

WELCOME in the NAME OF JESUS
St. Peter's Lischey's UCC
www.lischeysucc.org (717) 225-3932
Fifth Sunday of Easter
Sunday, May 3, 2026
10:30 AM (In the Sanctuary & via YouTube)

Welcome and Gathering Songs- Don Carl

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude: "The Beautiful Garden of Prayer"

Fillmore

Call to Worship

L: Easter People, in the midst of our questions and doubts, Jesus answers:

P: I am the way, the truth, and the life.

L: In the midst of our worry and distress, Jesus assures us:

P: I am the way, the truth, and the life.

L: In the midst of misinformation, confusion, and distrust, Jesus reminds us:

P: I am the way, the truth, and the life.

L: In the midst of dead ends and impossible challenges, Jesus shows us:

P: I am the way, the truth, and the life.

L: Come, let us worship as we learn to follow Jesus, our way, our truth, and our life.

P: Come, let us worship! Thanks be to God!

*Hymn: "Victory in Jesus" - Red Hymnal #473

Bartlett, Sr.

Confession:

ALL: God of abiding love and infinite patience, be with us this day. We have come from times of stress, difficulties, as well as times of hope and joy. We bring to you our concerns and our fears, and you offer your healing mercies. We confess that we haven't thought a whole lot about you this week. We have let events and demands crowd you out of our thoughts and actions. Yet as we gather in your house, we again come seeking your forgiveness for our blindness and apathy. Turn our lives around, God. Help us look again at the many ways you bless and care for us. Help us to be people who will reach out to others in loving compassion. For we ask these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

Words of Assurance:

L: Even though we are a stubborn people, still God absolutely loves and forgives us. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Sanctuary Choir- "You Are My Alleluia!"

Martin/Showalter

Scripture: John 14:1-14

Blaine Breedon

Message: I Am the Way, the Truth, and the Life *Rev. Susan Emmons*

Hymn: "My Jesus, I Love Thee" - Red Hymnal #364

Gordon

Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed (Praise Booklet, p. 4)

Announcements, Joys, and Prayer Concerns

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (Praise Booklet, p. 4)

*Closing Hymn: "When We All Get to Heaven" - Red Hymnal #542

Wilson

*Benediction

*Postlude: "To God Be the Glory"

Broughton

**Members should rise if able.*



Weekly Announcements, Updates, and Concerns

May 3, 2026

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 section.
- Brown offering envelopes are located in the pew backs and also on the cart by the bulletins. The offering plates are located on the cart, and at the belltower and middle entrances.

Thank You...

Thank you to all the members of our church family for helping to celebrate my milestone Birthday! Thank you all for your loving wishes and cards. I have a lot of memories of my membership in our church, lived through a lot of changes and unhappy occurrences and wonderful celebrations. Thank you so much for all your loving wishes. ~Carol Brown

Thank You for Your Generosity!

Thank you to everyone who donated items for the hygiene kits supporting students in the Spring Grove Area School District. Your generosity makes a meaningful difference in the lives of local children and youth. This shared mission – alongside St. Paul's Lutheran (Stoverstown), St. Paul's UCC (Stoverstown), Christ UCC (Jefferson), and Zeigler's Lutheran (Seven Valleys) – is a wonderful example of our community coming together to care for others.

Hygiene Kit Assembly...

All are invited to help assemble the kits on **Tuesday, May 5th at 6:30 PM at St. Paul's UCC**. We hope you'll join us for this hands-on opportunity to serve.

Lischey's Lunchers - TODAY at Noon...

Make plans to join us TODAY for Lischey's Lunchers at 12:00 PM! We'll gather at Genova's in Spring Grove for a time of good food and great fellowship. Lischey's Lunchers is a wonderful opportunity to relax, connect, and enjoy one another's company outside of Sunday morning worship. Whether you're a regular attendee or joining us for the first time, we'd love to have you there. Please let Jean Weidler know if you're able to attend, so she can inform the restaurant and ensure we have enough seating for everyone.

Pentecost & Memorial Day Geranium Celebration...

We will once again adorn our church with beautiful red geraniums on Pentecost Sunday, May 24th. As this day also falls on Memorial Day weekend, the color red will serve as a meaningful tribute to honor and remember loved ones who have served or are currently serving in our military.

Geraniums may be given in honor or in memory of a loved one, a veteran, or someone currently serving. The cost remains \$5.75 per plant, and you are welcome to order as many as you wish. This special weekend offers a wonderful opportunity to celebrate both the gift of the Spirit at Pentecost and the sacrifice and service of those who have served our country.

Any flowers designated as donations to the church will be planted in our outdoor flower beds and enjoyed by all throughout the summer months. If you plan to take your flowers home, please be sure to pick them up following the service on May 24th. If you are unable to do so, kindly indicate this on the order form so your flowers are not mistakenly planted.

Order envelopes are available on the offertory table in the overflow room. Please complete your order and return it with payment in the offering plate by Sunday, May 10th.

We will also need volunteers to help plant the geraniums during the week of May 24th – another great way to take part in this meaningful tradition!

If you have any questions, please contact Darlene Miner.

SPLATT Bus Trip to Sight & Sound - SOLD OUT!

The SPLATT bus trip to Sight & Sound to see *Joshua* is now officially sold out. Thank you to everyone who signed up. We're looking forward to a wonderful day together. If you have already purchased tickets, please be sure to **save the date**: Thursday, July 16th. The bus will depart from the church at 9:15 AM. The group will attend the matinee performance of *Joshua* at Sight & Sound, followed by a late lunch stop at Golden Corral before returning home. Reminders about the trip will begin appearing in the bulletin in June, so please keep an eye on upcoming announcements. If you have any questions, please see Bud Hamme.

New Song Community Choir Gospel Concert- TODAY...

Mt. Zion United Church of Christ, York, invites you to a special afternoon of music **TODAY** as the New Song Community Choir presents a gospel concert at 3:00 PM. The program is free to the public, and a love offering will be accepted. A reception will follow the concert. Come and enjoy an uplifting time of praise and fellowship as we welcome the choir and celebrate their gift of music!

Jefferson Homemakers Meeting - May 20th...

The Jefferson Homemakers will meet on Wednesday, May 20th at 10:00 AM at the church. The morning will begin with a special presentation on butterflies, offering an opportunity to learn more about these fascinating creatures. Following the program, the group will enjoy lunch together at Genova's. All are encouraged to attend for a morning of learning, fellowship, and good food.

Thank you to our helpers this week:

Gathering Music

Don Carl

Lay Reader

Blaine Breeden

Next week's helpers are:

Sharon Winter

Don Carl

<i>Acolyte</i>	Olivia Godfrey	Joy Spangler
<i>Children's Message</i>	None	Melisa Altland
<i>Greeters</i>	Linda & Jim Freed	Michele Hamme & Darlene Miner
<i>Money Counters</i>	Elvin Myers, Don Carl, & John Klinedinst	Lisa Crisamore, Darlene Miner, & Jean Weidler
<i>Sound & Streaming</i>	Cole & Pat McKowen	Joy & Larry Spangler

Upcoming Events at Lischey's Church...

Sunday, May 3 rd	12:00 PM	Lischey's Lunchers- Genova's
	3:00 PM	New Song Community Choir Gospel Concert- Mt. Zion UCC, York
Tuesday, May 5 th	3:45 PM	Harvest of Hope Volunteer Hours
	6:30 PM	Hygiene Kit Assembly- St. Paul's UCC
Thursday, May 7 th	6:30 PM	Chime Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 PM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, May 10 th	9:15 AM	Adult Sunday School
	9:30 AM	Children's Sunday School/ SPLATT
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
Monday, May 11 th	7:00 PM	Council Meeting
Sunday, May 17 th	10:30 AM	Confirmation Sunday- Pastor Cathy will lead the service.
Wednesday, May 20 th	10:00 AM	Jefferson Homemakers' Meeting
Sunday, May 24 th	10:30 AM	Pentecost Sunday with Communion
Sunday, May 31 st	10:30 AM	Music Appreciation Sunday

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:

Nancy Cherry, Minister of Music	Mon/Thur	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Pat McKowen, Secretary	Tue- Thur	8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

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 Last Week was...

Attendance 71- 68 Sanctuary/ 3 YouTube

Current Offering	\$1,130.00
OCWM	20.00
SPLATT- Sight & Sound Bus Trip	1,000.00
Pentecost Geraniums	106.00
Community Aid	20.00
Total	\$2,276.00