



# Bethany Beeline

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## **Sunday, October 3 – World Wide Communion**

10:45 a.m. Worship w/Communion

## **Sunday, October 10**

10:45 a.m. Worship w/Handbells

## **Sunday, October 17**

10:45 a.m. Worship

## **Sunday, October 24**

10:45 a.m. Worship/with Handbells

## **Sunday, October 31- Reformation Sunday**

10:45 a.m. Worship



FROM  
THE  
PASTOR



Dear Bethany Family,

On Sunday, September 19 I had the privilege to preach at the Installation of a friend and colleague, Mike Landsman.

Mike serves as Pastor of Zion Stone UCC in Kreidersville, PA. Zion is celebrating her 250th Anniversary this year. Imagine the generations of children and adults who were nurtured there since 1771 (5 years before the signing of the Declaration of Independence and the birth of our nation).

It was a beautiful Sunday afternoon, featuring history tours, a concert by the Allentown Municipal Band and a delicious Pig Roast picnic in their grove.

You KNOW your Pastor enjoyed that!!

In their commemorative Anniversary book are pictures of the church and cemetery over the years.

Well, as much as we love our buildings, you and I know that the church is the Body of Christ, the gathering of God's people for worship, witness and service.

Bethany is proud of its beautiful building, notably the sanctuary with her gorgeous stain glass windows. There has been great investment in the maintenance and preservation of this aging edifice and I know how much this place means to you.

But we must nurture the spiritual investment of our lives for the church to move from mere survival to growth and to making a difference in the community and world.

There will be an opportunity for us to come together for a light lunch and family meeting to share thoughts and dreams

on this topic. On Sunday, November 14 after morning worship our Conference Minister Bonnie Bates will help facilitate this conversation on visioning. You are all invited and encouraged to attend in addition to Consistory. Watch for more details in the upcoming weeks.

Featured in the month of October is World Communion Sunday, October 3 with the offering to Neighbors in Need, Patty Hoyt's Ordination Service at Trinity UCC on October 10 at 3 pm, Laity Sunday October 17 and Reformation Sunday October 31.

See you at Bethany and remember..." WE  
ARE GOD'S BUILDING. " 1 Corinthians 3:9.

Pastor Todd



*Pastor Todd thank you for being our Shepherd!*



**THE END OF THIS MONTH, REMEMBER TO  
TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR  
BEFORE GOING TO BED ON SATURDAY  
October 30<sup>th</sup> (spring forward – fall behind)–  
You don't want to be late for church.  
Daylight savings time ends October 31<sup>st</sup> .**



## **A note from our Music Director:**

Some of you may not know this, but your Director of Music is also a journal writer. Records are kept from year to year on personal happenings, but also on what occurs musically at Bethany Church. Therefore, it is without a doubt that the last time the Chancel Choir sang at worship was March 15, 2020. So almost exactly one- and one-half years later, on September 19, 2021, the Chancel Choir returned to worship singing the anthem “A Jubilant Song”.

The text included “Sing to the Lord a new jubilant song! Sing to the Lord all the earth! Lift up a jubilant song and make joyful noise!” And that is exactly what the choir did, and it was beautiful. Many thanks to all in the congregation that expressed their appreciation. Now the Bethany musical family is back in its entirety and we will offer varied musical selections week after week. The month of October will continue having instrumentalists, handbells, and now the choir to enhance our worship experience.

As you have already heard, our Bethany member Patti Smith Hoyt is being ordained on Sunday Oct. 10th at Trinity U.C.C. in Quakertown at 3:00 pm. Patti participated in the Cherub, Junior, Chapel, Chancel and Handbell Choirs at Bethany. She has given her time and talent to the music ministry of our church, and now we will return the gift by participating in her Ordination Service. The Chancel Choir and Handbell Choir on Choir chimes will provide the music for Patti’s service. It will be a day of joyful celebration. We hope others will attend along with us.

Now for the October 2021 music schedule. The Chancel and Handbell Choirs will rehearse on Wed. Oct. 6th and Oct. 20th. Report time for the Ordination service is 2:30 pm on

Oct. 10th. The Chancel Choir will sing every Sunday in October. Right now, the Live Nativity is being planned for the weekend of Dec. 11th and 12th. More details to follow. Good things are happening. We ask God to watch over us in these days ahead as we glorify Him through our musical offerings.

Joyfully,

Susan Denninger Wright



## *JOYFUL NOISE FOR OCTOBER*

*Joyful Noise for October will benefit breast cancer Research. This will be collected Sunday October 24<sup>th</sup>.*



**DEADLINE FOR NOVEMBER BEELINE IS October 25.**

### **LAITY SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17**

Pastor Todd is looking for 3 – 5 members of Bethany to share reflections on the chosen topic: God in my life. Let him know if you will be among the speakers ASAP.



## OCTOBER CALENDAR

Oct. 3	10:45 AM- World Wide Communion Sunday Worship w/Communion
Oct.4	7PM Stewardship Meeting in Fellowship Hall
Oct. 6	5:30 Pm Handbells 7PM Chancel Choir
Oct. 10	9:30AM Adult Bible Study 10:45 AM Worship 3PM Patty Hoyt's Ordination
Oct. 14	7PM Consistory
Oct. 17	9:30AM Adult Bible Study 10:45 AM Laity Sunday Worship
Oct. 20	5:30PM Handbell rehearsal 7PM Chancel Choir
Oct. 24	9:30AM Adult Bible Study 10:45 AM Worship with Joyful Noise
Oct. 29	Trick or Treat 6-8pm
Oct. 31	9:30AM Adult Bible Study 10:45AM Worship

## FUNDRAISERS -



**PEANUTS** - Orders will be due by November 1<sup>st</sup>, call Debbie @ 484-358-3735. Peanut making will be Saturday Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> @ 9am and Monday Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> @ 9am. Please ask your friends to order and mark your calendars to help.

### **Gift Cards from Martellucci's -**

Orders will be taken the first Sunday of every month. Contact Margy Sabetti for \$25 gift cards for Martellucci's Pizza.

### **CHOCOLATES ON BROADWAY**

More information about Chocolates on Broadway Christmas candy sale will be forthcoming.

## **Bethlehem Emergency Shelter**

BES Greetings friends, volunteers, and supporters of BES: We hope this note finds you all well and enjoying the last few weeks of summer! It won't be long before we will be sheltering those in need and serving again together. The most heard response from last year was volunteers missed interacting with our Street Neighbors.

We are happy to announce that we are anticipating volunteer activities to return somewhat to pre-pandemic times and will allow for more interaction with our guests. We will have volunteers again cooking wonderful meals, clean-up folks washing dishes and cleaning up the dining area, volunteers again running shower operations (one male and one female), and one volunteer assisting our staff with registration. We may also have a need for volunteers working directly assisting those who stay at our shelter. Details will follow shortly on specifics of all of these volunteer capacities but at this time our Operations team is working diligently to fill in open shelter nights with groups willing to serve. If your group is willing to serve with us this season, please see the calendar on the home page of our website to see which evenings are currently available. Please contact Betsy Easen at [easenbd@rcn.com](mailto:easenbd@rcn.com) to sign up for one of our open shelter nights.

We look forward to working alongside all of you, that we would be productive in serving our guests and helping as many as we can to gain housing. With your help we look forward to a successful 2021-2022 shelter season!

Bob Rapp Jr.  
BES Executive Director

**Please contact Wendy Glassic @ 610-360-8743 if you would like to participate this year**



**PRAYER LIST:** We ask that you check this list and let us know if there are any persons that no longer need to be on this list. Also, if you know of someone that needs our prayers, you can submit their name to Debbie Brown at 484-358-3735 or the church office. Remember, because of the privacy to individuals; please be sure you have their permission before submitting their names for the prayer list.

*Gracious God, help me face life's struggles with the love of Christ, who strengthens me. Amen*

Joyce Bergey  
Lillian Connors  
Dorothy Kraemer  
Louise Snyder  
Dolly Ackerman  
Carol Haines  
Sharon Haines  
Ken & Joan Mathias  
Marie Wolfe  
Barbara Sigafos  
Mike & Barbara Reiniger  
Robert Frankenfield  
Barbara Brunner  
Peggy Stettner  
Kat Lutsko



### September Giving

9/5/21	41	Member weekly envelope	\$1,395.00
9/12/21	36	Member weekly envelope	\$ 815.00
9/19/21	46	Member weekly envelope	\$1689.00
9/26/21		Member weekly envelope	\$.00
Joyful Noise for Maxwell Oskam Foundation			\$417.00



1 Thomas Wright

- Erin Nguyen
- 7 Dolly Ackerman
- 8 Dorothy Kraemer
- 17 Darlene Ervin
- 18 Phyllis Grietzer
- 19 Patti Hoyt
- 21 Sharon Haines
- 25 Kenneth S. Mathias
- 30 Barbara Reiniger



- Darlene & Fred Ackerman – Oct. 16
- Sandra & Robert Ackerman – Oct. 22
- Beverly & Bill Rumble Jr. – Oct. 23

DID I MISS ANYONE? If so, call the church office



*Bethlehem has announced that there will be a trick or treat night from 6 – 8 P on Friday, October 29. Donations of candy and/or bottled water can be brought to Bethany. There is a wash basket in the vestibule for your items*

## Stewardship Corner

Here is the giving update provided by Tom Hoffert.

2021 Income January – September = \$106,065.20

This includes the Bauder Estate Distribution of \$21,250 and the Insurance Claim of \$9,876.10

2021 Expense January – September \$84,915.23

Partial Sewage Cleanup Expense: \$6516.87

Thank You for your giving. Let's make the last quarter of the year our best!

Here are the totals from the last 3 Joyful Noise offerings:

Tunnels 2 Towers: \$246.53

Susan G. Komen: \$388.92

Maxwell James Oskam Foundation: \$417.00

### Consistory

Matt Miller – President  
Dan Sabetti – Vice President  
Jenna Nguyen – Secretary  
Tom Hoffert - Treasurer

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Tim Rumble	484-274-0857C	trumble@ptd.net

### **October 3 – World Wide Communion**

Flowers: Debbie Brown  
Bulletins: John Talijan  
Greeters: Jack & Diane Brunner  
Ushers: Consistory  
Reader: Beverly Rumble  
Altar Guild: Barbara Backensto

### **October 10**

Flowers: Choirs  
Bulletins: John Talijan  
Greeters: Cindy Beck  
Ushers: Tom Hoffert, Corey Tancin, Cindy Beck, Volunteer  
Reader: Barbara Reiniger

### **October 17**

Flowers: Rebecca Kesselring  
Bulletins: John Talijan  
Greeters: Kathy Knoll, Gail Correll  
Ushers: John & Kathy Knoll, Gail Correll, Corey Tancin  
Reader: Gail Correll

### **October 24**

Flowers: Rebecca Kesselring  
Bulletins: Rebecca Kesselring  
Greeters: Dan & Margy Sabetti  
Ushers: Dan & Margy Sabetti, Cindy Beck, Bob Ruhe  
Reader: Philip Haines

### **October 31- Reformation Sunday**

Flowers: Linda Hollabaugh  
Bulletins: Linda Hollabaugh  
Greeters: Ina Denninger  
Ushers: Steve Tarasuk, Lisa Williams, Tom Hoffert, Tom Wright  
Reader: Rebecca Kesselring

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