

*RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD  
EASTER SUNDAY  
APRIL 5, 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](http://www.swamplutheran.org) regularly for updates and schedules of ongoing activities of the church. Full prayer list is in the newsletter each month.

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## GATHERING

### *The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God*

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This is the day the Lord has made! Christ is risen, and through him all creation is made new! Indeed, “God shows no partiality” (Acts 10:34): Christ’s resurrection truly brings life to everyone. We sing hymns of praise, gather around sacred words, and proclaim God’s faithfulness, power, and love in the feast of holy communion. With the women at the tomb, we are astonished, elated, and grateful. We depart with joy to proclaim the good news of God’s endless love.

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRELUDE** CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS  
ALLELUIA! THE STRIFE IS O’ER

ARR. BRENDA AUSTIN  
ARR. JULIE TURNER

*congregational responses are in bold type.*

*Stand*

#### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
who forgives all our sin,  
whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin, trusting in the tender mercy of our God.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

In the name of † the One  
who was, who is, and who is to come. **Amen.**

Baptized into Christ’s death and resurrection,  
and called to live the baptized life,  
let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

*Water may be poured before or during the thanksgiving.*

Holy God,  
we give you thanks for the waters of baptism,  
waters that make a people your own,  
that restore to wholeness,  
and empower us to be witnesses in your name.  
Baptized into you, O Living One,  
**make us one as you are one.**

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,  
waters that strengthen believers  
and give new life to beloved servants of your church;  
waters that extend your boundless love  
and cross barriers of our own making.  
Baptized into you, O Living One,  
**make us one as you are one.**

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,  
waters that open the hearts of believers  
and give a voice in the night to those in captivity;  
waters that set your people on a new path,  
rejoicing in the Spirit's power.  
Baptized into you, O Living One,  
**make us one as you are one.**

Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One,  
that our every day is shaped by these waters  
that give us our very lives in you.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.  
**Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMN**

JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY

ELW 365

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.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

*Sit*

**ANTHEM**

CELEBRATE WITH SINGING

ANNA LAURA PAGE

LORI GOCKLEY, DEB SWEIGERT AND JEN WEITZEL, BELLS

TYLER LEAKWAY, TRUMPET

*Children leave for Children's Church*

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## WORD

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

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**Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24** (*read responsively*)

<sup>1</sup> Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good;

God's mercy endures forever.

<sup>2</sup> **Let Israel now declare,**

**"God's mercy endures forever."**

<sup>14</sup> The LORD is my strength and my song,

and has become my salvation.

<sup>15</sup> **Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:**

**"The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!**

<sup>16</sup> The right hand of the LORD is exalted!

The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"

<sup>17</sup> **I shall not die, but live,**

**and declare the works of the LORD.**

<sup>18</sup> The LORD indeed punished me sorely,

but did not hand me over to death.

<sup>19</sup> **Open for me the gates of righteousness;**

**I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.**

<sup>20</sup> "This is the gate of the LORD;

here the righteous may enter."

<sup>21</sup> **I give thanks to you, for you have | answered me  
and you have become | my salvation.**

<sup>22</sup> The stone that the build- | ers rejected  
has become the chief | cornerstone.

<sup>23</sup> **By the LORD has | this been done;  
it is marvelous | in our eyes.**

<sup>24</sup> This is the day that the | LORD has made;  
let us rejoice and be | glad in it.

READING: **Colossians 3:1-4**

*Easter means new life for us as it first meant new life for Christ. His resurrection reshapes the entire focus and motivation for our lives since we are now hidden with the risen Christ in God.*

<sup>1</sup> If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup> Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup> for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup> When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



# GOSPEL PROCESSIONAL

# I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER LIVES

1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives! What com - fort

this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, he lives, who

HOLY

once was dead; he lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head!

## GOSPEL: Matthew 28:1-10

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Sorrow gives way to "fear and great joy" when two women are sent by an angel to proclaim the good news: Jesus is risen!*

<sup>1</sup> After the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. <sup>2</sup> And suddenly there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. <sup>3</sup> His appearance was like lightning and his clothing

white as snow. <sup>4</sup> For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. <sup>5</sup> But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. <sup>6</sup> He is not here, for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. <sup>7</sup> Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." <sup>8</sup> So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy and ran to tell his disciples. <sup>9</sup> Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. <sup>10</sup> Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers and sisters to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**GOSPEL RECESSIONAL** I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER LIVES!

2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; he lives e -

throned a - bove; he lives to rule his church in love.

*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*

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**MEAL**

***God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ***

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**OFFERTORY**

THINE IS THE GLORY

G.F.HANDEL

CAMERON NYE, PIANO AND SUE KREITZ, ORGAN

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

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.

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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.*

**COMMUNION HYMNS** (CONGREGATION ENCOURAGED TO SING)

BREAD OF LIFE FROM HEAVEN	ELW 474
THAT EASTER DAY WITH JOY WAS BRIGHT	ELW 384
THE DAY OF RESURRECTION	ELW 361
CHRIST HAS ARISEN, ALLELUIA	ELW 364

*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.**

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## SENDING

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world*

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### 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**      GOOD CHRISTIAN FRIENDS, REJOICE AND SING      ELW 385

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

**POSTLUDE**      THE HALLELUJAH CHORUS      G.F.HANDEL  
(GRADY DAUB, ORGAN & SUE KREITZ, PIANO)

**TODAY WE WELCOME** Tyler Leakway. Tyler is from Lititz PA and is currently studying music education at Millersville University and will be accompanying the Choir on trumpet.

**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 Gelsinger, 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, Chris Zander, Kathleen Troutman, Sally Bergman, Kevin Reimert, Pam Heisey, Connie Malafarina, Ted Heisey, Regina Reinecker, Karen Klingensmith, Debbie Leed, Sue Van Zant, Alex Merionfeld, Susan Kreitz, 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) Michael Miller, Mark Stoner, Robert Reaser, Leonard Hoover, Laney Garrison, Sam Reimert, Lou Smith, Bob Shank, Sammy Hanna (friend of Ruth & Gaile) the family of Lowell Haws, the family of Jeremy Charles, the family of Janet Bingaman and the family of Clarice Haws.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given in memory of Harry "Ducky" Lorah by his family.

**SANCTUARY CANDLE** is given in memory of loved ones by the congregation.

## **EASTER FLOWERS**

In memory of:

- Polly Knauer by Bill Knauer
- Tom Wenzel by Pat Wenzel
- his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Chmielewski by Carol and John Chmielewski
- her father, Mr. Kenneth Mummah, by Carol and John Chmielewski
- Nancy Kulp by Doug Kulp
- their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kauffman, by Debbie, Peggy, and Gary
- their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Linton D. Myers, by Debbie, Peggy, and Gary
- their favorite Mema, Irene Myers, by Earl Myers family
- Dwayne Dimitris by the Earl Myers family
- Mahlon and Lucy Sweigart by the family
- Anna Hershey by Robert Hershey Jr.
- Dale Sweigert by Deb Sweigert
- parents, James and Nancy Frantz, by John and Jerry
- parents, Musser and Miriam Landis, by John and Jerry
- Jeffrey Landis by John and Jerry
- Elaine Fair by the Fair family
- our grandparents/great -grandparents by the Rineer family
- parents and grandparents, Vernon and Edith Showalter, by Lee, Jodi, Matthew, and Eric Showalter
- parents and grandparents, Gil and Joann Gockley, by Lee, Jodi, Matthew, and Eric Showalter

In honor of:

- Gaga and Pop-Pop by the Fair family

- children, Debbie, Peggy, and Gary, by Earl Myers
- his favorite grandson, P. Casey Coble, by Earl Myers
- his favorite granddaughter, Stevie Nicole and Erik Posegay, by Earl Myers
- his great granddaughters, Avery Ann and Olivie Nicole Posegay, by Earl Myers
- her mother, Mrs. Ruth Mummah, by Carol and John Chmielewski
- our parents/grandparents, Tom Showalter, Bob and Donna Rineer, and Bonnie Showalter by the Rineer family
- our children, Kenzie, Maren, and Quinton, by Zach and Abbey Rineer
- children, Matthew and Kiersten and Eirc and Lindsay, by Lee and Jodi Showalter
- granddaughter, Emily Joann, by Lee and Jodi Showalter
- grandson, Noah Lee, by Lee and Jodi Showalter

## **GOSPEL MESSAGE**

**April 5, 2026**

**RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD, EASTER DAY**

**Strongly Sung Alleluias**

In Matthew's telling of the Easter story, Mary Magdalene and "the other Mary" are the first to experience the resurrection of Jesus (28:1). Earthquake, descending angel, and convulsing grave-guards all attest to this miraculous feat of God's love defeating death forever. The angelic invitation to the women to behold the bodiless resting place of Jesus is met with evangelistic fervor; the women race off full of "fear and great joy" (v. 8) to tell the others. Their run from the empty tomb, however, is interrupted by the risen Christ. A simple word of greeting from Jesus sends the women to the ground; they "took hold of his feet, and worshiped him" (v. 9). What did this first Easter-morning worship look like? Did the women recite traditional Jewish prayers? Were they moved to sing? Might this worshipful moment be the time and place the first Easter "alleluia" was uttered? Perhaps they harkened back to Psalm 118 and sang to Jesus, "The LORD is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation" (v. 14). At the feet of Jesus, the women found strength as they bore witness to God's liberation and the power of resurrection. This was the Jesus they would share with the other disciples and, by extension, the world. This is the Jesus they would sing out to others in Galilee and beyond. A new day had dawned; Easter had arrived. Alleluia! The church gathers on this Easter Day to join in the proclamation of Christ crucified and risen. We gather to share in the wonder and joy of Mary and Mary, whose worshipful witness has become our own. We join in the prayers, the confession, the Easter fervor that knows the salvation of our God, our strength and our song. A new day, an Easter Day has come. "This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it" (Psalm 118:24). Indeed, let us rejoice, worship, and sing out strong: Alleluia! Alleluia!

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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 5, 2026***

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### **Week in the Parish (April 5 - 12 )**

TODAY	7:00AM	Join us for Easter Breakfast
April 6	OFFICE CLOSED	
April 7	6:00PM	Zoom Bible Study
April 7	7:00PM	Welcome Cmte
April 8	1-4:00PM	EASS Food Distribution
April 8	7:00PM	Choir
April 9	12:00PM	Widow & Widowers Lunch/Udder Choice Ephrata
April 9	6:30PM	Learning Cmte
April 11	7-10:00AM	Lutheran Disaster Response breakfast @ Swamp
April 12	8:30AM	Worship
April 12	9:45AM	Sunday School

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

April 13	7:00PM	Bell Choir
April 14	6:00PM	Zoom Bible Study
April 15	7:00PM	Choir
April 15	7:00PM	Church Council
April 19	8:30AM	Worship
April 19	9:45AM	Sunday School
April 20	7:00PM	Bell Choir
April 21	6:00PM	Zoom Bible Study
April 22	7:00PM	Choir
April 26	8:30AM	Worship
April 26	9:45AM	Sunday School
April 27	7:00PM	Bell Choir
April 28	6:00PM	Zoom Bible Study
May 3	8:30AM	Worship
May 3	9:45AM	Sunday School
May 4	7:00PM	Bell Choir

**Greeter Schedule for April**

05 Pam Leisey  
 12 Danielle, Addy & Anson Kauffman  
 19 Alan & Kathy Worley  
 26 Gene & Heather Ferrari

**Greeter Schedule for May**

03 Jenny Weitzel  
 10 Glenn & Linda Beard  
 17 Randy & Pam Leisey  
 24 Larry & Sally Hagy  
 31 Deb Sweigert

**Sound Schedule for April**

02 John Frantz  
 03 John Frantz  
 05 6am Alan Worley  
 05 Steve Laudenslager  
 12 Steve Laudenslager  
 19 Steve Laudenslager  
 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**

05 Ray Weitzel  
 12 Deb Sweigert  
 19 Pam Leisey  
 26 John Frantz

**Coffee Schedule for May**

03 Pam Leisey  
 10 John Frantz  
 17 Ray Weitzel  
 24 John Frantz  
 31 Deb Sweigert

**Video Schedule for April**

02 Josh Garrison  
 03 Josh Garrison  
 05 6am Alan Worley  
 05 Alan Worley  
 12 John Frantz  
 19 Josh Garrison  
 26 Alan Worley

**Video Schedule for May**

03 John Frantz  
 10 Josh Garrison  
 14  
 17 Alan Worley  
 24 John Frantz  
 31 Josh Garrison

**DAILY READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK**

*Mon April 6* Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Exodus 14:10-31;15:20-21 Colossians 3:5-11  
*Tue April 7* Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Exodus 15:1-18 Colossians 3:12-17  
*Wed April 8* Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Joshua 3:1-7 Matthew 28:1-10  
*Thurs April 9* Psalm 16 Song of Solomon 2:8-15 Colossians 4:2-5  
*Fri April 10* Psalm 16 Song of Solomon 5:9—6:3 1 Corinthians 15:1-11  
*Sat April 11* Psalm 16 Song of Solomon 8:6-7 John 20:11-20

**UPCOMING SUNDAY READINGS**

*Sun April 12* Acts 2:14a, 22-32 Psalm 16 1 Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31

**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 at 717-283-9444 or John Frantz at 717-606-8994.

**EASTER FLOWER COST** for Lilies is \$11.50. Please make checks payable to Swamp Lutheran Church.

**FOOD BANK** – Needs of the food bank are ongoing and need replenished monthly. There is a need for cereal, 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.

**ACTION FUND** – Donations are sought for Swamp Action Fund to help the needy in our community. Write "Action Fund" in the comment line of your check payable to Swamp Lutheran Church.



**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.

**EASTER Breakfast Menu** Bacon, Sausage, Ham, Scrambled Eggs, Potatoes, Chipped Beef, Pastries, Cobbler, Juices, French Toast.

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 \_\_\_\_\_

# All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast Buffet



**Saturday, April 11, 2026  
7:00-10:00 AM**

**BREAKFAST INCLUDES:** EGGS, HOME FRIES, CREAMED CHIPPED BEEF, FRENCH TOAST, BACON, SAUSAGE, HAM, COFFEE, TEA, JUICES, VARIOUS PASTRIES AND FRUIT.

**ADMISSION BY DONATION**

**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE  
TO: NORTH LANCASTER  
CONFERENCE DEAN'S FUND**

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**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](mailto:lgockley2@gmail.com) or call 717-203-8551.