

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
APRIL 26, 2026
8:30 AM



Swamp Evangelical Lutheran Church
Reinholds, Pennsylvania

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT SWAMP LUTHERAN CHURCH

Guests are welcome and invited to make themselves at home. If you're interested in learning more about Swamp Lutheran, have questions, or are looking for a church home, speak with Pastor Scott or church members. Please complete a visitor card and place it in the offering plate or sign guest register in narthex.

Restrooms are located off the narthex (lobby) by the coat rack.

The worship service is printed in this bulletin. **Hymns** are found in the red hymnal Evangelical Lutheran Worship. **Children's** active presence is welcomed in our worship. There are special kids bulletins available in the narthex and at the side entrance.

Offering plates are passed. Additionally, there is an offering drop box in the narthex. Online giving via cell phone is easy and secure. Just use this QR code from your phone's camera app.



Our worship is rooted in the ancient pattern of the church—gathering, word, meal, sending. The shape of this liturgy and much of the actual words/prayers come directly from scripture. Though we make seasonal shifts, the constancy of our worship reflects God's constant love and promises through forgiveness, scripture, and the sacraments of baptism and communion. Following this liturgical pattern, as well as the Revised Common Lectionary, a three-year cycle of scripture readings, connects us through our worship with Christians around the world and throughout time.

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive **Holy Communion**. We believe "Holy Communion is the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ given with bread and wine, instituted by Christ himself for us to eat and drink." (Small Catechism, Martin Luther) Children who do not yet receive Holy Communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

Website – Be sure and check our website www.swamplutheran.org regularly for updates and schedules of ongoing activities of the church. Full prayer list is in the newsletter each month.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

Today is sometimes called “Good Shepherd Sunday.” Jesus is called the “gate” of the sheep in today’s gospel. The risen Christ opens the way to abundant life. He anoints our heads with oil and guides us beside the still waters of our baptism. Each Sunday he spreads a feast before us amid the world’s violence and war. We go forth to be signs of the resurrection and extend God’s tender care to all creation.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

THE KING OF LOVE MY SHEPHERD IS

LLOYD LARSON

congregational responses are in bold type.

Stand

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne
and to the Lamb! **Amen.**

Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister continues.

Merciful God,

you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come.

You lead us beside still waters.

We thank you for the waters of creation:

morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves.

We thank you for the waters that nourish us

Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness

who accompanies us on our journeys.

We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection.

We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow.

Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows.
Break down barriers that divide us.
Fill us with the breath of peace.
Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism,
and for making us a new creation.
We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise,
now and forever. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY; ALLELUIA! ELW 369

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God our shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death. Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Sit

Children leave for Children's Church

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song

Psalm 23 *(read responsively)*

¹ The LORD ^l is my shepherd;
I shall not ^l be in want.

² **The LORD makes me lie down ^l in green pastures
and leads me be- ^l side still waters.**

³ You restore my ^l soul, O LORD,
and guide me along right pathways ^l for your name's sake.

⁴ Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall | fear no evil;

for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they | comfort me.

⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence | of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is | running over.

**⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the | LORD forever.**

Reading: 1 Peter 2:19-25

Doing the right things does not guarantee that one will not experience difficulties, hardships, rejection, or even suffering. Here Christ is presented as the model for our path of endurance and loyalty to God, particularly amid adversity.

¹⁹ It is a commendable thing if, being aware of God, a person endures pain while suffering unjustly. ²⁰ If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do good and suffer for it, this is a commendable thing before God. ²¹ For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

²² “He committed no sin,
and no deceit was found in his mouth.”

²³ When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. ²⁴ He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, having died to sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵ For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL: **John 10:1-10**

The Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus uses an image familiar to the people of his day to make a point about spiritual leadership. Those who listen to Jesus are led to abundant life.

[Jesus said:] ¹“Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. ²The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. ³The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. ⁵They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.” ⁶Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

⁷So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. ⁸All who came before me are thieves and bandits, but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved and will come in and go out and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit

SERMON

CHILDREN RETURN FROM CHILDREN'S CHURCH

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Stand

APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic* church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**that is, the true, universal Christian church of all times and places*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

After each petition:

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Please share the peace.

Sit

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

OFFERTORY MY SHEPHERD, YOU SUPPLY MY NEED JERRY VAN DER POL

OFFERING *In addition to the plate, online giving via cell phone is safe and secure. See QR code on the inside cover of this bulletin.*

Last Sunday of the month special offering. The plate will be passed a second time to collect funds to benefit Lower Susquehanna Synod Disaster Response Trip.

As the offering is brought to the table, the congregation stands and sings.

Create in Me a Clean Heart
Offering Song

The image shows a musical score for a song. It consists of six staves of music in a single system, all in the key of B-flat major (two flats) and 4/4 time. The melody is written on a treble clef. The lyrics are printed below the notes. The lyrics are: "Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with - in me." The music features various note values including quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, as well as rests and ties.

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.
Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me
with your free Spir - it. Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God,
and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.

Music: *Liturgy of Joy*, James M. Capers, b. 1948
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OFFERING PRAYER

Merciful God,
accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory.
You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day
when we will hunger and thirst no more.
Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus,
that goodness and mercy may follow us
and bless the world you love.
In the name of Jesus, Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come,
 your will be done,
 on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
 as we forgive those
 who sin against us.

**Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION
Come to the table of new life.
Receive the risen Lord.

Thanks be to God.

LAMB OF GOD *REMAIN STANDING*



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Following the direction of the ushers, approach by the center aisle and return to your pew by the side aisles. Please get a cup from the stack by the first pew before receiving bread. Grape Juice and gluten free options are available.

After all have communed, stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Holy One,
through this meal you have made your home among us
and are making all things new.

Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts,
to love our enemies,
and to bring your healing to the nations.

In the name of Jesus,

Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

BLESSING

God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end,
Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead,
and the Spirit, our advocate and peace,
✠ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

SAVIOR, LIKE A SHEPHERD LEAD US

ELW 789

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

CIRCLE OF PRAYER - Hunter Leisey, John Frantz, Ed Miller, John Wesner, Jeff Kappenstein, Nettie Kreiner, Clair Sweigart, Faith Moyer, Michael A. Crowther, Reba Ranck, Grace Ranck, Ray Fox, Gene Miller, Jean Wolf, Bobby Hershey, Marilyn Gelsing, Edith Snyder, Teresa Sweigart, Mel and Troy Ulrich, Earl Myers, Elizabeth Sherman, Judy Habecker, Anna Rose Schannauer, Jerry Landis, Mary Beth Jenkins, Evelyn Gehman, Joan Leed, Ron Adams, Kevin Williams, Susan Levan, Larry Eberly, Gladys Eckenroad, Bonnie Koehle-Koon, Kathleen Troutman, Sally Bergman, Kevin Reimert, Pam Heisey, Connie Malafarina, Ted Heisey, Regina Reinecker, Karen Klingensmith, Sue Van Zant, Alex Merionfeld, Helen Werner, Cody Leisey, Michelle Moyer, Janet Craley, Scott Zook, Dianna Becker (Gockley's neighbor), Laurie Sauder, Sue Templin, Clyde Showalter, Ashley Milosek (friend of Cody and Aubrey Leisey), Dave Brown, Pat Miller, Brian Gress, Lucille Lorah, Leah Showalter (Louetta Franck's great niece), Mark Stoner, Robert Reaser, Leonard Hoover, Laney Garrison, Sam Reimert, Lou Smith, Bob Shank, Sammy Hanna (friend of Ruth & Gaile), Pat Grove & Daphne, Cathy Stine, Aaron Gasparich (friend of Jenny Weitzel), Tina Krall (friend of Larry and Sally Hagy), the family of Janet Bingaman, the family of Clarice Haws, the family of Rev. Dr. Martha "Marty" Sheaffer.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given in honor of our 29th wedding anniversary by Pastor Scott and Jen Brubaker.

SANCTUARY CANDLE is given in memory of loved ones by a friend.

Veteran Collection The Welcome Committee is seeking donations to support our local Veterans in Lancaster County at the Coatesville VAMC. They currently need all sizes in T-Shirts, Shirts, Body Wash and Lots of Coffee (Ground Bagged or K-Cups). Place donations in designated location in the Narthex. Please help us in supporting our Veterans in May and June.

Swamp Lutheran Church

HABITAT FOR FEATHERED FRIENDS

Free Community Event

SUNDAY, MAY 17
10:00 AM

Swamp Lutheran Social Hall
275 Swamp Church Road, Reinholds, PA 17569



Celebrate Nature with Us!

- Create your own blue bird houses and pine cone peanut-butter feeders while learning how to support local wildlife
- Grab some refreshments and stick around for a special talk from a retired PA Game Commission representative about protecting Pennsylvania's wildlife
- A fun, free educational event for the whole community
- All ages welcome!

Call our office at 717 336 2849 to lock in your kit. Walk-ins can snag one too, but supplies at the door are limited!



Other Readings for this Sunday

Acts 2:42-47

Today's reading is a description of life in the community following Peter's sermon on the day of Pentecost, when the Spirit was poured out on God's people. The new community is sustained in worship and fellowship, shares what they have, and ensures that everyone has enough.

⁴² [The baptized] devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

⁴³ Awe came upon everyone because many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴ All who believed were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵ they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

GOSPEL MESSAGE

April 26, 2026

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Our Good Shepherd

The images in today's texts provide us with much food for thought and action. Psalm 23 tells of a shepherd who leads us to green pastures and refreshing waters, walks alongside us as we face challenging times, takes us to a table already set, and anoints us with oil to mark each of us as chosen. We are heard, seen, known, valued, and loved, and remain in the Shepherd's presence for all time.

Jesus' words in the gospel reading add to the image of a loving and caring shepherd. The shepherd calls each sheep by name, while the sheep follow because they recognize that voice. Jesus, our Good Shepherd, knows us well and calls each of us by name. Jesus also serves as the gate for the sheep, guarding and protecting us in the sheepfold, while also providing access to pastureland. This protection and access give us the space to be who we are, with no need to play games or pretend to be someone we are not. And when it comes right down to it, the Good Shepherd comes to give us abundant life—new life in relationship with God, others, and all creation.

The reading from Acts 2 provides an image of abundant life among the early Christians, a life with an extravagance of worship, fellowship, prayer, generosity, service to others, and thankfulness.

How does the image of the Good Shepherd sit with you? How do you picture the relationship between you and Jesus—with shepherd and sheep imagery, or something else? Where and how do you recognize the Good Shepherd's voice? Do you know someone who has abundant life in Christ—a life of faith, joy, and love? What would such a life look like for you, and for your faith community?

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SUNDAY WORSHIP 8:30AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45AM

You are Welcome Here!

At Swamp Lutheran Church, *Grace is Spoken Here!* We welcome with full participation and inclusion all who are seeking God's love and grace. We welcome all because God welcomes all, regardless of race or culture, sexual orientation, gender identity, or relationship status. We welcome all without regard to addictions, imprisonment, physical or mental health, socio-economic circumstances or anything that too often divides us. Together as one in the Spirit, our unity is in Jesus Christ.

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SWAMP ANNOUNCEMENTS *APRIL 26, 2026*

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Week in the Parish (April 27 - May 2)

April 27 7:00PM Bell Choir
April 28 6:00PM Zoom Bible Study

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 3 8:30AM Worship
May 3 9:45AM Sunday School
May 4 7:00PM Bell Choir
May 5 6:00PM Zoom Bible Study
May 5 7:00PM Welcome Cmte
May 6 7:00PM Choir
May 7 6:30PM Learning Cmte Mtg
May 10 MOTHER'S DAY
May 10 8:30AM Worship
May 10 9:45AM Sunday School
May 11 7:00PM Bell Choir
May 12 6:00PM Zoom Bible Study
May 12 7:00PM Builders of Hope
May 13 1-4:00PM EASS Food Distribution
May 13 7:00PM Choir
May 14 7:00PM Ascension Day Worship
May 16 2:00PM Bell Choir Chapel Concert
May 17 8:30AM Worship
May 17 10:00AM Habitat for Feathered Friends Community Event
May 19 6:00PM Zoom Bible Study
May 20 7:30PM Church Council
May 24 8:30AM Worship
May 25 MEMORIAL DAY
May 28-31 Builders of Hope Strawberry Shortcake
 @ Adamstown Community Days in the Grove

Greeter Schedule for April

26 Gene & Heather Ferrari

Greeter Schedule for May

10 Glenn & Linda Beard

17 Randy & Pam Leisey

24 Larry & Sally Hagy

31 Deb Sweigert

Sound Schedule for April

26 Steve Laudenslager

Sound Schedule for May

03 Steve Laudenslager

10 Steve Laudenslager

14 Steve Laudenslager

17 Steve Laudenslager

24 Steve Laudenslager

31 Steve Laudenslager

Coffee Schedule for April

26 John Frantz

Coffee Schedule for May

10 John Frantz

17 Ray Weitzel

24 John Frantz

31 Deb Sweigert

Video Schedule for April

26 Alan Worley

Video Schedule for May

03 John Frantz

10 Josh Garrison

14 John Frantz

17 Alan Worley

24 John Frantz

31 Josh Garrison

DAILY READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK*Mon April 27* Psalm 100 Ezekiel 34:17-23 1 Peter 5:1-5*Tues April 28* Psalm 100 Ezekiel 34:23-31 Hebrews 13:20-21*Wed April 29* Psalm 100 Jeremiah 23:1-8 Matthew 20:17-28*Thurs April 30* Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 Genesis 12:1-3 Acts 6:8-15*Fri May 1* Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 Exodus 3:1-12 Acts 7:1-16*Sat May 2* Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 Jeremiah 26:20-24 John 8:48-59**UPCOMING SUNDAY READINGS***Sun May 3* Acts 7:55-60 Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 1 Peter 2:2-10 John 14:1-14

FLOWERS: Grumbine's Flowers will now continue delivery of fresh altar flower arrangements through June 2026. If you would like to sponsor a Sunday for the flowers or candle in 2026, please sign up for flower sponsorships via Sue, John, or the flower calendar. Sue Kreitz 717-283-9444 or John Frantz 717-606-8994.

Widow & Widowers Lunch Thurs. June 18, 12pm @ Udder Choice in Ephrata. Program will be Husband & Wife artists sharing their artwork and story after retiring.

Builders of Hope Fundraiser Strawberry Shortcake Stand at Adamstown Community Days, May 28-31 in the Grove. Featuring Boehringer's ice cream. Come out and enjoy a sweet treat!

FOOD BANK – Needs of the food bank are ongoing and need replenished monthly. There is a need for rice, noodles, pasta, mac & cheese, canned chicken, tuna, spam, soup, toilet paper and paper towels. Please check for a current expiration date. Thank you for helping as you are able. We distribute on the 2nd Wed each month.



Knitters and Crocheters: We have been asked to provide baby blankets for Veteran Families. Please use SOFT yarn with not too loose of a pattern and no more than 32" X 32 , " but not less than 27" square or rectangular. There are some copies of baby blanket patterns in the library at church where the shawls/blankets are being collected. We need more boy colors than girl colors.

Service Committee LWR Personal Care Kits. During the months of March and April we will be collecting items for personal care kits. The following items are included in each kit, you may donate a complete kit or individual items.

- 1 light-weight bath size towel (maximum 52"X27"), dark color recommended
- 2 bath size bars (4 or 5 oz) of soap in original wrapping
- 1 adult size toothbrush in its original packaging
- 1 sturdy comb, remove packaging
- 1 metal nail clippers, remove packaging

Do not add other items than those that are listed. All items should be new. All items can be collected for LWR until Ingathering Sunday (1st Sun. in Oct.) Thank you for your support of Lutheran World Relief's worldwide mission! Jane Leshner 717-471-2974.

Orders are being taken for red geraniums for Pentecost, Sunday May 24th 2026. Price is not yet known and the deadline for ordering is Sunday May 10th. Please give the following information to the church office or to Jodi Showalter (717) 413-7149.

Name _____ Phone Number _____

Red Geraniums _____

In memory of _____

In honor of _____

Swamp Needs Your Help!
Tell Pastor Scott if you can help or want to learn more
Most pressing needs include:

Communion Extender: We need helpers to take communion to our homebound members. Training provided.

Choir: We welcome singers for Swamp's Chancel Choir.

Bell Choir: Ringers needed for this music ministry.

Learning Committee: We could use new committee members interested in fostering the faith of our disciples, both young and old.

SLY: We need additional leaders on our team to guide this ministry.

Sunday School teachers: Helpers and teachers needed.

Worship Committee: We can always use fresh perspectives on worship.

Generosity Committee: We need additional disciples to help promote generosity to God's work at Swamp.

Property Committee: We need help attending to the property needs of Swamp. Consider adopting a flower bed to maintain or giving of a skill (electrician, plumbing, carpentry, painting, etc.).

Attention Thrivent Financial Members. The Thrivent "Action Teams" program is an opportunity for Thrivent members to lead projects that provide service and outreach to the community. Thrivent Financial will provide funds of \$250 for each project to get started and pay for associated expenses. You may request two grants per year. Swamp Lutheran has many needs, like the monthly food pantry, events, etc. that qualify under this program. If you wish to direct your grant request to help with Swamp Lutheran's activities, please reach out to Lori Gockley who will assist you with the process. Email: lgockley2@gmail.com or call 717-203-8551

Financial Statement

	Income	Expenses	Balance
Balance as of 12/31/25			\$28,149.21
January	\$32,105.86	\$45,416.20	\$14,838.87
February	\$27,800.67	\$27,375.03	\$15,264.51
March	\$44,304.71	\$39,259.82	\$20,309.40