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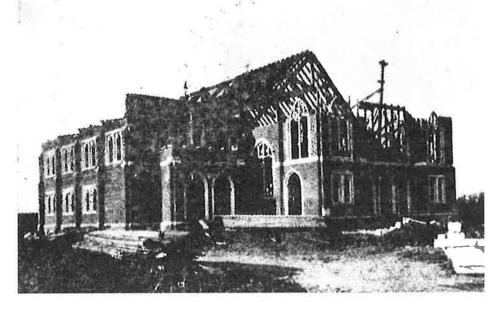
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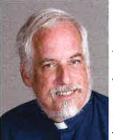
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Church Office: Mon.-Thurs. 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Services every Sunday at 7:45 a.m. & 10:15 a.m. Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.



September 2018

Rev. David W. Blitch, Pastor
Linda Hartman, Director of Music Ministry
James Fitterling, Administrator
Church Office: 610-926-0461
Church email: salembellemans@frontiernet.net
Web Site: bellemanschurch.org



Pastor's Ponderings

Belleman's had a congregational meeting on August 5th. As I sat there in the front pew I remembered that on that Sunday, a year before, there was another congregational meeting.

I arrived that Sunday, a year before, with a sermon, and a smile, and hope for my future and the future of Belleman's Church. I met many of you at a breakfast reception in the fellowship hall.

shook many hands, and had some wonderful conversations.

Then I led worship. Preparing to lead worship, many of you were helpful in getting me ready and giving me encouragement. I wasn't a nervous wreck that morning, but nervous I was. I had carefully, and prayerfully, crafted my sermon over a course of three weeks. I was hoping it would be okay. I thank God it was. I thank God you thought so too!

And as I write this, it's almost been a year, the end of September, since I led my first service as your Pastor. It was in the old church and I love the acoustics and the atmosphere from the height of that wine glass pulpit.

I want to thank you all for this almost one year! We've spent these last months getting acquainted, learning about each other, growing in understanding, and trust. It has been a great year and a great beginning! Belleman's is great people, a wonderful congregation that worships an awesome God. Together, we have been serving the Lord.

I conclude this message, looking forward to the year of ministry to come, and this song lyric. It reminds us that the Lord in all circumstances is right there with us. We are beloved children of God, through the blessed waters of baptism.

Even when the rain falls; Even when the flood starts rising 'Cause even when the storm comes; I am washed by the water Even when the rain falls; Even when the flood starts rising 'Cause even when the storm comes; I am washed by the water Even if the Earth crumbles under my feet Even if the ones I love turn around and crucify me I won't never ever let you down; I won't fall; I won't fall won't fall as long as you're around me; Even when the rain falls Even when the flood starts rising 'Cause even when the storm comes

Pastor Dave's contact info: Phone: 484-663-4911

Email: revblitch@msn.com

About the cover... A look at Belleman's History; the construction of the church in the early 1920's. Our "New Church" was dedicated on June 8, 1924. The church was built at a cost of \$85,000!

Church Board Highlights

(There was no Board Meeting in the month of August, The next meeting is September 17, 2018)

On Sunday, October 7, 2018, the Belleman's Church Women will be having a fundraiser at Hoss's in Leesport. You can enjoy a meal anytime that day with your Cash Cow Card. Cash Cow Cards can be



picked up in the narthex or ask Stephani Mohn. Please help us with this fundraiser and enjoy a meal at Hoss's!

JOIN Cub Scouts!



Belleman's Church runs an active Family Cub Scout program for young boys and girls in grades Kindergarten through 5th grade. Our scouts learn about community, service, and patriotism through family designed programs. The values and skills learned will support their education and well-being for years to come. Our weekly meetings are held Thursdays from 7 to 8:15 PM at the Belleman's Church Fellowship

Hall. Interested families that would like

more information about this year's program or would like to visit to see if the program is right for you, please contact Lee Henne at lihenne1@comcast.net or call 610-926-6008 for more information.

I am washed by the water

Worldwide Communion will be celebrated October 7

7:45 a.m. Altar Assistants: John Lewis, Melissa Lewis, Linda Henne

Ushers/Cup Stations: Larry Henne, Lester Gambler

10:15 a.m. Altar Assistants: Carla Rozsitch, Dawne Clay, Nikole Botscheller

> Ushers: Dennis Felix, Jackie Lynn Cup Stations: Eric Weyandt, Jim Blatt ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

> > Attendance/Offering

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	7:45AM	10:15AM	Offering	
August 5	27	74	\$2,340.00	
August 12		55	\$5,061.00	
August 18	(Vesper Service) 25			
August 19	46	63	\$2,791.00	
August 26	19	84	\$2,486.00	

Jingle Offerings

September 2, 9	Hurricane Lane Recovery
September 16, 23	Schuylkill Valley Food Pantry
September 30	Undesignated

Mission Team 2018

Be sure to attend Sunday services on September 30 for Mission Sunday. A recap of the 2018 mission trips will be presented during both services.

Thank you for your continued support!

Attention Mission Team Members!

On September 30, following the 10:15 service we will have a mission team meeting to start planning next year's trips. A light lunch will be provided.

Anyone interested in going on a Mission Trip in 2019 should also plan to attend.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FUND AS OF 8/19/18

Contributions, Projects and Dissolved Ac	\$214,100.03	3				
Monthly Contributions 2	\$5,348.00					
(August Collection = \$835.00)						
Fundraising Projects						
Organ Restoration	January	\$1,527.50				
Chicken BBQ	March	\$2,006.60				
Easter Candy Sales	March June	\$3,198.08				
Country Music Show	\$1,840.51					
Country Festival Picnic August Mum Sale September		\$720.00				
	\$9,292.69					
Grocery Gift Cards Sold \$ 15 Profit Cash Total	\$8,001.15 \$236,741.87	7				
Interest Paid Total Fairview Inte Total VIST Interes	\$8,180.00 \$16,235.81					
Loan Balances						
Fairview Cemetery	\$90,000.00					
Total Principal Pay	\$3,000.00					
Owed Amo	\$87,000.00					
VIST Bank Loan	\$254,500.00)				
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Notice:

The full monthly loan payment that needs to be paid to Vist Bank each month is: \$1,580.74

Donations for the Capital Campaign are always accepted through the mail. Please send your donation to:

Salem Belleman's Church - Capital Campaign Fund 3540 Belleman's Church Road, Mohrsville, Pa 19541

The first Sunday of the month collection continues to be a great way to donate to the fund as well. Thank you for your continued support!

Capital Campaign Mum sale!

On Harvest Home Sunday,

September 23rd, the Capital Campaign will decorate the old church with beautiful mums. Members may purchase mums to beautify the church and then to decorate their homes. Mums are \$6.00 each and locally grown by Penny Hill Farms. Please see Linda Henne, Liz Veres, Roxanne Loeb or Rhonda Adam to place your orders. All orders must be received by Sunday, September 16th and please make checks payable to Belleman's Capital Campaign.



Coupons will be in upcoming Sunday Bulletins.



Nut Sale 2018

Keep on the lookout for the 2018 nut sale! Prices are:

Cashews, reg.

\$9.50

Mixed, reg.

\$8.50

Cashews, no salt

\$9.50

Honey Roasted

Peanuts, \$3.00

New Product...Honey Roasted Peanuts Lower prices!!

Calling All Potato Pickers!

The **Potato Project** is a local ministry aimed at defeating hunger. The Potato Project needs volunteers to help harvest their acres of potatoes near Fleetwood, which will then be distributed to food pantries throughout Berks County. So, mark



your calendars, on **September 15** from 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. we will be gathering at the plot. The location is at Becker's St. Peter's Cemetery Plot, 265 Maidencreek Road, Fleetwood (Molltown) PA 19522.

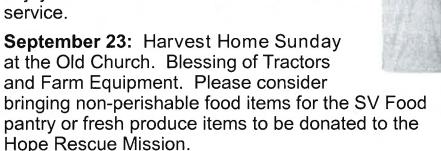
All able bodied members are encouraged to attend!

September Special Services continue!

September 9: Rally Day/Blessing of the Backpacks

- Students are invited to bring their backpacks for a Blessing. Additionally, we will be collecting school supplies for Schuylkill Valley. Pencils, pens, notebooks, etc. can be dropped off in the Narthex by September 9.

September 16: Sunday Sundae event after 10:15 service. Discover our God's Work Our Hands "God Sightings" and enjoy an ice cream treat after our 10:15 service.



September 30: Mission Sunday with the video of the two 2018 Mission Trips. Mission Trip meeting following the 10:15 service for anyone interested in going on a trip in 2019!



FREE Community Meal Tuesday, September 11 6 p.m.

At the Fellowship Hall

Some October Dates to remember:

October 7 - World Wide Communion Sunday October 21 - Time and Talent Sunday October 24 - Miller Keystone Blood Drive October 25 - Mission Team Sandwich Sale

God's work. Our hands.

Calendar of Events

Sun. Blessing of the Backpacks
9/9 7:45AM Worship Service
9:00AM Sunday School
Rally Day
10:15AM Worship Service
Youth meeting in "The Loft"
after 10:15 service

Tue. 6:00PM Free Community meal 9/11 at the Fellowship Hall

Wed. 6:30PM Sr. Choir 9/12

Sat. Potato pickin' for the Potato Project 9/15 (info on page 6) 9:00–10:30AM Schuylkill Valley Food Pantry @ Trinity Leesport

Sun. 7:45AM Worship Service 9/16 9:00AM Sunday School 10:15AM Worship Service Sunday Sundae after 10:15 service

Mon. 7:00PM Board Meeting 9/17

Tue. 7:00PM Dutch class in the chapel 9/18

Wed. 6:30PM Sr. Choir 9/19 6:30PM Free Community Children's Show at the Fellowship Hall "My Mouth is a Volcano!"

Sun. Old Church - Harvest Home 9/23 7:45AM Worship Service 9:00AM Sunday School 10:15AM Worship Service Mon. 5:30PM Belleman's Bells 9/24 6:30PM Nice 'n Easy Ringers

Tue. 7:00PM Dutch class in the chapel 9/25

Wed. 6:30PM Sr. Choir 9/26

Sat. 2:30PM PA German Worship 9/29 in Old Church 4 to 7PM Turkey Waffle Supper (Servers please report at 3:00PM)

Sun. Mission Sunday 9/30 7:45AM Worship Service 9:00AM Sunday School 10:15AM Worship Service

Meeting following 10:15 service for anyone interested in going on a trip in 2019, a light lunch will be provided

Mon. 11:30AM Grief Support at Perry 10/1 5:30PM Belleman's Bells 6:00 - 7:30PM Flea Market items accepted at the Hall 6:30PM Nice 'n Easy Ringers

Tue. 7:00PM Dutch class in the chapel 10/2

Wed. 6:30PM Sr. Choir 10/3

Fri. 6:00-8:00PM Family Fun Night 10/5 at the Fellowship Hall Sun. World Communion Sunday
10/7 7:45AM Worship Service
9:00AM Sunday School
10:15AM Worship Service
Belleman's Church Women Cash
Cow Fundraiser at Hoss's (info page 3)

Mon. 5:30PM Belleman's Bells 10/8 6:00 - 7:30PM Flea Market items accepted at the Hall 6:30PM Nice 'n Easy Ringers

Tue. 7:00PM Dutch class in the chapel 10/9

Wed. 6:30PM Sr. Choir 10/10

Sun. 7:45AM Worship Service 10/14 9:00AM Sunday School 10:15AM Worship Service

Mon. 5:30PM Belleman's Bells
10/15 6:00 - 7:30PM Flea Market items
accepted at the Hall
6:30PM Nice 'n Easy Ringers
7:00PM Board Meeting

Tue. 7:00PM Dutch class in the chapel 10/16

Wed. 9:30AM Music and Worship meeting 10/17 6:30PM Sr. Choir

Sat. 9:00–10:30AM Schuylkill Valley 10/20 Food Pantry @ Trinity Leesport (Belleman's Month to Serve)

Flea Market Reminders

Only about 20 days until the first collection of items for the market.

Three groups of people are responsible for the success of the market: those who organize and work the sale; those who donate items; those who purchase items. The combined efforts of all have resulted in very nice profits.

Donations will be accepted beginning Monday, October 1. Items should be brought to the fellowship hall from 6 to 7:30. Collections will be made on every Monday through October 22.

Things that cannot be accepted: outdated electronics, items that are broken or not in working order, shoes, clothing, baby items that do not meet safety code, car seats, microwaves, computers & computer components, and old television sets. Almost anything else is welcome. Especially welcome- volunteers to help unload, unpack, organize, price and enjoy the fellowship.

Questions- call Linda Henne 610 926 4506

Annual Church Bazaar

The annual Christmas Bazaar will be held on Friday, Nov. 2 from 8:30 A.M. until 7:00 P.M. and Saturday, Nov. 3 from 8:30 A.M. until 1:00 P.M. The kitchen will be serving breakfast as well as other food throughout the day. Look forward to purchasing home made pies, cookies, apple dumplings and other tasty desserts and delicious home made candy. Hoagies and other good food will also be available. Crafts and handmade items as well as other great gift possibilities can be found on the first floor and the flea market downstairs continues to feature hundreds of great bargains. Help is needed in every area and all offers of help will be joyfully accepted.

*** Needed for the Bazaar ***

• 30 lb. of beef roasts (needed by Oct. 1), contact Larry Henne (610-926-4506)



The Annual Turkey and Waffle Supper

Will be held on Saturday, September 29

As always, at 2:30PM there will be the Pennsylvania German Service in the Old Belleman's Church.

in the Old Belleman's Church.

Guest speaker, Donald Breininger will deliver the message and the service will include special music by the Nei Dolpehock Sanger Chor. The Service will be followed by a family-style Turkey and Waffle Supper, which will be served from

4:00PM to 7:00PM.

Much help is needed for this day.

Please join a committee and/or say "Yes!" when asked to help make this day a success. Papers are available in the Narthex listing committee titles with phone numbers of each committee's chairperson. **Carla Rozsitch** and **Karen Harle** thank you in advance for your willingness to give the needed helping hands.

Dutch Class will resume, Tuesday, September 18

Dutch Class meets every Tuesday evening From 7-9 p.m. As usual, a \$5 donation per person per class is suggested for the upkeep of the old church.



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Belleman's Military Members

Overseas

Capt. Jeffrey A. Starr BDOC, Blue Diamond APO AE 09346

Back in U.S.A.

SGT Josh Linderman Andrew Potts 1LT Bradley P. Hoppes SGT Andrew Cichowicz Nathan P. Stump SGT John R. Wesner Jason Kozik MAJ James Fluck Kevin Mohn SGT Phillip Spatz Alfred Cross



Thank you for the beautiful sprinkling can flower arrangement. It brings a smile to everyone who sees it. Thank you for thinking of me.

June Adams

Thank you for your donation of \$217.00, to Mary's Shelter. Seeing the children's eyes light up when their mother walks into the room, reminds us of why we strive to support these young women. With joyful hearts, we extend our gratitude for your contribution to their success. **Sincerely, Amy Folk**

Dear Navajo Lutheran Mission Friends and Supporters,
Thank you for your recent donation of \$272.00 to the Navajo
Lutheran Mission. Navajo Lutheran Mission is celebrating 65
years of equipping the Navajo people to live with courage, faith
and hope. Ahe'hee, Lovelea Begay, Mission Manager

Dear Belleman's Church, Thank you for helping make the Relay for Life event a success. Together, we honored all cancer survivors and remembered loved ones lost. Because of your support (\$411 Jingle Offering), we're able to take action against this terrible disease. With Sincere thanks, Kris Kim, Executive VP, Northeast Region, American Cancer Society

Thank you for the beautiful balloons, we have 65 great years and hope for many more. **Janet and Bill Greusel**

Dear Friend, Thank you for your generous donation to the Schuylkill Association Disaster Fund. (\$300 from undesignated Jingle Offerings) The western area of Schuylkill county was hit by heavy rains and flooding several times in July and August. Your generosity enables us to continue to assist our neighbors and churches affected by the flooding. Thank you so much!

Sincerely Yours in Christ, Rev. Maureen Duffy-Guy

Thank you for the bouquet of flowers and for the visit from Rev. Blitch. I appreciate the thoughtfulness.

Love, Dorothy Dougherty

Belleman's Church! Thank you very much for the balloons for our 64th wedding anniversary.

George and Melrose Kunkle

A Great Big

to all our talented singers and musicians who were part of our Summer Special Music Program...

OLIVER BLATT, CAROL KISSINGER, DONNA DAVIS & TOM DIETRICH,
BOB REPPERT, SKIP RUBRIGHT, BELLEMAN'S ORCHESTRA*,
GAYLE DIEHL, STEPHANI MOHN, VBS SUPER HEROES,
MISFIT NOISE, SHARON DUVALL, MARILYN ZIMMERMAN,
ERIKA WATSON, & CONNIE NABOZNY.

We appreciate you and thank God for all the musical talent He has blessed us with here at Belleman's!
MAY WE ALWAYS USE OUR TALENTS TO HONOR AND GLORIFY HIM.

Thanks again, EVERYONE, for an amazing, musical summer!!!

*Extra special THANKS to the members of Belleman's Orchestra for sharing their talents two Sundays this summer...WE SINCERELY APPRECIATE YOUR DEDICATION!

September Birthdays

17th Bridget Hoffert, Jeffrey Mohn

18th Ryan Moser, Shannon Perzel

19thBrandon Corolla, Brian Gery,

Jay Grube, Colin Smith 20thNichole Leibensperger

21st Rita Bowers

22ndAnna Bair, Marilyn Yoder, Wolf Arnold

23rdBarry Edwards,

Connor Zaleski, Emma Potts 8th Aaron Nabozny,

24th Michele Dietrich, Rev. Joshua Fitterling,

Carolyn Machmer, Richard Evans, 10th Dorothy Bausher, Sean Livinghouse, Sandy Borkey,

Jayce Pauley

25thRita Bausher,

Brandy Yoder, Anthony Yorgey 13th Kristy Dietrich,

26thTara Beerman,

Randy Phillips, Natalie Redd

28thLindsey Bradbury,

Kenneth Bungarz III,

Andrew Smyre

29thLarry Miller, Guy Gresh, Michele Zimmerman

30thGeorge Phillips, Jr., Chloe Zimmerman, Courtney Zimmerman

September Anniversaries

15th Cory & Mary Ann Kunkle 16th Mark & Elizabeth Veres 17th Dennis & Robin Linderman 5th Santi & Linda Imbesi 20th Jason & Sara Levan

22nd Larry & Jessica Hartranft Kenneth and Nicole Jacoby Oliver and Amber Blatt

23rd Brian and Kara Gery

26th James & Linette Baer.

Therman & Bonnie Madeira

October Birthdays

2nd Terry Frederick, Lee Henne, Owen Machmer, Leah Potts, Holly Jean Wesner, Daylin Dalton

3rd Michael Fluck, Larry Mohn

4th Harold Spatz, Rvan Livinghouse,

Tyler McMurtry

5th Skip Corolla, Jillian Phillips, Daniel Kiefer, Benjamin King, Lynn Hart

6th Terry Clay, Naomi Arnold

Allison Younker, Steven Pauley

Priscilla Kiefer

11th Linda Hartman,

12th Ruth Ohlinger

14th Robert Elliott

15th Tracy Corolla, Abigail Kunkle Andrea Quillman,

Frank Kornfeind, Audra Starkey, Morgan Gery, Maya Hein

October Anniversaries

1st Michael & Karen Harle, Carl and Alyse Hein 3rd Darin & Brenda Hein

4th Scott & Michele Dietrich Wayne & Arlene Hoffert Shawn and Meaghan Bausher

Cody and Lynda Marks

6th Roy & Danielle Moser,

Charles & Elisha Zimmerman Andrew and Kelly Kauffman

8th Larry & Linda Henne

9th Richard & June Dautrich 12th Frank & Mica Kornfeind

John and Melissa Lewis

Did you know...

THAT JOINING A CHOIR IS GOOD FOR YOUR HEALTH?!!

It is medically proven that music lowers cortisol, a chemical that signals levels of stress. Studies have found that people who listened to music before surgery were more relaxed and needed less anesthesia, and afterward they got by with smaller amounts of pain medication. Music also releases serotonin, a neurotransmitter associated with feelings of contentment. Reported by a choral member, "Every week when I go to rehearsal, I'm dead tired and don't think I'll make it through

rehearsal. But then something magic happens and I revive... it happens almost every time."

While any singing has rewards, there are reasons you should find a choir rather than simply singing in the shower and leaving it at that. Studies have found that group singing releases oxytocin, a chemical that manages anxiety and stress and, according to

McGill University professor Daniel Levitin, enhances feelings of trust and bonding. SO, ARE YOU READY TO JOIN A CHOIR?

from "Imperfect Harmony: Finding Happiness While Singing with Others" by Stacy Horn

I HOPE YOU SAID YES NOW IS THE PERFECT TIME...

WE'D LOVE TO HAVE YOU JOIN **OUR CHOIR FAMILY!**

Senior Choir

(AGE 16 AND BEYOND)

MEETS EVERY WEDNESDAY EVENING

AT 6:30 P.M.

Sunday School Singing Kids MEET EVERY SUNDAY MORNING AT 9 A.M. IN THE MUSIC ROOM!