## CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER Eblast September 18, 2025





#### BLOOD DRIVE TODAY NOON—5:00 ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH SOUTH WING

There is a critical shortage of blood supply. If you can give, please consider stopping by this afternoon.

## COMMUNITY SUPPER NEXT THURSDAY!

Pictured at the right are most of the kitchen team:

Nina Seebeck, Steve Novak, and Sherry Gabauer.

Behind the camera: Alice Bennett

Our supper on September 25th includes Chicken Parmesan, seasoned broccoli, salad, bread & butter, and fruit.



#### **SAVE THE DATE!**



Sunday, October 12 at 10:00 AM for joint worship, fellowship, a shared meal, and conversation at St. John Lutheran Church. Join SJLC as they celebrate "Harvest Home" an ingathering of non-perishable food to share with those without. Following worship we'll have a potluck and begin conversation and whether and how we might worship together outside of the summer months.

#### It isn't too early to start thinking about ... ADVENT?!

As summer winds down it's time to start planning for a fall Bible Study. Pastor Melinda's calendar starts opening up the week of October 27. This is a perfect time to prepare for the Season of Preparation, (that's Advent!) before the rush of the secular Christmas season is upon us. 90-minute sessions are planned for Monday at 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. beginning October 27. Both sessions will be offered at St. John's South Wing.

The following studies caught Pastor Melinda's eye. Please let her know which session appeals to you most by September 19 to give us plenty of time to order. Thank YOU!

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Title	Voices of Advent: The	On the way to	Heaven and Earth:
	Bible's Insights for a	Bethlehem: An Advent	Advent and the
	Season of Hope	Study	Incarnation
Author	Matthew L. Skinner	Rob Fuquay	Will Willimon
Description	The author leads readers through biblical texts and explores how they shape our lives and Christmas celebrations. We listen as Jesus promises to return to us in the future, to John the Baptist as he prepares the way for the Messiah, to the faithful people and poets who anticipate the magnificence of Jesus' birth, and to the angels and visionaries who praise God when Christmas dawns.	Provides insight into the geographical and historical significant of Rome, Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, along with the important characters through whom the Christmas dram unfolds. You will be drawn into those places in a way that helps you experience spiritual truths each location holds.	Heaven seems so close as we remember that a tiny baby in a manger is God in human form coming to show us the Way. God's choice of incarnation allows us to reflection on the mystery that Christ is the full revelation of God instead of being one who talks about God or one who speaks for or acts as God. This book explores the idea of Jesus as both fully human and fully divine.
# Sessions	4	4	4
Cost	\$12.79	\$11.79	\$11.49

Please let Canon Melinda know your book preference by Friday, September 19th. This ensures plenty of time to order. Thank YOU!

#### **September 20 &21 Lessons**

**First Lesson:** Jeremiah 8:18-9:1, **Psalm:** 79:1-9,

**Second Lesson:** 1 Timothy 2:1-7, **Gospel:** Luke 16:1-13

#### **Serving in Worship at Redeemer at 11**

<b>Worship Assistant &amp; Reader</b>	Usher	Greeter
September 21: Margaret Cole	Volunteer	Linda Murrelle

#### **Birthdays & Anniversaries**

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Stacia Sullivan	9/25	
Fran Bentley	9/26	
<b>Brittany Watson</b>	9/26	B
Amy Murrelle	9/27	



#### **Scripture Reflection**

How do we, individually and corporately, embody both lament for the world and the hope that is in Christ?

#### **Craft Day**

Our next craft day will be on October 4th 10-2 p.m. in the South Wing. We hope to see you there. Let's engage in our favorite hobbies together. Bring a dish to share.



#### **BISHOP KEVIN VISITS BRADFORD COUNTY ON SUNDAY**

Bishop Kevin Nichols, along with Canon Melinda will be at Christ Church Towanda at 3 PM on Sunday to provide additional information regarding our reunification with Central Pa. Anyone interested is invited to attend. Our delegates and clergy are especially invited to attend.

#### **RUMMAGE SALE NEWS**

Rummage for the 10/17 and 18 rummage sale will be accepted until September 30. For books, we are only accepting novels. Remember too, that we can only hope to sell clothing items that are clean and in good condition (no stains or rips please!)

# God's love according to a

God picks you from the patch

Then He washed all the dirt off of you 2 Corinthians 5:17

He opens you up and scoops you out of all the yucky stuff. He removes the seeds of doubt, fear, hate and greed.

Romans 6:6

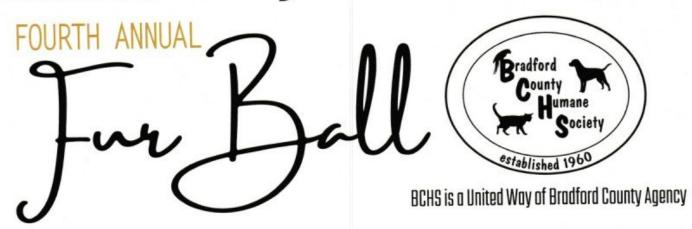
He carves you a face that is joyful and smiling

Psalm 71:23

And He puts his light inside of you to shine for all the world to see.

Matthew 5:16

## **Bradford County Humane Society's**



Saturday, September 20th, 2025 6:00-10:00 PM

Location: 1730 Elmira Street | Sayre, Pa





Pick up your tickets at the shelter or call for reservations at

570-888-2114



Grand Silent Auction

Many Door Prizes

Screat Food from





Valley United Presbyterian Church presents

### A BLESSING OF THE PETS

Sunday, October 5th at 2pm Muldoon Park in Waverly (We'll gather across the street in the event of rain.)

Bring pet food, treats, or other pet-related items for donation to local animal shelters.

## ALL FRIENDLY, WELL-BEHAVED PETS (IN A CRATE OR ON A LEASH) ARE WELCOME!

CYDO CAN ALSO BRING A PHOTO IF YOUR PET DOESN'T TRAVEL WELL OR HAS PASSED AWAY.)

For more info, call Valley United Presbyterian Church at 607-565-5683, or find up on Facebook!



I will follow Jesus when I am tempted to do wrong.

## The Dishonest Manager

Complete the paragraph by filling in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank at the bottom of the story.



Jesus told his disciples: "There was a man whose was accused of wasting his possessions. So he called him							
in and asked him, 'What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your							
management, because you cannot be manager any longer.'							
"Whoever can be	with very	can a	lso be trusted				
	with much, and whoever is with very little will also be						
dishonest with		-					
handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? And if you							
have not been trustworthy with someone else's property, who will give you							
property of your own?							
"No can s	serve two	Either he wil	I				
the one and the other, or he will be devoted to the one and							
despise the other. You cannot serve both and"							
Luke 16:1-2, 10-13 (NIV)							
dishonest	little	masters	rich				
God	love	Money	servant				
hate	manager	much	trusted				

## The Dishonest Manager

wealth

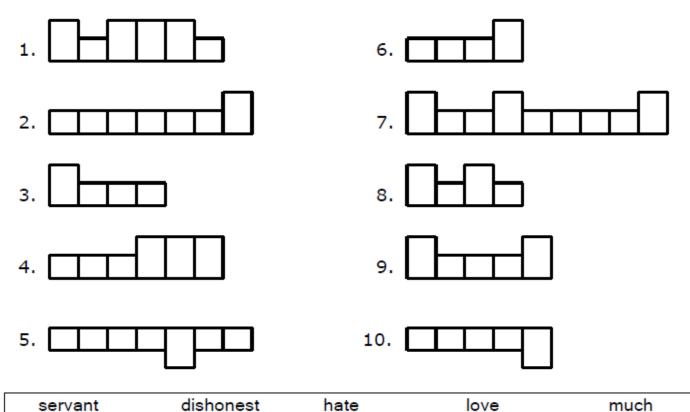
little

"Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much." Luke 16:10 (NIV)



money

Enter the correct words in the boxes based on the shape of the letters.



trust

manager