

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! ***Worship in the Old Church***  
*VBS meeting after worship*

#### **Need a snack after worship?**

There is Columbian Coffee Ice cream available for purchase. Enjoy a bowl after worship or take a container along for later!

Additionally, leftovers from Memorial Day are available for purchase from the refreshment stand after worship.

Tue. (6/2) 9:30AM Music and Worship Meeting

Wed. 5:30PM Hand bell Rehearsal  
6/3 6:30PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

**Sun. *Celebration of Music Sunday***  
**6/7 9:00AM *Adult Sunday School***  
**10:00AM *Worship Service***

Mon. (6/8) Local Mission Week (Info page 13)

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

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#### Acknowledgements:

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*The Lutheran book of Worship—Augsburg Publishing, 1978*  
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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.**

Trinity Sunday      May 31, 2026

*Though the word trinity is not found in the scriptures, today's second reading includes the apostolic greeting that begins the liturgy: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. In the gospel Jesus sends his disciples forth to baptize in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. More than a doctrine, the Trinity expresses the heart of our faith: we have experienced the God of creation made known in Jesus Christ and with us always through the Holy Spirit. We celebrate the mystery of the Holy Trinity in word and sacrament, as we profess the creed, and as we are sent into the world to bear witness to our faith.*

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*Welcome and Announcements*

*Prayers for Healing*

Mark Zipp, Peggy Hartman, Maya Hein, Dorothy Dougherty, Richard Hartman, Richard Bausher, Livia Kiwak, Sindy Bachman, Shirley Felix, Mathew Machmer, Xavier Shaffer, Larry Blatt, Brenda Anderson, Joe Barton Sr., John Geib, Donna Rueppel, Robert Elliott, Batdorf Family, Laura Schoeller, Lester and Gloria Gambler, Dennis Linderman, Families of Jane Kershner and George Kunkle

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, MAJ Michael Kufro, SSgt. Matthew Wurster, Dustin Spatz and all men and women serving our country.

*Prelude*

\*Gathering Hymn

*With exaltation*

1. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!  
 2. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! all the saints a - dore Thee,  
 3. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! though the dark - ness hide Thee,  
 4. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to Thee:  
 Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
 Though the eye of sin - ful man Thy glo - ry may not see,  
 All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea;

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
 Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore Thee,  
 On - ly Thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side Thee,  
 Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in Three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
 Who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.  
 Per - fect in power, in love, and pu - ri - ty.  
 God in Three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty! A-MEN.

\*Call to Worship

People of God, enter this place with thanksgiving and praise,  
**for the Lord is good.**  
 Come and rejoice, sing glory to God,  
**for the Lord is good.**  
 Remember, the steadfast love of God endures forever,  
**for the Lord is good.**

\* Call to Confession

**\*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**  
**Gracious God, we often forget that you are the ruler of our lives. Instead, we turn our attention elsewhere. We want what others have. We allow the concerns of the world to weigh us down. We become distracted by the activities around us. We forget to keep our focus on you. Forgive us. Strengthen our faith, that we may see your presence in our lives. Remind us again that you are the Lord of our lives—the one who loves us completely, the one who offers us abundant forgiveness, the one who never leaves our side. In your holy name 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.**

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**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...

**Loving God, some of us come to this place full of anticipation and joy, others come weary and tired. And some of us come here today wondering why we are even here. Renew us in your Holy Spirit. Remind us that your steadfast love follows us wherever we go. Increase our faith, that we may not lose heart or become burdened by the challenges of life. We are yours, O God. Thank you for claiming us as your own. In the name of Christ, your Son and our savior, we pray. Amen.**

*Proclaiming The Word - Read by Kim Smyre and Lucas Smyre*

*FIRST READING: Genesis 3:1-13*

Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden'?" <sup>2</sup>The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, <sup>3</sup>but God did say, 'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.'" <sup>4</sup>"You will not certainly die," the serpent said to the woman. <sup>5</sup>"For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." <sup>6</sup>When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. <sup>7</sup>Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves. <sup>8</sup>Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the Lord God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the Lord God among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup>But the Lord God called to the man, "Where are you?" <sup>10</sup>He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid." <sup>11</sup>And he said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?" <sup>12</sup>The man said, "The woman you put here with me— she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it." <sup>13</sup>Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

*PSALM 8*

<sup>1</sup> LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!  
You have set your glory in the heavens.

<sup>2</sup> **Through the praise of children and infants you have established a stronghold against your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger.**

<sup>3</sup> When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

<sup>4</sup> **What is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them?**

<sup>5</sup> You have made them a little lower than the angels and crowned them with glory and honor.

<sup>6</sup> **You made them rulers over the works of your hands; you put everything under their feet:**

<sup>7</sup> All flocks and herds, and the animals of the wild,

<sup>8</sup> **The birds in the sky, and the fish in the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas.**

<sup>9</sup> LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

*SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13*

<sup>11</sup> Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice! Strive for full restoration, encourage one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you. <sup>12</sup> Greet one another with a holy kiss. <sup>13</sup> All God's people here send their greetings.

The Word of God for the People of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*\*Alleluia (Sung)*

**Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia!**



Alleluia!

*\*The Holy Gospel*

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 28th Chapter.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL: *Matthew 28:16-20*

<sup>16</sup> Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. <sup>17</sup> When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. <sup>18</sup> Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

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

*Children's Message*

*Jingle Offering: Hoffert Family House Fire, Shoemakersville*



I am always  
with you

Matthew 28:20

Hymn

1. Come, Thou Al - might - y King, Help us Thy  
 2. Come, Thou In - car - nate Word, Gird on Thy  
 3. Come, Ho - ly Com - fort - er, Thy sa - cred  
 4. To Thee, great One in Three, E - ter - nal

name to sing, Help us to praise: Fa - ther! all -  
 might - y sword, Our prayer at - tend! Come, and Thy  
 wit - ness bear In this glad hour! Thou, who al -  
 prais - es be, Hence ev - er - more; Thy sov - 'reign

glo - ri - ous, O'er all vic - to - ri - ous, Come, and reign  
 peo - ple bless, And give Thy word suc - cess: Spir - it of  
 might - y art, Now rule in ev - 'ry heart And ne'er from  
 maj - es - ty May we in glo - ry see, And to e -

o - ver us, An - cient of Days.  
 ho - li - ness, On us de - scend.  
 us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.  
 ter - ni - ty Love and a - dore. A - men.

Sermon

Response to the Word

*\*The Apostles' Creed*

**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

*("Loose" offering will be used for maintenance of the Old Church.)*

Offertory Selection

*\*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*

*\*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

1 Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we  
 2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn An - gel choirs a -  
 3 Lo, the ap - os - tol - ic train Join your sa - cred  
 4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,

bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim,  
 above are rais - ing; Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,  
 name to hal - low; Proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,  
 three we name you, Though in es - sence on - ly one;

All in heav'n a - bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your  
 In un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, Fill the heav'ns with  
 And the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low; And from morn to  
 Un - di - vid - ed God we claim you And, a - dor - ing,

vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing is your reign.  
 sweet ac - cord; "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"  
 set of sun Through the Church the song goes on.  
 bend the knee While we own the mys - ter - y.

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

Postlude

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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.

Caned fruit and vegetables are always needed.

**Thank You** for your participation!

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**Summer 2026 Mission Work**

**When:** June 8 - 12, 2026

Workdays will be from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. each day.

**Where:** 1261 Fairview Drive, Leesport

**Reason:** This house has been without siding for a number of years and was noticed by a church member. We look to make a difference for this family by giving their house a facelift.

**The work:** Work will be outside and will include hanging siding and other exterior work as time allows.

**How to help:** Feel free to show up and serve a whole day, half day or all week, whatever you can fit your schedule. If you have ever wondered what a mission trip is like, this is your chance!

This is also a great opportunity for youth to get involved in mission too! Please sign-up in the narthex.

**Other info:** Lunch will be provided each day. Feel free to bring your own tools if you have them. Don't worry if you have never done anything like this before, we will show you how!

Please contact James in the office if you have any questions.

## 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!

You are invited!

# Celebration of Music

June 7, 2026

Join us as we celebrate our Belleman's Church music ministry during our **10:00 a.m. service.**

What better way to worship than through music, and I hope you will be part of our celebration!

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

Sunday School will be off For the Summer!

Summer  
WORSHIP  
SCHEDULE

