Thank you for worshipping with us this day.

If you are visiting with us today, please sign the guest book located in the Narthex.

#### **Calendar of Events**

Happening Today! World Communion Sunday
Community Outreach Meeting after Worship

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

10/6 6:30PM Mission Trip Meeting

Wed. 5:30PM Hand bell Rehearsal

10/8 6:30PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Sun. 9:00AM Sunday School

10/12 9:00AM Coffee Talk Adult Discussion Group

(Chapter 6 – Plotting Goodness, Genesis 12: 1-9, Galatians 3:6-9, Mark 11:15-19)

10:00AM Worship Service

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Thu. (10/16) Sandwich Sale Orders due to Karen Harle

Sat. 8:00AM-Noon SV Food Pantry @Trinity Leesport

10/18 6:00PM Family Movie Night

Sun. 9:00AM Sunday School

10/19 9:00AM Coffee Talk Adult Discussion Group

(Chapter 7 – It's Not Too Late, Genesis 18:9-33, 22:1-14, Micah 6:6-8, Acts 18:19-34)

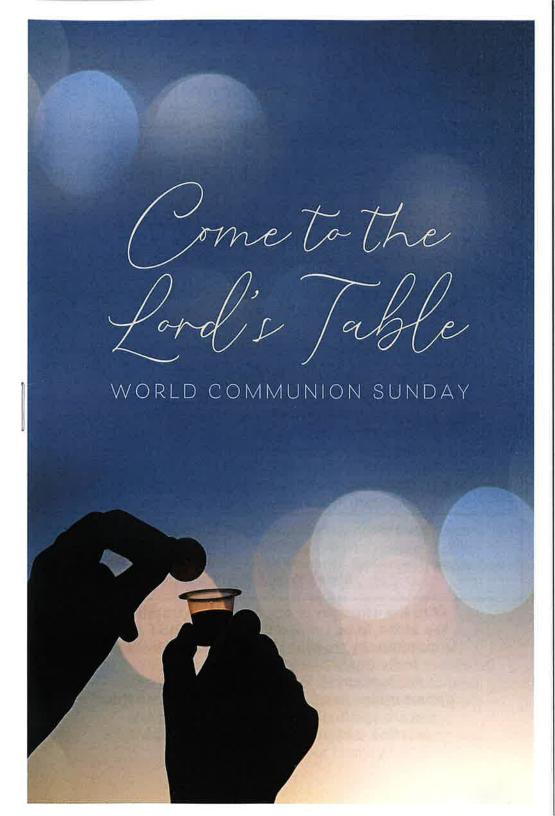
10:00AM Worship Service

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We 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.

Rev. Kevin Fruchtl, Pastor
Oliver Blatt, Director of Music Ministry
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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

> Children's Bulletins are available in the pink crate in the entrance of the church.

#### **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.

#### Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 5, 2025

A little faith goes a long way is our Lord's point in the gospel. A mustard seed's-worth has miraculous potential. The patience, tenacity, and endurance required for the life of faith are the blessings received in water and the word (holy baptism), bread and wine (holy communion), the word read and proclaimed in this assembly. Anticipate them. Receive them with thanksgiving.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer of Dedication for new Carillon System

# Prayers for Healing

Mark Zipp, Lloyd and Ruth Barnett, Riley Rejniak, Peggy Hartman, Maya Hein, Dorothy Dougherty, Kelly Schoellkopf, Richard Hartman, Matthew Machmer, Lucas Batchelor and Family, Richard Bausher, Sarah Rhoads, Bonnie Flickinger, Charlie Miller, Robert Elliott, Livia Kiwak

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.

# \* Please stand if you are able.

#### \*Gathering Hymn



#### \*Call to Worship

We gather today as the people of God, as a community of Christ's followers.

We gather to share Word and sacrament, to discern the ways of faithful service.

Where in the world shall we serve our God?

At home and school and business place – in this community and throughout every land.

How in the world shall we serve our God?

By working toward justice where there is oppression, by offering comfort where there is pain, by sharing love where there is hatred.

Why in the world shall we serve our God?

Because the Spirit beckons us, because Jesus calls us to enact our faith. Let us now worship the one who calls us.

\*Call to Confession/ Responsive Litany of Confession Gracious God, who made covenant with our ancestors, we gather here today as a rebellious people.

We want to act out your intentions for us,

but we get sidetracked by the false glitter of the world.

You tell us to honor creation

But we use other people, animals, and plants for our own gain.

You offer bread to every living creature,

and we steal that bread from our brothers and sisters in the name of greed.

You promise us new life,

But we shrink back in fear, clinging to our death-dealing ways.

Heal us, O Lord, lest we destroy ourselves and the planet. We need your healing presence among us, that your good intentions for all of creation might be fulfilled at last. Through Jesus Christ we pray, Amen.

\*Acknowledgment of God's Forgiveness

Praise the Lord!

The Lord's name be praised.

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! (The sharing of hands/hugs are optional.)

#### \*Praise Hymn (Sung)

Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One, Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.

Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One, Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.

And now let the weak say, "I am strong,"
Let the poor say "I am rich
Because of what the Lord has done for us."
And now let the weak say, "I am strong,"
Let the poor say "I am rich
Because of what the Lord has done for us."
Give thanks, give thanks.

#### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray... Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your word.

By your Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy, live according to it, and grow in faith and hope and love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Proclaiming The Word

#### FIRST READING: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. <sup>2</sup> O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? <sup>3</sup> Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. <sup>4</sup> So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous— therefore judgment comes forth perverted. I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch

to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint. <sup>2</sup> Then the LORD answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. <sup>3</sup> For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. <sup>4</sup> Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

PSALM 37:1-9

<sup>1</sup> Do not fret because of the wicked; do not be envious of wrongdoers,

<sup>2</sup> for they will soon fade like the grass, and wither like the green herb.

<sup>3</sup> Trust in the LORD, and do good; so you will live in the land, and enjoy security.

<sup>4</sup> Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.

<sup>5</sup> Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act.

<sup>6</sup> He will make your vindication shine like the light, and the justice of your cause like the noonday.

<sup>7</sup>Be still before the LORD, and wait patiently for him; do not fret over those who prosper in their way, over those who carry out evil devices.

<sup>8</sup> Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath. Do not fret—it leads only to evil.

<sup>9</sup> For the wicked shall be cut off, but those who wait for the LORD shall inherit the land.

SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>2</sup> To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. <sup>3</sup> I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. <sup>4</sup> Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. <sup>5</sup> I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. <sup>6</sup> For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that

is within you through the laying on of my hands: <sup>7</sup> for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. <sup>8</sup> Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, <sup>9</sup> who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, 10 but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. 11 For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, 12 and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. 13 Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. 14 Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

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 17th Chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

GOSPEL: Luke 17:5-10

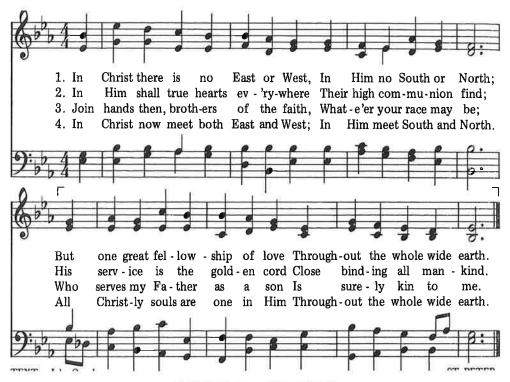
<sup>5</sup>The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" <sup>6</sup>The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. <sup>7</sup> "Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? <sup>8</sup> Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? <sup>9</sup> Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? <sup>10</sup> So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

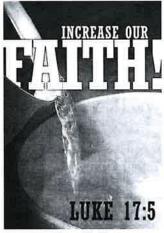
The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

Children's Message

Jingle Offering: US Disaster Relief

Hymn





#### Sermon

#### 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)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Pastoral Prayer

# HOLY COMMUNION

#### \*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Luke the evangelist wrote of our risen Savior, who at the table with two of the disciples took bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. Their eyes were opened and they recognized the risen Christ in the breaking of the bread. In company with all believers, in every time and beyond time, we come to this table to know Christ in the breaking of the bread.

#### \*COMMUNION PRAYER

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to God most High.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

We give you thanks, O God, for the mighty sweep of your love, embracing all people and all nations. We thank you that you have sent Jesus Christ to us to break down the walls of hostility which divide the earth's people, and to reveal your all-encompassing love, making us all one. Through the power of your spirit, may this unity become reality. Now, by your presence, make sacred this feast of our Savior Jesus Christ. As this broken bread was scattered like grain on the hillsides, and then, when gathered together became one loaf, so may your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your eternal kingdom. May our lives be poured out in compassion, and in solidarity with the poor, the oppressed, and the hungry of this world.

(Sung)

Holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

#### \*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

We remember that on the night of betrayal and desertion, Jesus took bread, gave thanks, broke the bread, and gave it to the disciples, saying: "This is my body which is broken for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, Jesus also took the cup, after supper, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

By eating the bread and drinking of the cup, we proclaim Christ's death, celebrate Christ's resurrection, and await Christ's coming again.

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, for ever. Amen.

Consecrate now by your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and cup, and bless us, that as we receive them here at this table, we may offer you our faith and our praise, we may be united with Christ and with each other, and we may continue faithful in all things.

#### BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND POURING OF THE WINE

The bread which we break is the communion of the body of Christ.

The cup of blessing which we bless is the communion of the blood of Christ.

#### **INVITATION**

These are the gifts of God for the people of God. All things are now ready.

#### (Sung)

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; Have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; Have mercy on us. Lamb of God You take away the sin of the world; Grant us peace, Grant us peace.

#### Sharing of the Elements

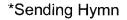
All are invited to share in the Lord's Supper. Holy Communion will be offered at the altar. (Grape juice is provided in the center of the trays) (Ask the ushers for Gluten-free options)

#### \*UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

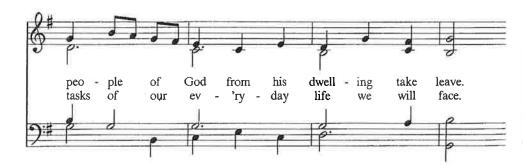
We thank you, God, for inviting us to this table where we have known the presence of your son Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and in peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen!

\*The Benediction

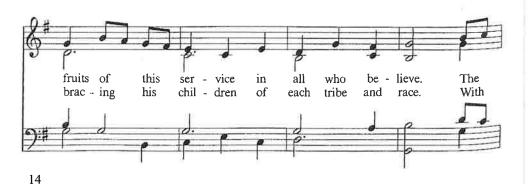
\*3-Fold Amen (Sung)













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

Postlude

#### Assisting in Worship

Lector:

Eileen Fruchtl

#### Mission Team 2026

The Belleman's Mission team is looking to plan its next Mission Trips for 2026. If you are interested in seeing what Belleman's Mission trips are about plan to attend our next meeting on October 6 at 6:30PM at the Fellowship Hall.



**Mark your calendars...**for our popular **Sandwich Sale** To support the Mission Team and it's outreach.

Orders are due October 16 & can be picked up on

Thursday, October 23rd at the Fellowship Hall from 2:00 to 6:00PM. The 10" (ham, Italian or turkey) sandwiches are \$8.00. Give yourselves a break and don't cook. Make this your Thursday evening's meal or Friday's lunch.



Please contact Karen Harle (484-256-5705) to place your orders. There is also a sign-up sheet posted in the Narthex.

# Pork BBQ Sale

Take-out or Eat-in

Sponsored by: Centre Township Land Protection Foundation With assistance by Boy Scout Troop 154

Price: \$14.00

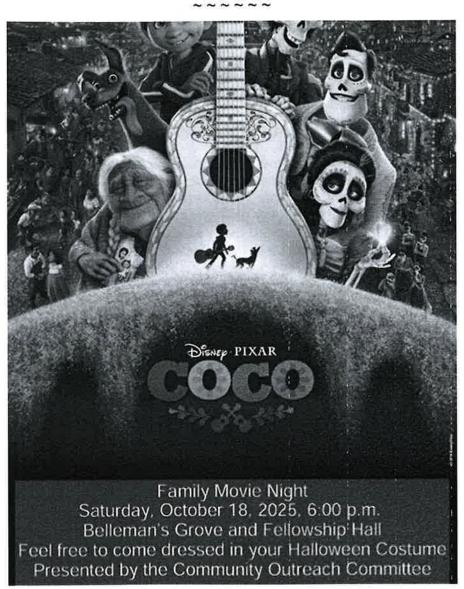
When: October 12, 2025 from 11 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Where: Belleman's Fellowship Hall
3730 Belleman's Church Road; Mohrsville Pa 19541

Also featuring a Basket Auction and Bake Sale Call for tickets 610-926-4506 or see Larry Henne

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!



Give the "Gift of Life" at Belleman's Annual Blood Drive which will be held on Wednesday, October 15th at the Fellowship Hall.



To schedule an appointment call Miller-Keystone at 800-223-6667 or visit <u>GIVEaPINT.org</u> and use Sponsor Code 3227.

#### Bazaar Flea Market is Back!!

# The Collection of items for the flea market continues Monday!

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.

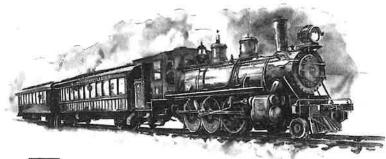
Donations will be accepted every Monday through October 20. Items should be brought to the fellowship hall from 6 to 7:30.

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. Please do not drop off items if no one is at the Fellowship Hall. Questions- call Linda Henne 610 926 4506.

Belleman's Church
CHRISTMAS BAZAAR
at the Fellowship Hall
FRIDAY, November 7, 2025
8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
SATURDAY, November 8, 2025
8:30 a.m. to 12 noon

# **BLUE MOUNTAIN HERITAGE CHORUS**

Catherine Zimmerman - Director
Sara Jackson - Accompanist
Guest Ensemble - Hamburg High School "TREBLES"
Presents



# ALL ABOARD

A fun concert of train and railroad songs

Sunday, October 5, 2025 - 2:00pm Zion's Lutheran Church - Shoemakersville

\* free-will offering

# Special Food Sale - October 19, 2025

Look for the sign up sheet in the vestibule for pre-ordering **apple dumplings** (\$5 each) and **cheeseburger soup** (\$9 per quart). The pickup is Sunday, October 19 after the church service.