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Church Office: Mon.-Thurs. 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

***** Summer Worship Schedule begins June 14 with
Worship every Sunday at 9:00 a.m. *****



*Rev. Kevin E. Fruchtl, Pastor
Oliver Blatt, Director of Music Ministry
James Fitterling, Administrator
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From the Pastor

Hello Belleman's Church community and friends,

We are hearing so much about the economy and world affairs and we know that it is a stretch to make "the money" go as far as it needs to go. In our households we have cut expenses and are watching our nickels and are trying to maximize every dollar.

Here at church we do the same thing. The people on the Joint Board make sure they are being good stewards of your gifts. Thank you for the many ways that you support your church.

I know that it feels like times are difficult, but please remind yourself of the many blessings God has already given to you. I pray that you feel blessed enough to share those gifts with your church and the world.

Thank you for the many ways that you support your church, and in uncertain times we trust in God's many blessings and look to the future with HOPE.

Peace and Blessings!

Pastor Kevin

Church Board Highlights May 18, 2026

Meeting minutes from April 20, 2026, the Treasurer Report, Pastor Report and Administrator Reports were all approved.

Eileen Fruchtl gave a presentation to the board on the first two meetings of the Special Projects Team. The group has reviewed some goals for the building as it pertains to the future of Belleman's. Initially, the group would like to explore giving the narthex a facelift and relocate the history displays, add fresh paint, update the lighting and adding possible announcement monitors alongside a bulletin board. They will work on some renderings of the possibilities and begin to get feedback from the Congregation.

Fundraising Treasurer Carla Rozsitch presented an Oyster supper report. The profit after sale of leftovers amounted \$5,206.80.

The Property Committee reported that two dusk till dawn lights have been replaced at the hall. Chris Dietrich did the replacement, many thanks to him for taking the time to do it.

The Mission Team continues to make plans for the local work the week of June 8. Eric Weyandt has been getting things planned and he is expecting some help from a few local churches, too.

The confirmation class and youth presented the idea of making a garden behind the church to grow produce to sell/donate. James sent this out to the Board in a group text on May 11 and it was approved. Terry Clay has setup the beds and the youth are planning to gather on May 22 to begin planting.

A Jingle Offering was collected on May 17 to donate through the Keystone Conference to Trinity UCC near Pittsburgh, that recently sustained a total loss due to fire. \$200 from the candy sale profits was included with the Jingle Offering for a total of \$750. With that the Board was asked to add \$250 to that in order to send \$1,000 toward the fire recovery. The Board agreed to use \$250 from the Heffner tithe toward this donation.

It was noted that the June Board meeting would be while Pastor Kevin is on vacation. With that and the fact that business is usually light in the summer, James suggested changing the June meeting to the 29th. The July meeting would also be cancelled. This makes the June 29th meeting to cover June and July.

Belleman's Joint Board Treasurer Report for April

Beginning Balance	\$ 19,169.01
Income	\$ 47,642.67
Expenses	\$ 44,164.73
Ending Balance	\$ 22,646.95

Attendance/Offering for May

	10:00AM	Offering
May 3	86 (Church), 22 (Facebook)	\$2,971.00
May 10	107 (Church), 36 (Facebook)	\$2,198.00
May 17	99 (Church), 26 (Facebook)	\$2,233.00
May 24	112 (Church), 36 (Facebook)	\$2,297.00
May 31	96 (Old Church), 33 (Facebook)	\$3,550.00

* Facebook views convey the number of viewers who watched for at least one minute.

The June **Jingle Offerings** go to
Fuller Center Disaster ReBuilders

Upcoming Holy Communion Assistants

July 5: (Altar Communion)

Altar Assistants: Carla Rozsitch, Linda Henne,
Maura Wesner

Cup Stations: Roxanne McMurtry, Carlene Kissinger

Ushers: Larry Henne, Sam Stump

Communion note: Ask the ushers for Gluten Free options!

Calendar of Events

Summer Worship Services will be at 9:00 a.m.
beginning June 14!

Sun. Rev. Kenneth Gould - Supply Pastor
6/14 9:00AM Worship Service in the Sanctuary

Sat. (6/20) 8:00AM-Noon SV Food Pantry @Trinity Leesport

Sun. Father's Day
6/21 9:00AM Worship Service in the Grove

Sun. 9:00AM Worship Service in the Sanctuary
6/28

Mon. (6/29) 7:00PM Board Meeting

Sun. Holy Communion
7/5 9:00AM Worship Service in the Sanctuary

Sun. 9:00AM Worship Service in the Sanctuary
7/12

Sat. (7/18) 8:00AM-Noon SV Food Pantry @Trinity Leesport

Sun. 9:00AM Worship Service in the Grove
7/19

Sun. 9:00AM Worship Service in the Sanctuary
7/26

Mon. (7/27) - Thur. (7/30) 6-8 p.m. Vacation Bible School
"Rainforest Falls" (Info page 10)

Fri. (7/31) Reading Phillies Game (Info page 11)

Sun. VBS Closing Sunday
8/2 9:00AM Worship Service in the Fellowship Hall

Community Hoedown May 16, 2026



Fun For all Ages!



Ice Cream & Dancing was enjoyed by all!

**Congratulations
to our 2026
Confirmands**

**Kylee Cammauf
and
Madison Weyandt**



YOUTH NEWS

At the end of May, a gathering of Belleman's Youth and leaders began their new garden project with their planting day on May 22. As you can see in the photos below, many hands made light work to plant the garden behind the church. For the growing season, families will take turns with watering, weeding and maintaining the garden. Thank you all for your hard work!



**Keep on the lookout
for what is produced
and how you may be
able to purchase the
fruits of their labor!**





Memorial Day 2026

A big **THANK YOU** to all those who spent days making the food, those who worked the stands, served the food, those who participated in the Memorial ceremony, and those who attended and supported the picnic! The weather gave us a break in the afternoon for a great remembrance. We sincerely appreciate all the volunteers and attendees who made it a success!

This year's profit was \$4,856.27.

Belleman's Vacation Bible School



This Summer's Vacation Bible School event will be conducted the evenings of **July 27-30, 2026** from **6:00PM to 8:00PM**.

Again this year, VBS will be located at the Church Grove/ Fellowship Hall!

Please use the QR code link to the sign-up page...



We hope you will come and be a part of Vacation Bible School 2026!

We cap off the week of VBS with "Belleman's Night at the Reading Phillies"

R-Phils™

Date: July 31, 2026
Gametime: 7:00 p.m.
Cost: \$12 each

This game is open to everyone! Please, signup in the chapel or contact James in the church office with any questions.

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### **Mission Sunday was May 10**

Thank you to the Mission Team for sharing their experiences as part of the worship service. Leading up to the service we had a friendly competition to see who could guess the closest, without going over, **how many sandwiches has the Mission Team made in it's existence?**

After the guesses were made and compiled, the big winner of one free sandwich per sandwich sale was announced during the service. With her guess of 38,500 sandwiches, **Dorothy Bausher is the winner!!**

(Actual sandwiches made is 39,034)

As the winner, she also won the prestigious sandwich hat to wear when she claims her prize!



**As always, thank you one and all for your continued support of the Mission Team. Planning for 2027 trips starts soon, please consider joining us on a trip or with local workdays.**

The properties taskforce is organizing a much needed "facelift" to the church vestibule.

Here is the current vestibule →



The overall plan is:

- remove the historical displays and relocate these items to a new location
- repaint to a neutral color
- new entry carpet
- fresh bulletin boards

Here are some computer generated concept pictures of what the vestibule might look like:



(Larger photos are available for viewing in the Narthex)

**We are interested and welcome your input!**

**Please feel free to reach out to the church office or Eileen Fruchtl at [eileenfru123@gmail.com](mailto:eileenfru123@gmail.com) 610-858-2053 with any comments, questions or concerns!**



**Honoring our 2026 Graduates!**  
**Sunday, June 28 worship 9:00 a.m.**  
**Please let the office know of any graduates to be honored during this service!**  
**Congratulations graduates!**

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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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**Dear Belleman's Church Jingle Offering,**  
 The American Cancer Society and Relay for Life of Kutztown & Eastern Berks would like to **thank you** for your donation to our Hometown Heros event on May 16, 2026.

The Relay for Life of Kutztown and Eastern Berks was a success. Your Jingle Offering donation of \$950 helped to raise over \$140,000 to fund research to find a cure for cancer.

We appreciate your support to the community with your donation. **Thank you again!! Sincerely, Mark & Ann Stump**  
**Event Leadership Team**  
**Relay for Life of Kutztown & Eastern Berks**

### **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  
 MAJ Michael Kufro  
 MSgt Kevin Mohn  
 GYSgt Phillip Spatz  
 Alfred Cross  
 Cydney Lawrence  
 Dustin Spatz

## June Birthdays

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>1<sup>st</sup></b> Pastor David Blitch                                                                                   | <b>16<sup>th</sup></b> Sindy Bachman                                                      |
| <b>2<sup>nd</sup></b> Diane Billman,<br>Rebecca Folk,<br>Margaret Tothoro,<br>Taylor Berg                                   | Christopher Jozwiak<br>Cate Michaud, Conor Weist                                          |
| <b>3<sup>rd</sup></b> Josh Hassler                                                                                          | <b>17<sup>th</sup></b> Ruth Barnett, Jayden Allen                                         |
| <b>4<sup>th</sup></b> Jean Bohn, Dylan Burkhart,<br>Dylan Haas, Sara Levan,<br>Tucker Jozwiak                               | <b>18<sup>th</sup></b> Zachary Zimmerman,<br>Royce Potts, Taylor Witman                   |
| <b>5<sup>th</sup></b> Jacob Hoffman                                                                                         | <b>20<sup>th</sup></b> Marilyn Seaman                                                     |
| <b>6<sup>th</sup></b> Alan Reppert, Curtis Michaud,<br>Bradley Dougherty                                                    | <b>21<sup>st</sup></b> Harrison Bachman,<br>James Baer,<br>Kimberly Dougherty             |
| <b>7<sup>th</sup></b> Tina Moll, Cassidy Bungarz,<br>Melissa Eschbach,<br>Abigail McRae                                     | <b>22<sup>nd</sup></b> Ali Perzel-Peters,<br>Eric Rubright, Lisa Phillips,<br>Kyle Witman |
| <b>8<sup>th</sup></b> Lori Barto, Scott Ebelhar,<br>Cheryl Felix, Allison Younker,<br>Jacob Leroy Hoffman,<br>Joshua Klopp, | <b>23<sup>rd</sup></b> Deanna Kay McRae<br>Jason Troutman                                 |
| <b>9<sup>th</sup></b> Karen Holcombe,<br>June Dautrich                                                                      | <b>24<sup>th</sup></b> Janet Stetzler,<br>Carlie Schmauch                                 |
| <b>11<sup>th</sup></b> Melany Eltz, Jay Hill, III,<br>Marissa Spatz, Grace Hoppes,<br>Jack Kornfeind, Codie Hart            | <b>25<sup>th</sup></b> David Miller, Kenneth Starkey                                      |
| <b>14<sup>th</sup></b> Megan Geisinger,<br>Bennett Berube                                                                   | <b>26<sup>th</sup></b> Kevin Labe, Sr.,<br>Carolyn Gresh                                  |
| <b>15<sup>th</sup></b> Carla Rozsitch,<br>Mason Hartranft<br>Eden Gilmer<br>Lisa Nicole Rubright                            | <b>27<sup>th</sup></b> Nancy Wesner,<br>Calvin Bungarz                                    |
|                                                                                                                             | <b>28<sup>th</sup></b> Adrianna Madden,<br>Meaghan Bausher                                |
|                                                                                                                             | <b>29<sup>th</sup></b> Jason Kozik, Amanda Ernst<br>Larry Zimmerman                       |
|                                                                                                                             | <b>30<sup>th</sup></b> Janice Kozik,<br>David Weber,<br>Sara Linderman                    |

## June Anniversaries

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|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| <b>4<sup>th</sup></b> Kyle and Taylor Witman                            | <b>20<sup>th</sup></b> Mitchell & Deanne Burkhart |
| <b>6<sup>th</sup></b> Nathan & Lisa Phillips                            | Kristie and Chris Hilbert                         |
| <b>7<sup>th</sup></b> Ronnie & Rhonda Adam                              | <b>22<sup>nd</sup></b> Scott & Amy Berg           |
| <b>10<sup>th</sup></b> Robert & Louise Elliott<br>Tom and Brenda Nelson | <b>24<sup>th</sup></b> Kevin & Suzanne Labe, Sr.  |
| <b>11<sup>th</sup></b> Larry & Beverly Blatt                            | <b>28<sup>th</sup></b> Daniel & Krista Roe        |
| <b>18<sup>th</sup></b> Terry & Donna Schaeffer                          | <b>30<sup>th</sup></b> Chad & Amanda Ernst        |

# Music News

Thank you for joining us!



We hope you  
enjoyed the music!

Musically,

*Oliver*