

Bermudian Church

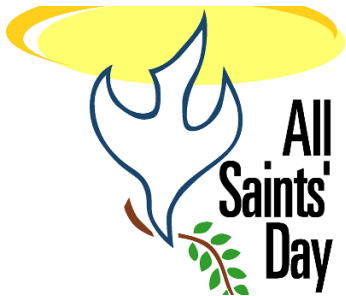
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November 1st, 2023 #1,009

For All the Saints



Today, November 1, is a special church Holy Day that many congregational churches, like Brethren, do not think much about or celebrate. It is called “All Saints Day.” It seems to have its origin in the 4th century AD. It is celebrated by Roman Catholics as well as some liturgical Protestant denominations. For the Roman Church, it is the commemoration of the past martyrs of the faith and those who have been venerated as Saints by the church. They have added a celebration on November 2 for the commemoration of all Christ-followers who have passed away as “All Soul’s Day.” For Protestant denominations, “All Saints Day” is the commemoration of all of those faithful Christ-followers who have

passed away. As Protestants, we cling to the Biblical definition of saints as being anyone who is a Christ follower. For information’s sake, “All Saints Day” is preceded by “All Saints Eve” or “All Hallows Eve” or now known as “Halloween.” The Devil has taken this day over as a day for his worshippers to engage in Satanic rituals. For non-Satan worshippers, it has become a day/night that candy companies enjoy, as children will dress up and go around the neighborhood begging for candy.

So what do we do about this day? Paul indicates that in our Christian liberty, some esteem one day more sacred than another and someone else will see all days the same. (Romans 14.5) Therefore, some of you might want to set aside some time on this day to remember and celebrate the life of those Christ followers in your family or in your network of friends who have passed away. Remember their life, laugh about some humorous memory, weep because of the loss you feel. But also rejoice that they are in the presence of the Lord and are awaiting our reunion with them. You might even want to sing or listen to the hymn, “*For All the Saints.*” Here are some of the words.

*For all the saints, who from their labors rest,
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blessed.
Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress and their Might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true
Light.
Alleluia, Alleluia!*

Others may want to just carry on this day like every other day and remember those individuals as they come to mind. Either way may God fill you with an awesome awareness of his presence and give you a wonderful day!

In Christ Alone



Prayer & Praises

- Please pray for Phyllis Livingston's daughter Jane as well as the rest of their family as Phyllis passed away on Monday.
- Sharon Stepp requested prayer for David Ryder who is having heart issues and is having some testing done.
- Pray for Mindy Little's brother and family as Mindy's Sister-in-law passed away from cancer.
- Eileen Riddle – was at the ER for intestinal issues. Please pray for healing.
- Deb Henry – requests prayer for her Dad, Ron Henry whose wife Blanche passed away. (Deb's Step-mom) Please pray for God to comfort Ron and Blanche's family as they go through this time.
- Terri Stambaugh requested prayer for Bill Morgan who is 82 years old and fell down the stairs and hit his head. He has an infection. Please pray for healing.
- Eileen Riddle was at the urgent care for intestinal issues. Please pray for healing.



Ongoing Health Concern Prayers

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| *Kathy McWilliams | *Sarah Sabold (Smeltzer) | *Ken Warren | *Mary Fisher |
| *Alyssa Leakway | *Gloria Gerber | *Missy Braden | *Bryce Baublitz |
| *Julie Waggoner | *Bill Barley | *Brandon Little | *Derek Meck |
| *Josh (Bonnie Tyson's Grandson) | *Ruth Cook | *Victor Riddle | *Mark Lipsitz |

Cancer Special Prayers

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| *Julia McCartney | *Greg & Sandy George | *Butch Warren's brother | *Chris Betts (Smeltzer friend) |
| *Ted Erb (Traci Kauffman family) | *Kathy McWilliams brother-in-law Phillip (Ron Engle, friend) | *Sandy Harlacker | *Ellie Basko |
| *Mark Yonker | *Keith Kauffman (Kerry Kauffman's brother) | *Jean Beck | *Donald Moore |
| *Butch Warren | | | |

CBC and CBC Region 3 Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following congregations and pastors:

- We are asking prayer for James Brauns. He is a credentialed minister in Region Three Johnstown area. He has been diagnosed with a brain tumor the size of a baseball and it is also attached to the optic nerve. He will be having surgery very soon in Pittsburgh Pa.
 - Maranatha Congregation in Tanzania, Africa and Pastor Daudi Faraja
- Miracle Fishing Christian Church Congregation in Guatamala and Pastor Walter Estuardo Palma Garcia

DEDICATION OF THE OUTDOOR WORSHIP CENTER



On November 5, between our morning worship celebration and the Fall Congregational Business meeting, we will gather at the outdoor worship center for a prayer of the thanksgiving and dedication of this newly renovated area. We thank Landon Frantz and his crew for the work that was done to expand and refurbish this area for the glory of God.

Important Dates and INFORMATION

This week

Wednesday 11/1

*Life Group 6:30 pm

Thursday 11/2

*Chosen 3 Bible Study 6:30 pm TGP

Friday 11/3

*Newsletter Deadline 10:30 am

Sunday 11/5

*9 am Come Worship!

*10 am Congregational Business Meeting

Monday 11/6

*Newsletter prep

*Chosen 3 Knokey Group 6:30 pm

Tuesday 11/7

*Newsletter Assembly

*Women's Fellowship 6:30 pm

Next Week

Wednesday 11/8

*Sisters Bible Study 9 am

*Life Group 6:30 pm

*Women's Choir 7:45 pm

Thursday 11/9

*Chosen 3 Bible Study 6:30 pm TGP

Sunday 11/12

*9 am Come Worship!

*Widows/Widowers Luncheon 12 noon

Tuesday 11/14

*Commissions Meeting 6 pm

*Board Meeting 7 pm

Sunday November 5th, 2023

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

November 1st & 8th
Wednesdays
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
with Pastor Gary

Life Group

Studying:
The Book of Revelation

Ruth's Harvest

a cooperative ministry with the Abbottstown-East Berlin Food Pantry and Bermudian Springs School

Furnishing food items for children with inadequate nutrition at home. November 15th

COLLECTING AGAIN

Thank You for your faithful giving!

MEN'S BREAKFAST

NEXT MEETING
3rd Saturday each month
November 18th, 7 am
Dover Valley Restaurant

Ladies Choir

Attention All Ladies

If you enjoy singing, consider joining Ladies Choir.
New voices are welcome!
Practice will be on Wednesday evening, November 8th at 7:45 pm. See Betty Engle if you have questions

Wednesdays
November 8th & November 22nd
All the ladies are invited at
9 am in Shepherd's Hall

Sisters

A Bible Study for Women

Widow and Widowers Luncheon

Sunday
November 12th
At Noon
At Dover Valley Restaurant

Please See Nancy Smith to RSVP

Season 3 of "The Chosen"
Thursday, November 2nd & November 9th
The Gathering Place at 6:30 pm.

The CHOSEN

Dave Titzell is the facilitator.
Please contact Sue Deardorff with questions.

Youth Night and Bible Study
All Youth 6th grade and above
are invited...

YOUTH

4th Sunday of each month
November 19th, 2023
6:30 pm in The Gathering Place

Harvest Home

Harvest Home donations will be collected on November 5th, 12th, and 19th! You may place your items in the red wheelbarrow. Monetary donations, clearly marked, "Harvest Home" can be placed in the offering basket!

Joanne Miller is having a bake sale on Sunday, November 19th to raise money for her 2024 IMO medical mission trip. All items will be on sale before and after church and are available by donation only. Please see Joanne with any special requests.

Season 3 of "The Chosen"
Monday, November 6th 6:30 pm
Knokey Residence
Reminder for those already signed up

The CHOSEN

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Tuesday, November 7th
at 6:30 pm



SAMARITAN'S PURSE OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX

Boxes Available: thru Sunday Nov. 19th
RETURN NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 19th!
AGAIN THIS YEAR: PACK A SHOEBOX ONLINE
*To have the Witness Commission cover the online processing fee, ask a member of the Commission to complete the order for you. Your cost will only be \$16.00. You may also include a note and/or a photo with your on-line orders. **ATTENTION:** October Mission Offering is for Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child Shoebox. Due to rising cost of fuel, shipping supplies & containers, the Processing Fee for Shoeboxes has increased to \$10.00 per box. Your Witness Commission is asking you to give freely over and above your monthly Mission Offering for October. Thank You!!*

ANGEL TREE MINISTRY with BERMUDIAN SPRINGS SCHOOL

Thirty-five (35) Angels will be available this year.

An announcement will be made as to when you may contact Brenda & Brad Replogle to claim the number of Angels you would like to support.



Angels should be available by Sunday, November 12, 2023. **ALL ANGEL GIFTS MUST BE RETURNED BY SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2023.** Refer all questions to the Replogles.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Next Meeting

There will be no prayer shawl
In November & December
See you in January
(weather permitting)

November

- 4 – Courtney Grim
- 7 – Christiana Lipsitz
- 8 – Ronald See
- 10 – Tom Zipfel



Happy Anniversary November

- 11 – Robert & Sandra Billet
- 21 – Tony & Sandy Harlacker