

**St. John's Lutheran Church
Belleville, PA**



The Great Catch by John August Swanson

**Third Sunday of Easter
May 1, 2022**

**PRELUDE
WELCOME
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*HYMN ~ *Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing!*

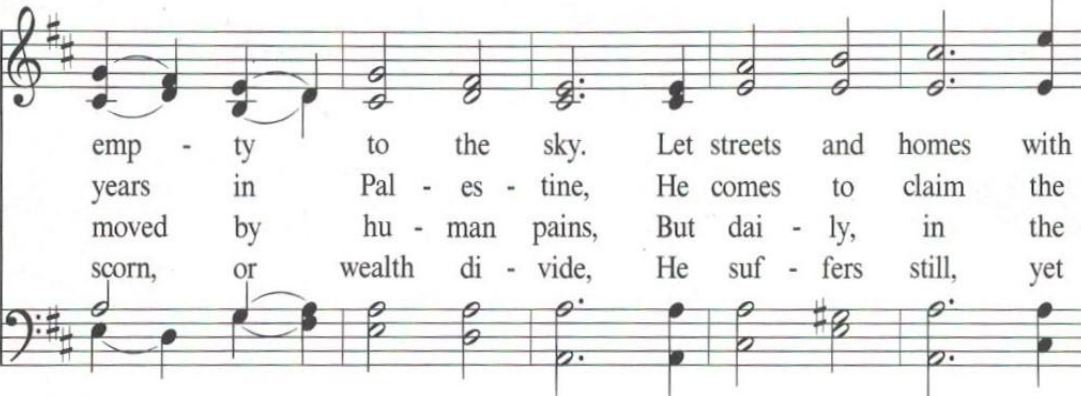
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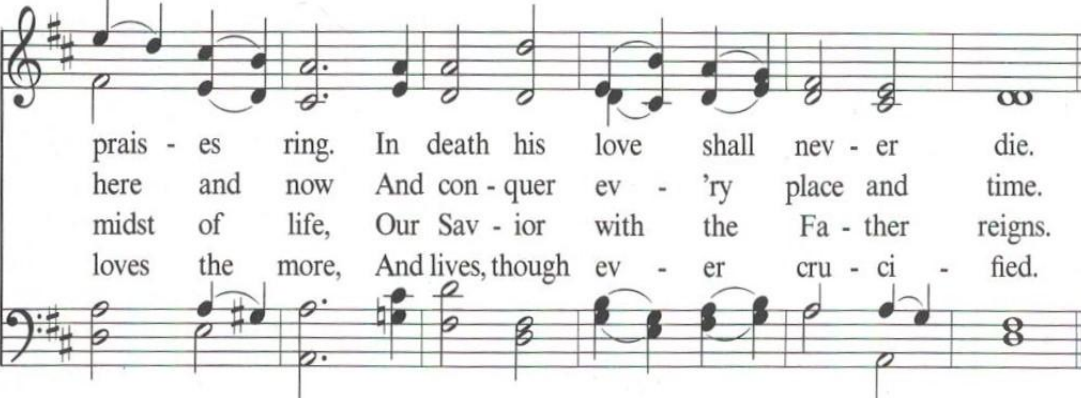
Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing



1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. His cross stands
 2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound To dis - tant
 3 Not throned a - far, re - mote - ly high, Un - touched, un -
 4 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, Where col - or,



emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
 years in Pal - es - tine, He comes to claim the
 moved by hu - man pains, But dai - ly, in the
 scorn, or wealth di - vide, He suf - fers still, yet



prais - es ring. In death his love shall nev - er die.
 here and now And con - quer ev - 'ry place and time.
 midst of life, Our Sav - ior with the Fa - ther reigns.
 loves the more, And lives, though ev - er cru - ci - fied.

- 5 Christ is alive! Ascended Lord—
 He rules the world his Father made,
 Till, in the end, his love adored
 Shall be to all on earth displayed.

***CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS**

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen**

P 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.

C **Amen**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P Most merciful God,

C **we confess that we are in bondage 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**

P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, 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.

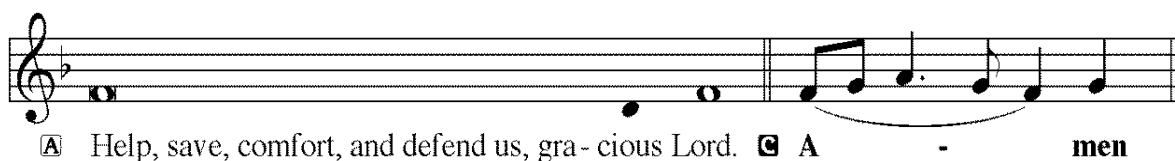
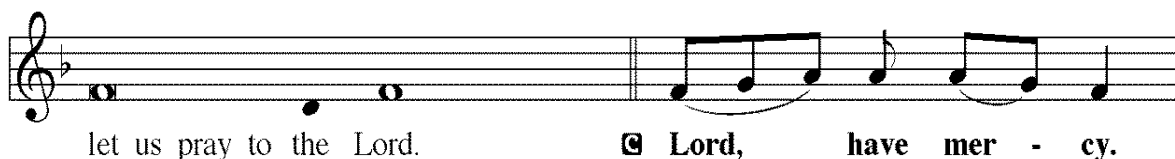
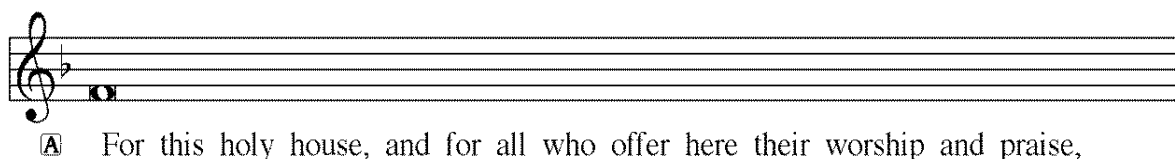
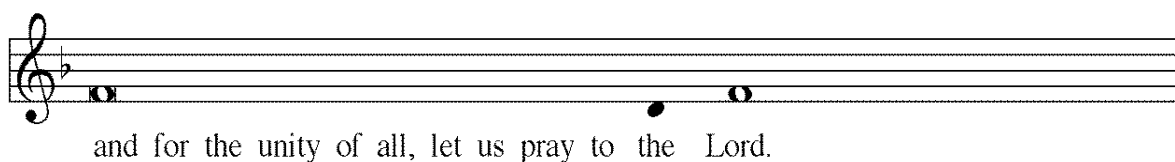
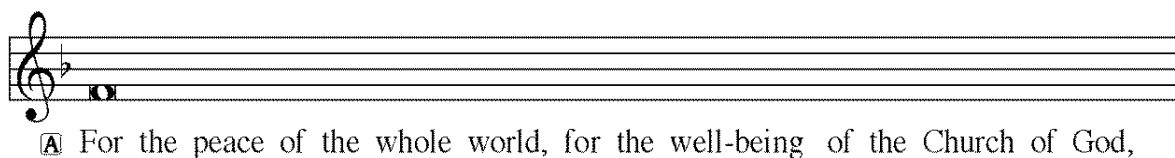
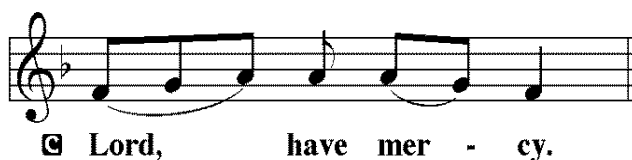
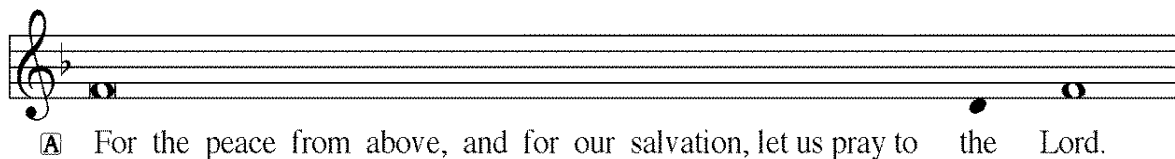
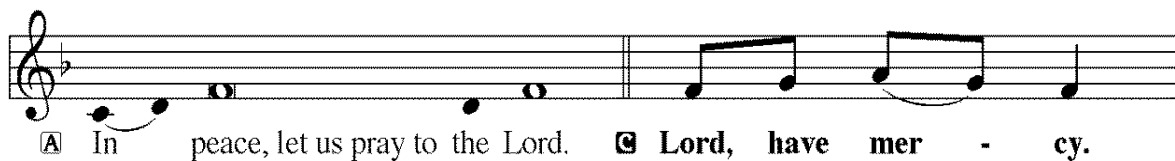
C **Amen**

***GREETING**

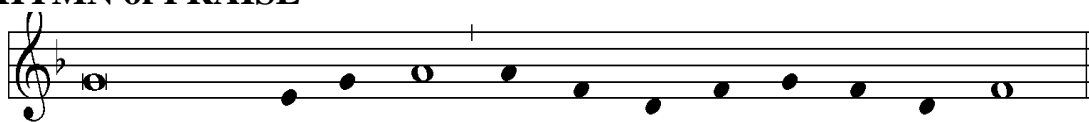
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

***KYRIE**



***HYMN of PRAISE**



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



B Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:



We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - men

***PRAYER of the DAY ~ (in unison)**



P Let us pray...

Eternal and all-merciful God, with all the angels and all the saints we laud your majesty and might. By the resurrection of your Son, show yourself to us and inspire us to follow Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

LESSONS

First Lesson ~ A reading from Acts 9:1-20

P The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

*Psalm 30 ~ with response

The psalm is announced, organ plays response 1x, cantor or pastor sings 1x, congregation sings together 1x. As psalm is read, congregation sings response at each R.

*Second Lesson ~ A reading from Revelation 5:11-14

after the reading

R The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

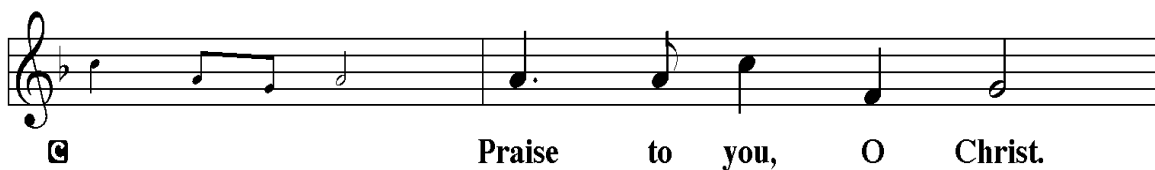


*Gospel Reading ~ P The Holy Gospel according to John the 21st chapter:



After the reading

P The Gospel of the Lord



MESSAGE

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Blessing and Honor

1 Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and pow'r, Wis - dom and
2 Let all the heav - ens re - sound with his name; Let all the
3 Ev - er as - cend - ing the song and the joy, Ev - er de -
4 Give we the glo - ry and praise to the Lamb! Take we the

rich - es and strength ev - er - more, Of - fer to him who our
earth sing his glo - ry and fame. O - cean and moun - tain, stream,
scend-ing the love from on high; Bless - ing and hon - or and
robe and the harp and the psalm; Sing we the song of the

bat - tle has won, Whose are the king - dom, the crown, and the
for - est, and flow'r Ech - o his prais - es and tell of his
glo - ry and praise— This is the theme of the hymns that we
Lamb who was slain, Dy - ing in weak - ness and ris - ing to

throne; Whose are the king - dom, the crown, and the throne!
pow'r; Ech - o his prais - es and tell of his pow'r.
raise; This is the theme of the hymns that we raise.
reign; Dy - ing in weak - ness and ris - ing to reign!

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-1889, alt.
Tune: Matthias Keller, 1813-1890

AMERICAN HYMN
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***APOSTLES' CREED**

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.*

On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again 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**

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE ~ *See Celebrate

P Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for
the church, people in need, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

O God, we pray that Lutheran World Federation will continue to be light in and for
the world, serving neighbors, spreading peace and reconciliation, and standing up
for human dignity. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

***PEACE**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

OFFERING ~ you may leave your gifts in one of the offering plates at the end
of the front and back pews.

***OFFERTORY**

C Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

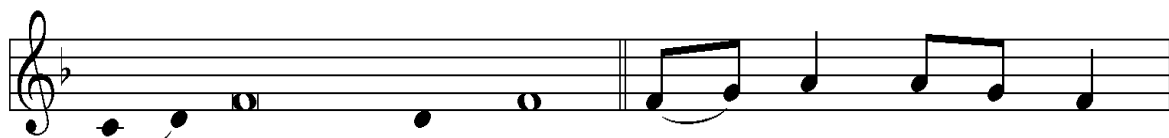
***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

P Let us pray. Merciful Father,

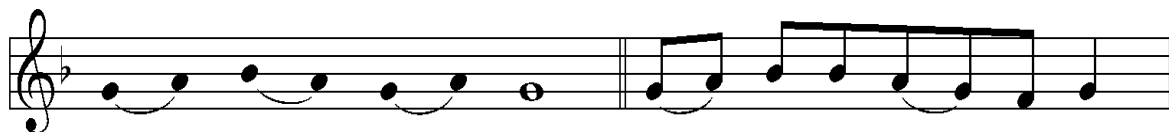
C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given
us--ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your
gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered
himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

***GREAT THANKSGIVING**



P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.



P Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.

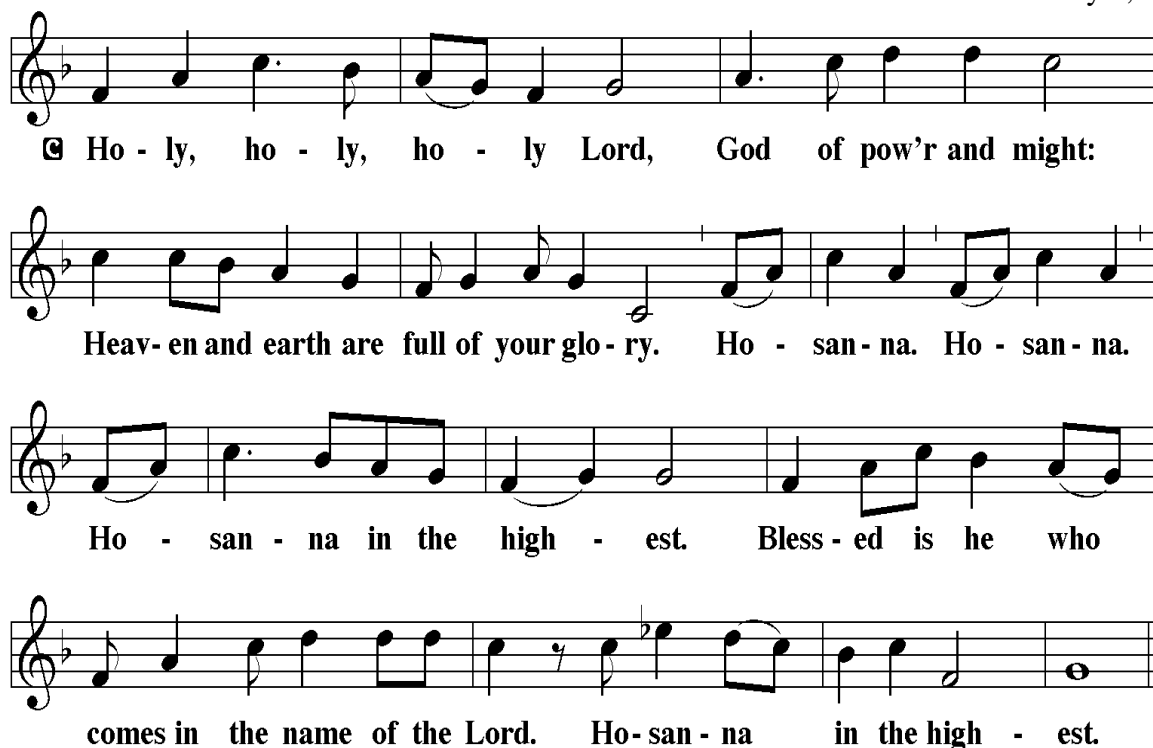


P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

***PREFACE**



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
 Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

P 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.

The Lord's Prayer

P Let us pray as Jesus taught us:

C 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

Invitation to Communion:

P Partake of the banquet, for all is now ready, taste and see that the Lord is good.

P The Bread of Life: the body of Christ, given for you;

C Amen.

P The Cup of the Covenant: the blood of Christ, shed for you.

C Amen.

After Communion

P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen

***POST COMMUNION CANTICLE**



G Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re - calls his prom - is - es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

P Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you refresh us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord

C Amen

***THE BLESSING**

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

*HYMN ~ What Wondrous Love Is This

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What Wondrous Love Is This

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G Dm C Am C Dm F Em Dm

1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
 2 When I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, sink-ing down, When
 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; To
 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; And

Am Am7 F Em Dm Dm7 G Am Am7 Dm G

won-drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this That
 I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, When I was sink-ing down Be -
 God and to the Lamb I will sing; To God and to the Lamb, Who
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; And when from death I'm free, I'll

Am B^b maj7 C Dm G Dm C F Em

caused the Lord of bliss To bear the dread-ful curse for my
 neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a-side his crown for my
 is the great I Am, While mil-lions join the theme, I will
 sing his love for me, And through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing

Dm G Em Dm Am Am7 F Em Dm

soul, for my soul, To bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?
 soul, for my soul, Christ laid a-side his crown for my soul.
 sing, I will sing, While mil-lions join the theme, I will sing.
 on, I'll sing on; And through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing on.

Text: American folk hymn, alt.
 Tune: W. Walker, Southern Harmony, 1835

WONDROUS LOVE
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***DISMISSAL**

P Go in Peace. Serve the Lord

R Thanks be to God

POSTLUDE

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Organist: Seulki Susie Yoo

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Our Mission Statement

*We, the members of St. John's congregation, promise to share
the good news of Jesus Christ, to worship and to love one another
in our homes, church, community and the world.*

Our Vision Statement

*To be people who are welcoming and encourage God's love in our community
through our prayer, devotion, benevolence and deeds.*

Today

Greeters: Jay and Joy Byler; **Lay Reader:** Jami Zook

Next Sunday, May 8

Greeter: Ed Bilich; **Lay Reader:** Ed Bilich

The Altar Flowers in St. John's are given to the Glory of God by
Ed and Cindy Bilich in memory of Joseph H. Bilich.

Please remember in prayer ~ Bob Treaster, Andrea Kauffman, Calvin Baker,
Don F. Smith, Samantha Smith, our members ~ Joyce Stuck (Greenwood Village),
Betty Harmon (Celebration Villa), Carolyn Malone (Rest Haven, York), Pastor
Kramm, Don Wolfe, Carol Yoder (VVH).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to Diane Shetler for providing the music for our worship service
this morning. Our organist Seulki 'Susi' Yoo has been preparing two graduate
recitals at Penn State recently. Her solo recital is tomorrow, Monday May 2 at
Music Building 1 Recital Hall very near the Nittany Parking Deck. Plan to attend!

The May newsletter can be found in the mailboxes of those persons who do not receive it by email.

The loose offering this morning and next Sunday will be directed toward efforts to help the victims of the recent Lewistown fire which displaced 9 persons and took the life of another. If donating by check, please notate "Lewistown Fire" and place it in the offering plate or mail/drop off at the church office.

The Social Ministry committee is hosting a Mother/Father Brunch following the worship service on Sunday, June 5. A sign-up has been placed in the narthex for those planning to attend, and the provide following needed food donations ~

breakfast casseroles
homemade cinnamon rolls or sticky buns
milk, chocolate milk or juice
monetary donations to purchase the sausage/bacon and fruit tray
(please give monetary donations to Sue or church office)

Social Ministry is also entering a float in the annual Memorial Day parade. Carolyn Conner will follow in her car, and anyone who is not able to walk the parade route is welcome to ride along with her. If you are interested in participating, please contact a committee member. A list of our current committees and those who have signed up to serve is included in the newsletter.

St. John's has Meals on Wheels the end of this month/beginning of June. A sign-up can be found in the narthex for anyone who can help provide desserts.

The Veterans will be worshipping with us on Sunday, May 29. Please plan to attend this special service as we glorify our Risen Lord, who died that we may have eternal life, and honor the men and women who gave their lives for our earthly freedom.

January 1 thru April 28, 2022

Last week's attendance ~ 26 Offering ~ \$ 1,875.00

St. John's ~ Income \$72,623.23 Expense \$57,224.55
Net Income \$15,398.68

Daycare ~ Income \$135,216.00 Expense \$118,469.32
Net Income \$16,746.68