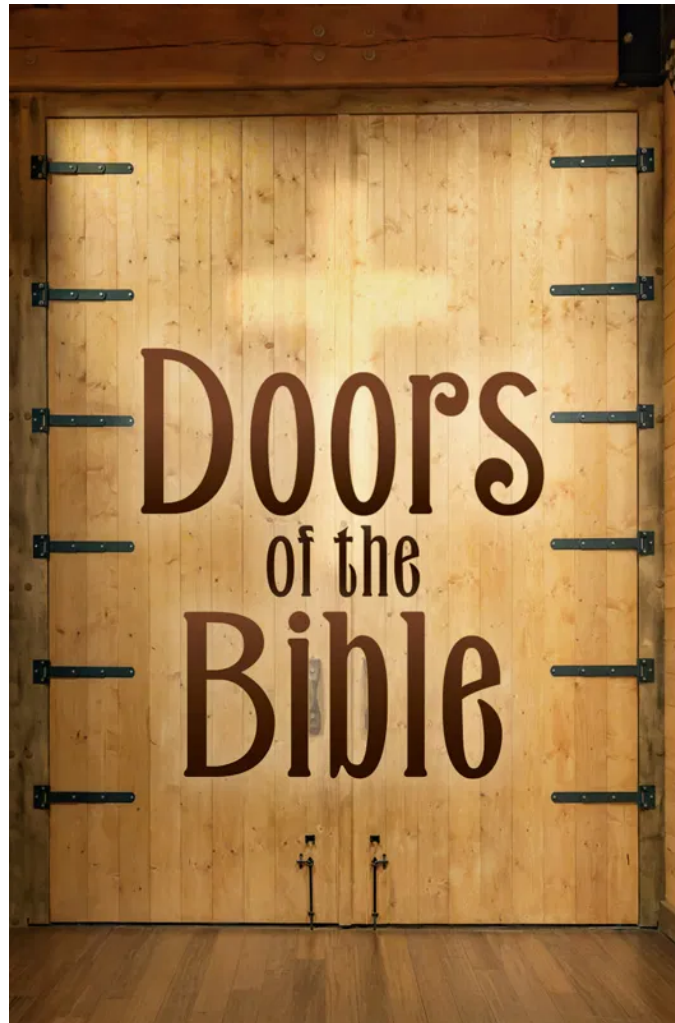


# *St. John's Sinking Valley*

*March 16, 2025*



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\* = Please stand as you are able

The Announcements/Birthday Celebrations/Anniversary Recognitions

Organ Prelude –

Lighting of Candles: Acolyte –

*Opening Prayer*

**Call to Worship –**

**\*The Opening Hymn –**

**Crown Him With Many Crowns**

**The Prayers**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Offertory**

**\* The Gloria Patri**

**\* Prayer of Thanksgiving**

*The Liturgy of the Word – Chad Pedersen*

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

**Exodus 12:1-14**

12 The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in Egypt, 2 “This month is to be for you the first month, the first month of your year. 3 Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb for his family, one for each household. 4 If any household is too small for a whole lamb, they must share one with their nearest neighbor, having taken into account the number of people there are. You are to determine the amount of lamb needed in accordance with what each person will eat. 5 The animals you choose must be year-old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep or the goats. 6 Take care of them until the fourteenth day of the month, when all the members of the community of Israel must slaughter them at twilight. 7 Then they are to take some of the blood and put it on the sides and tops of the doorframes of the houses where they eat the lambs. 8 That same night they are to eat the meat roasted over the fire, along with bitter herbs, and bread made without yeast. 9 Do not eat the meat raw or boiled in water, but roast it over a fire—with the head, legs and internal organs. 10 Do not leave any of it till morning; if some is left till morning, you must burn it. 11 This is how you are to eat it: with your cloak tucked into your belt, your sandals on your feet and your staff in your hand. Eat it in haste; it is the Lord's Passover. **12 “On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn of both people and animals, and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the Lord. 13 The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are, and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt.** 14 “This is a day you are to commemorate; for the generations to come you shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord—a lasting ordinance.

L: The Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God.**

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

**Romans 5:8-10**

8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. 9 Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! 10 For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life!

L: The Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**\*The Gospel Response –**

**Seek Ye First**

\*L: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew

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

**Matthew 26:27-29**

27 Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you. 28 This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. 29 I tell you, I will not drink from this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father’s kingdom.

L: The Gospel of the Lord

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

**Message-**

**The PASSOVER Door**

**Hymn-**

**Nothing but the Blood**

**\*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.*

**\*Closing Hymn-**

**There’s Power in the Blood**

**\*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](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 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.

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**Reader/Offering Schedule**

<b>March</b>	<b>Reader</b>	<b>Count Offering</b>
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

## Holy Week Services

Maundy Thursday - Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday – Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday – Sunday, April 20<sup>th</sup> – 9:30 a.m.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Easter Flowers** – Order forms for Easter Flowers are on the back table. All orders are due to Linda Lykens by today.

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### **4<sup>th</sup> 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 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Pie & Praise. If you are interested in donating a basket, please see Heidi Shetler. Donations need to be dropped off the Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. 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 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Pie & Praise a success. Any questions, please see Charlene Detwiler.

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**Good Samaritan Fund – March** – This month we are collecting for the Northern Blair Backpack Program. The Northern Blair Backpack Programs is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization running the **Blue Devil Backpack Program** for the Bellwood Area School District, and the **Golden Eagle Backpack Program** for the Tyrone Area School District. The Northern Blair Backpack Programs is supported through donations from individuals and businesses, and volunteered time to order food, receive shipments, and pack the bags. The average cost is around \$3 a week or \$100 a year per child. If you have questions or would like to volunteer to help, please email us at [NBbackpacks4kids@gmail.com](mailto:NBbackpacks4kids@gmail.com). Please prayerfully consider helping this important mission.

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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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**Annual Joint Church Picnic - August 17, 2025** - Please mark your calendar for Sunday, August 17<sup>th</sup> 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.*

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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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**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 Jeanne Fleck.

## UPCOMING DATES

### Events / Meetings / Special Services

**March 29<sup>th</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Pie & Praise – 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.**

**April 17<sup>th</sup> – Maundy Thursday Service – 7 p.m.**

**April 18<sup>th</sup> – Good Friday Service – 7 p.m.**

**June 14<sup>th</sup> (tent.) – Strawberry Festival**

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

**October 4<sup>th</sup> (tent.) - FallFest**

**December 21<sup>st</sup> (tent.) - Christmas in the Valley**

**December 24<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Eve Service**

### We Care Meals

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