

St. John's Lutheran Church

April 21, 2024



STEPPING OUT!

What Comes Next?

Thank you for worshipping with us today.

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Tyrone, PA 16686

* = Please stand as you are able

The Call to Worship on the Bells

Lighting of Candles: Acolyte – Peyton Harper

The Announcements/Birthday Celebrations/Anniversary Recognitions

Organ Prelude –

Opening Prayer

***The Opening Hymn –**

Lift High the Cross (LBW #377)

***Call to Worship**

L: Sing to the Lord a new song, a song of hope and rejoicing!

P: Praise God for wonderful acts of mercy and kindness!

L: God has remembered God's faithful ones.

P: God has poured blessing upon blessing upon us!

L: Praise the Lord, all the earth, shout your praise!

P: Rejoice, for God is truly with us. AMEN.

L: God, in His steadfast love and through the Salvation of His Son, Jesus, makes us His Children. Walking in the assurance that we are part of the body of Christ, let us confess our faith in Him.

***The Apostle's Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

*L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Offertory

***Offertory Response**

The Doxology

*** Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The Liturgy of the Word – Ryan Fleck

Today's Old Testament Lesson comes from the book of Deuteronomy

Deuteronomy 7:9

9 Know therefore that the LORD your God is God; he is the faithful God, keeping his covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love him and keep his commandments.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Today's New Testament Lesson comes from the book of Colossians

Colossians 3:12-14

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

***The Gospel Response –**

*L: The Holy Gospel according to Mark

***C: Glory to you, O Lord**

15 When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" "Yes, Lord," he said, "you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my lambs." 16 Again Jesus said, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Take care of my sheep." 17 The third time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, "Do you love me?" He said, "Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my sheep. 18 Very truly I tell you, when you were younger you dressed yourself and went where you wanted; but when you are old you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go." 19 Jesus said this to indicate the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God. Then he said to him, "Follow me!"

L: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ

Message –

Stepping Out: Do You Love Me?

***Hymn –**

What Wondrous Love Is This (WOV #543)

***The Prayers**

***The Lord's Prayer**

***Hymn –**

Oh How I Love Jesus (See Bulletin)

***St. John's Mission Statement**

L: As a reminder of God's goodness to us, we proclaim the Mission of our church together. Collectively,

C: We praise God for all His bountiful blessings. We desire to grow together in faith and love, acknowledging that we are a family, a congregation, and a community.

*Benediction—

The Dismissal from Worship on the Bells

**Extinguishing of Candles –You are entering the Mission Field! To Follow Him is to Tell of Him!*

Organ Postlude

Prayer Requests For: Madeline, Gwen, Mikey, Terry, Jamie, Joe, Joyce, Georgette, Barb, John, Cody, Bob, Dave, The Lardieri Family, The Brua Family, Jim, Matt, Elaine, Ernie, Jaxon, Judy, Mary, Mike, The Kost Family, Bonnie, Janet, Sally, Jeff, Brian, Judy, Tom, Jason, Joyce, Albert, Carly and Justin, Jaclyn, Bob, Sr., Jill, Lana and Andrea, Kelsi, Fred, Sr., Kathy, Ken, Mary Lou, Curt, Sue, Kim, Wendy, Linda, Mark, Peggy, Sarah, Dalton, Nico, Michael, First Responders, Members of our Military and their families, Cancer treatment patients and the congregation of St. John's Lutheran Church.

If you would like anyone added (or if someone can be removed) please let Carey Williams (brooke2235@yahoo.com) know. Thank You

Pastoral Care – For anyone needing pastoral care, Pastor Sharon Erb is our vacancy pastor. Please feel free to contact her at 814-935-1968. Please note that Drew Baker is also available if you would like to reach out to him as well. Please feel free to contact him at 814-932-4085.

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Reader/Acolyte/Offering Schedule

April	Reader	Acolyte	Count Offering
4/21/24	Ryan Fleck	Peyton Harper	Heidi Shetler / Deb Beauchamp
4/28/24	Carrie Grassi	Rachel Pedersen	Heidi Shetler / Deb Beauchamp

Upcoming Dates

April 27th – We Care Meals
April 27th – Men’s Fellowship Breakfast – 8:00 a.m.
April 28th – ALL Committee Meetings – following worship
May 1st – Church Council Meeting
May 4th – Mother/Daughter Dinner – 6:00 p.m.
May 11th – We Care Meals
May 19th – Senior Recognition Service
**Aug. 18th – Joint Worship & Picnic with Sinking Valley Presbyterian
@ Fort Roberdeau (more details to follow)**
Aug. 18th – Faith Night @ Altoona Curve (more details to follow)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Good Samaritan Fund – April – This month we are collecting for the **Central Blair Recreation Scholarship Program**. This program helps give children of low/moderate income families the opportunity to participate in activities and sports sponsored by the Central Blair Recreation Commission (CBRC). They feel that recreation, at any level, gives children a positive outlook on life. CBRC also believes socialization through recreation is important for the development of our youth. 100% of your donation goes to the Scholarship Program. Each \$30 donation sponsors a child in a sport or activity. Please prayerfully consider donating to this wonderful mission to help give children the opportunity to participate in an activity or sport.

NEXT SUNDAY!!! - Committee Kick Off Meetings – Attention everyone! ALL committees will meet next **Sunday, April 28th, immediately following worship**. If you haven’t signed up and would like to join a committee, please plan to attend the meeting.

Men’s Fellowship Breakfast – The next men’s fellowship breakfast will be held on **Saturday, April 27th at 8:00 a.m.** Please be sure to sign up on the back table. Any questions, please see Jerry Shetler or Randy Turiano.

Mother/Daughter Dinner - The Mother/Daughter dinner will be **May 4 at 6 o'clock at St. John's**. This year our theme will be jewelry. We ask that you wear a piece of jewelry that is special to you (gift from mother-grandmother-friend as an example). We will be making a bracelet that evening. We ask that you bring a dish for the meal. Meat and dessert will be provided. Please sign list if you plan to attend.

Treasurer – Please be advised that effective, May 1st, Carey Williams will be taking on the Treasurer’s position, in addition to the Secretary position. If anyone is interested in the Secretary’s position, please see the job description below:

Secretary Job Description – *Attends monthly council meetings and takes minutes. Types minutes and agenda for monthly council meetings. Receives weekly bulletins from worship leader, adds acolyte, reader, prayer list and announcements. Copies and emails the bulletin to congregation weekly.*

Senior Recognition Service – We will recognize our graduating seniors during worship on **Sunday, May 19th**. We will be recognizing the following Seniors: Ally Black / Lauren Fleck / Remington Fleck / Rylee Fleck / Maverick Fleck / Madelyn Rockwell. (Please note: If we missed any graduating seniors, please be sure to let Drew know).

Mark Your Calendars! – August 18th! – Please mark your calendars now for Sunday, August 18th. We will be joining the Sinking Valley Presbyterian Church for a joint worship and picnic at Fort Roberdeau. This is also the same day as Faith Night @ the Altoona Curve. More details will follow on these events.

Favorite Hymns – If you have a favorite hymn, please be sure to put it on the list on the back table.

Sunday Evening Bible Study – Adult Bible Study will continue to meet Sunday evenings at 6:30 p.m. For more information, please contact Drew Baker (814-932-4085), or Jerry & Heidi Shetler (814-327-4808 / 814-686-2347).

Children’s Sunday School – Children’s Sunday School resumed in January. If you have any questions, please see Jeanne Fleck.

Directory Pictures – For those of you that had your picture taken by Sarah Dane for the directory, please find the link to view them. Note: Please click on the heart by the photo you would like to be placed in the directory. <https://sarahjdanephotography.pixieset.com/stjohnschurchdirectorypictures2023/>

We Care Meals - We Care Meals, providing free meals for people in the Community on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month, some recipients are elderly, young, home bound, recovering from illness or accident, or just could use a good meal and a smiling face delivering the meal. If you know of “**ANY ONE**”, please contact Jeanne Fleck.

Good Samaritan Fund Recipients – The Good Samaritan Fund was established to help anyone in need. If you know of anyone (individuals/families/missions), please pick up a form on the back table, complete it and put it in the offering plate or in the basket on the back table.

Prayer Chain –There is a prayer support chain in place. If anyone would like to commit to praying and being part of the chain, please contact Charlene Detwiler or Drew Baker. In addition, if you have someone to be added to the prayer chain, please let Charlene or Drew know.

O How I Love Jesus

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F. Whitfield

We love Him, because He first loved us. 1 John 4:19

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Anon.



1. There is a name I love to hear, I love to sing its worth;
2. It tells me of a Sav-ior's love, Who died to set me free;
3. It tells of One whose lov-ing heart Can feel my deep-est woe;



It sounds like mu-sic in mine ear, The sweet-est name on earth.
It tells me of His pre-cious blood, The sin-ner's per-fect plea.
Who in each sor-row bears a part, That none can bear be-low.



CHORUS



Oh, how I love Je-sus, Oh, how I love Je-sus,



Oh, how I love Je-sus, Be-cause He first loved me.

