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BEN SALEM VOICE
October 2017
Ben Salem United Church of Christ
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Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The month of September is now in our memory. As we move into the month of October, I know all of us here at Ben Salem will continue to praise our Lord, teach the Word of God and continue to support one another in both our times of joy and our times of trouble. This church is a strong community of faithful followers of Christ, and my hope for this month is as we gather for our upcoming fellowship, activities and worship we can continue to build on this strong meaning of community in which God, through the power of the Holy Spirit, leads us.

Throughout the month of October, there is great beauty and loveliness brought forth by the leaves of the trees that put on a splendid show of exquisite color. As you look at a mountain side and see the canvas of color in front of your eyes, it is hard not to be taken in by the awe and wonderment we call nature. It is truly a joy to see the amazing splendor found in the northeast during this month.

As a community of God we are like the leaves of the fall. We are all somewhat different, but together we make-up a canvas of beauty and wonder. Our beauty blooms as we follow our commission to fulfill the gospel of Jesus. As we feed the disadvantaged, help the hopeless, support the hurting and express God's love in all that we do together. As we come together in these acts, we become a wonder for all who witness these kind and generous acts and so begin to see God's beautiful realm being expressed in the here and now.

There is no doubt a community that is working to glorify God through their faithful following of Jesus Christ is a thing of beauty. While our actual color may not be all that different, the acts we perform because of the unique and blessed gifts that have been bestowed on each of us are what make us a part of God's tapestry of amazing beauty. Sharing our individual gifts in this way helps each of us become a blazingly colorful thread in the tapestry of God's Kingdom. God's tapestry is created by joining together many individual threads from all throughout God's dominion so the glory of God will be expressed vividly and intensely. As we fulfill our commission we are all part of this blessed tapestry of God's.

So as we admire the beauty and color of the season through which we will be journeying this month, may we come to realize how in all of the splendid color we witness there is a sign of our own part of God's grand tapestry. May we continue to find the beauty in each and every member of this community, along with any who have not yet joined us, as we continue to add to the woven tapestry of God's Kingdom. May you always find the blessings of God in your life and may you be a blessing to all you meet.

Peace and blessings to you,

Pastor Mike

Worship Services:

October	1	8AM & 10:30AM (World Communion Day)
	8	8AM & 10:30AM (World Food Day/Harvest Home)
	15	8AM & 10:30AM (Baptism)
	22	8AM & 10:30AM (Hand Bell Choir)
	29	8AM & 10:30AM (Reformation Sunday)
November	5	8 AM & 10:30 AM (Communion)
	12	8 AM & 10:30 AM
	19	8 AM & 10:30 AM (Hand Bell Choir)
	26	8 AM & 10:30 AM



Choir Practices have resumed.....



Cherub Choir: Wednesdays at 6:30PM
Junior Choir: Wednesdays at 6:30PM
Senior Choir: Wednesdays at 7:00PM
Hand Bell Choir: Thursdays at 6:30PM

COFFEE HOUR

has resumed....Volunteers needed!



ADULT BIBLE STUDY

**Thursday Mornings
10AM – 12 Noon**

Fellowship Hall Board Room

*Please join our group as we continue
studying "Be Obedient"
(Genesis 12-25)
by Warren Wiersbe*

October 1

Neighbors in Need Sunday

“Protect the Sacred –

In a Just World, Clean Water is Life”

The Neighbors in Need offering which will be received on October 1, supports the UCC’s ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. 2/3 of the offering is used by the UCC’s Justice and Witness Ministries to fund a wide array of local and national justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects. Through ucc.org/justice, our national Justice and Witness Ministries with members of the UCC Justice and Peace Action Network (a network of thousands of UCC justice and peace advocates), Justice and Witness continues its strong policy advocacy work on issues such as the federal budget, voting rights, immigration, health care, hate crimes, civil liberties, and environmental justice. Neighbors in Need also supports our American Indian Ministries (CAIM). Historically, forebears of the UCC established churches and worked with Lakota, Dakots, Nakota, Mandan, Hidatsa, Arickara, and Hocak in North and South Dakota, Wisconsin, and northern Nebraska. Today there are 20 UCC congregations on reservations and one urban, multi-tribal.

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World Food Day/ Harvest Home

Sunday, October 8th

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Sunday School
for ALL ages has resumed!
at 9:15AM.



Children and
adult discussion.
Please join us!

Church Business

How to Contribute to Our Operating Budget: to pay Ben Salem’s bills]

Use your weekly envelope [in your envelope packet]

Designate “Current Expenses”:

[Benevolence is only for Missions – OCWM]

Place in offering plate or send to the Church:

Ben Salem UCC, P.O. Box 128, Andreas, PA 18211

2017 Church Board Members:

Elders: Sharon Elder, Barry Fink, Walter Keeck, Terry Lusch

Deacons: Terry Blair, Shirley Kline, Doris Lusch, Kenneth Oswald,
Robert Pope, Barry Reed, Carly Smith, Ron Steigerwalt

Pastor: Rev. Michael McGowan

Church Secretary: Dollie Behr

Treasurer: Dawne Beidleman

Financial Secretary’s Address: Susan Messina, 66 River Road,
Tamaqua, PA 18252

Upcoming Church Board Meetings:

October 16 at 7PM

Ben Salem History Books – Very limited # available
\$60 – Contact the Church Office 570-386-3870

Meetings

Cemetery Association: October 5, 7 PM
Worship Committee: October 9, 6:30 PM
Called to Care: October 10, 10AM
Fundraisers Meeting: October 17, 6:30 PM

Note from Church Office & Financial Secretary:

Remember, it is important to keep us informed of any address changes.

Please give changes of address to either Dollie Behr or Sue Messina.

Have you moved recently? Members can help by updating the church office with their new address prior to moving. It is also helpful to provide the church office with your home phone numbers, cell phone numbers and e-mail addresses if you wish. By doing this we can keep in touch with you and also provide you with important information regarding the church. Thank you in advance for your help.

Have you remembered the church in your will?

Cemetery Association Officers:

Next Meeting: October 5, 2017 at 7 PM

President: Bernice Steigerwalt Vice President: Evan Beblavy

Caretaker: David Fritz Secretary: Walter Keeck

Treasurer: Doris Lusch Trustee: Richard Bealer

Cemetery Lot Prices: \$300 [with perpetual care]

Scheduling Events at Ben Salem Church:

To prevent scheduling problems...prior to calling meetings or events, please check with the Church Secretary at 570-386-3870 to make sure that the date you have planned is available.

Hospitalization ? If you or someone you know is going to be in the hospital for surgery, please let the church office know a day or two before the surgery. This way the Pastor will make every effort to be there to visit and pray with the patient before the surgery.



Recycle...Save your soda cans...

Aluminum cans will be taken to Zaprazny's.

Remember aluminum cans and clean

aluminum only and should be placed in bags.. There is a fenced in area to the rear of the old social hall for aluminum cans. Please do not place any of the following items in this area: garbage, wood, plastic, or other metals.

Do not place aluminum cans in garbage shed.

**Note new email address for Church &
Pastor McGowan**

bensalemucc@ptd.net – Church Office

pstrbens@ptd.net – Pastor McGowan



Altar Flower Sponsors: [Checks payable to Ben Salem UCC]

A sign up sheet is located in the narthex. The cost of flower sponsorship is \$20.00. If you would like to sponsor flowers, please call Cindy Smith at 570-386-4248. ***Payment should be sent directly to: Cindy Smith, 707 Hoffman Rd., Lehighton, PA 18235.

Note: All bulletin and flower sponsorship should be paid in advance.

Bulletin Sponsorship: [Checks payable to Ben Salem UCC]

Please call Sue Messina at 570-386-2880 with your sponsorship information or e-mail her at suemess@ptd.net. The cost of Bulletin Sponsorship is \$7 per week. *** Payment should be sent directly to: Susan Messina, 66 River Road, Tamaqua, PA 18252.

Please do not call the church office with sponsorships!

Pastor's Office Hours:

Monday – work from home

Tuesday – 10 AM to 2 PM [visits in the afternoon]

Wednesday – 9 AM to 1 PM [visits in the afternoon]

Thursday – 10 AM to 5 PM

Friday & Saturday [by appointment]

August 2017



Philippians 4:13 - "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

Phase II

Mortgage- August Balance

Phase II Checking -

General Fund - January to August 2017

Balance 1/1/2017

Income -

Expenses-

Balance 8/31/17

Thank you for your continue support in fulfilling our commitment!!!

Do you like the convenience of scheduling bills through Internet Banking?

Not having to worry about writing those checks each month is nice. Well if your bank offers free internet banking why not schedule your giving to the church on a bi-monthly or monthly basis. The bank could send the check every other week or every month and you wouldn't have to worry about having cash on a Sunday. If this sounds good then simply schedule your offering like you do your other bills and have it sent to: Ben Salem UCC, P.O. Box 128, Andreas, PA 18211-0128

If there is a place for a note about the payment you can even fill in how much you would like to go to the church and how much should go to OCWM. It's that simple – really! Our treasurer receives the check and your account is credited the same as if you utilized an envelope. And if you are uncomfortable not having an envelope to put in the plate – don't forget there are other envelopes to utilize in the box you receive at the start of each year.

If this sounds good to you - please consider signing up with your bank this New Year.

Thank You. The Stewardship and Finance Committee.

World Food Day/ Harvest Home

(to support our Food Bank)

Will be observed on Sunday, October 8, 2017.

Please help to add to our display by bringing cans of fruit, vegetables, soups, along with other packaged goods like cereal, pasta, rice, etc. We will set up a display area as we have done in the past few years...so let's help to fill it up!

All items brought will be used by the Ben Salem Food Bank.

Please place all items on the display when you arrive at church.



Crop Walk

OCTOBER 8, 2017

Registration is at 1:00 PM; Walk Starts at 2:00 PM

LOCATION is along the beautiful Lehigh Canal Park, Weissport.

25% of the funds raised will be donated to the Trinity Pantry; 75% will be donated to Church World Service for their ongoing programs.



MISSION MINDERS-OCTOBER, 2017

It's hard to believe that fall is once again upon us, and that very soon the beauty of the autumn foliage will greet us each day.

Thanks to all who donated to the summer project, **Coco's Foundation**, and especially for the generous outpouring of over \$2,000 to the **Gower Family Fund**, which went to help one of Ben Salem's own during their time of tragedy and loss.

Our mission project for the last quarter will go to our church's support for **Family Promise**, which is one of the most important and successful missions in which our church participates. In addition to the costs incurred for hosting families four to five times per year, Ben Salem also donates over \$500 per year to administrative costs of the program. That is why we would like to "fill the coffers" of the Family Promise account so that we can continue our support of this worthy mission. Please mark your mission donation envelopes as **FAMILY PROMISE**.

ADDITIONAL MISSION PROJECTS FUNDED DURING 2017

1. \$250 donated to Penn Northeast Conference earmarked for people in Houston and Florida who sustained catastrophic damages with hurricanes Harvey and Irma.
2. \$250 donated to the City to Shore MS Ride in honor of Paula Breiner's Team, "Paula's Posse". Paula was raised in our church, and is the daughter, of LaVaun Shanton.
3. \$250 donated to St. Peter's Center in Weissport for supplies and toiletries that are distributed to needy families each month.

MISSION PROJECTS FOR FALL, 2017.

1. **Family Promise host week, November 12-18th**. Volunteers are always needed.
See Karen Hayman if you can help.
2. **Feed a Neighbor meal**, Thursday, November 30th at Zion UCC, Lehighton. Help needed to serve meal.
Contact Bernice Steigerwalt.
3. **Food Bank distribution – Saturday, October 7th at 10:30AM** and two holiday distributions.
See LaVaun Shanton to help.

HAVE A WONDERFUL FALL SEASON



Did you know that one out of every four people who are homeless is a child? Or, that families with children make up nearly 40% of the people in this country who are homeless? Family homelessness is a national problem.

The week of October 22-29, 2017 is Family Promise Week.

Our local Affiliate, Family Promise of Carbon County, is one of 206 programs across the country uniting the faith community to help children and their families who are homeless. Family Promise Week will raise awareness about the issue, as well as celebrate the service of our congregation and others to serve our brothers and sisters in need. You can participate in Family Promise Week by signing up to volunteer, telling others about Family Promise, or visiting www.familypromisecarboncounty.org to learn more.

**National Family
Promise Week!
October 22-29, 2017**

**Next Hosting Week:
November 12-18, 2017**

NATIONAL FACTS

- Family Promise was founded in Summit, NJ, in 1988 on the belief that people are compassionate and want to make a difference. Family Promise has grown into a national non-profit organization, mobilizing communities and existing resources to help homeless families regain their independence.
- The issue of family homelessness has never been more critical. Last year, there were 3.5 million homeless people in the United States. Sixty-four percent of U.S. cities turned away homeless families with children because there was a lack of bed space.
- Homeless families now comprise nearly 40% of the homeless population.
- One out of every 30 American children will experience homelessness this year.
- Family Promise is growing. Established in 1988, we currently operate 206 Affiliates across 43 states.
- Family Promise mobilizes more than 180,000 volunteers and 6,000 congregations across the country.
- Family Promise provided shelter and social services to nearly 70,000 people last year.... nearly 60% of them children.
- Our Affiliates nationwide have developed more than 1,500 Community Initiatives to empower families and help them achieve lasting independence, from parenting classes and after-school tutoring to financial literacy and workforce development programs.
- Family Promise is cost-effective. Because we utilize existing resources, we are able to deliver \$3 in goods and services for every \$1 we receive.
- Family Promise works. On average, 74% of our guests secure housing within nine weeks, helping them to achieve sustainable independence.
- Family Promise is the leading volunteer-driven non-profit providing services to homeless families.

Information Provided by Family Promise Carbon County, September 2017. Reference: www.familypromise.org

Pre-Advent Toy Calendars are for sale - \$10 each. Donors have 30 chances to win various prizes including an Ipad, Beats Solo Wireless headphones, bikes, lego playsets, etc. Winners are chosen by the PA Lottery number listed on each purchased calendar. All proceeds benefit Family Promise. See Karen Hayman to purchase a calendar while supplies last.

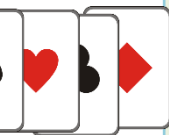
If you are able to help or need more information:

GAME DAY INFORMATION

Wednesday, October 25 - Fellowship Hall

12 Noon

Bring a snack to share!



Beginners Country Line Dancing - No experience necessary!
*If you are interested in this activity, please contact
 Dot Eberts at 570-386-2149 for more information.
 Classes will meet Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30AM. Free will offering.*





Beginners Knitting/Crocheting Group:

Come for fellowship and fun as we knit and crochet together. The group will be meeting in the Church Parlor on Wednesdays at 6:15 PM.

If you cannot attend, please inform Barbara Snowberger. 570-386-2112



Blanket Makers / Quilters: The Blanket Makers and Quilters meet on Thursday mornings starting at 9 AM at the Social Hall. Anyone is welcome to come and join them. The 1st prize quilt for 2017 will be a 76 inch x 92 inch Sampler and the 2nd place prize will be a hand-knotted quilt.

(Both made by the Ben Salem quilters & blanket makers group.)

Tickets will be available throughout the year at church dinners & functions.

See Dollie Frantz, Betty Nothstein or Linda Stoss to purchase tickets.

Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Money raised through ticket sales & sales of knotted blankets goes directly to Phase II Fund.

NOTE: An ongoing project of this group is to make hand-knotted blankets for the needy.

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Safety Committee: If someone in the congregation is aware of a safety issue it should be reported to one of the safety committee members listed below or someone on the Church Board. The purpose of the committee is twofold. Ben Salem will get a discount on the insurance bill and the same time enhance the Risk Management of the Ben Salem properties. Members of the Safety committee are: Ron Steigerwalt, Rodger Diehl, Barry Reed, Tom Kupres, Pastor Mike – Ex Officio.

Thank You Notes:

Ben Salem UCC Members: Thank you for all the prayers, phone calls, cards and concern I received during my time of surgery and recovery. Thank you also for the beautiful prayer shawl I received. Healing is much easier when one has a caring family. Thank you again, Herlin Haberman

Thank you so much to all involved for your donation to our shelter. Sincerely, Carbon County Friends of Animals

Hello all, Walter's 2nd surgery went great thanks to God, prayers and well wishes from family and friends like you. Thanks again for his blue lap blanket. Wonderful job making it. Take care and God bless. Nancy & Walter

Ben Salem Prayer Shawl Makers,

Our very warm heart-felt thanks to all for the two beautiful prayer shawls you have gifted to us! Your out pouring of Christian love means so much to both of us. Bob and Judy Pope

HYGIENE KITS

The Confirmation Class will be collecting items to assemble Hygiene Kits to send to areas devastated by the hurricanes. Donations of the following new items are appreciated and can be placed in the bin in the Narthex.

- 1 Hand Towel – 15"x28" up to 16"x32" (no larger) – no fingertip, bath, dish, or microfiber
- 1 Washcloth
- 1 Wide Tooth Comb
- 1 Fingernail/Toenail Clipper
- 1 Bar of Soap (original packaging)
- 1 Toothbrush (original packaging)
- 10 Standard Band Aids



HOMEMADE SHOO FLY PIES

Price \$8.00 for 9 inch pie

Deadline for orders – October 22

Pick-up - Saturday, November 4 from Noon - 1:00 P.M. at the Fellowship Hall.

_____ pies @ \$8.00 = \$_____

NAME _____ PHONE NO. _____

Place order form in box in narthex or call Sue at 570-386-2880.

HOAGIE SALE - BEN SALEM U.C.C.

ORDERS DUE: October 1 PICK-UP October 19 (10:30 AM – NOON)

NAME _____ PHONE # _____

PLAIN – HAM, SALAMI, CHEESE, LETTUCE & TOMATOES (no onions or peppers)

PLAIN _____ WITH HOT PEPPERS (no onions) _____
WITH ONIONS _____ WITH ONIONS & HOT PEPPERS _____

TOTAL # ORDERED _____ @ \$5.00 EACH TOTAL AMOUNT DUE \$_____



Place order form in box in narthex or call Sue Messina at 570-386-2880.

Ben Salem UCC
Blanket Makers & Quilters



Quilt Show

October 21, 10 AM to 3 PM



featuring... **Basket Raffle, Quilt Raffle, Bake Sale, knotted quilts and other handmade items. Apple Pie & Ice Cream**



Other refreshments and food items will be available for purchase



Bring your quilt to display....

Sign up sheets & registration forms will be available in the narthex.

Deadline to register, October 8th

Donations are needed for the Basket Raffle

and the Bake Sale!



Call Barbara 570-386-2112 or Linda 570-386-2215 for more information.



Community Events in October:

Emmanuel UCC, Bowmanstown – Fall Bazaar on October 7 from 9 AM to 2 PM

Food, Handcrafted wooden items, Basket Auction, Soup Sale, Baked Goods, and Raffle.

Trinity Lutheran Church, 500 Ore Street, Bowmanstown – Spaghetti Dinner (All You Can Eat) on

October 7 from 4-7PM. Adults \$8; Children (4-13) \$4; 3 and Under Free

Ladies' Night Out – Faith Alive Church, 678 Pine St., Palmerton, PA

“Seeing in the Darkness” – Join us for the Story of Fanny J. Crosby - Oct. 7, 6:30 PM

RSVP by Sept 29th – Lela Hartranft: lela@lelaministries.com (flier on bulletin board and counter in the narthex.

Zion's Stone Church Bingo – October 8, 2017 doors open at 12:30 PM, Bingo at 1:30 PM (Coach, Vera Bradley, Thirty One, Longaberger with mystery gift card in each prize)...Kitchen open. Contact Charlotte Fritz at 570-386-5111...seats are limited. Advanced tickets \$20...at the door - \$25 Door prizes, prize auction and raffles.



**Volleyball
Fun Day at Ben Salem
Fellowship Hall**

- ages 13 (sixth grade & older)
Saturday, October 14 - 9 AM to 3 PM
Adults 6 to 9 PM

**For more information, contact Terry Lusch
570-778-4437**



Youth Group Meeting

The Youth Group (all ages) will be meeting on
Sunday, November 5th at 6PM - Fellowship Hall

The Youth Group will be collecting unwanted items from now through
October 18th for our upcoming Rummage Sale. All items can be dropped off
in the old wooden social hall on Sunday Mornings between 9am and 11:30
am or contact Kevin Lusch at 570-778-3448 to make other arrangements.

Please no encyclopedias, tube TV's or other broken appliances.

**GET YOUR
RID OF
STUFF**

**churchWIDE
RUMMAGE
SALE**

October 20th & 21st

Come out to Ben Salem's Fall Rummage Sale in support of
our Youth Ministries! Look for some great bargains and a
wide assortment of clothes, household items, books,

games, furniture, holiday décor, kids toys and much more!

Friday October 20th 8am -2pm

Saturday October 21st 10am-3pm

Will run in conjunction with the fall quilt show on Saturday.

1/2 off and box lot sale
12pm-3pm on Saturday.



CLOTHING BIN UPDATE

A smaller red clothing bin has replaced the two bins we previously had by the old Social Hall. Please feel free to donate clothing or shoes that you no longer need. The church can earn up to 10 cents/lb.

Special Prayers

**Our Members and Friends with Special Needs:
In Institutions:**



Keep in Your Prayers:

Prayer Chain: The Prayer Chain is a way for anyone to request prayer for a specific need.... [or thanksgiving or joy]. To have our Prayer Chain pray for you: Contact Betty Nothstein at 570-386-5644. Please call Betty if you would like to be called with others' prayer requests as part of the Prayer Chain.

Meals Ministry: Do you know someone who is shut-in or recovering from a hospitalization, serious injury or illness, or mourning the loss of a loved one that could benefit from a hot or a frozen meal? Ben Salem has a Meals Ministry Team that can help ease the daily burdens of families or individuals within our church and community by providing ready-to-eat meals. If you would like to volunteer with this ministry or know of someone in need, please contact Karen Hayman at 570-241-7842 or the Church Office.

Called to Care: Trained volunteers from our church are available to assist the Pastor in visiting shut-in or hospitalized church members who are no longer able to attend regular worship services or participate in church functions. If you would like a "Called to Care" volunteer to visit you, please contact the Pastor at the Church Office (570) 386-3870. We are looking for more volunteers for this Committee! If you are interested in sharing God's love with shut-in members of our congregation, please contact Pastor McGowan. The next Called to Care meeting will be held on October 10, 2017 at 10 AM.

Prayer Shawl Ministry: The Prayer Shawl Committee is in need of helpers to make prayer shawls. If you can knit or crochet and would like to help, please contact coordinators Betty Nothstein at 570-386-5644 or Barbara Snowberger at 570-386-2112 for more information. If a prayer shawl is needed, please contact Betty or Barbara.



Support Our Troops - All military personnel

Jessica A. Bealer: FC2# Bealer, Jessica, A USS Paul Hamilton
[DDG-60] CS/CF, FPO AP 96667-1278

→ Jessica is now back on base in the USA

Jeremy Zellers, Norfolk, VA – on Submarine Newport News

*Please notify us if you know of anyone who is serving at this time or if names are missed or status changes.

Congratulations to Joshua and Jena (Wassmer) Wank on the birth



of their son, Matthew Joshua. Matthew was born on August 31, 2017.



Our Sympathy is extended to the Family of Ernest Breininger
(father of Scott Breininger) who passed away on September 4, 2017.

Our Sympathy is extended to the Family of Ethel Kershner
who passed away on September 23, 2017



October 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 World Communion Day Communion 8 AM Worship 9:15 AM Sunday School /Confirmation 10:30 AM Worship	2	3	4 9:30AM Line Dancing 6:30 PM Cherub & Jr. Choir 7 PM Senior Choir	5 9 AM Blanket Makers & Quilters 10 AM Bible Study 6:30 PM Hand Bells 7 PM Cemetery Association	6	7 10:30AM Food Bank Distribution
8 World Food Day/ Harvest Home 8 AM Worship 9:15 AM Sunday School / Confirmation 10:30 AM Worship 1PM Crop Walk Registration 2PM Crop Walk Begins Hoagie Order Deadline	9 6:30 PM Worship Committee	10 10 AM Called to Care Meeting	11 9:30AM Line Dancing 6:30 PM Cherub & Jr. Choir 7 PM Senior Choir	12 9 AM Blanket Makers & Quilters 10 AM Bible Study 6:30 PM Hand Bells	13	14 Volleyball Games 9 AM to 3 PM (6 th grade & up) 6 to 9 PM (adults)
15 8 AM Worship 9:15 AM Sunday School / Confirmation 10:30 AM Worship/Baptism	16 7 PM Church Board Meeting	17 6:30 PM Fundraisers Meeting	18 9:30AM Line Dancing 6:30 PM Cherub & Jr. Choir 7 PM Senior Choir	19 7 AM Hoagie Sale 9 AM Blanket Makers & Quilters 10 AM Bible Study 6:30 PM Hand Bells 7 PM Property Comm.	20 8AM-2PM Rummage Sale (Old Social Hall)	21 10AM – 3PM Rummage Sale (Old Social Hall) 10 AM to 3 PM Quilt Show (Fellowship Hall)
22 8 AM Worship 9:15 AM Sunday School / Confirmation 10:30 AM Worship /Hand Bells Shoo Fly Pie Order Deadline	23	24	25 9:30AM Line Dancing Noon – Game Day 6 PM Newsletter Assembly 6:30 PM Cherub & Jr. Choir 7 PM Senior Choir	26 9 AM Blanket Makers & Quilters 10 AM Bible Study 6:30 PM Hand Bells	27 5 PM Rehearsal	28 1 PM Wedding In Sanctuary

October 2017

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29 Reformation Sunday 8 AM Worship 9:15 AM Sunday School / Confirmation 10:30 AM Worship	30	31				