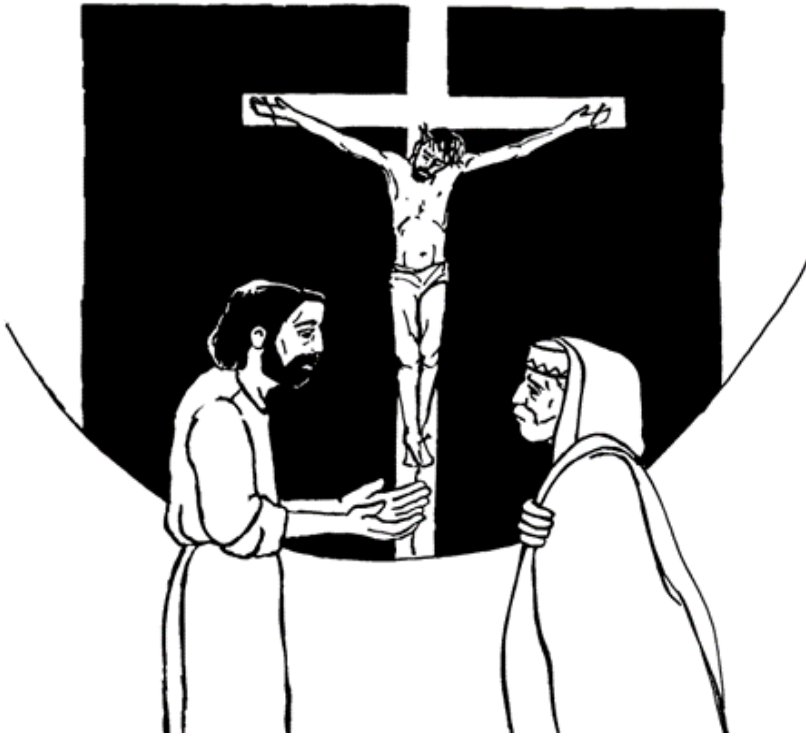


# *Fourth Sunday of Lent*

*March 10, 2024*



*Dinkey Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church*

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# Dinkey Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church

## Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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*To all who are lonely and need fellowship; to all who are discouraged and need good news; to all who mourn and need comfort; to all who are tempted and need help; to all who are sinners and need forgiveness; to all who are complacent and need disturbing; to all who thirst for the water of life; to all who love Christ and would follow Christ, Dinkey Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church opens its arms and bids you **welcome!***

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God,  
who writes the law on our hearts,  
who draws all people together through Jesus.

**Amen.**

Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin  
in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Holy God,  
**we confess that we are caught in snares of sin  
and cannot break free.**

**We hoard resources while our neighbors  
are hungry and cold.**

**We speak in ways that silence others.**

**We are silent when we should speak up.**

**We keep score in our hearts.**

**We let hurts grow into hatred.**

**For all these things and for sins only you know,  
forgive us, Lord.**

**Amen.**

Here is a flood of grace:  
Out of love for the whole world,  
God draws near to us,  
breaks every snare of sin,  
washes away our wrongs,  
and restores the promise of life through † Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

## **PEACE**

*The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.*

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.*

**GATHERING SONG** *Just As I Am, without One Plea* (ELW 592)

## **GREETING**

*During this time, the presiding minister and the assembly greet each other.*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*The presiding minister leads the prayer of the day.*

## **FIRST READING: Numbers 21:4-9**

*The reading may be announced:*

A reading from Numbers.

*The reading may be concluded:*

The word of the Lord.

*The assembly responds:*

**Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM: Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22**

## **SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:1-10**

*The reading may be announced:*

A reading from Ephesians.

*The reading may be concluded:*

The word of the Lord.

*The assembly responds:*

**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL: John 3:14-21**

*The gospel is announced.*

The holy gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*The gospel concludes:*

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

*The assembly is seated.*

*Silence for reflection follows the sermon.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY** *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound* (ELW 779)

*The assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.*

**CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.\*  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

*The presiding minister may introduce the Lord's Prayer.*

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

### **OFFERING**

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.*

## Create in Me a Clean Heart

### *Offering Song*



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take  
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of  
your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923

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### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Jesus, you are the bread of life.  
Bless these gifts that we have gathered  
that all people may know your goodness.  
Feed us with hunger for justice and peace.  
We pray this in your name.  
**Amen.**

### **BLESSING**

Beloved,  
we are God's own people,  
holy, washed, renewed.  
God bless you and keep you,

shower you with mercy,  
fill you with courage,  
and ✝ give you peace.  
**Amen.**

**SENDING SONG** *Lift High the Cross* (ELW 660)

**DISMISSAL**

The worship has ended. Let the service begin.

Go in peace. Share your bread.

**Thanks be to God.**

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## ***DINKEY MEMORIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS***

***March 10, 2024***

***The Altar Flowers*** are not sponsored today.

***The Bulletins*** area sponsored today by Karen Wetzel in honor of her birthday.

Flower and bulletin charts for **2024** are on the bulletin board above the stairs. You may either sign up on the charts or by calling the office at 610-377-4242. It is appreciated if you pay for your sponsorship by the end of the month that you have sponsored. **All weeks are open for the Memorial Bowl.** *It is very important for flower sponsors to return the cans and plastic gold bowls that they take the flowers home in. Thank you very much for your cooperation.*

### ***Office Hours:***

Monday, Thursday, Friday 9:00AM to 2:00PM  
(610)377-4242

### ***The Week Ahead:***

Today	9:00AM	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent Worship
	10:15AM	Sunday School
Tuesday	10:00AM	Palmer House Hymn Sing
	6:30PM	Council Meeting
Wednesday	9:00AM	Morning Prayer
	7:00PM	Midweek Lenten Worship at St Peter's
Thursday	9:30AM	Bible Study
	7:00PM	Praise & Celebration Choir
Friday	6:00PM	Confirmation Retreat
Sunday	9:00AM	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent Worship
	10:15AM	Sunday School



## ***HAPPY BIRTHDAY! March 10-16***

03/11 Kylie Cichowicz

03/11 Patricia Walck

03/12 Wanda Crostley

03/12 Eric Williams

03/12 Carol German

03/15 Kathleen Zanders

03/15 Brian Heiland

03/15 Logan Hine

03/15 Corey Haupt

**Anniversary Celebration:** In 2026 Dinkey Memorial will be celebrating the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of the congregation in 1851. A team is being formed to coordinate the celebration and we are looking for people interested in sharing the history of the congregation and having some fun while doing so. If you are interested, please speak with Pr. Tony for more information.

**Giant Gift Cards:** If you would like to purchase any Giant Gift Cards please see Kathy Steigerwalt. We receive 5% from each gift card sold.

**Chime Choir:** Bridgette Gorman, our music director, is planning to start a chime choir. If you are interested in joining or just want more information, please contact Bridgette at 570-460-2007 or [bnkg7719@outlook.com](mailto:bnkg7719@outlook.com).

**St John's Spring Bazaar:** St John's Mahoning will be having their Spring Bazaar on Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> from 5:00 – 7:30 PM and Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9:00AM to 2:00 PM. There will be a basket raffle, Easter candy, bake sale and pans of filling.

**Ben Salem Spring Bazaar:** Ben Salem UCC will be having their Spring Bazaar on Friday, March 15 from 5:00-7:30PM and Saturday, March 16 from 9:00AM – 3:00PM. There will be a basket raffle, homemade Easter candy, a bake sale, quilt raffle and homemade craft sale. There will also be an egg hunt on Saturday at 11:00AM.

**St John's Donut Sale:** Wednesday May 1, 2024. Sign up sheet in back of church.

**St Peter's Dinner Theatre:** St Peter's is having a dinner show, "The Real Housewives of Cricket County" on Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00PM and Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 1:00PM. Tickets are \$20.00 adults and \$15.00 children 5-10. Contact the church office for tickets by April 14<sup>th</sup>, (570)386-4388.

***MILITARY PERSONNEL FROM OR ASSOCIATED WITH DINKEY MEMORIAL***

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***HOMEBOUND MEMBERS***

Pinky Green

Ruth Keck

Tess Hinger

Debbie Meckel

Peter Innervickler

Debbie Strohl

***SICK/HOSPITALIZED/SPECIAL NEEDS MEMBERS AND FRIENDS***

Matthew Bealla

Joe Kluk

Kenny Schleicher

Charlie Bierman

Deb Lilly

Lukas Schleicher

Edward Finney

Robert Miller

Todd Schleicher

Pinky Green

Charles Riley

Sherry Smith

Doug Keller

Gordon Scherer

Patti Walck

Catherine Schleicher

Karen Wetzell

***WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS***

**Ministers:** The Congregation  
**Pastor:** Reverend Anthony Pagotto  
**Music Director:** Bridgette Gorman  
**Greeters:** Frey  
**Acolytes:** Jaxson Markell  
**Lector:** Lori German

Worship Participants for Date: March 17, 2024

**Greeters:** Hack  
**Acolytes:** Rylee Keller  
**Lector:** Trell Schleicher

***EASTER LILY ORDERS***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

In honor/memory of:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Easter Lily's are \$ 9.00. Orders and money can be placed in the offering plate by March 17, 2024. Please fill out a form for each plant you would like. Plants can be picked up after service on Easter.



# 2024 Lent and Easter Schedule

**Midweek Lenten Worship** at 7:00PM on the following dates:

Wednesday, March 13, 2024 at

St. Peter's Church, 184 St. Peter's Road, Tamaqua, PA 18252

Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at

Dinkey Memorial Lutheran Church, 1825 Dinkey Road,  
Lehighton

**Spring Bazaar** at St. John's LC, Mahoning

Friday, March 22, 2024, 5:00 – 8:00PM

Saturday, March 23, 2024, 8:00AM – 2:00PM

Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday at 11:00AM



**Maunder Thursday**, March 28, 2024

7:00PM at St. John's LC, Mahoning

**Good Friday**, March 29, 2024

7:00PM at St. Peter's Church, Tamaqua

**Easter Sunday**, March 31, 2024

6:30AM Sunrise worship in Dinkey Memorial Cemetery

7:00AM Breakfast at Dinkey Memorial LC

9:00AM Worship at Dinkey Memorial LC

10:15AM Easter Egg Hunt in Dinkey Memorial Cemetery

10:45AM Worship at St. John's LC, Mahoning



## Just As I Am, without One Plea

The musical score is written in a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a common time signature. It consists of three systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are printed below the vocal line.

1 Just as I am, with - out one plea, but that thy blood was  
 2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - y\_a con - flict,  
 3 Just as I am, thou wilt re - ceive, wilt wel - come, par - don,  
 4 Just as I am; thy love un-known has bro - ken ev - 'ry

shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me come to thee,  
 man - y\_a doubt, fight - ings and fears with - in, with - out,  
 cleanse, re - lieve; be - cause thy prom - ise I be - lieve,  
 bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea, thine a - lone,

O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Text: Charlotte Elliott, 1789–1871  
 Music: WOODWORTH, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868

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## Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that  
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and  
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I  
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his  
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but  
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that  
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me  
 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and  
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found; was blind, but now I see.  
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!  
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.  
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.  
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt., sts. 1–4; anonymous, st. 5  
 Music: NEW BRITAIN, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835; arr. Edwin O. Excell, 1851–1921, alt.

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## Lift High the Cross

*Refrain*

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till

all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.

1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,  
 2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied  
 3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,  
 4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

*Refrain*

our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.  
 bear on their brows the seal of him who died.  
 as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.  
 praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

Text: George W. Kitchin, 1827-1912; rev. Michael R. Newbolt, 1874-1956  
 Music: CRUCIFER, Sydney H. Nicholson, 1875-1947  
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