



# The Lutheran

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Church of the Redeemer (Episcopal).

Sayre, PA 18840

August 6, 2026

**WORSHIP WITH US AT Redeemer THIS SUNDAY AT 10 AM**

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## Joint Summer Worship

Continues **August 9** at the Church of the Redeemer at 10 a.m.

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**Next Sunday August 16<sup>th</sup>**, we welcome back Pastor Anne Canfield as Canon Melinda is away visiting St. James Drifton and St. Peter's Hazelton as part of her Diocesan duties.

Join us after worship on the 16<sup>th</sup> for Coffee time!

## WHAT TO EXPECT IN WORSHIP ON SUNDAY

We hope for a smoother transition to our joint worship service at Redeemer on Sunday. Please come comfortably dressed for the weather. As a reminder, you may wish to listen to the Song of Praise here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZOKzhBn7ma8> I note that we will **not** be singing the descant. We have not fully worked out our technical difficulties with our livestreaming. So far, we have tried replacing our router. If you do not see the service beginning at 10:00 am here:

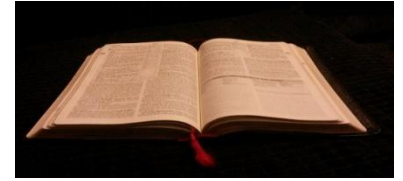
(3) Facebook or here: [www.redeemersayre.org](http://www.redeemersayre.org) (look for the video player top right) – we will post the service as quickly as possible after 11:00 a.m. ~Canon/Pastor Melinda+

## MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR BEVERLEY CLARE

Takes place on Monday, August 10, at 4:00 pm in the Church of the Redeemer. Beverley's son, Ian, is the owner of SJLC near neighbor, Clare Printing.

## Scripture Reflection

After Jesus caught Peter in the water, was Jesus' question, "you of little faith, why did you doubt?" a reproach? When we are facing a great difficulty, do we doubt God's power? Do we doubt ourselves? Can you recall other biblical stories, or a story from your own life, when God reached out to rescue or to overcome doubt and fear with the gift of increased faith?



| <b>SCRIPTURE LESSONS</b>                                               | <b>AUGUST 9</b> | <b>Serving in Worship for August 2</b>                                                                                                       |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 Kings 19:9-18<br>Psalm 85:8-13<br>Romans 10:5-15<br>Matthew 14:22-33 |                 | <b>Worship Assistant:</b> Jeri Mullen<br><b>Greeter:</b> Mary Rhodes<br><b>Usher:</b> Greg Garrity<br><b>AV Operator:</b> Rosemary Firestine |



### August Birthdays & Anniversaries at St. John

|                     |                            |
|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Renee Woinovick 8/9 | Robert & Martha Bailey 8/7 |
| Rod Noldey 8/10     | Ryan & Jennifer McGee 8/13 |
| Linda Noldy 8/14    |                            |
| Jennifer Joyce 8/17 |                            |
| Yvonne Mizener 8/19 |                            |
| Walter Hutz 8/26    |                            |

### August Birthdays & Anniversaries at Redeemer

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| Tracy Schamel 8/8   | Melinda Artman & Nina Seebeck 8/28 |
| Sofia Storelli 8/17 |                                    |
| Elaine Ferris 8/28  |                                    |

## **ST. JOHN CORNER**

Our usual requests for donations for our outreach into the community are going on hiatus for the rest of the summer. However, gently used items for our upcoming rummage sale in September will be gratefully accepted. If you bring items on Sunday, please leave them in the atrium.

We'll get it to St. John.

# Rummage SALE

## **REDEEMER CORNER**

### **WEEKDAY WORSHIP CONTINUES**

Join us every Wednesday at 12:05 for a spoken service of Holy Eucharist. Each week we feature a saint or significant person in Christian history. If this service is unable to be livestreamed, we post the recording shortly thereafter.

## **OUTREACH AT REDEEMER**

For the month of August we will be collecting pasta sauce for our local food pantries. Please see the next page for an announcement re: the Valley Food Pantry.







# NEED A Helping Hand AROUND THE HOUSE?



## Habitat for Humanity's *Brush With Kindness* Program

Providing critical exterior home repairs and improvements for **income-eligible homeowners in our community.** 



### EXTERIOR PAINTING

Freshening up homes and protecting what matters most.



### MINOR HOME REPAIRS

Fixing what's needed to keep homes safe, dry and secure.



### ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENTS

Creating safer, more accessible homes for greater independence.



### WE'RE HERE TO HELP!

Need help keeping your home safe, accessible, or looking its best? *Brush With Kindness* may be able to help!



**APPLY TODAY OR CONTACT US**  
to see if you qualify.



**Email:** [info@valleyhabitat.org](mailto:info@valleyhabitat.org)

*Together, we can make homes safer, stronger and more beautiful—one brush stroke at a time.* 



# CAMP CONNECTION



**CAMP IN A BAG**  
A FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

This summer, we're bringing Camp Connection to communities across Bradford and Sullivan Counties. Each child will receive a **FREE** Camp in a Bag filled with:

- ✓ Fun & Creative Activities
- ✓ Therapeutic Tools & Resources
- ✓ Child Abuse Prevention Education
- ✓ Mindfulness & Coping Skills

*While supplies last, one bag per child, designed for children aged 6-12.*



THE CHILDREN'S HOUSE  
CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER



SCAN TO FIND YOUR LOCATION

## CAMP STOPS

**JULY 28<sup>TH</sup>**

**ROME | 9AM**

**CANTON | 9AM**

**WYALUSING | 11:30**

**TROY | 11:30AM**

**SAYRE | 1PM**

**JULY 25<sup>TH</sup>**  
**LAPORTE | 8:45AM**

**AUGUST 17<sup>TH</sup>**  
**TOWANDA | 12 PM**



# EMBRACING AGING

Epiphany Roman Catholic Church and Valley United Presbyterian Church are working together again to feature local speakers as they teach us how we can appreciate and embrace aging.

A freewill offering will be collected to support Chow for Children. Chow, a ministry supported by both churches, provides weekend meals to families in Sayre-Athens Head Start.

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## **MAY 20<sup>TH</sup> – AGING AND WELLNESS**

**Speaker: Andrew Wales**

**Location: Valley United Fellowship Hall**

## **JUNE 17<sup>TH</sup> – COMING TO TERMS WITH AGING**

**Speaker: Nicole Mullen**

**Location: Epiphany Parish Hall**

## **JULY 22<sup>ND</sup> – UNDERSTANDING PALLIATIVE CARE**

**Speaker: Carli Yeager-Hall, PA**

**Location: Epiphany Parish Hall**

## **AUGUST 19<sup>TH</sup> – MANAGING COGNITIVE DECLINE**

**Speaker: Katherine Lincoln, DO**

**Location: Valley United Fellowship Hall**

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**Dinner and fellowship start at 5:45pm.**

AGE IS SIMPLY THE NUMBER OF YEARS THE WORLD  
HAS BEEN ENJOYING YOU!  
-UNKNOWN

# FAREWELL GODSPEED

Event



## Farewell & Godspeed for Bishop Christopher deForest Saturday August 29 at 1:00pm

**Location Update:**  
St Paul Lutheran Church  
1185 Summer Hill Rd, Auburn, PA 17922

Join us as we gather in worship to give thanks for Bishop deForest's faithful leadership and ministry with the Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod. Members of the synod, congregations, rostered ministers, and ministry partners are invited to celebrate his years of service, offer prayers and blessings as he begins his next chapter, and personally thank him during a reception following the service. A livestream of the worship service will be available. Please check the event webpage for the link.

**Space is limited, and registration is required for in person attendees.  
The registration deadline is Thursday, August 20.**

As additional details become available, they will be posted at  
[godslove.org/farewell-godspeed/](https://godslove.org/farewell-godspeed/)

**Register**





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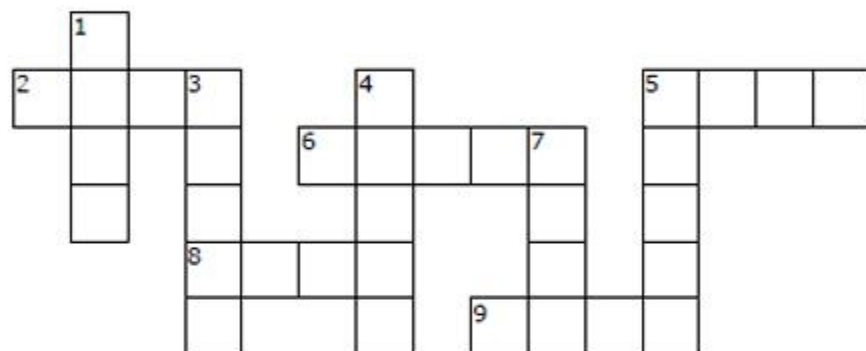
## Jesus Walking On the Water



# Jesus Walks on the Water

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Based on Matthew 14:22-33 (NIV)



## ACROSS

2. The natural movement of air
5. To travel along on your feet
6. Moving swells on the surface of the sea
8. A small vessel for travel on water
9. An unpleasant feeling caused by danger

## DOWN

1. To go downward in water
3. A lack of confidence or belief in God
4. A firm belief in God
5. A liquid that comes down from the clouds as rain
7. To rescue someone

|      |       |       |       |       |
|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| FEAR | FAITH | DOUBT | WAVES | WATER |
| SAVE | WIND  | BOAT  | WALK  | SINK  |

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G E V E N I N G R P B C Y P O  
 S S C P Q N T S D U R O O A W  
 C I V D O U B T K O X A A M C  
 U D N W A L K I N G F F Y T E  
 O N E K G A X B Y A U Y S U O  
 S J D U K L A W C F Q N I T M  
 D L V H O Q L B O G A M Y P H  
 D Z O E I C O J U W Q N B L Z  
 D J Y F M M N O R V A J W N W  
 T K V W L I E A A D X T O Q A  
 I A W I N D M F G P V R E F V  
 F P S A V E U R E W S B A R E  
 V L A K E D Y A S P K Y Y S S  
 C Y O X H E Z I T U Z U A I K  
 R H A N D A N D Q Y N H W X H

EVENING  
 COURAGE  
 LAKE  
 PRAY

HAND  
 AFRAID  
 WALKING  
 COME

DOUBT  
 SAVE  
 BOAT  
 WATER

WAVES  
 SINK  
 WIND  
 ALONE