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

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# Bell Notes

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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*



*Rev. Dr. Patricia Horst, Interim Pastor*  
*Oliver Blatt, Director of Music Ministry*  
*James Fitterling, Administrator*  
*Church Office: 610-926-0461*  
*Church email: [salembellemans@frontiernet.net](mailto:salembellemans@frontiernet.net)*  
*Web Site: [bellemanschurch.org](http://bellemanschurch.org)*



### From Pastor Pat...

Just recently we began an informal time of prayer on the mornings of the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month. There is much for us to keep in prayer as a community of believers; it is good to come together to pray.

As followers of Jesus, we have many opportunities to pray. We share formal prayers together during worship on Sunday mornings; we share the Lord's Prayer as a community of believers; we pray during our personal devotion time at home. Whether as part of a Sunday morning worship service, prayer gathering at our church, or in times on private prayer, the Scriptures encourage us to pray.

1 Thessalonian 5 :17 shares "*pray continually.*" What does that mean? How could we get anything done if we are praying continually? I believe it means that as we are aware of God's presence in our lives, we continue in dialogue with God throughout the day no matter what we are doing.

Martin Luther is known to have said, "I am so busy now that if I did not spend three hours each day in prayer, I could not get through the day." I'm not sure how Martin Luther structured his day to be able to pray for such an extended period of time; perhaps he awoke especially early, or maybe he set aside time throughout the day, but surely Luther knew the value of spending time in prayer.

As we gather to pray, we will look at some aspects of prayer within the Scriptures or quotes by individuals. God's word shares in Mathew 18:20, *For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.* Consider joining us as we pray together for needs of those we know, our church, and our world.

Serving with you,  
*Pastor Pat*

**Pastor Pat's contact info:**  
Cell Phone: 717-926-2181  
Email: phorst105@gmail.com  
*Pastor Pat's weekly office day is currently Wednesday.*

### Church Board Highlights October 3, 2023

- The minutes from the August 21, 2023 Board meeting were approved.
- The treasurer report was approved subject to audit.
- Pastor Pat's report and vacation dates of November 20-27 were approved.
- James' Administrator report and vacation dates of November 17-23 were approved.
- The Blue Mountain Heritage Chorus request to have their Christmas concert at Belleman's was approved. The concert is on November 26 and they would hold a rehearsal at the church on November 25.
- The Fundraising Committee reported that the Turkey and Waffle event went well with 425 meals served. They are currently switching gears and getting organized for the Bazaar.
- The Property Committee noted that they have a work day planned to take down the trees at the back of the parking lot. Also, some work is going to be done to the bandstand as part of a scout project. This will be painting and electrical work. The committee is looking into some pricing options for new roofs on the fellowship hall, church and at the barn. Lastly, James noted about the old church windows. There were some windows damaged a few months ago in a wind storm. New windows are in the process of being made but the church insurance denied our claim on the windows. John Rausch continues to pursue the issue with the insurance.
- The Call Committee is targeting the November meeting to present the church profile.
- A meeting date of November 12 was set for the Community Outreach Committee.
- The 2024 benevolence commitment of \$6,000 divided evenly among the UCC and Lutheran wider churches was approved. It was noted that what is given toward Benevolence through the offering envelopes is what is sent to the synod and conference whether it be above or below this amount.
- The November Board meeting was moved to November 13.
- There was discussion about the November 21 Community Meal we will be hosting. Specifics were discussed including having this one being a sit down, cafeteria style meal.
- Lastly, it was approved to purchase a spot in the Reading Eagle church directory through the end of the year at \$12.95 per week.

### Belleman's Joint Board

Beginning Balance \$ 14,822.10  
 Income \$ 11,937.10  
 Expenses \$ 14,256.60  
 Ending Balance \$ 12,493.61

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### Attendance/Offering

|          | <b>Worship Attendance</b>      | <b>Offering</b> |
|----------|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| Sept. 3  | 75 (Sanctuary), 273(Facebook)  | \$2,605.00      |
| Sept. 10 | 75 (Sanctuary), 223 (Facebook) | \$4,571.00      |
| Sept. 17 | 65 (Sanctuary), 327 (Facebook) | \$2,029.00      |
| Sept. 24 | 82 (Sanctuary), No video       | \$3,553.00      |

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### October Jingle Offerings are designated for Nurse-Family Partnership - Berks County

*(Nurse-Family Partnership is free for women who are pregnant with their first baby and meet certain criteria. The goal is to support new mothers to have a healthy pregnancy and provide assistance with referrals for healthcare, childcare, job training and other support services.)*

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### Communion Assistants For November 5th

10:00 a.m. Altar Assistants: Lester and Gloria Gambler  
 Nikole Botscheller  
 Cup Stations: Lee Henne, Ken Borkey  
 Ushers: Frank Kornfeind, Kim Smyre

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### Calendar of Events

**Sun. 9:00AM Sunday School**  
**10/8 10:00AM Worship Service**  
 Mon. (10/9) 6:00 - 7:30PM Flea Market items accepted at the Hall  
 Wed. 10:00AM Prayer Time with Pastor Pat  
 10/11 6:30PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal  
 Thu. (10/12) Sandwich Sale Orders due to Karen Harle

### Calendar of Events, cont'd

**Sun. 9:00AM Sunday School**  
**10/15 10:00AM Worship**  
 Mon. (10/16) 6:00 - 7:30PM Flea Market items accepted at the Hall  
 Wed. (10/18) 10/18 6:30PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal  
 Thu. 2:00-6:00PM Sandwich Sale Pickup at the Fellowship Hall  
 10/19 (Helpers needed around 9 a.m.)  
 Sat. (10/21) 8:00-Noon SV Food Pantry @ Trinity Leesport  
**Sun. 9:00AM Sunday School**  
**10/22 10:00AM Worship**  
 Mon. (10/23) 6:00 - 7:30PM Flea Market items accepted at the Hall  
 Wed. Blood Drive (Information page 6)  
 10/25 10:00AM Prayer Time with Pastor Pat  
 6:30PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal  
**Sun. Reformation Sunday**  
**10/29 9:00AM Sunday School**  
**10:00AM Worship with special music by the Faithful Men**  
 Wed. (11/1) 6:30PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal  
 Fri. (11/3) 8:30AM to 6:30PM Bazaar  
 Sat. (11/4) 8:30AM to 1:00PM Bazaar  
**Sun. All Saints Sunday/ Holy Communion**  
**11/5 9:00AM Sunday School**  
**10:00AM Worship Service**  
*Daylight Savings Time Ends*  
 Wed. 10:00AM Prayer Time with Pastor Pat  
 11/8 6:30PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal  
**Sun. 9:00AM Sunday School**  
**11/12 10:00AM Worship**  
*Community Outreach Meeting after worship*  
 Mon. (11/13) 7:00PM Board Meeting  
 Tue. (11/14) 9:30AM Music and Worship Committee  
 Wed. (11/15) 6:30PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal  
 Sat. (11/18) 8:00-Noon SV Food Pantry @ Trinity Leesport  
 Belleman's Month to Serve

# RELAY FOR LIFE OF **Kutztown**

Upcoming fundraiser:  
**Boscov's Friends Helping Friends**  
On Wednesday, October 18, 2023 from 8am-11pm

Purchase a shopping pass for \$5 and save 25% off purchases that day. If you would like a shopping pass contact:  
Ann Stump at 610-926-3416 or James at the church.

Thank you for your support.

Ann and Mark Stump, Relay for Life of Kutztown  
Live Long and Prosper



Give the "Gift of Life" at Belleman's Annual Blood Drive which will be held on Wednesday, October 25th at the donor center (2745a Leisczs Bridge Road, Reading, PA)  
**NOT at the Fellowship Hall.**

To schedule an appointment call  
Miller-Keystone at 800-223-6667  
or visit [GIVEaPINT.org](http://GIVEaPINT.org) and use  
Sponsor Code 3227.



# Belleman's Church



## Sandwich Sale

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

Pick up on:

**Thursday, October 19, 2023**  
2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

### Sandwich options are:

Italian

Ham with American Cheese  
Smoked Turkey with Provolone Cheese  
(Onions, tomatoes/lettuce packaged separately.)

**Price for each 10 inch hoagie is \$8.00.**

Please call 484-256-5705 to order.  
**Orders due by October 12, 2023**

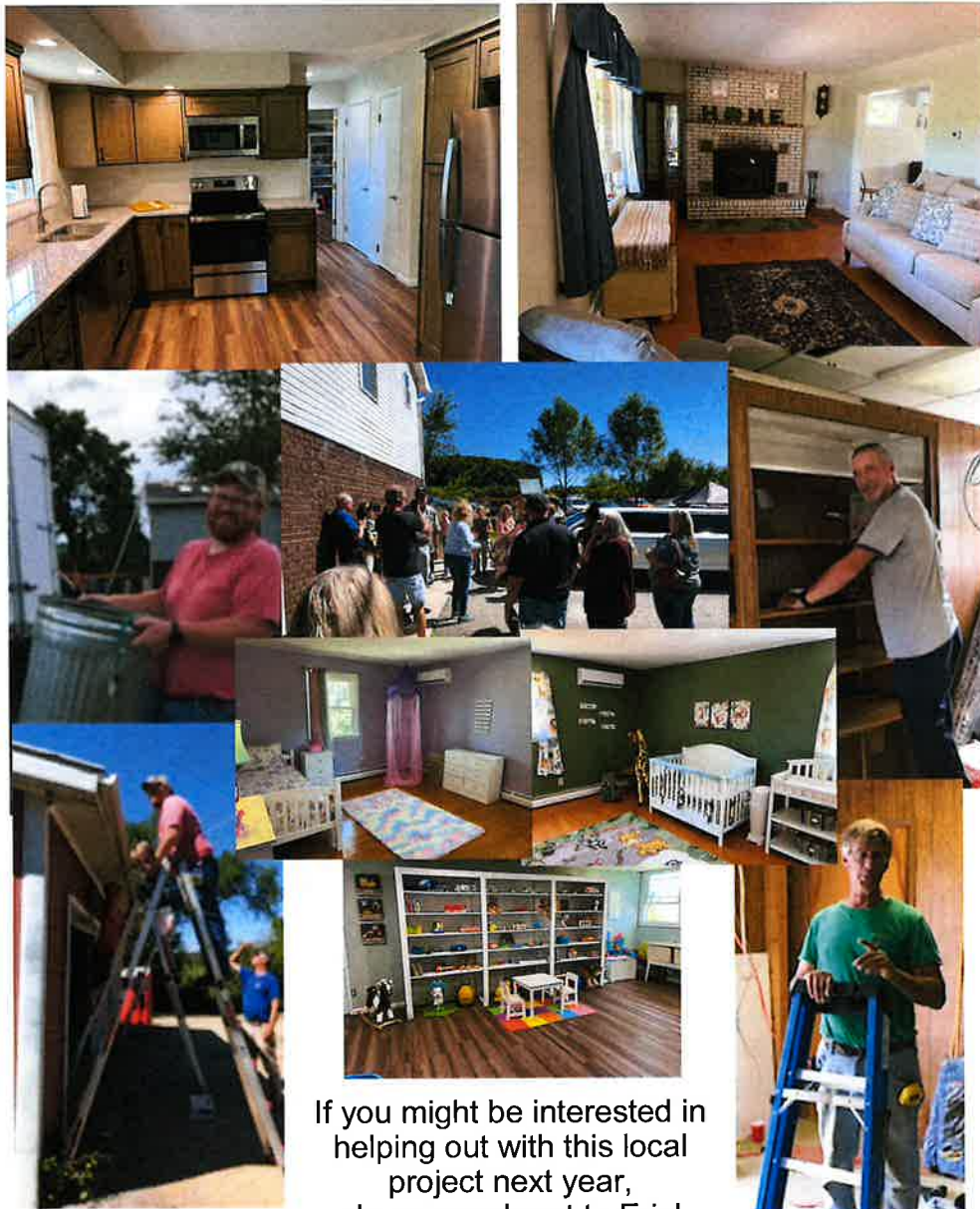
**Thanks for your support of this project!**



The proceeds will benefit the:  
**Belleman's Mission Team**



In September a few Belleman's Members assisted with a local organization called **Restoring Hope of Berks County**. The organization is chaired by Belleman's member Eric Weyandt and completes a home makeover each year for a deserving family. This year's build was on Garfield Road not far from Belleman's. The spring 2023 sandwich sale also provided some funding toward the Restoring Hope organization.



If you might be interested in helping out with this local project next year, please reach out to Eric!

# Belleman's Church CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

in the Fellowship Hall  
3730 Belleman's Church Road  
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**FRIDAY**

**November 3, 2023**

8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.



**SATURDAY**

**November 4, 2023**

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**



### Prayer Time with Pastor Pat

The next gathering will be **Wednesday, October 11 at 10 am** and continues the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month for those who are able to attend. We will share in informal fellowship, a brief reflection, and then pray together. We'll pray for individuals on the Prayer List, the Military and their Families, the Call Committee and prospective pastors submitting their profiles, our church and surrounding community, our world, and any other concerns you might have. We will conclude by 11 am and meet in the chapel.



(PS -- doughnuts and coffee will be provided!)



### Hero Banner Program

A program for "Hero's Banners" for Veterans or active-duty military is underway in Centerport Borough and Centre Township. This program is open to all military/active or veteran/ alive or deceased (with any relationship/connection, past or present with Centerport or Centre Township). The Patriotic Order Sons of America Camp #446 in Centerport is organizing the effort. For further information call Glen at 610-823-8064, or email at gbalthaser109@comcast.net, or by US mail to POS of A Camp #446; PO Box 76; Mohrsville Pa 19541.



### 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

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

**Belleman's** is the sponsoring church for the **November 18, 2023** 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!



**FREE COMMUNITY MEAL**  
**Tuesday, November 21**  
**5:30-6:30p.m. at**  
**The Fellowship Hall**  
**Served Cafeteria Style**





### Flea Market Collection Has Begun

The first collection occurred on Monday, October 2. Donations will be accepted from 6:00 to 7:30 PM every Monday through October 23.

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 3 and Saturday November 4. 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 5th, 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> |
|-------------|---------------------|-------------|
| 6/5/1942    | MaryEllen Zimmerman | 11/12/2022  |
| 7/14/1956   | Larry E. Phillips   | 12/28/2022  |
| 10/6/1950   | Glenda A. Zimmerman | 1/16/2023   |
| 8/4/1935    | Gladys L. Staab     | 1/30/2023   |
| 8/13/1921   | Ethel Reinhart      | 5/9/2023    |
| 7/12/1923   | Marie E. Baver      | 6/6/2023    |
| 1/23/1953   | Roxanne D. Loeb     | 6/14/2023   |
| 11/3/1935   | Annabell Leshar     | 7/28/2023   |
| 5/28/1943   | Mildred I. Berg     | 8/16/2023   |
| 12/27/1935  | Harold A. Spatz     | 8/22/2023   |
| 4/14/1937   | Maynard L. Hook     | 8/22/2023   |
| 6/30/1922   | Arlene E. Harle     | 8/24/2023   |
| 3/8/1962    | Karen S. Blitch     | 9/16/2023   |



**Dear Belleman's Church, Thank you** so very much for your recent donation to Opportunity House. (\$362 - July Jingle Offerings) Because of your generosity and dedication to our mission, we can

continue to feed, house, employ and empower the neediest members of our community to stand on their own feet. On behalf of the entire Opportunity House staff, **thank you** for being such a special part of our shelter family.

**Sincerely,  
Stacy Perlaki, Director of Development**

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**Thank you** to whomever sent the beautiful mum plant to me upon my return home from my hospital stay. It is much appreciated!

**Dottie Yeakel**

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**Dear Belleman's,** We sincerely appreciate your generous gift of \$500 through your Jingle Offering. Your donation will help us to continue to touch the lives of seniors, whether they are facing and urgent need such as their next meal or seeking other ways to improve their quality of life. On behalf of the more than 650 clients who receive Meals on Wheels each day and on behalf of the delivery drivers who volunteer to deliver a hot meal and a smile, your gift is making an impact to keep our older neighbors fed and safe. Thank you for your support!

**Sincerely,  
Lori Gerhart, VP, Advancement, Berks Encore**

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### Turkey and Waffles 2023

It's in the mail! That's what was said about the missing orders and checks. This was the peculiar glitch encountered during the latest turkey dinner take out. We guessed, calculated and gambled. Patience was the final ingredient in our preparing for the missing orders.

**Thanks** to all who helped throughout the LONG week. By recruiting friends and family of our congregation we mustered enough help to "get her done." In the 425 dinners were 1700 waffles, 220 pounds of sweet potatoes, 220 pies, 50 pounds of butter, 425 pounds of potatoes and 475 pounds of turkey!

**Thanks to all,** who gave of their time and energy. Profit will be forthcoming when the numbers are finally crunched.

## 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,  
Ashtyn Cammauf

## 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

We invite you to join us  
for a special musical  
service!



**October 29**

We welcome to Bellemans

***The Faithful Men***

at 10:00 am

who will be presenting our message  
through gospel music.

We hope you'll join us for this inspirational  
musical service here at Bellemans.

Musically,

*Oliver*