

*St. John's Sinking Valley*  
*May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026*



PENTECOST SUNDAY

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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 Apostles Creed**

### **Offertory**

**\* The Doxology**

**\* Prayer of Thanksgiving**

## **The Word of the Lord**

### *Today's Scripture Lesson*

#### Acts 2:1-24

2 When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. 2 Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. 3 They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. 4 All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

5 Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. 6 When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. 7 Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans? 8 Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? 9 Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, 10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome 11 (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" 12 Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"

13 Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine."

14 Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. 15 These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! 16 No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel (2:28-32):

17 "In the last days, God says,

I will pour out my Spirit on all people.

Your sons and daughters will prophesy,

your young men will see visions,

your old men will dream dreams.

18 Even on my servants, both men and women,

I will pour out my Spirit in those days,

and they will prophesy.

19 I will show wonders in the heavens above

and signs on the earth below,

blood and fire and billows of smoke.

20 The sun will be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood

before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.

21 And everyone who calls

on the name of the Lord will be saved.'

22 “Fellow Israelites, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. 23 This man was handed over to you by God’s deliberate plan and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross. 24 But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**\*The Gospel Response –**

**Seek Ye First**

### *The Gospel Lesson*

#### **John 14:15-31**

15 “If you love me, keep my commands. 16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— 17 the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. 18 I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. 19 Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. 20 On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. 21 Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them.” 22 Then Judas (not Judas Iscariot) said, “But, Lord, why do you intend to show yourself to us and not to the world?” 23 Jesus replied, “Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. 24 Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me. 25 “All this I have spoken while still with you. 26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

28 “You heard me say, ‘I am going away and I am coming back to you.’ If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. 29 I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe. 30 I will not say much more to you, for the prince of this world is coming. He has no hold over me, 31 but he comes so that the world may learn that I love the Father and do exactly what my Father has commanded me. “Come now; let us leave.

L: The Gospel of the Lord

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

*Message-*

**PENTECOST & Our Need for the Holy Spirit!**

**Hymn-**

**The Prayers**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**\*Closing Hymn-**

**\*Benediction -**

*Organ Postlude –*

**Prayer Requests For:** The Family of Dave Hileman, Michael L., Tom C., John & Sue M., Phillip, Toni H., Janet 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](mailto:jesus2thevalley@gmail.com)) or Carey ([brooke2235@yahoo.com](mailto: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.

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5/24/26	Rylee Fleck	John Price / Joy Williams
5/31/26	Lee Anne Ayers	John Price / Joy Williams

**Events / Meetings / Special Services**

**June 7<sup>th</sup> – Council Meeting – Following Worship**

**June 13<sup>th</sup> – Strawberry Social – 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.**

**June 14<sup>th</sup> – Breakfast @ 9:00 a.m. & Outdoor  
Worship @ 9:30 a.m.**

**October 3<sup>rd</sup> – Tent. FallFest**

**December 20<sup>th</sup> – Tent. Christmas in the Valley**

**We Care Meals**

**May 9, 2026 ~ May 23, 2026**

**June 13, 2026 ~ June 27, 2026**

**July 11, 2026 ~ July 25, 2026**

**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

**Thank you!** – Special thanks to Janet and Chuck Bodnar for placing flags on the graves of our fallen military members. We are grateful to all Veterans and those currently serving in the armed forces for their dedication and sacrifice in keeping us safe.

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**Good Samaritan Fund – May** – This month we are collecting for Mark Rossi. Mark recently underwent surgery to remove a bowel obstruction but unfortunately experienced several serious complications afterward. He suffered internal bleeding that doctors had trouble locating, and he required CPR twice, which resulted in broken ribs and a punctured lung. He has received multiple blood transfusions and was airlifted to Pittsburgh, where he remains in the ICU. His kidneys are also not functioning properly resulting in dialysis. Mark is currently on a ventilator and has developed an infection. His kidneys have not responded well to the dialysis treatment, and they have had to place new IV lines because of the infection. His family is by his side in Pittsburgh during this incredibly difficult time and could truly use support and prayers. Please continue to keep Mark and his loved ones 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 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.