

# Valley Views



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## A Prayer for Easter

How wonderful, how marvelous, is Your love, Jesus! To think that You were willing to go through that for me!

What a day of rejoicing that must have been when You rose and realized it was all over--You had won the victory! You had accomplished Your mission. You had made the way for the world to be saved. You had gone through the horrors of Hell and death for us, and it was over.

You arose in victory, joy, liberation, and freedom from the hands of evil men, never to have to go through that again--and You did it all to spare us the same. Now we can say with the apostle Paul, "O death, where is your sting? O Hades [grave], where is your victory?" (1 Corinthians 15:55-57).

As I think of the seemingly terrible defeat that You suffered and how it resulted in such a tremendous victory, it fills me with wonder and gives me such hope and peace. Surely You and Your love will see me through whatever troubles may come my way, from now till eternity! Amen.



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The Annual Elimsport Easter Egg hunt will be held Saturday, April 15th at 10:00 am at the ball field. All are welcome to attend. See you there!

We will be having a Bible school meeting on Sunday, April 9th at 4pm. Anyone involved or interested in helping please plan to attend!



**Lenten Gatherings:**  
**The last Lenten Gathering will be Tuesday, April 4th at the Elimsport**

**church fellowship hall at 7:00.** It's an informal time of discussion and study on the various sinful practices that plague our society and our own lives today. Light refreshments will be provided and all are invited! Our hope is that this will be a refreshing time of fellowship for everyone regardless of their biblical knowledge, and that we will gain a greater appreciation for the sacrifice of our Lord for our sins. The Theme will be "What Good is There".

- Items for May's newsletter are due April 20th.
- Items for the weekly bulletin's need to be to the church office by **Wednesday** morning each week.  
*(Items received after these dates are not guaranteed to be printed.)*

Hear Ye, Hear Ye, calling all Knights, Kings, and Queens! Mark your calendars for Sunday, July 9 thru Thursday, July 13th. From 6:00pm to 8:30pm. Carnival and Closing Program Friday, July 14th at 6:00pm! Please note the new time! Yes, this years



VBS is in the evening. Come and join us in this fun Medieval Adventure. While we no longer wear suits of armor, live in high towers, or walk across drawbridges - they still represent what we still need - safety. God is our King, refuge, high tower and shield! Our plan is to study the life of David. David knew that God was his refuge, strength, shield, and fortress. Let's discover the drawbridge to Our King!! Transportation will be provided by our very own Queen, Miss Kay. Anyone interested may contact Miss Kay Showers, Pastor Mike or our Leaders. Anyone interested in helping please contact our very own Knight - Pastor Mike or our Queens Taryn Myers and Andrea Hetner!

## Elimsport Volunteers

### Greeters for April

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|----------|----------------------------|
| April 2  | Sue Lane                   |
| April 9  | Gene Pauling & Audrey Reed |
| April 16 | Janet Eiswerth             |
| April 23 | Katy Moser                 |
| April 30 | Frank Cleaver              |



### Peanut Butter Eggs

#### Ingredients:

1/4 cup butter, softened  
 1/2 pound cream cheese, softened  
 1/2 cup to 1 cup peanut butter  
 1 1/2 pounds confectioners' sugar  
 1/2 teaspoon salt  
 1 1/2 teaspoon vanilla  
 Semi Sweet Chips

#### Instructions:

Cream together first three ingredients until very soft. Add sugar, salt and vanilla. Shape into eggs and chill. Melt chocolate coating slowly over low heat. Coat eggs and refrigerate.



### Coconut Cream Eggs

#### INGREDIENTS:

8 oz softened Cream Cheese  
 1 tbsp softened Butter  
 4 cup Powdered Sugar  
 1 cup Shredded Coconut  
 1 tbsp Shortening  
 2 cup Semi Sweet Chocolate Chips

#### DIRECTIONS:

Using a hand mixer, beat cream cheese and butter until blended. Incorporate powdered sugar and coconut. Refrigerate for 1 hour or until easy to mold with hands. Prepare a baking sheet by lining with wax or parchment paper. Dust your hands with powdered sugar and mold mixture into egg shapes. Place on a prepared baking sheet. Place in freezer for 2 hours or until eggs are firm. Melt chocolate chips and shortening in microwave by heating for 30 seconds then stirring and repeating until melted and smooth. Dip eggs into chocolate mixture insuring that they are completely coated. Place back on prepared pan. Refrigerate until hardened.



### JELLY BEAN BARK

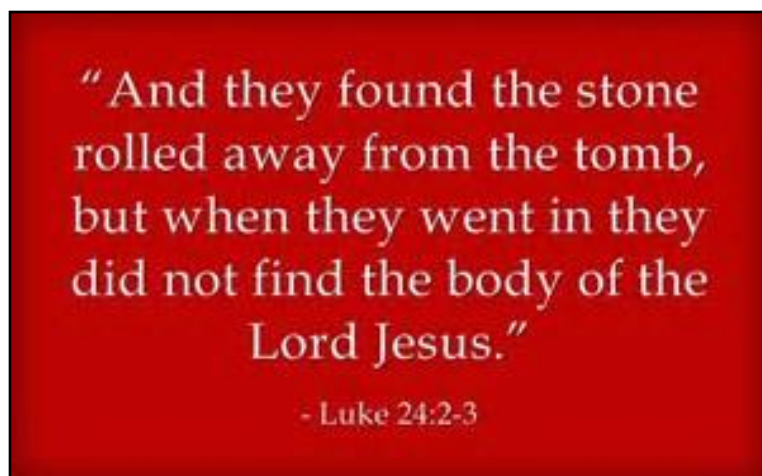
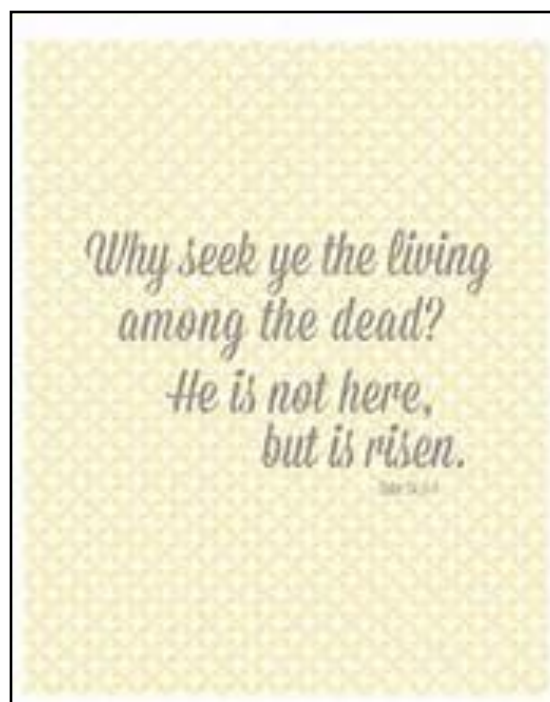
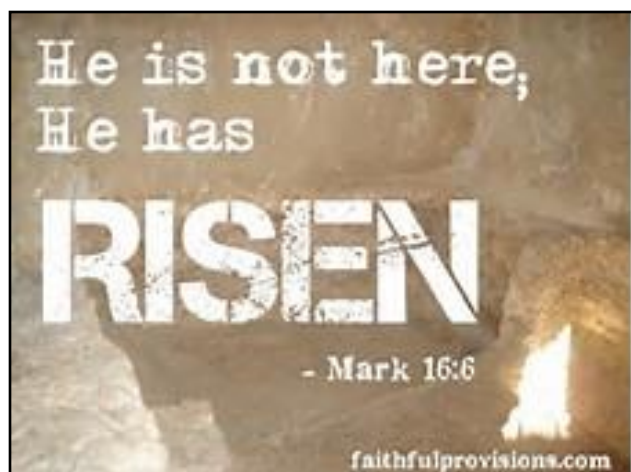
#### INGREDIENTS:

- 1 tablespoon butter
  - 1-1/4 pounds white candy coating, coarsely chopped
- 2 cups small jelly beans

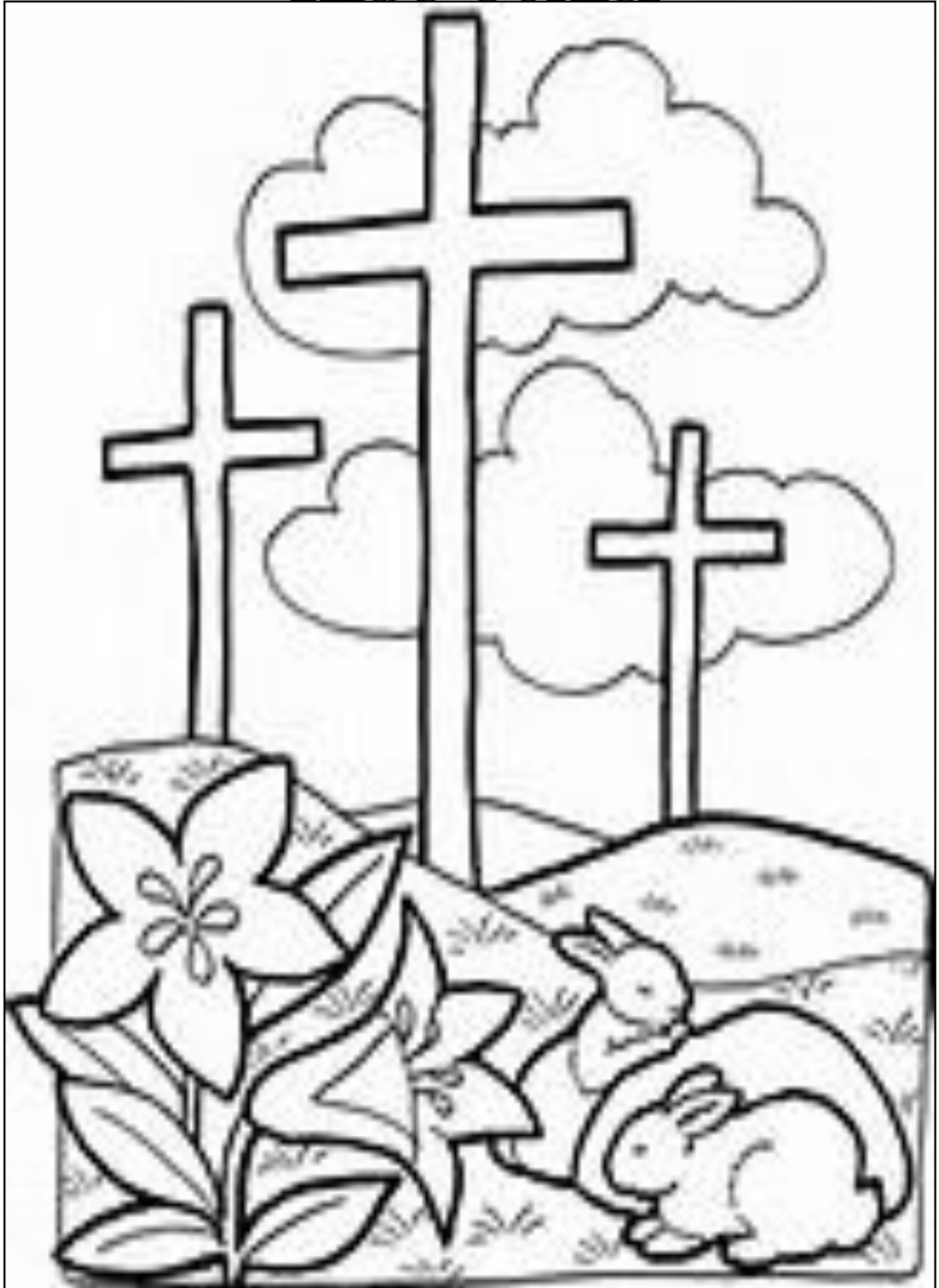


#### DIRECTIONS:

1. Line a 15x10x1-in. pan with foil; grease foil with butter. In a microwave, melt candy coating; stir until smooth. Spread into prepared pan. Top with jelly beans, pressing to adhere. Let stand until set. Cut or break bark into pieces. Store in an airtight container.



# Kid's Corner



# **ELIMSPORT VALLEY UNITED METHODIST PARISH**

## **Worship Schedule:**

### **Elimsport UMC**

Worship 9:00 am  
Sunday School 10:30 am

### **St. John's UMC**

Sunday School 9:15 am  
Worship 10:30 am

### **Parish Youth Group**

Check weekly Bulletin for current schedule and events  
(at Elimsport)

### **Parish Bible Study**

Varies according to the season.

### **Parish Office:**

16145S. RT 44 HWY  
Allenwood, PA 17810

### **Parsonage Phone:**

(570) 547-1386

### **Pastor Mike's Cell:**

(570) 974-8590

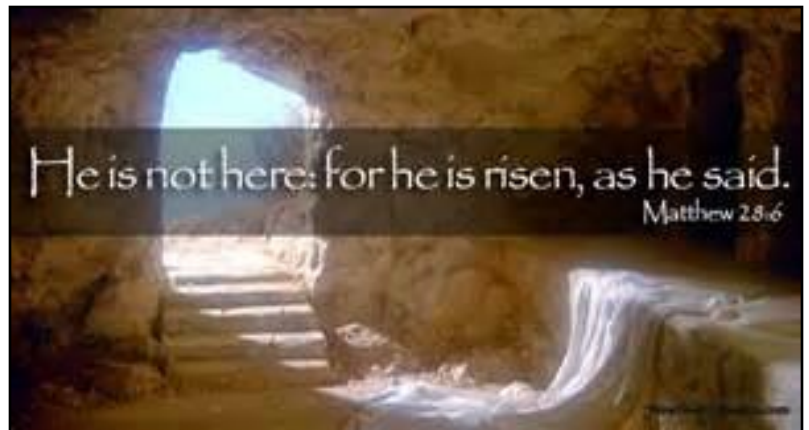
### **Parish Website:**

[www.evpumc.org](http://www.evpumc.org)

### **Parish email:**

[elimsportumc@gmail.com](mailto:elimsportumc@gmail.com)

[www.evpumc.org](http://www.evpumc.org)



### **Our Mission Statement at Elimsport UMC**



We gather together as a community of Christian believers to worship, fellowship, and to learn more about God. By the unity of the Spirit and the support of each other, we are able to reach out to the community and the world.

### **Our Mission Statement at St. John's UMC**



The purpose of St. John's is to both evangelize and nurture. We are called to show God's love in our world by giving aid and by spreading the Good News of Christ. We in turn provide an atmosphere for nurturing where Biblical truths are shared enabling people to become spiritually enriched. By providing this, people will learn and through learning, become more effective witnesses.