

# *The Seventh Sunday of Easter*

**May 29, 2022**

9:00 a.m. Worship Outside

10:30 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary



*Updated Covid-19 Protocols: For those who need to remain vigilant because of age, underlying health issues, vaccination status, or close contact with vulnerable populations, we recommend attending worship at 8:30 a.m., when we will remain masked for the duration of the service. Masks are optional at 10:30 a.m. Remember that singing remains an increased risk, and masks are available in the narthex for anyone who feels more comfortable taking that precaution for themselves or on behalf of others.*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **PRELUDE**

#### **\*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

P Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

#### **C Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

P Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **C Amen.**

**\*OPENING HYMN**

*Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!*

ELW # 373



1 "Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day!" All on earth with an - gels say;  
2 Love's re-deem-ing work is done, fought the fight, the bat - tle won.  
3 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Christ has burst the gates of hell.  
4 Lives a - gain our glo - rious king! Where, O death, is now your sting?



raise your joys and tri - umphs high; sing, O heav'ns; and earth, re - ply.  
Lo! The sun's e - clipse is o'er. Lo! He sets in blood no more.  
Death in vain for - bids his rise; Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.  
Once he died our souls to save; where your vic - to - ry, O grave?

5 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n!  
Praise to thee by both be giv'n.  
Thee we greet triumphant now:  
hail, the resurrection, thou!

6 King of glory, soul of bliss,  
everlasting life is this:  
thee to know, thy pow'r to prove,  
thus to sing, and thus to love!

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**GREETING**

**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.**



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.  
 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.  
 3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:  
 Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;  
 Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.  
 on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.  
 Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.  
 Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.  
 For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** *Let us pray ...* O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.. **C Amen.**

### FIRST READING: Acts 16:16-34

<sup>16</sup>One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. <sup>17</sup>While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." <sup>18</sup>She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

<sup>19</sup>But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. <sup>20</sup>When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, “These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews <sup>21</sup>and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.” <sup>22</sup>The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. <sup>23</sup>After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. <sup>24</sup>Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

<sup>25</sup>About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. <sup>26</sup>Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone’s chains were unfastened. <sup>27</sup>When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. <sup>28</sup>But Paul shouted in a loud voice, “Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.” <sup>29</sup>The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. <sup>30</sup>Then he brought them outside and said, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” <sup>31</sup>They answered, “Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.” <sup>32</sup>They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. <sup>33</sup>At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. <sup>34</sup>He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

L The word of the Lord. **C Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM 97** (*read responsively*)

<sup>1</sup>The LORD reigns; let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of the isles be glad.

<sup>2</sup>**Clouds and darkness surround the LORD, righteousness and justice are the foundations of God’s throne.**

<sup>3</sup>Fire goes before the LORD, burning up enemies on every side.

<sup>4</sup>**Lightnings light up the world; the earth sees and trembles.**

<sup>5</sup>The mountains melt like wax before the Lord of all the earth.

<sup>6</sup>**The heavens declare your righteousness, O LORD, and all the peoples see your glory.**

<sup>7</sup>Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods! Bow down before the LORD, all you gods.

<sup>8</sup>**Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, because of your judgments, O LORD.**

- <sup>9</sup>For you are the LORD, most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.
- <sup>10</sup>**You who love the LORD, hate evil! God guards the lives of the saints and rescues them from the hand of the wicked.**
- <sup>11</sup>Light dawns for the righteous, and joy for the honest of heart.
- <sup>12</sup>**Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous, and give thanks to God's holy name.**

### SECOND READING: Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

- <sup>12</sup>"See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. <sup>13</sup>I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."
- <sup>14</sup>Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.
- <sup>16</sup>"It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star." <sup>17</sup>The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. <sup>20</sup>The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!
- <sup>21</sup>The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

L The word of the Lord. **C Thanks be to God.**

### \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

### \*Gospel: John 17:20-26

The holy gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus prayed:] <sup>20</sup>“I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, <sup>21</sup>that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. <sup>22</sup>The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, <sup>23</sup>I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. <sup>24</sup>Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

<sup>25</sup>“Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. <sup>26</sup>I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

P The Gospel of the Lord. C Praise to you, O Christ.

**HOMILY**

*Pastor Traci*

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Now We Join in Celebration*

*ELW # 462*



1 Now we join in cel - e - bra - tion at our Sav - ior's in - vi - ta - tion,  
 2 Lord, as round this feast we gath - er, fill our hearts with ho - ly rap - ture!  
 3 Lord, we share in this com - mu - nion as one fam - 'ly of God's chil - dren,



dressed no more in spir - it som - ber, clothed in - stead in joy and won - der;  
 For this bread and cup of bless - ing are for us the sure pos - sess - ing  
 rec - on - ciled through you, our broth - er, one in you with God our Fa - ther.



for the Lord of all ex - is - tence, put - ting off di - vine tran - scen - dence,  
 of your lov - ing deed on Cal - v'ry, of your liv - ing self, our vic - t'ry,  
 Give us grace to live for oth - ers, serv - ing all, both friends and strang - ers,



stoops a - gain in love to meet us, with his ver - y life to feed us.  
 pledge of your un - fail - ing pres - ence, fore - taste here of heav'n - ly glad - ness.  
 seek - ing jus - tice, love, and mer - cy till you come in fi - nal glo - ry.

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## \*CREED

P Let us confess our faith through the words of the Nicene Creed.

**C We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,\* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## \*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

P Holy God, make your people one as you and your Son are one. Extend the gifts we have been given by your Spirit to all people, especially those experiencing division or questioning your love. God, in your mercy, **C hear our prayer.**

P Make worthy the work of scientists who look to the stars and planets, as well as scientists who look to atoms and molecules. Bring innovation and well-being to humanity through their discoveries. God, in your mercy, **C hear our prayer.**

P Keep in our minds those who have died in war, both military and civilians. May we honor them by seeking peaceful solutions to the conflicts that arise among nations and peoples. God, in your mercy, **C hear our prayer.**

P Grant freedom to all who are overwhelmed by chronic illness, depression, or constant worry. Open them to receive health and salvation in Christ Jesus through the Spirit's gift of faith. God, in your mercy, **C hear our prayer.**

P Stir imagination and understanding throughout the church in the work of poets, theologians, and hymnwriters. Lead us into new visions and fresh expressions of your presence. God, in your mercy, **C hear our prayer.**

P Unite us with the saints who have died and been raised in Jesus. Train us to wait with eager longing for Christ to come again, even as we sense his presence with us now. God, in your mercy, **C hear our prayer.**

P In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **C Amen.**

### GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

P Lift up your hearts. **C We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### PROPER PREFACE

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### SANCTUS

### Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

ELW # S207

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.



## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus 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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **C Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**C Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

## THE AGNUS DEI

### *O Lamb of God*

ELW # S208



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

## INVITATION

P The risen Christ dwells with us here. All who are hungry, all who are thirsty, come.

## BLESSING

P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **C Amen.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P *Let us pray...* We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name. **C Amen.**

## BENEDICTION

P God, the Author of life, Christ, the living Cornerstone, and the life-giving Spirit of adoption, ✠ bless you now and forever. **C Amen.**

## \*SENDING SONG

### *Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand*

ELW # 441



1 Oh, hap - py day when we shall stand a - mid the  
2 Oh, bless - ed day when Christ shall come and show him -  
3 Oh, what a might - y rush - ing flood of joy and  
4 O Lord, your grace is ev - 'ry - thing; your love has



heav'n-ly throng; and sing with hosts from ev - 'ry land the  
self as Lord, and thou - sands meet in their new home which  
love and peace will roll down o - ver us with good and  
made us free to stand a - mong the saints and sing the



new ce - les - tial song, the new ce - les - tial song.  
Je - sus has pre - pared, which Je - sus has pre - pared.  
bless - ed - ness and grace, and bless - ed - ness and grace.  
glo - ry that we see, the glo - ry that we see.

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## Dismissal

P Alleluia! Christ is risen. **C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

P Go in peace. Tell what God has done. **C Thanks be to God.**

**Please be advised that worship services are recorded and/or  
live-streamed on social media.**

**Today's Altar Flowers** are placed to the Glory of God and to salute our Military of St. Matthew.

**Church Messenger**

The June 2022 *Messenger* is now available at the St. Matthew **Website** (stmatthewlc.com), and on your recent **Email** message from St. Matthew by using the link listed in the body of the message. A paper copy of the *Messenger* is available in the news rack in the church Narthex. By calling the church office at (814-793-2413), you can request a paper copy to be sent by mail to your home. Do not hesitate to call the church office if you need help in securing a copy of the *Messenger*. Your readership, and articles are always appreciated.

**2022 Annual Auxiliary Appeal:** The Auxiliary Appeal helps those that can't afford some of the personal necessities of living in Assisted Living. Last year, ALSM provided more than \$2 million dollars to fund those they serve with limited funds. Auxiliary Appeal brochures are located at the Usher's Station near the bulletins. If you have any questions, Ruth Marshall is your Auxiliary Appeal Chairlady.

**Serving God and Us**

Our Ministers - the People of St. Matthew

Our Pastor – Rev. Traci Marriott

Our Pianist – Dr. Adam Smith

Our Organist – Mary Nelson

Our Missionary Family – On Eagle's Wings, Elizabeth Hendrickson

Our Administrative Assistant – Lori Tremmel

Our Assistant Administrative Assistant – Laura Orczeck

Our Sexton – Phil Claar

Our Acolyte – Lucy & Lily Lightner

Our Lector – Jane Hoenstine

Our Altar Guild – Janet Stewart

Our Audio/Video Tech – Camden Kuster

Our Offering Counters – Jim Barley, Beth Garner

**Second Quarter Ventures in Faith to “Youth & Camping”**

## **Office Hours This Week:**

Pastor Traci – Wed. 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Office Hours – Tue.-Fri. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Laura Orczeck  
Lori Tremmel is on vacation

## **This Week Events**

- Today –** Worship is Outside 9:00 a.m. Bring a chair. (Sanctuary if it rains.)  
Worship in Sanctuary 10:30 a.m.
- Monday – Office Closed in Observance of Memorial Day
- Tuesday - Knotty Ladies, Quilt Room 12:30-3:00 p.m.
- Wednesday - Yoga, Fellowship Hall 5:00 p.m.
- Sunday – Worship is Outside 9:00 a.m. Bring a chair. (Sanctuary if it rains.)  
Worship in Sanctuary 10:30 a.m.

**Prayers are needed for our homebound:** Carl & Dawn Alexy, John Aljets, Vivian Beach, Verna Blough, Fred Brandenburg, Clyde Claycomb, Mary Creps, Betty Helsel, Jere Hess, Ruth Johnson, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Janet Kreider, Ginny Sell, Dan Sinal, Don Smith, Bill Stahl, Joy Williams.

**Prayer Concerns:** Amy & Family, Pastor Denise Arpino, Randy Barrett, Diane Cappel, Greg Comer, Terry & Cathy Creek, JR Fagans & Family, Wayne Feight, Tim Flaugh, Brian Fleck, Jim Fritz, Betty Helsel, Dan Hershberger, Marilyn Horton, Darren Kreutzer, Kristen Malloy, Karrie McCall & Family, Betty McDowell, Rick McIntyre, Nathan, Aunt Mica, Pastor Drahus Oslikova, Deb Peters, Linda Piper, Helen Rogers, Paul Ruth, Barbara Smith, Luther Steele, Cindy Thomas, Norm Tremmel, Jean White, Pete Williams, Lyndsay Yon, Jody Zelanko, and for our **Missionaries: Rev. Lesley Hand, On Eagle's Wings, Elizabeth Hendrickson.**

**Our college students:** Christopher Bush, Olivia Day.

**Those Serving in the Army Overseas:** Nathan Smith (Germany)

**Congratulations** go to great grandparents, Dennis and Margie Smith upon the birth of Harris Ray Zimmerman, Harris was born on Friday, May 20, 2022. His parents are Caroline and Dean Zimmerman.

## **Third Century Fund (Endowment Fund)**

The Third Century Fund had a good earnings year in 2021 and as a result has \$5,705 for distribution in 2022. You or your committee may request funding in writing by contacting David Lehman, chairperson, or committee members Allen Kuster, Laura Orczeck, Beth Garner or Pastor Traci.

**Deadline to submit a request is today, May 29, 2022. Funds will be distributed in June 2022.**

The following is from the by-laws of the Third Century Fund and outline the guidelines for fund requests.

### **PURPOSE**

The St. Matthew Evangelical Lutheran Church Mission Endowment Fund is established to encourage responsible Christian stewardship and to promote the mission of the congregation. In response to God's love and mercy, the Endowment Fund seeks to enhance and expand the mission outreach objectives of St. Matthew Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Members and friends of St. Matthew congregation are encouraged to practice responsible Christian Stewardship by making contributions to the Endowment Fund. There are a variety of ways such gifts can be made such as, Cash, Securities, Bequests through wills or living trusts, Life insurance policies, charitable gift annuity and Life estates.

The Endowment Fund provides financial support for the church in a manner that is separate from the expenditures normally funded by the annual operating budget of the congregation.

### **USE OF THE FUND**

All contributions to the St. Matthew Lutheran Church Endowment Fund will be undesignated and added to the principal balance of the fund. The Endowment fund principal balance will be retained and only the dividend income will be used for annual disbursements.

Consideration for awarding fund requests will be given using the following guidelines.

1. Youth of all ages - scholarship support of congregational members and their children; for youth events, for church camps or similar Christian programs and education.
2. Christian outreach ministries and missions of St. Matthew Lutheran Church, its members and the ELCA.
3. Worship and Music - support for the worship of St, Matthew.
4. Capital Projects - major renovations or building projects of St. Matthew.



## **Shhh! It's a surprise 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration!**

Please join the family for a celebration Open House honoring

**Mary Creps**

Saturday, June 4, 2022 from 2 – 4 p.m.

Witmer Pavilion at Homewood

437 Givler Dr

Martinsburg, PA 16662

Questions? Call Sally  
814-935-0918

*No Gifts Please*

If you cannot attend and wish to send a card  
437 Givler Dr. Apt 321  
Martinsburg, PA 16662

### **Geeseytown-Newry Lutheran Parish to host prayer vigil for victims of gun violence**

Geeseytown-Newry Lutheran Parish will host a Vigil of Prayer and Lament at Noon Tuesday, May 31, at Geeseytown Lutheran Church, 462 Route 22, Hollidaysburg, and at 7 p.m. at Newry Lutheran Church, 1030 Shamrock Lane, Newry. The candlelight vigil, which is being held to remember those whose lives were lost to gun violence in Uvalde, Texas, and other locations, is open to the community.

A freewill offering to benefit the Robb Elementary Memorial Fund account, which has been opened at First State Bank of Uvalde for the families of Robb Elementary, will be collected.

Geeseytown-Newry Lutheran Parish is a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and the Allegheny Synod.

For more information, contact Pastor Marty Jo Irvin-Stellabotte at [pastormartyjo@gmail.com](mailto:pastormartyjo@gmail.com) or 814-934.9941.

# Allegheny Synod Youth **KENNYWOOD DAY**

## Friday, July 1st

Meeting at 11:30am for a kickoff event and Bible study. Park closes at 11:00pm.

Leaders register your group at  
[www.sequanota.com](http://www.sequanota.com)

\$30 a person. (does not include food)

**Registration deadline: June 24th**

Groups will be responsible for  
transportation, snacks, and meals.

**6th-12th Graders (entering)  
& Adult leaders**

All groups must have an adult leader that  
remains at the park!



Allegheny Synod  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Meeting location and more details emailed after registration.  
Contact Zion Lutheran Church in Hollidaysburg with any  
questions at (814) 695-0091.

Kennywood



### **Martinsburg Food Pantry**

The Food Pantry will be open for distribution of food on Thursdays, June 2 and June 16 from 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Those helping will be 3 or 4 people from St. John's UCC, besides the regular volunteers, to distribute food.

They will be bringing paper towels for each one that comes.

**Following are the most needed items for June:** Peaches or Pears, Scalloped Potatoes, Rice Sides, Hamburger Helper and Ravioli.

Many thanks for your monetary gifts, food and other items donated to the Food Pantry! *Linda K. Smith*

### **Help Needed**

Custodian opportunity is available at St. Matthew. Seeking person or couple to provide cleaning of the church and maintenance of grounds in the absence of the Sexton. Casual hours. If interested please contact the church office, 814-793-2413, for more information.