

Salem (Belleman's) Church
3540 Belleman's Church Road
Mohrsville, PA 19541-8910

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

October

Rev. Kevin E. Fruchtl, Pastor
Oliver Blatt, Director of Music Ministry
James Fitterling, Administrator
Church Office: 610-926-0461
Church email: salembellemans@frontiernet.net
Web Site: bellemanschurch.org



From the (New) Pastor

Thank You. Thank You to the search team, thank you to the Belleman's congregation for your vote of support, and thank you for meals and cake and celebrations as we begin this new pastorate together.

Thank you for your words of compassion and kindness and thank you for your willingness to take on our future challenges in hope.

It was undoubtedly a whole lot of work and struggle to get to this new place. But the work and the fun and the learnings and the planning and the dreaming are just getting started.

I will, with the help of God and to the best of my ability, preach, teach and provide pastoral care. This includes home and hospital and recovery visits, going to meetings, and being available to just sit and chat.

I pray that you, with the help of God and to the best of your ability, will participate in the life and ministry of Belleman's at every opportunity. I pray that you will offer to God and to the church community your gifts of time, talent, and financial resources so the church can serve God faithfully long into the future.

I have no idea what tomorrow is going to bring. But I trust that God will be guiding our today's and our tomorrows.

Looking to the future with hope!

Pastor Kevin

Pastor Kevin's contact info:

Cell Phone: 610-334-5130

Email: kevin24@ptd.net



Church Board Highlights

September 30, 2024

- The meeting began as a joint meeting of the Council, Consistory and Board. The purpose was to review the Unified Budget Agreement (as approved in 2005). The use of Lutheran and UCC investment interest was the topic of conversation. It was noted that with increased expenses related to having a full time pastor again, there would likely be a need to draw from some of this investment income (if there is investment gain). The goal is to get this part of the Unified Budget into practice beginning in 2025. This involves the Lutheran and UCC investments turning 95% of yearly interest gain to the Joint Board and 5% being reinvested. (As approved by the congregation in 2007.) Lutheran investments have been following this practice on years with investment gains.
- Minutes from the Aug. 19, 2024 Board Meeting were approved.
- Treasurer Larry Henne noted that \$50,000 was withdrawn from the Special Funds and paid to the roofing contractor for the Church Roof. Also, a deposit was sent to Dutch Valley Door for the new door at church. Both of these items are reflected on the report. The Treasurer report was approved subject to audit.
- The Administrator Report was approved. James noted that everything is setup with the UCC Pension Board for Pastor Kevin's pension and insurance.
- The Fundraising Committee reported that the Turkey and Waffle event was a success but profit numbers were not yet available. Bazaar is next and flea market item collection has begun.
- The Property Committee reported that the Church Roof project is complete and we await a final bill. It was noted that the contractor noticed we were over charged by \$1,300 for the Fellowship Hall roof and that will be credited toward the church roof final bill. Also, James reported that he found a copper pipe leaking in the church basement ceiling which was promptly repaired.
- James reported that he has received one quote for the Old Church organ rebuild so far and is awaiting two more. It was discussed to maybe look into some grant funding for a historic organ restoration. If quotes are received in time, there could be a congregational discussion about this in December or January at one of the regular meetings.
- Lastly, the Board discussed plans for the upcoming Community Meal on October 22.

Belleman's Joint Board Treasurer Report for August 2024

Beginning Balance \$ 24,497.08
 Income \$ 62,057.88
 Expenses \$ 65,016.09
 Ending Balance \$ 21,538.87

Note: This August Treasury Report reflects a transfer of \$50,000 from the Special Projects (Roland Bequest) Account to the Joint Board Treasury as income. The \$50,000 is also reflected under expenses as it has been paid to the contractor for the Church Roof project.

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**Attendance/Offering**

|          | <b>Worship Attendance</b>      | <b>Offering</b> |
|----------|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| Sept. 1  | 61 (Sanctuary), 308(Facebook)  | \$1,919.00      |
| Sept. 8  | 49 (Sanctuary), 326 (Facebook) | \$2,609.00      |
| Sept. 15 | 64 (Sanctuary), No video       | \$4,297.00      |
| Sept. 22 | 87 (Sanctuary), No video       | \$2,113.00      |
| Sept. 29 | 81 (Sanctuary), 228 (Facebook) | \$2,685.00      |

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October Jingle Offerings are designated for Hurricane Helene Response.

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**Communion Assistants For November 3rd**

10:00 a.m. *Altar Assistants:* Lester and Gloria Gambler  
 Carla Rozsitch  
*Cup Stations:* Diane Rothenberger, Kim Smyre  
*Ushers:* Frank Kornfeind, Allen Loeb

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Blood Drive note...

The Belleman's Annual Fall Blood Drive previously scheduled on Wednesday, October 23rd has been cancelled by the Miller Keystone Blood Center due to shortage of staff. Anyone willing to donate blood can do so at the Blood Center under Belleman's Church at any time.

Spring/ Summer Food Sales Report

Start-up cash from Odds and Ends Sales **\$514.00**

After Worship Sunday Sales

May 3	\$650	
June 9	\$652	
June 23	\$574	
June 30	\$207	
August 25	\$532	\$2,615.00

<u>Expenses</u>		- \$1,084.00
	Profit	\$2,045.00

Thank you for your support!

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**Pork BBQ Sale**

Take-out or Eat-in

Sponsored by:  
 Centre Township Land  
 Protection Foundation

With assistance by Boy Scout  
 Troop 154



Price: **\$11.00**

When: **October 13, 2024 from 11 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

Where: **Belleman's Fellowship Hall  
 3730 Belleman's Church Road  
 Mohrsville Pa 19541**

Also featuring a Basket Auction and Bake Sale

**Call for tickets 610-926-4506 or see Larry Henne**

**SV Food Pantry needs your help...mark your calendars!**

**Belleman's** is the sponsoring church for the **October 19, 2024** distribution. **That means that we need your help at the food pantry that day.** Help will be needed from **8 a.m. till noon.** There will be a signup sheet in the narthex.  
Thank you in advance for your assistance!



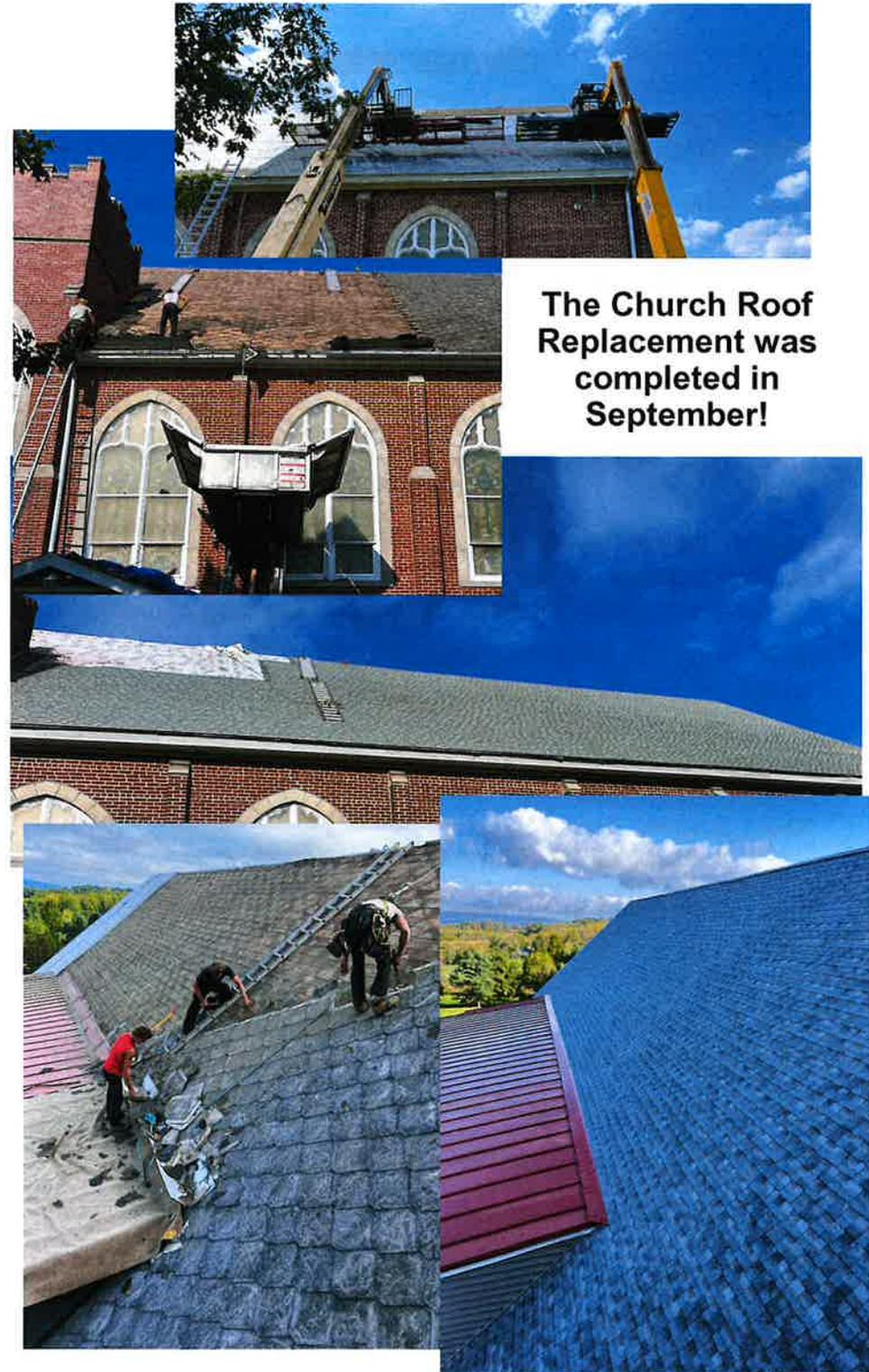
Please keep in mind.... ***Belleman's ongoing program*** in support of the Schuylkill Valley Food Pantry.....

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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FREE COMMUNITY MEAL
Tuesday, October 22
5:30-6:30p.m. at
The Fellowship Hall



The Church Roof Replacement was completed in September!

Calendar of Events

Sun. 9:00AM Sunday School
10/13 10:00AM Worship Service

Mon. 6:00 - 7:30PM Flea Market items accepted at the Hall
 10/14

Wed. 5:30PM Hand bell Rehearsal
 10/16 6:30PM Choir Rehearsal

Thu. 2:00-6:00PM Sandwich Sale Pickup at the Fellowship Hall
 10/17 (Helpers needed around 9 a.m.)

Sat. 8:00–Noon SV Food Pantry @ Trinity Leesport
 10/19 Belleman’s Month to Serve (See page 6)

Sun. 9:00AM Sunday School
10/20 10:00AM Worship
Community Outreach Committee Meeting after Worship

Mon. 6:00 - 7:30PM Flea Market items accepted at the Hall
 10/21 7:00PM Board Meeting

Tue. (10/22) 5:30PM Community Meal at the Fellowship Hall

Wed. Blood Drive Cancelled - for info see page 4
 10/23 5:30PM Hand bell Rehearsal
 6:30PM Choir Rehearsal

Sun. Reformation Sunday
10/27 9:00AM Sunday School
10:00AM Worship

Wed. 5:30PM Hand bell Rehearsal
 10/30 6:30PM Choir Rehearsal

Fri. (11/1) 8:30AM to 6:30PM Bazaar

Sat. (11/2) 8:30AM to 1:00PM Bazaar

Sun. All Saints Sunday/ Holy Communion
11/3 9:00AM Sunday School
10:00AM Worship Service
Daylight Savings Time Ends

Calendar of Events

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

Sun. 9:00AM Sunday School
11/10 10:00AM Worship
Council and Consistory 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. (11/18) 7:00PM Board Meeting

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

Remember to pick-up your
 Sandwiches!!

Date of the sale will be:
Thursday, October 17.

Pick-up is from 2-6 p.m. at the Fellowship Hall.
 As always, options are Italian, Ham/Cheese and
 Turkey/Provolone.

Price for each 10 inch hoagie is \$8.00.

Thanks for your support of this project!



Belleman’s Military Members

CWO2 Josh Linderman
 Andrew Potts
 1LT Bradley P. Hoppes
 SGT Andrew Cichowicz
 Nathan P. Stump
 SGT John R. Wesner

MAJ James Fluck
 MSgt Kevin Mohn
 GYSGT Phillip Spatz
 Alfred Cross
 Cydney Lawrence
 Dustin Spatz

Turkey and Waffle 2024



We made it through another week of Turkey dinner work, preparation and fun! Thanks to all helpers and patrons. Profit from this project is \$5,037.04. Summing up the end result is this email:

Subject: Wow! Thank you!

Hi,

I served the dinner to my husband right after you delivered it! That was like Thanksgiving for him, so many choices on the plate, all super yummy! Please share with the other elves in the church kitchen how much we appreciate the fruits of their labor! A lot of planning ahead and big time cooking, but the results, superb! Thank you to all of you!!!!

A Salute!
Margaret



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Also, a **thank you** to Kevin Labe for his generous donating of his own potatoes for the Turkey and Waffle Take-out. This abundance of spuds will also help us in making soups for upcoming events. **Thanks for your hard work and giving to Belleman's**





### Flea Market Collection Has Begun

The first collection occurred on Monday, September 30. Donations will be accepted from 6:00 to 7:30 PM every Monday through October 21.

Help is always needed for: unloading the cars, unpacking and sorting items, pricing items, arranging stock on shelves and tables. Anyone who can come for even one session will be joyfully welcomed.

Help is especially needed on Friday, November 1 and Saturday November 2. Questions? Call Linda Henne 610 926 4506.

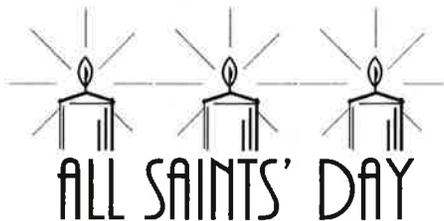
Our thanks to all who have helped to make this project so successful in the past and to those who will be working to make it a wonderful success again.



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On All Saints, November 3rd, we gather to remember and celebrate the lives of the saints from the congregation that are now in the Church Triumphant. A candle will be lit for each member listed below.

| <u>Born</u> | <u>Name</u>        | <u>Died</u> |
|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| 12/3/1932   | Oscar B. Miller    | 12/17/2023  |
| 11/26/1949  | Ellen L. Ingraham  | 12/21/2023  |
| 1/10/1936   | Marian E. Gordon   | 2/1/2024    |
| 4/26/1939   | Russell E. Minner  | 2/5/2024    |
| 4/6/1954    | Diane M. Driesbach | 2/16/2024   |
| 10/2/1948   | Rick R. Runyeon    | 3/17/2024   |
| 2/24/1950   | Eric L. Kissinger  | 3/27/2024   |
| 8/10/1933   | James H. Kirkhoff  | 4/21/2024   |
| 9/27/1930   | Dorothy H. Yeakel  | 5/23/2024   |
| 7/31/1931   | Lura V. Pearson    | 8/5/2024    |
| 1/10/1947   | Rex. L. Kissinger  | 9/11/2024   |
| 9/12/1948   | Dennis L. Stoudt   | 9/17/2024   |



# Belleman's Church CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

in the Fellowship Hall  
3730 Belleman's Church Road  
Mohrsville, PA 19541



**FRIDAY**  
November 1, 2024  
8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

**SATURDAY**  
November 2, 2024  
8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner**  
**Home Made Foods Served**  
**Soups, BBQ, Chicken Pot Pie**  
**Platter, Sandwiches & more**  
**Pastries, Candy, Crafts, Raffle,**  
**Quilt**



**FLEA MARKET**



## October Birthdays

- 16<sup>th</sup> Bradley Lynn,  
Roxanne McMurtry,  
Danielle Ramick Brown  
18<sup>th</sup> Keith Haas, Avery Phillips,  
Daniel Linderman, Ian Heller,  
Chad Ernst  
19<sup>th</sup> Therman Madeira  
Matthew Machmer  
20<sup>th</sup> Lindel Hahn, Alanah Stump  
Trevor Cammauf  
21<sup>st</sup> Kelsie Drumheller, Andrea Cox  
Samantha Weyandt  
22<sup>nd</sup> Paul Levey, Kaitlyn Quillman,  
Kristen Quillman  
23<sup>rd</sup> Jevin Dougherty, Brenda Yoder  
24<sup>th</sup> Robert Billman,  
Stephanie Gilmer  
25<sup>th</sup> Leah James, Bob Billman  
Nathaniel Dalton, Susan Gehris,  
Cindi Strunk  
26<sup>th</sup> Michael Kufro  
27<sup>th</sup> Pamela Richards, Jim Sellers,  
Elizabeth Daigle  
28<sup>th</sup> Michael Gehris,  
Kelly Troutman  
29<sup>th</sup> Scott Berg, Barry Geisinger,  
Harold Sunday, John Lewis, Jr.  
Kailey McMurtry  
30<sup>th</sup> Ronnie Adam, Kelly Schwank,  
31<sup>st</sup> Porter McRae, Eric Troutman  
Alyse Hein, Micah Blatt

## October Anniversaries

- 14<sup>th</sup> Kenn and Natalie Redd  
16<sup>th</sup> Charles &  
Lorraine Randazzo  
17<sup>th</sup> Bradley & Kimberly  
Dougherty  
21<sup>st</sup> Donald & Brenda Hoffa  
24<sup>th</sup> Lester & Gloria Gambler  
Doug and Karen Eisenhofer  
25<sup>th</sup> Joshua & Sara Linderman

## November Birthdays

- 1<sup>st</sup> Ruth Borkey  
2<sup>nd</sup> Richard Bausher,  
Daryl Klopp, Hawken Kiwak,  
Cheryl Kring  
3<sup>rd</sup> Pierson Fluck  
4<sup>th</sup> Karen Hahn  
5<sup>th</sup> Tim Eschbach,  
Hazel Weyandt  
6<sup>th</sup> Christopher Hartman,  
Christine Jroski  
7<sup>th</sup> Crystal Cammauf-  
Young  
8<sup>th</sup> Deanne Rahn,  
Carol Kissinger  
9<sup>th</sup> Cassandra Bradbury  
Olive Weyandt  
10<sup>th</sup> Lauryn Lush  
11<sup>th</sup> Carol Kinney,  
Kyle Livinghouse  
12<sup>th</sup> Peggy Hartman  
13<sup>th</sup> Christopher Gery,  
Michael Wagner,  
14<sup>th</sup> Lloyd Barnett,  
Tammy Louise Brown,  
Ricky Kerschner  
15<sup>th</sup> Andrew Cichowicz,  
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## November Anniversaries

- 1<sup>st</sup> Randy & Grace Shurr  
7<sup>th</sup> Kristopher &  
Tara Beerman  
8<sup>th</sup> George & Tina Phillips  
11<sup>th</sup> Jonathan &  
Andrea Hoffman  
14<sup>th</sup> Warren & Peggy Hartman,  
Thomas & Karla Lawrence

# Music News

***Can you believe it's  
already Autumn?***

***And that means that we begin  
preparing for my favorite service of the  
year...***

***Christmas Eve!***

While Sanctuary Choir rehearsals are already in full swing, and bell choir rehearsals getting started, we need "all hands on deck" to make our Christmas Eve service memorable.

Because of this, even if you can't commit to participating in one of our regular choirs, there is a place for you during our Christmas Eve services. If you sing, ring, or play any other instrument and would like to participate, please let me know! Christmas Eve is our chance to literally pull out all the stops, and I can't wait to fill our sanctuary with joyful music!

Musically,

