



The Sundays of

*Resurrection*

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Christ Lutheran Church

April 14 at 9:30AM - In-Person Worship

**WORSHIP WITH US**

**Third Sunday of Easter**

**FIRST READING: Acts 3:12-19**

**PSALM 4**

**SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-7**

**GOSPEL: Luke 24:36b-48**

*Pastor Erin Evans Preaching*

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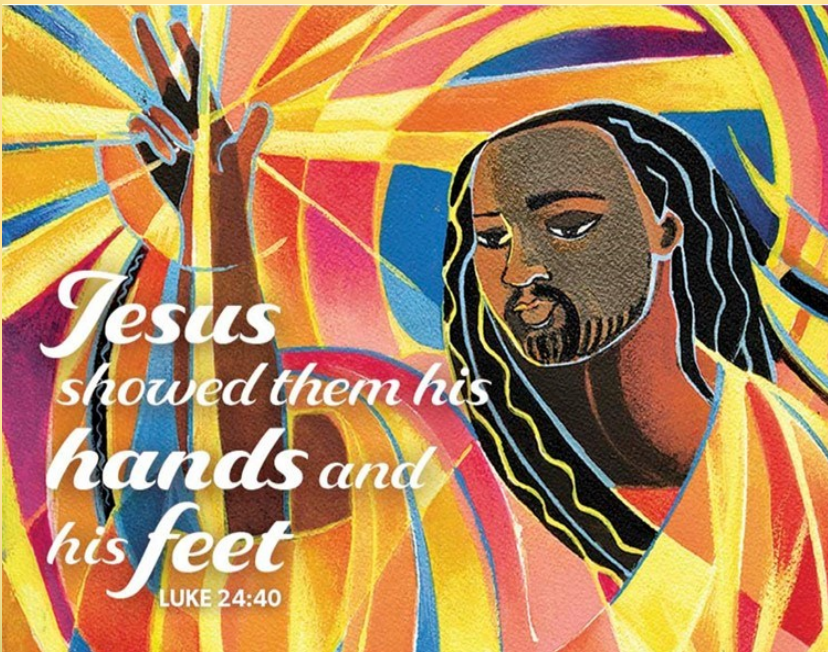
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In the neighborhood...  
For good.

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The gospel for the third Sunday of Easter is always one in which the risen Christ shares food with the disciples, meals that are the Easter template for the meal we share each Sunday. In today's gospel, Jesus both shares the disciples' food and shows them the meaning of his suffering, death, and resurrection through the scriptures, the two main elements of our Sunday worship. ~

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**PLEASE JOIN US TO  
CELEBRATE PASTOR ERIN  
AND WISH HER WELL!**

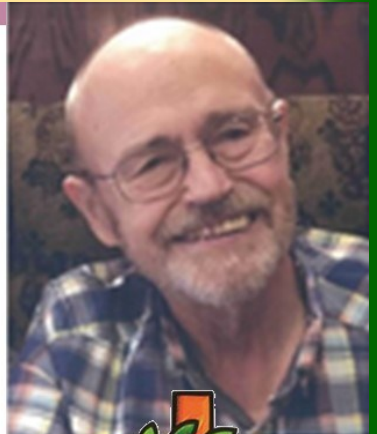
# **Farewell Gathering for Pastor Erin Evans**

**Sunday, April 21 | 4pm  
GRIST HOUSE BREWERY  
10 E Sherman St, Millvale, PA 15209**

**ALL ARE WELCOME! NO RSVP NEEDED!**

**With prayers for the grieving and abiding hope in the resurrection, we are sorry to inform you that George "Herb" Loomis died this week.**

**Viewing will be at Schellhaas Funeral home on Sunday, April 14 from 12pm-5pm, and the church will host the funeral on Monday, April 15th at 11am. Please attend if you are able and pray for Betty and the family.**



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Welcome

PASTOR

TRICIA SCHNECK

CLC has called a new pastor to serve our church!

The Rev. Tricia Schneck will begin her call here on May 1st.

Look for more information soon about this important news for our congregation.



## SWPA Synod Assembly 2024

Friday, June 14 @ 9:30 AM - Saturday, June 15 @ 12:30 PM

PennWest California (Formerly Cal-U)

[swpasynod.org/assembly2024](https://swpasynod.org/assembly2024)

Registration opens April 1. Voting members from your congregation have an important responsibility on behalf of all the members of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. This assembly is the highest legislative authority of our synod; they will be making decisions that impact 143 congregations covering 10 counties in southwest PA. Please speak with Pastor Erin or Lennie Jansen if you'd like to attend. ~

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## CAMP LUTHERLYN

For seventy-five years Lutherlyn has been combining the love of God, fun, friends, swimming, playing in the woods, adventure challenges, Bible study, worship, cookouts, campfires, discoveries in nature, games, and a few surprises into an unforgettable experience!

Lutherlyn offers a variety of week-long, half-week, and day programs for children entering 1st grade through those who have finished their senior year of high school.

CLC has had a long relationship with Lutheran Outdoor Ministries at Lutherlyn and has scholarship funding available for YOUR child to attend a week at camp this summer! Check out <https://www.lutherlyn.com/summerncamp> for all the details.

Camp Lutherlyn is located in Prospect, PA. Go visit for FREE on May 11th for their Annual CAMP BLAST showcase to learn about all camp has to offer!



### The Food Pantry is Open

Mondays and Fridays from 9:30am to 11:30am,  
and on Wednesdays from 5pm to 7pm.

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# The Tweens

Joseph Imhoff

To anyone who has read *The Hobbit* and *Lord of the Rings*, the tweens are an awkward time of life, between being a teenager and thirty-three, and to the Church, the Sundays between Easter and Pentecost seem to fit into that mold. The Resurrection has occurred but Christ has not yet ascended to The Father. This seems to be a time of great confusion for the disciples, the other followers of Jesus, and the writers of the Gospels.

The accounts vary widely. He did not appear as the same Jesus, they did not recognize him until he revealed his identity. In one place, Mary Magdalene is not to hold on to him, in another, the disciples took hold of his feet and worshiped him. Was the experience so traumatic that none really could describe or remember the events exactly? Maybe Jesus too was in the tweens, no longer totally human and not totally God, that would come at the Ascension. He made appearances but performed no miracles.

Peter decides to go fishing. Even though Jesus had appeared to the disciples several times there seemed to be no real plan for the future and we then find seven of the disciples back home by the Sea of Tiberias (Galilee) where Simon Peter says, "I am going fishing." The others all follow, after all they were fishermen at heart and in times of uncertainty what can be a better tonic than doing something that is comfortable to do?

Throughout the night they caught nothing and in the morning Jesus, whom they did not recognize, was standing by a fire and told them to cast their nets on the other side of the boat with great success causing their instant recognition. "It is the Lord!" This was the third time the Gospel of John records Jesus appearing to a gathering of disciples.

With our knowledge of future events we might find it hard to believe what the disciples were actually going through. Events were happening that had not happened, their dead master was appearing to them yet in forms they did not recognize, how unsettling that must have been. We live beyond the Ascension and Pentecost, we have no reason not to recognize our Lord!

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**The Infant Room is temporarily closed.**  
*If you need a Quiet Space, please use the room at the top of the stairs.*

**Otherwise, all children are welcome in worship, and able to play quietly and interact at our Pray Ground in the side aisle.**

## **THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

# **From Fear to Faith**

Fight, flight, or freeze: that's how our bodies tend to react when we perceive danger. Our heart rate increases, our breathing speeds up, and even our vision changes to take in our surroundings quickly so we can protect ourselves. When Jesus appeared to the disciples on the evening of his resurrection, they seemed to be in the middle of a fight, flight, or freeze response. Their Lord had been crucified. They didn't know what to do next. When Jesus suddenly stood among them, they froze in shock and fear. Jesus overcame the disciples' fright by showing his hands and feet and by eating a piece of fish. As they looked at the scars and watched him eat, the truth of his resurrection dawned on them. The disciples' inclination to fight, flee, or freeze melted away.

Once Jesus had brought the disciples back to a calm resting state, he opened their minds to understand how he had accomplished God's plan to save the world. Jesus told the disciples that now that he was risen, it was their turn to tell his story in Jerusalem and to the ends of the earth. Joy started to flicker in the disciples' hearts as Jesus freed them from fear. He gave them a purpose: to be his witnesses. They were to free others by sharing the good news that Jesus had died and risen again to forgive their sins and give the gift of eternal life to all who believe.

In our world today, many voices spread fear. It's easy to focus on those voices, feel overwhelmed, and freeze. But Jesus came to free us from fear and to free us for faith. Receiving the bread and wine of his supper reminds us that Jesus lived, died, and rose again for our salvation. We don't have to be afraid of anything. Holy communion strengthens us to be his witnesses and to do his work in the world so others can be set free by the good news of Jesus' love. ~

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## This Week at CLC:

**Sunday, April 14 -**

8:30am Sunday School

Sunday Worship Service at 9:30am



**Monday**

**April 15 - 9:30-11:30am Food Pantry**

3:45-6:15pm Violin, 5-6pm TOPS,

6-7pm -Tai Chi, 6:30-8pm ESL,

7-9pm Pain Support, **6pm Council Mtg.**

**Tuesday**

**April 16 - 9am to 3pm 412 Food Rescue,**

6-8pm Violin

**Wednesday**

**April 17 - 4-8pm Anchorpoint Community Counseling, 5-7pm FOOD PANTRY**

**6-7pm Choir Practice, 6:30-8pm ESL**

**Thursday**

**April 18 - 6:30-7:30pm Boy Scouts Pack 162**

**Friday**

**April 19 - 9:30 to 11:30am FOOD PANTRY**

6-8pm- Girl Scouts, 7pm NA meets-Library

**Saturday**

**April 20 - 9am AA meets in the Library**

7pm NA meets in the Library

**Sunday**

**April 21 - 8:30am Sunday School**

**Sunday Worship Service at 9:30am**

April						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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**Olavus Petri, priest, died 1552; Laurentius Petri, Bishop of Uppsala, died 1573; renewers of the church**

**Friday, April 19, 2024**

These two brothers studied with Luther at the University of Wittenberg and then returned to their native Sweden to introduce the Lutheran reforms. Olavus published a catechism and hymnal; Laurentius was a professor who defended the office of bishop and later became one.

**The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. ✝**

**Online Giving** No matter the amount, the most helpful way to give to the ministries of the congregation is regularly and consistently. Whether it's weekly or monthly, make a prayerful decision ahead of time this Easter, and commit to a consistent amount.

With our online giving platform, Vanco, it's super easy! Go to: <https://www.clcmillvale.com/donate/> See the **Online Giving Code** here, and **Thank You!**



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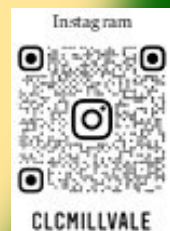
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