

Thank you for worshipping with us this day.

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### Calendar of Events

#### **Happening Today!      World Communion Sunday**

Mon. (10/5) 6:00-7:30PM Flea Market items accepted at the Hall

Tue. (10/6) 9:30AM Music and Worship Meeting

Wed. 5:30PM Hand bell Rehearsal

10/7 6:30PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

**Sun. 9:00AM Sunday School**

**10/11 9:00AM Coffee Talk Adult Discussion Group**

(Proverbs: Learning to Live Wisely, Chapter 4: Finding  
Wisdom - Proverbs 13:10, 20; 14:12; 15:12; 21:30; 25:12)

**10:00AM Worship Service**

Pork BBQ Sale

Mon. (10/12) 6:00-7:30PM Flea Market items accepted at the Hall

Wed. 5:30PM Hand bell Rehearsal

10/14 6:30PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thu. (10/15) Sandwich Sale Orders due to Karen Harle

Sat. (10/17) 8:00AM-Noon SV Food Pantry @Trinity Leesport

**Sun. 9:00AM Sunday School**

**10/18 9:00AM Coffee Talk Adult Discussion Group**

(Proverbs: Learning to Live Wisely, Chapter 5: Bad Words -  
Proverbs 6:12-14; 16:30; 17:4; 18:8; 26:23; 29:5 )

**10:00AM Worship Service**

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

10/19 7:00PM Board Meeting

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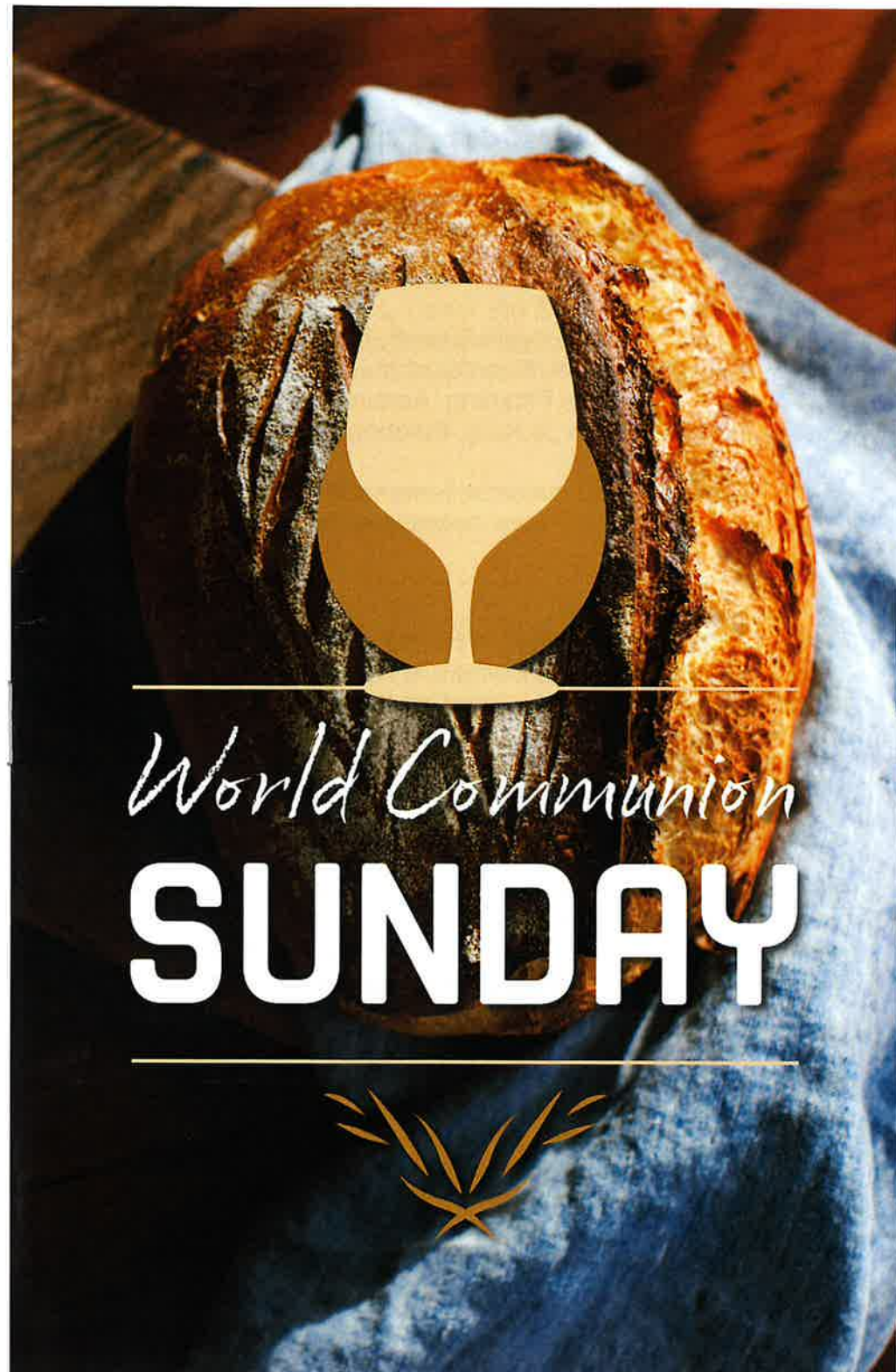
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We welcome you to Salem (Belleman's) Church.

We are a shared ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America and the United Church of Christ.

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Rev. Kevin Fruchtl, Pastor  
Oliver Blatt, Director of Music Ministry  
James Fitterling, Administrator  
Joe and Bobbie Jo King, Sextons (484-671-2531)

Church email: salembellemans@frontiernet.net  
Web Site: www.bellemanschurch.org

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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.**

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost World Communion Sunday

October 4, 2026

In today's gospel reading, Jesus tells a parable of the vineyard, an image of Israel, the prophets' mission, and Christ's death. For Christians, the vineyard also speaks of God's love poured out in the blood of Christ, given to us for the forgiveness of sin. Grafted onto Christ the vine at baptism, we are nourished with wine and bread, that we may share Christ's sufferings and know the power of his resurrection.

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

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Prayers for Healing (As of September 20)

Mark Zipp, Peggy Hartman, Maya Hein, Dorothy Dougherty,
Richard Hartman, Richard Bausher, Livia Kiwak, Sindy Bachman,
Mathew Machmer, Xavier Shaffer, Larry Blatt, Joe Barton Sr.,
Laura Schoeller, Rick Phillips, Shirley Felix, Ron Miller,
Arlene Hoffert, Jean Smith, Mae Weber, Dottie Cowan,
Sue Dieffenbach, Arlene Gilmer, Rev. Martin Milne,
Phillip Kissinger

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.

** Please stand if you are able.*

***Gathering Hymn**

In moderate time and with majestic rhythm



1. Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and power,
2. Sound - eth the heaven of the heavens with His Name;
3. Ev - er as - cend - eth the song and the joy;
4. Give we the glo - ry and praise to the Lamb;



Wis - dom and rich - es and strength ev - er - more
Ring - eth the earth with His glo - ry and fame;
Ev - er de - scend - eth the love from on high;
Take we the robe and the harp and the palm;



Give ye to Him who our bat - tle hath won,
O - cean and moun - tain, stream, for - est, and flower
Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and praise—
Sing we the song of the Lamb that was slain,



Whose are the King - dom, the crown, and the throne.
Ech - o His prais - es and tell of His power.
This is the theme of the hymns that we raise.
Dy - ing in weak - ness, but ris - ing to reign. A-MEN.



***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... **Beloved God, from you come all things that are good. Lead us by the inspiration of your Spirit to know those things that are right, and by your merciful guidance, help us to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Proclaiming The Word - Read by Phil Kistler

FIRST READING: Isaiah 5:1-7

¹ I will sing for the one I love a song about his vineyard: My loved one had a vineyard on a fertile hillside. ² He dug it up and cleared it of stones and planted it with the choicest vines. He built a watchtower in it and cut out a winepress as well. Then he looked for a crop of good grapes, but it yielded only bad fruit. ³ "Now you dwellers in Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. ⁴ What more could have been done for my vineyard than I have done for it? When I looked for good grapes, why did it yield only bad? ⁵ Now I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge, and it will be destroyed; will break down its wall, and it will be trampled. ⁶ I will make it a wasteland, neither pruned nor cultivated, and briers and thorns will grow there. I will command the clouds not to rain on it." ⁷ The vineyard of the LORD Almighty is the nation of Israel, and the people of Judah are the vines he delighted in. And he looked for justice, but saw bloodshed; for righteousness, but heard cries of distress.

PSALM 80:7-15

⁷ Restore us, God Almighty; make your face shine on us, that we may be saved.

⁸ **You transplanted a vine from Egypt; you drove out the nations and planted it.**

⁹ You cleared the ground for it, and it took root and filled the land.

¹⁰ **The mountains were covered with its shade, the mighty cedars with its branches.**

¹¹ Its branches reached as far as the Sea, its shoots as far as the River.

¹² **Why have you broken down its walls so that all who pass by pick its grapes?**

¹³ Boars from the forest ravage it, and insects from the fields feed on it.

¹⁴ **Return to us, God Almighty! Look down from heaven and see! Watch over this vine,**

¹⁵ The root your right hand has planted, the son you have raised up for yourself.

SECOND READING: Philippians 3:4b-14

⁴ Though I myself have reasons for such confidence. If someone else thinks they have reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: ⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for righteousness based on the law, faultless. ⁷ But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. ¹⁰ I want to know Christ, yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead. ¹² Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, I do not consider

myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead,¹⁴ I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

**The Holy Gospel*

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 21st Chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: *Matthew 21:33-46*

³³ "Listen to another parable: There was a landowner who planted a vineyard. He put a wall around it, dug a winepress in it and built a watchtower. Then he rented the vineyard to some farmers and moved to another place. ³⁴ When the harvest time approached, he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his fruit. ³⁵ "The tenants seized his servants; they beat one, killed another, and stoned a third. ³⁶ Then he sent other servants to them, more than the first time, and the tenants treated them the same way. ³⁷ Last of all, he sent his son to them. 'They will respect my son,' he said. ³⁸ "But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, 'This is the heir. Come, let's kill him and take his inheritance.' ³⁹ So they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. ⁴⁰ "Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" ⁴¹ "He will bring those wretches to a wretched end," they replied, "and he will rent the vineyard to other tenants, who will give him his share of the crop at harvest time." ⁴² Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: "'The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes'? ⁴³ "Therefore I tell you that the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit. ⁴⁴ Anyone who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; anyone on whom it falls will be crushed." ⁴⁵ When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard Jesus' parables, they knew he was talking about them. ⁴⁶ They looked for a way to arrest him, but they were afraid of the crowd because the people held that he was a prophet.

The Gospel of the Lord.

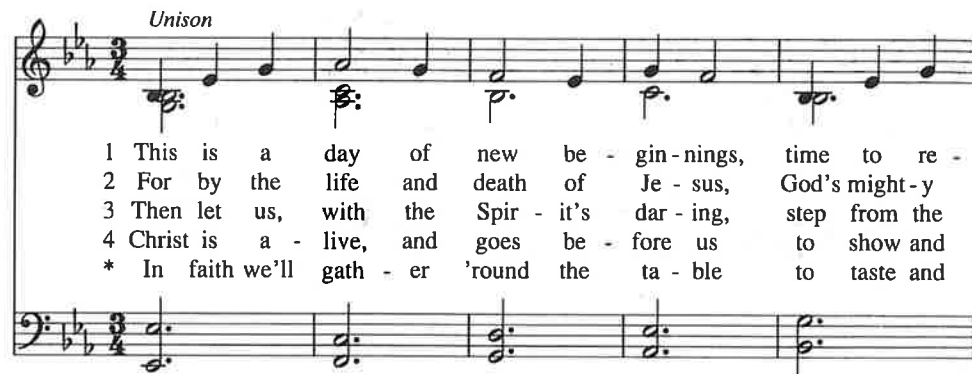
Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Message

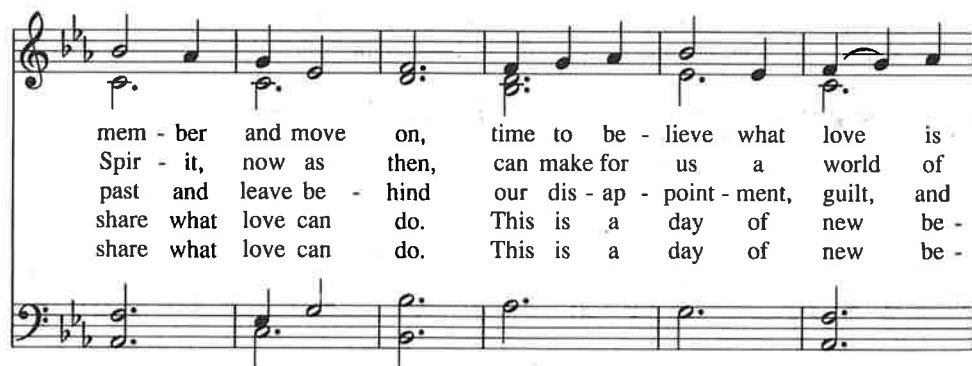
Jingle Offering: Schuylkill Valley Food Pantry

Hymn

Unison



1 This is a day of new be - gin - nings, time to re -
 2 For by the life and death of Je - sus, God's might - y
 3 Then let us, with the Spir - it's dar - ing, step from the
 4 Christ is a - live, and goes be - fore us to show and
 * In faith we'll gath - er 'round the ta - ble to taste and



mem - ber and move on, time to be - lieve what love is
 Spir - it, now as then, can make for us a world of
 past and leave be - hind our dis - ap - point - ment, guilt, and
 share what love can do. This is a day of new be -
 share what love can do. This is a day of new be -



bring - ing, lay - ing to rest the pain that's gone.
 dif - ference, as faith and hope are born a - gain.
 griev - ing, seek - ing new paths, and sure to find.
 gin - nings— our God is mak - ing all things new.
 gin - nings— our God is mak - ing all things new.

*Alternate fourth stanza for Holy Communion

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, 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*

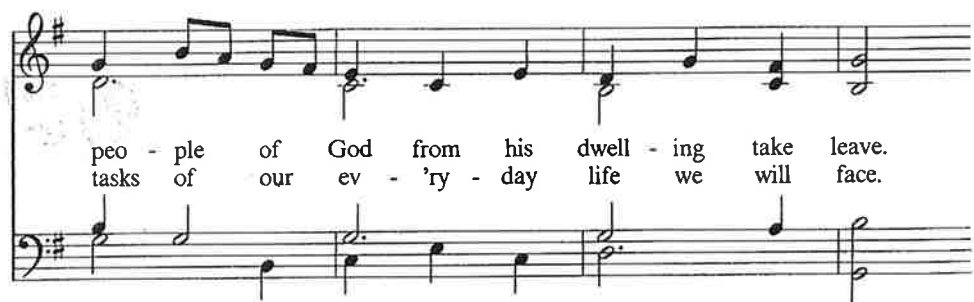


...know that God goes with you.

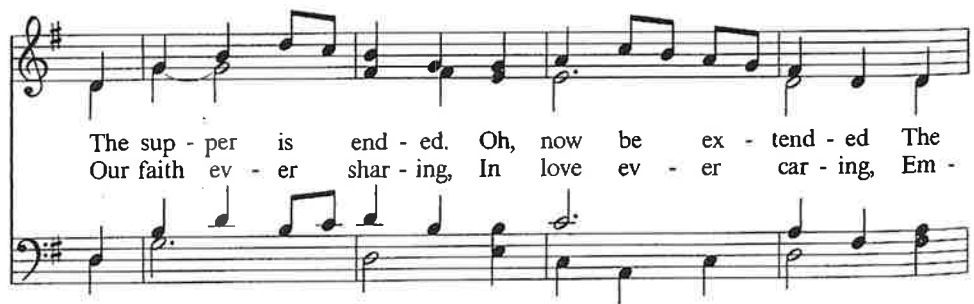
*Sending Hymn



1 Sent forth by God's bless - ing, Our true faith con - fess - ing, The
2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing To God ev - er - liv - ing, The



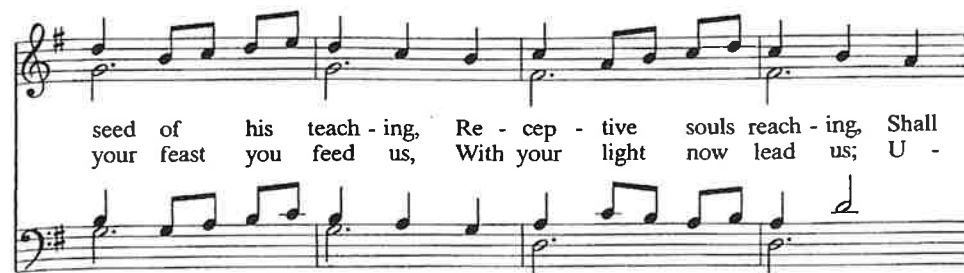
peo - ple of God from his dwell - ing take leave.
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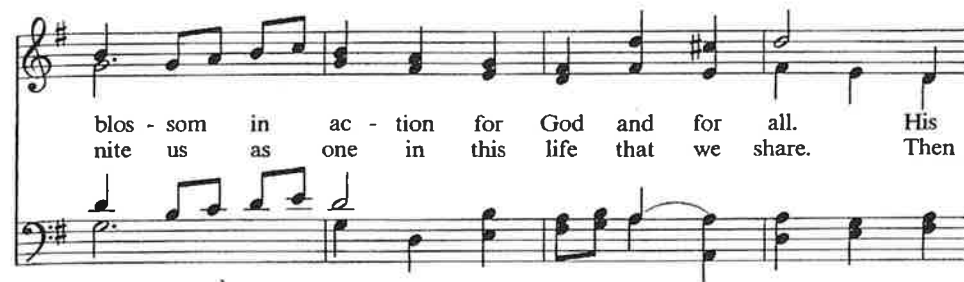
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Our faith ev - er shar - ing, In love ev - er car - ing, Em -



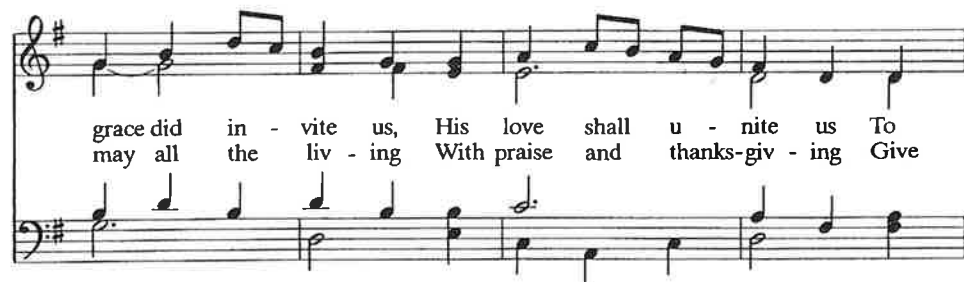
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brac - ing his chil - dren of each tribe and race. With



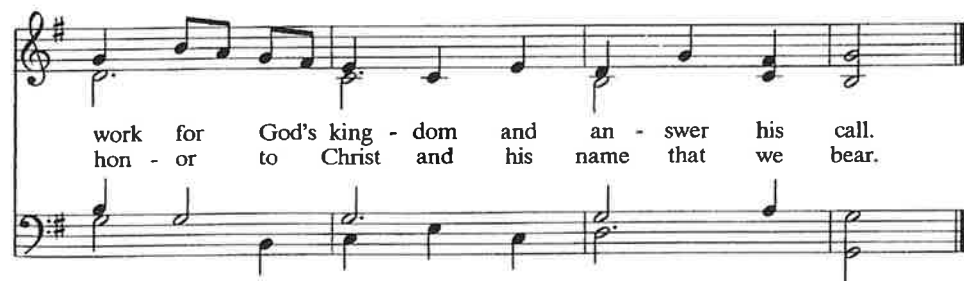
seed of his teach - ing, Re - cep - tive souls reach - ing, Shall
your feast you feed us, With your light now lead us; U -



blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all. His
nite us as one in this life and that we share. Then



grace did in - vite us, His love shall u - nite us To
may all in the liv - ing With praise and thanks - giv - ing Give



work for God's king - dom and an - swer his call.
hon - or to Christ and his name that we bear.

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

Postlude

Holy Communion Assistants Today

October 4: (Altar Communion)

Altar Assistants: Linda Henne, Dawne Clay, Carla Rozsitch

Cup Stations: Frank Kornfeind, Carlene Kissinger

Ushers: Larry Henne, Ken Borkey

Communion note: Ask the ushers for Gluten Free options!

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# **BLUE MOUNTAIN HERITAGE CHORUS**

\*Catherine Zimmerman - Director    \*Sara Jackson - Accompanist

## **CELEBRATES**



**Sunday, October 11      3:00 PM**

**Jerusalem Lutheran Church,    Schuylkill Haven**

**For information call 484-671-2567**

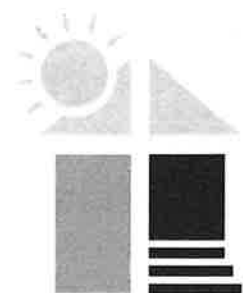
## **SALEM BELLEMAN'S CHURCH**

**is partnering with**

**Hope Rescue Mission & LightHouse!**

### **Clothing Roundup**

**Sunday, October 11, 2026**



**The Mission**  
Men's Center



**LightHouse**  
Women & Children's Center



**We'll be collecting all seasons  
of clothing for men, women  
and children.**

**Coats, hats, scarves, gloves,  
shoes, towels, belts, purses,  
new mens underwear &  
long Johns in sizes  
small to xxxl.**



**[www. HopeForReading.org/HopeThrift](http://www.HopeForReading.org/HopeThrift)**

**Note: This clothing donation collection is one  
Sunday only or donations can be dropped off at  
church Monday (October 12) - Thursday (October  
15). Donations are scheduled for pickup on Friday,  
October 16. Let's fill their truck!**

## 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 11, 2026 from 11 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

Where: **Belleman's Fellowship Hall  
3730 Belleman's Church Road  
Mohrsville Pa 19541**

Call for tickets 610-926-4506 or see Larry Henne

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It is Sandwich Sale time again!

Could you eat one? We are hearing that folks are anxious to bite into a Belleman's hoagie.

Date of the sale will be:

Thursday, October 22.

Pick-up is from 2-6 p.m. at the Fellowship Hall.

Call 484-256-5705 to order.

Please call in orders by October 15!

As always, options are Italian,

Ham/Cheese and Turkey/Provolone.

Price for each 10 inch hoagie is \$8.00.

Thanks for your support of this project!



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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!

## Relay for Life - Fundraiser

Bosco's Friends Helping Friends Shopping Pass

Shopping Pass cost is \$5 for the 25% off

Pass is good for Wednesday, October 21, 2026  
from 8 a.m. till 11 p.m.

Contact: Mark or Ann Stump @ 610-926-3416 or  
mstarduster@aol.com

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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 19. 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.

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**Belleman's Church  
CHRISTMAS BAZAAR  
at the Fellowship Hall**

**FRIDAY, November 6, 2026**

**8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

**SATURDAY, November 7, 2026**

**8:30 a.m. to 12 noon**