

# CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

Eblast

April 30, 2026



**Worship with us on Saturday at 5:15 pm or at St. John Lutheran Church at 9 a.m on Sunday May 3**



Join us for **Coffee Time** after the service at St. John in the South Wing being lovingly hosted by Belinda Klovekorn.

## Community Supper

Come and join us for a delicious meal happening from 4-5:30 **TODAY**. You will enjoy Sausage, pepper & onion sandwiches, potatoes, coleslaw, fruit, desserts and beverages. Canon Melinda needs to leave SJLC shortly after enjoying a cup of coffee (see below) as she is expected in West Virginia for a meeting beginning at 3 p.m. Consequently, there will be **no 11:00 a.m.** service here at Redeemer.

## First Sunday of the Month

Although we will be worshipping at St. John this Sunday, as it is the first Sunday of the month, we wanted you to know that the open plate collections (i.e. loose cash) will still be collected for the Rector's discretionary fund and will be directed to the Bridge to help those in need throughout the Valley.

## SERVING OUR NEIGHBOR

The Bridge is asking for our help on Saturday May 16. What can we do?

- Make a couple dozen cookies
- Serve refreshments from 1 to 3
- Bring cleaning products to church through May 9  
(See the flyer on page 4)



# Lessons for the Fifth Sunday of Easter

First Lesson: Acts 7:55-60

Psalm: 31:1-5, 15-16

Second Lesson: 1 Peter 2:2-10

Gospel: John 14:1-14

## May Birthdays



Christopher Marshall	5/2	Rick Rhodes	5/18
Max Williams	5/7	Gabriel Felt	5/24
Joseph Gabauer	5/8	Michael Felt	5/24
Andrew Lewis	5/15	Julian Shay	5/30
Debra Wayman	5/16	Jillian Shay	5/30
Ed Garrity	5/16		

## May Anniversaries

Ron & Hazel Hunt	5/9
Jeff & Janice Watson	5/10
Jack & Ruth Wheeler	5/17
Donald & Dawn McCutcheon	5/27
James & Alice Bennett	5/29



## Scripture Reflection

In John 14, Jesus mentions that he is going to prepare a “dwelling place” for his disciples. Is this dwelling place for us after we die, or does it include our life in the present? What does Jesus mean when he says that his disciples “will do greater works”? What does it mean to pray “in Jesus” name?



## St. Mary's Guild Meeting

St. Mary's Guild will meet on Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, at 7 p.m. here at the Church of the Redeemer in the Parish Hall where we will have Guest Speaker Alyssa Steinhaurer R.N. from the Robert Packer Hospital Cardio Cath Lab. She will teach us how to use an automated external defibrillator, plus discuss cardiac health. This will be a smaller gathering than we had the second Sunday after Easter – so more time for questions. We do hope you will join us.



*Invitation to Our Member Churches & Friends*

# **Learn 'n Serve**

## **Event**

**Saturday, May 16**  
**1 - 3 pm**

Christian Life Church  
207 Broad Street, Waverly, NY  
(Enter by the far-left Broad Street door)

**LEARN:** Program will focus on our **Helping Hands** furniture ministry, including a tour of the furniture warehouse at Christian Life Church. Find out how the ministry collects and provides furniture for those in need.

**SERVE:** Attendees will assemble gift bags\* for furniture clients using items collected by member churches.

**RSVP** by May 11: [learnnserve@thevalleybridge.org](mailto:learnnserve@thevalleybridge.org)

**OR** 607-857-0710 (text/call)

*Fellowship and Refreshments*

Anyone interested in *The Bridge* is welcome to attend!

\*Items for gift bags: Paper Towels, All-Purpose Cleaner, Furniture Polish, and Disinfecting Wipes

We are asking our member churches to consider collecting the following items for the gift bags: **paper towels, all-purpose cleaner, furniture polish, and disinfecting wipes**. All donations should be dropped off at St. John Lutheran Church at 207 S. Hopkins St. in Sayre between the hours of 1-4pm on Mondays & Wednesdays or 8:30-11:30am on Tuesdays & Thursdays. Please drop off by May 11 so that we can prepare appropriately for the Learn 'n Serve session.



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# CELEBRATE MORE *Life*

## Community Blood Drive St. John Lutheran Church

South Wing  
207 South Hopkins Street  
Sayre, PA 18840

**Tuesday, May 19, 2026  
12:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter: St John Sayre to schedule an appointment.

Maximize your blood donation. Help more patients.  
If you are an eligible type O, B - or A - donor, consider making a Power Red donation.  
Red blood cells are the most commonly transfused blood component.



Scan to be directed to  
the app.



Get summer ready! Come to give blood May 18-31 for  
an exclusive Red Cross beach towel, ltd. qty!



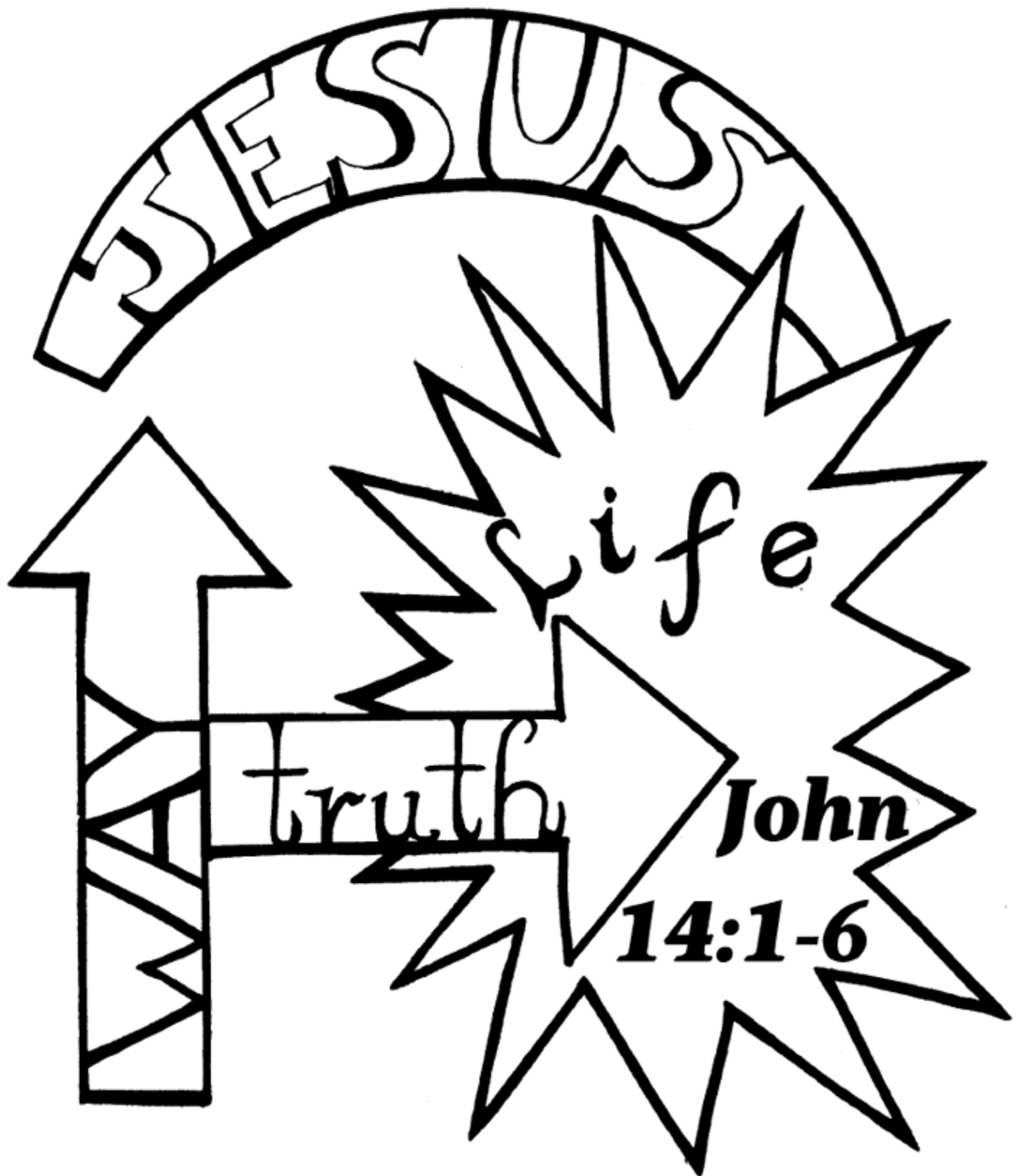
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Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?" Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him."

(John 14:1-7)

# "I Am the Way"

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." John 14:6

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



K	P	I	H	Y	G	S	E	X	Q	J	U	C	O	N	F	D	A	Z	B	V	W	L	R	T	M
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

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- 25-24-14-12-20-23-8-17 \_\_\_\_\_
- 20-8-23-3-8-21-8 \_\_\_\_\_
- 16-18-25-4-8-24 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4-14-12-7-8 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2-24-8-2-18-24-8 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2-23-18-13-8 \_\_\_\_\_
- 22-18-5 \_\_\_\_\_
- 25-24-12-25-4 \_\_\_\_\_
- 23-3-16-8 \_\_\_\_\_

HOUSE	WAY	PLACE	PREPARE	HEARTS
LIFE	TRUTH	TROUBLED	FATHER	BELIEVE

