

Lebanon Lutheran Church September 2022 Newsletter

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A Message From The Pastor



This month I am sending another installment from a great Lutheran of the past; this time Lutheran Superintendent (Bishop) Heinrich Müller (1631–1675) provides our reading. Oftentimes we, in our negligence and false security, train ourselves to *wink* at “little sins”, many times not even acknowledging to ourselves that these infractions are truly sins and offend God. It is the Christian’s duty to be wary and to guard the soul against these real assaults of the devil, seeking God in

repentance when they are committed. May God bless and uphold us as we are being trained as sentinels over the soul and conscience.

Prayerfully,

Pastor Porter

“Little Sins”

Little dogs often inflict the greatest injury. The stag does not think so; and yet, at length, he becomes conscious of the fact by the injuries he receives. He holds at bay the great hounds, disables them, and dashes them against the tree; the little dogs, in the meantime, rush in upon him in multitudes, and tear pieces of flesh from his body: he heeds not the wounds till they fester and mortify, and then he dies.

You guard against great sins; you would not be thought to be a murderer, a thief, an adulterer, lest you should be put to shame before the world; in the meantime, the flesh tempts you to little sins, of which you are not aware. You love the society of the world, and adopt its customs; thus, unobserved, your soul is wounded; you are not conscious of the wound; your former zeal imperceptibly diminishes, and becomes extinguished, and, at length, you perish of your wounds. See how thus little sins are often the source

of more evil than great ones; for great sins you consider to be such, and avoid, but little sins you think not to be sins, and are not on your guard against them. I counsel you to deem no sins little. However small they appear to you, they are displeasing to God; they wound the conscience; they become the root of many greater sins. "Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth!" James iii. 5. Throw a stone in a lake, and it makes many circles, every one larger than the preceding; for if one be made, it is the cause of another which is greater, and that again is succeeded by another yet greater still; and thus it is with regard to sin. A little one is the origin of a great one, which, in its turn, gives birth to a greater. And, therefore, it has been well said by St. Bernard, "A heart that is given to God keeps itself from little, as well as from great sins, since those who commit great sins, usually begin with little. There is not a single sin, be it ever so little, which does not deserve death. For "the wages of sin is death," Rom. vi. 23, and if a man should keep the whole law, with the exception of sinning in one point, he would be guilty of all, James ii. 10. Augustine places the same truth before us when he says, "Esteem no sins as small, because they are small; but fear because they are many. How small are the grains of sand, but if too many be put into a ship she will sink! And how small are the drops of rain, yet they cause the rivers to overflow, and sweep away the habitations of man!"

To avoid and to fly from little sins, is a sign of an enlightened soul. For, as in the light of the sun even the smallest particle of dust may be seen, whilst men in darkness cannot perceive an accumulated heap; thus, the more a man is enlightened from on high, the more quick is his apprehension of that which is evil, and the more intense his hatred of it. I will regard as sins all things which are opposed to God, however small they may appear; no sin is too small to condemn me, if God did not extend to me his grace.

Hours of Spiritual Refreshment, Heinrich Müller.

Events at Lebanon

Do you or someone you
know need a ride to
Church?

Please contact Ann Deming
(540)869-5795 Leave Mssg.

Wednesday's

8:15 *AM* Matins

10:00 *AM* Individual
Confession & Absolution

1:30 *PM* Communion

5:30 *PM* Vespers

September Birthday's

1st Margaret Daley

3rd Jane Clark

4th Bessie Clem

15th Jimmy Hockman

18th Chris Heird

19th David Harriman

20th Chris Porter

20th Greg Frye

21st Steve Foster

23rd Sue Drummond

24th Ruth Rickard

26th Sandra Koch

Women's Meeting
Wednesday, September
28th @ 7:00 PM

Men's Prayer Breakfast
Saturday, September 17th
8:00 AM @
Queen Street Diner

Rally Day

"Cruise-In"

will be held on

Saturday,

September 17th @

4:00 @ Lebanon

Church Community

Center – We need

Desserts &

Volunteers to Help

Sunday School Class led by
Rev. J.D. is at 9:30 Sunday

Sunday School Class led by
Lucy King is at 9:30 Sunday

Children's/Elementary
Sunday School Class led by
Leslie Heird and Dorothy
Harriman will begin on
Sunday, September 18th
@ 9:30 AM

Choir Practice

Choir will practice
Thursday, September 1st
and September 15th @
7:00 PM

*See Evelyn if interested in
joining the Choir

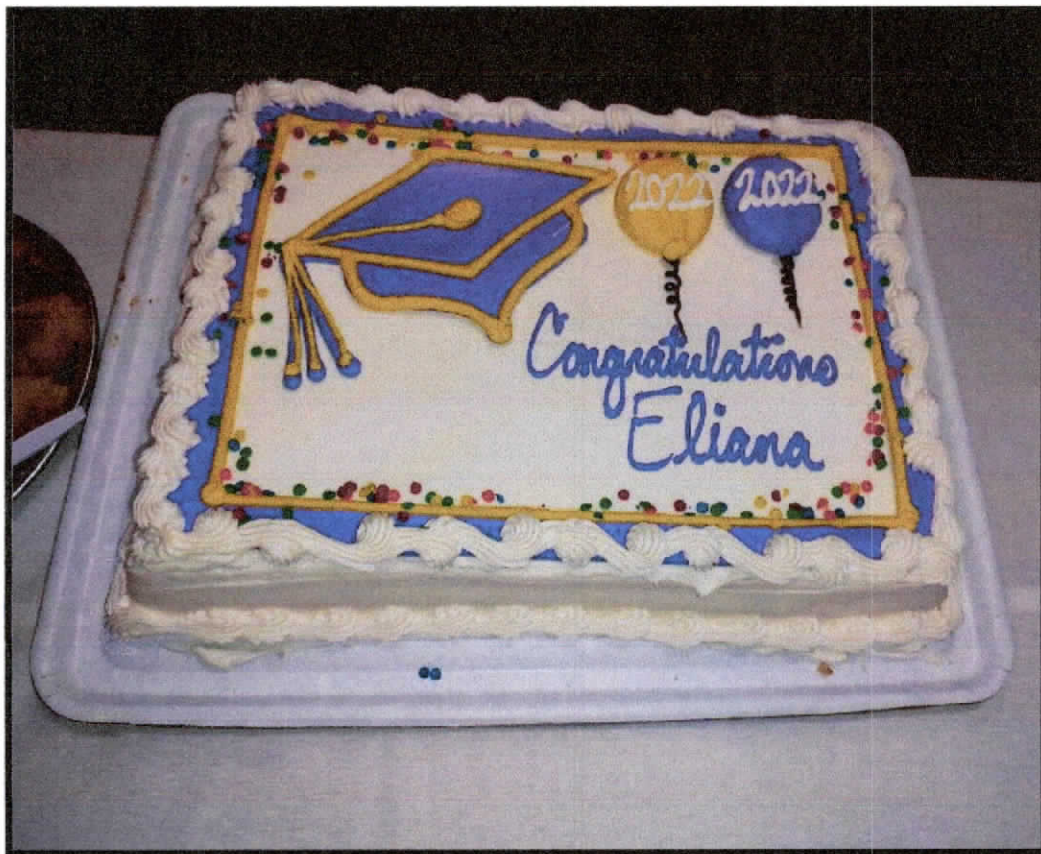
Church Anniversary *Planning Meeting*

Sunday, September 11th
immediately following
the Divine Service

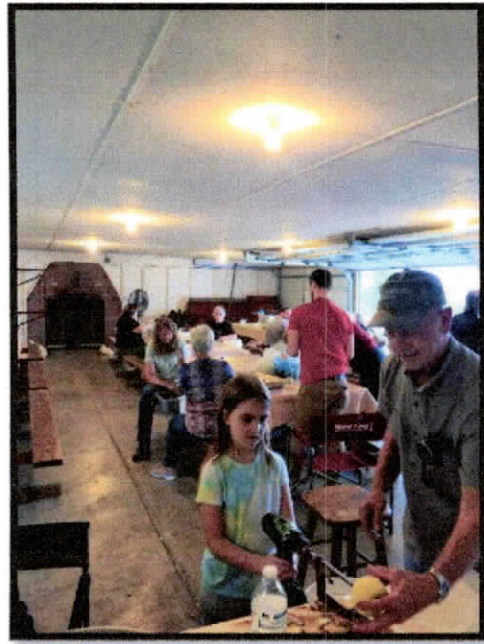
(Sandwiches Provided)

Church Cleaning Day
Saturday, September
17th @ 9:00 AM

Congratulations 2022 Graduate



Eliana Miller graduated from Strasburg High School on May 21, 2022. Eliana will be attending VCU in Richmond, VA this Fall. Congratulations Eliana!! There was a graduation reception for Eliana after church on Sunday, August 14th to celebrate.



Mark your calendars for the upcoming Apple Butter making on Friday, October 14th & Saturday, October 15th. We will be snitting the apples on Friday & making the Apple Butter on Saturday.



Lebanon Lutheran Church Choir – What Beautiful Voices!

We are so thankful and blessed to have them. If you are interested in joining the Choir, please see Evelyn. Choir Practice is on the first & third Thursday of the month @ 7:00 PM.

Reaching **OUT** Thru Outreach



FOOD DRIVE

We will be having a Food Drive starting October 1st through November 13th. All items collected will be donated to the Compassion Cupboard and the Food Pantry (no glass please). Thank you for your support to help families in need in our community.

Jan.	Dish Detergent - Canned Broth	July	Ketchup/Mustard - BBQ Sauce
Feb.	Soap - White Potatoes (canned)	Aug.	Salt & Pepper - Canned Tomatoes
Mar.	Flour/Sugar - Mayo (small squeeze)	Sept.	Soup - Crackers
Apr.	Kidney/Pinto Beans - Pork & Beans	Oct.	Stove Top Stuffing - Canned Broth
May	Evaporated Milk - Sm Laundry Detergent	Nov.	Spaghetti Sauce - Spaghetti Noodles
June	Ravioli - SpaghettiOs	Dec.	Mixed Vegetables - Evaporated Milk

Compassion Cupboard Monthly Needs For 2022

Above is a list of items which are needed each month and distributed to those in need in our community. You can bring them to church and place them in the blue tub. (No glass please - jars, etc.)

RALLY DAY "CRUISE IN"

Come and join in the Fun, Food, Crafts & Games!

Saturday, September 17, 2022

@ 4:00 PM

***@ Lebanon Church Community Center
43 Post Office Road, Lebanon Church, VA***

Cruise-In



Games

Family Fun

Crafts

Food



Sponsored by Lebanon Lutheran Church



Shenandoah County Pregnancy Center “Walk For Life”

Saturday, September 24 @ 8:00 – 11:00 AM

Mountain View High School

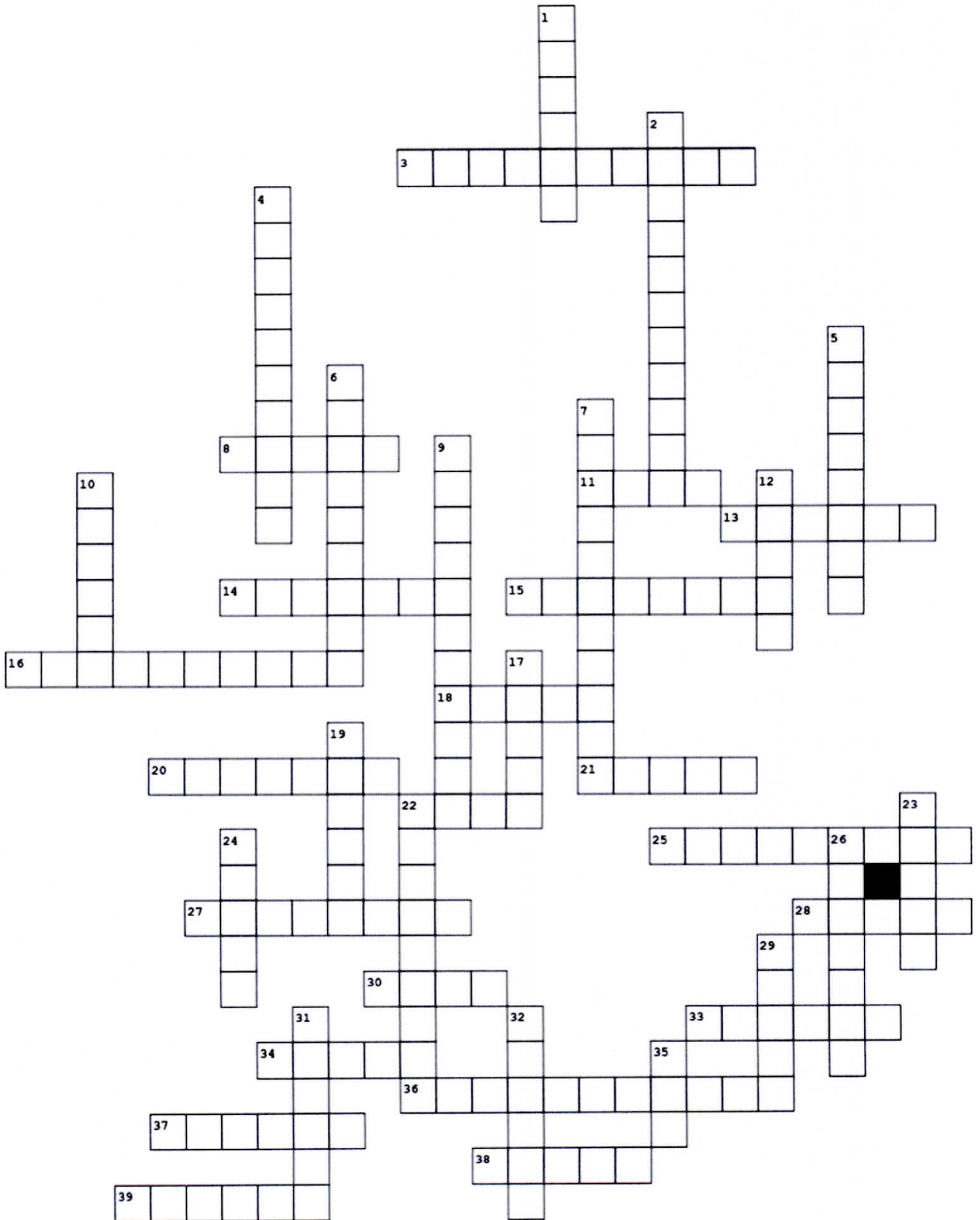
The Shenandoah County Pregnancy Center in Edinburg is holding its annual “Walk For Life” fundraiser on Saturday, September 24th from 8-11 AM at Mountain View High School in Quicksburg (formerly Stonewall Jackson High School). If you would like to make a donation, or even walk in the event, there are flyers in the church fellowship hall. You can also use their online fundraising platform – www.supportscpc.org/walk to create your own personal fundraising page, which can also be shared through your own Facebook page and email.

A breakfast will be held at 8 am at the event and the guest speaker, Star Parker, will speak at 9 am. Star is the founder and president of the Center For Urban Renewal and Education. To learn more, visit www.curepolicy.org.

Shenandoah County Pregnancy Center offers compassion and hope to women and men in our community dealing with an unexpected pregnancy or parenting challenges. Free services include pregnancy tests, options consultation, parenting classes and coaching, community referrals and post-abortion Bible studies. The center also provides clients with maternity clothes, baby supplies and clothing.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Libby Smoot @ elizabethlibbysmoot@gmail.com.

ACTS Chapters 15-19



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Across

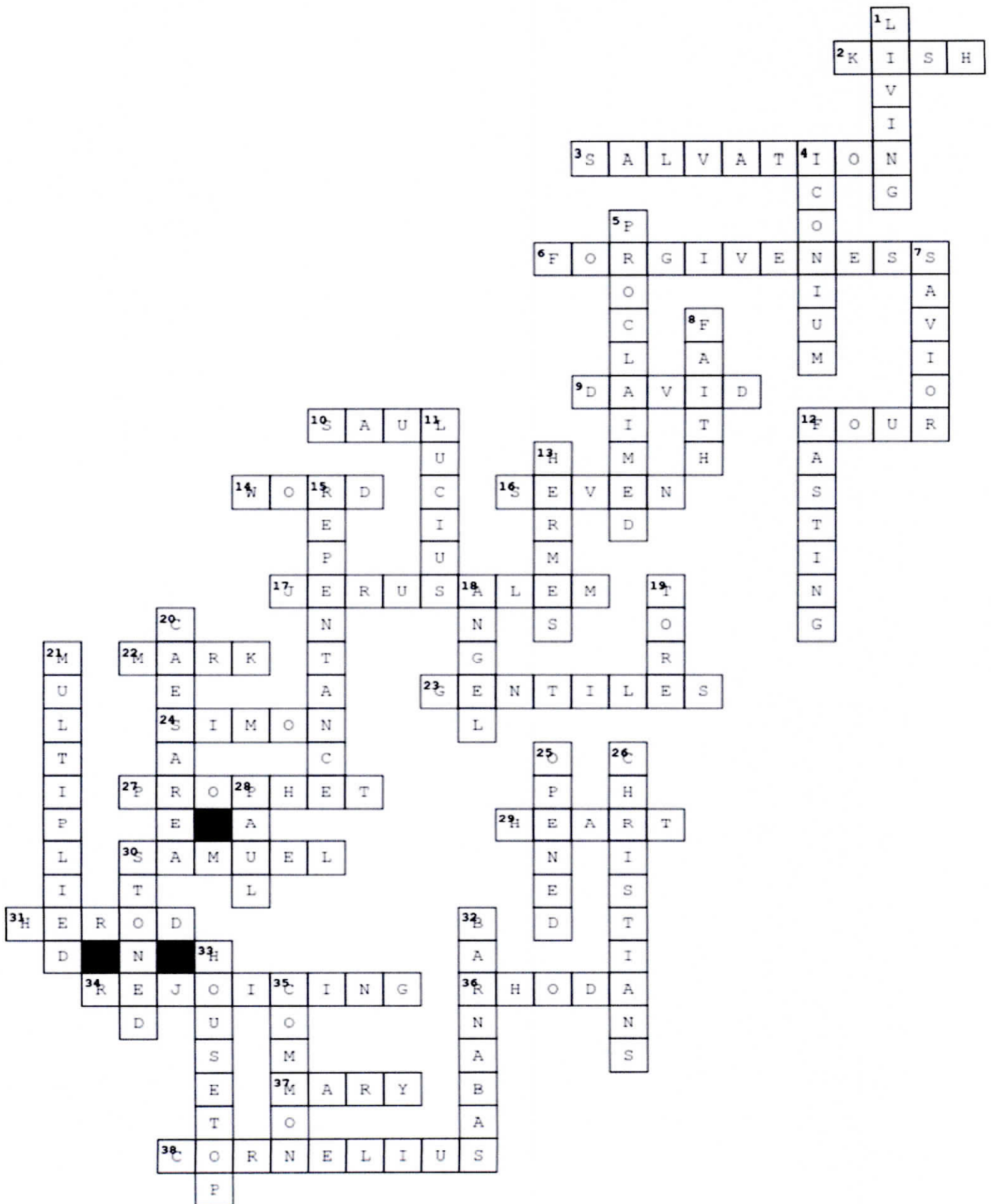
3. The slave girl has a spirit of this? (16)
8. "Believe in the Lord Jesus and you will be _____, you and your household." (16)
11. Paul and Silas are beaten with these? (16)
13. He refused to be a judge over Paul for his words. (18)
14. Peter said, "that by the word of my mouth the Gentiles should hear the word of the gospel and _____." (15)
15. "And fear fell upon them all, and the name of the Lord Jesus was _____." (19)
16. Paul was doing this to the Jews that the Christ was Jesus? (18)
18. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention and after she was baptized? (16)
20. His mother was Jewish, and his father was Greek? (16)
21. Barsabbas and he were leading men among the brothers? (15)
22. They were jealous and formed a mob? (17)
25. Paul's trade was this? (18)
27. "If you have judged me to be _____ to the Lord, come to my house and stay." (16)
28. Jason and the rest were let go after giving them this? (17)
30. He speaks boldly in the synagogues, about the kingdom of God. (19)
33. This appeared to Paul in the night? (16)
34. Peter said, "But we believe that we will be saved through _____ of the Lord Jesus, just as they will." (15)
36. They came and apologized to Paul and Silas? (16)
37. Those who practiced magic arts burnt their books worth 50,000 pieces of this? (19)
38. "This _____ whom I proclaim to you, is the Christ." (17)
39. Paul and Silas feet were fastened in these? (16)

Down

1. "The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to _____," (17)
2. Some from Judea were teaching you have to be this, to be saved? (15)
4. The foundations of the prison were shaken by this? (16)
5. "And God was doing extraordinary _____ by the hands of Paul," (19)
6. "But Paul and Barnabas remained in Antioch, teaching and _____ the word of the Lord," (15)
7. Many of these hearing Paul believed and were baptized. (18)
9. Paul and Silas were dragged to this place before the rulers. (16)
10. This city was full of idols? (17)
12. Making gods with these are not gods? (19)
17. "abstain from the things polluted by _____," (15)
19. Paul and Barnabas were welcomed by the apostles, the elders and by the _____. (15)
22. Paul and Barnabas go to this city to ask the apostles and the elders this question of circumcision? (15)
23. The Jews from this place were more noble than the ones from Thessalonica? (17)
24. "all residents of Asia _____ the word of the Lord, both Jews and Greeks." (19)
26. He was an eloquent man and competent in the scriptures? (18)
29. For those who proclaim him he is read every sabbath in the synagogues. (15)
31. "And he reasoned in the synagogue every Sabbath, and tried to persuade Jews and _____." (15)
32. The occupation of the one who was baptized at once he and his entire family? (16)
35. Some said the Gentiles need to be circumcised in order to keep this of Moses? (15)

All questions are formed from the ESV Bible. Chapters are in parenthesis.

ACTS Chapters 10-14



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Across

2. King Saul was his son? (13)
3. "Brothers, sons of the family of Abraham, and those among you who fear God, to us has been sent the message of this _____." (13)
6. "Let it be known to you therefore, brothers, that through this man _____ of sins is proclaimed to you," (13)
9. He fell asleep and was laid with his fathers and saw corruption? (13)
10. He and Barnabas spend a year in Antioch? (11)
12. The number of squads that guarded Peter when he was in prison? (12)
14. The Holy Spirit fell on all who heard this of God? (10)
16. "And after destroying _____ nations in the land of Canaan, he gave them their land as an inheritance." (13)
17. Prophets came from this place to Antioch? (11)
22. The other name for John who was with Barnabas and Saul? (12)
23. The Gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on these people? (10)
24. Peter was lodging with a tanner named this? (10)
27. Bar-Jesus was a Jewish false _____. (13)
29. "I have found in David the son of Jesse, a man after my _____." (13)
30. "And after that he gave them judges until _____ the prophet." (13)
31. He killed James the brother of John with the sword? (12)
34. "And when the Gentiles heard this they began _____ and glorifying the word of the Lord," (13)
36. This servant girl recognized Peters voice? (12)
37. Peter goes to her house after escaping prison? (12)
38. He was a devout man who feared God with all his household? (10)

Down

1. Jesus is appointed to be the judge of these and the dead? (10)
4. The people of this city were divided between the Jews and the apostles? (14)
5. "When they arrived at Salamis, they _____ the word of God in the synagogues of the Jews." (13)
7. "Of this mans offspring God has brought to Israel a _____, Jesus, as he promised." (13)
8. "strengthening the souls of the disciples, encouraging them to continue in the _____," (14)
11. He was from Cyrene? (13)
12. "with prayer and _____ they committed them to the Lord in whom they had believed." (14)
13. In Lystra they think Paul is this god? (14)
15. "Then to the Gentiles also God has granted _____ that leads to life." (11)
18. He appears to Cornelius in a vision sent from God? (10)
19. Paul and Barnabas do this to their garments? (14)
20. Cornelius was from here? (10)
21. "But the word of God increased and _____." (12)
25. The iron gate did this of its own accord? (12)
26. In Antioch the disciples were first called this? (11)
28. Saul was called this name? (13)
30. They did this to Paul and drug him out of the city, supposing he was dead? (14)
32. He goes to Tarsus to find Paul? (11)
33. Peter goes here to pray? (10)
35. Jesus said "What God has made clean, do not call _____." (10)

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
				1 7:00 Choir Practice	2	3	
4 9:30 Sunday School 11:00 Divine Service *12 th Sunday after Trinity	5 Labor Day	6	7 8:15 Matins 10:00 Individual Confession & Absolution 1:30 Communion Service 5:30 Vesper Service 6:30 Pastor Presides @ Lutheran Church of the Valley in Harrisonburg	8 6:00 Outreach Meeting 7:00 Church Council Meeting	9	10	
11 9:30 Sunday School 11:00 Divine Service **Church Anniversary Planning Meeting *13 th Sunday after Trinity	12 10:00 Acts Bible Study 7:00 Adult Catechism Class	13 7:00 Neighborhood Watch Meeting	14 Holy Cross Day 8:15 Matins 10:00 Individual Confession & Absolution 1:30 Communion Service 5:30 Vesper Service	15 7:00 Choir Practice	16 Ember Day	17 Ember Day 8:00 Men's Prayer Brkfst @ Queen Street Diner 9:00 Cleaning Day 4:00 Rally Day Cruise In @ Lebanon Community Center	
18 9:30 Sunday School 11:00 Divine Service *14 th Sunday after Trinity	19 10:00 Acts Bible Study 7:00 Adult Catechism Class	20	21 8:15 Matins 10:00 Individual Confession & Absolution 1:30 Communion Service	22	23	24 8:00 Shenandoah County Pregnancy Center "Walk For Life" @ Mountain View High School (Stonewall H.S.)	
25 St Michael & All Angels 9:30 Sunday School 11:00 Divine Service *New Setting – Book of Common Prayer – Holy Eucharist *15 th Sunday after Trinity	26 10:00 Acts Bible Study	27	28 8:15 Matins 10:00 Individual Confession & Absolution 1:30 Communion Service 5:30 Vesper Service 7:00 Women's Meeting	29	30		