



## *As the Jordan Flows*

A Newsletter for Jordan Family and Friends

*May, 2022*

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Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! These are the words that we have exclaimed during our Easter worship services and we continue to claim them, as Easter is not just one day, but continues for fifty days, liturgically speaking anyway.

Our Easter worship services were wonderful, despite the snow following the late service! Unlike, the disciples who gathered later in a locked room, wondering, what should they be doing, we too might be asking the same question following Easter Sunday. Now what?

Now what? A great question that can be looked at either with enthusiasm or in dismay. I would hope that we look at "Now what?" with enthusiasm!!! The Lord has risen for you and for me and for that we should not only be highly appreciative, but we should also be filled with enthusiasm, because you see, it was not, is not the end, but a new beginning!

Christ not only died and rose again overcoming death and forgiving our sins, but he empowered us with the Holy Spirit. On May 29<sup>th</sup> we will observe Ascension Sunday, (always 40 days after Easter, 10 days prior to Pentecost but always on a Thursday. Since we do not worship on Thursday, we move Ascension to the following Sunday.).

Ascension Day marks the day, according to Acts 1:11, when Jesus ascended into heaven, however, not before Jesus assured his disciples that they would be accompanied by the Holy Spirit. "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria. And to the ends of the earth. (Acts 1:8)"

In other words, "What's next?" Just as the disciples were empowered by the Holy Spirit, we too are empowered and called to continue to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ to all the ends of the world.

Easter services are over. The liturgical season of Easter will soon be over, (June 5<sup>th</sup> with the observance of Pentecost - the receiving of the Holy Spirit). However, through our baptism we remain as Easter people, believers of the resurrected Lord and that my friends is the answer to the question, "What's next?" We are called to continue to share the Good News of Jesus Christ in our daily living, in whatever ways we are gifted and capable of doing!

**CELEBRATING  
GOD  
CONNECTING  
PEOPLE**

Together may we continue to share God's message of hope, love, forgiveness, and saving grace to each other but especially to those whom the resurrected Lord is yet unknown.

In resurrection hope & love,

*Pastor Dody*

## CHURCH COUNCIL

### 2022 Members

Doug Clark - P  
Karen Boardman - VP  
Andrew Grim  
Ken Gross  
Dan Heckman  
Bill Hendricks  
Ingrid Martz - SEC  
Andrea Russell  
Donna Stark  
Jeff Steiner  
John Weremedic  
Julie Williams

Glenn Wagner – TREAS.  
(non-Council positions)

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### Third Sunday of Easter (5/1)

8:00 am – Worship Service w/Communion  
10:30 am -Worship Service

### Fourth Sunday of Easter (5/8)

8:00 am – Worship Service  
10:30 am -Worship Service w/Communion

### Fifth Sunday of Easter (5/15)

8:00 am – Worship Service w/Communion  
10:30 am -Worship Service

### Sixth Sunday of Easter (5/22)

8:00 am – Worship Service  
10:30 am -Worship Service w/Communion

### Ascension Sunday (5/29)

8:00 & 10:30 am – Worship Service  
New Members Received

*The 10:30 Worship Service continues to be livestreamed  
each week. Find it on our website [www.jordanlutheran.org](http://www.jordanlutheran.org)  
or Facebook*

## Jordan Lutheran Church

Office Hrs. M-F, 9:00-4:00

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### STAFF

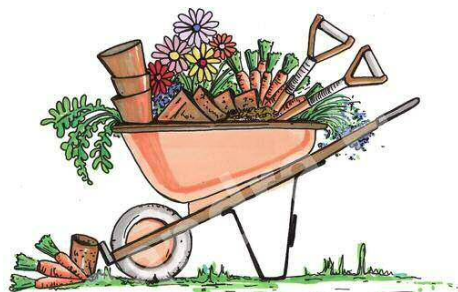
Pastor: Rev. Dody S. Siegfried  
Administrator: Monica Unangst  
Dir. Faith Formation: Stephanie Derstine  
Organist: Susan Hartney  
Asst Organist: Janice Kistler  
Inc/Exp Coord: Carol Glass  
Bell Choirs: Susan Hartney  
Canon Choir: Janice Kistler  
Cherub Choir: Marlene Peters  
Sexton: Ann Kline

### DEADLINES

**Newsletter** – 15<sup>th</sup> of the month  
prior to publication  
**Bulletin** – 10 a.m. Thursdays

### HOSPITAL CODE

256



### 2022 SPONSORSHIPS

**Altar Flowers:** May 22; June 5, 12, 26; July 3, 17, 31; August 14, 21, 28; Sept. 25

**HOW TO RESERVE YOUR SPONSORSHIPS:** Contact Donna Hahn at 610-395-0613 or [dhahn16@gmail.com](mailto:dhahn16@gmail.com) with your choice of dates(s) and sponsorships(s). **Please indicate when reserving your date whether you wish to pick up the flowers after the last service or want them taken to shut-ins.** If no preference is given, flowers will be taken to shut-ins.

**Altar flowers may be sponsored for \$40/2 vase, or \*\$20/1 vase\*;** Bulletins for \$20. Checks may be made payable to JELC and either mailed or dropped in the offering plate. **SPONSORSHIP POLICY:** Flowers and other sponsorships may be reserved no earlier than one year from the chosen date. If you wish to reserve the same weekend for the following year, you may do so the day after the current year's sponsorship. No dates will be held; the first request for a date (within the one year limit) will be taken regardless of the previous year's sponsor.

Please note: only  
one service at  
10:30 this day!



Save the date! Come one, come all and enjoy an uplifting day of **Faith, Fellowship, Food and Fun** in God's magnificent outdoors. On **June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022, 10:30 AM at Lone Lane Park Pavilion**, we will see your family, friends and you at the **4 F Celebration**. Following this special service, you will be served a gourmet luncheon of hot dogs and hamburgers complimented by the sides and desserts you bring to be shared. **Bingo, Children's Games** and an **Uncake Walk** will follow! Clear skies and fresh air have already been reserved. Eagerly stay tuned for all the exciting details to follow. See you then and there!!

**Who: Jordan Lutheran Church Family & Friends**

**What: 4 F Celebration**

**Where: Lone Lane Park Pavilion (30 Lone Lane, Allentown 18104)**

**When: June 12, 2022 at 10:30 AM**

**Luncheon: Hot dogs/Hamburgers/Your shared sides**

**Questions: Kay Mancke (484.358.7411)**

#### **Our next Family Promise hosting week for Jordan will be the week of May 1st**

A sincere thank you to all of our volunteers that offered their time and talent by preparing/delivering meals and hosting for the week of April 17<sup>th</sup>. Between Jordan and St. Joseph we were able to fill all of our shifts. We are truly blessed to work along with St. Joseph the Worker to continue the Family Promise Mission.

Jordan Lutheran will provide the majority of the volunteers to host families the week of May 1<sup>st</sup> and STJW will provide the volunteers for the week of May 8<sup>th</sup>. The signup genius link for these weeks can be found on the Jordan website under the Ministries then Outreach tab. After the May 8<sup>th</sup> week, the remaining hosting weeks in 2022 are in August and October.

Contact Dean Wagaman with any questions - [wagamand@ptd.net](mailto:wagamand@ptd.net) - 484-241-6992.



This student has completed his confirmation studies and will affirm his baptismal vows on June 5<sup>th</sup>:

**Braden Grim**  
**on of Andrew & Stacy Grim**

He has fulfilled the requirements for worship and class participation, service to the church and community and attendance at retreats and special events. His parents and Jordan family warmly congratulate him!

## Council Highlights - April 7, 2022

Approval of March 10<sup>th</sup> minutes and April 7<sup>th</sup> agenda

Correspondence: None

Special Order: Welcomed Jeff Laudenslager, Property Chair, to address questions regarding the potential for several upcoming major projects.

### Staff reports:

**Pastor** - (written) - Bring back sharing of peace, bread and on 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday healing service in worship and bread (MSP).

- Dave & Kay Manke to be synod delegates. Thanked Ken Gross for his initial willingness to serve.
- Presented seven names for First Holy Communion.

**Director of Faith Formation** - (written) - Egg Hunt planning under way for April 16<sup>th</sup>.

- Planning Mother's Day Brunch May 7<sup>th</sup>, 10 a.m. - 12 noon.
- Faith Night at Iron Pigs - June 17<sup>th</sup>.

### Committee Reports:

**Worship & Music** - Next meeting May 10<sup>th</sup>

**Technology** - (written) - CD recordings of previous services are available if anyone is interested. Otherwise, will be dispersed of.

**Property** - See special order. Steeple painting contract signed, on schedule for August.

**Outreach/Mission** - Planning 4-F Worship & Picnic at Lone Lane Park, June 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m.

**Family Center** - (written) - Community Event usage (4) and Adult Teams (5) and Youth Teams (2) dates reported.

**Safety Awareness Team** - No meeting. Still need people to serve on Sunday mornings.

**Christian Education** - (written) - Movie Night scheduled for March 26<sup>th</sup>.

- Volunteer Application forms will be updated on webpage.
- VBS Planning under way for June 20<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Finance** - no meeting.

**Treasurer** - (written) - 2022 YTD surplus of \$3,629.00 and March Surplus of \$17,547.00.

**Stewardship** - (written) - reviewed schedule for Temple Talks for Committees/members to share faith stories with Congregation.

- Revealing Anonymous Prayer partners with light dinner April 20<sup>th</sup>.

### For the good of the body/comments/Concerns:

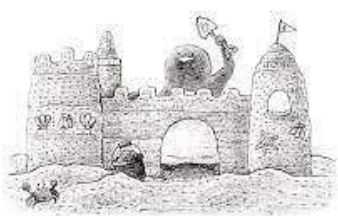
- Food Pantry -served 23 (99 people total) households in March.
- Pastor approached by members to purchase clock in Memory Room and Sanctuary. Looking into for more info.
- Carol Glass approved as new Income/Expense Coordinator. Glenn Wagner approved as new Treasurer. Start date for both 4/18/2022 (MSP).

Adjournment with Lord's Prayer.

Next regular council meeting is May 12, 2022, at 7 p.m. **in person**. All council meetings are open meetings and members are invited to attend. Full reports/minutes can be obtained in the church office. Monthly financial reports can be found in the information racks in the Memory Room and Narthex.

Pastor Dody will be out of the office for Continuing Education May 16<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>.  
If you are in need of pastoral care, please contact Pr. Jerel Gade at 610-967-5309.





# Trip to Ocean Grove New Jersey Sunday, July 10, 2022



Do you like music? Do you like the shore?

Why not join us on July 10, 2022 following our 9:15 a.m. worship service to take the bus to experience this wonderful event? Feel free to invite family and friends, too! We will leave Jordan promptly at 11:00 a.m. and return around 11:00 p.m. When we arrive in Ocean Grove you will have free afternoon time.

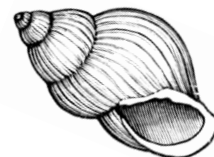
- **OCEAN GROVE** -- otherwise known as **GOD'S SQUARE MILE**, has more Victorian homes than Cape May. Enjoy the afternoon strolling the town, sunbathing (beach wrist band is \$10, under 11 yrs free), or exploring the boardwalk and shops. **OCEAN GROVE** is a *dry* community. If you wish to enjoy an adult beverage, you may walk across the lake on one of the bridges into Asbury Park. Lunch & dinner is on your own – you may want to consider calling ahead on this busy weekend.
- **ASBURY PARK** -- a half mile walk on the Boardwalk. See the Stone Pony of Bruce Springsteen fame.
- **CHOIR FESTIVAL** -- Since its debut in 1955 the Ocean Grove Choir Festival has remained one of the most popular sacred music events of the Mid-Atlantic region. This annual festival is held in July and features hundreds of singers, exciting guest conductors, a brass ensemble, and a magnificent pipe organ. The Great Auditorium is a historic building, built in 1894, a beautiful wooden structure. It's a wonderful event for guests of all ages. The concert is free!! A free will offering will be accepted midway through the performance. Concert begins at 7:00 p.m. & is approximately 1 1/2 hours in length. We will leave to come home immediately following the concert (around 8:30 p.m.).

The cost for the bus is only \$40 per person (this includes driver tip) - only 17 seats still available so do not wait! A bottle of water & a snack bag of chips will be provided for the bus ride, but you may wish to bring a sandwich for your lunch. Please return the slip below **WITH YOUR PAYMENT** by May 15<sup>th</sup> (checks made out to JELC - memo: Choral Festival). You may contact Jim Siegfried (610-762-0592) with questions.

Return this slip to the church office with your payment by May 15<sup>th</sup>!



## Trip to Ocean Grove, New Jersey Sunday, July 10, 2022



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (cell) \_\_\_\_\_ your cell # is needed while we are in Ocean Grove

No. of People \_\_\_\_\_ x \$40 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL ENCLOSED (checks made out to JELC - memo: Choral Festival)

**DEADLINE TO RESERVE A SEAT IS MAY 15<sup>TH</sup>** – only 17 seats are still available!

## Geraniums for Pentecost Sunday June 5, 2022



Please use a separate form for each plant being sponsored.

No orders will be taken without payment.

Please see that your form is in by Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup>.

All geraniums will be planted on church grounds as living memorials.

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Given by \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ geraniums x \$9 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (amount enclosed)

For office use only – do not detach

Pentecost Geraniums

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NO. or EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

CHECK \$ \_\_\_\_\_ CASH \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ENV. NO. \_\_\_\_\_



**Shout Out to Shut-ins** is expanding our card ministry to include non-members. Currently SOS sends cards to our shut-ins in addition to members celebrating 80+ birthdays, 50+ anniversaries, get-well and thinking of you cards. Please contact Kay Mancke ([mancke@rcn.com](mailto:mancke@rcn.com) or 484-358-7411) with names and addresses of people you think would enjoy a card from Jordan. A *BIG THANK YOU* to Jordan members for supporting this ministry by generously

donating stamps and assorted cards. So far this year SOS sent out 65 cards and we anticipate mailing an additional 102 cards by the end of August. We invite you join this benevolent committee that meets only three times a year.

### Welcome our new Income-Expense Coordinator Carol Glass

I am a native from the Lehigh Valley and currently living in Northampton. I will be married for 39 years in June to my high school sweetheart, David. We have 7 wonderful fur babies that keep us entertained and busy all the time.

I have a Computer Science Degree with a minor in Math. I am currently an Order Board Coordinator for the RVO (Virginia) plant at Mack Trucks. I have over 40 years with Mack in the fields of Finance, Administration dealing with HR, Benefits and Payroll, Manufacturing Engineering, Sales Engineering, Scheduling and of course Computer Science.

I am a Deacon at Zion's Stone Church in Kreidersville and past consistory vice-president. I enjoy scrapbooking, going to museums, spending time with friends, auto racing, and motorcycle rides. I would like to thank you for inviting me into your church family and look forward to meeting everyone.



Join us for a festive

## Mother's Day Brunch

celebrating all the Moms at Jordan Church

Saturday, May 7th, at 10 am

in the Memory Room

A Time of Food, Fun, and Fellowship!

\$5.00 per person to cover food, collected at the door

Please sign-up on the sheet provided in the Memory Room

Deadline: May 1<sup>st</sup>

(contact Steph D. at [jordandff@ptd.net](mailto:jordandff@ptd.net) after this date)



**Iron Pigs "Faith Night" Baseball Game**  
**Coca-Cola Park, 1050 Iron Pigs Way,**  
**Allentown, PA 18109**

**Friday, June 17th, 2022 7:00 p.m.**

\$11 per ticket (includes \$2 Ballpark credit)

(\$5 parking not included)

(please note-this is a cashless ballpark)

Additional park info: [IronPigsBaseball.com](http://IronPigsBaseball.com)

**Please detach section below, place form in the offering plate, or send it to the church office**

**Note: IRON PIGS on the envelope. Payable by cash or check to: Jordan Lutheran Church**

**DUE DATE: SUN., MAY 1, 2022**



### Iron Pigs "Faith Night" June 17, 2022 TICKET ORDER

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

Digital tickets will be sent to your email.

If you do not have email, a paper copy will be printed and given to you in church.





# Jordan

Lutheran Church

Vacation Bible School



Join us  
this  
summer!

June 20 - June 24  
9am-12pm daily



Online registration is now open:  
<https://vbspro.events/p/events/1d2719>



## Help us kickoff registration for VBS on Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>!

### Online Registration for participants and volunteers is Open.

Go to [www.jordanlutheran.org](http://www.jordanlutheran.org) and click on the Monumental logo on the VBS page (under Ministries, then Faith Formation tab) to be directed to the registration page.

**Early Registration Bonus!** Register during the month of May, and you will receive a free Shipwrecked Music CD!! (One free CD per family.)

**The Donation Station** for this year's VBS will be set up in the Memory Room beginning May 8<sup>th</sup>. If you want to contribute to VBS, but can't be here during the week of VBS, this is a great way to make an impact! The needed items will be hanging on the display - simply sign out the tickets that you take on the color coordinated sheets that will be on the table.

**VBS "Called by God" Staff Needed:** Is God calling you to have fun this summer by helping children grow in their faith and knowledge of God? Adults and teens are needed to staff this year's Vacation Bible School program. If you are interested in helping, please register online or contact Amber Kerschner ([mamjkerschner@yahoo.com](mailto:mamjkerschner@yahoo.com)). Child care is provided for volunteers with children younger than 3 years of age. **Due to changes in PA Law regarding volunteer screenings, it is important for all volunteers to be identified by June 1<sup>st</sup>.** Volunteers are needed for every station.

**VBS Set Building Dates:** Building will begin in May – watch the bulletin for the specific dates and times. All are welcome to help! We have a lot of fun!


**VBS Leader & Helper Training:** Check your bulletin for date & time announcement of training.

# Monumental

*Celebrate God's Greatness!*



# May 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1 WORSHIP</b> <b>8:00 &amp; 10:30</b> <b>Pentecost/Confirmation</b> <b>/Communion</b> 9:15-Sunday School 9:15-New Member mtg. 11:45-Exec. Mtg. 6:30-AA Mtg.	<b>2 Pantry 9-10 am</b> 7:00-Boy Scouts	<b>3</b> 5:30pm-Staff Mtg. 7:30-Volleyball-FC	<b>4 Pantry 6-7 pm</b> 9:00-Prayer Shawl 5:30-Jr. Gyros 6:00-Cherubs 6:15-Friendship Ringers 6:30-Girl Scouts 7:30-Chorale	<b>5</b> 8:00am-Rising Roots Homeschool 7:00-Volleyball	<b>6</b> 7:00-AA Mtg. 7:00-Volleyball 9:30-Volleyball	<b>7</b> <b>10-12 am</b> <b>Mother's Day</b> <b>Brunch</b> <b>Memory Room</b>
<div>Family Promise Week</div>						
<b>8 WORSHIP</b> <b>8:00 &amp; 10:30-Communion</b> 9:15 Sunday School 9:15-New Member mtg 6:30-AA Mtg.	<b>9</b> 7:00-Boy Scouts	<b>10</b> 1:00-4F meeting 7:00-Music/Worship 7:30-Volleyball-FC	<b>11</b> 9:00-Prayer Shawl 5:30-Jr. Gyros 6:00-Cherubs 6:15-Friendship Ringers 6:30-Girl Scouts 7:00-Finance 7:30-Chorale	<b>12</b> 8:00am-Rising Roots Homeschool 7:00-Church Council 7:00-Volleyball	<b>13</b> 7:00-AA Mtg. 7:00-Volleyball 9:30-Volleyball	<b>14</b> Rising Roots Graduation-FC
<div>Family Promise Week</div>						
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<b>22 WORSHIP</b> <b>8:00 &amp; 10:30-Communion</b> 9:15 Sunday School 6:30-AA Mtg.	<b>23</b> 7:00-Boy Scouts	<b>24</b> 7:30-Volleyball-FC	<b>25</b> 9:00-Prayer Shawl 5:30-Jr. Gyros 6:00-Cherubs 6:15-Friendship Ringers 6:30-Girl Scouts 7:30-Chorale	<b>26</b> 7:00-Volleyball	<b>27</b> 7:00-AA Mtg. 7:00-Volleyball 9:30-Volleyball	<b>28</b>
<b>29 WORSHIP</b> <b>8:00 &amp; 10:30</b> New Members Rec'd 9:15 Sunday School 6:30-AA Mtg.	<b>30</b> 7:00-Boy Scouts	<b>31</b> 7:30-Volleyball-FC				



The 10:30 Worship Service continues to be livestreamed each week.  
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# NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA SYNOD NEWS

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## What's it like to be a Pastoral Intern in NEPA?

By Melissa Hrdlicka

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It is hard to believe I have been on internship with Common Ground Recovery Community for nine months already! My time with Common Ground has been a deep blessing to me and to my education. I have witnessed the presence of God in the open vulnerable sharing during our Wednesday worship, in the heartfelt reverent “thank you’s” when serving communion and meals in downtown Reading and in our study of the scriptures and 12-steps. Common Ground truly is a place of radical love and where God’s grace embraces our brokenness.

As part of my internship project, I invited our worshiping communities and ministry partners to reflect on these three questions: What does Common Ground mean to you? What does community mean to you? And where do you see God here and in the world? They then drew on white cotton squares that will be sewn together to make an altar cloth to fit all of our communion tables. The responses were profound and beautiful!

There are drawings of stick figures holding hands around the globe, animals peacefully living together, a place of refuge in the storm and in the desert, flowers, hearts, and crosses. There are phrases like, “Freedom, break the chains”, “God is love”, “We are better together”, “Never give up hope because there is hope in everything”, and so much more on these 33 squares!

As these squares are knit together to make one, we are reminded that God weaves all of us together in a tapestry of love to bring warmth, comfort, grace, and peace to a weary world! May we live out this good news and may it spill over into thanksgiving! (Colossians 2:2-7)



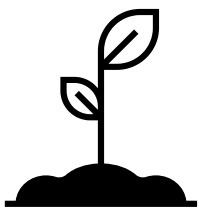
## TOGETHER

Our 2022 Assembly will be held online on June 10-11. Each congregation is entitled to bring two voting members.

Register on the synod website today!

[Godslove.org](http://Godslove.org)

## STEWARDSHIP EXTRAVAGANZA



**JUNE 18, 2022**

**TRINITY LUTHERAN  
CHURCH, LANSDALE**

**AN EVENT ORGANIZED BY THE  
SEPA AND NEPA SYNODS  
(REGISTRATION FORTHCOMING)**

**NEPA SYNOD**  
NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA SYNOD

*Faith*  
**FORMATION**  
*Saturdays*

**Join us on the 2nd  
Saturday of every month!**  
(more information on our website)



**APRIL 23 & 24, 2022, 1PM-4PM**

RAIN OR SHINE, BAREBONES EVENT, BRING  
YOUR OWN KNIFE, CUTTING BOARD, DRINKS,  
AND SNACKS. WE'LL BE CUTTING THE SEED  
POTATOES FOR PLANTING SEASON! ALL ARE  
INVITED! JUST WALK-IN AND HELP!

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265 MAIDENCREEK ROAD  
FLEETWOOD, PA 19522

## Three Years of Growth and Change



GROWING YOUNG



GAINING STRENGTH



BEYOND DEATH TO LIFE