

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! Scout Sunday**  
*Endowment Committee Meeting after Worship*

Wed. (2/5) 6:30PM Choir Rehearsal

**Sun. Holy Communion**  
**2/9 9:00AM Sunday School**  
**10:00AM Worship Service**  
*Community Outreach Meeting after Worship*

Tue. (2/11) 6:30PM Fundraising Committee Meeting

Wed. 5:30PM Hand bell Rehearsal  
2/12 6:30PM Choir Rehearsal

Sat. (2/15) 8:00AM–Noon SV Food Pantry @Trinity Leesport

**Sun. 9:00AM Sunday School**  
**2/16 10:00AM Worship Service**  
*Food Items Available for Purchase after Worship*

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### Mark your Calendars!

On **Sunday, February 16** after church you need to save your  
appetite for our Presidents' Day event. Featured will be George  
Washington Cherry Pies, Martha Washington Cake, Lemon  
Sponge, Chocolate Cake with Peanut Butter Icing and Coconut  
Cake. Also, warm up with hearty Chili and Cheeseburger Soup.  
All for sale after worship. See you there!

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**W**e 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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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.**

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Scout Sunday

February 2, 2025

*The glory of God is often revealed when and where it is least expected. God uses our lips to declare that glory, inexperienced and hesitant though they may be. God uses our love to demonstrate that glory and so urges us to exercise it. God uses Jesus of Nazareth, water and the word, bread and wine, to reveal God's glory where and when God chooses. Take heed, lest the glory of God slip through our midst unnoticed.*

*Welcome and Announcements*

Prayers for Healing

Missy and Brian Boyer, George Del Fierro, Karen Becker, Oliver del Fierro Nater, Keith Gilmer, Kelly Kauffman, Payton Shaffer, Mark Zipp, Nancy James, Ron Burkhart, Richard and June Dautrich, Grace Hoffman, Maya Hein, Lloyd and Ruth Barnett, Janet Weaver, Megan Snyder, Bobbie Jo King, Charles Werley, Richard Bausher, Peggy Hartman, Nancy Quick, Kassie Kirkwood, Bridget Hoffert, Mike Hoffert, Nancy Rickert, Terry Clay, Steve Tribioli, Claude Heagy, Dorothy Dougherty, Harold Sunday, Ruth Borkey, Barb Reigle, Douglas Bausher, Steve Rentschler, Families of Paul Leshar and Frederick Miller

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*

\* Please stand if you are able.

\*Gathering Hymn

1. I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove, Of Je - sus  
2. I love to tell the sto - ry - 'tis pleas - ant to re - peat What seems, each  
3. I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it - best Seem hun - ger -

and His glo - ry, of Je - sus and His love; I love to tell the  
time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet; I love to tell the  
ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest; And when in scenes of

sto - ry be - cause I know 'tis true, It sat - is - fies my long - ings  
sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard The mes - sage of sal - va - tion  
glo - ry I sing the new, new song, 'Twill be the old, old sto - ry

*Refrain*

as noth - ing else can do.  
from God's own ho - ly Word. I love to tell the sto - ry! 'Twill be my  
that I have loved so long.

theme in glo - ry - To tell the old, old sto - ry Of Je - sus and His love.

We gather in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

The baby Jesus was "A light for the revelation to the Gentiles and a light for the glory of Israel."

**We come from the darkness of our lives to seek the light of Christ.**

We come from many nations and many cultures;

**But we are all one in Jesus Christ.**

We come seeking the light that guides our life;

**Let us lift our voices and praise the God of all peoples.**

Let us now confess our sins and allow the light of God to enter us.

(Silent time with God)

Eternal light;

**Shine in our hearts.**

Eternal Goodness;

**Deliver us from evil.**

Eternal Wisdom;

**Scatter the shadows of doubt and uncertainty.**

Eternal Love;

**Have mercy on us, that we may seek your face and be brought into your infinite care, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.**

The true light that gives light to everyone has come into the world. To all who receive him; to those who believe in His name, he gives the right to become children of God. – John 1:9,12

**Amen thanks be to God!**

*Assurance of God's Forgiveness*

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**And also with you.**

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

*(Sharing hands/hugs are optional during the Flu season.)*

*Praise Hymn*

**Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.  
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with love and mercy;  
Send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!**

*\*PRAYER OF THE DAY*

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

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love;  
**And that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

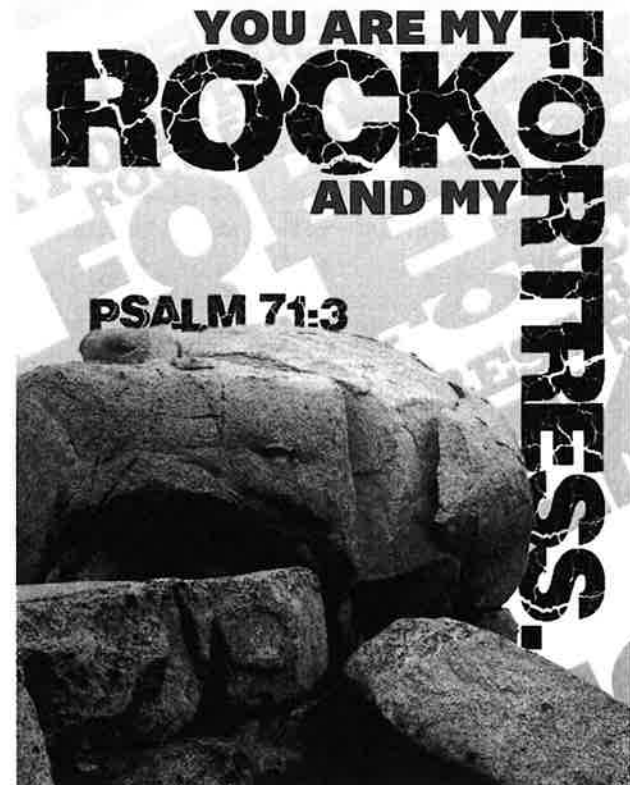
*Proclaiming The Word*

*FIRST READING: Jeremiah 1:4-10*

<sup>4</sup> Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, <sup>5</sup> "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." <sup>6</sup> Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." <sup>7</sup> But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. <sup>8</sup> Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD." <sup>9</sup> Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. <sup>10</sup> See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

*PSALM 71:1-6*

<sup>1</sup> In you, O LORD, I take refuge;  
let me never be put to shame.  
<sup>2</sup> **In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me;  
incline your ear to me and save me.**  
<sup>3</sup> Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save me,  
for you are my rock and my fortress.  
<sup>4</sup> **Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked,  
from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.**  
<sup>5</sup> For you, O Lord, are my hope,  
my trust, O LORD, from my youth.  
<sup>6</sup> **Upon you I have leaned from my birth;  
it was you who took me from my mother's womb.  
My praise is continually of you.**



*SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 13:1-8,13*

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup> And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup> If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. <sup>4</sup> Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant <sup>5</sup> or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; <sup>6</sup> it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. <sup>7</sup> It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. <sup>8</sup> Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. <sup>13</sup> And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

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. Luke, the 4th Chapter.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL: *Luke 4:21-30*

<sup>21</sup> Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." <sup>22</sup> All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" <sup>23</sup> He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" <sup>24</sup> And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. <sup>25</sup> But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; <sup>26</sup> yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. <sup>27</sup> There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." <sup>28</sup> When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. <sup>29</sup> They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. <sup>30</sup> But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

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

*Children's Message*

*Jingle Offering: Bethany Children's Home*

Hymn

1. Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y of our God;  
 2. See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, Spring-ing from e - ter - nal Love,  
 3. Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov-ering, See the cloud and fire ap - pear

He whose word can - not be bro - ken Formed thee for His own a - bode.  
 Well sup-ply thy sons and daugh-ters, And all fear of want re - move.  
 For a glo - ry and a cov-ering, Show - ing that the Lord is near!

On the Rock of A - ges found-ed, What can shake thy sure re - pose?  
 Who can faint while such a riv - er Ev - er flows their thirst to assuage?  
 Thus de - riv - ing from their ban-ner Light by night and shade by day,

With sal - va - tion's walls sur-round-ed, Thou mayst smile at all thy foes.  
 Grace which, like the Lord, the Giv - er, Nev - er fails from age to age!  
 Safe they feed up - on the man-na Which He gives them when they pray. A - men.

Sermon

(Silence for Meditation)

Response to the Word

\*The Apostles' Creed

In response to hearing God's word for us, we confess our faith.  
**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Offering

Choir Anthem

\*Offering Response (Sung)

**As they offered gifts most rare  
At thy cradle, rude and bare;  
So may we with holy joy,  
Pure and free from sin's alloy,  
All our costliest treasures bring,  
Christ, to Thee, our heavenly 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

We are march - ing\* in the light of God, we are march - ing in the

light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God,

we are march - ing in the light of God.  
we are march - ing in the light of, the light of God.  
we are march - ing in the light of God.

We are march - ing  
We are march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing, march - ing,

we are march - ing in the light of God.  
we are march - ing in the light of, the light of God.  
we are march - ing in the light of God.

We are march - ing  
We are march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing, march - ing,

we are march - ing in the light of God.

2. *We are Dancing...*
3. *We are Praying...*
4. *We are Singing...*

*Silence for Meditation*

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

*Postlude*

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Assisting in Worship

<i>Acolyte:</i>	10:00AM	Eden Gilmer
<i>Lector:</i>	10:00AM	Scouts
<i>Greeters/Ushers</i>	10:00AM	Scouts

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***It's Sandwich time again!!!***

Mark your calendars for our popular **Sandwich Sale** on **Thursday, February 27th** which will go toward mission work locally and afar. The 10" (ham, Italian or turkey) sandwiches are \$8.00 & can be picked up at the Fellowship Hall from 2:00 to 6:00PM. Contact Karen Harle (484-256-5705) to place your orders by 2/20. There will also be a sign-up sheet posted in the Narthex.

Help will be needed on the 27th to make the sandwiches. The Mission Team is grateful to all who are able to lend a hand.



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**Belleman's Church day at the Pines**

**When:** April 5, 2025, dinner at 12:30 p.m., show at 1:30 p.m.

**Where:** Pines Dinner Theatre

(315 S. Cedar Crest Blvd, Allentown PA 18103)

We will plan to organize a car pool for anyone interested.

**Cost:** \$65 per person due to the Church Office

The show presented this day is titled Nonsense.

Sign up in the narthex to assure yourself a ticket!

**PINES**  
DINNER THEATRE

# SOUPer BOWL

Tickets on sale now!

Schuylkill Valley High School Cafeteria  
February 22, 2025  
(snowdate: February 23, 2025)

11-1 p.m.

**\*Take Out Only\***



**Tickets**

**\$22 EACH**

**\*Includes\***

Handmade ceramic bowl  
2 pints of soup

Contact Jess Harle to  
purchase (610-451-4418)

Please donate soup for a  
great cause!

Sponsored by SV Art Club  
and the Conner Kleffel  
Memorial

Proceeds benefit sponsoring  
organizations

Bake Sale Items Available

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**Support your favorite team and the SV Food Pantry!**

Sunday, February 9 (Super Bowl), bring a food item(s) for the SV Food Pantry to support the team you think will win.

**Let's see if Belleman's can pick the Super Bowl winner!**