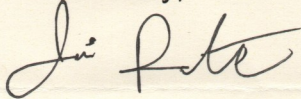
Bethany Evangelical Lutheran Church
c/o Robert Middleton
P.O. Box 46
Palmyra, NJ 08065

Dear Friends of Contact,

On behalf of our Board of Trustees, thank you for your generosity. Your \$1000 donation to Contact of Burlington County's 2025 Annual Appeal has made a real and immediate impact in Burlington County.

Your support is vital to sustaining our free, 24/7, trauma-informed services for survivors of sexual violence and their families. We deeply appreciate your partnership in this important work.

Sincerely,



Jai B. Patel
President/CEO

CONTACT of Burlington County is a tax-exempt organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions to the organization are tax deductible as charitable donations for federal income tax purposes. No goods or services have been provided to you by CONTACT of Burlington County for this contribution. Information filed with the Attorney General concerning this charitable solicitation may be obtained from the Attorney General of the State of New Jersey by calling 973-504-6215. Registration with the Attorney General does not imply endorsement.



RAINN



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