

St. James Evangelical Lutheran Church May 20, 2018 Pentecost Communion

Worship every Sunday 10:45 AM

Welcome

We welcome all visitors who come to worship with us today. We are delighted that you have come to share in the prayer and praise of our Lord and invite you to return and add your voice to ours in holy celebration. If you have a special need or prayer write it on the prayer card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. Before you leave us today, we ask that you please sign our guest book.

Pastor: Revs. Scott & Carol Custead

Church Organist/Choir Director: PATRICIA McCONNELL

Administrative Assistant: Tim Surkovich

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St. James Mission Statement: To make disciples of Jesus Christ through Word and Sacrament by the Holy Spirit.

Announcements: If you cannot read the hymns, you can turn to the hymn in the red ELW hymnal in the pew racks.

Prelude: "Introduction and Trumpet Tune" Maurice Green

(We take this time to silently prepare our hearts and minds for worship)

PLEASE STAND

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

With honesty of heart, let us confess our sin.

An extended silence may be kept.

Merciful God,

We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

We Gather

God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind



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*GREETING:

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

C: And also with you.

*CANTICLE OF PRAISE





*PRAYER OF THE DAY:

P: Let us pray.

Mighty God, you breathe life into our bones, and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Send us this Spirit, transform us by your truth, and give us language to proclaim your gospel, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

We Listen to the Word

First Reading: Acts 2:1-21 A reading from Acts.

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour

out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

The word of the Lord Thanks be to God.

PSALM

²⁴How manifold are your works, O LORD! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

²⁵Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.

²⁶There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.

All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.

- ²⁸You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- ²⁹When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
- ³⁰You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.
- ³¹May the glory of the LORD endure forever; O LORD, rejoice in all your works.
- ³²You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.
- ³³I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.
- ³⁴May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the LORD.
- ^{35b}Bless the LORD, O my soul. Hallelujah!

Anthem: Come Down, Holy Spirit

Second Reading: Romans 8:22-27

A reading from Romans.

²²We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; ²³and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION





*GOSPEL:

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

The Holy Gospel according to John.



[Jesus said,] ²⁶"When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. ²⁷You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

with you. ⁵But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. ⁷Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹about sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; ¹¹about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

¹²"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

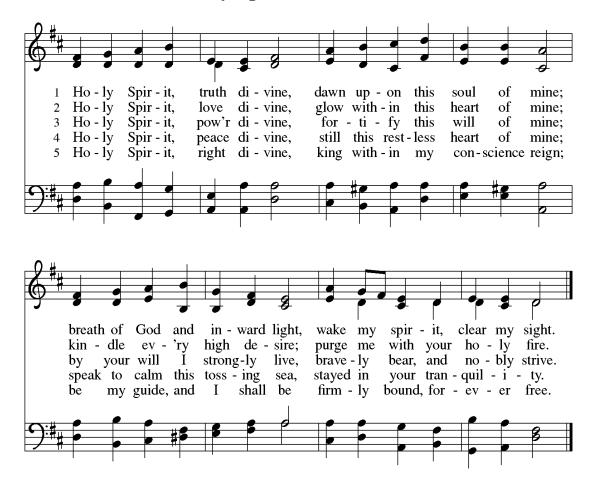
The Gospel of the Lord.



We Respond to the Word

*Hymn of the Day: Holy Spirit, Truth Divine ELW 398

Holy Spirit, Truth Divine



Text: Samuel Longfellow, 1819–1892 Music: SONG 13, Orlando Gibbons, 1583–1625

*Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

The prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, we join with the church in every place, praying for the world that God so loves.

A brief silence.

Lord of life, you baptize your people with the fire of the Spirit. Grace your church everywhere with your visions and dreams, so that as we testify, all will hear the gospel and call upon your saving name. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Your creating Spirit renews the face of the earth. Bring to birth new life in the earth's land forms and waters. Bless all those who farm our lands that they may find joy in their work and a just reward for their labors. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Your Spirit swept over the waters and you created the human family. Now we are divided, scattered like dry bones. Connect the nations with the strength of the Holy Spirit, so that all will live in hope. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Your Spirit sighs with every need. Guide us in honoring the dignity of everyone and opening our lives to others. Pour your healing mercies into the lives of all who need your care (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Your Spirit has called and gathered this congregation into life in Christ. Help us in our weakness, teach us to pray, search our hearts, and intercede for us, your beloved saints, according to your will. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

By your Holy Spirit you have called and gathered people from every nation under heaven. Gather us with all the saints (*especially*) at the heavenly banquet that has no end. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

By the sure guidance of your Holy Spirit, O God, we lift up our prayers in trust and thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

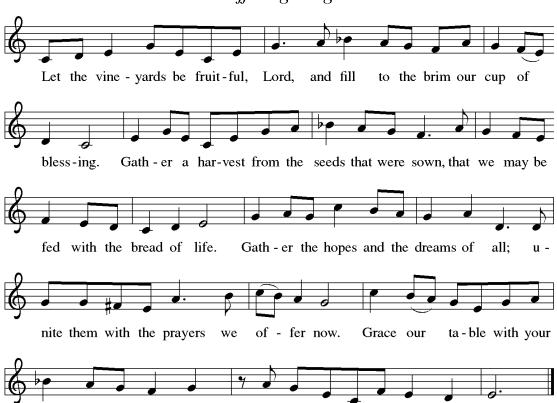
- *Sharing of the Peace
- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

We Offer Our Gifts

Offertory: Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest arr. Flor Peters

*Offertory Hymn: Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful Offering Song



a fore-taste of the feast

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come.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980 Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923

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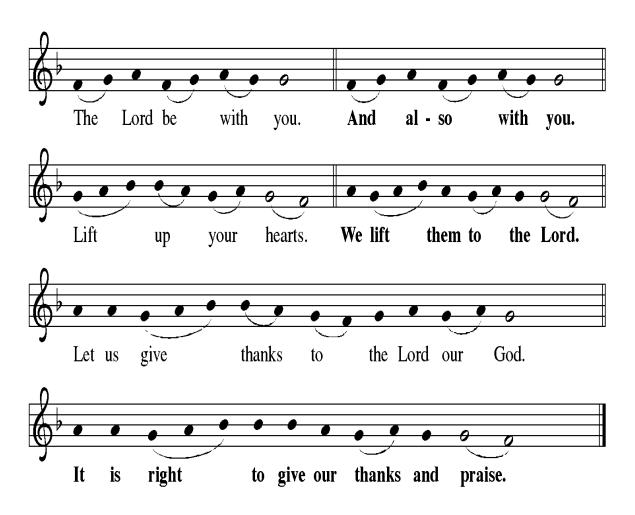
*Offering Prayer:

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.

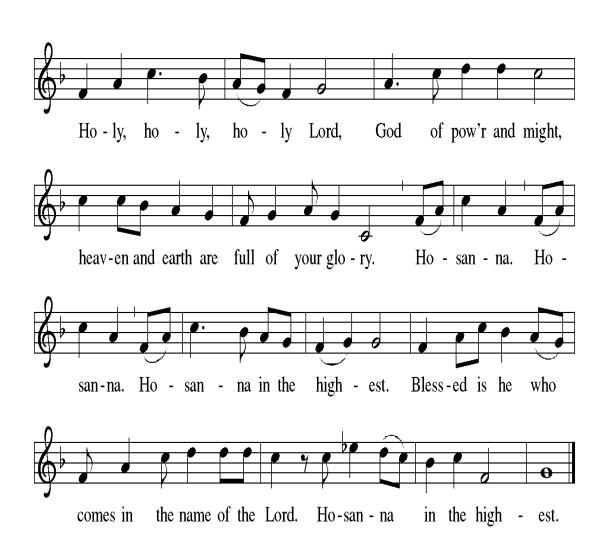
A: Amen.

We Share the Feast

*Holy Communion



P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



*Thanksgiving at the Table

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish but have eternal life. We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we might receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

For it is our Lord Jesus, who in the night in which he was betrayed took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." Again, after the supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me".

Lord remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

*The Lord's Prayer

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.

*Invitation to Communion

P: Reveal yourself to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you once revealed yourself to your disciples.

Communion Distribution

*Post-Communion Blessing

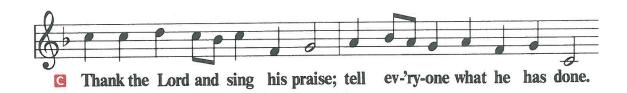
P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen

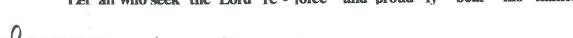
*Song after Communion:

Thank the Lord

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*Prayer after Communion

P: Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

A: **AMEN**

We Are Sent

*Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

*Sending Song: Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling ELW 582

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*Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

*Postlude: Every Time I Feel The Spirit arr. Judith Maggs

Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling



Text: Timothy Rees, 1874–1939, alt.

Music: IN BABILONE, Oude en Nieuwe Hollantse Boerenlities en Contradansen, 1710; arr. Julius Röntgen, 1855–1932

Announcements

IN THE CASE OF A PASTORAL EMERGENCY,

In the event of a Pastoral Emergency, please contact Pastors Scott & Carol Custead Phone: 814-254-3072 Email: scustead@atlanticbb.net or ccustead@atlanticbb.net

The church office email is stjamesaltoona@gmail.com The church's website is www.stjamesaltoona.org
On Facebook—St. James Lutheran Church—Altoona, PA

REMINDER AND IMPORTANT

BULLETIN ADDITIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED NO LATER THAN TUESDAY AT 10:30 AM.

For corrections, please contact the church office secretary Tim Surkovich, I'm in the office Monday-Thursday 9-1.

****IF AN ARTICLE FOR THE KIRCHENBLATT CANNOT BE SUBMITTED BY THE 15TH OF THE MONTH, PLEASE CALL AND RESERVE A SPACE FOR YOUR ARTICLE SO THAT THE KIRCHENBLATT CAN BE FORMATTED AHEAD OF TIME TO PROVIDE SPACE FOR ALL THE CONGREGATIONAL NEWS.****



UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS:

POTLUCK DINNER TODAY	MAY 20
BULLETIN DEADLINE	MAY 22 10:30AM
CHOIR PRACTICE	MAY 24 7PM
BULLETIN DEADLINE	MAY 29 10:30AM
CHOIR PRACTICE	MAY 31 7PM
SWEETS AND TREATS	JUN 3 10AM
BULLETIN DEADLINE	JUN 5 10:30AM
WELCA SPRING LUNCHEON	JUN 9 12PM
BULLETIN DEADLINE	JUN 12 10:30AM
COUNCIL MEETING	JUN 12 6PM
KIRCHENBLATT ARTICLE DEADLINE	JUN 15 12PM
BULLETIN DEADLINE	JUN 19 10:30AM
CHURCH PICNIC	JUN 24 11AM
BETHANY TRIP TO SIGHT AND SOUND	
TO SEE THE PRODUCTION OF JESUS	AUG 25

Our Prayer List:

Tim Surkovich The Family of Dave Bickel

Carolyn Feather

(Names for inclusion on our parish prayer list can be submitted to the church office. The name will remain on the list for one month. At the end of that period please advise the church office, if you would like the name to be continue for another month.)

Those serving in our military

Graystone Manor//Bellmeade

Robert Civils

Presbyterian Village in Hollidaysburg:

Charlie Green

Patti Green

Allegheny Lutheran Home:

Janet Kauffman

In their own homes:

Deborah Manbeck

Glenn Dell

Marlene Leonard

John Wiederkehr





SWEETS AND TREATS THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH.

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WELCA'S SPRING LUNCHEON

Saturday, June 9, 2018 Charlotte's Trove 819 E. Main Street Roaring Spring, PA

WE WILL MEET AT THE CHURCH AT 11:15 (carpooling if necessary to arrive around 12:00pm).

IF YOU ARE NOT CARPOOLING , DRIVE DIRECTLY TO CHARLOTTE'S TROVE AT 12:00pm.

The cost of the meal is covered, but we ask you to please bring a bathing suit OR a beach towel for a boy or girl under 5 years old. These in turn will be donated to Children Services of Blair County

PLEASE RSVP BEFORE MAY 31st and let us know if you want to carpool or drive.

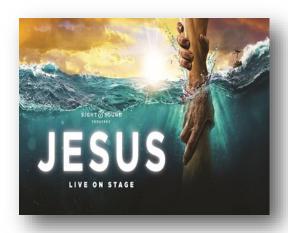
Husbands and friends are welcome to attend too!

Space is limited so hurry....you should do it now.

PEGGY THATCHER @ 943-4749 DONNA WILT @ 942-0379

Made available to you by a grant submitted by St James WELCA President, Peggy Thatcher from Thrivent.





Sight and Sound Trip 2018....JESUS

Last May, Bethany Lutheran took a trip to Sight and Sound Theater to see the production of Jonah and everyone had a wonderful experience. It was such a great experience, we decided to go to Sight and Sound, in Lancaster, PA, again!! For the 2018 season, Sight and Sound will be unveiling a BRAND NEW show entitled JESUS. We are planning to take a trip to see the production of Jesus on Saturday, August 25th for a 11am show with lunch to follow. Cost for your bus ride, the show, and lunch at Hershey Farms will be \$145 per person and children cost \$99. We will be having a sign up sheet by the Church Office soon. Hurry and sign up before you lose your chance for what will be a wonderful experience. **For those signing up, we ask for a \$25 deposit to reserve you space. We also ask for you to have your full payment (\$145) to be paid by August 10th.**

NAME(S)		
BEST WAY TO C	ONTACT (phone/address/email)	

If you have any questions, please contact Bethany Lutheran's church office 814-944-7560.

CHURCH PICNIC

Planning for the church picnic has begun. You can use the sign up sheet on the stand in the narthex or on the foyer bulletin board.

Church Picnic will be held June 24, 2018 at Highland Park, Pavilion #1





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June 24, 2018 Highland Park, Pavilion #1

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11:00 AM Communion Worship Service

12:00 PM Meal



Pat McConnell's band will play following the meal.

SIGN UP SHEET

** Paper Plates, and Utensils will be provided**

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Hamburgers, Hot Dogs and Rolls will be provided

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- . How you can take steps to prevent it.
- . What to do if your identity is stolen.

Sign up today!

Please email hopedropin16603@gmail.com by May 29, 2018 and reserve your spot today!



Details

Monday June 11, 2018

Lunch will be served at 12:30 PM followed by the presentation.

H.O.P.E. Drop-In Center

200 Third Avenue Altoona, PA

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