

Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost  
August 31, 2025  
The Urgency of the Situation

Introduction:

- I. There is a time for action.  
Exodus 14: 10-18 (NIV)
- II. Don't delay in accepting the Lord.  
2 Corinthians 6: 1-2 (NIV)
- III. When Jesus calls, don't hesitate.  
Mark 1: 14-20 (NIV)

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*The September/October issue of the VOICE is available  
in the library and throughout the church.*

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**ALTAR FLOWERS**

There is a sign-up sheet in the library for sponsorship of altar flowers. If you would like to sponsor altar flowers, please sign your name under the month and date and whom you are honoring. Any questions, please call the office between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

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**NURSERY**

A nursery is available during the 10:30 worship service. It is located upon entering the library from the sanctuary in the left corner. The nursery is staffed and available for babies through pre-kindergarten.

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**TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK**

Rosann Becker, 610-488-1253

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

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Attendance: August 24, 2025 – 104

*Grow  
in Christ*

Welcome to...

**ST. THOMAS  
Church**

536 N. Main St. † Bernville, PA 19506  
610-488-6702 † stchurchbv@verizon.net



August 31, 2025

Rev. Scott L. Shay, Supply Pastor

Sunday School for all ages-9:00 a.m.  
Fellowship in Beatrice Hall-10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service-10:30 a.m.



*Making Christ's love the center of our  
praise, teaching, fellowship  
and service.*

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:30 a.m.

### Prepare to Worship

Organ Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

### We Worship Together

† Opening Worship

Holy Is the Lord

Awesome God

† Prayer

Children's Message

Offertory & Doxology

† Hymn #79 ~ My Jesus, I Love Thee

Scripture: Various-see insert

**Message: The Urgency of the Situation**

### We Prepare to Serve

† Prayer and the Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

† Benediction

† Closing Hymn #868 ~ Are Ye Able?

Organ Postlude

† If you are able, please stand.

*The Worship is ended...the service begins.*

### WELCOME GUESTS!

Thank you for joining us in worship today. Please take along a visitor's bag located at one of our entrances. We look forward to having you worship with us again soon!



The altar flowers are presented in loving memory of Gary Zellers on his birthday by his wife, Daren and daughters.

The bulletins are sponsored in memory of Stephanie Troutman by the Ministries of God's Servants.



*Happy Birthday*

*75 Plus!*

9/6 – William Straw

## This Week at St. Thomas

**Monday:** Labor Day-Office is Closed

**Tuesday:** Christian Ed Meeting - 6:00 p.m.  
Trustee Meeting (B8) - 7:00 p.m.

**Wednesday:** TOPS - 8:00 a.m.

**Thursday:** Worship Choir - 7:00 p.m.

**Next Sunday:** Grandparents Day  
Sunday School (all ages) - 9:00 a.m.  
Fellowship - 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service - 10:30 a.m.



Adult & Teen Challenge is looking for 2026 calendars, cards for holidays throughout the year, and non-holiday cards as well. Drop off in the box on the office door on Sunday or, the office is open Monday thorough Friday from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon to drop them off.

Please be sure to call in advance to make arrangements before stopping by.

## Prayer Requests

**Current:** Heather Edgar, Pastor James Snyder, Beth Stoltzfus, Daniel Wolf, Jr., Deb Rumbel, Clair and Karen Hess, Mary Eaken, Shawn Stauffer, Troy Corson, Jesse Dutcher, Gary & Louise Rubright, Riley Rejniak, Denise Troutman, Chaun Walter, Ernie Ebling, Sr., Gloria Gassert, Rachel Croyle, Stefani Walter, Alicia Rodriguez, Raul Torres, Leonilda Rivera, Dan Wenrich, Haden Long, Barbara Kuhns, Carletta Potteiger, Jo Ann Stockholm, Joel Jackson

**Nursing Home / Homebound:** Betty Henne, Sandra Fox, Kim Kissling, Anna Mae Smith, Phyllis Krause, Donald Triviets, Scarlett & Charles Seifrit, Myrle Schlappich, Corrinne Wagner

**Other:** Care Givers, Pastoral Search Committee, Missionaries, Persecuted Christians, United States (especially elected persons in authority), Community Requests

**Military:** Brandon Adams, Nicholas Englehart, Cassandra Englehart, Zachary Rollins, All Veterans







The **Ministries of God's Servants** invites you to a special evening of fellowship and wonder on **Saturday, September 13, at 6:00 PM.**

We'll begin the evening with a **delicious Ice Cream Social.** Come enjoy a bowl of ice cream topped just the way you like it and spend some time connecting with friends, old and new.

Following the Social, we're excited to welcome **Stan Lessig** for a **Nature Presentation.** Stan will share a stunning photo slideshow featuring images of **God's amazing creations**, captured through his lens.

Bring a friend and join us for a sweet evening celebrating fellowship and the beauty of God's world!

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Can You Donate Pre-2025 *Herald* Issues to the Church?  
If you have any pre-2025 *Herald* issues that you no longer want, please leave them at the church office door or call the office to make other arrangements. We would like to have 5-10 copies of each year, which will be stored carefully in case they are needed in the future. Thank you for your help with this project.

In Loving Memory of Stephanie Troutman,  
The Ministries of God's Servants  
are collecting for  
**MARY'S SHELTER**  
during September.



**All baby/mom items appreciated—Most NEEDED:**

Diapers (all Sizes)	Baby Wipes
Diaper Bags	Baby wash/shampoo/lotion
Twin Bedding— sheets/blankets/pillows	
Bath Towels and washclothes	



# Light in the Night

**St. Thomas Church**  
**Friday, October 31, 2025**  
**6 PM- 8 PM**

**Games, Food, Candy and Fun!**  
**Everyone is Welcome!**

536 N. Main Street Bernville  
An Affiliate of the Evangelical Association

Monetary donations for food and individually wrapped candy are needed. A donation bin is in the library.  
Monetary donations can be given to Kelly Groff.

Help is needed to pack the candy on Sunday, October 26 following the worship service.

Volunteer help is needed for games, greet, kitchen help, and distribute food. Sign up in the library.