Little Swatara Church- Pastor Matthew S. Christ

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Church Office: 717-933-4723 OFFICE Hours: Mon - Fri, 8:30 am -12 noon

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WEEKLY VOLUNTEERS

VIDEO PROJECTION Mark Myers—CVLI#502613280; CCLI#157691

CHURCH SIGN CHANGER: June - Diane Long July - Pat Timmins August - Tony Fazio

	Wk. 2 July 13	Wk.3 July 20	Wk. 4 July 27
CHORISTER	Praise Team	Allen Rebman	Praise Team
WORSHIP LDR	Praise Team	John Wise	Praise Team
CHILD STORY	Ashley Koch	Abby Christ	Savannah M./ Karen M.
<u>PIANIST</u>	Praise Team	Sarah Brubaker	Praise Team
<u>AUDIO</u>	Todd Rebman	Todd Rebman	Todd Rebman
WORSHIP CTR	Sandra Keeney	Jennifer Speraw	Jennifer Speraw
<u>USHERS</u>	Gerald & Jim Bowman Scott Bohn & John High	Ken Duell / John High Dennis E. / Joseph Brubaker	Richard & Michelle Yenser Andrew & Chris Brubaker

WORSHIP SERVICES 8:30 am & 10:30 am SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES 9:30 – 10:15 am

Children/Youth

Preschool – Preschool Room, Sanctuary Level
Children's (Grades K to 5 – Pine Room
(Fellowship Hall Level)

Youth (Grades 6 to 12) – Youth Room (Fellowship Hall)

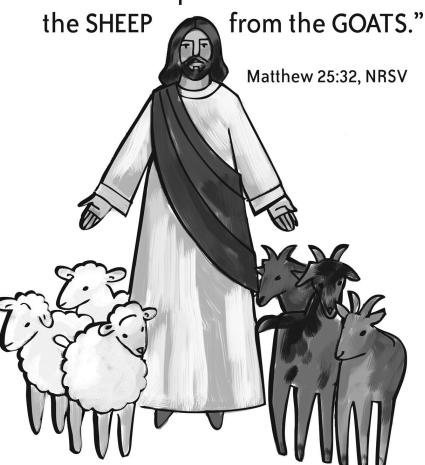
Adults

Young Adults – Oak Room (Fellowship Hall Level) Hymn Study – Fellowship Hall

NOTICE: We are currently running a Livestream ministry. If you cannot join us on Sunday morning in person, you can join us "online" by visiting our Facebook or YouTube page. Our 10:30 service is streamed every week.

PLEASE BE ADVISED: If you do not want you or your child to appear on this Social Media Stream, please contact the camera operator in the back of the sanctuary to make sure you are avoided.

"He will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates





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31 Rehrersburg Rd, PO Box 437, Bethel, PA 19507

Church Web Page - www.LittleSwatara.org/ phone: 717-933-4723 FB: @Little SwataraCoB *** Wi-Fi Guest/pw: brethren

Outreach: The Gathering Place Café, 8490 Lancaster Ave, Bethel

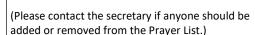
Contact: gatheringplacecafe.com / Phone:717-933-5958

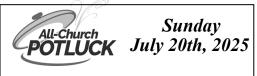
Café Hours: Mon-Sat 6-10am

Prayer Concerns

Let us remember the shut-ins and elderly not able to be with us today.

Barry Bashore
Earl Ebling
Wendy Lingle
Dale & Jennifer Speraw
Suzanne Wichert
Harmonyville COB (Pottstown, PA)





immediately following church service



If you have a hard time seeing God at work in your life, check your spiritual vision.



GIVING LAST SUNDAY

Brethren Housing VBS	\$ \$	779.00 500.00
*Mission of the Month	\$	
Women's Fellowship	\$	
Food Pantry	\$	60.00
Global Food Initiative	\$	300.00
Nigerian EYN	\$	250.00
Feed Them	\$	
Sunday School	\$	75.00
Maintenance	\$	485.00
Family Assistance	\$	30.00
Building	\$	112.50
General Fund	\$	5,037.50

GENERAL FUND BUDGET 2025 \$349,661.00

Last Sunday's Attendance

Worship - 85 Virtual Worship - 20

Children's Bulletins are on the table in the back of the sanctuary for two age groups.

Please help yourself



Welcome & News

Humor

Prayer

Playlist

"Only Jesus"
"Surrounded"
"Cornerstone"
"O Come to the Altar"

Scripture - Ecclesiastes 12:1-5 NIV

Catch of the Day - "Legacy"

Deep Dive

- 1. What are you most known for in this life?
- 2. What do you want to be remembered for once you leave this earth?
- 3. How can we change our legacy even now?
- 4. Is life more about you or more about Jesus?

Kids Praise "I've Got the Joy, Joy, Joy, Joy Down in My Heart"

Prayer

Little Swatara Church of the Brethren Transformed by Christ to Love and Serve Together

July 13, 2025 10:30 AM Worship Service

Prelude "I'm Yours Lord"

"Ten Thousand Reasons" (Bless the Lord)

Welcome and Announcements

(What a joy to have you join us for worship today. Kindly sign & pass the register)

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Unison Call to Worship

God, we gather to meet you, to know you, to worship you for who you are. We gather with gratitude for your presence and your faithfulness to us as followers of your Son, Jesus. Grant us mercy and lead us to the least of these to love them like you do.

Opening Worship "Give Us Clean Hands" "Mighty to Save"

projected projected

Offertory Thought and Prayer

Offertory Music "Brothers and Sister of Mine" #142 blue hymnal

Children's Moment

Worship Song

"They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love" #387 purple hymnal

Message - "Why The Moment Matters"

Scripture - Matthew 25: 31-46.

Closing Worship "If We are the Body" projected

Sending Out



ANNOUNCEMENTS

We're Hiring: Church Treasurer Wanted!

Are you organized, trustworthy, and have a heart for service? Our church is seeking a **dedicated Treasurer** to help steward our financial resources with integrity and care.

Responsibilities include:

- Managing budgets and financial records
- Overseeing donations and expenses
- Preparing reports for church leadership

Accounting experience preferred.

This part-time paid position is perfect for someone who wants to support the church's mission in our community.

Join the Little Swatara team---apply today! Contact Jamie Wise for more information.

The July issue of the **Newsletter** has arrived and is on the countertop at the mailboxes in the narthex.



The Gathering Place is in need of volunteers. Contact Mike Peace if you can help with this important ministry of Little Swatara to the community of Bethel.



2025 Vacation Bible School July 14 - 18, 2025 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Volunteers Needed to Help Pack "Tulpy Packs"!

Help is needed to pack Tulpy Packs on Wednesday morning July 23rd & August 6th at 9:00 AM at the Bethel Elementary School



The July-August issue of the **Upper Room** has arrived and is on the table in the narthex



Our next Women's Fellowship Meeting will be Tuesday, August 19th, 2025 at 9:00 A.M. (no meeting in July)

Upcoming events:

COBYS Bike & Hike: September 7, 2025.

Brethren Disaster Relief Auction: September 26 and 27, 2025. Annual Christmas Bazaar: November 1, 2025 from 8:00 – 1:00 Women's Christmas Brunch: November 15, 2025 from 9:00 – 11:30

at the Cottage at Country Fare.



Date and time: Fri, Aug 15, 2025, 4:00 PM

- Sat, Aug 16, 2025, 4:00 PM

Location: Camp Swatara, 2905 Camp Swa-

tara Rd, Bethel, PA 19507

Speaker: Ann Bach - "Fill My Cup, O Lord" Organizer: Kelly Bernstein, (717) 367-4730.

kbernstein@ane-cob.org

Registration: closes August 1st

All women are welcome to join in this weekend of worship, Bible study, singing, hiking, crafts, canoeing, swimming and more!

No Exercise Classes during July & August



Join us for an afternoon of fun, music and a little inspiration with....

> Days of Old August 10, 2025@3 PM



Help: The Church Library is missing its copy of the "History of Little Swatara Church of the Brethren." If you run into it, please send it home. The other books are lonesome without their history.







July Mission of the Month **VBS** Offering Project



What's Happening in:

July

Food Pantry collection 13





17 8:30 AM Quilting 9:30 AM packing food bags for Bethel Food Pantry / Salem Evang, Lutheran Church, Bethel

18 8:00 AM Feed Them / kitchen 3:00 PM Bethel Food Pantry / Salem Evan Lutheran Ch.

19 7:00 AM Bashore Reunion / pav.

20 Church Potluck Sunday

unavailable 2nd to church carpet cleaning & floor waxing

Ministry Team Minutes due 22

24 8:30 AM Quilting 12:00 PM Crafting



Bread & Cup Communion 27 J. Hartman / pav

Quilting

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