

Thank you for worshipping with us this day.

If you are visiting with us today, please sign the guest book located in the Narthex.

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### Calendar of Events

#### **Happening Today!**

*Council and Consistory Meeting after worship  
Community Outreach meeting after worship*

Wed. 5:30PM Hand bell Rehearsal  
11/13 6:30PM Choir Rehearsal

Sat. (11/16) 8:00–Noon SV Food Pantry @ Trinity Leesport

**Sun. 9:00AM Sunday School**  
**11/17 10:00AM Worship**

Mon. 9:30AM Music and Worship Meeting  
11/18 7:00PM Board Meeting

Tue. (11/19) 10:00AM Parish Visitor Committee Meeting

Wed. 5:30PM Hand bell Rehearsal  
11/20 6:30PM Choir Rehearsal

**Sun. Thanksgiving Sunday/Christ the King Sunday**  
**11/24 9:00AM Sunday School**  
**10:00AM Worship**

Wed. 5:30PM Hand bell Rehearsal  
11/27 6:30PM Choir Rehearsal

Thur. (11/28) Thanksgiving Day

**Sun. Holy Communion/ First Sunday of Advent**  
**12/1 9:00AM Sunday School**  
**10:00AM Worship**

2 p.m. Blue Mountain Heritage Chorus Christmas Concert

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The Lutheran book of Worship—Augsburg Publishing, 1978

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BLESSED
are those whose
help is the
God of Jacob,
whose hope is in
the LORD
their God.

PSALM 146:5, NIV



We welcome you to Salem (Belleman's) Church.

We are a shared ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America and the United Church of Christ.

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Rev. Kevin Fruchtl, Pastor  
Oliver Blatt, Director of Music Ministry  
James Fitterling, Administrator  
Joe and Bobbie Jo King, Sextons (484-671-2531)

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Church: 610-926-0461
Church Office: Mon.-Thurs. 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Sunday School at 9:00 a.m. and Worship at 10:00 a.m. weekly

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*Children's Bulletins are available in the pink crate in the entrance of the church.*

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Mission Statement:

**With the strength of our combined traditions
We strive to be unified through CHRIST as...
A community that reaches out and welcomes
individuals of various ages and faith
backgrounds... offering a diversity of
opportunities in worship and service... so that
we are spiritually enriched by the power,
promise and presence of the Holy Spirit.**

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 10, 2024

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*Welcome and Announcements*

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Prayers for Healing

Bailey Unterkofler, Missy and Brian Boyer,
George Del Fierro, Karen Becker, Oliver del Fierro Nater,
Keith Gilmer, Richard Bausher, Paul Leshner, Kelly Kauffman,
Douglas Bausher, Payton Shaffer, Mark Zipp, Nancy James,
Richard and June Dautrich, Grace Hoffman, Ron Burkhart,
Maya Hein, Janet Weaver, Ruth Barnett, Peggy Hartman,
Dennis Clay, Megan Snyder, Bob Lesnefsky, Bobbie Jo King,
Jeff Bamberger, Carol Weyandt, Rick Rothenberger,
Heather Light, Charles Werley
All those affected by Hurricanes Helene and Milton

Note: Please know that not all hospitals notify the church when a parishioner has been admitted. Please make the office or Pastor Kevin aware if anyone from our Belleman's family has been hospitalized. Thank you!

Military

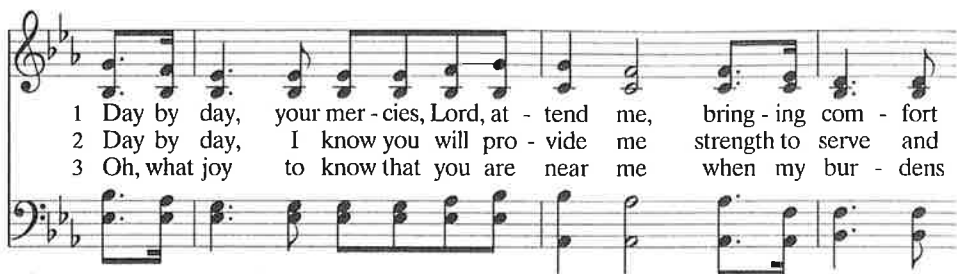
Alfred Cross, Bradley Hoppes, John R. Wesner,
Phillip Spatz, Cydney Lawrence, CWO2 Josh Linderman,
Andrew Cichowicz, J. Michael Fluck, David Peterman,
MSgt Kevin Mohn, Nathan P. Stump , Andrew D. Potts,
Anthony Butt, Alex Hoffman, Dakotah Dailey,
SSgt. Matthew Wurster, Dustin Spatz and all men and
women serving our country.

Prelude

welcome

Please stand if you are able.

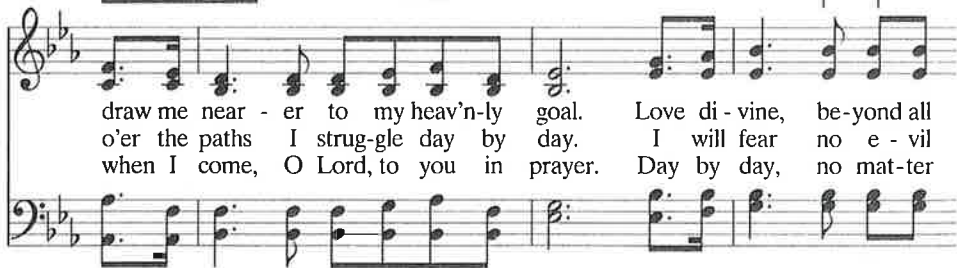
*Gathering Hymn



1 Day by day, your mer - cies, Lord, at - tend me, bring - ing com - fort
2 Day by day, I know you will pro - vide me strength to serve and
3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my bur - dens



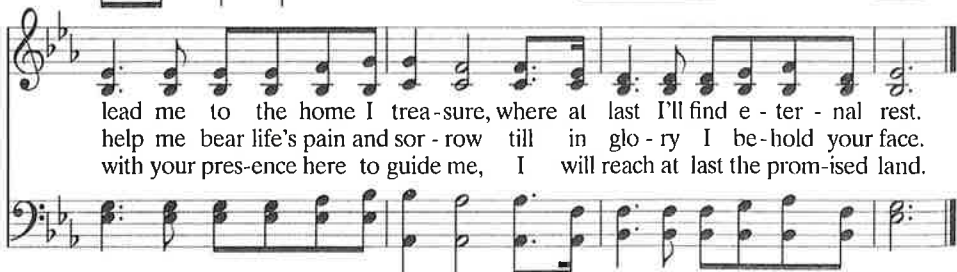
to my anx - ious soul. Day by day, the bless - ings, Lord, you send me
wis - dom to o - bey; I will seek your lov - ing will to guide me
grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will hear me



draw me near - er to my heav'n - ly goal. Love di - vine, be - yond all
o'er the paths I strug - gle day by day. I will fear no e - vil
when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer. Day by day, no mat - ter



mor - tal meas - ure, brings to naught the bur - dens of my quest; Sav - ior,
of the mor - row, I will trust in your en - dur - ing grace. Sav - ior,
what be - tide me, you will hold me ev - er in your hand. Sav - ior,



lead me to the home I trea - sure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest.
help me bear life's pain and sor - row till in glo - ry I be - hold your face.
with your pres - ence here to guide me, I will reach at last the prom - ised land.

Blessed be the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit, the fountain of living water, the Creator who gives us birth, and the light of our salvation.

Amen.

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you!

I will praise your name forever!

For you have done wonderful things, you are truly faithful and sure.

Therefore we will glorify you.

The Lord will make for all peoples a feast,

He will destroy the shroud that is cast over all nations.

It will be said on that day; we have waited for him, so he might save us.

This is the Lord for whom we have waited, let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Before the whole company of heaven, in the presence of God and of one another, let us confess our sins.

(Time of personal confession with our Lord)

God of love,

Have mercy on us according to your promised love.

Blot out our sins and wash from us our transgressions.

Create in us a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within us.

(Be still and know that God is present)

Through the mighty act of Jesus Christ, God has forgiven you all your sins and promises to bring you to everlasting life.

Amen. We rejoice in our forgiveness founded in Jesus Christ our Lord.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Share a sign of God's peace with those around you.

**Praise Hymn (Sung)*

**Give thanks with a grateful heart,
Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ, His Son.**

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Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ, His Son.**

**And now let the weak say, "I am strong,"
Let the poor say "I am rich
Because of what the Lord has done for us."
And now let the weak say, "I am strong,"
Let the poor say "I am rich
Because of what the Lord has done for us."
Give thanks, give thanks.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY*

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray...

O God, you show forth your almighty power chiefly by reaching out to us in mercy.
Grant us the fullness of your grace, strengthen our trust in your promises, and bring all the world to share in the treasures that come through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Proclaiming The Word

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 17:8-16

⁸ Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, ⁹ "Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you." ¹⁰ So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink." ¹¹ As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." ¹² But she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die." ¹³ Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son." ¹⁴ For thus says the LORD the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the LORD sends rain on the earth." ¹⁵ She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. ¹⁶ The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

PSALM 146

¹ Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!
² **I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God all my life long.**
³ Do not put your trust in princes,
in mortals, in whom there is no help.
⁴ **When their breath departs, they return to the earth;
on that very day their plans perish.**
⁵ Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob,
whose hope is in the LORD their God,
⁶ **who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in
them; who keeps faith forever;**
⁷ who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free;
⁸ **the LORD opens the eyes of the blind.**
**The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;
the LORD loves the righteous.**

⁹ The LORD watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.
¹⁰ **The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the LORD!**

SECOND READING: Hebrews 9:24-28

²⁴ For Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. ²⁵ Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; ²⁶ for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. ²⁷ And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, ²⁸ so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

The Word of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

**Alleluia (Sung)*

**Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia!**

**The Holy Gospel*

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 25th Chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: Matthew 25: 14-30

¹⁴ "Again, it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted his wealth to them. ¹⁵ To one he gave five bags of gold, to another two bags, and to another one bag, each according to his ability. Then he went on his journey. ¹⁶ The man who had received five bags of gold went at once and put his money to work and gained five bags more. ¹⁷ So also, the one with two bags of gold gained two more. ¹⁸ But the man who had

received one bag went off, dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. ¹⁹ "After a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them. ²⁰ The man who had received five bags of gold brought the other five. 'Master,' he said, 'you entrusted me with five bags of gold. See, I have gained five more.' ²¹ "His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!' ²² "The man with two bags of gold also came. 'Master,' he said, 'you entrusted me with two bags of gold; see, I have gained two more.' ²³ "His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!' ²⁴ "Then the man who had received one bag of gold came. 'Master,' he said, 'I knew that you are a hard man, harvesting where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered seed. ²⁵ So I was afraid and went out and hid your gold in the ground. See, here is what belongs to you.' ²⁶ "His master replied, 'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered seed? ²⁷ Well then, you should have put my money on deposit with the bankers, so that when I returned I would have received it back with interest. ²⁸ "So take the bag of gold from him and give it to the one who has ten bags. ²⁹ For whoever has will be given more, and they will have an abundance. Whoever does not have, even what they have will be taken from them. ³⁰ And throw that worthless servant outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Message

Jingle Offering: Salvation Army

Hymn

ROBERT D. MURRAY, 1880

8. 7. 8. 7. D.

Plymouth Collection, 1855

In moderate time; joyfully



1. Lord, Thou lovest the cheer-ful giv-er, Who with o-pen heart and hand
2. Thine own life Thou free-ly gav-est As an of-fering on the cross
3. Sav-iour, Thou hast free-ly giv-en All the bless-ings we en-joy,



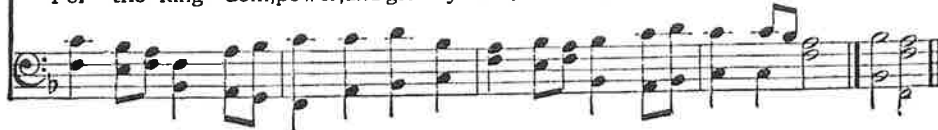
Bless-es free-ly, as a riv-er That re-fresh-es all the land;
For all sin-ners whom Thou sav-est From e-ter-nal shame and loss.
Earth-ly store and bread of heav-en, Love and peace with-out al-loy;



Grant us, then, the grace of giv-ing With a spir-it large and free,
Blest by Thee with gifts and grac-es, May we heed Thy Church-'s call,
Hum-bly now we bow be-fore Thee, And our all to Thee re-sign;



That our life and all our liv-ing We may con-se-crate to Thee.
Glad-ly in all times and pla-ces Give to Thee, who giv-est all.
For the king-dom, power, and glo-ry Are, O Lord, for-ev-er Thine. A-MEN.



Sermon

(Silence for Meditation)

Response to the Word

**A New Creed—United Church of Canada*

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others
by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:

to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.

**In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.**

We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

Offering

Choir Anthem

**Offering Response (Sung)*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

**National Prayer (Sung)*

**Our Father's God to thee, author of liberty,
To thee we sing; long may our land be bright
With freedom's holy light; protect us by thy might,
Great God our king.**

**Pastoral Prayer*

**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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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. Amen.

**The Benediction*

**3-Fold Amen (Sung)*

**Sending Hymn Page 13*

Silence for Meditation

Go in peace. Love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude



**Sending Hymn*

1. E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, Whose arm hath bound the
2. O Christ, the Lord of hill and plain O'er which our traf - fic
3. O Spir - it, whom the Fa - ther sent To spread a - broad the
4. O Trin - i - ty of love and power, Our breth-ren shield in

rest - less wave, Who bids the might - y o - cean deep Its
runs a - main By moun - tain pass or val - ley low: Wher -
fir - ma - ment: O Wind of heav - en, by Thy might Save
dan - ger's hour; From rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, Pro -

own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: O hear us when we
ev - er, Lord, our breth - ren go, Pro - tect them by Thy
all who dare the ea - gle's flight, And keep them by Thy
tect them where - so - e'er they go; Thus ev - er - more shall

cry to Thee For those in per - il on the sea.
guard - ing hand From ev - ery per - il on the land.
watch - ful care From ev - ery per - il in the air.
rise to Thee Glad praise from air and land and sea. A - men.

Altar Flowers and Bulletins are presented by Larry and Linda Henne in honor of the birthday of their daughter Lynne.

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Assisting in Worship

Lector: Dawne Clay  
Acolyte: Kylee Cammauf  
Greeters/Ushers: Livia Kiwak and Eden Gilmer

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Clothing Drive for Hope Rescue Mission

Over the next few weeks, **through December 8**, we will be collecting clothing items for Hope Rescue Mission in Reading.

They are requesting the following items:

- • **Clean used clothing**
 - • **Shoes**
 - • **Belts**
 - • **Hats**
 - • **Scarves**
 - • **Purses**
 - • **Sheets**
 - • **Blankets**
 - • **Coats**

“Hope Rescue Mission has been helping restore lives of men in the community for 128 years and soon to be helping women and children at our Lighthouse. We are a non-for-profit that is funded by the community.”



HOPE
RESCUE MISSION
Restoring Lives Since 1894

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**The Angel Tree is Here!!!**

Please take an Angel, purchase the gift and place it in a gift bag and bring it back to church by December 1. This year the gifts will go to Safe Berks. Thank You.

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Please keep in mind.... **Belleman's ongoing program** in support of the Schuylkill Valley Food Pantry.....

Non-perishable donations may be dropped off in the Narthex and will be delivered to the Schuylkill Valley Food Pantry on a monthly basis.

Thank You for your participation!

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**Endowment Fund**

Belleman's Church Endowment Fund was established for the preservation of our church. **Tax-deductible** gifts are available by completing the following information:

*IN HONOR or IN MEMORY OF:*

\_\_\_\_\_

Your name (Donor): \_\_\_\_\_

Your address: \_\_\_\_\_

Gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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