

Fourth Sunday of Easter ***Good Shepherd Sunday ~ April 17, 2016***

Mission Statement

We, the parishioners of St. Peter's Church, are called to holiness by God as present day disciples of Jesus Christ. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, we are united in service to God to share our faith with one another and our community. May our participation in the Holy Sacraments, our ministries and our devotion to Mary bring glory to God and His Kingdom.

Baptisms

Parents anticipating the birth of their first child are asked to attend baptismal instructions classes before the birth of their child, if possible. Please contact the Rectory to register. Note: Baptisms cannot be scheduled until all the necessary paperwork is completed.

Confirmation

Confirmation is administered every three years to all 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students in our Parish CCD program. Children wishing to receive Confirmation must be enrolled and participating in the CCD program for two years before they are eligible to receive the sacrament.

Marriages

In order to complete the necessary paperwork, couples are asked to contact the Rectory at least one full year in advance of the proposed marriage date.

Anointing of the Sick

Please contact the Rectory whenever a member of your family has become sick or hospitalized. Please note, because of the new government regulations regarding privacy, hospitals cannot release information without a patient's consent.

Reconciliation

The sacrament is celebrated each **Saturday from 4:00 – 4:45pm and Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 11:45am – 12:00noon** in the church and also by appointment.

Monthly Visitations

Any parishioner who is homebound and wishes to receive the Eucharist on a monthly basis is asked to contact the Rectory to schedule a visit.

Rite of Christian Initiation in Adults (RCIA)

The RCIA prepares interested adults for reception into the Catholic Church. The program is adapted to the each person's needs and prepares them for full initiation into the faith. Please contact the rectory to register for the classes.

Welcome to our Visitors

If you are visiting Tioga County this weekend, welcome and thank you for celebrating the Eucharist with us! If you are searching for a Spiritual home, we welcome you to join us in worship and invite you to become part of our church family by contacting the Rectory.

St. Peter's Church

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Schedule of Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm ~ Sunday: 8:30am & 11:00am

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:15 – 4:45pm

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 11:45am-12:00noon

Emergency Contact

In the event of an emergency, please call the rectory at 570-724-3371. If no answer, please call 570-329-5762. This is a pager. You will be instructed to enter your phone number and Fr. Bechtel will return your call.

Religious Education and Formation

Religious Education classes are held for Pre-K – 12th grade. Classes begin in September and conclude in May. Pre-K (ages 3-5) is held during the 8:30am Mass. K-12th begins at 9:30am and concludes at 10:40am. Confirmation Prep Class meets one Sunday a month from 5:00–6:30pm as scheduled.

Pregnancy Support

Catholic Social Services (800) 982-4310
Crisis Pregnancy Help line (888) 4-OPTIONS
Endless Mountains Pregnancy Care Center (570) 673-4476

Parish Contact Listing

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults – Patti Mitchell 570-724-3371
Guardians of the Redeemer – Rectory 570-724-3371
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St. John Neumann's Prayer Group – Christina Simonis 570-724-2085
Contemplative Spirituality Group – Kate Black 570-724-3047
Cards & Games – Patty Kramer 570-948-9023
Knights of Columbus – George Gamble 570-724-5216
Social Concerns – Karen Plumley 570-439-0175
Parish Rummage Sale – Mary Cleveland 570-724-5286
Funeral Luncheon Group – Rectory 570-724-3371
Church Linens & Decorations – Sue Singer 570-724-2360
Buildings & Grounds – Rick Joachim 570-439-2591
Cemetery Committee – Howard Rutledge 570-724-4529
Fundraising Dinners – Kathy Wilcox 570-724-3371
Music Ministry – Christina Simonis 570-724-2085,
Marilyn deGuzman 570-376-5427, Marian Miller 570-724-5245
Samaritan House – Daria Guelig 570-724-3030
Youth Group – Maureen Poirier 570-724-9789
Eucharistic Adoration – Mary Cleveland 570-724-5286
Finance Council – Priscilla Walrath 570-724-2056
Parish Council – Rectory 570-724-3371
Worship Committee – Rectory 570-724-3371
Sunday Communion at Nursing Homes – Eileen Evert 570-439-4470
Prayer Chain – Kate Black 570-724-3047
Order of Secular Carmelite – Lori Makos 570-724-3371

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 17, 2016

Date	Time	Confession Time and Mass Intention
Monday 4/18 <i>Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29</i>		
Tuesday 4/19 <i>Acts 7:51-8:1; Jn 6:30-35</i>		<div>There will be no daily Mass this week while Fr Bechtel is away.</div>
Wednesday 4/20 <i>Acts 8:1-8; Jn 6:35-40</i>		
Thursday 4/21 <i>Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51</i>		
Friday 4/22 <i>Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59</i>		
Saturday 4/23 <i>Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69</i>	4:15-4:45pm 5:00pm	Confession In Memory of T.J. DiPiano (Grab Family)
Sunday 4/24 <i>Acts 13:14-17,43-52; Rv 7:9,14-17; Jn 10:27-30</i>	8:30am 11:00am	All Living and Deceased Members of St. Peter's Church In Memory of Scott Waclawik (Christine King & Family)



This Week's Sanctuary Candle

The sanctuary candle is a reminder to us of the presence of Christ reserved in the Tabernacle. This week's candle is offered in memory of **Chad Allen - 50th Birthday** (Mom, Bonnie Allen)

Stewardship

Gift of Time, Talent & Treasure

Thanks for your continued support and generosity!

Sunday Collection for April 10th: **\$6,627.00**

Weekly Goal to Meet Expenses: \$5,990.00

Difference: \$637.00

Year-to-Date Budget Variance: \$2,968.90

Cemetery Collection: \$1,070.25

Reflect on your gifts...and your giving!

Envelope usage statistics for the weekend of April 10th

Amount Given	Number of Contributors	Percentage of Contributors	Total Amount
\$0.00	326	68.78%	\$ 0.00
\$0.01 – \$1.00	2	0.42%	\$ 2.00
\$1.01 – \$5.00	13	2.74%	\$ 58.00
\$5.01 – \$10.00	30	6.33%	\$ 289.00
\$10.01 – \$15.00	8	1.69%	\$ 110.00
\$15.01 – \$20.00	20	4.22%	\$ 398.00
\$20.01 – \$25.00	18	3.80%	\$ 440.00
\$25.01 – \$50.00	36	7.59%	\$ 1,379.00
\$50.01 – \$75.00	10	2.11%	\$ 632.00
\$75.01 – \$100.00	4	0.84%	\$ 400.00
\$100.01 – \$500.00	7	1.48%	\$ 2,000.00
Totals	474		\$ 5,708.00

Loose Collection: \$ 919.00

Attendance for weekend of April 10th

5:00pm – 202; 8:30am – 183; 11:00am – 141

Total number attending Mass – 526

Number of registered families – 478

Number of registered parishioners – 1009

The Week Ahead

SUNDAY, April 17, 2016

Religious Ed. – Pre- School 8:30am; K-12th, 9:30am

TUESDAY, April 19, 2016

Women's Bible Study – 9:00am, Rectory

FRIDAY, April 22, 2016

First Holy Communion Practice – 6:30pm

SUNDAY, April 24, 2016; K-12th, 9:30am

First Holy Communion – 11:00am

Religious Ed. – Pre- School 8:30am

Cemetery Clean Up – 9:45am

Confirmation Prep Class – 5:00pm, Parish Center

Please remember there will be work going in the church and parish center this week. Parishioners are asked to not enter the buildings until Saturday (4/23/16) morning.

Ministers of the Altar Schedule

Weekend of April 24th

5:00pm

Servers: A.Osborn, A.Osborn, X.Tellgren

Lectors: C.Evert, K.Tellgren

E. Min.: K.Wilcox, E.Evert, M.Osborn

8:30am

Servers: N.Ingerick, M.Ingerick, J.Grab

Lectors: S.Ingerick, M.Ostapowicz

E. Min.: T.Gamble, N.Ostapowicz, C.Delong

11:00am

Servers: K.Swendrowski, A.Swendrowski, K.Kramer

Lectors: L.Nonnenmacher, P.Walrath

E. Min.: D.Stager, L.Stager, V.Anthony



Liturgical Reflection

Fourth Sunday of Easter

FIRST READING: Acts 13:14, 43-52

Paul and Barnabas continue to preach to the provinces, this time in Pisidia, which was part of Galatia. Uncowed by the hostile reception of the local Jews, they converted the Gentiles. At the hands of Paul, the Gospel's intended audience shifted to almost entirely Gentile, and today's story shows us an important turning point. Paul recognized that Jesus was the fulfillment of Old Testament prophecy and that his ministry had been exclusively to his own people. But under the influence of the Spirit, he also recognized that many of Jesus' own closed their hearts to his message; in that reality Paul discerned a call to take the Gospel to anyone and everyone who would hear it. Note the echoing of Simeon in the phrase "a light for the nations," drawn from Isaiah 49:6.

SECOND READING: Revelation 7:9, 14-17

John's vision continues, and now he hears of the promises of salvation. The elect of God stand in his presence and praise, with palm branches that represent victory. Representatives of all people are present. Human hearts long to hear words of comfort and assurance like those proclaimed at the end of this text. The promises of the freedom that comes in the presence of God are inspiring.

GOSPEL: John 10:27-30

Coming at the end of Jesus' sublime Good Shepherd discourse, this brief passage asserts Jesus' devotion for his sheep and his identity with the Father. Jesus' description of himself as the Good Shepherd left his listeners divided. Here, Jesus makes promises to those who "hear his voice," whose hearts are open and recognize their dependence on God rather than on their observance of the Law, in contrast with those who have ears but do not hear. He is God's incarnate word, and therefore one with the Father. He concludes with a powerful assertion that there is no distance between what they see and hear from him and what comes from the Father.

ABOUT THIS SUNDAY

The Fourth Sunday of Easter is traditionally referred to as **Good Shepherd Sunday**. Hearing the Shepherd's voice, followers recognize and know it is their God. Safe in the knowledge that they cannot be taken from the hand of the Shepherd, those who hear his voice follow as faithful believers willing to go where God calls and sends them. When all the clamor of false voices and seductive distractions threaten to overwhelm us, we have only to listen carefully to be led to do the work of the Father.

Today is also **World Day of Prayer for Vocations**. The purpose of this day is to publically fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life, or secular institutes.

Parish Activities and Information

YEAR OF MERCY PILGRIMAGE

St. Peter's is planning a Year of Mercy pilgrimage to the Holy Door at the Basilica of Saints Cyril and Methodius in Danville. The bus trip will take place on Wednesday, June 15th and will include Mass at the Basilica then on to Lancaster County with a stop at Kitchen Kettle followed a showing of "Sampson" at Sight and Sound. Registration brochures, with complete details of the pilgrimage, can be found near the handout table on the side of the church.

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

ENTER THE HOLY DOORS, CELEBRATE
THE JUBILEE, AND RECEIVE JUBILEE
PLENARY INDULGENCE!

THROUGH NOVEMBER 20, 2016



MAY CROWNING



The May Crowning, lead by our First Holy Communion class, will take place on Sunday, May 1st, at the 8:30am Mass. **All religious education students** are invited to participate in the procession. Each student should bring a flower to present to Mary and *meet in the Parish Center no later than 8:15am.*

SPRING SALE

Thank you to everyone who helped to make the spring rummage sale a great success. A very special 'Thank You' to Mary Cleveland for once again chairing the event. A profit of \$3,587.92 was raised to support our parish.

SPRING CEMETERY CLEAN UP

Spring clean up of Saint Peter's Cemetery on Pearl Street will take place on Sunday, April 24th beginning at 9:45am (following 8:30am Mass). We can use all the help we can get to beautify these sacred grounds. Bring your rakes, shovels, gloves, etc. **Note:** Remove all winter decorations from the cemetery before April 24th. Please do not dispose of the decorations in the barrels on the cemetery ground, but instead take them with you to discard elsewhere.



SAMARITAN HOUSE NEEDS YOU!



The Samaritan House of Wellsboro is a community ministry coordinated by St. Peter's Parish. We offer residence and personal care to persons during the final weeks of their lives. Samaritan House charges no fees, and is supported by donations, grants, and fundraising efforts. Volunteers are our greatest resource. It is a privilege and blessing to make this final journey with our guests and their families. Training is provided, and scheduling is flexible. We are in dire need of new volunteers, and invite people of all ages to prayerfully consider joining our ministry. For more information call Karen Usavage 570-439-2913 or Linda Sampson 570-404-2180 or email samaritan.house.3@gmail.com.

That's The Way It Is!



The document from Pope Francis, *Amoris Laetitia*, has generated a lot of discussion since it came out. The document is two-hundred some pages and packed with footnotes. Because of its length, I have not yet read the document. Many people have offered their opinions on the document. Not having read the document myself, I cannot offer an opinion until I read it. What I will do is to show that the debates being had today in the Church over how best to reach wayward faithful are not unique. They are as old as the Church itself. Pope Francis, like his predecessors is trying to hold two things in tension: God's Revelation, and the fact that people are sinners.

In the first hundred years of our history, the debates were not whether divorced and remarried Catholics should receive communion, but on whether apostates should be readmitted to the Church if they were contrite. These debates were so severe that they affected the unity of the Church. In fact, debates over when communion should be denied to wayward Catholic politicians are as old as the Church is! A Patriarch by the name of Ignatius in the 800's denied a high ranking government official by the name of Bardas communion because he was living in an incestuous relationship with his daughter-in-law. For this, the emperor deposed Ignatius thus ushering in a small schism between the East and West called the Photian Schism.

Today, same debate, different issues. Today we are debating how to reach divorced and remarried Catholics, and whether they should be denied communion. We are also debating whether Catholic politicians who support abortion should be denied Holy Communion. What about those living in a homosexual relationship? How best can we reach out to them? What about Catholics who use contraception?

There seems to be no agreement on how to best care for wayward Catholics and reach out to them. Everyone agrees that they must be made to feel welcome in the Church, but they disagree on what exactly it means to make them feel welcome. Does making them feel welcome mean ignoring sin? Does making them feel welcome mean pretending that their life choices or life style does not matter? Does it mean pretending that our choices bear no connection to our eternal destiny? Does making people feel welcome mean never saying or doing anything that might break the greatest commandment of "Thou shall not offend?" Different people have different answers to those questions.

My own pastoral practice is this: I am a lion on the pulpit, a lamb in the confessional and office. I believe everyone, regardless of their lifestyle needs to be challenged, exhorted, inspired, offended, accepted, loved, etc. No Catholic, no matter what ideology is perfect.

Everyone has something they need to work on. For one, that might be the idea that we are our brother's keeper and need to be mindful of the poor. For others, that might be the idea that a homosexual lifestyle is not in accord with Gospel values. For still others, that might be the idea that one cannot simply remarry and ignore a previous marriage. Yet for others, that might be the idea that we cannot simply use Earth's resources without concern for the environment or the future. Finally, for others, it might be the realization that being Catholic and supporting abortion (ahem "choice") is an oxymoron.

When it comes to the confessional however, I am a lamb. Confession is not a time for judgment it is a time for mercy. It is the person who judges their own lives in light of God's love through the presence of God in the Sacrament. In the Sacrament of Confession, the person does the talking and the judging. I simply sit and listen—responding only when indicated, offering suggestions or direction when requested. The same goes if people make an appointment with me to discuss some issue in their lives—whether that be a previous marriage, a struggle with homosexuality, or even struggling with doubts about God's existence, abortion rights, or church teaching about some other issue. I would not be one to start denying communion to people. If, however, someone asked me if they can receive Holy Communion in the state of Mortal Sin, I would say "No. Go to Confession first." I would not deny them communion, but I would not recommend they receive communion if they are conscious of a Mortal Sin.

I am also firm when necessary. For example, when I administrated two parishes in Williamsport, people asked me to sign forms stating that they go to Mass so they can get a tuition break at SJNRA. I knew they didn't attend Mass, so I refused to do so. (Families were not happy about that) Another example is when I had a student suspended when I knew it could affect the outcome of a major sports playoff. (People did not like that but I stood my ground. I cared more about the integrity of the student than I did sports.)

Is my pastoral practice correct? Well, it is for me. Each priest must minister in accord with their values. Some priests would disagree with my practice, others would agree. I don't always get it right, but I do the best I can, following this motto: "Once I thought I was wrong, but I was mistaken."

That's the way it is!

The Reverend David Bechtel

Pro Life News

WORD OF LIFE

"Assisted suicide may sound like it provides choices for individuals, but instead, it's taking choices away from people by radically weakening the promise of care and support at the end of life for terminally ill patients like me." "*Maggie's Story: Living like Dad,*" *USCCB e Activities*

Diocese of Scranton News

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

A second collection will be taken up at all Masses next weekend, April 24th, in support of the Catholic Home Mission Appeal – Strengthening the Church at Home. Your generosity will provide catechesis, seminarian education, lay ministry training, and other pastoral programs in needy dioceses across the United States. Please be as generous as you are able.

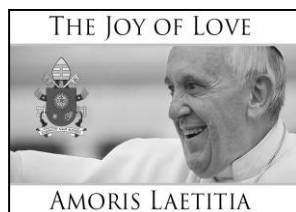
2016 MEN'S CONFERENCE

The 2016 Men's Conference will be held on Saturday, April 23, 2016. Registrations are now open on our web site www.BeAManConference.com. We have an exciting day planned with a great lineup of speakers, breakfast, lunch, confessions, adoration and concluding with Mass celebrated by Bishop Bambera. **St. Peter's will sponsor a bust at no cost to those attending. Please call the rectory to sign up.**

News From the Vatican

AMORIS LAETITIA – THE JOY OF LOVE

Pope Francis released his apostolic exhortation, *Amoris Laetitia* (the Joy of Love) on April 8, 2016. An apostolic exhortation is a particular kind of papal teaching that communicates the mind of the pope on a certain topic. In this case it is used to share the conclusions reached by the Holy Father, after consideration of the recommendations of the Bishops at the conclusion of two Synods on the topic of family and marriage. Over the next weeks, this column will give short excerpts from each chapter. The complete document can be read on the Vatican website at www.vatican.va.



Introduction:

- ♦ The Joy of Love experienced by families is also the joy of the Church. As the Synod Fathers noted, for all the many signs of crisis in the institution of marriage, “the desire to marry and form family remains vibrant, especially among young people, and this is an inspiration to the Church.”
- ♦ The Synod process allowed for an examination of the situation of families in today's world, and thus for a broader vision and a renewed awareness of the importance of marriage and the family. The complexity of the issues that arose revealed the need for continued open discussion of a number of doctrinal, moral, spiritual, and pastoral questions. The thinking of the pastors and theologians, if faithful to the Church, honest, realistic and creative, will help us to achieve greater clarity.
- ♦ Since “time is greater than space,” I would make it clear that not all discussions of doctrinal, moral, or pastoral

issues need to be settled by interventions of the magisterium. Unity of teaching and practice is certainly necessary in the Church, but this does not preclude various ways of interpreting some aspects of that teaching or drawing conclusions from it. This will always be the case as the Spirit guides us toward the entire truth, until he leads us fully into the mystery of Christ and enables us to see all things as he does. Each country or region, moreover, can seek solutions better suited to its culture and sensitive to its traditions and local needs.

- ♦ This Exhortation is especially timely in this Jubilee Year of Mercy. First, because it represents an invitation to Christian families to value the gifts of marriage and the family, and to persevere in a love strengthened by the virtues of generosity, commitment, fidelity, and patience. Second, because it seeks to encourage everyone to be a sign of mercy and closeness wherever family life remains imperfect or lacks peace and joy.
- ♦ I will begin with an opening chapter inspired by the Scriptures, to set a proper tone. I will then examine the actual situation of families, in order to keep firmly grounded in reality. I will go on to recall some essential aspects of the Church's teaching on marriage and family, thus paving the way for two central chapters dedicated to love. I will then highlight some pastoral approaches that can guide us in building sound and fruitful homes in accordance with God's plan, with a full chapter devoted to the raising of children. Finally, I will offer an invitation to mercy and the pastoral discernment of those situations that fall short of what the Lord demands of us, and conclude with a brief discussion of family spirituality.
- ♦ It is my hope that, in reading this text, all will feel called to love and cherish family life, for “families are not a problem; they are first and foremost an opportunity.”

Jubilee Year of Mercy



This Holy Year will commence on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception and will conclude on Sunday, November 20, 2016, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe and living face of the Father's mercy.

How can we show others the mercy of God? Our actions need to authentically reflect God's mercy.

Avoid Gossip

Merciful people refrain from gossip because they know that gossip is another assault on an already injured person. Pope Francis tells us: “It is so terrible to gossip! At first it may seem like a nice thing, even amusing, like enjoying a candy. But in the end, it fills the heart with bitterness, and even poisons us.” (Angelus, February 16, 2016) *How will you keep yourself from gossiping about other people?*

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PRAYERS
Needed For...

Parish Prayer List

Nettie Mays, Nan Bowser, Rebecca Kreider, Bill Jacobson, Trish Knowlton, Sheldon Moon, Helene Carpenter, Angela Shirley, Joe Heminhaus, Jr., Jasmine Williams, Judy Nagel, Sue Evert, Logan Williams, Valerie Tobin, Michael Farrington, Debbie Adleman, Darlene Brennan, Shirley Mekos Broughton, Cynthia Gordon, Tim Christman, Michelle Lawrence, Ann Porter, Tucker Gromosiak, Meghan Henneman, Joyce Bowe, Donna Brennan, Peggy Zona, Natasha Rymarczuk, Bob Erway, Mary Mekos, Mary Cramner, Bob Black, Maci Lynn Perry, Martha Desch, Pam Robbins, Leon Herb, Deb Finestone, Nick Cavagnaro, Antoinette Davis, Kay Evans, Anna Marie Mimlitsch, Sean Rice, Jonathan Hardman, Sylvia Darrow, Lola Moore, Edwin Rosa, Carol Johns, Joan Kilmer, Stephen Hurd, Stephanie Hemighauf, Suzie Alexander, Larry Sasani, Kathy Barnes, Wendy Doan-Newcomb, Michele Bush, Ashley Johns, Syler Sullivan, Adrienne Gilbert, Rita Grinnan, Bob Murphy, Richard Wheeler, Carolyn Antoniwi, Sylvia Smith, Jean Thurman, Robbie Butler, Susan Cleveland, Lynn Bower, Brian Abbott, Dominic Bianco, Tom Mohr, Carol Weatherby, Carol Shine, Teresa Pavlock, Jerry Pierce, Joann Black, Gabriel, Melissa & Daniel Espinoza, Lori Lopaz, Patricia Quattrone, Larry Jackson, Katie Seip, Lisa Jones, Grace Bickham, Edward Collins, Floyd Williammee, Barbara Gaugler, Renee Kennedy, Gay Furlong, Elsa DiBernardo, Fran Rose, Christine Palmer, June Sherman, Kathy Smith, Beverly Heck, Tim Bogaczyk, Beth Valdez, Virginia Shaefer, Charles Barrett, Joe Engel, Tony Dooley, David Naugle, Connie Kenderdine, Darleen Kohler, Mary Lou Bonk, Kaydence Burger, Callie Cavanaugh, Tina Janeski, Dean Gilkey, Victoria Salerno, Wanda Trynovich, Tim Cunningham, Maureen Bailey, Tony Pranses, Rudy & Patti Radocaj, Bob Snyder, Don Brooks, Laura Williams, Kathy Macensky, Paul Beuter, Craig West, and Avery Trescott.



Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord and
Let the Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them.

Robert McCarthy, Sophia Campbell

Lord, this we know, no matter how difficult life may be at this time, we know you will not stop loving us and will always hold us in the palm of your hand. We are reaching to you, Lord, to hold us, comfort us, and heal us. Lord, this we know, you are faithful in your love for us today and forever. You are with us. and we are with you. Amen.