

Bendersville Lutheran Parish

St. James
Wenksville
8:25 am

Christ
Aspers
9:45 am

Bethlehem
Bendersville
11:00 am

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 25, 2022

“Harvest Home” Sunday • Of the Land & Seasons Liturgy



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Please stand as you are able*

PRELUDE

“We Plow the Fields and Scatter”

LBW 362

1 We plow the fields and scat - ter The good seed on the land,
2 He on - ly is the mak - er Of all things near and far;
3 We thank you, our cre - a - tor, For all things bright and good,

But it is fed and wa - tered By God's al - might - y hand.
He paints the way - side flow - er, He lights the eve - ning star.
The seed - time and the har - vest, Our life, our health, our food.

He sends the snow in win - ter, The warmth to swell the grain,
The winds and waves o - bey him; By him the birds are fed,
No gifts have we to of - fer For all your love im - parts,

The breez-es and the sun - shine, And soft re-fresh-ing rain.
 Much more to us, his chil - dren, He gives our dai - ly bread.
 But what you most would trea - sure— Our hum - ble, thank - ful hearts.

Refrain

All good gifts a - round us Are sent from heav'n a - bove.

Then thank the Lord, oh, thank the Lord For all his love.

***BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

C: **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have squandered your bountiful gifts. We have considered the blessings of the harvest our due. We have been indifferent in planning and planting for the future needs of your Church. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, cause gratitude to ripen in our hearts, and wisdom to mature in our minds, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given us his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

***GATHERING HYMN**

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

LBW 561



1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,
2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:
hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:



Christ, our Lord, to you we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

***GREETING**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

***KYRIE (Of the Land and Seasons): “We Pray for Peace, O Lord”**



We pray for peace, O Lord, make plow - shares of our swords, make



plow - shares of our swords: hear us when we cry to you.



Lord, have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us, Lord, have

mer-cy on us: hear us when we cry to you.

Cantor

Christ, make us grow in grace un - til we see your face, un -

til we see your face: hear us when we cry to you.

Assembly

Christ, have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us, Christ, have

mer-cy on us: hear us when we cry to you.

Cantor

De - fend your church, O Lord, and root it in your word, and

root it in your word: hear us when we cry to you.

Assembly

Lord, have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us, Lord, have

mer-cy on us: hear our cry. A - men.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

C: **O God, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

FIRST READING:

Amos 6:1a, 4-7

The First Reading is from Amos, the sixth chapter.

^{1a}Alas for those who are at ease in Zion,
and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria,

⁴Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory,
and lounge on their couches,
and eat lambs from the flock,
and calves from the stall;

⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp,
and like David improvise on instruments of music;

⁶who drink wine from bowls,
and anoint themselves with the finest oils,
but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!

⁷Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile,
and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God

PSALM:

Psalm 146

L: Hallelujah!
Praise the LORD, O my soul!

C: **I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**

- L: Put not your trust in rulers,
in mortals in whom there is no help.
- C: When they breathe their last, they return to earth,
and in that day their thoughts perish.**
- L: Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help,
whose hope is in the LORD their God;
- C: who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them;
who keeps promises forever;**
- L: who gives justice to those who are oppressed,
and food to those who hunger.
The LORD sets the captive free.
- C: The LORD opens the eyes of the blind;
the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;
the LORD loves the righteous.**
- L: The LORD cares for the stranger;
the LORD sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.
- C: The LORD shall reign forever,
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!**

SECOND READING:

1 Timothy 6:6-19

The Second Reading is from First Timothy, the sixth chapter.

⁶Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment;
⁷for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of
it; ⁸but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹But
those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many
senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction.
¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness
to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves
with many pains.

¹¹But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹²Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. ¹⁶It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

¹⁷As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Please Stand for “Gradual Hymn” on Next Page.)



***GRADUAL HYMN: “O God, Whose Word Well-Planted”**



1 O God, whose word well-plant - ed yields fruit a hun - dred - fold,
 2 O God of seed and har - vest, of sun and soil and rain,
 3 O God, your fi - nal har - vest of his - t'ry's an - cient field



we praise your grac - es grant - ed to those who sowed of old,
 at - tend the word we sow, lest its plant - ing be in vain.
 will test with truth the proud - est that hu - man work can yield.



who by their wit - ness scat - tered good seed up - on the soil
 Send show - ers of your Spir - it, bright sun - shine of your grace,
 Op - pres - sion's blight will van - ish, fair free - dom's fruits in - crease;



where oth - ers, reap - ing, gath - ered the har - vest of their toil.
 that mul - ti - tudes who hear it your gos - pel may em - brace.
 and love and joy will flour - ish to clothe the earth with peace.

***GOSPEL:**

Luke 16:19-31

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the sixteenth chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] ¹⁹“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate lay a poor

man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' ²⁵But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' ²⁷He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house—²⁸for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' ²⁹Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' ³⁰He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' ³¹He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.' "

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

(Please be seated.)

SERMON

Pastor Susan Scott





1 Praise and thanks-giv - ing, God, we would of - fer for all things
 2 God, bless the la - bor we bring to serve you, that with our
 3 Fa - ther, pro - vid - ing food for your chil - dren, by Wis - dom's
 4 Then will your bless - ing reach ev - 'ry peo - ple, free - ly con -



liv - ing, you have made good: har - vest of sown fields, fruits of the
 neigh - bor we may be fed. Sow - ing or till - ing, we would work
 guid - ing teach us to share one with an - oth - er, so that, re -
 fess - ing your gra - cious hand. Where you are reign - ing, no one will



or - chard, hay from the mown fields, blos - som and wood.
 with you, har - vest - ing, mill - ing for dai - ly bread.
 joic - ing with us, all oth - ers may know your care.
 hun - ger; your love sus - tain - ing show - ers the land.

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
 born of the virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried;
 he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS

P: As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation.

A brief silence.

P: O God, rich in mercy, fill your church with righteousness, faith, love, endurance, and gentleness. Empower the baptized by your Spirit to be rich in good works and ready to share. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Protect the earth and its creatures. Provide water, food, shelter, and favorable habitats, especially for endangered species. Preserve threatened ice caps, glaciers, parks, and beaches. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Increase justice in nations, local governments, and courtrooms. Guide lawyers and those who hold public office to act with compassion and discernment. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Give food to the hungry. Set the captives free. Lift up those who are bowed down. Watch over the stranger. Tend to those who are ill, especially those on our prayer list and those we silently name in our hearts. Stir us to act in the best interest of our neighbors. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Enliven our praise. Inspire musicians, artists, poets, and all who create beauty in this place. God of grace,

C: **hear our prayer.**

P: Enfold the saints who have died in the arms of your loving care, especially Nelson Kane, Raymond Kuhn, Terry “Frog” Rex, and Pastor Martin “Marty” Young. Grant that the holy angels accompany us and bring us to eternal life with them in the light of your presence. God of grace,

C: **hear our prayer.**

P: Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: **Amen.**

PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

OFFERING

OFFERING HYMN: *“Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring”*



1 Ac - cept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to
2 The vines were plant - ed, seeds were sown. They
3 Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares we



place up - on your ta - ble. We do not wor - ship
grew in your good plea - sure. What once was com - mon,
lift in prayer be - fore you. Lord, by your grace now



as we ought but on - ly as we're a - ble.
dai - ly food be - comes a ho - ly trea - sure.
come to us, as hum - bly we a - dore you.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Let us pray. Gracious God, ...

C: you bless us with gifts of guidance, new life, growth in grace, and fruitful labor. Accept the first fruits of time and toil, field and orchard we offer here. Bless and multiply these gifts to our nurture and the care of your creation; for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

DIALOGUE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. Through your Son, you taught us that true riches are to be found in loving you rather than earthly treasure. For your glory, and to give us the fullness of life and salvation, Christ emptied himself upon the cross and was raised in power to sit at your right hand.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join in adoring song.

SANCTUS: “Long, Long Ago in Jerusalem” (Holy, Holy, Holy)



1 Long, long a - go in Je - ru - sa - lem, as the
2 High on a throne sat the might - y Lord, robes
3 Oh, what a sight it was to see and



scrip - tures do re - cord, I - sa - iah to the
flow - ing through the hall, while six - wing - ed an - gels
oh, what a sound to hear! The tem - ple door - posts



tem - ple came to see the ho - ly Lord.
flew a - bove. I - sa - iah heard them call.
shook and quaked, and smoke was in the air.

Refrain:



Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, God's



glo - ry fills all heav'n and earth, God of pow-er and might.

THANKSGIVING

P: Let the peoples praise you, generous and abundant Creator:
you scatter abroad and give to the poor;
you provide seed to the sower and bread for food;
Let the peoples praise you:
you called Israel to be your chosen people,
to preserve your word and to scatter it abroad.
Let the peoples praise you:
when time had ripened, you sent the Word, your Son, into the world,
so that all might have life and have it abundantly.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, how he fed the hungry
and gave company to outcasts;
how he healed the sick and freed those in bondage;
how he taught and guided those who were seeking you;
how he was handed over and gathered in for our sake;
how he was resurrected as the first fruits of the dead,
and how he promised to return for the great harvest home;
we give you thanks, not as we ought, but as we are able.

Send, we pray, your Spirit to this meal.
Supply our needs, and those of all your saints,
and fill us until we overflow with thanksgivings.
Empowered by this meal, enlivened by your Spirit,

move us to glorify you in faithfulness to the gospel
and in generosity to all in need.

United by your Spirit with all your people,
we pray through your Son, Jesus Christ,
to you, our Source and our Goal,
our Sun and our Shield,
our God now and forever.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray ...

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Just as this broken bread was first scattered on the hills, then was brought together and became one, so let your Church be brought together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours are the glory and power through Jesus Christ forever.

C: Amen.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

All who wish to encounter Christ in Holy Communion are welcome to the Table. As directed, please come forward observing a proper social distance. The elements will be given by Pastor Susan or the Communion Assistant. If you would like a verbal blessing only, please place your hands on your own shoulders to let the Pastor know. Holy Communion may also be received at your seat. Just inform the Pastor or usher. The elements will be partaken at the Pastor's or Communion Assistant's direction:

The body of Christ given for you.

The blood of Christ shed for you.

COMMUNION SONG: "O Lamb of God, to Earth You Came"



1 O Lamb of God, to earth you came to
2 O Lamb of God, the on - ly Son, to

save us all from grief and shame. Shorn of your life, up -
us show mer - cy, Ho - ly One. You save the world from

on the tree you hung in deep hu - mil - i - ty.
all its sin. Lord, give to us your peace. A - men.

(Communion Song: "Seasons" on Next Page.)

COMMUNION SONG: "Seasons" (verses 3 & 5)



1 We praise you for the life that stirs when spring-time warms the
2 We praise you for the sum - mer sun, for rip'n - ing grain and
3 We sing your praise for au - tumn's glow, for har - vest yield from
4 We sing your praise through win - ter's night, when earth in fro - zen
5 We praise the Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spir - it,



sleep - ing earth; but most, we praise the
length - ened days; but most, we praise you
spring - time seed; up - on our hearts your
si - lence lies, for prom - ise of re -
with the thron of saints and an - gels,



grace that lures our slum - b'ring souls to love and mirth,
for the Son whose light brings heal - ing in his rays,
grace be - stow till faith bears fruit in lov - ing deed,
turn - ing light, for life in Christ that nev - er dies,
joined as one in grate - ful, ev - er - last - ing song,



our slum - b'ring souls to love and mirth.
whose light brings heal - ing in his rays.
till faith bears fruit in lov - ing deed.
for life in Christ that nev - er dies.
in grate - ful, ev - er - last - ing song.

POST COMMUNION

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

***POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Let us pray.

C: **Gracious God, we give thanks for your pruning, planting, and nurture. We rejoice that you have used the harvest of field and vineyard to renew and sustain us. Lead us as we go from this life-giving meal into lives of grateful service to you and your cherished creation; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.**

***BLESSING**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C: **Amen**

***SENDING SONG: “*O Lord of the Blossom*”**

(“Sending Song” on Next Page.)

***DISMISSAL**

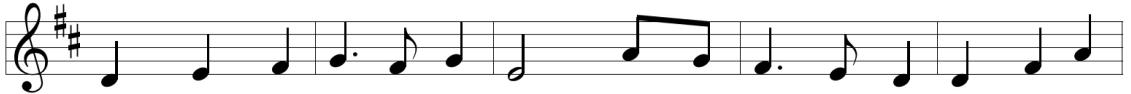
P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

***SENDING SONG: “O Lord of the Blossom”**



1 O Lord of the blos-som, O God of the seed, O gra-cious pro -
 2 O Lord of the har - vest, O God of the feast, where sor - rows are



vi - der for all hu-man need, you have nour-ished our faith at your
 van-quished and joys are in - creased, where the tree of life grows in your



ta - ble of grace, and nur - tured new life in the light of your
 or-chards a - bove, we'll join in the cho-rus in praise of your



face. O Lord of the grain - field, O God of the
 love. Sing praise to the Fa - ther, sing praise to the



vine, you've fed us your pres - ence in bread and in
 Son, sing praise to the Spir - it. Praise God, Three in



wine. In com - mun - ion you've blest to us ar - bor and
 One! You have made us one peo - ple you've fed by the



plow, and shown us the gos - pel, your word for us now.
 hand, O Lord of the heav-ens, O God of the land.

Worship Assistants

Lector

J Karen Carey

C Steve Haller

B Bruce Schachle

Greeters/Ushers

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Chris & Vicki Cuttitta

Altar Guild

Harold & Kathy Stoner

Deb & Dave Copenhaver

Kathy Singley



Altar Flowers:

St. James, Christ & Bethlehem

To the Glory of God



Happy Birthday to You



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

September 25: Kay Black

September 29: Cindy Baugher
Wahnetta Harvey
Cora Kime

OFFICE HOURS AND PASTORAL NEEDS

Pastor Susan has office hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1-4 pm at Bethlehem. Please stop by to visit. Her official day off is Friday, but she is available for pastoral emergencies.

For all your pastoral needs, please contact
Pastor Susan Scott by phone/text at 717-497-1013
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CELEBRATION FOR PASTOR SUSAN ON OCTOBER 16th

We will celebrate Pastor Susan on Sunday, October 16th. There will be one service at 10:00 a.m. at Bethlehem followed by a luncheon in the social room.

At 2:00 p.m., Pastor Steve Herr, Dean of the Gettysburg Conference, will preside at the Service of Installation.

More information to follow.

REMINDER:

JOIN US FOR A BIBLE STUDY ON ROMANS ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28!

Pastor Susan is offering a Bible Study on Wednesday evenings at 7 pm at Bethlehem. The **fourth session** of the study will be this Wednesday, September 28, with a discussion on Romans 8:18-39 and will concentrate on the question, "Where is God when we suffer?" On October 5, **Session 5** will consider our call to mission to share the good news. **Session 6** will be held on October 12 and will explore how to be the body of Christ in the world.

– We Look Forward to Seeing You on Wednesday Evening! –

ON-LINE SUNDAY WORSHIP

Worship is livestreamed on YouTube at 11 AM on our Bendersville Lutheran Parish channel (this info can also be found on our website – www.bendersvillelutheranparish.com).

PARISH MEETINGS

All meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. unless otherwise stated.

Bethlehem Council Mon., October 10

WELCA Mon., October 17, at St. James

Parish Budget Committee Mon., October 24, at Bethlehem
(All Presidents, Vice Presidents and Treasurers of each church to attend.)

Parish Joint Council Tues., November 1, at Bethlehem

WEEKLY DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

As a reminder, items for the bulletin should be received at the church office by Wednesday noon for that week's Sunday Bulletin.

ATTENTION: BETHLEHEM CONGREGATION

During the month of October, Bethlehem Council would like to do a special collection for **United Lutheran Seminary/Gettysburg**. For the past two years we were blessed to have two interns from the Seminary serve as our pastor and have now called a recent Seminary graduate as our full-time called Pastor. Without the Seminary none of this would have been possible. We would like to take up a collection throughout the month as a gift in recognition of the Seminary's on-going work in training the leaders of the Church of tomorrow. Quite frankly, had we not had the steady guidance of our interns over the past two years and had been forced to rely on a stream of different Supply Pastors each Sunday, it is doubtful that we would be here today. In joyous recognition of the contributions of the Seminary to our continued success as a congregation, we think it entirely appropriate to contribute financially to their continued work. Please mark your envelope on the "**OTHER**" line with "**ULS**" or "**SEMINARY**". Our council has voted to match each contribution from our funds. We encourage you to give generously.

JOINT COUNCIL TREASURER NEEDED FOR 2023

The Joint Council would like to remind you that it is seeking someone to take over the duties of Joint Council Treasurer beginning January 1, 2023, as our current Joint Council Treasurer Cindy Baugher will be retiring from the position at the end of 2022. The duties include but are not limited to paying parish bills in a timely manner, leadership in formulating the yearly Joint Parish budget, presenting financial reports and perhaps, most importantly, responsibility for the parish payroll. This is an elective office of the executive board of the Joint Council, and there is a yearly stipend associated with the position. Obviously it will be highly desirable for anyone interested in the position to speak up now, so that they may meet with Cindy and familiarize themselves with the duties of Joint Parish Treasurer. This will ensure a smooth transition at the end of December.

We would like to make sure that everyone understands that although we can do without presidents, vice presidents and secretaries for a time, if there is no Joint Parish Treasurer the business of the parish will come to an immediate halt – no paychecks for the pastor/vicar or parish secretary or organist, and no bills paid. Please give this your serious consideration and advise Joint Council President, Chris Cuttitta (717-448-0366), or Joint Parish Treasurer, Cindy Baugher (717-873-8200), as soon as possible. The sooner we have a potential replacement the easier things will be at the end of the year for everyone.

*Thank you,
Chris Cuttitta and the Joint Council*

FRUIT CUP DONATIONS NEEDED FOR JOHN'S MEALS!

John's Meals has begun serving approximately 120 students weekly beginning September 23rd. They would appreciate donations of fruit cups:

- **MIXED FRUIT**
- **PEARS**
- **MANDARIN ORANGES**
- **PINEAPPLES**
- **PEACHES**



THRIVENT ACTION TEAM SERVICE ACTIVITY

St. James, Wenksville, is holding a Thrivent Action Team service activity on **November 6** to help provide for the hungry, as well as help keep those in need warm during the cold winter months. The congregation is being asked to help provide hats, gloves and socks for men, women and children in need to help keep them warm this winter. Thrivent Financial has supplied a \$250 gift card to be used to help supply food and clothing to be placed in our Blessing Box to supplement what the congregation donates. Thrivent Financial will also be supplying T-shirts to those who participate in this Thanksgiving service activity. T-shirts will be given out on November 6 so that a picture can be taken and submitted to Thrivent showing the food and clothing items that are collected. We invite anyone who wishes to participate in this service activity to do so and to attend church at Wenksville on November 6 to see how successful this service activity turns out.

*Any questions concerning this activity, please contact Carol Rex at **717-677-7249**.
Thanks to all in advance who participate.*



“THINKING OF YOU” CARDS

for

CHARLIE WESCOTT

May be sent to:

14 Makenzee Drive • Carlisle, PA 17015

LET’S GET TOGETHER!!

**Care and Share Card Ministry meets each month.
Remember, all are welcome and no talent is necessary.**

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**The next Care and Share meeting is:
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26th, at 1 PM at BETHLEHEM**

Please join us for this meaningful and important ministry.



Prayer List - Parish Members

Ruth Bretzman b
Tony Bretzman b
Mary Chronister b
Roger Chronister c
Shelvey Dugan b
Ed Fletcher b
Patsy Gochenauer j
Wahnettah Harvey c

Harold Hollabaugh b
James Hollabaugh b
Cora Kime b
Jim McGraw c
Paula McGraw c
Loren Mortorff b
Larry Peters b
Mary Peters b

Christopher Rinehart b
Alan Showers j
John Slaybaugh c
Donna G. Taylor j
Dan Turner c
Mike Wolfe c

Friends of the Parish

Darryl
Diane Baugher
Doug Baugher
Jean Behney
Jeff Black
Bev Bretzman
Tom Callahan
Alli Crowell
Jeanne Cuttitta
Helen Daniels
Diane Fetters
Luann Fix
Sue Garretson
Michelle Hadley

Jay Hall
Galen Hartz
Linda Heller
Jack Hinkle
Jane Hollabaugh
Tom Horner
Kim Hughes
Rosalie Johnson
Jeannette Kime
Tessa Kime
Paige Kriel
Pastor Bob McEllroy
Annette McGowan
Barb Mahoney

Emily Maiolo
Bobby Manning
Danielle Martin
Bradley Metz
Diane Myers
Zach Pelc
Brian Reed
Ginny Rinehart
Jim Rodgers
Jim Tracey
Charlie Wescott
Toby Wickline
Lynn Woerner

With Deepest Sympathy

We extend our sympathy and prayers to the families of those who have died in the faith and who are now at rest with their eternal Father (our saints who have gone before us):

*Nelson Kane, Raymond "Ray" Kuhn, Terry "Frog" Rex,
and The Rev. Martin "Marty" Young*