

# *St. John's Sinking Valley*

*December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025*



[www.stjohnssinkingvalley.com](http://www.stjohnssinkingvalley.com)

PO Box 222  
Tyrone, PA 16686

\* = Please stand as you are able

The Announcements/Birthday Celebrations/Anniversary Recognitions

Organ Prelude –

Lighting of Candles:

*Opening Prayer*

**Opening Hymn:**

**O Come All Ye Faithful**

**Lighting of the Advent Log/Children's Message –**

**Offertory**

**\* The Doxology**

**\* Prayer of Thanksgiving**

*The Liturgy of the Word*

*Today's Old Testament Lesson comes from the book of Isaiah*

**Isaiah 9:6**

"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace".

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*Today's New Testament Lesson comes from the book of John*

**John 16:33**

**33 "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."**

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**\*The Gospel Response –**

***Chorus: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (LBW #34)***

**\*L: The Holy Gospel according to John**

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

**Luke 2:14**

"Glory to God in the highest heaven,  
and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

L: The Gospel of the Lord

**C: Praise to you, O Christ**

**Hymn-**

**I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day**

***Message-***

**Do You Hear What I Hear?**

**The Prayers**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**\*Closing Hymn-**

**Hark, The Herald Angels Sing!**

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

**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 –

Let us go forth in the Grace of Jesus Christ, proclaiming the advent message of Hope, Peace, Joy and Love!

*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](mailto: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.

Give to St. John's online for a one-time or a recurring gift using the church's website:

[www.stjohnssinkingvalley.com](http://www.stjohnssinkingvalley.com)

Scroll down the home page and click on the PDF "Online Giving DIRECTIONS" for more information. Click on the "Online Giving Web Site" link to create a free profile and get started.

Or give through the mail. Please send checks made out to "St. John's Lutheran Church" to:

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Please include your name and envelope number if applicable. Thank you for your generosity.

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**Reader/Offering Schedule**

<b>December</b>	<b>Reader</b>	<b>Count Offering</b>
12/7/25	Madison Harper	Howie Overcash Marty Williams
12/14/25	Ryan Fleck	Howie Overcash Marty Williams
12/21/25	David Lang	Howie Overcash Marty Williams
12/28/25	Remington Fleck	Howie Overcash Marty Williams

**Events / Meetings / Special Services**

**December 21<sup>st</sup> - Christmas in the Valley**

**4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

**December 24<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Eve Service**

**7:00 p.m.**

**We Care Meals**

**December 13, 2025 ~ December 27, 2025**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**Church Directory** – The Church Directory is complete! Copies can be found on the back table—please remember to take one. In addition, if you are unable to worship in person and would like a copy mailed, please contact Heidi Shetler at (814) 327-1995.  
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### **Christmas in the Valley- 4pm-6pm**

Join us for a night of food, fellowship and fun. Experience the beauty of St. John's advent decor, partake of tasty goodies and witness the splendor of the Christmas story through the ministry of Boston Bachert. From a very early age, Boston has trusted the Lord with his life. As a result, through him, he's been able to do things he never thought possible! When Boston was 7 years old, he was diagnosed with Tourette Syndrome, OCD, and auditory processing issues. He uses the skills he's developed in acrobatics, gospel illusions and tricks not only to entertain and connect with his audience, but also to share his own personal story of faith and overcoming. He shares how he chose to trust God with his struggles in life, and how Tourette's doesn't have to hold him back - it actually helps him be the performer that he is today! It also gives him a platform to help others and share Christ's love for each and every one of us.  
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**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.  
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**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).  
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**Favorite Hymns** – If you have a favorite hymn, please be sure to put it on the list on the back table.  
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**We Care Meals** - We Care Meals, providing free meals for people in the Community on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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.