

WELCOME in the NAME OF JESUS  
St. Peter's Lischey's UCC  
www.lischeysucc.org (717) 225-3932  
Third Sunday of Easter  
May 4, 2025  
10:30 AM (In the Sanctuary & via YouTube)

Welcome and Gathering Songs- Don Carl

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude: Chime Choir- "For the Beauty of the Earth"

Kocher/McChesney

Call to Worship

L: Sing praise to God and give thanks to God's holy name!

**P: Weeping may linger for a night, but joy comes in the morning.**

L: God turns our weeping to dancing,

**P: You clothe us in gladness.**

L: Now we know victory over death and joy over despair!

**ALL: The tomb is empty and death has been defeated for all the earth!**

Hymn: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" - Red Hymnal #96

Ellor

Confession

L: God's great love has been shown to us in the death and resurrection of His Son, yet we have turned away. Let us make our confession to God.

**ALL: Gracious God, we confess that there are many hours when we are not mindful of your presence. We give in to comfort and avoid the challenge that comes from your Word and Spirit. Forgive us and restore the joy of knowing you. Amen.**

L: If you are serious about the confession you have made, God will bless your efforts. Your past is forgiven and your future will be fruitful.

**P: Our joy is made complete through Jesus Christ. Thanks be to God.**

Children's Message- Pastor Cathy

Scripture: Revelation 5:1-14 - Blaine Breeden

Message: Blessing, Honor, & Glory Forever

Hymn: "More Love to Thee" - Red Hymnal #363

Doane

Affirmation of Faith: The Apostle's Creed (Praise Booklet, p. 3)

275<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Moment- Jean Weidler

Announcements, Joys, and Prayer Concerns

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer (Praise Booklet, p. 3)

\*Closing Hymn: "Jesus Lives, and So Shall I" - Red Hymnal #224

Cruger

\*Benediction

\*Postlude: "Praise Him, King of Heaven"

Richolson

*\*All who are able, please rise.*



Weekly Announcements, Updates, and Concerns

May 4, 2025

Visitors...

Thank you for joining us today. We are happy to have you here. Please sign the guestbook located at the bell tower. Since you may be unfamiliar with us, below are some housekeeping items to help you find your way around:

- Restrooms are located in the overflow room, in the new section by the office, and down the stairs from the new sections.
- Brown offering envelopes are located in the pew backs and also on the cart by the bulletins. The offering plate is located on the cart.

Thank You!

A heartfelt thank you to Nancy McIntyre for her thoughtful coordination of the Orion choral group's visit and for organizing the delicious luncheon that followed the service. Special thanks as well to the Hammes and SPLATT for planning and leading such a meaningful service – what a wonderful job the kids did! We're also sincerely grateful to everyone who donated food, helped with serving, and assisted with cleanup. Your generosity and teamwork were truly a blessing to all. And wow – thank you for the incredibly generous love offering to Orion. A total of **\$457.00** was given – what an amazing gift!

Thank You for the Hygiene Item Donations for Spring Grove Students

Thank you to all who donated items for the hygiene kits. **All items are due TODAY.** Please have all donations in by **Sunday, May 4th**. Hygiene kits will be **assembled on Tuesday, May 6th at 6:30 pm** at St. Paul's UCC, Stoverstown. Two volunteers are needed. Please see Jean Weidler.

Lische's Lunchers TODAY...

Lische's Lunchers will gather for lunch and fellowship at Genova's in Spring Grove on Sunday, May 4th at 12 noon. Please let Jean Weidler know if you plan to come so we can reserve seats to be together. See you there!

Red Geraniums for Memorial Day & Pentecost...

This year, we will once again adorn our church with beautiful red geraniums – but with a special twist! Because Pentecost falls later this year on **June 8th**, and there were concerns about geranium availability at that time, we've decided to celebrate a little differently. We'll begin our celebration on **Memorial Day weekend, Sunday, May 25th**, by filling the sanctuary with vibrant red geraniums. These blooms will not only honor the Spirit for Pentecost, but also serve as the "Red" in our patriotic tribute to **Red, White, and Blue** for Memorial Day. Geraniums designated as donations to the church will be planted in our outdoor flower beds and will continue to bless us with beauty throughout the summer. These will be on display as we gather again on **Pentecost Sunday**, creating a welcoming and festive atmosphere. **Geraniums are \$5.75 each.** You are invited to donate geraniums in **honor or memory** of a loved one, a veteran, or someone

currently serving in the military. This year’s combined celebration offers even more meaningful reasons to participate.

Please remember:

- **Pick up your flowers** after the service on **May 25th**.
- If you’d prefer your donation be planted at the church for all to enjoy, thank you for your generosity!
- If you’re unable to pick up your flowers that Sunday, please note that on the order form so we can set them aside and not plant them by mistake.

Order forms and **marked envelopes** can be found on the offertory table in the overflow room. Please include your payment and place your completed envelope in the offering plate.

**Orders are due by May 12th.**

If you have any questions, please contact **Darlene Miner**.

**Jefferson Homemaker’s May 22<sup>nd</sup>...**

Jefferson Homemaker's will have their May meeting at The Old Farm House Tea Room in Thomasville on Thursday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 11:30 AM. The tea luncheon costs \$23 and includes meal, tax, and gratuity. For those who want to carpool, we will meet at the church by 11 AM. Please let Jean Weidler or Joan Messinger know by May 12<sup>th</sup> if you would like to attend.

**Sanctuary, Chime, & Joyful Singers Choirs Announcement...**

There are no Chime Choir rehearsals after May 1<sup>st</sup>. No Sanctuary Choir rehearsal on May 15<sup>th</sup> (Nancy is on vacation). There is one Sanctuary Choir rehearsal left for the season on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. The Joyful Singers will rehearse on May 18<sup>th</sup> and perform during the service (Gary Kyp will be playing).

**🎵 Outdoor Christian Music Concert 🎵**

This concert **features Emerson Day** with special guest **Chris Hughes**.

- 📍 *Fort Loudon Community Park*  
142 Mullen St., Fort Loudon, PA
- 🕒 *Saturday, **May 17<sup>th</sup>**, at 4:00 PM*
- 💎 **Free Entry** – All Are Welcome!
- 🍔 Food Trucks on Site
- 🪑 *Bring Your Own Chair*

Join them for an uplifting evening of music, fellowship, and fun under the open sky! Come early, grab a bite, and enjoy the powerful sounds of worship and praise. See Toni O’Neal for questions.

<u>Thank you to our helpers this week:</u>		<u>Next week’s helpers are:</u>
<i>Gathering Music</i>	Don Carl	Blaine Breeden
<i>Lay Liturgist</i>	Blaine Breeden	None
<i>Children’s Message</i>	Pastor Cathy	Melisa Altland
<i>Acolyte</i>	Ellie Kessler	Sage Freed
<i>Greeters</i>	Linda & Jim Freed	Michele Hamme & Jean Gross
<i>Money Counters</i>	Carol Brown, Lois Nelson, & Joanne Hoffman	Lisa Crisamore, Don Carl, Darlene Miner
<i>Sound &amp; Streaming</i>	Amanda Godfrey & Pat McKowen	Joy & Larry Spangler

### **Upcoming Events at Lischey's Church...**

Thursday, May 8 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 PM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, May 11 <sup>th</sup>	9:15 AM	Adult Sunday School
	9:30 AM	Children & SPLATT Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service- Music Appreciation Sunday
Sunday, May 18 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 AM	Joyful Singers practice and perform during the worship service.
Thursday, May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	11:00 AM	Jefferson Homemakers meet at church to carpool to The Old Farm House Tea Room
	11:30 AM	Jefferson Homemaker's Tea at The Old Farm House Tea Room

### **Office Hours...**

The office will be open during the hours listed below. Doors will be locked for security; therefore, we ask that you call (717) 225-3932 to let us know you are coming. Staff will be there at the following times:

Cathy Sherry, Pastor	Tue/Wed	10:00 AM - Noon
Nancy Cherry, Minister of Music	Mon/Thur	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Pat McKowen, Secretary	Mon-Thur	Noon - 2:00 PM

### **Upcoming Birthdays (\*Designates Over 80)**

May 04	*Anna Foreman	May 10	Alex Brown
May 09	Ryder Linker	May 10	Myles Brown

### **Our Response to God's Love for Last Week was...**

Attendance	142- 141 Sanctuary/ 1 YouTube
Current Offering	\$1,595.00
Loose	105.00
OCWM	70.00
Harvest of Hope	25.00
Building for Service	50.00
Orion Love Offering	457.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,302.00</b>

***\*\*SEE BELOW FOR MISSIONS SURVEY and GERANIUMS ORDER FORM***

**Please place a check mark by five (5) Mission Opportunities you would most likely support:**

- ☐ Christmas Gift-A-Way project with Mt. Zion UCC, provide free gifts for parents & children
- ☐ Hanover Area Council of Churches – prepare occasional evening meals for homeless shelter
- ☐ Hat and Mitten Tree – collect items including hats and mittens for a local charity during Advent
- ☐ Hoffman Homes – in October get gift tags for Christmas gift requests, small volunteer team to wrap gifts at the Home. Year-round Wish List
- ☐ Homewood Home at Plum Creek – volunteers to run a Bingo time, provide prizes
- ☐ Hygiene Kit Project for Spring Grove Area School District students – collect items requested three times a school year
- ☐ Nixon Park - Earth Day, Action Days, April & November, volunteer teams to plant trees and prune/remove invasive plants
- ☐ Olivia House, York & Hanover – bake cookies for events, other volunteer opportunities for individuals. They also have separate Wish Lists for each site.
- ☐ Pappas House – provide a meal, multiple individual volunteer opportunities
- ☐ River Rock Academy, Spring Grove – Gym recently remodeled, in need of PE Equipment. Other needs include Arts and Crafts materials and small incentive gifts for younger students.
- ☐ Ronald McDonald House – provide food and prepare meal on site for approx. 50 people. No more than 6 people in a group, ages 18 or older. Adult may accompany those 16 & 17
- ☐ SPCA of York County – Wish List; also items, like a cat shelter, that can be made for cats and dogs could be a group project
- ☐ York Habitat for Humanity – volunteer opportunities Tuesdays through Saturdays, 8am-2pm – we could form a team or go individually

## **Pentecost Geraniums**



**Price:** \$5.75

**Deadline to order:** May 12, 2025

**Quantity** \_\_\_\_\_ x \$5.75 each

**= \_\_\_\_\_ Total Enclosed**

**In Honor of:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**In Memory of:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Presented by:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Donate** \_\_\_\_\_ **geraniums to the church garden**

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Put a check in the box if you plan to take your geranium/s but will not be in church on May 25<sup>th</sup>.



## **Memorial Fund Donation**

If you would prefer to donate money to the Memorial Fund instead of purchasing a Pentecost geranium, please fill out the information below.

**Donation Amount \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**In Memory of:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Presented by:** \_\_\_\_\_

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