

The Church of the Nativity & St. Stephen

Easter Day April 20, 2025



Mission of Nativity and St. Stephen

To seek and serve Christ through service to others.

To manage responsibly the financial resources of our parish as loving and caring stewards.

To welcome and involve all persons into our parish family valuing both diversity and unity.

To enable nurture and learning in the Episcopal heritage of Scripture, tradition and reason.

To foster a community of faith for worship, spiritual growth, ministry and mission.

We invite your prayers before our mass begins. Please be reminded of the importance of Holy silence that prepares us to listen to God. Conversation, food, and fellowship following worship. All are welcome.

The Rev. Ryan Tobin

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Organ Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Processional Hymn

"Jesus Christ is risen today" Hymnal 207

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: *The Lord is risen indeed.
Alleluia.*

Collect for Purity BCP 355

Glory To God Hymnal S280

Collect of the Day insert

First Reading:

Isaiah 65:17 - 25 insert

Psalms 118:1 - 2, 14 - 24 insert

Second Reading:

Acts 10:34 - 43 insert

Hymn

"He is risen, he is risen!" Hymnal 180

The Holy Gospel:

Luke 24:1 - 12 insert

Sermon The Rev. Ryan Tobin

Renewal of Baptismal Vows BCP 292

Asperges

Prayers of the People

Hear our prayer.

The Peace BCP 360

(Stand and greet each other.)

The Offertory Sentence BCP 376

The Doxology Hymnal 380, v.3

The Great Thanksgiving BCP 361
(Eucharistic Prayer A)

The Holy Eucharist II

Lift up your hearts *Sursum corda*

S 120

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface BCP 377 & 378

Sanctus Hymnal S130

Consecration BCP 362

The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread BCP 364

Fraction Anthem Hymnal S 164

Ministration of Communion

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Dearest Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since we all cannot receive communion in the consecrated bread and wine, we pray you to come into our hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with our hearts, souls, and minds.

Let us serve you in this life until, by your grace, we come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

Prayer after Communion BCP 365

Recessional Hymn

“Come, ye faithful, raise the strain”

Hymnal 199

The Dismissal BCP 366

Announcements

Today we renew our baptismal vows.

Please include the following in your daily prayers. Wendy, Sue, Gary, Lesley, Mary Jeanne, Marie, Jim, Lynne, Tammy, Ray, Nedra, Jake, Matt, Katherine, Marlene, Linda, Kate, Pat, Alfred, and Sandy.

Vestry Meeting, Tuesday, April 22, 6pm, Zoom.

Collections for Neighbor Helping Neighbor Food Bank

April items are: Juice, Jelly, Coffee, Tea, Tub and Tile and Floor Cleaners.

Weekly Conversation and Devotions

Wednesday, April 23, noon, New Bloomfield Restaurant (formerly County Seat)

Wednesday, April 30, 9am, Zoom

Thursday, May 8, 11:30am, Kingdom Grounds Café, Elliottsburg

Wednesday, May 14, 9am, Zoom

Wednesday, May 21, 11:30, Shine, Liverpool

Wednesday, May 28, 9am, Zoom

Back to School with Join Hands

Join Hands is collecting gently use children’s clothing and NEW socks and underwear to distribute on August 2 at the Family Life Center. We will be collecting packs of new socks and underwear, boys and girls, sizes 4T to adult XL. A basket will be in the church through July 31 – let’s fill it! Any questions, see Darlene.

Help fill our community food pantry!

Items that seem to be taken first include canned pasta meals, soups, and macaroni and cheese. Vegetables don’t seem to get taken. Also, please don’t use this as an opportunity to clear out your pantry if at all possible.

Rejoice@Incarnation

Each month Incarnation UCC, 45 N. 4th Street, Newport, will host a musical guest. Concerts are Sundays and start at 2pm and last 60 – 90 minutes.

May 4 – Minas

Perry County Literacy Council 29th Annual Race for Reading, Saturday, May 3, 5:30pm, Little Buffalo State Park Recreation Center.

Dinner, drinks, appetizers, and silent/live auctions. A pre-race Mint Julep Party will take place at 4:30pm, The Warner home, 7004 Creek Road, Newport. Reserve your tickets in advance. See the Perry County Literacy Council FB page for more info.

Perry Human Services Mini Golf “Take a Swing at Drug Abuse” Fundraiser, Saturday, May 3, Paradise Stream Family Campground, 693 Paradise Stream Rd., Loysville

Form a team of 2 – 5 players who raise \$25 each. Start times are every ½ hour from 9:30am – 1pm. Register online at www.perryhumanservices.org or call 717-582-8703.

Wine a Little, Laugh a Lot, Bid More Join Hands Ministry Fundraising Event, Saturday, May 17, 2 – 5pm, The Winery at Hunters Valley, 3 Orchard Road, Liverpool
Complimentary wine tasting, hors d’oeuvres, silent auction, and comedian Seth Knorr. \$45 per person includes souvenir glass. Tickets are available at BIT.LY/3X4NO2L



The Easter Flowers decorating the church are given

In loving memory of Joseph Amsler and their parents
by Darlene Amlser

In loving memory of Phil Beamer by the Beamer family

In loving memory of loved ones by the Days

In loving memory of Jim and Sandra Hoover and
Rich and Anna Troutman by Jill Hoover

In loving memory of Alleman Family by Karen Kern

In loving memory of Tony Roland by Ann Roland

In loving memory of their parents, the Stantons and Nicols, by
Terry and Nancy Stanton

In loving memory of Elmer and Hazel Yocum,
Harry and Margaret Yocum and Irvin and Esther Miller
by Jan and Connie Yocum

Service Participants

Greeter: Wendy Day

Lector: Mary Price

Prayers of the People: Jan Yocum

Acolyte and Eucharistic Minister: Shannon Burns

Organist: Andrea Jezewski

Tech Assistant: Aiden Shiffer

Altar Guild: Karen Kern

Counters: Darlene Amsler and Terry Stanton

Vestry

Jill Hoover, Sr. Warden

Darlene Amsler

Sue Beamer

Wendy Day

Mary Price

Terry Stanton

Rebecca Gephart-Crup, Treasurer