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Dear friends in Christ,

Currently, we find ourselves in the throes of Lent—a barren time when we strip back the excess of our lives to re-center our vision on the Lord our God.

This church season so beautifully matches the world around us. Outside, we see barren trees stretching their branches up to the sky, as if reaching toward the heavens in search of new life. Flowers spring up from the earth, animals emerge from hibernation, and sunlight lingers longer into the evening. Just as we move through these weeks, yearning and searching for God's promise of new life, nature does the same. The world, it seems, is awakening from a season of darkness.

At times like these, it can feel as if our communities are in prolonged seasons of darkness. From natural disasters to human conflict to hostility between neighbors, the hope and joy of spring can feel overshadowed. We can be left wondering, "When, O God, when will your kingdom come? When will your love and mercy be made known?"

To offer space for these questions, our congregation has been gathering on Wednesday evenings to reflect on scripture and to pray for the healing of our world. Our midweek Lenten series is named *Christ Our Peace—Praying for Healing and Wholeness*, and the focus of these services are to hear God's promises and ask for the peace of Christ to bless all people. As a congregation, we gather around a world map, name countries and territories from across the globe, and

light candles at the foot of the cross. The candlelight, then, illuminates our darkened sanctuary, reflecting how the very light of Christ comes into our shadowy world.

As God's people, this season of Lent encourages us to turn our hearts and minds back toward God and to remember the vision our Lord has for creation—a vision of peace and understanding, a vision of mercy and abundance. As we create space in our week to ask for God's healing, we create space in our hearts to see one another as God sees us. We recognize the face of Christ in each one of our neighbors. We strive more faithfully to live as Jesus lived. We take seriously the command to love the Lord our God with all our heart, mind, soul, and strength, and to love our neighbors as ourselves (Luke 10:27).

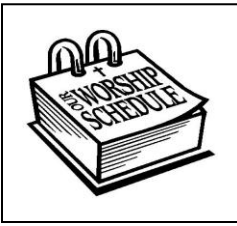
Just as Lent will eventually come to an end, so will our times of darkness. When all hope seemed lost, Jesus rose to new life. When the disciples were full of despair, Jesus brought good news. When it seemed as if evil and destruction would prevail, Jesus' resurrection overcame death and the grave. Let us trust that the same will be true in our lives. Let us trust that the peace of Christ, which surpasses all understanding, will bring healing to our hearts and wholeness to our world. For this is the very promise of Easter—an assurance of resurrection and new life.

Yours in Christ,

Halle Kluever

Pastor Halle Kluever +

WORSHIP SCHEDULE



In order to help you prepare for worship, we print the lectionary texts for each week. If you are helping a young child prepare for worship, look up the texts and read them together. Below

is the schedule of services and lessons for the months of April and May.

April 6 – Fifth Sunday in Lent

8:00 & 10:15 A.M. – Holy Communion
9:00 A.M. – Sunday School / Confirmation
Coffee Hour

Lessons:

Isaiah 43:16-21 Philippians 3:4b-14
Psalm 126 John 12:1-8



PALM SUNDAY – APRIL 13

8:00 & 10:15 A.M. – Communion Service with
distribution of Palms
9:00 A.M. – Sunday School-Palm Sunday Squares

Lessons:

Luke 19:28-40 Psalm 31:9-16
Isaiah 50:4-9a Philippians 2:5-11
Passion Narrative from Luke 22:14–23:56

MAUNDY THURSDAY – APRIL 17

7:00 P.M. – Holy Communion/Stripping of Altar

Lessons:

Exodus 12:1-14 1 Corinthians 11:23-26
Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19 John 13:1-17, 31b-35

GOOD FRIDAY – APRIL 18

12:00 Noon – Stations of the Cross

7:00 P.M. – Good Friday Worship

Lessons:

Isaiah 52:13-53:12 Hebrews 10:16-25
Psalm 22 John 18:1-19:42

EASTER SUNDAY – APRIL 20

7:30 & 10:15 A.M. – Easter Service with Holy
Communion

9:00 A.M. – Sunday School-Easter Play

Lessons:

Acts 10:34-43 1 Corinthians 15:19-26
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Luke 24:1-12

April 27 – Second Sunday of Easter

8:00 & 10:15 A.M. – Service of the Word
9:00 A.M. – Sunday School / Confirmation

Lessons:

Acts 5:27-32 Revelation 1:4-8
Psalm 118:14-29 John 20:19-31

May 4 – Third Sunday of Easter

8:00 & 10:15 A.M. – Communion Service
9:00 A.M. – Sunday School / Confirmation
Coffee Hour
11:30 A.M.-1:00 P.M. – Community Luncheon

Lessons:

Acts 9:1-20 Revelation 5:11-14
Psalm 30 John 21:1-19

May 11 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day / Youth Sunday

8:00 & 10:15 A.M. – Service of the Word
9:00 A.M. – Sunday School / Confirmation

Lessons:

Acts 9:36-43 Revelation 7:9-17
Psalm 23 John 10:22-30

May 18 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00 & 10:15 A.M. – Holy Communion
9:00 A.M. – Sunday School-Bible Challenge

Lessons:

Acts 11:1-18 Revelation 21:1-6
Psalm 148 John 13:31-35

May 25 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:00 & 10:15 A.M. – Service of the Word
9:00 A.M. – Sunday School-All About Pentecost /

Confirmation

Acts 16:9-15 Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5
Psalm 67 John 14:23-29

CHURCH SERVICE ONLINE



You can watch our Sunday church service "Live" every Sunday at 10:15 A.M. on Facebook. If you are not our Facebook friend, just "like"

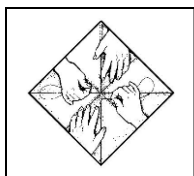
St. John's Lutheran Church and watch the service Live at 10:15 A.M. or at whatever time you want. You can also visit us on YouTube! Go to [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com) and search "St. John's Lutheran Church, Slatington". Special prayer videos and worship services will be shared on the YouTube account, the Facebook page, and website.



**Lenten
Schedule**

During Lent we are having a soup dinner on Wednesdays at 5:45 P.M. followed by a midweek service at 6:30 P.M. The services will follow an evening prayer liturgy on the theme *Christ Our Peace – Praying for Healing and Wholeness*. The dates of the remaining services are April 2 & 9.

SEWING GROUP



The sewing group will meet in the Fellowship Hall on Fridays April 4 & 11 and May 2 & 9 from 9:30 to 11:30 A.M. New sewers are always welcome!

**HAM & DANDELION
DINNER**

SATURDAY, APRIL 5

3:30 to 6:00 P.M.

Eat in or Take-Out

Cost: \$14.00 per meal

Tickets can be purchased from the church office during the week (610-767-6361) or by calling Harrison at 610-216-4284.

Menu:

Baked Ham Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
Chopped Dandelion with Bacon Dressing
Vegetables Bread & Butter
Homemade Desserts

**DONATIONS OF BAKED GOODS ARE NEEDED
AND WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED!**

Please have baked good donations to church by 3:00 P. M.

SECOND CHANCE BOARD MEETINGS

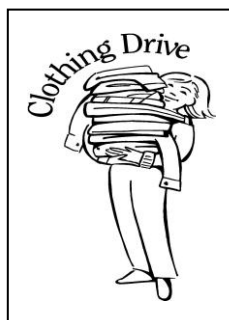
The Second Chance Shoppe Board will meet at 11:00 A.M. in the Fellowship Hall at the church on the following Tuesdays:

April 8 May 13 June 10



Volunteers are always needed to help at the Shoppe. If you can give three hours of your time, please contact Fianna

Christman at 610-751-6842 or Debbie Geiger at 610-760-1374. Shoppe hours are: Tuesday-Friday 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. and 1:00 to 4:00 P.M. Saturday hours are 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.



Clothing Needed – Second Chance Shoppe needs your assistance. Have your children, or are your children outgrowing their clothing? Do you have extra clothes in your wardrobe? If so, please consider donating the clothing to “The Second Chance Shoppe”. We are always low

on children’s and adult clothing. Since Kmart closed their doors, it is difficult for families to shop close to home. Thank you in advance for your help.

HOSPITALIZATIONS

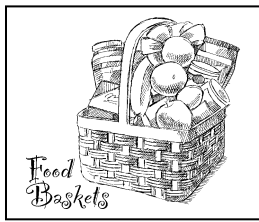


Please call the church office (610-767-6361) whenever a family member, neighbor, or friend who is a member of St. John’s is hospitalized or moves from one hospital

to another or to a rehab facility. Due to stricter privacy laws, hospitals do *not* notify the church when a member is admitted to the hospital. Please give the hospitals our church code of “290” when being admitted.

As the two hospital networks have grown, we rarely get any names even when calling with our church code. ***Please call the church to keep us informed of any hospitalizations so Pastor Halle can visit (when possible) and keep people in our prayers.***

NORTHERN LEHIGH FOOD BANK



INSTANT POTATOES NEEDED FOR EASTER!
St. John's Lutheran has been asked to collect bags/boxes of instant potatoes for the Easter holiday baskets that will be distributed for Easter to the clients of the food bank. There are about 200 families that will be receiving meals for Easter. Please bring all instant potato donations to the church by Thursday, April 10. Baskets will be distributed to food bank clients on Saturday, April 12. Thank you for your help!

Non-perishable food items needed for the food bank are: canned fruit, canned meat, canned vegetables, cereal, condiments, dry pasta (other than spaghetti), jello, jelly, pancake mix, pasta sauce, pudding, soup, and tuna. Monetary donations to the Northern Lehigh Food Bank are welcome and greatly appreciated any time throughout the year!

Donations that come in through offering are mailed to the food bank quarterly.

THINKING OF YOU BASKETS



Social Ministry will be putting together the "thinking of you" baskets on Saturday, April 12, at 9:00 A.M. in the Fellowship Hall. Anyone willing to help with putting together the

baskets and delivering the baskets is welcome to come help us on April 12.

EGG HUNT



On Saturday morning, April 12, at 10:00, we will hold our annual Easter Egg Hunt. The egg hunt is for all children of our church up to and including grade 6.

The egg hunt will be held rain, shine, snow, or wind. Weather permitting, it will be outside; otherwise we will hunt eggs in the Sunday School rooms.

PALM SUNDAY SQUARES



Do you know how much Judas charged the high priest for his betrayal of Jesus? How many times did Peter deny knowing Jesus before the rooster crowed?

To find out the answer to these questions and other Holy Week facts join the Sunday School on Palm Sunday (April 13) at 9:00 A.M., as we present a game show called "Palm Sunday Squares". This is a program based on the T.V. game show "Hollywood Squares" – complete with two Secret Squares.

SENIOR SINGLES GROUP

The Senior Singles Group for people 50+ had their initial meeting in January. The events for Spring are:

April 17 (Thursday) – Meet at the Slatington Trailhead at 1:00 P.M. to walk the D&L Trail. Everyone is invited to bring a bagged lunch. Rain date is Thursday, May 1.

May 22 (Thursday) – Join us for a seminar here at St. John's at 1:00 P.M. to learn about summer volunteer and fitness opportunities in our area.

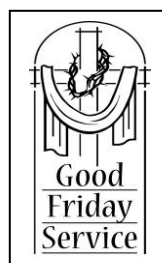
MAUNDY THURSDAY COMMUNION



We will have a service of Holy Communion and stripping of the altar in the church here at St. John's at 7:00 P.M. on Maundy

Thursday, April 17.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES



We will offer two services on Good Friday, April 18 here at St. John's Lutheran Church.

At 12:00 P.M. we will offer a time of meditation and reflection as we pray *The Stations of the Cross*.

At 7:00 P.M. we will offer a Good Friday worship service.

All are welcome to attend both services here at St. John's

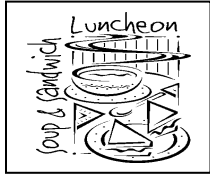
ALTAR GUILD FLOWER SET-UP



The Altar Guild will decorate the church with Easter flowers (lilies and tulips) on Saturday April 19, at 9:00 A.M. for Easter Sunday.

All Altar Guild members are asked to attend. New members are welcome!

APRIL SOUP AND SANDWICH, SALE



The Catering Committee of St. John's Lutheran Church is sponsoring a soup and sandwich sale on Saturday, April 19. Pick-up times will be between

9:00 and 11:00 A.M. in the Fellowship Hall.

The menu is: (Take Out Only)

o *Roast Beef & Provolone Cheese* – Tender sliced roast beef stacked with sliced provolone cheese, crisp bacon, lettuce, and sliced tomatoes placed on a fresh Italian bread. Comes with packs of mayonnaise and mustard. Price – \$6.50 each.

o *Triple Stacker Sandwich* – Thinly sliced roast turkey, roast beef, baked ham, crisp bacon, and provolone cheese stacked on a pretzel roll. Comes with a packet of mayonnaise.

Price – \$6.50 each.

o *Buffalo Chicken Chowder* – Sauté diced onions and diced celery in butter. Thicken with flour. Add hearty chicken broth, tender chunks of chicken, diced potatoes, half & half, Worcestershire sauce, shredded cheddar cheese, and buffalo wing sauce.

Price – \$7.50 per quart.

o *New Orleans Gumbo with Shrimp and Sausage* – Sauté diced onions, diced celery, garlic, red & green peppers, diced tomatoes, shrimp, and sliced fresh & smoked sausage then combine in chicken broth.

Price – \$8.50 per quart.

o *Old-Fashion Chicken Rice Soup* – A blend of diced celery, diced onions, and shredded carrots sauteed in butter. Blend in a hearty chicken broth. Add diced tender chunks of chicken and long grain white rice. Season with black pepper and parsley for a delicious chicken rice soup.

Price – \$7.50 per quart.

To order soup or sandwiches, please fill out the order slip below and either mail or drop off at the church by Sunday, April 13. You can also call your order into the church office at 610-767-6361, call Harrison Williams at 610-216-4284, or e-mail the order to Harrison at williamshj2514@msn.com.

April Soup & Sandwich Sale Order Blank

(soup pints are available upon request)

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Roast Beef & Provolone Cheese
_____ @ \$6.50 each _____

Triple Stacker Sandwich
_____ @ \$6.50 each = _____

Buffalo Chicken Chowder
_____ @ \$7.50 quart = _____

New Orleans Gumbo with Shrimp & Sausage
_____ @ \$8.50 quart = _____

Old-Fashion Chicken Rice Soup
_____ @ \$7.50 quart = _____

Total Due \$ _____

EASTER PLAY



The Sunday School students will present a recounting of the Easter story from 9:15 to 10:00 A.M. on Easter Sunday (April 20) in the church auditorium.

Everyone is invited to join us for the play. What better way to spend Easter morning than seeing the Good News through the eyes of children!



COMMUNITY LUNCHEON

213 chicken meals were served at the March community luncheon.

A special thank you to Debbie Cunfer, Jane Frantz, Bobbi Jo Kline, Ruthann Mantz, Julie Miller, Richard Muthard, Dennis Rehrig, Nancy Rehrig, Ann Schaadt, Dan Schaadt, and Pastor Halle. We couldn't serve 213 meals without their help. Thank you also to all our bakers who provided a variety of desserts.



Sunday, May 4, will be our next luncheon from 11:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. as an eat-in or take-out meal. The meal will be

roast beef, filling, vegetables, salad, rolls, and dessert. Donations of baked goods are greatly appreciated.

Brian & Debbie Geiger

SPONSORS NEEDED



Bulletin and flower sponsors are needed for numerous dates this year. To sponsor bulletins or flowers for any spring date below or other open dates this year,

simply sign your name on the appropriate chart posted on the bulletin board outside the church office or call the church office at 610-767-6361. Open Spring dates are:

- Flower sponsors are needed for April 6, 17 (Maundy Thursday), & 27; May 4, 11, & 18; and June 8 & 29.
- Bulletin sponsors are needed for April 17 (Maundy Thursday) & 20 (Easter); May 18; and June 22.

The cost to sponsor bulletins is \$25.00 per date. The cost to sponsor flowers is \$35.00 per date. Payment can be mailed into the church office or placed in your offering envelope on a Sunday.

**SAUERKRAUT
SUPPER
SATURDAY, MAY 10
3:30 to 6:00 P.M.
Eat in or Take out**

Cost: \$14.00 per meal
Tickets can be purchased from any member of the Catering Committee or from the church office during the week.

Menu:

Pork & Sauerkraut Hot Dogs
Mashed Potatoes Buttered Lima Beans
Bread & Butter Homemade Desserts

***DONATIONS OF BAKED GOODS
ARE NEEDED AND WOULD BE
GREATLY APPRECIATED.***

**Please have baked good donations
to church by 3:00 P. M.**

CHURCH BUILDING HOURS



The church office is open daily Monday through Friday from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. (except for major holidays or vacation times) *When Sharon or Pastor Halle are alone in the office, the church doors, including the brown doors by the office, will be locked. There is a doorbell outside the brown doors that you may ring to gain access to the building.* The church also will be open Sunday mornings for the Sunday church service and Sunday School and in the evenings when there are meetings in the church building. Anyone who needs to get into the church building other than the above times, may call the church office at 610-767-6361.

YOUTH SUNDAY



On Sunday, May 11, the youth of our congregation will lead worship at both services and the Sunday School Choir will sing at the 10:15 A.M. service.

The Confirmation and High School classes will have practice for Youth Sunday on Saturday, May 10, at 10:00 A.M.

Please plan to attend one of these services to show your support for our youth . . . they are the future of our church.

RINGER SCHOLARSHIP



Up to six scholarships from the Ringer Scholarship Fund will be awarded at a date and time to be determined in June. The scholarships

are available from the interest of the original investment from the Ringer family.

Applications are now available from the church office. Anyone interested in applying for the scholarship needs to be:

1. An active member of St. John's Lutheran Church, Slatington.
2. A current high school senior or have graduated from high school within the last three years.
3. Attending college or a technical school.

To apply for the scholarship, pick up an application packet from the church office. Return the application in the sealed envelope provided with the application packet in person to the church office during business hours **by 3:00 P.M. on Friday, May 16.**

PLEASE NOTE THAT ANY APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER 3:00 P.M. ON FRIDAY, MAY 16, WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

HELP DECORATE OUR CHURCH WITH GERANIUMS FOR PENTECOST



PENTECOST

Orders are being taken for geraniums to be placed in the church on June 8, Pentecost Sunday. Fill out the order form below and return to any Altar Guild member (Stephanie Beers, Sue Freed, Linda Humanick, Denise Miller, Devon Sabene, Jill Schaffer, Erin Snyder, or Sharon Stehly), place in a sealed envelope in the offering plate, or drop off at or mail into the church office. The cost is **\$5.00** per plant. Plants will come from an established local grower. Payment must accompany your order. *The **FINAL** deadline for ordering geraniums is **Sunday, May 18.***

Plants can either be picked up on Pentecost Sunday, June 8, after the 10:15 A.M. service or given to the church to be planted on the church grounds. Below is an order form to order plant(s):

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

In Thanksgiving for: _____

Courtesy of: _____

By: _____

Plants _____ **@ \$5.00 each**

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Will pick up _____ **Leave at church** _____

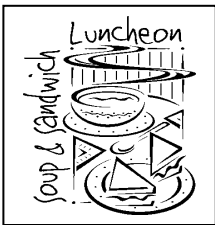
SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING



The Ringer Scholarship Committee members will meet on Sunday, May 18, at 6:00 P.M. in the church office to review the applications and select

the Ringer Scholarship recipients for 2025. Recipients will be notified of their selection. Scholarships will be presented to the recipients at a date and time to be determined in June.

MAY SOUP, SANDWICH, & BAKED SEAFOOD LASAGNA DINNER SALE



The Catering Committee is sponsoring a soup, sandwich, and baked seafood lasagna dinner sale on Saturday, May 17. Pick-up times will be between 9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

in the Fellowship Hall. The menu is: (Take Out Only)

o *Monte Cristo Sandwich* – Start with two slices of French toast. Add French dressing, sliced Swiss cheese, sliced baked ham, sliced roast turkey breast, shredded lettuce, and sliced tomatoes, then garnish with a pickle.

Price – \$6.50 each.

o *Heat & Eat Baked Seafood Lasagna Dinner* – Baked seafood lasagna with sauce, creamy cole slaw, dinner roll & butter, and a slice of cherry crumb pie for dessert.

Price – \$14.00 each.

o *Cream of Potato Soup* – A blend of diced onions and diced celery sauteed in butter. Add flour, chicken stock, half & half, and diced potatoes. Season with black pepper, parsley, and Worcestershire sauce.

Price – \$7.50 per quart.

o *Halupki (Stuffed Cabbage Soup)* – Sauté ground beef, garlic, onions, and green cabbage. Blend with a hearty beef broth, diced tomatoes, tomato sauce, salt, black pepper, and tender rice.

Price – \$7.50 per quart.

o *Old-Fashion Beef Noodle Soup* – A mixture of diced celery, diced onions, shredded carrots sautéed in butter. Blend in a hearty beef stock. Add tender chunks of roast beef, and egg noodles. Season with black pepper, parsley, and Worcestershire sauce.

Price – \$7.50 per quart.

To order soup, sandwiches, and/or heat-and-eat baked seafood lasagna dinners, please fill out the order slip below and either mail or drop off to the church by Sunday, May 11. You can also call your order into the church office at 610-767-6361, call Harrison Williams at 610-216-4284, or e-mail the order to Harrison at williamshj2514@msn.com.

May Soup, Sandwich, and Baked Seafood Lasagna Dinner Sale Order Blank

(soup pints available upon request)

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Monte Cristo Sandwich

_____ @ \$6.50 each = _____

Baked Seafood Lasagna Dinner (heat & eat)

_____ @ \$14.00 each = _____

Cream of Potato Soup

_____ @ \$7.50 per quart = _____

Halupki (Stuffed Cabbage) Soup

_____ @ \$7.50 per quart = _____

Old-Fashion Beef Noodle Soup

_____ @ \$7.50 per quart = _____

Total Due \$ _____

CHECK YOUR E-MAIL!

Make sure to check your e-mail every Friday for the weekly e-update from St. John's. If you do not receive our weekly e-update, give us your e-mail address and we will add you to the list. Send your e-mail information to the church e-mail address: stjohnslatinton@gmail.com.

LAWN RANGERS NEEDED



As the weather begins to warm up, your help is needed with cutting the grass and doing yard chores at the church. If you can help, please call the church

office at 610-767-6361 or sign the sign-up sheet on the radiator in church. A lawn mower is stored in the parsonage garage and is available for your use. Please let us know if you have any special yard skills.

GRADUATION DINNER



We are inviting any member of the congregation and their family who will or did graduate high school or an institution of higher learning this year.

This year's dinner will be held in the Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, May 20, at 6:00 P.M. To make a reservation for the Graduation Dinner, please fill out the form below and return it to the church office by Sunday, May 4.

GRADUATION DINNER

Name of Graduate: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

of people attending: _____

SYNOD ASSEMBLY



The Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod assembly for 2025 will be held on Friday & Saturday,

May 30 & 31, at Christ Hamilton United Lutheran Church in Stroudsburg. The theme is "Connect the Dots". Our delegates this year are Josh Kluever and Ruthann Mantz.

CONFIRMATION WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY, JUNE 1



On Sunday, June 1, the following students will affirm their faith in Jesus Christ and become full members of St. John's.

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| Cameron Chruscial | Jayden Rehrig |
| Cole Chruscial | Meadow Sly |
| Chase Moyer | Izabella Snyder |
| Elaina Ray | Kylee Truett. |

Please welcome them as the newest members that day.

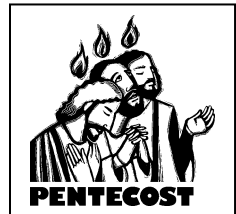
GERANIUM SET-UP



The Altar Guild will meet on Saturday, June 7, at 9:00 A.M. to set out the geraniums for Pentecost Sunday (June 8). All Altar

Guild members are asked to attend. New Altar Guild members are always welcome.

PENTECOST IS JUNE 8



The Pentecost event happened among the gathered disciples and they were filled with the Holy Spirit, but it did not end there. Disciples or Followers of Jesus have

been filled with the Holy Spirit ever since.

Pentecost is the birthday of the Christian church as we know it. It is also the beginning of the green season of the church; a time where, as we see the greening of the trees, grasses, and plants, we also can work toward our own greening in our faith toward God and in our service toward one another. It is a season that challenges us to see our own gifts of the Spirit and to put them to use for the good of all people.

The color of the day is red to remind us of the flames that alighted on each of the disciples. Don't forget to wear red on Sunday, June 8, as we welcome the Spirit into our midst.

PROMOTION SUNDAY



June 8 marks the end of the Sunday School year. We will celebrate with the awarding of promotion gifts during the 9:00 A.M. church service.

The Sunday School children will sing in church.

END-OF-YEAR PICNIC



Mark your calendars for the end-of-the-year picnic on Sunday, June 8, after church

from 10:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. Join us for great food, contests, games, fun, and fellowship. Watch your summer newsletter, e-news, and upcoming bulletins for more information.

BEAR CREEK CAMP



Bear Creek Camp is the Lutheran church's outdoor ministry in Eastern Pennsylvania (with 3,000 acres on the Pocono

Plateau). The summer camp experience is packed full of adventure and discovery for every age group from first grade through 12th grade. Registration materials are available for 2025 summer camp. Learn more or register online at www.bearcreekcamp.org. Speak to April Krempasky if interested in financial aid.

MASTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS



A master calendar of all events held on the church premises is retained in the church office to avoid double booking the rooms

in the church and ensure the building is unlocked. Please make sure all meetings that your committee/group holds in the church are reserved with the office. Contact Sharon in the church office at 610-767-6361 to reserve space in the church for your meeting.

KIDS PACKS/SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR FOOD BANK



In order to make sure the smallest clients of the food bank get enough to eat this summer when school is not in session, households with children will be given extra food in the form of a "Kids

Pack" when they come for their regular food distribution. Each church has been asked to collect a few items for the "Kids Packs".

St. John's Lutheran is collecting juiceboxes plus single serve jello and pudding (non-refrigerated). Please bring all donations to the church by Sunday, June 15 We need 150 individual packs total.



School supplies are also being collected here at St. John's. They will be delivered to the food bank in mid-June.

School supplies needed are:

- Black pens
- Blue pens
- Colored markers (10 ct)
- Colored pencils
- Crayons
- Dry-erase markers
- Ear buds
- Erasers
- Fine tip black sharpies
- Highlighters
- Zippered pencil pouch (with three holes for notebooks)
- Index cards
- Lanyards
- Loose-leaf notebook
- paper packs
- Pencil box
- Pencil sharpeners
- Pocket folders with holes
- Scissors
- Spiral notebooks

(NO pencils needed – we have lots!)

The Northern Lehigh Food Bank accepts non-perishable food, soap closet donations, and monetary donations year round.

Thank you for your continued support of the clients of the Northern Lehigh Food Bank.

BREAKFAST BUNCH



Once again our church will host the Breakfast Bunch, a free summer feeding program for the youth in our community. The children receive an eat-in breakfast and a take-home

lunch. This year’s program will be held Monday-Friday from 8:30 A.M. to 10:00 A.M., June 16 to August 22.

Last year’s program was such a success, we will continue to provide special offerings each day: Lunch Special Mondays, Pancake Tuesdays & Thursdays, Egg Wednesdays, and Crafting Fridays.

To provide this vital service, we are looking for volunteers. If you can do any of the following, we would love for you to consider participating in this ministry:

- o Making peanut butter and jelly sandwiches.
- o Pouring a glass of milk or cereal into a bowl.
- o Grocery shopping or picking up donations.
- o Scrambling eggs.
- o Toasting bread or a bagel.
- o Flipping pancakes.

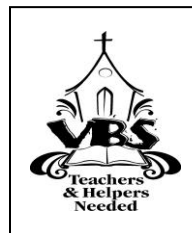
Six volunteers are needed each day from 8:00 to 10:00 A.M., and time commitments are flexible. You are invited to volunteer every day per week, one day per week, one week per month, a few days this summer, or however your schedule allows. To volunteer, please call the church office at 610-767-6361, email the church at stjohnslatinton@gmail.com, or sign up on the calendar on the usher’s table in the rear of church.

Monetary donations or gift cards to local grocery stores are always appreciated and can be delivered to the church. Checks can be made payable to St. John’s Lutheran Church with “Breakfast Bunch” written on the memo line. In addition to these items, we are looking for donations of new or gently-used children’s books and school supplies. These items can be dropped off in the church office.

There are so many circumstances in our world today that feel impossible to resolve. The summertime food insecurity of children in our community, however, is a circumstance that we *are* equipped to address. Through the Breakfast Bunch program, we can work to reduce/eliminate childhood hunger in the Northern Lehigh area. Won’t you please use your hands to do this very important work for God?



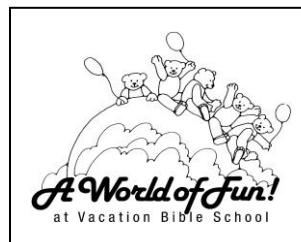
This year’s Vacation Bible School (“VBS”) theme is “True North...Trusting Jesus in a Wild World.” Bible School will be held Monday, July 14, through Friday, July 18, from 6:00 to 8:30 P.M. VBS is for children age 3 (by July 1) up to and including Grade 6.



To make this VBS a great experience for our children, we are looking for adults and teens to help each night or for one or two nights, whichever works with your schedule. Please sign up at the display in the

Fellowship Hall, at the Parent Information Center in the education wing, or on the rear radiator covers in the church.

Don’t forget to join us for the closing program and hot dog roast on Friday night at 8:00 P.M.



This Vacation Bible School promises to be a wonderful experience. Please join us! If you have any questions, please see Ruthann Mantz or Debbie

Cunfer or call the church office at 610-767-6361.

Look for more information in the weekly e-news, bulletins and the June/July/August newsletter. Thank you for your help in making this Vacation Bible School a success!

CHURCH COUNCIL NOTES



On January 27, 2025 the St. John’s Church Council held their monthly meeting. January is the re-organization meeting for

council. Below are elections from that meeting:

1. The following officers were elected for 2025:

- President Erin Snyder
- Vice President Devon Sabene
- Secretary Kayleigh Snyder
- Treasurer Denise Miller

2. Committee heads were appointed as follows:

- A. Christian Education – Erin Snyder
- B. Evangelism – Devon Sabene
- C. Property – Chad Miller + Scott Raber
- D. Social Ministry – Jessica Rehrig
- E. Worship and Music – Kayleigh Snyder + Cheryl Burke
- F. Finance – Chad Miller + Tom Campbell
- G. Catering – Bobbi Jo Kline + Harrison Williams
- H. Mutual Ministry – Sue Freed+Doug Keichel
- I. Second Chance – Sue Freed
- J. Stewardship – Erin Snyder
- K. Youth – McKenzie Chruscial
- L. Nominating – Sue Freed + Erin Snyder (Co-Chair)

Anyone wanting to help with a committee can contact the committee chairperson.

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Enjoy the convenience of electronic giving which allows you to make donations on a scheduled automatic basis. If you are writing checks and preparing envelopes every week, you will enjoy electronic giving. It is convenient for you and provides much needed donation consistency for St. John’s. To start, simply scan the QR code above with your smart phone. It will take you to our mobile online giving page. Create a profile and log in to set up automatic donations from a checking/savings account. If you need further information, we can connect you to someone who uses on-line giving.



THANK YOU NOTES



THANK YOU to the following people for the extra help this winter:

- Dennis Rehrig, Larry Blose, and Myra Handwerk for auditing the books of the church and all the organizations.
 - Debbie Cunfer and Ruthann Mantz for helping to collate the 2024 annual report copies.
 - David Sabene, Brandon Miller, Chad Miller, and Denise Miller for the snow removal and salting they did at the church this winter.
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- Thank you to everyone who participated in this year's Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner! Thank you to Brian Geiger and Josh Kluever for making dinner, and thank you to Ruthann Mantz, Chase Moyer, Jane Frantz, and Julie Miller for serving the meals.
 - Thank you to Fawn Albert and Cheryl Burke for helping me host this year's Midweek Lent services—I couldn't have brought this service to life without you! And thank you to Harrison Williams, as always, for preparing the Lenten soup dinners.

- Thank you to every one of our volunteers—from worship participants to council members to Sunday School teachers to social ministry teams—YOU make the difference here at St. John's! We're able to serve our community because of your hard work and dedication. I'm so very appreciative for your involvement and support.

- Administrative Professionals' Day is on April 23. In honor of this observance, I want to say a big THANK YOU for all the things Sharon does to keep our church office going. Sharon, thank you for your hard work and commitment to our congregation, and thank you for helping me be the best pastor I can be!

Pastor Halle+

THANK YOU NOTES (continued)

FOOD BANK THANK YOU! Thank you to everyone who donated both food and non-food items to the Northern Lehigh Food Bank in February as listed below:

- Bar Soap/Body wash-86
- Dish soap-1
- Laundry detergent-9
- Tissues (boxes)-2
- Toilet paper-106 rolls
- Toothbrushes-7
- Toothpaste - 32

Dear Friends,

Thank you so very much for your warm embrace in our time of grief. We are so grateful for the many expressions of sympathy and love that you so thoughtfully sent.

Mom was so appreciative of her friends at St. John's. She would proudly show her friends the cards, baskets, the lap robe, and shawl that she received from you good people. We are blessed to have such wonderful friends in our life.

The Family of Marie Roth

Thank you ... Sunday School children for the holiday treats and cards.

Mary Ann Sellers

I would like to thank everyone at St. John's for all your support this year while I was away at college. The Ringer and Best/Sell scholarships were a tremendous help in furthering my education and the treats from the Sunday School classes were just what I needed for late night studying or a quick breakfast because I snoozed too many times. Thank you again to my family at St. John's.

Emma Snyder

PASTORAL ACTS



Marie Estella (Horn) Roth
2-7-2025

Donations to the Memorial Fund

In Memory of the following loved ones:
Dr. Earl Bender, Fred Snyder, Rollin Jones, Gordon Kemp, Dick Jones; Rev. & Mrs. Earl Kreidler, and Marie Roth from Mr. & Mrs. Lee Kreidler

Grandmother, Mary Viola Barney and John Kuba from Mary Ann Sellers

Donations to the Organ Fund

In Memory of the following loved ones:
James Balliet by Burlene Balliet & Family

Parents, Popeye & Loretta Yenser by Tom & Kathy Yenser

Marie Roth from the following:

- Steven & Anita Ambler
- Robert & Constance Berger
- David Breiner
- Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Campbell
- Debbie Cunfer
- Mr. & Mrs. Gary Fedorcha
- Mr. & Mrs. Francis Frantz
- Mr. & Mrs. Brian Geiger
- Mr. & Mrs. Randy Horn
- Mr. and Mrs. Roy Horn Jr & Dorothea Horn
- Linda Humanick Susan Jones
- Wayne & Theresa Kern
- Karen Kistler
- Mr. & Mrs. Ron Kuntz
- Scott & Kimberly Leskowich
- Ruthann Mantz
- Carol Miller
- Mr. & Mrs. Chad Miller
- Philip & Robin Morganti
- Jill Schaffer
- Second Chance Shoppe
- Carole Sheckler
- Charles & Lori Sivick
- Lori Sockel Sharon Stehly
- Rodney & Zoanne Strohl
- Elaine Witman
- Mr. & Mrs. Tom Yenser

Donations to Mission Support

In Memory *Marie Roth* from the following:

- Kim Hepp Jones Monique Scott
- Laura Vandegrift Terri Yankus



Tim and Judy Snyder
62nd on April 27
James and Bonita Haydt
56th on April 5
Dennis and Nancy Rehrig
49th on April 10
Garrett and Karen Kreglow
39th on April 5
Ray and Lydia Weaver
33rd on April 26
Mark and Julie Arnold
26th on April 9
Frank and Barbara Halkias
25th on April 18
Carlton and Summer Davies
24th on April 14

Thomas and Barbara Campbell
53rd on May 27
Gary and Lynne Fedorcha
53rd on May 27
Robert and Janelle Reiser
33rd on May 3
William and Angela Papay
32nd on May 1
Ryan and Jennifer Christman
25th on May 5
Jody and Megan Bellesfield
25th on May 27
Frank and Kori Dibilio
25th on May 27
Theodore and Kimberly Young
22nd on May 17
Scott and Christine Raber
21st on May 22
Matthew and Heather Newhard
20th on May 7
Christopher and Tammy Moyer
17th on May 17
James and Kimberly Balliet
14th on May 14
Ronnie and Cortney Humanick
14th on May 21
Justin and Stephanie Maurer
10th on May 23
Hunter and Taylor Miller
2nd on May 4

ALUMINUM TABS



Aluminum tabs that are collected here at St. John's Lutheran Church benefit the Shriners Hospital for Children which provides free medical care. No child

is turned away because of the inability to pay at a Shriners Hospital. If you know of a child that needs medical care, contact any Shriner for more information. Thank you and continue to bring the tabs to St. John's for pick up. Clarence Smith collects the tabs for the Shriners Hospital.

REDNER'S TAPES

Thank you to everyone who turns in their tapes from Redner's Markets for the Sav-a-Tape program. The money earned from this program has helped to fund the cost of supplies for our coffee hours. The same card is scanned for the Sav-a-Tape program and the gas points. Please continue to support the Sav-a-Tape program by turning in your entire Redner's receipts.



If you are moving, or have just moved, please notify the church office of your new address and phone number so that our records are accurate. We do receive address corrections from the post office *at a fee*. Help us keep our mailing costs down by notifying us of address changes before you move. Please keep us updated on contact numbers also as people are going to cell phones only.



GREETINGS ARE EXTENDED TO OUR "80 & OVER" MEMBERS

APRIL BIRTHDAYS:

Mr. Charles Perich, Danielsville ** Celebrating his 80th birthday on April 1.

Mr. Robert Morgan, Liza's Personal Care, 1357 Blue Mountain Drive, Danielsville, PA 18038
** Celebrating his 91st birthday on April 4.

Mrs. Elaine Frantz, Slatington ** Celebrating her 85th birthday on April 13.

Mr. Jim Evans, Walnutport ** Celebrating his 83rd birthday on April 23.

Mr. Bill Dimmich, Walnutport ** Celebrating his 89th birthday on April 25.

MAY BIRTHDAYS:

Mrs. Nancy Wilinsky, Palmerton ** Celebrating her 84th birthday on May 7.

Mrs. Carol MacCrimble, Phoebe Miller Building, Room 308, 1925 W Turner Street,
Allentown PA 18104 ** Celebrating her 94th birthday on May 15.

Mrs. Carol Meagher, Slatington ** Celebrating her 85th birthday on May 18.

Mr. Tom Kuntz, Allentown ** Celebrating his 88th birthday on May 22.

Mr. John Wanamaker, Slatington ** Celebrating his 85th birthday on May 22.

Mrs. Etoile Mack, Slatington ** Celebrating her 101st birthday on May 28.

If you are celebrating a birthday or anniversary and are not included in our regular listing each month, it is because we do not have the information. Please call the church office at 610-767-6361 or e-mail us at stjohnslatinton@gmail.com to keep us informed.



\$\$\$FINANCIAL INFORMATION\$\$\$

JANUARY 2025

DATE	CHURCH ATTENDANCE	OFFERING		CURRENT FUND	BUILDING FUND
1-5	19 + 58	\$ 2,735.00	December 31 Balance	\$ 3,751.04	\$ 10,323.82
1-12	24 + 40	1,364.97	January Income	* 22,117.87	74.64
1-19	24 + 52	1,330.00	January Expenses	18,645.36	4,089.79
1-26	27 + 50	1,650.00	January 31 Balance	\$ 7,223.55	\$ 6,308.67
Totals		\$ 7,079.97			

*December income for Current Fund includes \$15,000 of Mildred Hetzer interest income.

Offering for Operational Expenses Through January 2025

Needed Each Week	\$ 4,108.32
Average Weekly Received	\$ 1,779.47 / \$ 5,529.47
Budgeted to Date	\$ 16,433.28
Received to Date	\$ 7,117.87 / \$ 22,117.87
Expenses to Date	\$ 18,645.36
Income-to-Date vs. Expenses-to-Date	(\$ 11,527.49) / \$ 3,472.51

**** Two sets of figures for “Income-to-Date vs. Expenses-to-Date” above indicate the following:

(1) The left side is the difference between offering received and expenses paid to date, excluding \$15,000 from Mildred Hetzer Fund interest.

(2) The right side is the different between offering received and expenses paid to date, including \$15,000 from Mildred Hetzer Fund interest.

FEBRUARY 2025

DATE	CHURCH ATTENDANCE	OFFERING		CURRENT FUND	BUILDING FUND
2-2	23 + 50	\$ 2,163.00	January 31 Balance	\$ 7,223.55	\$ 6,308.67
2-9 *	0 – ICE	0.00	February Income	8,532.71	25.00
2-16	14 + 34	3,016.47	February Expenses	19,675.94	0.00
2-23	30 + 65	3,334.87	February 28 Balance	(\$ 3,919.68)	\$ 6,333.67
Totals		\$ 8,514.44			

* February 9 services were cancelled due to ice.

Offering for Operational Expenses Through February 2025

Needed Each Week	\$ 4,108.32
Average Weekly Received	\$ 1,956.32 / \$ 3,831.32
Budgeted to Date	\$ 32,866.56
Received to Date	\$ 15,650117.87 / \$ 22,117.87
Expenses to Date	\$ 38,231.30
Income-to-Date vs. Expenses-to-Date	(\$ 22,670.72) / (\$ 7,670.72)

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APRIL SUNDAY SCHOOL PULSE

APRIL SCHEDULE

April 6 – Monthly Munchies.
Preschool/Kindergarten-Grade 3 – Lent lesson and practice Easter play.
Grade 4-6 – Practice Easter Play.
Confirmation – Class with Pastor Halle.
High School Class – Assemble egg hunt items.

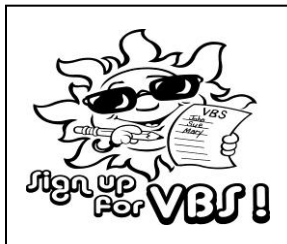
Saturday, April 12 at 10:00 A.M. – Egg Hunt – rain or shine – for students 0 up to and including Grade 6.

April 13 (Palm Sunday) –All classes – Palm Sunday Parade and Palm Sunday Squares.

April 20 (Easter Sunday) – All classes – Easter Play.

April 27 – Preschool/Kindergarten-Grade 6 – Review for Bible Challenge.
Confirmation – Class with Pastor Halle.
High School Class – Conversation.

Instant Potato donations are needed for Easter food baskets for the Northern Lehigh Food Bank. Please bring bags/boxes of instant potatoes donations to church by Thursday, April 10.



Mark Your Calendar – Vacation Bible School will be held Monday, July 14, to Friday, July 18, from 6:00 to 8:30 P.M. daily. Hot dog roast and closing program will be on Friday night at 8:00 P.M. This year’s theme is “True North – Trusting Jesus in a Wild World”.



HAPPY APRIL BIRTHDAY TO OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL FRIENDS

Chevelle Humanick	April 2	Cameron Chruscial	April 16
Elliot Press	April 7	Cole Chruscial	April 16
Landon Hedmeck	April 9	McKenzie Chruscial	April 19
Logan Jones	April 12	Blake Vanlieu	April 24
Kenley Rehrig	April 12	James Balliet III	April 27

HAPPY APRIL BIRTHDAY TO OUR CRADLE ROLL MEMBER

Sadie Molitoris on April 12 (2 years old)

MAY SUNDAY SCHOOL PULSE

MAY SCHEDULE

May 4 – Monthly Munchies.
Preschool/Kindergarten-Grade 6 – Review for Bible Challenge and practice songs for next week.
Confirmation – Class with Pastor Halle.
High School Class – Practice for Youth Sunday.
11:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. – Community Luncheon.

May 10 (Saturday) at time to be determined.
Confirmation Class and High School class practice for Youth Sunday.
3:30-6:00 P.M. – Pork & Sauerkraut Supper.

May 11 – *Youth Sunday*
Preschool/Kindergarten-Grade 6 – Mother’s Day craft. Practice songs for today.
Confirmation Class with Pastor Halle.
8:00 & 10:15 A.M. services. Youth Sunday – Confirmation and High School Classes will conduct both services.
Sunday School students sing at 10:15 A.M. service.

May 18 – Preschool/Kindergarten-Grade 6 – Bible Challenge.
Confirmation and High School Classes – Assist with Bible Challenge.

May 25 – Preschool/Kindergarten-Grade 6 – All About Pentecost.
Confirmation Class with Pastor.
High School Class – Assist with All About Pentecost.

Youth Sunday is May 11. The Confirmation and High School Classes will lead worship at both the 8:00 A.M. and 10:15 A.M. services. The Sunday School children will sign at the 10:15 A.M. service.

The Amazing Bible Challenge will be held on Sunday, May 18, from 9:00 to 10:00 A.M. in the Fellowship Hall. Games like Disciple Pong, Bible Plinko, and Puzzle Mania will be played to review and reinforce lessons learned in Sunday School throughout the year. Confirmation and High School Classes will help with the event. Please join us for this fun-filled hour.

Looking Ahead to June/July:

Sunday, June 1 – 9:00 A.M. – Raffle Sunday. Confirmation.
Sunday, June 8 – 9:00 A.M. – Church service. Promotion Sunday. Children/youth sing in church.
10:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. – End-of-the-year picnic.
Saturday, July 12 – 9:00 A.M. to ?? – VBS preparation and decorating.
Sunday, July 13 – 10:00 A.M. to ?? – VBS preparation and decorating.
Monday, July 14 to Friday, July 18 – 6:00 to 8:30 P.M. – Vacation Bible School.
Friday, July 18, at 8:00 P.M. – VBS closing program and hot dog roast.

HAPPY MAY BIRTHDAY TO OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL FRIENDS

Aliyah Nothstein	May 12	Carson Hauser	May 21
Izabella Snyder	May 13	Connor McWilliams	May 25
Garrett Smoyer	May 16	Elaina Ray	May 25
Marigold Brennand	May 17	Summer Ziegler	May 30
Ariana Williams	May 17		

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS (APRIL 2025)

Date	Service	Acolyte	Altar Guild	Camera	Comm. Asst.	Lector	Ushers
April 6 (C)	8:00 A.M.	Chelsy Rehrig			Josh Kluever		Cheryl Burke (DIC) & Chad Miller
April 6 (C)	10:15 A.M.	Chloe Ziegler	Stephanie Beers & Jill Schaffer	Grady Newhard	Jodi Kocher & Jackie Kuba	Jackie Kuba	Kayleigh Snyder (DIC), Dennis Rehrig, & Ken Staller
April 13 (C) Palm Sunday	8:00 A.M.	Cameron Chruscial			Lynne Fedorcha		Sue Freed (DIC) & Scott Raber
April 13 (C) Palm Sunday	10:15 A.M.	Chase Moyer	Stephanie Beers & Erin Snyder	Gabriel Ziegler	Erin Snyder & Ruthann Mantz	Jill Schaffer	Harrison Williams (DIC), Debbie Cunfer, & Ron Humanick
April 17 (C) Maundy Thur.	7:00 P.M.	Chloe Ziegler	Stephanie Beers & Sue Freed		Sharon Stehly	Cheryl Burke	Brandy Ziegler (DIC), Ruthann Mantz, & Sharon Stehly
April 18 Good Friday	7:00 P.M.	Kylee Truett	Sharon Stehly	Josh Kluever			Tom Campbell (DIC), Lynne Fedorcha, & Sharon Stehly
April 20 (C) Easter	7:30 A.M.	Elaina Ray			Josh Kluever	Ruthann Mantz	Jessica Rehrig (DIC) & Jessica Smoyer
April 20 (C) Easter	10:15 A.M.	Meadow Sly	Devon Sabene & Sharon Stehly	Corbin Ziegler	Nancy Rehrig & Erin Snyder	Jackie Kuba	Sue Freed (DIC), Dennis Rehrig, Ken Staller, & Sharon Stehly
April 27	8:00 A.M.	Cole Chruscial					Bobbi Jo Kline & Ron Kuntz
April 27	10:15 A.M.	Izabella Snyder	Denise Miller	Devon Sabene		Jodi Kocher	Cheryl Burke (DIC), Debbie Cunfer, & Ron Humanick

It is your responsibility to find a replacement if you cannot serve on a Sunday and notify the church office (610-767-6361) or e-mail at stjohnslatington@gmail.com) of the change by Thursday morning.

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS (MAY 2025)

Date	Service	Acolyte	Altar Guild	Camera	Comm. Asst.	Lector	Ushers
May 4 (C)	8:00 A.M.	Cameron Chruscial			Josh Kluever		Chad Miller (DIC) & Jessica Smoyer
May 4 (C)	10:15 A.M.	Kylee Truett	Sue Freed & Sharon Stehly	Jessica Rehrig	Jodi Kocher & Jackie Kuba	Jackie Kuba	Doug Keichel (DIC), Ruthann Mantz, & Sharon Stehly
May 11	8:00 A.M.	Jayden Rehrig					Scott Raber (DIC) & Youth
May 11 Youth Sunday	10:15 A.M.	Chloe Ziegler	Sharon Stehly	Harrison Williams		Youth	Bobbi Jo Kline (DIC) & Youth
May 18 (C)	8:00 A.M.	Elaina Ray			Sharon Stehly		Jessica Rehrig (DIC) & Ron Kuntz
May 18 (C)	10:15 A.M.	Chase Moyer	Stephanie Beers & Erin Snyder	Bobbi Jo Kline	Ruthann Mantz & Erin Snyder	Lynne Fedorcha	Chad Miller (DIC), Dennis Rehrig, & Ken Staller
May 25	8:00 A.M.	Cole Chruscial					Sue Freed (DIC) & Brandy Ziegler
May 25	10:15 A.M.	Meadow Sly	Jill Schaffer	Grady Newhard		Sharon Stehly	Tom Campbell (DIC), Lynne Fedorcha, & Sharon Stehly

APRIL 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
3/30 Fourth Sunday in Lent 8:00 & 10:15 Holy Communion 9:00 Sunday School 8:00 A.A.	3/31	1 April's Fools Day	2 10:00 Chair Yoga 5:45 Soup 6:30 Lenten Service 6:45 Girl Scouts 7:00 Choir	3 8:00 A.A.	4 9:30 Sewing	5 3:30-6:00 Ham & Dandelion Dinner
6 Fifth Sunday in Lent 8:00 & 10:15 Holy Communion 9:00 Sunday School/Confirmation Coffee Hour 8:00 A.A.	7	8 11:00 Second Chance Meeting	9 10:00 Chair Yoga 5:45 Soup 6:30 Lenten Service 7:00 Choir	10 Instant Potatoes Due for Food Bank 5:00 IMPACT Mtg. 8:00 A.A.	11 9:30 Sewing	12 9:00 Social Ministry Basket Preparation 10:00 Egg Hunt
13 Palm Sunday <i>Soup & Sandwich Orders Due</i> 8:00 & 10:15 Holy Communion 9:00 Sunday School-Palm Sunday Parade & Squares 8:00 A.A.	14	15 IRS Tax Deadline	16 10:00 Chair Yoga 7:00 Choir	17 Maundy Thursday 1:00 Senior Singles at D&L Trail 6:00 Soup 7:00 Maundy Thursday Service 8:00 A.A.	18 Good Friday 12:00 Stations of the Cross 7:00 Good Friday Service 8:00 A.A.	19 9:00 Easter Flower Set up 9:00-11:00 Soup & Sandwich Pick-up
20 Easter Sunday 7:30 Holy Communion 9:00 Sunday School-Easter Play 10:15 Holy Communion 8:00 A.A.	21	22 Earth Day	23 10:00 Chair Yoga 6:45 Girl Scouts 7:00 Choir	24 5:00 IMPACT Mtg. 8:00 A.A.	25	26
27 Second Sunday of Easter 8:00 & 10:15 Service of the Word 9:00 Sunday School/Confirmation 6:00 N.L. Pool Meeting 8:00 A.A.	28 7:00 Church Council Meeting	29	30 10:00 Chair Yoga 6:45 Girl Scouts 7:00 Choir	5/1 8:00 A.A.	5/2 9:30 Sewing	5/3



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4/27 Second Sunday of Easter 8:00 & 10:15 Service of the Word 9:00 Sunday School/Confirmation 6:00 N.L. Pool Meeting 8:00 A.A.	4/28	4/29	4/30 10:00 Chair Yoga 6:45 Girl Scouts 7:00 Choir	1 National Day of Prayer 8:00 A.A.	2 9:30 Sewing	3
4 Third Sunday of Easter 8:00 & 10:15 Holy Communion 9:00 Sunday School / Confirmation Coffee Hour 11:30-1:00 Community Lunch 8:00 A.A.	5	6	7 10:00 Chair Yoga 6:00 Breakfast Bunch Meeting 6:45 Girl Scouts 7:00 Choir	8 5:00 IMPACT Mtg. 6:30 Christian Ed. Meeting 8:00 A.A.	9 9:30 Sewing	10 TBA Youth Sunday Practice 3:30-6:00 Pork & Sauerkraut Supper
11 Fourth Sunday of Easter Mother's Day / Youth Sunday <i>Soup & Sandwich Orders Due</i> 8:00 & 10:15 Service of the Word 9:00 Sunday School 8:00 A.A.	12 7:00 Finance Meeting	13 11:00 Second Chance Meeting	14 10:00 Chair Yoga 6:45 Girl Scouts 7:00 Choir	15 8:00 A.A. JUNE/JULY/AUG. NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	16 3:00 Ringer Scholarship Application Deadline 6:00-8:00 Youth Gathering Info. Session	17 9:00-11:00 Soup & Sandwich Pick-up AM – Bible Challenge Set up
18 Fifth Sunday of Easter <i>Geranium Orders Due</i> 8:00 & 10:15 Holy Communion 9:00 Sunday Schl.-Bible Challenge 6:00 Ringer Scholarship Meeting 8:00 A.A.	19 7:00 Worship & Music Meeting	20 6:00 Graduation Dinner	21 10:00 Chair Yoga 6:45 Girl Scouts 7:00 Choir	22 1:00 Senior Singles 5:00 IMPACT Mtg. 8:00 A.A.	23	24
25 Sixth Sunday of Easter 8:00 & 10:15 Service of the Word 9:00 Sunday School-All About Pentecost 6:00 N.L. Pool Meeting 8:00 A.A.	26 MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY-CHURCH BUILDING CLOSED	27	28 10:00 Chair Yoga 6:45 Girl Scouts 7:00 Choir	29 The Ascension of our Lord 8:00 A.A.	30 SYNOD	31 ASSEMBLY

