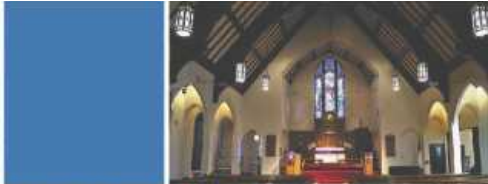
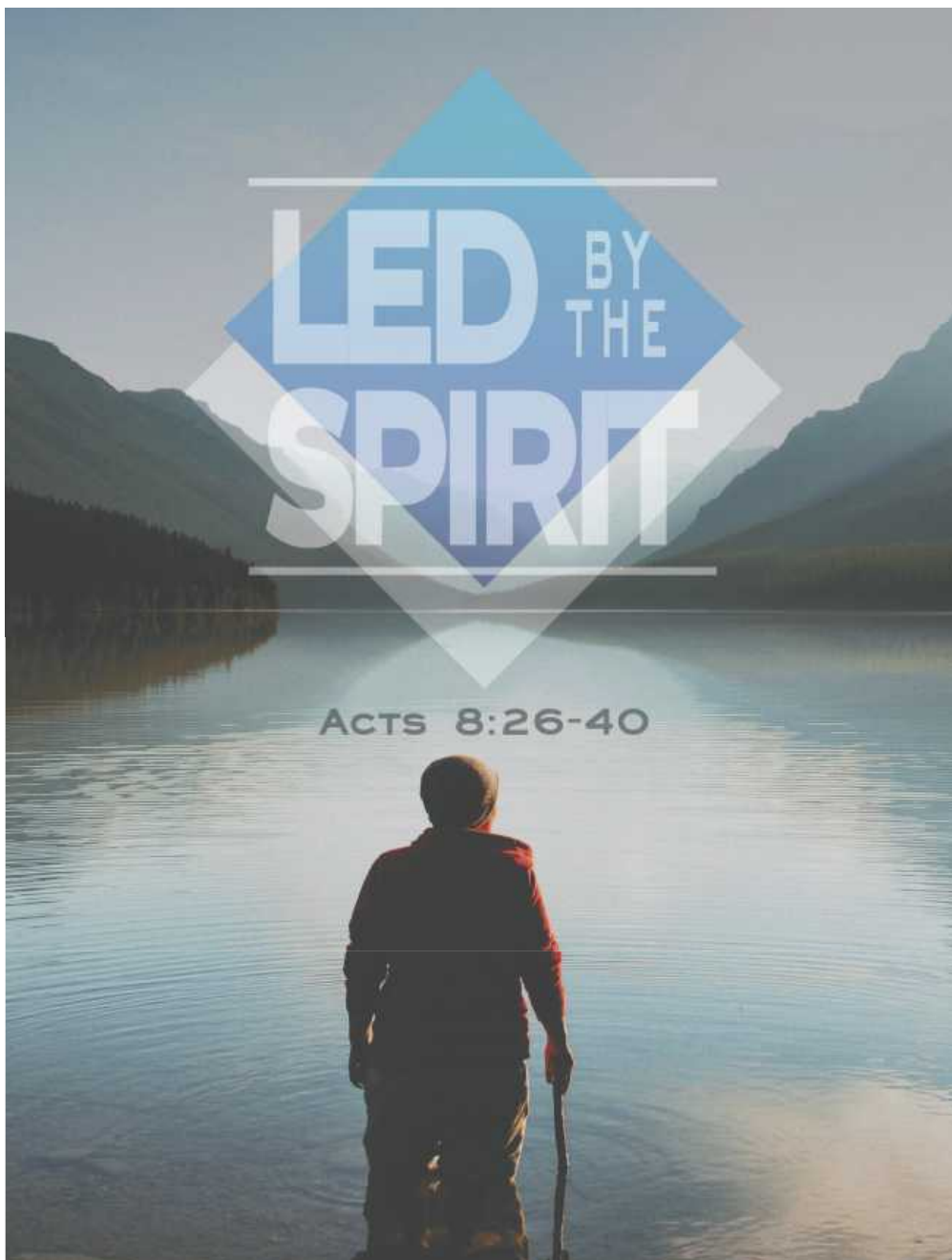


May 2, 2021

Fifth Sunday of Easter



**St James Lutheran
Ministries**



WORSHIP SERVICES

Traditional Style

Saturday 5:30 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM

Contemporary Celebration (Gym)

Sunday 10:30 AM

Online Service 9:00 AM

Facebook & YouTube

Radio Broadcast 9:00 AM

WTCH960 AM / WTCH96.1 FM

Senior Service

1st & 3rd Wednesday 11:00 AM

**DIVINE SERVICE SETTING #1
HOLY COMMUNION**

Liturgist: Rev. Mark Drenkler

Preacher: ... Rev. Steve Schauder

TRADITIONAL SERVICE

SERVICE HYMNS

Opening #829(st.1,3,4)

Sermon#830(st.1-4)

Distribution #839 & 835(st.1-5)

Closing #832(st.1,3-5)

Music By:..... Sue Moede

CELEBRATION SERVICE

Music By:..... "The Way"

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WE WELCOME all our visitors to St. James and pray your worship with us is uplifting and enriching. If there is anything we can do for you, please ask one of the ushers or the volunteer in the Connection Center and they will be happy to assist you.

FELLOWSHIP: Refreshments will not be available until further notice.

HOLY COMMUNION is celebrated during all Worship Services on the first and third weekends of the month, and at all Senior Services.

GLUTEN-FREE COMMUNION WAFERS are available at all services during communion weekends for those in need of them. Please see a Lay Minister before the service to let them know of your request.

PARENTS WITH CHILDREN: Children are always welcome to worship with us. Children's bulletins are available. There is a Mother's Room with a changing table located by the restrooms in the narthex.

SENIOR SERVICE: Designed for our senior members and at-risk individuals, but anyone may attend. Every first and third Wednesday at 11:00 AM with Holy Communion.

WE ARE HERE FOR YOU

Prayers have to be prayed to be answered! The church office is open Monday-Friday from 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM. You may also place a call to the office by phone at 715-524-4815. Our pastors are here for you! Contact Pastor Mark at 715-851-0089, or Pastor Steve at 715-853-2566.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

THIS WEEK'S SERMON THEME

"Lessons Learned from Philip"

by Rev. Steve Schauder

WEEKEND READINGS

First Reading: Acts 8:26-40

Epistle: 1 John 4:1-11

Holy Gospel: John 15:1-8

SERMON TEXT: ACTS 8:26-40

²⁶Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Rise and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is a desert place. ²⁷And he rose and went. And there was an Ethiopian, a eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸and was returning, seated in his chariot, and he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹And the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over and join this chariot." ³⁰So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" ³¹And he said, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. ³²Now the passage of the Scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter
and like a lamb before its shearer is silent,
so he opens not his mouth.

³³In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth."

³⁴And the eunuch said to Philip, "About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" ³⁵Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?" ³⁸And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. ³⁹And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he passed through he preached the gospel to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

First Reading: Acts 10:34-48

Epistle: 1 John 5:1-8

Holy Gospel: John 15:9-17

CELEBRATION SERVICE

PRESERVICE PRAISE

“Praise To the Lord (Joyful Joyful)” as sung by Shane and Shane
“Everyday” as sung by Hillsong

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

BAPTISM & CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Evelynne Irene Steffen

OPENING SONG

“Hosanna Praise Is Rising” as sung by Paul Baloche

SCRIPTURE ON SIN, CONFESSION, AND REPENTANCE

SILENT CONFRONTATION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE ON FORGIVENESS

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

TIME FOR PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

WE PRAISE GOD

“The Answer” as sung by Jeremy Camp

SCRIPTURE OF THE DAY

Acts 8:26-40

MESSAGE

“Lessons Learned from Philip” by Rev. Steve Schauder

EXPLANATION OF COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION SONG

“Here’s My Life” as sung by Planetshakers

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
C Amen.

CLOSING SONG

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus” as sung by “The Way”

BIBLE STUDIES & CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIBLE STUDIES

- 'A Good Look at Jesus'
Sunday mornings @ 9:15 AM
Location: Room 112 (Lower level of church)
- 'Interpreting the Prophecy' with Wil Kleinschmidt
Thurs. @ 9 AM & 6:30 PM
Location: Room 112 (Lower level of church)

P.A.C.K.

The Board of Christian Outreach encourages our members to participate in P.A.C.K (Planned Acts of Christian Kindness). What kind of Christian kindness will we be spreading this April as together we REJOICE in our RISEN LORD?

APRIL CHALLENGE: As together we REJOICE in our RISEN LORD and REFLECT on what He has done for us may we in turn REACH out to others even in some small way. Smiling to strangers, letting people go first, praying for people around you as you are held up in traffic or a long line or a waiting room or just calling or texting someone you are thinking about may seem like small things. What some may call "random acts of kindness" are actually the very deliberate ways the Holy Spirit works through us to touch the lives of others no matter how small it may seem to us. "And the King will answer them, Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me". (Matt. 25:40)

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

"We pray in our services for 'the race of man' not the races of man. There is only one race. All else are ethnic, national, cultural, or other differences. We've past histories to trouble us to be sure—like the Irish and the English, the Jew and the Christian, the Greek and the Ottoman Turk, and the slave and the slave owner—but there is no place from which a genuine reconciliation can emerge today, except in Christ. The goal is fellowship, brotherhood in Christ." James M. Kushiner, The Fellowship of St. James – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES

"Laughed At"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

Speaking out against the prevailing culture might prompt ridicule but it could also produce repentance. (Jonah 3)

Tune into Sunday morning's message at 7:30AM on WTCH/960 AM and also at 10:00AM on WRVM/102.7 FM on your radio.

REVELATION STUDY

"Interpreting The Prophecy" led by Wil Kleinschmidt
Thursdays at 9AM or 6:30 PM in Room 112
Begins May 6th

I told my former classes over the past 55 years that I would never teach Revelation because it was too difficult to interpret. COVID-19 has given me a lot of extra time, and over the past years, as I've aged, my interest in the End Times has increased. I've been doing extensive reading and the Lord has said "Go for it!" (Well, I hope that's what I heard.) This course will require many sessions. We will begin on Thursday, May 6th and continue until finished—God willing, including the summer months. Advance preparation is recommended and materials will be distributed at each session.

This book was originally given to the apostle John, to a 1st century situation, but it also deals with events from the time of Christ until the end—the Last Day. You'll find extensive references to both testaments.

John uses a cyclical approach, such as: 1. something of what will occur throughout the NT era, from the time of Jesus unto the end of the world, and 2. something of what will occur at the very end. In our past and present history, some of these things have or are occurring.

Sign up sheets are available in the narthex entrances or call the church office to register at 715-524-4815 so enough material can be prepared. *Thanks, Wil*

DRIVE THRU BRAT/HAMBURGER LUNCH

St. James will be hosting a drive-thru lunch in the church parking lot on Saturday, May 8th beginning at 11AM, until sold out. Each boxed lunch contains choice of grilled brat or hamburger, condiments, bag of chips, and a fresh-baked cookie. Cost is \$5. Add water/soda for \$1. All proceeds will go towards a new ongoing Veterans' thank you project.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Families! Mark your calendars now for "Treasured" VBS, held July 26th-30th. At Treasured, your children will discover they are priceless to God!

Want to be part of the team? Join us for a planning session on Wednesday, May 12th at 6PM in the school meeting room (off cafeteria). Anyone interested in being a part of this summer's VBS is welcome to attend. Hope to see you there!

RETREAT COMMITTEE MEETING

St. James Retreat Committee will meet on Wed. May 5th at 6:30 PM at the retreat grounds in the Town of Wescott. If you are interested in joining the committee to assist in maintaining the grounds, please contact Duane at 715-526-3989 for more information.

CHURCH, SCHOOL & COMMUNITY

OGT DONATIONS

Please help spread the word that Orphan Grain Train is no longer accepting donations. Do not leave items by doors or in the basement. The Lutheran Thrift Shop or SAM 25 Thrift Store (both on Richmond St) would be great programs to donate items to help those in our community. Thank you for being so generous and wanting to help those in need.

SCHOOL SPRING MUSICAL

"GPS - God's Plan of Salvation," a musical created by Celeste Clydesdale, will be presented by the St. James students Preschool through 8th grade on Tuesday, May 11th at 5:30pm at Franklin Park (raindate is May 12th). Please join us as the students share the story of "Andrew" and his friends as Andrew takes his driver's license test. Andrew learns a few lessons the hard way, but he perseveres under trial and is reminded that with God in your heart in all that you do, He will guide you through life as the Light on your path.

RACE FOR EDUCATION

On May 7th, St. James School will participate in their 9th annual Race-for-Ed fundraiser. This year we are raising funds for a cafeteria point of sale system, 12 iPads, playground upkeep and hardtop activities, lockers for grades 5-8, hallway cupboards for preschool, tuition assistance, athletic program and other educational needs. We hope you will consider sponsoring a student or adult participant. General donations to the school are also welcome. Forms are available in the info areas or go to the GIVING tab on our website.

ANCHORED YOUTH MINISTRY MINUTE

- Black Light Event: May 2nd 12-2 PM. 9-Square and more under the glow of Black Light. For youth in grades 6-12. Meet in The Landing. Wear White. Bring Friends!
- Fear Factor Event: May 9th 12-2. Challenge yourself and your friends! Face your fears! For youth in grades 6-12. Meet in The Landing. Friends are welcome!

ST JAMES EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

St. James School is now accepting resumes/applications for a First Grade teacher, for the 2021-2022 school year. This position is a full-time, with benefits position. Qualified candidates should fill out an application at the church office or download a form from our website, in addition to submitting their resume. Application and resume may also be sent to school principal, Mr. David Kaiser, at dkaiser@stjamesshawano.org.

WRLHS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Wolf River Lutheran High School is looking for a full time Math teacher with benefits for the 2021-2022 school year. The teacher should be licensed to teach high school math or be eligible to become licensed. There is a preference to being Lutheran, but not a requirement. Please contact Principal Jiter at 715-745-2400 (work), 715-579-4144 (cell), or j.jiter@wrlhs.org with any questions.

MAY 2ND—MAY 9TH

SUN	MON	TUES	WED
2 YAC CAN COLLECTION 8:00 Worship (HC) 9:00 Radio/Online Service 9:05 Sunday School 9:15 Bible Study (112) 10:30 Celebration (Gym) (HC) 12:00 Anchored Youth	3 5:45 Praise Team 5:45 Bell Choir	4 9:00 Staff	5 8:10 Chapel 11:00 Senior Service 6:00 Confirmation Class 6:30 Retreat Committee Mtg.
THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
6 9:00 Bible Study (112) 2:00—5:30 Flower Pick Up 6:30 Bible Study (112)	7 12:00 Bulletin Deadline for May 16th	8 11:00 Drive Thru Lunch 5:30 Worship	9 HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY 8:00 Worship 9:00 Radio/Online Service 9:05 Sunday School 9:15 Bible Study (112) 10:30 Celebration (Gym) 12:00-2:00 Anchored 5:00 4-H

SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROTOCOLS

THE FOLLOWING ARE PRACTICES THAT WILL BE FOLLOWED IN ORDER TO PROVIDE THE SAFEST ENVIRONMENT FOR PEOPLE TO GATHER FOR WORSHIP. PLEASE READ THEM CAREFULLY:

- Minimize entrance and exit points for attendees. Access for services in the sanctuary will be limited to the Andrews Street entrance and the East Side Parking Lot entrance. Access for the Celebration service will be limited to the East Side Gym/School entrance. Weather permitting entrance/exit doors will be propped open.
- Post signs at all entrances reminding worshipers to practice social distancing, utilize hand sanitizers, and follow any other guidelines that will be established.
- Bulletins will NOT be handed out, but made available for individuals to pick up. Please take them with you when you leave.
- Offering plates will NOT be passed, but plates will be at the exits of the sanctuary/gym.
- No coffee, beverages or refreshments will be served at this time.
- In the Sanctuary, people will be seated in every other pew. Appropriate signage will be in place to guide the seating. Families may sit together, but also allow 6 feet on either side of the family unit. Individuals must practice the *6-foot rule*. If attending with a friend sitting together is allowed, however 6 feet must be allowed on either side.
- For the Celebration service in the Gym, the same protocols will be observed. In addition, the bleachers will remain closed. The chairs and tables will be arranged to provide for social distancing.
- The use of masks is up to the discretion of the individual worshiper. Masks will NOT be provided. If an individual chooses to wear a mask, they must bring their own.
- Children will be invited forward for the Children's Message, however they will be asked to sit in designated places to provide for social distancing. Siblings may sit together.
- When celebrating the Lord's Supper, the Pastors and Lay Ministers will sanitize their hands immediately before serving. The Pastors will place the bread into the open hand of the individual being careful not to allow for hand to hand contact. The Common Cup will NOT be used during this time. The Lay Ministers will offer the individual cup. Trays will be set up to provide space between the cups so individuals will touch only the cup they are taking. Directions for coming forward and returning to seats will be given each time the Lord's Supper is celebrated.
- Individuals will be encouraged to leave the worship space and/or building following worship and avoid congregating in the narthex or halls. All worship spaces will be sanitized following worship. This includes all handrails, door handles, and any items touched in the normal course of entering and exiting the worship space.

In the joyful service of Jesus,
Pastor Mark & Pastor Steve

SPONSORSHIPS & CONTRIBUTIONS

BAPTISMS

Evelynne Irene Steffen, daughter of Matthew & Tiffany Steffen, was baptized on May 2nd, 2021, at the Celebration service. Sponsors: Aaron Becht and Amy Steffen.

SPONSORSHIPS

The Radio Broadcast has been sponsored by Ruth Hartleben and family in loving memory of Diane Hartleben Buchert, who would've celebrated her birthday on May 5th.

The Altar Arrangement has been placed in honor of Gene & Noreen Uttech's 28th wedding anniversary.

WIL KLEINSCHMIDT SCHOLARSHIP FUND

We know all of you understand the benefit of a Lutheran Education. For some families, it is a financial struggle to attend St. James Lutheran School. After you have prayed about your own situation, we ask that you think about helping out fellow brothers and sisters in Christ. If the Spirit leads you to give with a cheerful heart, please send your gift to the school office marked Scholarship Fund. We appreciate your financial and more importantly, your prayerful support at St. James Lutheran.

TEXT TO GIVE

Do you need an easy, convenient way to contribute to St. James? Give+ Text is a powerful way to give in a matter of seconds. Send a text to **715-502-2037**. It's simple and secure. All donations will go into the Church General Fund unless you specify an option below. After you enter your dollar amount, enter a space then type one of the following options:

- TUITION (School Tuition Fund)
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- MISSIONS (Missions)
- SAMARITAN (The Good Samaritan Fund)

ATTENDANCE & ESTIMATED VIEWS

04/21—04/25

Senior Service	11:00 AM	60
Saturday Traditional	5:30 PM	74
Sunday Traditional	8:00 AM	107
Sunday Online: YouTube	9:00 AM	82
Facebook	9:00 AM	289
Easter Sunday Celebration	10:30 AM	81

CONTRIBUTIONS

04/25/21

MTD

Home Envelopes	16,028	93,228
Cash/Plate	85	820
Thrivent Choice	0	0
School Tuition	830	5,375
Alumni	230	1,205
ECC	7,473	39,871
Preschool	620	1,270
APRIL COLLECTIONS	25,266	141,769
Missions	1,259	2,971
Adopt-a-Student	0	0
Sound System	0	0
Good Samaritan Fund	0	0
Lenten Folders	10	412
Wil Kleinschmidt Scholarship	0	1,200
Race-For-Ed Fundraiser	37,094	37,094

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