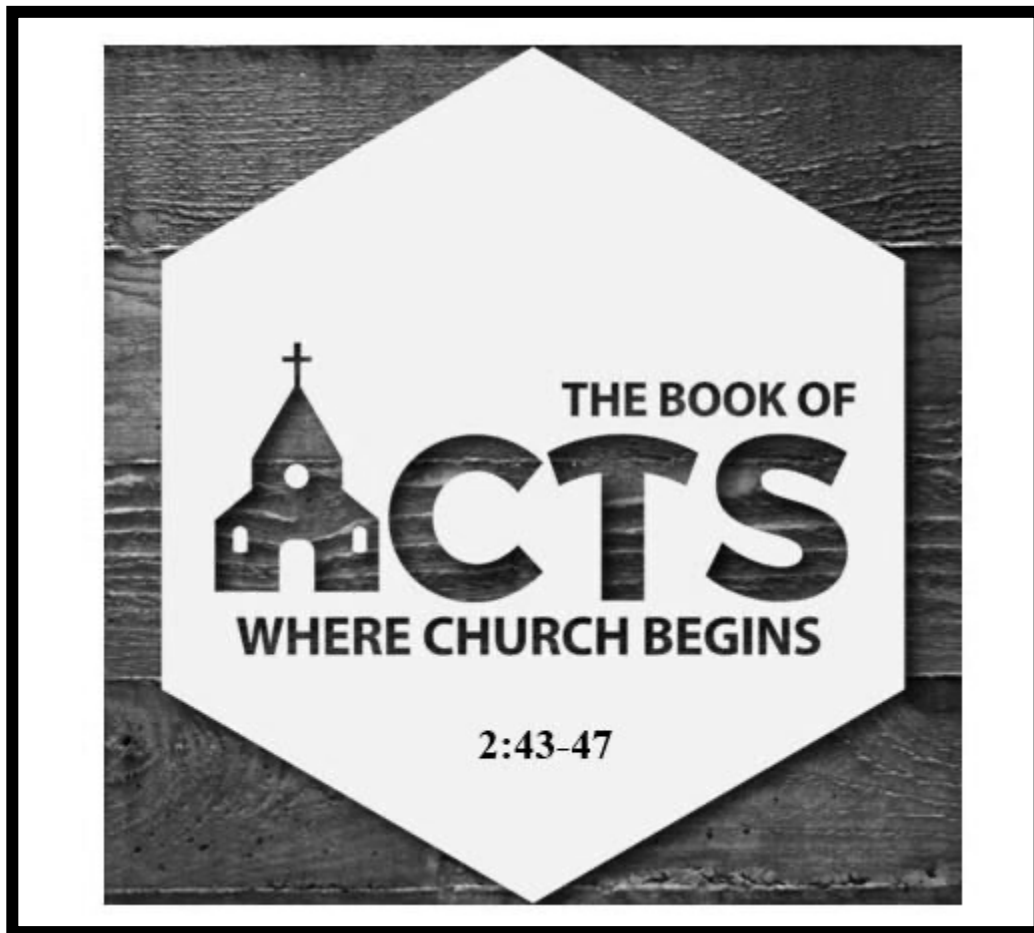


St. John's Sinking Valley

August 10th, 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 Apostle's Creed**

The Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

Offertory

*** The Doxology**

*** Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The Liturgy of the Word – Lee Anne Ayers

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

Psalms 111:10

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever!

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

Acts 6:8-15

8 Now Stephen, a man full of God's grace and power, performed great wonders and signs among the people. 9 Opposition arose, however, from members of the Synagogue of the Freedmen (as it was called)—Jews of Cyrene and Alexandria as well as the provinces of Cilicia and Asia—who began to argue with Stephen. 10 But they could not stand up against the wisdom the Spirit gave him as he spoke. 11 Then they secretly persuaded some men to say, "We have heard Stephen speak blasphemous words against Moses and against God." 12 So they stirred up the people and the elders and the teachers of the law. They seized Stephen and brought him before the Sanhedrin. 13 They produced false witnesses, who testified, "This fellow never stops speaking against this holy place and against the law. 14 For we have heard him say that this Jesus of Nazareth will destroy this place and change the customs Moses handed down to us." 15 All who were sitting in the Sanhedrin looked intently at Stephen, and they saw that his face was like the face of an angel.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

***The Gospel Response –**

***L: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew**

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

Matthew 7:24

Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock.

L: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ

Message-

Earthly Treasures or Kingdom Building

Hymn-

Oh Jesus, I Have Promised

***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-**

Stand Up Stand Up For Jesus

***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: *The Family of Lori Russell, Krystal, Doreen, Ellen, Kathy, Brandon, 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 **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:

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Reader/Offering Schedule

August	Reader	Count Offering
8/3/25	Rylee Fleck	Howie Overcash Marty Williams
8/10/25	Lee Anne Ayers	Howie Overcash Marty Williams
8/17/25	Ashley Detwiler	Howie Overcash Marty Williams
8/24/15	Lauren Fleck	Howie Overcash Marty Williams
8/31/25	Madison Harper	Howie Overcash Marty Williams

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annual Joint Church Picnic - August 17, 2025 at Fort Roberdeau @ 10 a.m. - Please mark your calendar for Sunday, August 17th for the Annual Joint Church Picnic with the Sinking Valley Presbyterian Church. ***If you are interested in the planning, please fill out the sign up form on the back table. Please note worship will begin at 10 a.m., not 9:30 a.m.***

Special guest, Pastor Walt Smith will be portraying Rev. John Peter Muhlenberg – “The Pastor Patriot”.

Good Samaritan Fund – August – This month’s recipient is the family of Rachel (Harshman) Wiggins. As many of you may know, Mr. Bill Harshman recently suffered the heartbreaking loss of both his daughter, Rachel, and his wife, Anne, within just a few days of each other. Rachel is survived by her husband, Brandon, and their two children, Dakota and Cooper, who live in Latrobe. Please continue to keep the Harshman and Wiggins families in your thoughts and prayers as they endure this incredibly difficult time.

Tyrone Food Bank - The food bank needs plastic grocery bags that they use to hand out food. Please drop them off at the food bank on Thursday mornings. If you would prefer to collect them here, at the church, she is willing to come out and pick them up. Thank you for your help!

Yoga Class – Amanda Brooks is offering free yoga classes on Wednesdays from 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Please note the next class will be on **Wednesday, August 13th**.

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.

UPCOMING DATES

Events / Meetings / Special Services

**August 17th – Annual Joint Picnic w/ Sinking Valley
Presbyterian @ 10 AM**

August 24th – Faith Night @ Altoona Curve

October 4th – FallFest

November 26th – Thanksgiving Eve Service

December 21st (tent.) - Christmas in the Valley

December 24th – Christmas Eve Service

We Care Meals

August 9, 2025 ~ August 23, 2025

September 13, 2025 ~ September 27, 2025

October 11, 2025 ~ October 25, 2025

November 8, 2025 ~ November 22, 2025

December 13, 2025 ~ December 27, 2025