Little Swatara Church - Pastor Matthew S. Christ

Office Hours: Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

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Church Office: 717-933-4723 Office Hours: Mon.-Fri. 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

WEEKLY VOLUNTEERS

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

ORGANIST Marlene Blatt

CHURCH SIGN CHANGER: Oct. - D. Long Nov.—P. Timmins Dec.- T. Fazio

	Wk. 2 Oct. 11	Wk.3 Oct. 18	Wk. 4 Oct. 25
CHORISTER	Praise Team	Allen Rebman	Praise Team
WORSHIP LDR	Praise Team	John Wise	Praise Team
CHILD STORY	Ashley Koch	Abby Christ	S. Metxler / K. Myers
PIANIST	Praise Team	Sarah Brubaker	Praise Team
AUDIO	Todd Rebman	Todd Rebman	Todd Rebman
WORSHIP CTR	Jennifer Speraw	Tanya Feathers	Tanya Feathers
USHERS	G & J Bowman S Bohn & J Brubaker	K. Duell & J. High S. Bohn & J. Brubaker	R.& M. Yenser A. Brubaker & C. Brubaker

WORSHIP SERVICES 8:30 am & 10:30 am

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES 9:30 -10:15 am

Children/Youth	Adults
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)	Young Adults - Oak Room (Fellowship Hall level) Salt & Light Study - Fellowship Hall . . .

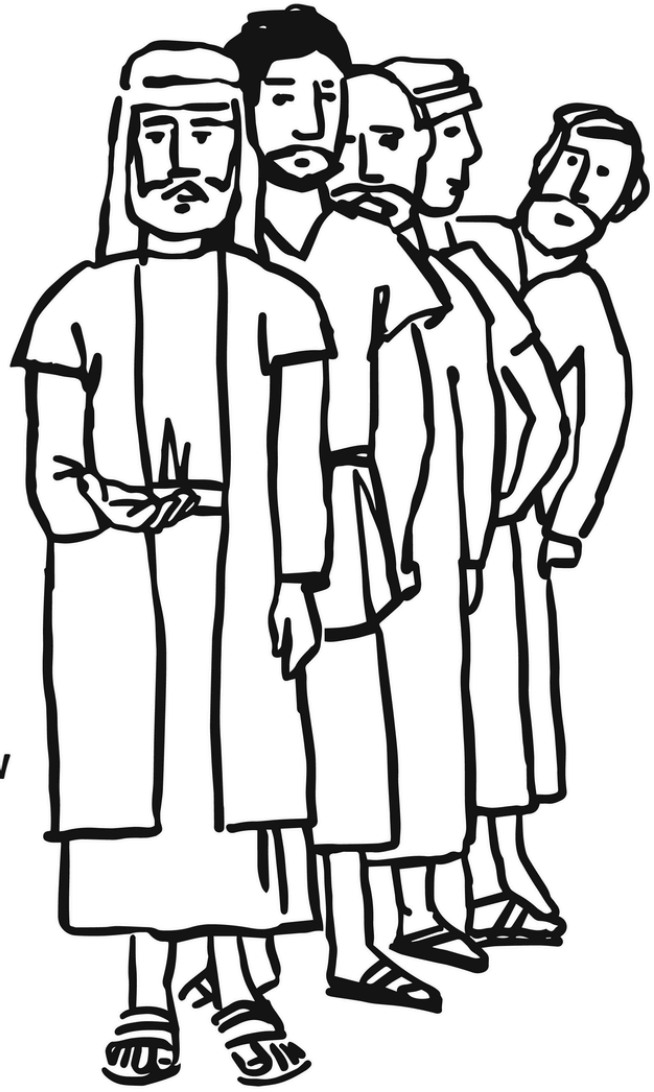
NOTICE: We are currently running a Livestream ministry. If you cannot join us on Sunday morning in person, you can join us "online" by visiting our Facebook or YouTube page. Our 10:30 service is streamed every week.

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.

Little Swatara
Church of the Brethren
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"THE LAST WILL BE FIRST, AND THE FIRST LAST."

MATTHEW 20:16, ESV



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LITTLE SWATARA CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN
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Outreach: The Gathering Place Café, 8490 Lancaster Ave, Bethel
Contact: gatheringplacecafe.com / Phone:717-933-5958
Café Hours: Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., & Sat. 6-10am (closed Wed.)

Prayer Concerns

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

Gerald Bowman
William Long
Jean Smith
Jennifer Speraw
Schuylkill COB, Pine Grove, PA

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

Challenge Question

How could I loveJesus more this week



Sunday, October 18th
iimmediately following church service

Happy Birthday

Dorothy Lutz will be 84 yrs. old on Oct. 31st. Let's help her celebrate. Mail cards to: 101 W. Richland Ave—Apt. 101 Myerstown, PA 17064

GIVING LAST SUNDAY

General Fund	$ 5,068.50
Building	$ 95.00
Family Asstc..	
Maintenance	$ 477.50
Sunday School	$ 48.00
Feed Them	
Food Pantry	$ 40.00
Mission of the Mo.	$ 225.00
Global Food Initiative	$ 300.00
Total	$ 6,254.00

GENERAL FUND BUDGET 2026
$ 347,035.00

Last Sunday's Attendance
Worship 18 & 81
Virtual Worship - 16
Sunday School - 49

Thank you Pastor Keeney for sharing the Word with us today



October
Mission of the Month

Harvest Home & Food Pantry

What's Happening in:

October

11 Harvest Home Sunday
Food Pantry collection
12:00 PM Spiritual Nurture meeting

13 11:30 AM Widow's luncheon / Ctry Fare

14 8:45 AM Women's Exercise class / FH
10:00 AM Seated Exercise class / FH

15 8:30 AM Quilting
9:30 AM packing food bags for Bethel Food Pantry / Salem Evang. Lutheran Church

16 8:00 AM Feed Them / K
3:00 PM Bethel Food Pantry, Salem Evang. Lutheran Church
6:00 PM Fall Festival & Hayride

18 Potluck Sunday

19 7:00 PM Music & Worship Team meeting

20 9:00 AM Women's Fellowship meeting / FH

21 Newsletter Deadline
8:45 AM Women's Exercise class / FH
10:00 AM Seated Exercise class / FH

22 8:30 AM Quilting

CHOIR PRACTICE SCHEDULE
Jubilee Choir - Thurs. 6:15—6:45 pm
Senior Choir - Thurs. 7-7:45 pm
Bell Choir - Thurs. 7:45—8:30 pm
Praise Team - Wed. 7:15 pm

Londonderry Village Auxiliary
2026 Holiday Nut and Snack Sale

Items for sale include (in one pound bags): salted peanuts, salted and unsalted cashews, salted mixed nuts, honey crunch (peanuts, yogurt raisins, sesame sticks, peanuts), and cabin crunch (M&M chocolate and peanut butter candies, peanuts, raisins, sesame sticks, pretzel balls & tree nuts), and butter toffee pecans.

Orders will be taken between now and Sunday, Oct. 18th. An order sheet is on the table in the narthex. Linda Bowman will pick up the orders and bring them to the church on Nov. 15th. Checks must be made payable to the **Londonderry Village Auxiliary.** Checks &/or cash may be given to:

Linda Bowman - Mailbox # 55



NOTE TO PARENTS OF COLLEGE STUDENTS

Parents, if you have a son or daughter attending college this year, please leave an address with the secretary so we can support them with cards and letters of encouragement throughout the coming year.

Breakfast Buffet

Saturday, October 24, 2026
7:00 - 10:00 AM
Little Swatara COB
Cost: by donation

Items Needed

Our annual Little Swatara Christmas Bazaar will be held Saturday, Nov. 7th from 8:00 AM until 1:00 PM. Donated baked items and / or homemade candy would be greatly appreciated. See Sally Emerich.

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October 11, 2026
10:30 AM Worship Service

Prelude "Waymaker"
" Come Just as You Are"

Welcome and Announcements
(We are so excited to have you join us for worship today. Kindly sign & pass the register)

Sharing or Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Call to Worship
ONE: Friends, we are here by the grace of God! Invited through God's Son to share in his way!
ALL: **Thanks be to God for grace that is more than fair!**
ONE: Friends, we are invited through Christ into God's Kingdom work. Invited to extend the very love that we have received!
ALL: Thanks be to God for opportunities to share Christ's love!
ONE: Friends, we are privileged to be welcomed as Jesus' followers! May we find joy in the journey, and yet not forget those who follow after us!
ALL: Thanks be to God for all who find hope through our gracious Savior and Lord! Amen!

Opening Worship "Blessed Be Your Name" projected
"If We Are the Body"

Offertory Thought and Prayer
Offertory Music "You Say"

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Children's Moment

Worship Hymn "How He Loves" projected

Scripture - Matthew 20: 1-16

Sermon - "Glancing in the Rearview Mirror"

Closing Worship

"I have Decided to Follow Jesus" projected

Sending Forth

ANNOUNCEMENTS

"A Note from the Financial Secretary"

The offering envelopes for 2027 have arrived. I will be processing them for distribution shortly. Please contact me if you wish to begin using offering envelopes or if you wish to discontinue the use of offering envelopes.

You can reach me by putting a note in mailbox 113, email me at Jean351@aol.com. or by calling 610-678-5247 and leaving a message.

If you are currently using offering envelopes and wish to continue to do so, you do not need to do anything.

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

Please remember to check your mailbox and discard unwanted items

Golden Age Dinner
October 25th

Our Golden Age Dinner will immediately follow the service. Everyone 60 years of age and older is invited to attend.
A sign-up sheet has been placed on the table in the narthex

The October issue of the **Newsletter** has arrived and is on the counter at the mailboxes

Women's Fellowship

Our next Women's Fellowship meeting will be Tuesday, October 20, 2026 at 9 AM

ANE District's 5th Annual Order Adult Coffee House
Tuesday, October 20, 2026
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM
Lancaster COB, 1601 Sunset Ave., Lancaster, PA 17601

This is a FREE Event



Hayride & Fall Fest
Friday, October 16th
6:00 - 8:00 PM
Everyone is Welcome!
Hayrides, Pumpkin painting, friends by the fire, food & more