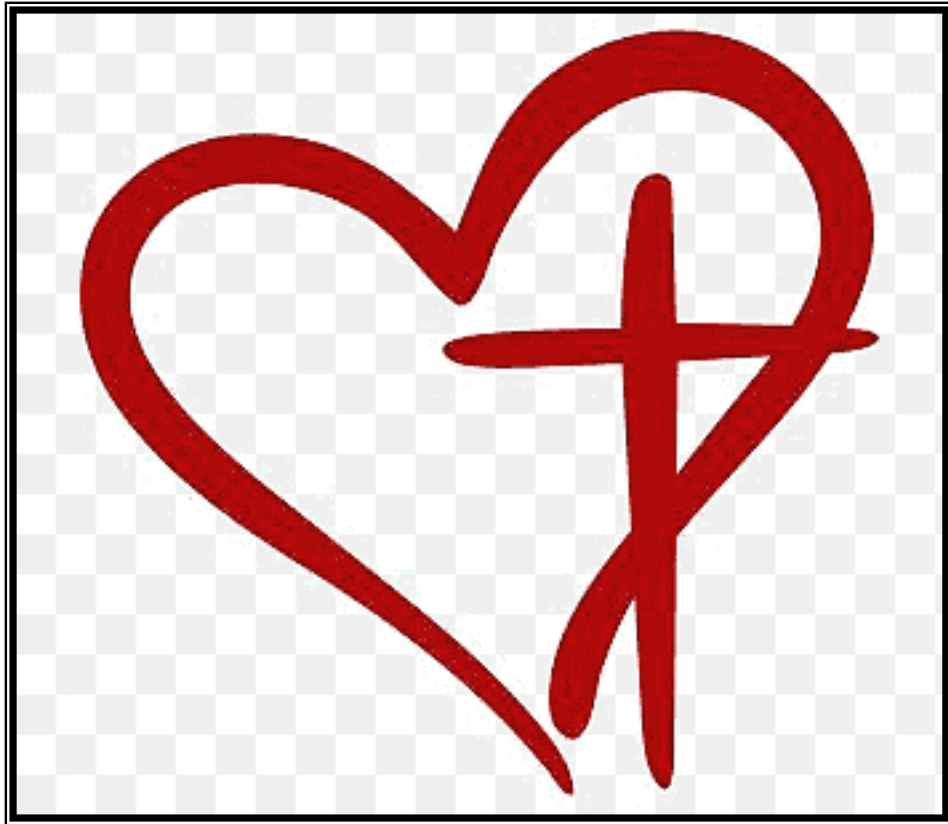


St. John's Sinking Valley
February 23, 2025



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The Announcements/Birthday Celebrations/Anniversary Recognitions

Organ Prelude –

Lighting of Candles: Acolyte –

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship –

***The Opening Hymn –**

All Hail the Power of Jesus Name

***Apostle's Creed-**

Offertory

*** The Doxology**

*** Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The Liturgy of the Word – Ryan Fleck

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

Exodus 20:12

12 "Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the Lord your God is giving you.

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

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

Romans 12:9-21

9 Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. 10 Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. 11 Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. 12 Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. 13 Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality. 14 Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. 15 Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. 16 Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited. 17 Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. 18 If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. 19 Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord. 20 On the contrary:

"If your enemy is hungry, feed him;

if he is thirsty, give him something to drink.

In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head."

21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

***The Gospel Response –**

Thy Word

***L:**The Holy Gospel according to John

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

John 13:34-35

34 “A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. 35 By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”

L: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ

Message-

STORGE Love!

Hymn-

The Family of God

The Prayers

The Lord’s Prayer

***Closing Hymn-**

The Love of God

***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 – Let us look ahead with great anticipation to a New Year of God’s Glory!*

Organ Postlude –

Prayer Requests For: Ellen, Lori, Kathy, Brandon, Emily, Craig & Michelle, Gwen, Mikey, Terry, Jamie, Joe, Joyce, Georgette, Barb, John, Cody, Bob, Dave, The Lardieri Family, The Brua Family, Jim, Matt, Elaine, 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 contact Charlene Detwiler or Drew Baker. In addition, if you have someone to be added to the prayer chain, please let Charlene or 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

March	Reader	Count Offering
3/2/25	David Lang	Heidi Shetler Randy Turiano
3/9/25	Remington Fleck	Heidi Shetler Randy Turiano
3/16/25	Chad Pedersen	Heidi Shetler Randy Turiano
3/23/25	Lori Cushion	Heidi Shetler Randy Turiano
3/30/25	Madison Coleman	Heidi Shetler Randy Turiano

ANNOUNCEMENTS

4th Annual Pie & Praise – March 29, 2025 from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Basket Donations for Pie & Praise – We are looking for basket donations for our 4th Annual Pie & Praise. If you are interested in donating a basket, please see Heidi Shetler. Donations need to be dropped off the Sunday, March 23rd. If you have any questions, please call/text (814) 327-1995, or see Heidi. Thank you in advance for your help!!!!

Pie Donations – We also need pies!!!! If you are willing to donate your favorite pie to be auctioned and/or served, please sign up on the table at the back of the church. Thank you for your help in making our 4th Annual Pie & Praise a success. Any questions, please see Charlene Detwiler.

Good Samaritan Fund – February – This week’s Good Samaritan recipient is for BEN Blessed. This ministry meets the basic needs of people who are homeless in Altoona. Please note: any cash donations they receive they use to purchase needed items – they do not hand out cash. Here are some of the items they purchase to help support the homeless – Gift Cards for meals/travel size toiletries/package snack items/water/hats/gloves/rain ponchos/hand warmers/sock, and small bibles. Please prayerfully consider helping this important ministry.

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.

Annual Joint Church Picnic - August 17, 2025 - Please mark your calendar for Sunday, August 17th for the Annual Joint Church Picnic with the Sinking Valley Presbyterian Church. *If you are interested in the planning, please fill out the sign up form 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 Jeanne Fleck.

UPCOMING DATES

Events / Meetings / Special Services

**March 2nd – Church Council Meeting Following
Worship**

March 5th – Ash Wednesday Service

March 29th – 4th Annual Pie & Praise

April 17th – Maundy Thursday Service

April 18th – Good Friday Service

June 14th (tent.) – Strawberry Festival

**August 17th – Annual Joint Picnic w/ Sinking Valley
Presbyterian**

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

December 24th – Christmas Eve Service

We Care Meals

January 11, 2025	~	January 25, 2025
February 8, 2025	~	February 22, 2025
March 8, 2025	~	March 22, 2025
April 12, 2025	~	April 26, 2025
May 10, 2025	~	May 24, 2025
June 14, 2025	~	June 28, 2025
July 12, 2025	~	July 28, 2025
August 9, 2025	~	August 23, 2025
September 13, 2025	~	September 27, 2025
October 11, 2025	~	October 25, 2025
November 8, 2025	~	November 22, 2025
December 13, 2025	~	December 27, 2025