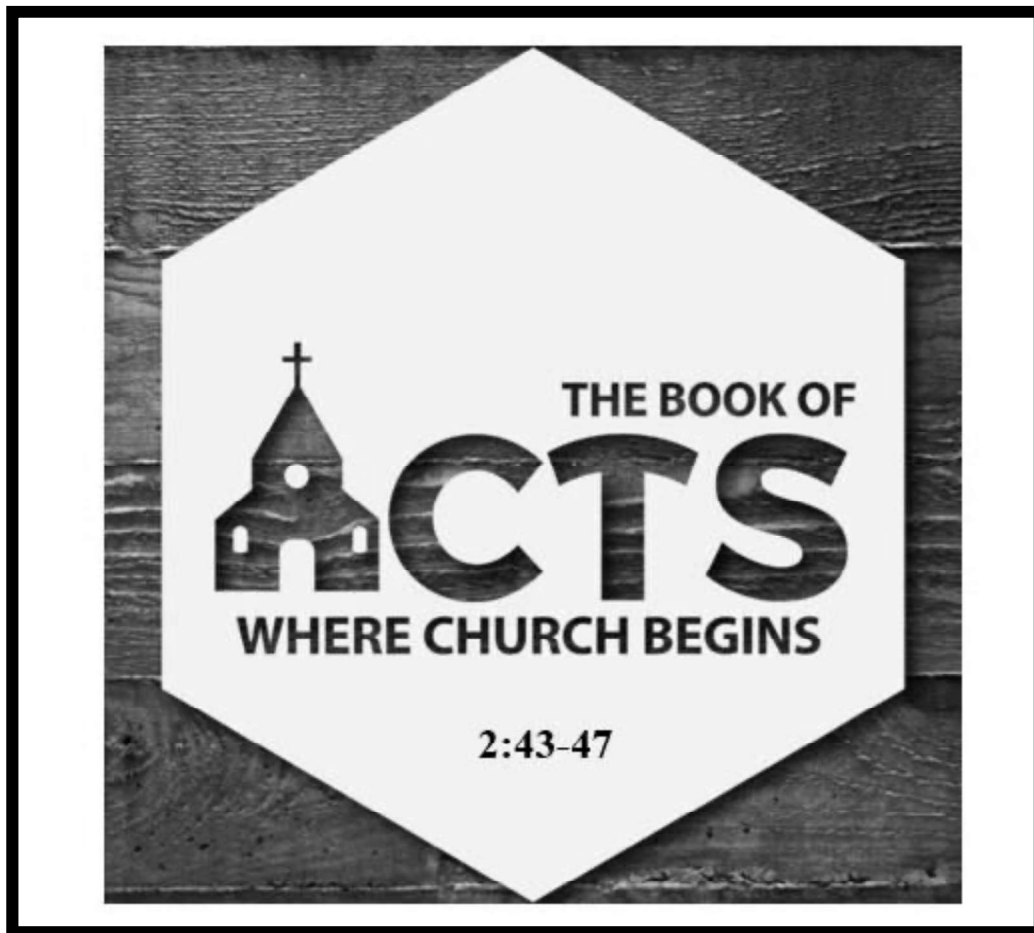


St. John's Sinking Valley

November 9, 2025



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The Announcements/Birthday Celebrations/Anniversary Recognitions

Organ Prelude –

Lighting of Candles: Acolyte –

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship –

***The Opening Hymn –**

The Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

Offertory

*** The Doxology**

*** Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The Liturgy of the Word – Rylee Fleck

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

Psalm 148:1-4

1 Praise the Lord.

Praise the Lord from the heavens;

praise him in the heights above.

2 Praise him, all his angels;

praise him, all his heavenly hosts.

3 Praise him, sun and moon;

praise him, all you shining stars.

4 Praise him, you highest heavens

and you waters above the skies.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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

Acts 11:1-18

The apostles and the believers throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. 2 So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him 3 and said, "You went into the house of uncircumcised men and ate with them." 4 Starting from the beginning, Peter told them the whole story: 5 "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. I saw something like a large sheet being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to where I was. 6 I looked into it and saw four-footed animals of the earth, wild beasts, reptiles and birds. 7 Then I heard a voice telling me, 'Get up, Peter. Kill and eat.' 8 "I replied, 'Surely not, Lord! Nothing impure or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' 9 "The voice spoke from heaven a second time, 'Do not call anything impure that God has made clean.' 10 This happened three times, and then it was all pulled up to heaven again. 11 "Right then three men who had been sent to me from Caesarea stopped at the house where I was staying. 12 The Spirit told me to have no hesitation about going with them. These six brothers also went with me, and we entered the man's house. 13 He told us how he had seen an angel appear in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa for Simon who is called Peter. 14 He will bring you a message through which you and all your household will be saved.' 15 "As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit came on them as he had come on us at the beginning. 16 Then I remembered what the Lord had said:

‘John baptized with[a] water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’ 17 So if God gave them the same gift he gave us who believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I to think that I could stand in God’s way?” 18 When they heard this, they had no further objections and praised God, saying, “So then, even to Gentiles God has granted repentance that leads to life.”

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

***The Gospel Response –**

*L: The Holy Gospel according to John

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

John 11:31-35

31 When he was gone, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man is glorified and God is glorified in him. 32 If God is glorified in him, God will glorify the Son in himself, and will glorify him at once. 33 “My children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, you cannot come. 34 “A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. 35 By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.” L: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ

Message-

Hymn-

***Communion**

1 st Corinthians 11:26-29 tells us... “ For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes. So then, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup. For those who eat and drink without discerning the body of Christ eat and drink judgment on themselves”

L: As we enter into this time of Communion, a time of remembering Christ as the Son of God, the sacrificial lamb, the very one who would take away the sins of the world, let us reflect on what He has done for us. For, if we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. Let us now confess our sin to God.

Silence for Reflection

L: Through our repentance and because of Christ’s great love for us which was poured out in his blood on the cross of Calvary, we are forgiven.

C: Thanks be to God!

**Congregation will be dismissed by pew to receive elements at the altar. Should you not be able to come to the altar, the elements will be brought to your seat.*

Prayer of Commitment

***Closing Hymn-**

***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 –

Organ Postlude –

Prayer Requests For: Brenda, Krystal, Doreen, Ellen, Kathy, Emily, Craig, Gwen, Mikey, Terry, Jamie, Joe, Joyce, Georgette, Barb, John, Cody, Bob, Dave, The Lardieri Family, The Brua Family, Jim, Matt, 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, Drew Baker is our Worship Leader. Please feel free to contact him at 814-932-4085. Drew's Email: jesus2thevalley@gmail.com

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 see **Drew Baker**. In addition, if you have someone to be added to the prayer chain, please let Drew know.

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Reader/Offering Schedule

November	Reader	Count Offering
11/9/25	Rylee Fleck	Lauren Fleck Ryan Fleck
11/16/25	LeeAnne Ayers	Lauren Fleck Ryan Fleck
11/23/25	Ashley Detwiler	Lauren Fleck Ryan Fleck
11/30/25	Lauren Fleck	Lauren Fleck Ryan Fleck

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Election Day Sandwich Sale THANK YOU!!!!– Thank you to everyone who helped support our local Sinking Valley Volunteer Fire Company. Special thanks also to Terry and Kathy Williams for using their Thrivent Action Funds to help make this sandwich sale profitable!

Christmas Poinsettia Orders – Order forms are on the back table for Christmas Poinsettias. Orders are due to Linda Lykens by **Sunday, November 16th**.

Good Samaritan Fund – November – This month we are collecting for the Tyrone Food Bank. Please prayerfully consider helping this important, local organization.

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing / Decorating – Please mark your calendars for **Sunday, November 16th**, as we plan to pack the shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Jennifer Carr, who is a coordinator for Operation Christmas Child will be visiting us in October to discuss this important ministry. Please on the lookout for a list of items needed to fill these shoeboxes soon. If you have any questions, please see Karen Baker or Mary Edna Lykens. Please note: We will also be decorating for the upcoming Christmas season!

Joint Thanksgiving Eve Service – 7:30 p.m. – Please join us at St. John’s as we will be hosting the Joint Thanksgiving Eve Service the with Sinking Valley Presbyterian Church. Refreshments will be served following the service.

REMINDER - 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.

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).

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

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 Drew or a member of council.

Events / Meetings / Special Services

November 16th – Shoebox Packing & Decorating

**November 26th – Thanksgiving Eve Service -
7:30 p.m.**

December 21st - Christmas in the Valley

December 24th – Christmas Eve Service

We Care Meals

November 8, 2025 ~ November 22, 2025

December 13, 2025 ~ December 27, 2025