Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church - Red Hill
Sharing Our Faith, Spreading God's Love
Rev. Kevin Compton - Pastor

SUNDAY – November 1, 2026 – All Saints Day

We welcome you this All Saint's Day

In the tradition of this church and many others, this is the day that we remember the people who have gone on to rest in Christ's embrace in the afterlife over the last year. Confident in the promise of eternal life, we light candles to remember the gift of their lives when they were here with us. We give thanks for their presence and the memories we build together. And we give glory to God for the miracle of our lives, knowing that with prayer and time, the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard our hearts in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:6-7).

There will be an opportunity at the end of the service for all members of the congregation to light a candle in memory of people important in their own lives. Thank you for joining us today and may the peace of Christ be with you always.

Pastor Kevin Compton

We believe the sound of children in worship is not a distraction. It is evidence of life, growth, and the future of the church. If your child makes noise, you are not bothering us. You are blessing us.

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The Altar Flowers Given to the Glory of God in support of his brother, Alan Compton and his Parkinson's Awareness program, Grind City.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

WELCOME

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS
(Please rise in body or in spirit)
Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
our dwelling place for all generations,
whose compassion never slumbers.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
(Silence is kept for reflection.)

Compassionate God,
we confess that we have trusted in our preparation
instead of your invitation.
We prioritize our piety over care for your beloved.
We trust the voice of our shame and fear,
which keeps us from entering fully
into relationship with you and others.
We are not awake to the coming of your reign.
Rouse us and rescue us,
that we may enter into your joy.
Amen.

Inherit the riches of God's grace.
☩ Jesus, the good shepherd, feeds you with his mercy.
You are forgiven.
Blessed are you.
Amen.

GATHERING HYMN – For All the Saints - Green Book 174

THE GREETING
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY
Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.
(Please be seated)

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

Psalm: Psalm 24 (Assistant)

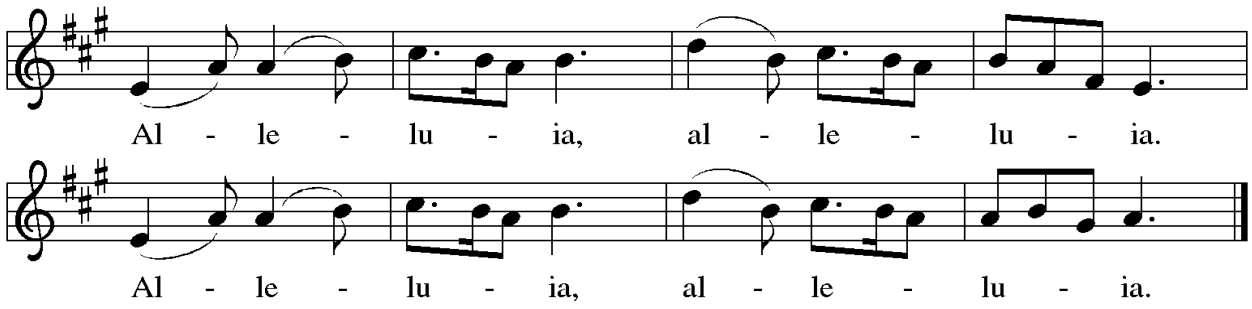
Please join me in a responsive reading from Psalm 24.

1 The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it,
the world and those who dwell therein.
2 For the LORD has founded it upon the seas
and established it upon the rivers.
3 Who may ascend the mountain of the LORD,
and who may stand in God's holy place?
4 Those of innocent hands and purity of heart,
who do not swear on God's being, nor do they pledge by what is false.
5 They shall receive blessing from the LORD
and righteousness from the God of their salvation.
6 Such is the generation of those who seek you, O LORD,
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.
7 Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors,
that the King of glory may come in.
8 Who is this King of glory?
The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!
9 Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors,
that the King of glory may come in.
10 Who is this King of glory?
Truly, the LORD of hosts is the King of glory.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-3 (Assistant)
Our second reading is from the book of John, the Third chapter.

1 See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of
God, and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is
that it did not know him. 2 Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will
be as not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed,
we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. 3 And all who have this hope
in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Please rise in body or in spirit)



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GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12 (Pastor)
The Gospel is from Matthew, the Fifth chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

1 When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat
down, his disciples came to him. 2 And he began to speak and taught them
saying:
3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs in the kingdom of heaven.
4 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
5 "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
6 "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will
be filled.
7 "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
8 "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
9 "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
10 "Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

[11] ”Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. [12] Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you”

The Gospel of our Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ (Please be seated)

THE CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

THE MESSAGE – Pastor Kevin Compton

SONG OF THE DAY - Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)
Words and Music By John Newton, John P. Rees, Edwin Othello Excelli, Chris Tomlin and Louie Giglio CCLI License No. 1083898

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now am found
Was blind but now I see

Refrain
My chains are gone, I’ve been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love, amazing grace.

‘Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.
Refrain

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures
Refrain

The earth will soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God, who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine.
You are forever mine.

CREED (Assistant)*:*
Living together in trust and hope, let us confess our faith, sharing together the words of the Apostles’ Creed.

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father,
He will come again 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (Assistant)
United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.
(Allow for a brief silence.)

Fill your church with mercy and humility as we proclaim the gospel in our worship and witness in the world. Renew and inspire all who preach and teach among us. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Restore the land to fullness. Protect soils and waterways. Teach us to live in harmony and joy with creation. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

As our nation prepares for the upcoming elections, strengthen our commitment to democracy and the sacred dignity of every person. Remove barriers that prevent citizens from voting, protect the rights of all eligible voters, and inspire us to participate with wisdom, compassion, and concern for the common good. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Bring comfort and care to all who are in need, especially all who mourn this day. Sustain any who are weary, experiencing loneliness, or struggling with chronic illness. We pray especially for the people on our prayer list and those we now name aloud or in the silence of our hearts. (Allow for a brief silence)

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Nurture programs and communities that support people who are homebound. Bless caregivers, nurses, chaplains, social workers, and hospice staff. Guide this congregation's ministry with seniors and their families. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

With grateful hearts we remember all who have died and now rest from their labors.

> We will light a candle on the altar for each name that is read. If any family members are present, you are invited to come forward and light the candle in memory of your loved one.

Bishop Patricia Davenport
Richard Gilbert
Dorothy Hershey
Richard Kline
Sally Mixer
Vincent Pistagnesi
Doris Mae Renninger
Fred Scherzer
Mildred Sell
Richard Wall
Larry Weiss
Geraldine Weller
Linda Wood

Fill us with songs of praise until we too are gathered at your side. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved.
Amen

THE PEACE
The Peace of the Lord be with you all!
And also with you!
(Please greet your neighbor with a sign of peace and return to your seats for the offering)
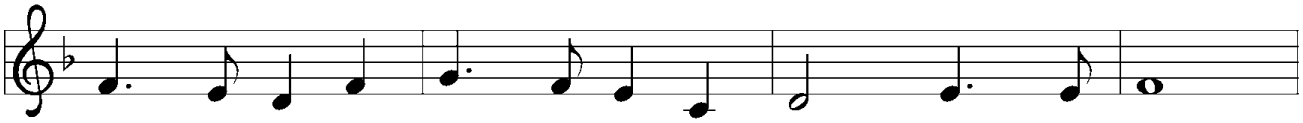
MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.
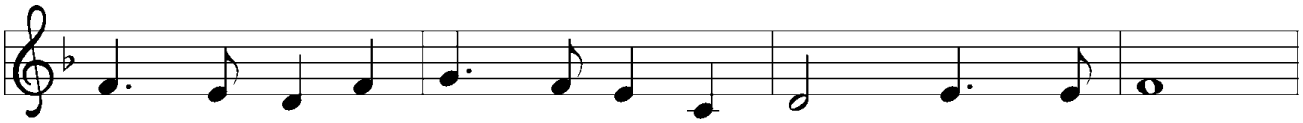
OFFERING We begin our celebration of communion by returning a portion of the blessings we have received from God to sustain the body of Christ.

OFFERTORY SONG - For The Fruit of All Creation - Blue Book 760
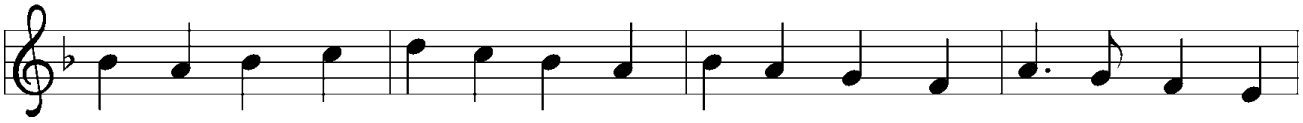
For the Fruit of All Creation



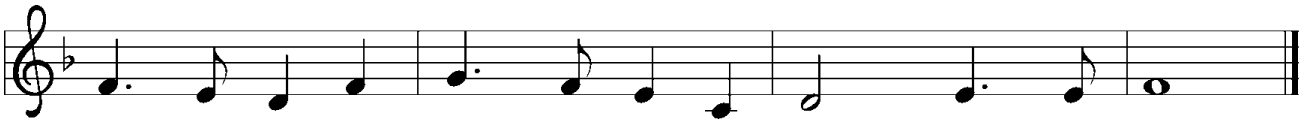
1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.
2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.
3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.



For these gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, thanks be to God.
In the help we give our neigh-bor, God's will is done.
For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.



For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep-ing,
In our world-wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de - spair-ing,
For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con-found us,

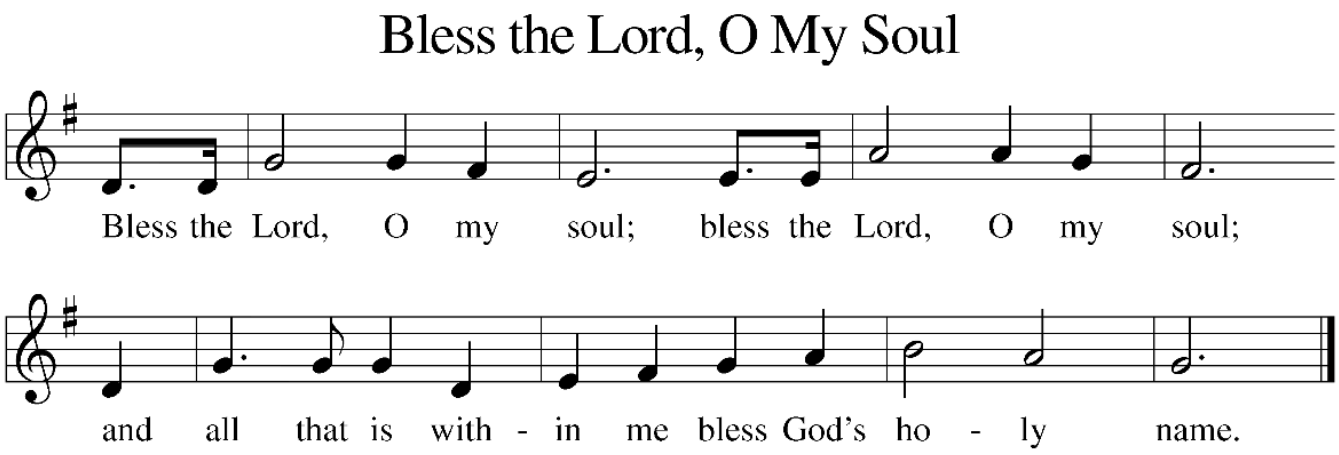


fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.
in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.
most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

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Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional
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OFFERTORY SONG – Bless the Lord, O My Soul



Text: Ps. 103:1
Music: PRAISE PSALM 103, traditional

OFFERING PRAYER
Eternal God,
our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you.
Receive what we offer,
and all that you entrust to us,
until hungry no more, all the world is fed,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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;
who overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might:
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.

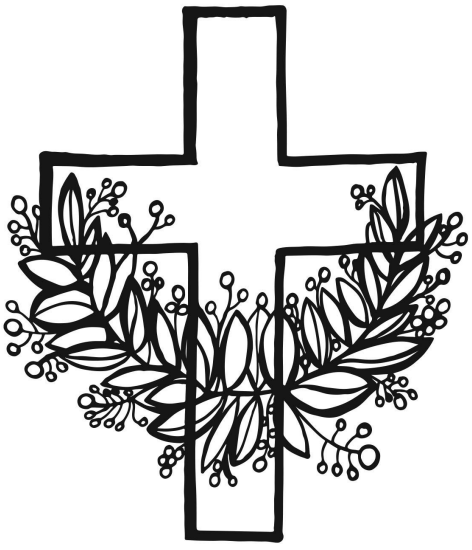
Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.
Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Pastor)
Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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
In bread and cup the reign of Christ is breaking in.
Come, receive what Christ has prepared.
(Please be seated)

COMMUNION
All are welcome at the Lord's table. Follow the usher's directions.
Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available upon request.
Blessings are available in lieu of communion or for any young person who has not yet received communion instruction.



SONG DURING COMMUNION - Come, Share the Lord

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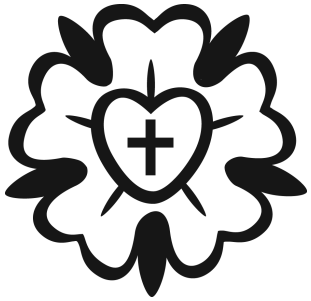
We gather here in Jesus' name
His love is burning in our hearts like living flame
For through His loving Son the Father makes us one
Come take the bread come drink the wine
Come share the Lord

We'll gather soon where angels sing
We'll see the glory of our Lord and coming King
Now we anticipate the feast for which we wait
Come take the bread come drink the wine
Come share the Lord

He joins us here He breaks the bread
The Lord who pours the cup is risen from the dead
The One we love the most is now our gracious host
Come take the bread come drink the wine
Come share the Lord

SONG DURING COMMUNION - Come Let Us Eat - Green Book 214

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (Please rise in body or in spirit.)
Holy God,
we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal.
You continuously seek the lost,
bind the injured,
and feed your people abundantly.
Now send us out, awake to your presence,
now and forever.
Amen.



SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

THE BLESSING

The holy Trinity,
Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God,
today and always,
Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CONGREGATION

CANDLE LIGHTING

There will be no official dismissal today. During the sending song, everyone present is invited to come forward to one of the memorial candle stations and light a candle for a loved one that has passed.

Lighting a candle is your choice, but whether you light a candle or not, you are invited to remain in the sanctuary in prayer and contemplation for as long as you would like.

When you choose to leave the sanctuary, please remember to do so quietly and reverently for the benefit of others who choose to remain.

For your safety and the safety of others:

- **You are encouraged to remain seated and allow for only one or two people in line at a time. We thank you for being patient.**
- **Please light candles toward the rear of the table first, to prevent others from having to reach over lit candles.**
- **Please take one candle lighting stick from the container, light it from the large candle at the station, light the candle you have selected, and then place the lit end of the lighting stick into the container of sand to extinguish it. Leave the lighting stick in the sand and do not attempt to remove it.**
- **Please be careful with garments, bags, bulletins, and other items. Do not place them above any lighted candles.**

BENEDICTION
Lord of Life, Lord of Light, we give you thanks for the saints who have gone before us, for the people who found you, for the people who struggled with you, for the people we prayed with, and the people we prayed for. Each one of these people was made in your image. In your glory, you blessed our lives with their presence. As we light candles in their memory, we pray for your love for them to shine through our memories. We cast all of our fears and doubts on you. We lift up these people to you in joy. Teach us to trust in your mercy and to live in the knowledge of your grace so that we may walk humbly at your side. We pray these things in the name of your son, Christ the Messiah, Emmanuel, God with us.
Amen.

SENDING SONG - I Will Rise
Louie Giglio, Chris Tomlin, Matt Maher & Jesse Reeves CCLI# 1083898

There's a peace I've come to know
Though my heart and flesh may fail
There's an anchor for my soul
I can say, "It is well."

Chorus
Jesus has overcome, and the grave is overwhelmed
The victory is won, He is risen from the dead
And I will rise when he calls my name
No more sorrow, no more pain. I will rise on eagles' wings
Before my God fall on my knees, and rise. I will rise.

There's a day that's drawing near
When this darkness breaks to light,
And the shadows disappear,
And my faith shall be my eyes
Chorus

Our music today is led by St. Paul's Music Director, Eve Keane. Thank you Eve for your talents and your leadership!

Thank you to our worship assistant Sandy Bergey; ushers, Cindy and Alyssa Smith; live streaming team; communion set up team, Alice Hagar; sacristy team, Barbara Nace and Pat Walter; flower sponsors and all who help with worship.

We Remember in Prayer

Jason Adamczyk
Joyce Allebach
Anita Breyer
Shelby Chadwick
Nancy Esterly
Rev Dr. David Genszler
Dave and Gail Gerhard
Barbara Green
Jackie Hager
Janet Hill
Jerry Landis
Frances Lechner
Melissa Leinback
Jeff McMurtrie
Becky McNeilly
Dennis Renninger
Alan Richard
Kirk Robinson
Donna Rodenberger
Tom Sands
Diane Schantz
Serena Sellers
Margarita Serbia
Linda Shagg
John Sheeran
Arlene Vandenburgh
Ryan Weaver
The Family of Larry Weiss
Pastor Jessica Zurcher
Janet Zylinski

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE!

St. Pauls is hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive on Saturday, December 5!

Sign-up on your Red Cross donor app, or follow this QR Code to the Red Cross schedule for our blood drive!

A heartfelt thank you to Avah Virus for taking the lead in organizing this important event!

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We also need volunteers for this event!

Sign up on the bulletin board downstairs to help with the sign-in desk, the hospitality area for donors when they are finished, setup, and cleanup.

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING WORSHIP AND COMMUNITY MEAL

Sunday, November 22nd at 4pm

This year we are gathering at **St. John's Sumneytown (Green Lane)** to give thanks and worship together as a community.

Our **FREE Community Thanksgiving Dinner** will follow right after worship! Everyone is invited! Everyone is welcome!

And everyone is invited to bring their favorite dessert to share!

This event is hosted by the Reformation Sister Churches of Upper Perkiomen Valley – which includes St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Red Hill!

This event is bigger and bigger every year! And this year we are putting out quite a spread! So come and worship with us! Be thankful and share a table with your neighbors!

Join us for Christkindlemarkt!

At The Steel Stacks in Bethlehem!

One of the largest and most-attended Christmas markets in the nation Featuring dozens (and dozens) of artisan vendors, festive treats, family activities and seasonal charm, it's become a cornerstone of the Lehigh Valley's holiday season.

Saturday, November 21st from 11am to 5pm

St. Paul's Group Rate Tickets: $13 per person

711 E. 1st Street in Bethlehem, PA

For tickets, please call or text Avah Virus (484) 637-3895

