

St. John's Sinking Valley
August 16th, 2026



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Tyrone, PA 16686

* = Please stand as you are able

The Announcements/Birthday Celebrations/Anniversary Recognitions

Opening Prayer

***Call to Worship**

***Opening Hymn:**

***The Apostle's Creed**

Offertory

*** The Doxology**

*** Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The Word of the Lord

Today's Old Testament Lesson

Psalms 66:16

Come and hear, all you who fear God; let me tell you what he has done for me.

Psalms 145:10-12

All your works praise you, Lord; your faithful people extol you. They tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your might, so that all people may know of your mighty acts and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Today's New Testament Lesson

1 Peter 4:7-11

7 The end of all things is near. Therefore be alert and of sober mind so that you may pray. 8 Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. 9 Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. 10 Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. 11 If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

***The Gospel Response –**

Seek Ye First

The Gospel Lesson

Matthew 25:14-30

14 "For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants[a] and entrusted to them his property. 15 To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. 16 He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. 17 So also he who had the two talents made two talents more. 18 But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money. 19 Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. 20 And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me five talents; here, I have made five talents more.' 21 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' 22 And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents; here, I have made two talents more.' 23 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' 24 He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a

hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, 25 so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here, you have what is yours.’ 26 But his master answered him, ‘You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I scattered no seed? 27 Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. 28 So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents. 29 For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. 30 And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’

L: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Message-

Kingdom Investments

Hymn-

The Prayers

The Lord’s Prayer

***Closing Hymn-**

***Benediction -**

Organ Postlude –

Prayer Requests For: Karen B., Sally B., Nate, Michael L., Tom C., John & Sue M., Phillip, Toni H., Ronnie N., Brenda M., Krystal D., 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 and/or removed please let Drew (jesus2thevalley@gmail.com) or Carey (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.

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

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.

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August	Reader	Count Offering
8/2/26	Deb Beauchamp	Deb Beauchamp / Howie Overcash
8/9/26	Aidan Luther	Deb Beauchamp / Howie Overcash
8/16/26	Rylee Fleck	Deb Beauchamp / Howie Overcash
8/23/26	WORSHIP @ FORT ROBERDEAU	
8/30/26	Ashley Detwiler	Deb Beauchamp / Howie Overcash

Events / Meetings / Special Services

August 23rd – Joint Worship/Picnic w/ S.V. Presbyterian
Fort Roberdeau. NOTE: WORSHIP
WILL NOT BE HELD AT ST. JOHN'S

October 3rd – Tent. FallFest

December 20th – Tent. Christmas in the Valley

We Care Meals

August 8, 2026 ~ August 22, 2026

Sept. 12, 2026 ~ Sept. 26, 2026

Oct. 10, 2026 ~ Oct. 24, 2026

Nov. 14, 2026 ~ Nov. 28, 2026

Dec. 12, 2026 ~ Dec. 26, 2026

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sinking Valley Community Picnic – Saturday, August 22nd from 12 p.m. – 4 p.m. There will be a Community Picnic at the Sinking Valley Fairgrounds. Hot dogs and bottled water will be provided. Bring a side dish and dessert to share with your neighbors. Don't forget to bring your own table service! In addition, there will be a church service, games for all ages, and history of Sinking Valley. Watch for more information on the Sinking Valley Facebook Page.

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**Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 10:00 a.m.**– Please join us at Fort Roberdeau for a Patriotic Church Service and Picnic beginning at 10:00 a.m. St. John's has been asked to provide side dishes and desserts. **There is a sign up sheet on the back table! PLEASE NOTE: WORSHIP WILL NOT BE HELD @ ST. JOHN'S ON AUGUST 23<sup>RD</sup>.**

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Sinking Valley Farm Show – The Sinking Valley Farm Show will be **September 15th through the 19th** at the Sinking Valley Fairgrounds. Please watch for books on the back table soon.

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**Good Samaritan Fund August** – This month's Good Samaritan recipients for August is supporting those impacted by the recent flooding in Tyrone. Please continue to keep all those affected by the recent storms in your thoughts and prayers.

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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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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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**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 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.