

# News from the Pews

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**May and June 2025**

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## **A Word From The Pastor...**

Dear Friends in Christ,

As I get older, I am less tolerant of the warmer weather. Still, this time of year, spring and summer, brings me renewed hope and energy. It will be Easter until the beginning of June. As we are just beginning the Easter season of the church year, I see renewed excitement and energy at St. John's.

There has been energy with regard to the adult Sunday School class and there was energy around the soup Suppers during Lent. I'd like to see these two ministries continue in some form. I'd like to see the energy continue. Keep up the good work.

The call committee has been formed and they will soon begin their work. The Easter season is a good time to begin such important work. Thank you to the call committee and to all volunteers for their willingness to serve.

I ask you to consider where you see energy at St. John's. Also, where do you think that God might be able to spark some new energy? I think in the weeks after Easter Sunday, it is important to remember that we do not just have new life in the resurrected Jesus. We have new life to live. Ordinary people like you and me have new life to live and a call from Jesus to do something as Resurrection people.

God is calling us to follow in the footsteps of the Risen Christ. There is new energy at St. John's. Where do you think God is calling us to go next? As we live as Easter people, what do you think God might be calling us to do?

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## **St. John's Lutheran Church**

Coplay, Pennsylvania

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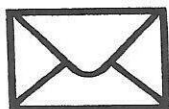
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These are important questions to ask as you begin the process of calling a new pastor. I encourage you to talk to council or members of the call committee and consider these questions as we all live together in the new life of the Resurrection. Always remember that the Risen Christ is with you and that God's grace is never far away.

God's Blessing,

Pastor Tim



**THANK YOU**  
for using your little  
**WORLD HUNGER ENVELOPE!**

## OUR SUMMER PICNIC AT THE AMERICAN CLUB PAVILION

The 2025 Picnic Committee is planning our summer congregational picnic, and will meet on **Monday evenings, May 5<sup>th</sup>, at 6 PM and on June 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 6pm.**



We are always looking for help for our committee, to lend a hand and bring new ideas for our annual outdoor event. The picnic will be held on Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>. We'll enjoy a casual worship service in the Coplay American Club pavilion, including the closing program for our Vacation Bible School. A fabulous picnic lunch, music, and games fill out the day so everyone can have a great time.

The Cornhole Tournament will be returning at this year's picnic. Teams of two adults will compete in a bracket tournament with winning team advancing to the next game. If interested in entering in the tournament, please contact Greg Miller at [millergrp@rcn.com](mailto:millergrp@rcn.com) or text at 610-393-9421, or drop a note in Greg's mailbox in the social hall at church.

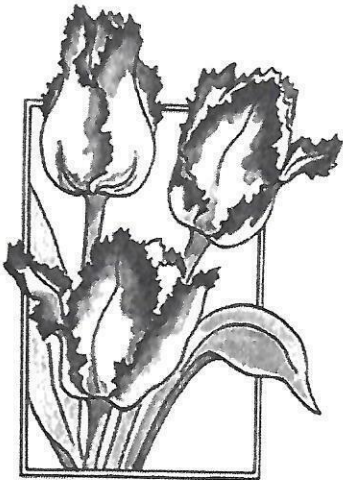
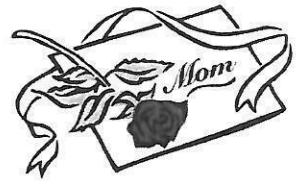
"Many hands make light work," so please consider helping. If you can't attend the meeting but are willing to help in any capacity, please contact Joe Danner at 484-788-9792 or [jedanner@outlook.com](mailto:jedanner@outlook.com); or Jeff Reinhard at 484-201-8459 or [reinhardwhi4@aol.com](mailto:reinhardwhi4@aol.com).

See you May 5<sup>th</sup>!



# Mother's Day

## May 11<sup>th</sup>



All mothers are especially invited to attend worship on their special day, Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup>.

During our 10:30 AM worship service, we will honor all of our mothers. The service will include a special sermon, as well as gifts for all mothers in attendance, especially carnations from the Korsak siblings, in memory of their mother, Ellen and sister, Susie.

What better place to honor our mothers than in church during worship on their special day!

### MEMORIAL AND HONORARIUM FORM MOTHER'S DAY 2025

Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

IN MEMORY OF: \_\_\_\_\_

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BY: \_\_\_\_\_

ENVELOPE #: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

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(IN ORDER TO BE LISTED IN THE WORSHIP BULLETIN)

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# THANK YOU!!

TO THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF ST. JOHN'S  
WHO HAVE GENEROUSLY GIVEN DONATIONS  
FOR THE 2025 SUNDAY SCHOOL EASTER  
PARTY AND EGG HUNT

MR. & MRS. JERRY BATTENFIELD

MS. RUTHANN BRANDT

MS. CINDY CSER

MRS. PEGGY PETERS

MRS. PAT SCHADT

MR. & MRS. ED SEHAR

MS. KAREN SNYDER

MR. & MRS. GARY SWOYER

MS. DARLENE WOLF

MR. & MRS. BARRY YENSER

MS. JUDY YOST

MR. & MRS. FRANK ZWETOLITZ

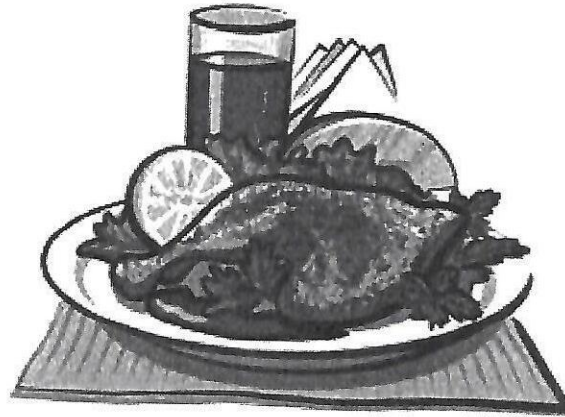
ANONYMOUS MEMBER



# ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

18 S. 3<sup>RD</sup> ST, COPLAY

## BAKED CHICKEN LEG Pick Up Dinner Saturday, May 17th



**MENU:**    ¼ Chicken Leg  
              Baked Potato  
              Green Beans  
              Applesauce  
              Roll  
              Dessert

**Drive through pick up 4-5:30**

### **PRE-ORDERS ONLY**

Call Karen at 610-653-2816

Deadline to order: **Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup>**

If you leave a message with your order and would like  
a call back to confirm, let Karen know.

Free Will Donations are gratefully accepted to help defray the cost and  
allow us to continue our mission of helping others.

## *Join us*

...as we resume our Adult Sunday School class and discuss your real day-to-day faith and life issues with other caring Christian adults. Pam Bradley leads the class every Sunday morning, check us out and see what we are all about!

All members and friends, post-Confirmation and older, are welcome every Sunday morning at 9 AM in the first-level rear Sunday School room. Follow the sound of friends chatting about their faith!

## *Young at Heart*

### **ST. JOHN'S SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE**

In August, the Scholarship Committee will present scholarship awards to college students who are active members of our congregation. All students who will be attending colleges in the 2025-2026 academic year are welcome to apply for these awards.

The Diefenderfer-Buchfeller Scholarship is presented to qualifying students in any field of study.

The Mac Adam Future Teacher Scholarship is awarded to college students who have completed some college coursework in education with the intention of becoming a teacher.

The deadline to apply is Sunday, May 25th. Please contact Gayle Ganser at 484-695-3696 for more detailed information about the requirements for these scholarships.



# Confirmation



On Pentecost Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, St. John's will confirm the following baptized member, who has completed our two-year Confirmation instruction:

*Michael Anthony Ganser*

son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Ganser (Gayle)

All God's blessings on this young Christian believer as Michael begins his Adult Membership at St. John's!!

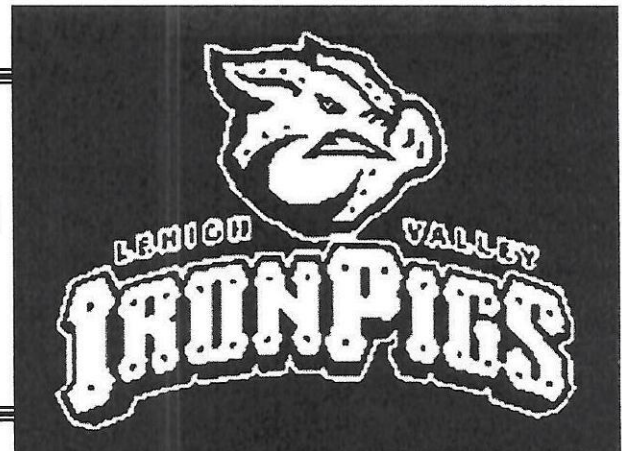
The Pastoral Call Committee has been formed and the initial kickoff meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 21st at 6:30 PM in the Social Hall. Pastor Samantha Drennan from the Synod will attend to lay the groundwork for the process. Your Church Council and I want to thank the following people for volunteering to serve on the Call Committee:

Eli Tomecek, Pam Bradley, Karen Haines, Karen Snyder, David Spieker, Sam Beidleman, and Joe Danner (liaison to Council).

Greg Miller

Church Council President

**Cheer on the IRON PIGS**  
playing against WORCHESTER  
on Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
at 6:35 PM!!!



Tickets are \$13, for tickets or information, call Ondie Neifert (610-216-9216).

*The deadline for ordering tickets is June 7<sup>th</sup>!*

# **Special Congratulations**

***to all 2025 graduates from our area high schools  
and from institutions of higher learning!***



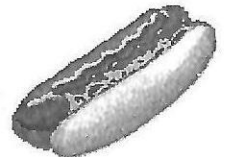
*We are especially proud of your working and learning through the unprecedented pandemic disruption — God bless you for your patience and understanding.*

*Rather than risk missing someone, we will not attempt to list names individually. If you will be out of town and want to continue receiving the newsletter, please let us know by leaving a note with your name and address at the church office.*

## **CAN YOU HELP WITH... COPLAY COMMUNITY DAYS?**

Coplay Community Days will be held August 22<sup>nd</sup> – August 24<sup>th</sup>. St. John's will again have a stand selling ice cream, hot dogs, pork BBQ, halupkies and a crowd favorite: cabbage and noodles. We will also be selling Coke products (cans of Coke, diet Coke, Sprite and diet Sprite) and A Treat products.

We had a fantastic response last year to our plea for donations of soda, so we are once again asking the congregation to support us. If you don't want to shop, a donation to the church in an envelope marked soda donation is also appreciated.



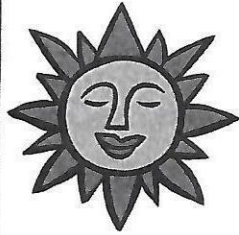
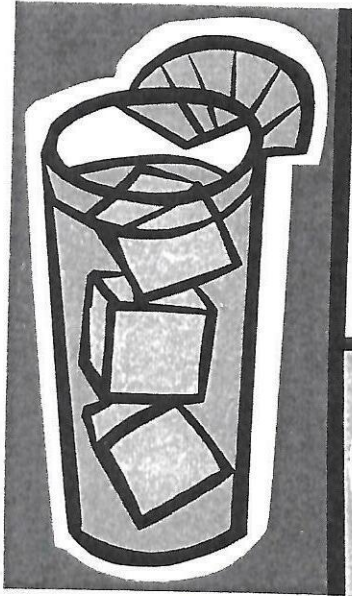
As the time gets closer, we will need volunteers to work the stands, set up before the event begins and to take the stand down on Monday, and cleaners and dishwashers. We would love to get more people involved. Since 2015, St. Johns has been part of the festivities. It's a great way to show our community that we are here, we are involved, and we care about the town

Ondie Neifert,  
Greg Miller and Gayle Ganser  
Coplay Community Days coordinators



# SUMMER SCHEDULE

will be in effect beginning June 15<sup>th</sup>



Please note that we will change to our summer worship schedule on Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup>!

**Worship services during the summer months are at 9:15 AM.**

Sunday School is not meeting during the summer months, but will resume in September with a rousing Rally Day celebration!

**See you in church!**

***Reminder: Christian Education opportunity over the summer includes our annual Vacation Bible School!***



## Father's Day

There will be a special Sermon during our "parking lot" worship celebrating all that our fathers mean to us.

Start Dad's special day by thanking God for him at St. John's.

**Don't miss  
Father's Day worship  
June 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 AM!**

# All Sunday School Students and their Parents

are invited to the annual year-end

## Sunday School Appreciation and Awards Program and Continental Breakfast



on  
Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025  
9:00 AM

No R.S.V.P. is necessary ~ Just come!

Don't miss this annual closing event of acknowledgements, awards, and activities!

### MEMORIAL AND HONORARIUM FORM FATHER'S DAY 2025

Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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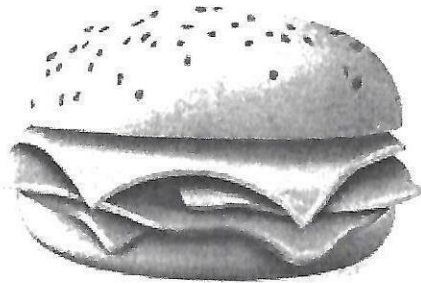
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**ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, COPLAY**  
**SANDWICH PICK-UP LUNCH**  
**Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup>**



**18 S. 3<sup>RD</sup> ST, COPLAY**

**MENU:**    Choice of HAM & CHEESE or TURKEY & CHEESE  
                 Bag of chips  
                 Small bottle of water  
                 Dessert

**Drive through pick-up 10-11:30 AM\*\***

***\*\*NOTE THE TIME CHANGE!***

**PRE-ORDERS ONLY**

Call Karen

610-653-2816

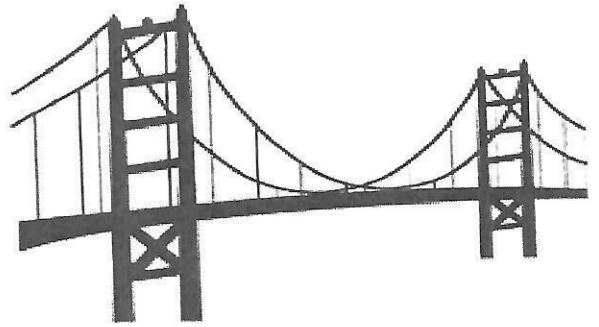
Deadline to order:

**Friday, June 6<sup>TH</sup>**

**If you leave a message with your order and would  
like a call back to confirm, let Karen know.**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** to make the sandwiches,  
that morning at 9 AM  
*(Let Karen know you'll help at 610-653-2816)*

# Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School!



This year's theme:

## "Crossing the Bridge to Friendship!"

**Mark your calendars for the week of July 28<sup>th</sup>!**

*This year, St. John's Church has invited Grace United Church of Christ of Northampton to join our Vacation Bible School Program. Come learn about God's Word through stories and music. Play games and make crafts to remember the lessons. Eat snacks suggested by each story! Special thanks to our coordinator, Penny Lahue for planning the events for this year's program.*

**All children ages 4 through 14** are encouraged to join us for our 2025 Vacation Bible School during the week of **July 28<sup>th</sup> – August 1<sup>st</sup>**, each weekday evening from 6:30 until 8:30 PM. Children younger than 4 are very welcome with their parent(s) in attendance.

**We encourage you to register in advance**, so we may order enough classroom materials for everyone. If you are able to let us know, please call Superintendent Gail Yudt (610-262-8325), and tell us the student's name, age, and last completed grade in school. Registration can also be done on the first night of the school (July 28<sup>th</sup>).

**The Closing Program** will be offered during worship at the Church Picnic on Sunday morning, August 3<sup>rd</sup>. We need all our young ones to help sing! And their families to cheer us on!

**Look for more information about the school in your worship bulletins, but call Superintendent Gail right away!**

### ***DONATIONS REQUESTED!***

*Donations are requested to help defray the costs associated with our VBS. Your generosity allows us to offer Vacation Bible School for free for our members and friends. Your gifts will help pay for course materials, craft supplies, and snacks. Please call Gail Yudt (610-262-8325) or Kathleen Sandner (610-433-1476) if you are able to make a donation.*

***Thanks!***



St. John's Lutheran Church, Coplay, PA  
Monday March 10, 2025

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Pastor Garmin, Ondie Neifert, Joe Danner, Gayle Ganzer, Bill Gilbert, Roni Dech, Greg Miller, Beth Napoli, Renee Coyle, Jeff Reinhard, Kathleen Sandner, Louise Hash, Jeremy Snyder

**Members Excused:** Nancy Recker, Ken Napoli

**Announcements and Communications**

1. RuthAnn Brandt sent a Thank You card stating her appreciation for her 50th Anniversary luncheon and gifts.

The monthly meeting was held on Monday March 10, 2025. President Greg Miller called the meeting to order at 7:07PM.

Pastor Tim Garman led the council in opening prayer.

After minutes from the February 10, 2025 meeting was read, Jeff moved to approve the minutes. Roni seconded. All ayes, minutes approved.

	Motion to Accept Report Made By	Motion Seconded By	Report Read—Motion Carried—Yes/No
<b>PASTOR'S REPORT:</b>	Joe	Beth	All yes
Summary from Pastor's Report:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Discussed a plan for graveside services.</li><li>• Shut in communication/visits have been made.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Happy with new bulletin, excited about SBD for Lent, and considering a Watch Party plan</li><li>• Confirmation is going well.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Vacation planned for 3/14-3/20</li><li>• Overall, feeling as things are moving in the right direction.</li></ul>
Financial Secretary's Report:	Louise	Jeremy	All yes
Treasurer's Report:	Beth	Bill	All yes



<b>COMMITTEE REPORTS</b>	
<b>Christian Education:</b>	8-12 students weekly, Souper Bowl brought in over \$100 and food donations. Prepping for St Patrick's, Friendship Sunday, and Easter Egg Hunt.
<b>Evangelism:</b>	Shut-ins were discussed and contacted, Louise and Pastor will complete paperwork for new members, 2 baptisms in February, committee will compile a list of members who have stopped attending church.
<b>Fellowship:</b>	Shepherd's Pie: 144 meals, \$1,150 in donations. Baked ziti:3/22/25. Anyone making food for SB&D should contact Karen.Nothing needed for Friendship Sunday. Discussed a sit down meal once or twice a year, maybe in Fall, done by Fellowship or Council?
<b>Finance &amp; Stewardship:</b>	No report
<b>Property:</b>	No report
<b>Scholarship:</b>	Information has been put in the Newsletter and should begin in the weekly bulletin.
<b>Social Media:</b>	Website updated, Sound system problem figured out ( master volume was turned down, many people know what to check now.)
<b>Social Ministry:</b>	11 shut-ins and more to add, Easter gifts have been started.
<b>Worship and Music:</b>	Pastor vacation 3/16, Penny will perform service. Ruthann off on 4/27, sub is scheduled. . Discussed misspelling of baptismal name. Outside services will begin June 8th, weather permitting.
<b>Picnic:</b>	First Meeting April 7th, 6pm
<b>Nominating:</b>	No report
<b>Coplay Community Days:</b>	Halupkies are available if we want to make them, Next mtg. 3/21 @7pm
<b>Transition:</b>	Pastor Drennan needs to get back to Pastor

	Garman, call committee is developing, 4 people have stepped up, Joe said he would be council rep., need all age groups represented, trying not to have several from same family
Unfinished Business:	Not ready to stop mailing newsletter. Joe will develop a Newsletter Survey for interest from the congregation. Changes can be made after the survey.
New Business:	Penny cannot do communion or blessing when substituting for Pastor.
For the Good of St. John's	Thank you to Louise and the committee for Ruthann's celebration. Well Done! 5 years ago we had the reenactment of Last Supper. We will try to contact Vickie for the script and perform it again this year.

Motion for Adjournment	Motion Made By:	Motion Seconded By:	Meeting End Time:
	Ondie	Bill	8:53pm

Meeting ended with Council praying the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gayle Ganser, Council Secretary

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## Important News about *News from the Pews*

There will be only one (combined) newsletter covering the months of July and August again this year. Please have all information for the July/August newsletter ready by June 20<sup>th</sup> *[please give the information to editor Jane Gillespie by emailing her at [stjohnscoplay@rcn.com](mailto:stjohnscoplay@rcn.com), or by calling her at 610-264-1111].* **Thank you!**

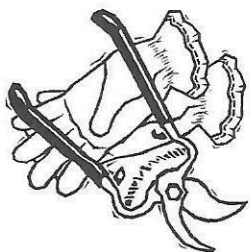
# ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

## COPLAY, PENNSYLVANIA

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TREASURER	Nancy Recker	(cell) 484-788-2917	<i>nancy_recker@yahoo.com</i>

## A Special THANK YOU to the CREW...

Did you notice how our properties looked "spruced up" recently? The Property Committee and other volunteers spent the morning of Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, repairing, painting and beautifying the church.



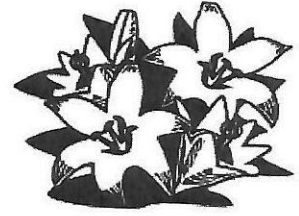
# THANKS, VOLUNTEERS!



# Easter Lilies – 2025

## Lilies in Loving Memory of:

Louis and Rae Battenfield by Jerry and Rhonda Battenfield.  
Gary Battenfield by Jerry and Rhonda Battenfield.  
Charmaine Boyle by Jerry and Rhonda Battenfield.  
Jack and Fran Cranage by Jerry and Rhonda Battenfield.  
Tom and Janice Derkits by Jerry and Rhonda Battenfield.  
Lucille Dreisbach by Donna Smith.  
Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Gartner by Darlene Wolf and Family.  
David Gartner and Jane Wechsler by Darlene Wolf and Family.  
Dr. and Mrs. James R. Heller.  
Stephen Kosik, Jr. by Dolly Lahr.  
John and Jesse Kosits by Jerry and Rhonda Battenfield.  
Betty L. MacAdam by her daughter, Karen Snyder.  
Allen and Bernice Reppert by Jerry and Rhonda Battenfield.  
Louise Rissmiller by her sister, Karen Snyder.  
Our parents, John and Inez Sehar by Ed and Antoinette Sehar.  
Our parents, Sam and Anne Senneca by Antoinette and Ed Sehar.  
Jean Senneca by her sister, Antoinette and Ed Sehar.  
Lee and Doris Sieger by Jerry and Rhonda Battenfield.  
Patty Tomino by Jerry and Rhonda Battenfield.  
Matthew Yudt by Mom and Dad.



## Special Gifts for Easter – 2025

### Giving for Building Improvement Fund:

#### In loving memory of:

Louis and Rae Battenfield by Jerry and Rhonda Battenfield.  
Donald Dreisbach, Sr. by Donna Smith.  
Cary Schadt by his wife, Patricia Schadt.  
Edith and Henry Stefany by their granddaughter, Karen Snyder.

### Giving for Church Cooling Fund:

#### In loving memory of:

Stephen Kosik by Dolly Lahr.

### Giving for Organ Fund:

#### In loving memory of:

Gary Battenfield by Jerry and Rhonda Battenfield.

# Special Gifts for Easter – 2025

## Giving for General Fund:

### In loving memory of:

Amy L. Bogert by her mom, Cindy Cser.

Our parents, Bill and Helen Betz by Bill and Nancy Betz.

James and Charmaine Boyle by Mark and Lynne Matejicka and Family.

Harold and Margaret Brandt by Ruthann Brandt.

William and Katie Brandt by Ruthann Brandt.

Nicholas J. Fragnito by the Family.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Gartner by Darlene Wolf and Family.

David Gartner and Jane Wechsler by Darlene Wolf and Family.

Our parents, Roger and Lucille Jones by Bill and Nancy Betz.

Ellen and Karl Korsak by Gail and Rollie Yudt.

Patricia LeCompte by Sandy and Tom Tapler.

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Loved Ones by Ondie Neifert.

Kenneth and Theresa Munsch by Scott Munsch.

John and Theresia Nickless by their daughter, Patricia Schadt.

John and Jean Quevy by their daughter, Rochelle and Gary Swoyer.

Kathy Rape by Sandy and Tom Tapler.

Sue Rape by Sandy and Tom Tapler.

Suzanne Rape by Gail and Rollie Yudt.

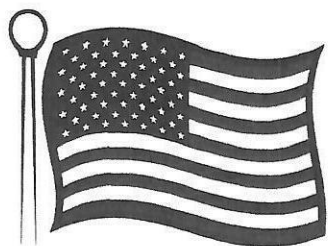
John and Inez Sehar by Ed and Antoinette Sehar.

Anne and Sam Senneca by Antoinette and Ed Sehar.

Anna and Roland Yudt by Gail and Rollie Yudt.

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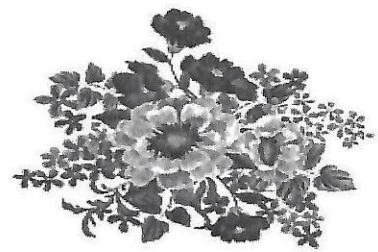


## MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE

*Please join us on Sunday, May 25<sup>th</sup>,* to remember our loved ones who gave their lives defending the cause of freedom for our great United States of America and for the whole world.

Bring your families and friends and let us remember together our departed servicepersons.

# A LITTLE R & R (Reminders & Recipes)



## JULY/AUGUST NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: JUNE 20<sup>TH</sup>!

Please have all articles for the July/August newsletter in the Newsletter "mailbox" outside the church office by Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!

**WHEN YOU OR A LOVED ONE** goes into the hospital please tell them that you are a member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Coplay. Use our code #277. Please call Pastor Garman (484-794-0418) or Council President Greg Miller (610-393-9421) for prayer. This will also ensure that we know and can visit you.

## BASIL BALSAMIC CHICKEN

1 ½ pounds (approx. 6 pieces) chicken thighs,  
boneless and skinless  
½ cup balsamic vinegar  
3 tbsp. extra-virgin olive oil  
3 tbsp. fresh basil, minced

1 tbsp. fresh chives, chopped  
2 tsp. lemon zest  
1 garlic clove, minced  
salt and pepper to taste

1. Whisk together all ingredients except chicken. In a bowl, toss chicken with 1/3 cup of the mixture and let stand for 10 minutes.  
2. Cover and grill chicken over medium heat for 6-8 minutes per side. Drizzle with remaining mixture and serve with a side!  
Enjoy!

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!**  
**to Everyone Celebrating**  
**their Birthday in**  
**MAY and JUNE!**



**Special Happy Birthday to:** Rod Worman on May 2<sup>nd</sup>,  
Denise Yenser on May 6<sup>th</sup>, Pat Worman on May 23<sup>rd</sup> and Dolly Lahr on June 14<sup>th</sup>!

Rod and Pat resides:  
Brookdale Evesham Senior Living  
1 Brendenwood Drive Apt. C261  
Voorhees, NJ 08043

Denise resides:  
3435 W. Columbia Street  
Whitehall, PA 18052

Dolly resides:  
Bethlehem South 461A  
2021 Westgate Drive  
Bethlehem, PA 18017

**God Bless You and Your Special Day!!!**



## MAY VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES

### MAY 4

Acolyte – Eli Tomecek  
Lector – Cindy Zwetolitz  
Ushers – Bill Gilfert\*, Roni Dech and  
Jim Dech  
Communion Assistant – Karen Haines

### MAY 11 – MOTHER'S DAY

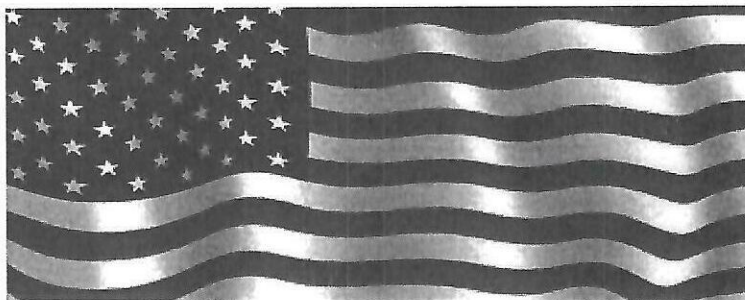
Acolyte – Michael Ganser  
Lector – Renee Coyle  
Ushers – Bill Gilfert\*, Roni Dech and  
Jim Dech

### MAY 18

Acolyte – Hailey Correll  
Lector – Sheila Yudt-Gower  
Ushers – Bill Gilfert\*, Roni Dech and  
Jim Dech

### MAY 25

Acolyte – Blake Terfinko  
Lector – Suzette Terfinko  
Ushers – Bill Gilfert\*, Roni Dech and  
Jim Dech



## JUNE VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES

### JUNE 1

Acolyte – Michael Ganser  
Lector – Joe Danner  
Ushers – Greg Miller\*, Gayle Ganser and  
Karen Haines  
Communion Assistant – Joe Danner

### JUNE 8 - PENTECOST

Acolyte – Eli Tomecek  
Lector – Jeremy Snyder  
Ushers – Greg Miller\*, Gayle Ganser and  
Karen Haines  
Communion Assistant – Louise Hash

### JUNE 15 – FATHER'S DAY

Lector – Pam Bradley  
Ushers – Greg Miller\*, Gayle Ganser and  
Karen Haines








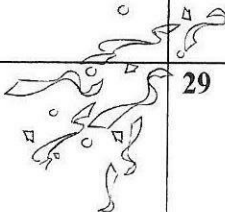
### JUNE 22

Lector – Sandy Tapler  
Ushers – Greg Miller\*, Gayle Ganser and  
Karen Haines

### JUNE 29






Lector – Penny Lahue  
Ushers – Greg Miller\*, Gayle Ganser and  
Karen Haines

## Calendar for May 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;">  <p><i>Remember the brave men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom...</i></p>  </div>				1	2 4:30 PM: Second Year Confirmation  !	3
<b>4 HOLY COMMUNION</b> 9:00 AM: Sunday School 9:15 AM: Young at Heart 10:30 AM: EASTER III HOLY COMMUNION 11:45 AM: Worship and Music Committee	<b>5</b> 6:00 PM: Picnic Committee 6:30 PM: Evangelism Committee 7:00 PM: Social Media Committee 7:30 PM: Property Committee	6	<b>7</b> 7:00 PM:  Senior Choir Rehearsal	8	<b>9</b> 4:30 PM: Second Year Confirmation  <b>* DEADLINE *</b> <b>BAKED CHICKEN LEG PRE-ORDERS</b>	10
<b>11 Mother's Day</b> 9:00 AM: Sunday School 9:15 AM: Young at Heart 10:30 AM: EASTER IV WORSHIP SERVICE: Mother's Day emphasis	<b>12</b> 4 7:00 PM: Church Council	13	<b>14</b> 7:00 PM:  Senior Choir Rehearsal	15 	<b>16</b> 4:30 PM: Second Year Confirmation	17  <b>4 – 5:30 PM:</b> <b>BAKED CHICKEN LEG DINNER PICK-UPS</b>
<b>18 EASTER V</b> 9:00 AM: Sunday School 9:15 AM: Young at Heart 10:30 AM: EASTER V WORSHIP SERVICE	<b>19</b> 7:00 PM: Christian Education Committee	20 <b>* VOTE! *</b>	<b>21</b> 7:00 PM:  Senior Choir Rehearsal	22	<b>23</b> 4:30 PM: Second Year Confirmation	24
<b>25 EASTER VI</b> 9:00 AM: Sunday School 9:15 AM: Young at Heart 10:30 AM: EASTER VI WORSHIP SERVICE: Remembering those who served in The Military	<b>26</b> <i>Memorial Day</i>	27	<b>28</b> 	29	<b>30</b> 4:30 PM: Second Year Confirmation	31



# Calendar for June 2025

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
<b>1 EASTER V</b> 9:00 AM: Sunday School APPRECIATION AND AWARDS 9:15 AM: Young at Heart 10:30 AM: EASTER V HOLY COMMUNION 11:45 AM: Worship and Music Committee	<b>2</b> 6:00 PM: Picnic Committee 6:30 PM: Evangelism Committee 7:00 PM: Social Media Committee 7:30 PM: Property Committee	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 4:30 PM: Second Year Confirmation  <b>* DEADLINE: SANDWICH ORDERS! *</b>	<b>7</b>          
<b>8 PENTECOST</b> 10:30 AM: PENTECOST HOLY COMMUNION: Confirmation	<b>9</b> 7:00 PM: Church Council	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>   	<b>13</b>	<b>14 FLAG DAY</b>  <b>* SANDWICH PICK-UP 10:00 - 11:30 AM *</b>  6:35 PM: ST. JOHN's night at IRON PIGS 
<div>  <i>Blessings to our Confirmand Michael</i> </div>						
<b>15 FATHER'S DAY</b> 9:15 AM: HOLY TRINITY WORSHIP SERVICE: Father's Day emphasis "Parking Lot" worship  	<b>16</b>  <b>SUMMER SCHEDULE</b> Parking Lot Worship at 9:15 AM begins June 15 <sup>th</sup>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22 PENTECOST II</b> 9:15 AM: PENTECOST II WORSHIP SERVICE: "Parking Lot" worship	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29 PENTECOST III</b> 9:15 AM: PENTECOST III WORSHIP SERVICE: "Parking Lot" worship	<b>30</b>	<div> <b>VBS Preparation Nights start in June!</b>            (Help make backgrounds and decorations for the Social Hall)            Please help us prepare for another fun-filled week learning about Jesus!            Check your worship bulletins or contact Kathleen Sandner (484-695-5779)            or Gail Yudt (610-262-8325) for dates and times of other "Prep" nights.         </div>				