

# ST JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH



**SELC**  
**LCMS**



**March 5, 2023**



**Saint John's Evangelical Lutheran Church**

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**Maddy Evancho - *Crucifer***

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP TODAY!**

**It is a joy to worship our Savior, Jesus, with you! In the pews there are blue cards for guests and members. Please fill one out and the ushers will collect them after the offering. And if you are looking for a church home, you've just found it!**



## To Our Visitors



### What is Communion/the Lord's Supper?

As Lutheran (LCMS) Christians, we believe that the bread and wine in Communion are Christ's real, heavenly body and blood. Christ said, "Take, eat, this is my body"; "Take, and drink... this is my blood" (Matthew 26:26 ff). Communion is received for the forgiveness of sins, for the unity with Christ, and for the unity with this congregation, the whole body of Christ.

### Should I receive the Lord's Supper?

- 1) have I been baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?
- 2) Do I believe Communion is the true body and blood of Christ?
- 3) Do I know that God's forgiveness will be delivered to me through this means of grace?
- 4) Am I sorry for my sins, willing to amend my life with God's help, and willing to forgive those who have sinned against me?
- 5) Am I united in the Christian faith of this congregation?

If you can answer, 'yes', to each of these questions, then you are well prepared to receive Communion. If you are uncertain, the pastor or an elder will be happy to talk with you.

## **REMINISCERE SUNDAY**

**Processional Hymn: 713 From God Can Nothing Move Me**

**Confession and Absolution - LSB p.151**

*Stand*

**Service of the Word**

**Introit** - Psalm 25:1–2a, 7–8, 11; antiphon: vv. 6, 2b, 22

- P** Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love,  
**C** **For they have been from of old.**
- P** Let not my enemies exult over me.  
**C** **Redeem Israel, O God, out of all his troubles.**
- P** To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.  
**C** **O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame.**
- P** Good and upright is the LORD;  
**C** **Therefore he instructs sinners in the way.**
- P** For your name's sake, O LORD,  
**C** **Pardon my guilt, for it is great.**
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**
- P** Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love,  
**C** **For they have been from of old.**
- P** Let not my enemies exult over me.  
**C** **Redeem Israel, O God, out of all his troubles.**

**Kyrie** - *LSB p.152*

*(There is no hymn of praise during Lent)*

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

**P** The Lord be with you.      **C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray.

O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

*Sit*

## **Old Testament Reading - Genesis 32:22–32**

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.      **C** **Thanks be to God.**

## **Gradual - Psalm 25:17–18**

**P** The troubles of my heart are enlarged;

**C** **Bring me out of my distresses.**

**P** Consider my affliction and my trouble,

**C** **And forgive all my sins.**

## **Epistle Reading - Romans 5:1–5**

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.      **C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## **Lenten Tract - Psalm 106:1–4**

**P** Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,

**C** **For his steadfast love endures forever!**

**P** Who can utter the mighty deeds of the LORD,

**C** **Or declare all his praise?**

**P** Blessèd are they who observe justice,

**C** **Who do righteousness at all times!**

**P** Remember me, O LORD, when you show favor to your people;

**C** **Help me when you save them.**

## **Holy Gospel - Matthew 15:21–28**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the Fifteenth chapter.

**G** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

*The gospel is read from the nave*

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**G** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

*Sit*

**Hymn of the Day: 615 When in the Hour of Deepest Need**

**Sermon: “Walking, sometimes wrestling, with God!”**

*Stand*

**Nicene Creed - LSB p.158**

**Prayer of the Church**

*Sit*

**Offering**

*Stand*

**Offertory - LSB p.159**

**Service of the Sacrament**

**Preface - LSB p.160**

**Sanctus**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**The Words and Declaration of Our Lord**

**Lord's Prayer**

**Pax Domini**

**Agnus Dei**

*Sit*

**Distribution** (*770 What a Friend We Have in Jesus & 547 The Lamb*)

*Stand*

**Nunc Dimittis** - *LSB p.165*

**Post-Communion Collect**

**Benediction**

**Closing Hymn: 734 I Trust, O Lord, Your Holy Name**

### **Our Stewardship at a Glance**

Sunday Morning Worship: 43 Faithful Servants

Lenten Midweek Service: 29 Faithful Servants

Caring and Sharing: 6 Faithful Servants

Altar Workers: Dave and Nancy Trovitch

Communion Assistant: Dave Trovitch

Counters: Dan Starry and Ruth Beishline

Flowers:

Tithes and Offerings: \$1085.00

Parish House: \$20.00

Memorials: \$100.00, In Memory of my Father, Paul Junas, on the 122<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of his birth, February 28<sup>th</sup>. From Bob Junas.

## Mission/Vision Statement

“We are faith-Growing Followers of Christ,  
Reaching out in Response to God’s Love”

## Prayers for Members

We encourage you this week to pray for:

John Belko, Robert Drummond, Barry Gangwer, Frank Gilham,  
Robert Gould, Pauline Onder, Edward Trovitch, Sherry Wargo,  
Patti Zschunke, Bob Onder, Irene Beishline, Lorraine and Jack Ross,  
Mason Moppin, and Rachel Griffith.

May the Lord continue to unite and bless us in the faith.

## This Week at St. John’s

Monday: Women’s Caring and Sharing, March 6<sup>th</sup> @ 10 am

Tuesday: Catechism Class at 5.30pm

Elders Meeting at the Drummonds at 7pm

Wednesday: Lenten Service at 7pm

Thursday: Men’s Night at The Tap at Humboldt at 7pm

Sunday: Divine Service with Communion at 9 am.

Bible Study and Sunday School after the service.

***Pot Luck at Immanuel Lutheran Church at 6pm!***

***238 Reese St, Scranton, PA, 18508-1449, USA***

## Meetings

Council Meeting: NEXT SUNDAY, after the study hour

## Altar Guild

We are looking for volunteers to be on the Altar Guild. It would require you to set up and put away the Altar. Depending on how many volunteers we get, it would be one-month every three to four months. Teams of two will be assigned. If you would like to volunteer, please see Nancy Trovitch. This is a great opportunity for our teens and Youth Group.

## Wish List for Earmarked Donations

1. Ongoing Newspaper Advertisements
2. A Safe for Communion and Altar Ware
3. Glazing for Church Windows
4. New church signs for street directions and new events (Including Bilingual)
5. Lutheran Service Builder Subscription for Bulletins (\$175 for the year)
6. A New Organ

## Community Luncheons

There will be a meeting TODAY at 11.15am for anyone who is interested in helping with the Community Luncheons. We are aiming for the fourth Saturday of May as our first luncheons. If you are interested in helping but are not able to attend the meeting please let Nancy Trovitch know.



## Need anything from the Pastor?

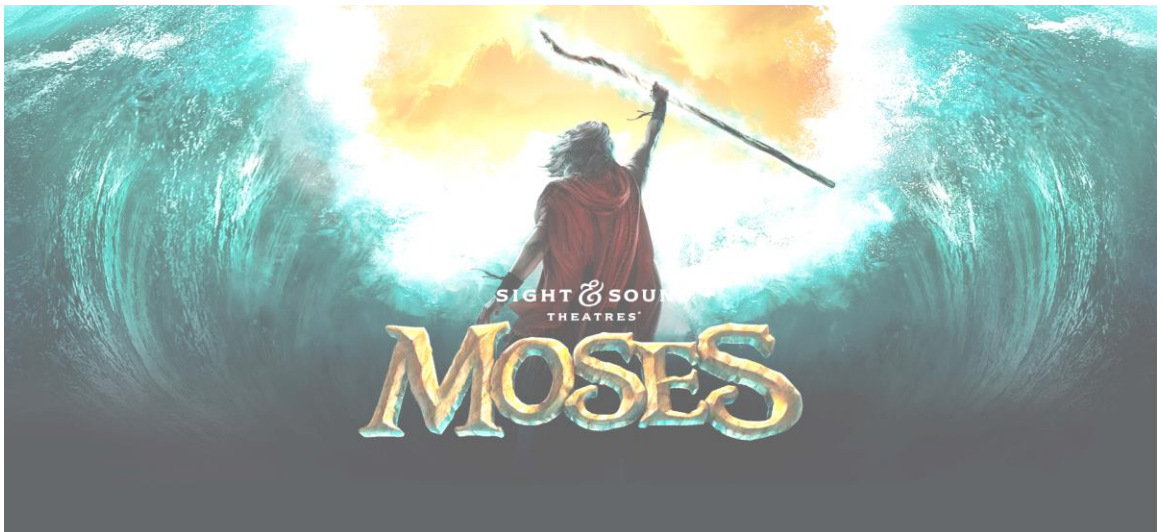
Pastor Naumann's Cell Phone: +1 (917) 900 7502

Pastor is available for emergencies, private confession, or just a cup of coffee. Maybe you'd like to host a mid-week Bible Study? Just give him a text. Maybe you're looking to volunteer. Do you need pre-marital counseling? Is your child of confirmation age? Looking to start a new group and need a venue? Now's the time to get involved. God bless you.

## Prayer Chain Request?

Contact: Lucille Adamoyurka - (570) 956-1678

Let us know if you would like to come with us to see **Moses** at Sight and Sound this Summer! Contact Nancy Trovitch



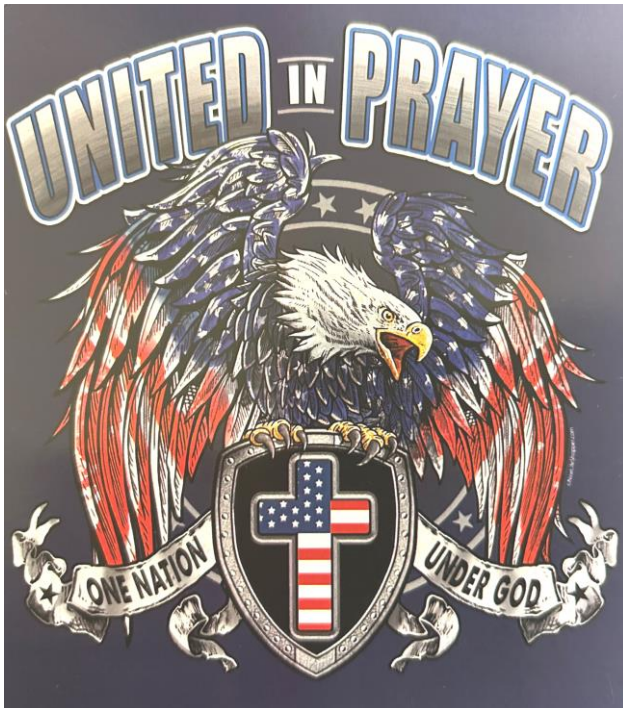
## St. John's Youth

Youth Club is every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at 5pm

St. John's Youth will be getting new T-shirts with the Church's name on them. If you would like one, please let Jolene know by Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>. Let her know what size you would like:

(SM, MD, LG, XL are \$10 per shirt) – (2X, 3X, 4X, or 5X are \$15 per shirt)

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As C S Lewis can have Aslan's Country, we can have a Christian Country!



**SELC LWML**  
**March 11, 2023**  
Concordia Lutheran Church, Macungie, PA

Please mark your calendars for a SELC LWML meeting to be held on **March 11, 2023** at Concordia Lutheran Church in Macungie, PA. The meeting will be held from 10 AM - 2 PM. You are encouraged to attend and help to plan future plans for the LWML in the SELC.

### Meeting Schedule

10 AM Welcome, Introductions, and Opening Devotion

10:30 AM The LWML in the SELC – Where we have been, where we are, and where can we go?

- Our role
- New ideas/projects
- Future meetings
- Action plan for 2023 and beyond

12:00 PM Lunch and presentation from Emmaus food bank - we will be collecting items for the food bank.

1:00 Bible Study

2:00 Meeting ends

**POSTPONED**

**Pastor Naumann will be driving anyone interested in going to the LWML Meeting. Please be at the church at 8.30am, so we can leave on time.**

**Thank you.**



START

Man shall not live by bread alone

You shall not test The Lord Your God

You shall worship the Lord Your God only