

March 1, 2026

Weekly Church Announcements

We offer with joy and thanksgiving what God has first given us, ourselves our time and our possessions.

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| "Unified Fund Summary (the Unified Fund is the checking account from which all routine operating expenses are paid; e.g. payroll, utilities, supplies, etc.)" | |
| Beginning Bal. February 16, 2026 | \$2,194.48 |
| This weekend's offerings | \$4,342.00 |
| Online Giving | \$825.00 |
| Subtotal | \$7,361.48 |
| Payments | (\$6,547.37) |
| Ending Bal. February 16, 2026 | \$814.11 |
| Beginning Bal. February 23, 2026 | \$814.11 |
| Ash Wednesday offerings | \$5,914.00 |
| This weekend's offerings | \$2,560.00 |
| Additional Offerings | \$5,000.00 |
| Learning Place Monthly Contributions | \$1,500.00 |
| Online Giving | \$1,015.00 |
| Subtotal | \$16,803.11 |
| Payments | (\$6,775.04) |
| Ending Bal. February 23, 2026 | \$10,028.07 |
| Unified/Temporary Restricted (Designated) Fund Offerings February 18 & 22, 2026 | |
| Endowment Fund | \$1,336.80 |
| Lent Books | \$6.00 |
| Lutheran World Relief | \$500.00 |
| Member Emergency Fund | \$55.00 |
| Music Ministry | \$500.00 |
| Overtime | \$500.00 |
| Sequanota Cabin | \$500.00 |
| Vacation Bible School | \$500.00 |
| Youth | \$500.00 |
| Ash Wednesday worship attendance for February 18 th at 1:30PM-28 & 7PM-49 for a total of 77. Worship attendance for February 22 nd at 8:00 AM- 31 & 10:30AM-56 for a total of 87. | |

Mission Statement

*"Glorify God, Share the Love of Jesus,
Do Good works through Service"*

The altar flower vases today are given in honor of Our Parents Anniversary by the Sleek Family.

Pastor Mark's Schedule Week of March 1-7

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| Sunday 3/1 | Feast Day of St. David Sunday Morning Worship VBS Ministry Team Meeting after late service Worship at Windber Wood Nursing & Rehab, 2:00PM |
| Monday 3/2 | National Dr. Seuss Day!!!! Office Hours, 9:00AM-1:30PM Visitation in the afternoon |
| Tuesday 3/3 | Working from the parsonage |
| Wednesday 3/4 | Office Hours, 9:00AM-10:45AM S.A.M. Lenten Worship, 11:30AM-1:00PM Visitation in the afternoon Mid-week Lenten Meal & Devotions, 5:30PM-7:00PM |
| Thursday 3/5 | Office Hours, 9:00AM-1:30PM Visitation in the afternoon |
| Friday 3/6 | Pastor's Day Off |

Pastor Mark is always available by phone 717-870-4757 or email pastormarkfischer@gmail.com at any time of the day or night if you need him for pastoral care.

Men's Ministry

Monday, March 30, 2026

6:00pm

Scott's by Dam

327 Market St

Johnstown, PA 15901



It's Pierogi time! Back by popular demand... the Children and Youth team is selling Gosia's Pierogies for Easter. Orders and payment are due by March 15, and pierogies will be ready for pickup on Palm Sunday. Flavors include potato & cheese, sauerkraut, potato & feta, sweet potato, jalapeno, and cottage cheese; each dozen is \$8. Order forms are in the back of the church by the bulletins.



Mid-Week Lenten Soup & Sandwich

We will have a Soup and Sandwich meal on Wednesdays, through March 25th. Pastor Mark is looking at a Series titled "*Witness at the Cross, A Beginners Guide to Holy Friday*" by Dr. Amy Jill Levine, a New Testament professor at Vanderbilt School of Theology. The books dives into the people present at Jesus' crucifixion. Dinner will begin at 5:30PM; the devotional time will begin around 6:15PM and last until 7:00PM-ish. If you find making the mealtime is a challenge, that's ok. You are still welcome to come for the devotional time (Brown bagging is allowed). We have secured 20 copies of the book; the cost is \$6.00. If you would like a copy, please see Pastor Mark.

We are in need of volunteers to supply the soup & sandwiches each week. Meals will be held on Wednesday, March 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th. **You can sign up on the sheets available in the narthex.**



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OPEN HOUSE
PRESCHOOL

The St. David's Learning Place will be having an open house on March 12th from 5:30p-7p for anyone interested in our Preschool 3 and Preschool 4 programs for the 2026-2027 school year.

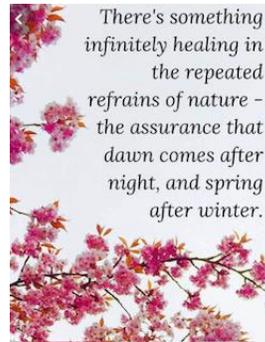


The *St. David's Lutheran Church Service Team* will be helping with desserts for the Somerset County Meals on Wheels. **Desserts will be collected on SUNDAY, March 15th** in the narthex

between the hours of 8:00-11:00AM. **Desserts can be baked, or store bought.**

- + Cakes – no icing, but chips and sprinkles are acceptable.
- + Cookies – 2 dozen minimum
- + Brownies – no icing
- + Breads – (Banana, Zucchini, Blueberry)

ALL DESSERTS MUST BE IN DISPOSABLE CONTAINERS. Thank you.



Shed the cold and snowiness and think **SPRING!** Join us for the next yoga series to bend and breathe and pray the new life of spring into our lives (eventually)! An eight-week session will begin Monday March 16 and end Monday

May 4 (or stop in with us on Monday mornings until then as well)! Class is at 9am in the St. David's fellowship Hall. The series is \$65 or \$10 per class drop-in. All classes are beginner PLUS. Please come and bring a friend - yoga is for everyBODY! Contact Elizabeth with questions 525-2894.



Stronger Together - A monthly gathering for women impacted by breast cancer

We are beginning a new monthly Support Group for women whose lives have been touched by breast cancer. This gathering will meet on the 4th Saturday of each month at 10am. It will be a gentle and welcoming space to share our stories, listen, pray, and support one another along the journey. Whether you are walking through treatment, living in remission, or caring for someone you love, you are not alone and you are welcome. For questions or more information, please contact Kim Showalter at 814-521-0606.



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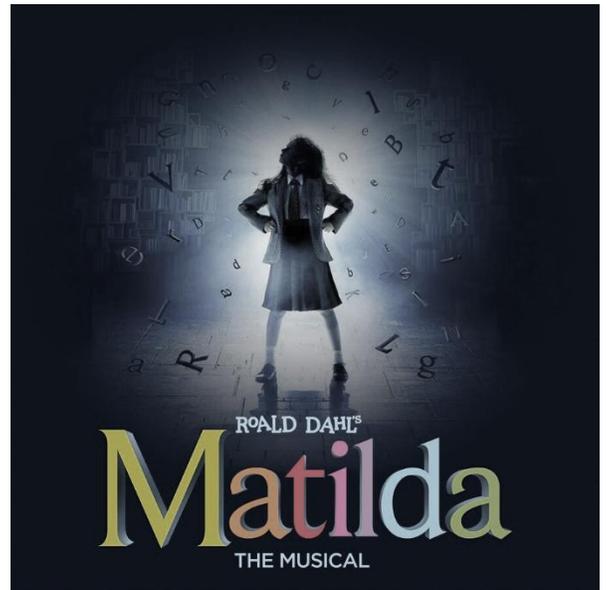
- **Sunday, March 15th**
1st Communion Class, during Sunday School Hour
- **Sunday, March 22nd**
1st Communion Class, during Sunday School Hour
- **Palm Sunday, March 29th**
Kids to have short practice on how to take communion.
- **Easter Sunday, April 5th**
Kids will take 1st Communion at the **9am service**

The Sunday School lessons are for ALL students in 1st-3rd grade class. These classes are not required, but **HIGHLY ENCOURAGED**. Kids taking 1st Communion will learn why Lutherans take this sacrament every Sunday. Also, parents of 1st Communion students are encouraged to attend...it allows you to continue the conversation at home.



**Don't forget to direct
Choice Dollars®**

Eligible members of Thrivent Financial who have been designating Choice Dollars have until **March 31, 2026**, to direct any remaining 2025 Choice Dollars. Thrivent Choice Dollars grant funds can help support organizations you care about. Don't let your designated Choice Dollars expire. Help support St. David's Lutheran Church ministries. Go to [Thrivent.com/thriventchoice](https://www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice) or call 800-847-4836 and state "Thrivent Choice".



We are BLESSED to have many youth in our congregation who participate in the performance arts at school! Anna Hunsberger, Amelia Mitchell, Isaac Marsh, Charlotte Worst, Kyla Rowe, & Elijah Marsh will all be taking the stage for the Conemaugh Township Musical this year — MATILDA! Dates and times for the show are Thursday, March 12–Saturday, March 14 at 7pm and a Sunday matinee March 15 at 2pm. Members of St. David's have to attend TWICE though to catch everyone in their roles - Anna and Charlotte will be casted as Matilda and Lavender on Friday/ Sunday; Kyla will be the role of Lavender on Thursday/ Saturday. Tickets can be purchased online for \$10 (see below for the link, find a poster hung in the narthex/hall with QR code, or ask a student/parent for help). Come out and support the kids of our church and the C.T. Music Department! Get your tickets now for a dazzling musical experience!
<https://www.onthestage.tickets/conemaugh-township-area-school-district>



Sonya Andrews (President)
Rachel Thomas-Kimmel (Vice President)
Angie McKool (Secretary)
Kristie Byer, Jeff Eash, Lynn McDaniel
Sue Risch, Patty Rullo, Doug Shrader,
Lois Tessari & Paul Weygandt

✳Schedule of Upcoming Events ✳✳Schedule

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| Sunday 3/1: | 8:00AM | Worship/Communion Service |
| | 9:15AM | Sunday School/Catechism |
| | 10:30AM | Worship/Communion Service |
| | 11:30AM | VBS Meeting (FH9) |
|  | Secretary's office hours for the week of March 2-6 are Monday 9AM-2:30PM; Tuesday-Wednesday 9AM-3PM & Thursday- Secretary Off & Friday 8AM-2PM. Any changes to hours will be noted on the church calendar on the Facebook page and to the schedule posted on narthex door. | |
| Monday 3/2: | 9:00AM | YOGA (FH9) |
| | 6:00PM | Girl Scouts Troop #27016 (FH9) |
| | 6:00PM | Bible Study |
| Tuesday 3/3: | 6:00PM | Daisy Troop #51375 (C19) |
| Wednesday 3/4: | 5:30PM | Soup & Sandwich Meal (FH9) |
| | 6:00PM | Mid-Week Lent (FH9) |
| | 7:00PM | Adult Choir |
| | 8:00PM | Bell Choir |
| Thursday 3/5: | Secretary Off-Please refer to Pastor Mark's schedule for office hours | |
| Saturday 3/7: | 11:00AM | A. Petrilla (FH9) |



Daylight savings begins at 2AM, on Sunday, March 8^h, remember to set your clock ahead one hour before you go to bed on Saturday, March 7th

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| Sunday 3/8: | 8:00AM | Worship/Communion Service |
| | 9:15AM | Sunday School/Catechism |
| | 9:15AM | Youth Sunday Practice |
| | 10:30AM | Youth Sunday Worship/Communion Service |

✳March 1✳ (Communion) ✳

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| 8:00 AM | 10:30 AM |
| Acolyte -Sarah Kotch | Acolyte - Violet Studer |
| Altar - Pam Sleek | Altar - Gail Berkebile |
| Communion Assts -Buck Sleek & Bella Kotch | Communion Assts - Gail Berkebile & Wendy Figard |
| Lector -Bella Kotch | Lector -Sarah Worst |
| Ushers - Buck & Pam Sleek | Ushers - Joyce Gindlesperger & Carole Williams |
| Counters - Bill & Sherri Andrews, Sonya Andrews | |



If you would like to commune but are unable for any reason to go forward to the altar, please let an usher know so communion can be brought to you.

✳March 8✳ (Intinction) ✳

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| 8:00 AM | 10:30 AM -Youth Sunday |
| Acolyte -Elle Mowery | Acolyte - Braeden Black |
| Altar - Linda Shrader | Altar - Lois Tessari |
| Communion Assts -Tom & Deb Harris | Communion Assts - St. David's Youth |
| Lector -Deb Harris | Lector - St. David's Youth |
| Ushers - Tom & Deb Harris | Ushers - St. David's Youth |
| Counters - Lou Ann Reckner, Mike & Melissa Grose | |