

TRINITY SUNDAY



Bausman Memorial United Church of Christ

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.



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May 31, 2026

9:30am Worship

WELCOME TO BAUSMAN!

1ST TIME GUESTS: Most everything you need is found in this bulletin. Plus, those around you are glad to help and an usher is always available at the main rear entrance. If there are ways we can better extend God's hospitality, leave us a note on the Welcome Card. Your insights are essential as we continue to grow into the community God is calling us to be. Thank you!

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: Congregational readings are in bold with an *All*, *People*, or *Unison* designation. Songs are in the bulletin or pew hymnal. Times for standing and sitting are listed, with it always being okay to remain seated.

“BUSY BAGS”: Coloring books and crayons are available in the north narthex (lobby) for use during worship. Please return all items following the service for others to use the following week. See an usher for assistance.

NURSERY CARE: Available during worship for children birth-kindergarten. The nursery is past the office, to the right. Today is the last Sunday for staffed nursery coverage until September 20th.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Is on summer break till September 20th.

RESTROOMS: Ladies and a unisex/accessible bathroom (with wall mounted baby changing table) are available through the doors at the front of the sanctuary. Follow the signs to the office. Bathrooms are on the left.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS: Contain printed scripture and music, in addition to being in a larger font. Ask an usher for a copy.

HEARING ASSISTANCE: Ask an usher at the rear entrance to the sanctuary who will provide you with a device directly tied into the sanctuary sound system. Please return the device to an usher at the conclusion of worship.

GET CONNECTED: Use the pew holder Welcome Card to register your attendance, share contact information, ask questions, and more. Once completed, place it in the offering plates during the offering time.

WIFI & DEVICES: Thank you for silencing all your devices during worship. Bausman's guest wifi is accessible with the passcode: “gladurhere!”

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WE GATHER TO BE GOD'S PEOPLE

Centering Thoughts: The Great Commission concluding Matthew's Gospel has often been read as "marching orders to the church" to convert the world to the way of Christ. All of this at the command, and by the authority, of Jesus. But in the larger context of Matthew's Gospel, such a reading doesn't make sense. Rather, it would appear Jesus is declaring the discontinuation of any limitation to the mercy and care of God. When you think of Jesus' authority, how do you view it? Is it an authority of conquest, liberation, or something else?

Opening Chimes

Welcome & Announcements

Sharing of Christ's Peace

(Rise in body or spirit to share Christ's peace using customary forms of greeting or by using a peace sign. Please be seated once the prelude begins.)

Prelude: "Thine is the Glory" -

From the oratorio JUDAS MACCABEUS - G. F. Handel
Bausman Bells

(The acolyte carries the light of Christ into our presence, calling us to worship)

(Please rise in body or spirit)

Call to Worship

Pastor: Out of love, God created the heavens and the earth
bringing all things to life.

**People: We are created in the image of God,
gifted as stewards of all God has created.**

Pastor: Through Jesus,
we have been shown what it means to live in faith of God's will.

**People: We are called to be a people of mercy and justice,
compassion and truth.**

Pastor: By the Spirit's presence we are filled with courage and wisdom,
to be God's church in service to the reign of God.

**People: We are strengthened in our worship, emboldened in our fellowship,
as we call upon the living God to draw near to us.**

**Pastor: God, let us glimpse your glory as you draw us near to the Christ,
who even now prays for us, filling our hearts and souls,
minds and bodies, with the presence of your eternal Spirit,
further grafting us into the body of your salvation.**

People: Amen!

Processional Hymn: “Holy, Holy, Holy” (p. #277)

WE CONFESS OUR NEED FOR HEALING & GRACE

Call to Confession

Corporate Confessional

**All: Holy are you Lord God, creator of heaven and earth,
and blessed is the name of your son, Jesus Christ,
who sends the Spirit to animate us in the way of your life.
For on our own, we defy your call, we abuse the earth,
we horde the mercies of Christ,
and tear at the oneness of your creation.
Yet, you, O God, have mercy upon us.
In Jesus, you rescue us from the death of our sin
and the brokenness of our humanity.
In the sending of the Spirit, you unite us into your body,
bringing reconciliation across the face of the earth.
Claim us anew this day, O God, to be the people of your hand,
who worship you in truth and serve you in love.
In Jesus’ name. Amen.**

Personal Silent Confession

(Personal prayers for God’s healing and redeeming peace)

Assurance of Grace

Pastor: ...Believe in the mercies of the Lord God, and you will be saved.

**People: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
one God now and forevermore. Amen!**

Confession Response (*Unison*)

And God will raise you up on ea - gle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the
sun, and hold you in the palm of God's hand.

(Please be seated)

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S LIVING WORD

Message for the Young & Young at Heart

(All youth are invited to come forward to the front steps.)

Prayer of Illumination

**All: Spirit of the living God,
you come bursting through doors and breaking down barriers
as you set God's truth free within this world.
We tremble to call upon you, for we have no control over you.
And yet we need you to open our eyes, to free our hearts,
and to break down our barriers as you bring us into God's truth.
As you did on the day of Pentecost,
pour out your Spirit upon us now, we pray. Amen.**

Psalm Reading: Psalm 8 (p. #492)

O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory above the heavens. Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes, to silence the enemy and the avenger.

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; what are humans that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?

Yet you have made them a little lower than God and crowned them with glory and honor. You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet, all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

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Gospel Lesson: Matthew 28:16-20 (p. #34)

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: “Exclude No One”

Chancel Choir Anthem: “Thy Word” -
Michael W. Smith & Amy Grant, arr. by Jack Schrader

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Choir Recognition

Bausman Bells:

Susan Showalter

Susan Wentzel

Maureen Longenecker

Mary Moll

Sandy Mengle

Christopher Warner

Robert Showalter

Chancel Choir:

Jane Bitner
Lori Moser
Susan Derr
Peggy Brown
Nancy Helbig

Bonnie Shiner
Cheryl Auman
Susan Showalter
Susan Wentzel
Sandy Mengle

Maureen Longenecker
Michele Wolfskill
Robert Showalter
John Hibschan
Jacob Brown

Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

*(Electronic & physical giving options are available through the pew envelope.
Register your attendance with a Welcome Card or using Realm's mobile check-in.)*

Offertory: "Pastorale" - Raymond H. Haan

(Please rise in body or spirit)

Offering Response (Unison)

The musical score is written for unison in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, you heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost." The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a steady rhythm. The first system covers the first two lines of lyrics, and the second system covers the last two lines. The piece ends with a double bar line.

Prayer of Dedication

**All: Gracious God, you are the one who has given every good gift.
We give because of you and the goodness of the vision
you have set upon this earth.
Bless the gifts we now offer for the furtherance of your will,
for the care of this world,
and the deepening of our walk with our Savior,
who even now pours out the Spirit upon us. Amen.**

WE GO WITH GOD'S CALLING

Recessional Hymn: "Creator God, Creating Still" (p. #278)

(The acolyte carries the light of Christ into the world, as the choir leads us in the way.)

Commissioning & Benediction

Chimes

Postlude: "Then Shall the Righteous Shine Forth" - Felix Mendelssohn

(As the postlude concludes, go in peace to love and serve at the calling of God.)

THIS WEEK AT BAUSMAN

Sunday, May 31 – Trinity Sunday

- 8:30 AM Chancel Choir
- 9:30AM Worship, Nursery (*last day with staffed nursery*)

Monday, June 1

- 8:15 AM 815 Morning Meeting – Fellowship Hall
- 9:00 AM Exercise Group – Upper Level
- 11:00 AM Turning Point Group, AA – Fellowship Hall
- 7:30 PM Recovering Couples Group – Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, June 2

- 8:15 AM 815 Morning Meeting – Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, June 3

- 8:15 AM 815 Morning Meeting – Fellowship Hall
- 9:00 AM Exercise Group – Upper Level
- 11:30 AM Turning Point Group, AA – Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 PM Property Meeting - Library

Thursday, June 4

- 8:15 AM 815 Morning Meeting – Fellowship Hall
- 10:30 AM Women's Recovery Group, Fellowship Hall

Friday, June 5

- 8:15 AM 815 Morning Meeting – Fellowship Hall
- 11:30 AM Turning Point Group, AA – Fellowship Hall

Sunday, June 7

- 8:30 AM Chancel Choir
- 9:30AM Worship, First Sunday Fellowship
- 1:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 1693 – Room 22
- 4:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 192 – Fellowship Hall
- 6:45 PM Scout Troop 413 – Fellowship Hall

PRAYERS & CARES

Congregational Cards of Care

God invites us to share life-giving love through our faith. One way to do this is to weekly join in our “Cards of Care” ministry. This week we are uplifting Lizzie Luyben, who now lives far from Bausman. Stop by the table in the front left corner of the sanctuary to add your name and care to this week’s card. Thank you!

Prayer Requests

Thank you for joining in the joy and care of others by including the following prayers in your prayer times. Submit your prayer requests by using a Prayer Card, contacting the church office, or the prayer chain coordinator (Mary Moll). Prayer requests are maintained for up to four weeks and can be resubmitted an unlimited number of times. When possible, please check with the person before submitting their name.

Praise & Celebrations: St. Peter's UCC, Topton & Pastor Crystal Angstadt

Healing & Strengthening: Eileen G.; Michael W.; Colin Devlin; Jeanne George

Care & Support: Randy Ulmer; Commander Alison (Derr) Maruca & Family; VBS Planning; Carolyn Fisher; Peaceful resolution to conflicts in the Middle East

Comfort In Time of Loss: The Family of Rev. Millard Fisher; The Family of Kyle Busch

Birthdays Celebrated this Week

5/31 John Nickey
Finley Rutherford
Dale G. Derr
6/5 Sue Wentzel

Anniversaries Celebrated this Week

6/4 Jake & Nicki Wentzel
6/7 Mrs. Sally Donato

Worship Information

Sponsorships

Bulletins: To the glory of God by Nancy Helbig

Today's Worship Leaders

Ministers: All Members

Head Usher: Gary Rhoads

Ushers: Sue Rhoads, Kathy Errich, Jim Payne, Cindra Payne

Acolyte: TBD

Reader: Gary Rhoads

Welcome: Lori Moser

Minister of Music: Sharon Luyben

Preacher: Rev. Joseph Motz

Nursery: Amalia Cannon

Livestream: Kyla Andre

Sound: Gary Rhoads

Altar Guild: Michele Wolfskill

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Last Week's Worship

Worship Attendance: In Person: 73 Online: 9

Offerings Received for God's Ministry:

General Fund: In person \$2389.00 Online: \$1618.82

**“LOOK AND SEE”
WHAT IS HAPPENING AT BAUSMAN!
MAY 31, 2026**

(Visit bausmanucc.org and sign up for the weekly e-blasts as well)

U.S. Military Veterans Recognition of Friends & Loved Ones – We would like to recognize two Veterans who were missed in last Sunday’s recognition:

SrA James A. Brennan Jr, United States Air Force

Staff Sergeant Robert F. Bitting, United States Air Force

Please sign the Congregational Care Card on Sunday’s - Each week a congregational care card is set out on the side table in the sanctuary to be signed. This card is a reminder to a home congregant; a person who now lives far from Bausman; or someone who is in need of healing, that they are not alone and that the congregation of Bausman holds them in prayer. Please consider stopping at the table before or after worship to sign the card and offer a greeting. The recipient of the card is listed under the ‘Prayers & Cares’ section of the bulletin, each week.



Strengthen The Church Offering – Today is the last day for collecting donations for the UCC offering Strengthen the Church. Your support of this offering will help the UCC fulfill its commitment to creating a just world for all by investing in new ministries and practices that meet the emerging needs of local communities.



2026 VBS - Rome: Paul and the Underground Church - Our free, five-day Vacation Bible School (VBS) program is a fantastic opportunity for children throughout the community to come together and have a fun, faith-filled experience. Children aged three to twelve years old, who are potty trained, are welcome to register. The VBS program offers a variety of engaging activities, including kid-friendly dinners (starting at 5:20), music, interactive skits, games, crafts, and faith exploration that is grounded in God’s love. It’s a great way for children to grow in their faith, build relationships, and have fun! Even if your child can’t attend every night, no problem. You are welcome to register just for the nights when your child can attend. Please register by June 28th so we can prepare for you!

VBS: Most Volunteer Roles Filled – Thank you for the great response from our 21+ volunteers who will help share God’s love through this year’s VBS program. If you would still like to help, there is a place for you! Simply talk to Pastor Joe by June 7th to get involved. VBS will be held July 12-16, 5:20-8:00pm. (Note: PA criminal history and PA child abuse clearances less than 5 years old are required for all volunteers except the decorating team. Clearances are free for volunteers and easily completed online).

Looking for Summer Musicians - Bausman is asking our members – children and adults – to play for Sunday Worship during the months of June, July and August. Instrumentalists, pianists and singers of all abilities are invited to play for the Special Music segment of our church service during the summer months. Please contact our Minister of Music, Sharon Luyben (610-334-6479) to choose a date to share your talent.

Summer Nursery – *Today is the last day for staffed nursery.* Beginning next Sunday, parents and guardians are welcome to use the nursery so long as they provide supervision for their children while they are in the nursery. The worship service audio is directly broadcast into the nursery so parents can continue to be connected to the worship service.

Seeking Nursery Attendants - *This is a Paid Position* - We are so thankful for the service provided this past year by Amalia Cannon and Ella Anders as our paid nursery attendants. With both of them graduating this spring, they will not be returning this fall to serve in this role. Therefore, we are seeking new nursery attendants to support our nursery ministry starting this fall. If you are interested or know someone who might be, please contact Mary Rebecca Keller to learn more.



The Keystone Connection

A Message to the Conference

May 26, 2026

Members and Friends of Keystone Conference,

And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." 20Immediately they left their nets and followed him. Matthew 4:19-20

My spouse and I live in Pottstown, and to our left is an older person, or at least older than us, probably in her late seventies, and to our right is a house full of young people, none of whom has probably reached 30 yet. I am 56, and my spouse is 60. When a snowstorm back in February had finished doing its damage, I was shoveling our sidewalk and our older neighbors' sidewalk, when our young neighbors saw me and told me to go inside, that they had this shoveling stuff covered. They were so kind, but when I walked back inside, it suddenly struck me that they thought I had gotten to an age where I shouldn't be shoveling snow. I mean, they saw me as old, or at least, as an older man, in danger of hurting himself doing this work of moving snow. And they weren't wrong – I am not the young man I used to be six to eight weeks ago (!) – and I've officiated at the funerals of two older men who died while shoveling snow. Leaving these young people to do some of the work I could do easily only a few years ago, well, that was a difficult yes. Time marches on, as they say, and it has marched all over my 56-year-old body, widened as it has been with too much food and too little exercise. I could have said no, I could have been stubborn – I've shoveled snow in the past, and I could do it now, even if sometimes I can't catch my breath, and I feel a kind of tired afterward that I rarely feel doing anything else.

Fear of new things, new ways of doing things, or of accepting that the past is truly no longer the present seems to drive many of us to say no. I don't know how old the disciples were when they said yes to Jesus – we make some assumptions about them that may not be true, about how old they were – but it's important to say yes when the time and moment call for it, when God asks something of us in our own ministries – and yes, you are all ministers in some way. Maybe you need to say no to what you once did in your church, in other places, in your life, but there will always be a need for a yes, something asked of us that surely comes from God, and we ought not to hesitate with our answer, since "immediately" seems to be the going word in our story today. Your ministry as a person and your ministry within your church will not end until you end, at least until you end your journey on this side of eternity. How do I know, how do we know that it's Jesus asking us, commanding us – what's the best and perhaps only way to discern the will of the Spirit? If the yes leads to more love of God and of each other, surely that voice asking us to do it immediately is God's voice, is Jesus' command to us. Throw down your old nets and pick up different ones, handed to us by Jesus, ones meant to scoop others up in a web of love, goodness, and justice – and do so immediately.

Kevin

Rev. Kevin McLemore

Regional Conference Minister, Region I

Keystone Conference UCC

Attention Youth Campers and Families,

Please read the following information carefully, as the Conference policy for supplementing youth summer camping has changed.

For the 2026 summer season, the Keystone Conference will campership or reimburse 30% of the cost for one youth to attend one summer camping experience. If a youth attends more than one camp during the summer, only one camp will be eligible for the 30% reimbursement. Please use the application for additional camps if this creates a hardship.

Learn more and download the application under the campership section of keystoneucc.org/mission-grants-committee/

**Living Waters Camp & Conference Center
Schellsburg, PA**

Trustin' Jesus! Summer Camps

Fishing Camp - June 28 to July 2, for grades 6 to 12

Primary (grades K - 3) - July 5 to 11

Elementary Camp (grades 4 - 6) - July 5 to 11

Junior-Senior High Camp - July 12 - 18

Grandparent / Grandchild Camp is July 12 to 15

Learn more at livingwaterscamp.org

HC Spirit Camp is hosted at Hartman Center Campground, Milroy, PA . The theme for HC Spirit 2026 is "In the Wilderness." Camp runs from July 26 - August 1, 2026. Registration is now open—check hcspiritcamp.org for more info and registration.

Urban Service Camps

Throughout the year, Old First UCC (Philadelphia) welcomes volunteer service groups from colleges and churches for a few days up to a week. Service campers volunteer around Philadelphia, while learning about the challenges facing those living in the city and the joys and rewards (and challenges) of hands-on work in agencies that are making a difference in Philly. The work of service campers is critical to our partner sites, as one-in-four Philadelphians are food insecure and the city's poverty rate is more than 20% – almost double the national average.

The urban service camp experience also includes time for participants to reflect on the spiritual, social and political implications of their experiences. Members of Old First work with group leaders to help groups unpack the structural realities that create and perpetuate homelessness, combining hands-on experience with learning and spiritual growth. And there is usually time for some good, old-fashioned fun, too – such as sight-seeing in the historic district!

We welcome Service Camps for just one day, or up to a week. And if schedules allow, Old First encourages service camps to volunteer with our Saturday Breakfast and/or worship with us on Sunday morning.

Learn more here: <https://oldfirstucc.org/serve/volunteer/> and click "Urban Service Camps"



Rev. 4:8-11; Isa. 6:1-8

Reginald Heber, 1826; alt.

Descant

4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, God the Al - might - y!
 2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Saints a - dore you tru - ly,
 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though we know but dim - ly,
 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, God the Al - might - y!

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing we praise your maj - es - ty.
 Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 Though the eyes of hum - an - kind your glo - ry may not see,
 All your works shall praise your name in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!

Ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!
 Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim bow be - fore you on - ly,
 You a - lone are ho - ly, you a - lone are wor - thy,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 From the be - gin - ning, God e - ter - nal - ly.
 Per - fect in power, in love and pur - i - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

This hymn by Reginald Heber was published in a book of hymns for Banbury Parish Church in England. Nicaea, one of nearly 300 tunes by John B. Dykes, was named for the famous council that defined the doctrine of the Trinity.

Tune: NICAEA 11.12.12.10.
 John B. Dykes, 1861
 Descant David McK. Williams, 1948

Creator God, Creating Still

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Jane Parker Huber, 1977; rev. 1993

Rom. 5:1-5

1 Cre - a - tor God, cre - at - ing still, by will and word and deed,
 2 Re - deem - er God, re - deem - ing still, with o - ver - flow - ing grace,
 3 Sus - tain - er God, sus - tain - ing still, with strength for ev - ery day,
 4 Great Tri - une God, for this new day we need your pres - ence still.

Cre - ate a new hu - man - i - ty to meet the pres - ent need.
 Pour out your love on us, through us, make this a ho - ly place.
 Em - power us now to do your will. Cor - rect us when we stray.
 Cre - ate, re - deem, sus - tain us now to do your work and will.

Jane Parker Huber's second hymn was written during a time of particular focus on language. By describing the Triune God in terms of function rather than in terms of persons, she hoped to avoid a tendency to think we know God by knowing formulas.

Tune: ST. ANNE C.M.
 William Croft, 1708