

Little Swatara Church- Pastor Matthew S. Christ

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OFFICE HOURS: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM TUE.&THURS., WED. 11:00 AM -2:00 PM

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

Secretary—Connie Davis Email: secretary@littleswatara.org

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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.3 July 20

CHORISTER Allen Rebman

WORSHIP LDR John Wise

CHILD STORY Abby Christ

PIANIST Sarah Brubaker

AUDIO Todd Rebman

WORSHIP CTR Jennifer Speraw

USHERS Ken Duell / John High
Dennis E. / Joseph Brubaker

Wk. 4 July 27

Praise Team

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Savannah M./ Karen M.

Praise Team

Todd Rebman

Jennifer Speraw

Richard & Michelle Yenser
Andrew & Chris Brubaker

Wk. 1 August 3

Dianne High

Gary Bashore

Mike & Sarah Kolbe

Diane Duell

Alan Bashore

Tanya Feathers

Bob & Wendy Lingle
Sam Forry & Ken Duell

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.



*“Whatever
you did for
one of the
least of these
brothers of mine,
you did
for me.”*

July 20, 2025

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LITTLE SWATARA CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN
 31 Rehrersburg Rd, PO Box 437, Bethel, PA 19507
 Church Web Page - www.LittleSwatara.org/ phone: 717-933-4723
 FB: @LittleSwataraCoB *** 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
 Light of the Gospel Project (Cresskill, NJ)



(Please contact the secretary if anyone should be added or removed from the Prayer List.)

GIVING LAST SUNDAY

General Fund	\$ 4,000.00
Building	\$ 50.00
Family Assistance	\$ 50.00
Maintenance	\$ 190.00
Sunday School	\$ 55.00
Feed Them	\$
Nigerian EYN	\$
Global Food Initiative	\$
Food Pantry	\$
Women's Fellowship	\$
Mission of the Month	\$ 335.00
	\$
	\$
Total	\$,4,680.00

GENERAL FUND BUDGET 2025
 \$ 349,661.00

Last Sunday's Attendance

Worship 12 + 71
 Virtual Worship 17
 Sunday School 44

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



Welcome & News

Humor

Prayer

Worship Songs

"Gratitude"
 "Raise a Hallelujah"
 "Waymaker"
 "Goodness of God"

Scripture - Obadiah 1:15

Catch of the Day - "What comes around, goes around"

Deep Dive

1. What things do you keep near to you?
2. Have you ever wanted to undo something, why was that?
3. Do you feel the Lord is just in what he does? Why or why not?
4. How do you feel your deeds will be returned to you? What's that look like?

Kids Praise

"Praise Ye the Lord"

Prayer



TODAY

immediately following church service



Matthew 25:36, ESV

Is there a church member or community member that would appreciate a visit from you?

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

July 20, 2025
10:30 AM Worship Service

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

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

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Unison Call to worship

Lord, we come humbly before your throne singing praises to your Holy Name. We wait anxiously for your return as we humbly serve others. Give us your heart and reveal your ways as we trust in you.

Opening Hymn "When we walk with the Lord" #544 Blue Hymnal

Offertory Thought & Prayer

Children's Moment

Hymn "Have thine own way, Lord" #504 Blue Hymnal

Sermon Dramatization

Message - "Humbly Yours"

Scripture - Matthew 25: 31-46.

Closing Hymn "Will you let me be your servant" #307 Blue Hymnal

Sending Forth



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 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.



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

Days of Old
August 10, 2025 @ 3 PM

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.



Please check your mailbox



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.



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.



August 5 - National Night Out

Bethel Fire Company grounds
5:00-8:00 PM

COME JOIN THE FUN !!!

If you have prayer concerns, please contact Pastor Matt, Dianne High,
Renee Brown or your Deacon. You may also email the church secretary
at secretary@littleswatara.org



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



July Mission of the Month VBS Offering Project



What's Happening in:

July

20 Church Potluck Sunday



21-25 unavailable 2nd to church carpet cleaning & flooring waxing

22 Ministry Team Minutes due

24 8:30 AM Quilting
12:00 PM Crafting



26 7:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast / café

27 Bread & Cup Communion



31 Quilting



August

3 11:30 AM Farm Women #2 / pav
Memorial service for Rae Derr / sanct

5 5:00 PM National Night Out / Bethel Fire Co. grounds
7:00 PM Leadership Team meeting

7 8:30 AM Quilting



9 J. High / pav

10 Anointing service
Food Pantry Collection
Tilden/Edis reunion / pav
3:00 PM Days of Old concert / sanct.

