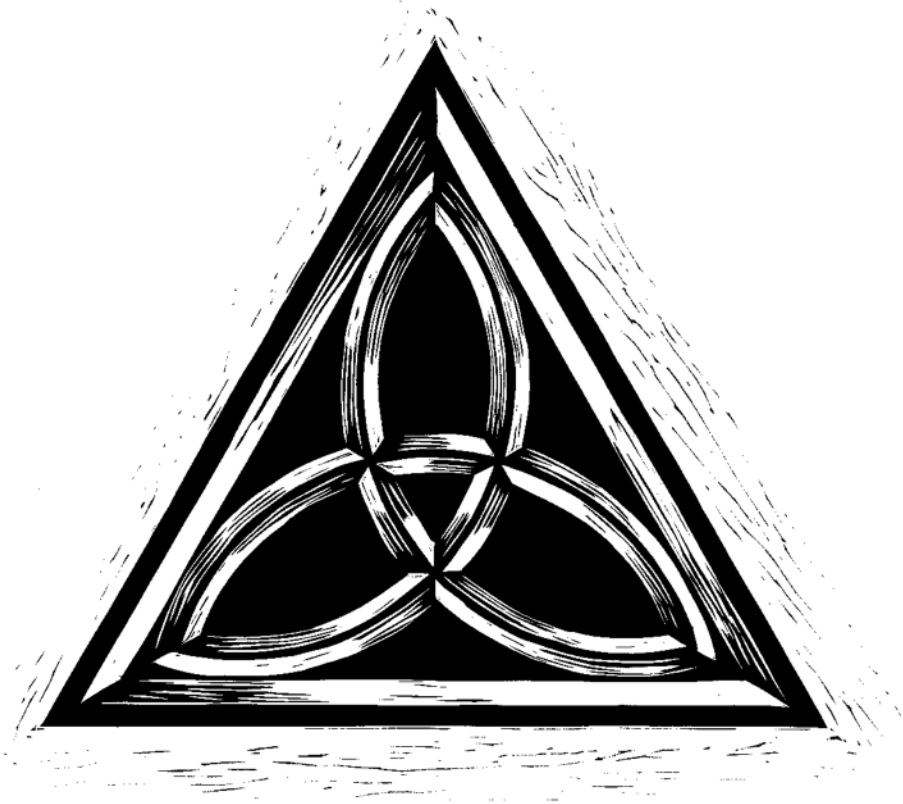


THE HOLY TRINITY
MAY 31, 2026
8:30 AM



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

Though the word *trinity* is not found in the scriptures, today's second reading includes the apostolic greeting that begins the liturgy: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. In the gospel Jesus sends his disciples forth to baptize in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. More than a doctrine, the Trinity expresses the heart of our faith: we have experienced the God of creation made known in Jesus Christ and with us always through the Holy Spirit. We celebrate the mystery of the Holy Trinity in word and sacrament, as we profess the creed, and as we are sent into the world to bear witness to our faith.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE ALL GLORY BE TO GOD ON HIGH

N. DECIUS/H. HOPSON

congregational responses are in bold type.

Stand

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father,
and of the † Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

COME JOIN THE DANCE OF TRINITY

ELW 412

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

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and 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 8 (*read responsively*)

¹ O LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!—

² **you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children;**

you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.

³ When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

**4 what are mere mortals that you should be mind-ful of them,
human beings that you should care for them?**

**5 Yet you have made them little less than divine;
with glory and honor you crown them.**

**6 You have made them rule over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet:**

**7 all flocks and cattle,
even the wild beasts of the field,**

**8 the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.**

**9 O LORD our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

Reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Paul closes a challenging letter to the Corinthians with an appeal to Christian fellowship grounded in the triune harmony of Christ's grace, God's love, and the Spirit's partnership.

[Paul writes:] ¹¹ Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Be restored; listen to my appeal; agree with one another; live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. ¹² Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

¹³ The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

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: **Matthew 28:16-20**

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

After his resurrection, Jesus summons his remaining disciples and commissions them to baptize and teach all nations in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

¹⁶ Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they doubted. ¹⁸ And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

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 WE ALL BELIEVE IN ONE TRUE GOD

J.WAYNE KERR

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 musical score is written on six staves of music in a single system. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in a soprano clef. 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 lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes.

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

Loving God,
we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.
Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,
so that all creation can taste your abundance.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.
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

Heaven has come near.
Come, share in the feast!

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, form a circle to receive communion. The bread, cup, and wine will be brought to you. Grape juice and gluten free options are available—tell the usher. After being communed, please return to your seat.

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.**

Compassionate God,

through the gifts of bread and wine
our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love.
Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal,
may share your love freely, as you have shared with us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

BLESSING

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,
✠ one God,
bless, heal, and hold you
today and always.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, LORD GOD ALMIGHTY ELW 413

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE HOLY, HOLY, HOLY JOHN LEAVITT

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, Larry 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, 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, 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) and Tina Krall (friend of Larry and Sally Hagy) and Greg and Jenn Rhodes (Connie Taylor's neighbor), Jerry Flickinger (Deb Sweigert's Niece's Husband) Wanda Maxey, Susan Levan, Chris Zander, Allison Kenawell and family.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given in honor of their children, Matthew and Kiersten Showalter and Eric and Lindsay Showalter by Lee and Jodi Showalter.

SANCTUARY CANDLE is given in memory of loved ones by Cathy Cammauf.

Other Readings for this Sunday

Genesis 1:1—2:4a

At the beginning of time, God the Creator, God the powerful Word, and God the life-giving Spirit form the earth and all its inhabitants. God sees that all this created work is good and then rests on the seventh day.

¹ When God began to create the heavens and the earth, ² the earth was complete chaos, and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept

over the face of the waters. ³ Then God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. ⁴ And God saw that the light was good, and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶ And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” ⁷ So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. ⁸ God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

⁹ And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. ¹⁰ God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹ Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. ¹² The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. ¹³ And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

¹⁴ And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵ and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. ¹⁶ God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷ God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸ to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹ And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

²⁰ And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” ²¹ So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. ²² God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” ²³ And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴ And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. ²⁵ God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind and the cattle of every kind and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶ Then God said, “Let us make humans in our image, according to our likeness, and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds

of the air and over the cattle and over all the wild animals of the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.”

²⁷ So God created humans in his image,
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.

²⁸ God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.” ²⁹ God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. ³⁰ And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the air and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. ³¹ God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

^{2:1} Thus the heavens and the earth were finished and all their multitude. ² On the sixth day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. ³ So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

^{4a} These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

GOSPEL MESSAGE

May 31, 2026

THE HOLY TRINITY

Mission Partners

In Matthew 28:16-20, often referred to as “The Great Commission,” Jesus officially charges his disciples with tasks of teaching, discipling, and baptizing people of all nations and groupings. An assigned task or mission is the classic sense of the word *commission*. But what if we also considered Jesus’ charge to his disciples a *co-mission*—a mission together?

In John's gospel, Jesus speaks plainly to the disciples about participating in, continuing, and even expanding upon Jesus' work. Here in Matthew's gospel, the resurrected Jesus declares his cosmic authority, having triumphed over even death, and then he immediately turns around to share that authority with the disciples. Their mission is Jesus' mission: to build an inclusive community of compassion, mercy, and healing.

The work of Christ is shared work. We share it with one another, and we share it with Christ himself. The call to discipleship is always a community endeavor. In the liturgy for baptism, the gathered assembly affirms the newly baptized, saying, "We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world" (*ELW*, p. 231).

Not one of us is tasked with saving the world by ourselves. Only Jesus could and would bear that responsibility, and even he chose to invite others into the work. It is by grace that we are counted among Jesus' disciples. And it is within the community of grace that we continue to proclaim and manifest God's kingdom on earth, as it is in heaven. We look to our community of faith for support, assurance, assistance, and solidarity as we partner with Christ and one another to bring God's good news to the world.

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SUNDAY WORSHIP 8:30AM

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 *MAY 31, 2026*

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Week in the Parish (June 1 - 7)

June 1	6:00PM	Spring Clean-up and Mulching
June 2	7:00PM	Welcome Cmte
June 5	2:15PM	Phillies Bus Trip/meet at Swamp Church
June 7	8:30AM	Worship
June 7	7:00PM	LDR Trip Presentation at Luther Acres

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 10	1-4:00PM	EASS Food Distribution
June 11	6:30AM	Learning Cmte
June 14	8:30AM	Worship
June 17	7:00PM	Church Council
June 18	12:00PM	Widow & Widowers Lunch at Udder Choice
June 21	FATHER'S DAY	
June 21	8:30AM	Worship
June 23	7:00PM	Cocalico Builders of Hope
June 28	8:30AM	Worship
July 3	OFFICE CLOSED	
July 4	INDEDPENDENCE DAY	
July 5	8:30AM	Worship
July 8	1-4:00PM	EASS Food Distribution
July 12	8:30AM	Worship
July 12-16	6:30PM	VBS Reinholds Carnival Grounds



Swamp Spring Clean-up and Mulching Monday, June 1 @ 6pm

Come in work clothes and bring gloves, trimmers, rakes, blowers, wheelbarrows, etc.

We will clean-up the beds, trim trees, and mulch

Greeter Schedule for May

31 Deb Sweigert

Greeter Schedule for June

07 Danielle Kauffman, Addy & Anson

14 Missy Ragan

21 Gene & Heather Ferrari

28 Donna Glover & Girls

Sound Schedule for May

31 Steve Laudenslager

Sound Schedule for June

07 Steve Laudenslager

14 Steve Laudenslager

21 Steve Laudenslager

28 Steve Laudenslager

Coffee Schedule for May

31 Deb Sweigert

No Coffee June July August

Video Schedule for May

31 Josh Garrison

Video Schedule for June

07 Alan Worley

14 John Frantz

21 Josh Garrison

28 Alan Worley

DAILY READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Mon June 1 Psalm 52 Joshua 8:30-35 Romans 2:1-11

Tues June 2 Psalm 52 Joshua 24:1-2, 11-28 Romans 3:9-22a

Wed June 3 Psalm 52 Job 28:12-28 Matthew 7:13-20

Thurs June 4 Psalm 50:7-15 Lamentations 1:7-11 2 Peter 2:17-22

Fri June 5 Psalm 50:7-15 Lamentations 3:40-58 Acts 28:1-10

Sat June 6 Psalm 50:7-15 Exodus 34:1-9 Matthew 9:27-34

UPCOMING SUNDAY READINGS

Sun June 7 Hosea 5:15—6:6 Psalm 50:7-15 Romans 4:13-25 Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

FLOWERS: Grumbine's Flowers will now continue delivery of fresh altar flower arrangements through June 2026. **June 28 and July 5** is available to sponsor. 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.

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.

Widow & Widowers Lunch Thurs. June 18, 12pm at 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!

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.



To our **knitters and crocheters**, please focus on prayer shawls. When you finish, please bring it to church and leave it in the library. *THANK YOU for supporting this church ministry.*

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.



Join us at Emerald Crossing VBS, July 12-16, as we journey through Psalm 23. VBS is held outside at Reinholds Carnival Grounds (weather permitting) from 6:30-8:30 and is a fun-filled, energy-packed week of sharing the Good News with 150+ kids in our community. Any questions, see Pastor Scott or Abbey Rineer.

You can register your child at myvbs.org/rc

We are seeking crew leaders, craft helpers, snack helpers, game helpers, and Bible story tellers (more explanation below).

Crew Leaders: greet students as they arrive, lead students from station to station and dismiss students at the end of the night.

Craft Helpers: help students complete crafts that are taught/lead by the craft leader.

Snack Helpers: help distribute snacks/drinks.

Game Helpers: help students work off their excess energy.

Bible Story Teller: sign up for one night or more to share the Bible story for the night usually includes some fun way to interact with the groups. Preschool story will be shared four times, other age groups will be shared three times.

Please use the link or QR code to sign up!

[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0F4DAEAF2BA4F85-](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0F4DAEAF2BA4F85-64139348-reinholds)

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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
April	\$35,521.70	\$30,088.85	\$25,742.25

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

You are invited to a presentation from the Lower Susquehanna Synod Disaster Response Team's most recent trip to North Carolina on Sunday, June 7th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room at Luther Acres, 250 St. Luke Drive, Lititz. The group would love having the chance to thank the community for their support of this important ministry!