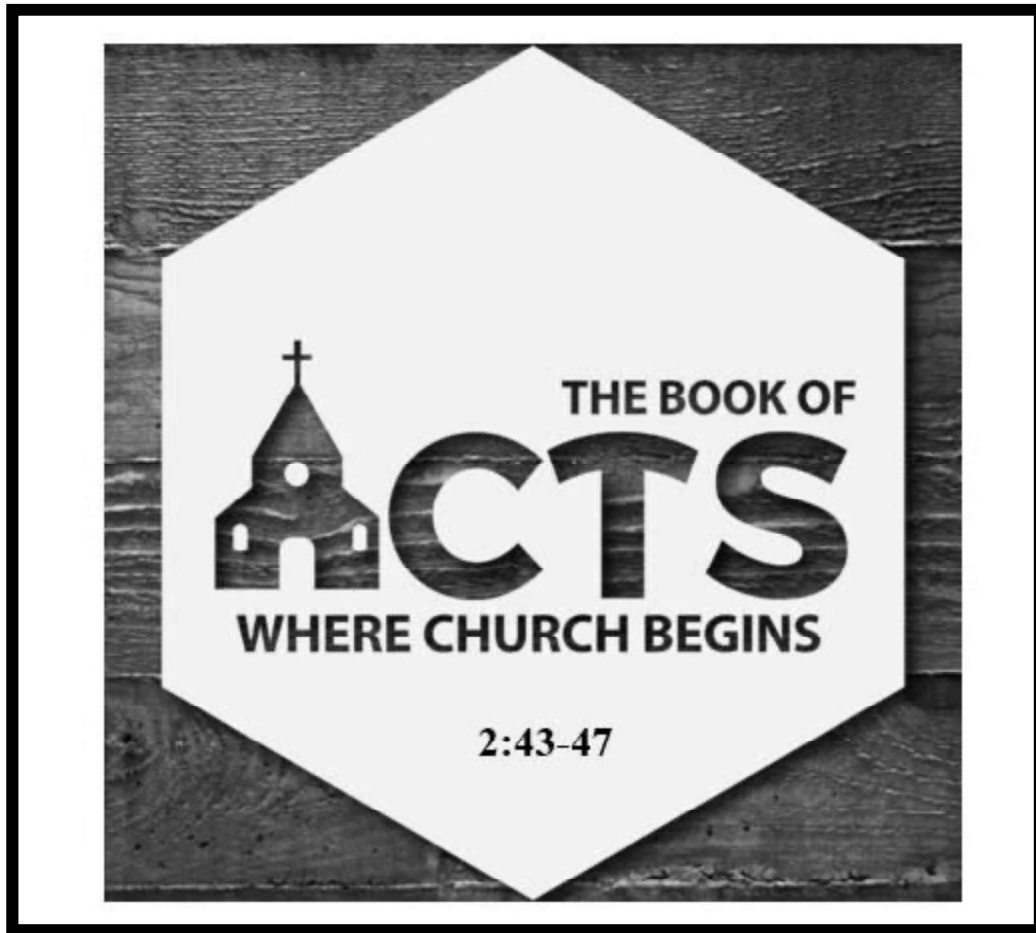


St. John's Sinking Valley
September 7th, 2025



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The Announcements/Birthday Celebrations/Anniversary Recognitions

Organ Prelude –

Lighting of Candles: Acolyte –

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship –

***The Opening Hymn –**

Glory to His Name (HCL #478)

Offertory

*** The Doxology**

*** Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The Liturgy of the Word – Ryan Fleck

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

Isaiah 53:6-7

Nevertheless, the righteous will hold to their ways,

We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way;
and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

7 He was oppressed and afflicted,
yet he did not open his mouth;

he was led like a lamb to the slaughter,
and as a sheep before its shearers is silent,
so he did not open his mouth.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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

Acts 8:25-40

25 After they had further proclaimed the word of the Lord and testified about Jesus, Peter and John returned to Jerusalem, preaching the gospel in many Samaritan villages. 26 Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Go south to the road—the desert road—that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." 27 So he started out, and on his way he met an Ethiopian eunuch, an important official in charge of all the treasury of the Kandake (which means "queen of the Ethiopians"). This man had gone to Jerusalem to worship, 28 and on his way home was sitting in his chariot reading the Book of Isaiah the prophet. 29 The Spirit told Philip, "Go to that chariot and stay near it." 30 Then Philip ran up to the chariot and heard the man reading Isaiah the prophet. "Do you understand what you are reading?" Philip asked. 31 "How can I," he said, "unless someone explains it to me?" So he invited Philip to come up and sit with him.

32 This is the passage of Scripture the eunuch was reading:

"He was led like a sheep to the slaughter,
and as a lamb before its shearer is silent,
so he did not open his mouth.

33 In his humiliation he was deprived of justice.

Who can speak of his descendants?

For his life was taken from the earth."

34 The eunuch asked Philip, "Tell me, please, who is the prophet talking about, himself or someone else?" 35 Then Philip began with that very passage of Scripture and told him the good news about Jesus. 36 As they traveled along the road, they came to some water and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water. What can stand in the way of my being baptized?" 38 And he gave orders to stop the chariot. Then both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water and Philip baptized him. 39 When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the

Lord suddenly took Philip away, and the eunuch did not see him again, but went on his way rejoicing. 40 Philip, however, appeared at Azotus and traveled about, preaching the gospel in all the towns until he reached Caesarea.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

***The Gospel Response –**

*L: The Holy Gospel according to Luke

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

Luke 18:31-34

31 Jesus took the Twelve aside and told them, “We are going up to Jerusalem, and everything that is written by the prophets about the Son of Man will be fulfilled. 32 He will be delivered over to the Gentiles. They will mock him, insult him and spit on him; 33 they will flog him and kill him. On the third day he will rise again.” 34 The disciples did not understand any of this. Its meaning was hidden from them, and they did not know what he was talking about.

L: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ

Message-

Hymn-

Jesus Paid It All (HCL #491)

The Prayers

The Lord’s Prayer

***Closing Hymn-**

Nothing But the Blood of Jesus (HCL #512)

***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: 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.

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Reader/Offering Schedule

September	Reader	Count Offering
9/7/25	Ryan Fleck	Heidi Shetler / Randy Turiano
9/14/25	David Lang	Heidi Shetler / Randy Turiano
9/21/25	Remington Fleck	Heidi Shetler / Randy Turiano
9/28/25	Chad Pedersen	Heidi Shetler / Randy Turiano

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Good Samaritan Fund – October – This month, the Good Samaritan Fund is dedicated to supporting the family of Daniel King. As many of you may recall, Daniel tragically lost his life in a house fire on July 25th. He is survived by his wife, Lindsay, and their two young children. The fire completely destroyed their home, leaving the family with unimaginable loss. Any support you can offer during this time would mean so much. Please continue to keep the King family in your thoughts and prayers as they face this heartbreaking journey.

FallFest Meeting – For anyone interested in helping with FallFest this year, there will be a brief meeting following worship on Sunday, September 14th. Any questions, please see Drew.

Yoga Class – Yoga class is canceled until further notice.

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

September 3rd – Council Meeting – 6:30 p.m.
October 4th – FallFest
November 26th – Thanksgiving Eve Service
December 21st (tent.) - Christmas in the Valley
December 24th – Christmas Eve Service

We Care Meals

September 13, 2025 ~ September 27, 2025
October 11, 2025 ~ October 25, 2025
November 8, 2025 ~ November 22, 2025
December 13, 2025 ~ December 27, 2025