

Please keep the following families in your prayers:

Vic Schaffranek	Bev Costlow	Dan Buterbaugh	Krystal Cann
Carolyn Pinos	Alice Hart	Bob Hufford	The Dibosky Family
Bill Miller	Irene Beyer	Judith Leap	Blanche Marks
Dora Smith	Tim Enderlein	John Sherbine	Gail Stancovich
Ruth Connelly	Sammy Lamar	Dan George	Patty Shultz
Elzy Pauley	Pearl Maul	John Mraz	Nolan Russian
Barb Yetsko	E. Louise Leap	Marge Hornyak	Bud Hazlett
Shirley Hazlett	Sasha Yetsko	Jen Sherbine	Karen Fedorko
Agnes Abbotts	Katelyn Gaunt	Darlene McNair	Abby Duttry
Gloria Eckenrod	Bill Conley, Sr.	Tom Cordwell	Cheryl Sherbine
Glenn & Connie Glasgow	Ellamae & David Gaudlip	Kim Cordwell	
Bill Labar	Matthew Sherbine	Joanne Leap	
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Calendar

- April 15 Kristy Harford to Preach; Pray for Christ Lutheran Johnstown
- April 22 Pastor Knauss to Preach; Pray for First Lutheran Johnstown
- April 29 Pastor Paula Schmitt to Preach; Pray for Grace Lutheran Johnstown

Vacancy Pastor contact: Pastor Walter Startzel can be reached @ (814)442-3818. Please be sure to contact Pastor Startzel for any pastoral needs; funeral, hospital, baptism, wedding, counseling, etc.

**NEEDED:** Sunday School Teacher for grades 2 through 7 at First effective August 2018.

Classes for First Holy Communion for 2nd grade and up will be held on April 22nd, April 29th, and May 6th. Classes will be held at 8 a.m. at First. Contact Cheryl Sherbine at (814) 736-8042. First Holy Communion will be on May 13, 2018.

ST. LUKE: Hoagie Sale April 21, 2018

First Lutheran’s Mother’s Day Banquet will be held at Hoss’ in Ebensburg on May 8th. Last day to sign up is April 29th. Sign up sheet is hanging on the door in the Narthex.

Please submit any names for high school/college graduations to be placed in the newsletter.

Indoor Yard Sale sponsored by Cresson Volunteer Fire Company-April 21st 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cresson Fire Hall Ashcroft Avenue.

Bulletin Announcements: Please call and leave messages no later than Wednesday @ 12 noon.

Please place May/June Newsletter items in Secretary’s mailbox at both churches by April 22, 2018. Thank You.

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Third Sunday of Easter  
April 15, 2018

Lilly-Portage Lutheran Parish 886-2222  
Worship Sundays 9:00 a.m. at First, Portage, and 11:00 a.m. at St. Luke, Lilly  
Sunday school 10:00 a.m. at St. Luke, Lilly, and 10:15 a.m. at First, Portage

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Communion Hospitality

*Lutheran Christians believe Christ is truly present in his supper. By faith we receive his Body and Blood “in, with, and under” the forms: of bread and wine for our forgiveness, life, and salvation. All baptized Christians who desire to receive Jesus in his sacrament, are welcome to commune.*

FIRST: Sanctuary Candle In memory of Michael Pinos by Ruth Elaine; Small Candles in memory of Michael Pinos by Ruth Elaine; and Tall Candles in memory of Michael Pinos by Ruth Elaine

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Setting II

Parish Announcements  
Prelude

\*= Stand (The sign of the cross + may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.)

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who calls beloved children, who gathers us into one flock, who guides us into all truth. Amen.

P: Let us confess our sins, trusting that God will forgive us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.  
(Silence for self-examination. At First, please kneel as able)

P: Faithful and just God, we confess that we are captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We have not loved our sisters and brothers as you have first loved us. Forgive us, God of mercy. Let your Holy Spirit work in us to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the abundant life given in Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

P: In this love, not that we loved God but that God loved us and sent the Son to atone for our sins. In the name of + Jesus Christ, I announce to you that your sins are forgiven. Let the perfect love of God cast out fear, fill you with joy, and inspire you to live for others. Amen.

\*Entrance Hymn “Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen” WOV 674

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen! C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!  
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 p. 78

\*Hymn of Praise “Worthy is Christ” p. 81

\*The Prayer of the Day

First Reading: Acts 3:12-19 L: The Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God! p. 216  
Psalm 4  
Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-7 L: The Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God!  
\*The Verse “Alleluia” p. 83  
\*The Gospel: Luke 24:36b-48 ...responses p. 83  
Sermon

\*Hymn of the Day “With High Delight Let Us Unite” LBW 140

\*Nicene Creed p. 84

\*Prayers of the Church A: Lord in your mercy... C: Hear our prayer.

\*Peace P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. C: And also with you.

The ministers and congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord, and then be seated.

Offering The Offering is received as the Lord’s table is prepared.

\*Offertory “Let the Vineyards..” p. 86

\*Offertory Prayer A: Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world. Amen.

L: When our congregations gathered last Sunday for the celebration of Holy Communion, we heard again the story of God’s mighty acts and of the love shown us in the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. With thanksgiving we remembered that “in the night in which he was betrayed, he 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.” We were given by Pastor assurance of our Lord’s presence through the gift of the Holy Spirit. Now we bring to you this same bread of life and this same cup of blessing, that you may be strengthened through your participation in the body of Christ.

\* The Lord’s Prayer p. 91

Now let us feast this Easter day on Christ, the bread of heaven. Hallelujah!

\*Agnus Dei “Lamb of God” p. 92

As the ministers give the bread and wine, they say these words to each communicant:

“The body of Christ, given for you.’ & ‘The blood of Christ, shed for you.’

After each, the communicant may say: ‘Amen.’

Communion: “Around You, O Lord Jesus” LBW 496

\*Post-Communion Blessing p. 92

\*Post-Communion Prayer A: Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ’s death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus’ resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

\*Blessing: P: May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy. Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Sprit, bless you now and forever. C: Amen.

\*Recessional Hymn: “ The Strife Is O’er, the Battle Done” LBW 135

\*Dismissal A: Alleluia! Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia! You are the body of Christ raised up for the world. Go in peace. Share the good news. Thanks be to God.

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