

WELCOME in the NAME OF JESUS
St. Peter's Lischey's UCC
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Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 18, 2025
10:30 AM (In the Sanctuary & via YouTube)

Welcome and Gathering Songs- Michele Hamme

Ringin' of the Bell

Prelude- "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring"

Bach

Call to Worship

L: God has made this day.

P: Let us rejoice and be glad.

L: The God who raised Jesus from the dead raises us to new life daily.

P: Thanks be to God!

ALL: Glory to God our Creator, to Jesus our risen Christ, and to the Spirit our Comforter. Amen.

Hymn: "Holy, Holy, Holy" - #262 Red Hymnal

Dykes

Confession

L: God's love is steadfast, and God's faithfulness endures from age to age. Let us confess our sin and our need for God.

ALL: Gracious God, we confess that sometimes we are not alive to the possibilities you offer. In the midst of pain, unfairness and fear, we find little reason for hope. We feel despair or blame others, but we do not turn to you for help. Forgive us and show us how to share the new life you offer, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

L: For all who have come believing in Christ as the Way, the Truth, and the Life, there is forgiveness for your sins and the guarantee of eternal life through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Joyful Singers: "Jesus Loves the Little Children"

Root

Children's Message - Michele Hamme

Scripture: Revelation 21: 1-6— Jean Weidler

Message: In Faith, We Believe

Klein

Hymn: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" - #1 Red Hymnal

Beethoven

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

Announcements, Joys, & Prayer Concerns

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

*Closing Hymn: "All Creatures of Our God and King" - #64 Red Hymnal

Draper

*Benediction

*Postlude- “Lift High the Cross”

Nicholson

Weekly Announcements, Updates, and Concerns
May 18, 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...

Thank you to all the choirs, groups, and soloists that have contributed their musical talents in worship this year. Our congregation has been blessed by your commitment. Thank you especially for all your efforts to prepare for Music Appreciation Sunday and your generous gifts. I am privileged to continue working with you. ♥ *Nancy Cherry*

Thank You...

Thank you to **Gary Kyp** for graciously filling in on the organ this week while **Nancy Cherry** is away. Gary, we are truly blessed by your willingness to share your time and musical talents with us. Your contribution to our worship service is deeply appreciated!

Thank You for Your Generosity...

We extend our sincere thanks to all who purchased geraniums in observance of **Memorial Day**. The vibrant red blooms will add beauty to our sanctuary and serve as a meaningful tribute to the brave veterans who gave their lives in service to our country. We are also grateful to those who donated geraniums to be planted outdoors in celebration of **Pentecost Sunday**, commemorating the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples and all believers.

Geranium Planting Day—Weather permitting, the geraniums will be planted on **Tuesday, May 27th, beginning at 8:30 AM**. Volunteers are welcome—bring a shovel, gloves, and a willing spirit! Your help in beautifying the church grounds is truly appreciated. Many hands make light work!

Jefferson Homemaker's May 22nd...

Jefferson Homemaker's will have their May meeting at The Old Farm House Tea Room in Thomasville on Thursday, May 22nd 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.

Summer Mission & Outreach Opportunities...

We're excited to offer several ways to serve our community this summer! To help us plan and organize teams, please indicate your interest by signing up on the sheet located on the table in the overflow room.

You'll have the chance to:

- Visit and encourage our homebound members
- Prepare a meal for the local homeless shelter
- Host a fun Bingo event at Sharon's Personal Care Home

Final dates and details will be set at the end of May, based on interest and availability. Thank you for being the hands and feet of Christ this summer!

Summer Worship Schedule: June 1st - August 31st...

Join us on Sunday mornings this summer for worship in two settings:

- **8:30 AM Outdoor Service** – Gather with us under the open sky as we worship in God's creation. Bring a chair!
- **10:30 AM Indoor Service** – A traditional service held in the sanctuary.

Please Note: On **Sunday, June 22**, we will have **one combined service** in celebration of **Vacation Bible School**. Details will be shared closer to the date.

We look forward to worshipping with you this summer – come as you are, and bring a friend!

Attention SPLATT Bus Trip Participants!

If you've reserved a spot for the SPLATT Bus Trip to see *Noah* on **July 16th**, please note that **payment is due by June 8th**.

The **total cost is now \$115**, which covers:

- Your ticket to the show
- Round-trip transportation
- A group lunch at Golden Corral (including drink and gratuity)

Golden Corral has generously provided a group rate of \$15 for the meal, which is now included in the total cost.

To make a payment:

Please give your payment to **Bud Hamme** and include a note specifying it's for the SPLATT trip.

Checks can be made out to **Bud Hamme** or **St. Peter's Lischey's UCC**. The bus will depart from the church at **9:30 AM on July 16th**. After the show, we'll enjoy a late lunch together at Golden Corral.

🔔 Vacation Bible School at St. Peter's Lischey's!

Join us for an exciting week of fun, faith, and adventure at **Vacation Bible School** from **June 16th to June 20th**, each evening from **6:00 PM to 8:15 PM** at **St. Peter's Lischey's Church!**

🎯 This year's theme: "True North"

Embark on the ultimate Alaskan adventure where the northern lights dance above towering mountains, rushing rivers, and shimmering glaciers. As kids journey across the tundra, they'll discover how easy it is to lose their way in today's wild and ever-changing world. But through it all, *True North VBS* points them to Jesus – the constant, faithful friend they can always trust. He is our guiding light. He is our *True North*.

🍽️ Light supper served nightly from 5:30 PM to 6:00 PM

Come early, grab a bite, and get ready for an evening filled with joy and discovery.

This event is **open to all** – Bible Study will also be offered to the adults. We can't wait to see you there!

Bring your friends and let's follow True North together!

📍 *St. Peter's Lischey's Church*

📅 *June 16–20*

🕒 *5:30 PM supper | 6:00–8:15 PM VBS*

May Council Meeting Highlights...

- Council has renewed Pastor Cathy's contract until the end of September.
- The Search Committee is looking for two people to join the committee, please see anyone on the Search Committee for information and or interest.
- Allison's Plumbing has completed the water repairs.

Thank you to our helpers this week:

<i>Gathering Music</i>	Michele Hamme	Blaine Breeden
<i>Lay Liturgist</i>	Jean Weidler	Don Carl
<i>Children's Message</i>	Michele Hamme	None
<i>Acolyte</i>	Kira Bakner	Sam Wagaman
<i>Greeters</i>	Elvin Myers & Diane Patterson	Joy & Larry Spangler
<i>Money Counters</i>	Joanne Hoffman, Darlene Miner, & Pat McKowen	Lisa Crisamore, Tammy Wetzels, & Pat McKowen
<i>Sound & Streaming</i>	Cole McKowen & Steve Miner	Blaine Breeden & Joy Spangler

Next week's helpers are:**Upcoming Events at Lischey's Church...**

Sunday, May 18 th	11:30 AM	Congregational Meeting to vote on moving forward with the roof repairs.
Thursday, May 22 nd	11:00 AM	Jefferson Homemakers meet at church to carpool to The Old Farm House Tea Room
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Sunday, June 1 st	8:30 AM	Outdoor Service
	10:30 AM	Indoor Service
Tuesday, June 3 rd	4:00 PM	Harvest of Hope Volunteer Hours – Joy Spangler, Jenell McKowen, & Cheryl Albright. 2-3 more volunteers needed.
Sunday, June 8 th	8:30 AM	Outdoor Service with Communion
	10:30 AM	Indoor Service with Communion

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 19	Linda Pentz	May 20	Ryan McKowen
May 20	Diane Kimball	May 24	*Maybelle Altland

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

Attendance 65- 61 Sanctuary/ 4 YouTube

Current Offering	\$2,950.00
Loose Offering	100.00
OCWM	160.00
Pentecost Geraniums	281.00
Community Aid	20.00
Building for Service	50.00
Total	\$3,561.00