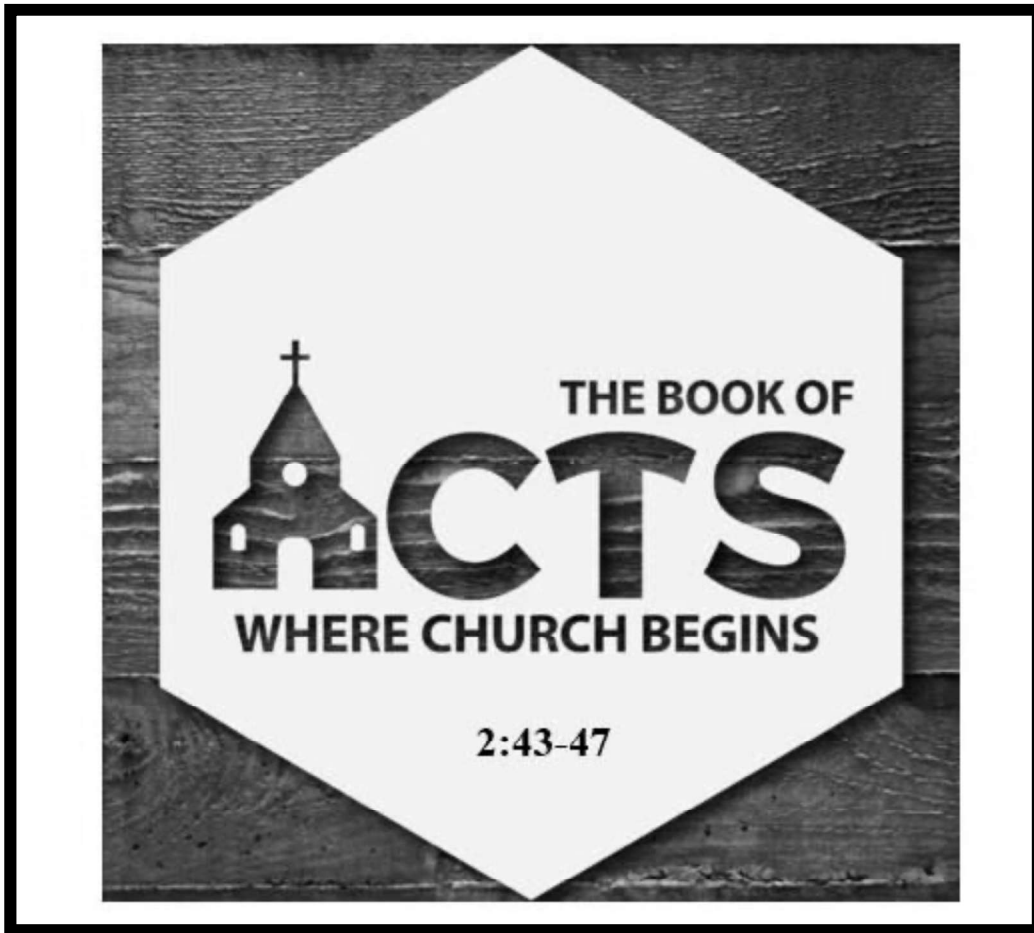


St. John's Sinking Valley

October 19th, 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 – Lindsey Fleck

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

Genesis 1:28

28 God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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

Acts 9:31

31 Then the church throughout Judea, Galilee and Samaria enjoyed a time of peace and was strengthened.

Living in the fear of the Lord and encouraged by the Holy Spirit, it increased in numbers.

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 7:15-23

15 "Watch out for false prophets. They come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ferocious wolves.

16 By their fruit you will recognize them. Do people pick grapes from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? 17

Likewise, every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. 18 A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, and a bad tree cannot bear good fruit. 19 Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. 20 Thus, by their fruit you will recognize them.

21 "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. 22 Many will say to me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name and in your name drive out demons and in your name perform many miracles?' 23 Then I will tell them plainly, 'I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!'

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: 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 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:

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Reader/Offering Schedule

October	Reader	Count Offering
10/19/25	Lyndsey Fleck	Charlene Detwiler / Joy Williams
10/26/25	Aidan Luther	Charlene Detwiler / Joy Williams

UPCOMING DATES

Events / Meetings / Special Services

**November 16th – Shoebox Packing after
Worship**

November 26th – Thanksgiving Eve Service

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

December 24th – Christmas Eve Service

We Care Meals

October 11, 2025 ~ October 25, 2025

November 8, 2025 ~ November 22, 2025

December 13, 2025 ~ December 27, 2025

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Good Samaritan Fund – October – We are deeply saddened to share that Sharon Abraham, this month's Good Samaritan recipient, passed away last Sunday. In support of Sharon's family during this difficult time, we will continue to designate them as the recipients of this month's Good Samaritan collection to help with expenses related to her passing. Please keep Sharon's family in your thoughts and prayers.

Trunk or Treat – Join us for a fun-filled Trunk or Treat event on **Friday, October 24 at 7:00 p.m.** in the **Farm Show parking lot!** If you'd like to participate by decorating your vehicle and handing out treats to the kids, please contact **Bobbie Harpster** at **(814) 650-2277**. Participants should arrive by **6:30 p.m.** to set up. The event begins at **7:00 p.m.**

Election Day Sandwich Sale – Support the **SV Volunteer Fire Company** by taking part in our **Community Sandwich Sale on Election Day!** Order forms are available on the back table. For questions or more information, please reach out to Deb Beauchamp.

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing – 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.

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.