

The Living Letter



Bermudian Church

“Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace and be thankful. Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.” Colossians 3:15-17

“enabling every person to experience the living Christ in transforming ways”

Experience | Connection | Growth | Impact

November 6th, 2023

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

- 9:00 am** Worship – In the Sanctuary
4yr to 4th grade “Sunday Friends”
Children will be dismissed prior to the start of Pastor Gary’s sermon.
- 10:00 am** Coffee and social time in Shepherds’ Hall
- 10:20 am** ***Sunday School for children**
***Youth will meet in their Youth room, located downstairs**
***Adult Sunday school class**
- **One class in TGP**
 - **One class in the Sanctuary**
- ***About Life Class group will meet in the room off of Shepherd’s Hall**
- † The nursery is staffed during our worship service
- † Live streaming of our Worship Service is available, on YouTube. It also stays posted there and on our website. Please remember to “like” and “subscribe” and you will be notified each time we post a new video.



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Mission Offering

Fruitbelt Farmworkers Christian Ministry



Wednesdays, November 8th,
 Nov. 29th, December 6th
 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
 with Pastor Gary
Life Group
 Studying:
 The Book of Revelation

Wednesdays
 November 22nd & December 13th
 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



**MEN'S
 BREAKFAST**
 NEXT MEETING
 3rd Saturday each month
 November 18th, 7 am
 Dover Valley Restaurant

Youth Night and Bible Study
 All Youth 6th grade and above
 are invited.
YOUTH
 4th Sunday of each month
 November 19th, 2023
 6-7:30 pm in The Gathering Place

*Prayer Shawl
 Ministry*
Next Meeting
 There will be no prayer shawl
 In November & December
 See you in January
 (weather permitting)

There are no Prayer Shawl meetings for November and December due to the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. We look forward to seeing you in January 2024. I want to take this time to thank every one of the church family that has given donations of yarn, supporting us financially to purchase yarn, and for all the cards and blessings we have received. We have mailed shawls to folks in California, Texas, Colorado, Illinois, Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Pittsburgh, PA. We have also given shawls to elderly homes where they earned paper money and had an auction to buy shawls for an evening of fun. We have given shawls to other churches anointing members with cancer. Prayer Shawls have been placed on the backs of chairs at the Widows/Widower's Luncheons so they could share and know someone cares and is praying for them. We have donated prayer shawls to organizations that help women going through abuse, rehabilitation, and homelessness that are looking for a hand-up, not a handout. Thank you to Mark Lipsitz and others who took shawls, worms, and hearts to the CBC Conference in West Virginia. 900 Worms, 400 Hearts, Shawls, and Scarfs have reached Homeless Shelters, Bible Study Groups, Adams County Chapter, Central York Schools, West York Schools, Hospital, Girl Scout Troops, Bible School, Youth Bible Study, Patient Care, Mission Autism Clinic and our most wonderful place, Bermudian Church. *Thank you all so much again! God is Great!*
Charmaine Hoke and all the Prayer Shawl Ladies

THANKSGIVING EVE CELEBRATION - This year our Thanksgiving Eve Celebration will be held at our church as we join together with our friends from St. Paul's Red Run Church. We will be blessed by Pastor Zach Stec sharing with us the message from the Lord. Come join us and invite others also to come as we give thanks to God for his many b

**There will be a
 Thanksgiving Eve Service
 here at
 Bermudian Church on
 Wednesday,
 November 22nd, 2023.
 Invite your family and
 friends!**

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**NEXT NEWSLETTER WILL BE PUBLISHED November 4th, 2023
 Deadline for publishing in Newsletter December 1st, 2023, 10:30 am**



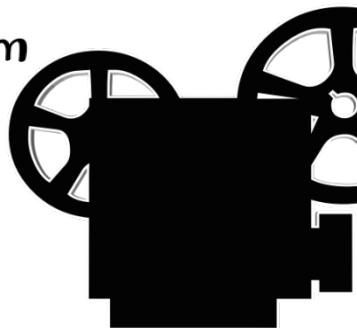
We would like to express our gratitude for your generous sponsorship of our 25th Anniversary Celebration Gala on October 7th. What a wonderful evening it was for our very special guests who after donning their best attire, began the evening with a limo ride, then were adorned with a tiara or crown, and walked the red carpet as their name was announced in front of a packed ballroom of family and friends wiping tears from their eyes. Following dinner they enjoyed their favorite part of the evening...dancing! The smiles were priceless.

Thank you for making this a special memory for these dear folks with autism and intellectual disabilities.

Cordially,

Peter & Paulette Teague

Commission Meeting at 6 Pm
Board Meeting at 7 Pm
NOVEMBER 14TH



MOVIE NIGHT
December 2nd,

5:30 pm
 Supper
6:30 pm
 Movie

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.

Directory Updates

Directories will be printed in early 2024. Please complete one of the forms and put it in the Secretary's mailbox. You can also email the office with the information you have to change.

bermudiansecretary@gmail.com



- Name
- Address
- Phone numbers (cell and/or home)
- Email
- Birthday
- Anniversary



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!



Holiday Events

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 are available! **ALL ANGEL GIFTS
MUST BE RETURNED BY SUNDAY,
DECEMBER 3, 2023.**

Refer all questions to the Replogles.



LADIES FELLOWSHIP CHRISTMAS PARTY

A Christmas party is scheduled for Tuesday, December 5, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at Perkins Restaurant, Hanover, PA. ALL ladies of the church are invited to attend.

We will have a small gift exchange. If you want to participate, please bring a \$5.00 gift. Please RSVP to Sandy Billet (717 -292-4631) by November 26, 2023 if you plan to attend.



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Women's Fellowship will be attending the Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, December 2, 2023 at the East Berlin Community Center. Congregation is asked to donate baked goods and crafts items. A sign-up sheet will be in the church bulletin for donations. All donated items should be at the church by 10:00 a.m. on Friday, December 1, 2023. (Proceeds from the Bazaar are distributed by Ladies Fellowship throughout the year to ministry needs.)



Order Forms are
available for Poinsettia's
\$10.50 each
Red/White/Pink
Orders due by November 26th

Memorial donations to the
Deacon Emergency Fund on the
other side of Poinsettia form!



SHOEBOXES ARE STILL AVAILABLE
ON-LINE ORDERING IS STILL OPEN
ALL Boxes & on-line orders are due
back **Sunday, November 19th!**



CARLISLE TRUCK STOP COOKIE MINISTRY

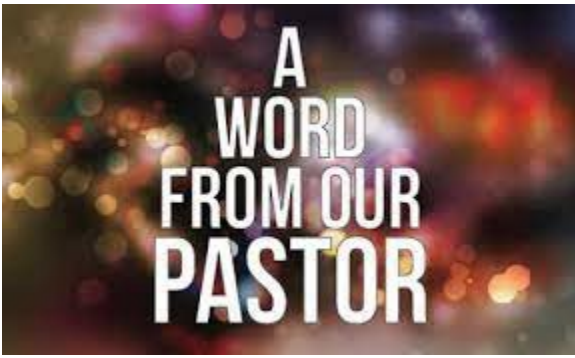
DUE BY: Sunday, December 10, 2023, on TGP kitchen island. We already have the gift bags prepared with small gift items. All we ask is that you place 5 to 6 of your fresh baked cookies in zip-lock style bags and place them in The Gathering Place, on the kitchen island. Start to plan your Holiday cookie creations!



Save the Date!
Holiday Dinner

January 14th, 2024

Details to follow



THANKSGIVING TO GOD

November is the month that we begin to think more pointedly about giving thanks. In several weeks we will celebrate Thanksgiving Day. Unfortunately, this is often in word only because the real reason for this day often gets overlooked. Just as Halloween ends, stores put candy and costumes on sale and bring out Christmas decorations and so on, if they had not done that already. And as Thanksgiving Day arrives, there are family gatherings, family meals and football. Although these things are good and fun, I hope we can enjoy all those other things **and** still take the time to give thanks to God.



There are so many blessings and joys that we can and should thank God for. And so I hope we all will ponder those things throughout this month and

also on November 23. To help us let us consider Paul, who wrote about some reasons to give thanks to God in 2 Corinthians 4.14-15. He wrote, **“We know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus from the dead will also raise us with Jesus and present us with you to himself. ¹⁵ All this is for your benefit, so that the grace that is reaching more and more people may cause thanksgiving to overflow to the glory of God.”**

First, we need to thank God for the salvation we have through the death and resurrection of Jesus the Christ. Before we believed and became Christ-followers, we were separated from God. We were people who experienced his wrath. We were headed to eternal death. But when we were born from above by the power of the Spirit through our faith in the grace and mercy of God all of that changed. In that moment Paul wrote that we were **presented to himself**. In other words when we became Christ-followers, we were presented to God as friends of God who were forgiven of their sins and who were reconciled to him and declared justified. This was the work of salvation that we did not deserve, nor could earn, but was granted to us through faith. This is cause for rejoicing and thanksgiving.

But secondly, Paul calls on us to overflow with thanksgiving not just for our own salvation but for the joy that **more and more people** are being reached by that grace and are becoming Christ-followers. This is cause for thanksgiving to overflow to God. Even though there are times when we feel like giving up on people and on the world, which is moving more and more toward evil, it is good to know that God has not given up. He is still reconciling people to himself.

Therefore, let us give thanks to God for his continued work, and let us continue to partner with him in that work in our own families, neighborhoods, community and the world.

In Christ Alone

PASTOR GARY ON VACATION

Pastor Gary will be on vacation from November 15 through November 19 as he and Linda move to their new home. On Sunday, November 19, Pastor Don Hubble will be our guest preacher. His sermon title will be "Eternal Victory through Christ" from 1 John 5.1-12.

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