



September & October 2015

# Boehm's United Church of Christ *Beams from Boehm's*

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

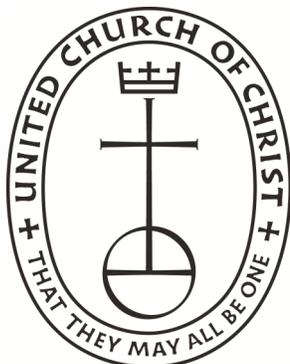
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## World Communion Sunday



**Sunday, October 5th**



## Rally Day is Coming

**September 13th!**

You are invited to join your church family at Boehm's to celebrate the fall season! Come and worship on **Sunday, September 13th at 10:00 a.m.** and have lunch afterward. Help us to kick off the new school year!

There will be a picnic lunch after worship. Hoagies will be provided as the main dish. Please sign up on the bulletin board to bring a side dish or dessert. If you are unable to get to church to sign up, please call or email Judy Keller to let her know what you would like to bring.

Rally Day Sunday will be the last of the summer worship services in the fellowship hall. Beginning on Sunday, September 20th, worship returns to the sanctuary!

## October Celebrations of the 275th Anniversary of Boehm's Church!



The next 275th Anniversary event will be the tours of the cemetery on **Saturday, October 24th**. The History committee is planning a day to open the cemetery to visitors who might like to explore the property and learn more about the cemetery and its inhabitants. There will be guides armed with maps and the books detailing the names buried

there. Please offer your help to Fran Slingluff if you are able to assist that day.



**Thank You!**



## *From the Desk of the Pastor ...*

Dear Family and Friends of Boehm's Church,

As I sat down to write this letter in my home office, I looked out the window and saw the school bus picking up the children in the neighborhood. Today is the first day of school!

Remember those days when you were a child? Do you remember how you felt? Sure. There was a part of you lamenting the end of summer break. But, didn't you also feel excited? Maybe a little anxious? Maybe that bus was the promise of a new adventure...new friends...new teachers...a new world being opened up to you as the promise of learning beckoned. Ah, yes! The excitement of new beginnings. Remember that feeling?

After a long, and somewhat quieter summer, it's the promise of new beginnings here at Boehm's Church as well. Sunday School is starting up soon. Committees and ministry teams are re-convening after a summer hiatus. The choir is practicing for it's debut performance. Concerts are being planned. Special worship services and activities are in the mix! New beginnings.

Wouldn't it be wonderful, if we could feel the childlike excitement of new beginnings once again?

So...why don't we? Let's feel that excitement again about our church! Let's be like those children stepping up onto the bus that is taking them away to a new adventure! Yay! New beginnings!!

Peace,

*Pastor Bill*

*"Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." - Mark 10:15*

## Seasons of the Spirit: "SeasonsENCORE"

The Christian Education Team is pleased to share with you that the Sunday School program is adopting the "SeasonsENCORE" curriculum. It will be introduced to the children on **Sunday, September 20th**, when Sunday School starts up again.

SeasonsENCORE has many advantages for Boehm's Church. In addition to being highly recommended by the United Church of Christ for it's ability to bring faith to life through learning and encouragement of service to others, it also brings many practical benefits. Most importantly, it integrates the worship in the sanctuary with the classroom experience in Sunday School by following the lectionary. Just as the worship is already themed to the lectionary scriptures (including the "Time with the Children" message), the classroom lessons will now also be based on those same scriptures—thereby creating a cohesive experience for the children.

The curriculum also has a version, which Boehm's acquired, that is designed for a small, multiage classroom. Therefore, it will engage both older and younger children in the same setting—which is perfect for a small church like Boehm's. Another major benefit is the entire curriculum is available online for the teachers to access and download from their homes when it's convenient for them—no more photocopying and added trips to the church office! Finally, there is also a companion resource that provides worship ideas, liturgical materials and educational information that Pastor Bill is looking forward to putting to good use both in worship and elsewhere.



If you'd like to learn more about the curriculum, or see a sample lesson, please check out the "Seasons of the Spirit" website at [www.seasonsonline.ca](http://www.seasonsonline.ca).

## Benefit Concerts

Each year Boehm's Church is fortunate to host a series of concerts by Marie Hagner's High Note Vocals Voice Studio. Each concert benefits a local, national or world charity organization through a free-will offering taken during the event.

The **September 27th** concert will benefit the Manna on Main Street organization in Lansdale. Manna on Main Street is committed to ending hunger in the North Penn region by providing food, fulfilling social service and education needs, and conducting community outreach. Through a food pantry and soup kitchen, emergency financial aid, counseling and referrals, and education opportunities, Manna on Main street serves those in need with the hope "that everyone might be fed."

The **October 25th** concert will benefit the Alzheimer's Association.

Please come and join us at **4 pm** on the last Sunday of each month for a delightful concert!



**Benefit Concert**  
 For: *Manna On Main St., Lansdale, Pa.*  
 At: *Boehm's United Church of Christ*  
 571 Penllyn Blue Bell Pike  
 Blue Bell, Pa. 19422  
 Date: *Sunday, September 27, 2015 at 4pm*

**Featuring:**  
*Liberty Ayres, Cara Baush, Jay Bontempo, Pat Capone, Alexandra Corbin, Anastasia Corbin, Jacky Landers, Carol Luehrs, Connie Minnig, Olivia Mosley, Peter Paznokas, Sheri Paznokas, Amanda Weikel*

**Sponsored By:** *High Note Vocals Voice Studio*  
[www.highnotevocals.com](http://www.highnotevocals.com)

*A free will offering will be taken to benefit Manna. Church parking is in front and across the street. Reception immediately following performance. For more information, call 215 362-8685.*

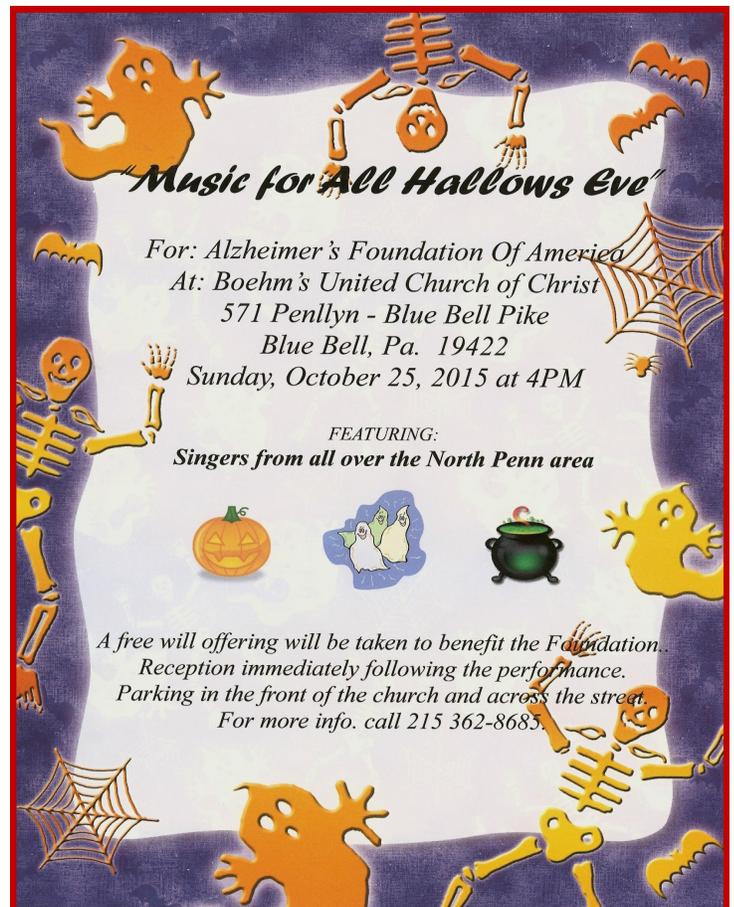
## The Liberty Belles Are Coming!



The Liberty Belles Barbershop Chorus, an all-female cappella group that sings in the barbershop style is coming to Boehm's Church!

When? **November 15 at 4 pm**—save the date!

Their website is:  
[www.thelibertybelleschorus.com](http://www.thelibertybelleschorus.com).  
 Check them out!



**"Music for All Hallows Eve"**

For: *Alzheimer's Foundation Of America*  
 At: *Boehm's United Church of Christ*  
 571 Penllyn - Blue Bell Pike  
 Blue Bell, Pa. 19422  
 Sunday, October 25, 2015 at 4PM

**FEATURING:**  
*Singers from all over the North Penn area*

*A free will offering will be taken to benefit the Foundation. Reception immediately following the performance. Parking in the front of the church and across the street. For more info. call 215 362-8685.*

# Helping the Community

Meadowlands Country Club, our neighbor in the back, has contacted us to partner with them once again for 3 collection events this fall. In October they have asked their members to bring in winter coats for the needy. In November they will collect canned goods, and in December toys for children. Volunteers from Boehm's are needed to help deliver the donations to the appropriate charitable group. Let Judy Keller or the office know if you would like to help deliver coats around October 20th.



## Heartland Hospice Needs Office Volunteers.

### Please spread the word!

Heartland is expanding their team of amazing volunteers and need folks in the Blue Bell area to work in the administrative office. Anyone with questions or curiosity about volunteering should call their volunteer Coordinator, Lisa Tischler at 610-941-6700.



Heartland  Hospice Care

## Family Day

At

## Valley Forge

## National Park

**Friday, September 25th**

**2:00 p.m - 5:00 p.m.**



SEPTEMBER 25, 2015

In celebration of Pope Francis' visit to Philadelphia, and in celebration of "Family Day," Valley Forge National Historical Park is hosting an afternoon of activities geared toward children and their parents on Friday, September 25th from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. There will be living history demonstrations, ranger-led programs and interactive learning on tap! There will also be a special "Secrets and Spies" program, an interactive adventure for children where they can help save George Washington! There will be hotdogs and hamburgers provided by the encampment store, but families are encouraged to bring picnic lunches to enjoy on the scenic park grounds.

In honor of Pope Francis' visit, and his overall message of compassion and generosity, the VFNP, in collaboration with the Wissahickon Faith Community Association (of which Boehm's Church is a member), is conducting a food drive to benefit the Montgomery County Anti-Hunger League as part of the Family Day celebrations. Items brought to Boehm's Church by September 21st will be added to the drive. Go to [www.valleyforge.org](http://www.valleyforge.org) for more details.

# Hey! Do You Hear That?

Yes, That's the sound of the choir starting to practice at Boehm's! Bonita Grady is directing the choir this year which will occasionally be singing to enrich the worship services! Rehearsals will usually take place on the Saturday before the Sunday designated to sing. The next scheduled rehearsal is **Saturday, September 12th, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.** There will also be a rehearsal on Sunday September 20th after the worship service. All are welcome! It is wonderful worship to raise your voices in song! Please see Bonita or Catharine if you would like to be in the choir.



## Mark Your Calendars!

The 4th Annual  
**"Blessing of the Animals"**  
 worship service will be on  
**Sunday, October 11th**  
**at 10:00 a.m.**  
 at Boehm's Church.  
 Can we go? Can we? Can we?  
**PLEEEAAASE!!!!**

Human!  
 Take me!  
 I command it!



Do you enjoy the fellowship time after the worship service each week? Time to talk is sweet and so are the snacks provided for that time! We need your help to provide those snacks...the schedule on the bulletin board is often empty. Please consider signing up especially on birthday Sundays—the first of the month. Your fellow members will really appreciate you!

*Fellowship hour*

**Birthdays!**



- September**
- 4 Gary Rau
  - 6 Joe Rosiek
  - 10 Cooper John Rowe
  - 28 Anne Calvert
  - 29 Carol Ruth Pfister



- October**
- 4 Whis Grant
  - 8 Ruth Gardner
  - 16 Cindy Cooper
  - 24 Mabel Whittock
  - Georgia Wisen
  - 27 Cynthia Rowe



Have you heard the one about...

- Q: What did 0 say to 8?  
A: Nice belt!
- Q: Why couldn't the pony sing himself a lullaby?  
A: He was a little hoarse.
- Q: Where do pencils go for vacation?  
A: Pencil-vania.

Knock, Knock.  
Who's there?  
Little old lady.  
Little old lady who?  
Wow! I didn't know you could yodel!



On Sunday, November 1st!  
Wear them on  
All Saints Sunday!

# PUZZLE

## meeting needs

The Bible emphasizes the importance of giving to people in need. In Matthew 6:1-4, Jesus describes the proper attitude for giving.

*Directions: Starting at the "B" and going counterclockwise, write every other letter on the lines below. Continue until you've completed Matthew 6:3, NIV.*

"B \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ g."

MATTHEW 6:3, NIV

Answer: "But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing," Matthew 6:3, NIV



## September 2015

Date	Lay Reader	Ushers	Fellowship Hour Sponsors	Acolyte	Sunday School Teachers
<b>Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost</b> September 6, 2015	Mike Rowles	Mike Rowles & Al Slingluff		Tori Middleton	Sunday School resumes on September 20
<b>Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost</b> September 13, 2015	Judy Keller	Joe Rosiek & Gary Williams	Rally Day picnic!	Shane Rowles	
<b>Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost</b> September 20, 2015	Pat Delp	Marie Hagner & Judy Keller		Bella Rowles	TBD
<b>Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost</b> September 27, 2015	Al Slingluff	Diana & Gary Rau		Angela McKinney	TBD

## October 2015

Date	Lay Reader	Ushers	Fellowship Hour Sponsors	Acolyte	Sunday School
<b>Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost</b> October 4, 2015	Lorraine Nowlan	Meredith MacVittie & Will Oliver		Tori Middleton	TBD
<b>Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost</b> October 11, 2015	Diana Rau	Mike Rowles & Al Slingluff		Shane Rowles	TBD
<b>Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost</b> October 18, 2015	Fran Slingluff	Diana & Gary Rau		Bella Rowles	TBD
<b>Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost</b> October 25, 2015	Lorraine Nowlan	Judy Keller & Marie Hagner		Angela McKinney	TBD

## Boehm's Calendar for September and October

### Sunday, September 6

- ◆ Worship @ 10 am

### Wednesday, September 9

- ◆ History meeting @ 11 am
- ◆ Consistory meeting @ 7 pm

### Sunday, September 13

- ◆ Worship @ 10 am
- ◆ Rally day lunch!

### Sunday, September 20

- ◆ Worship @ 10 am in the Sanctuary
- ◆ COG meeting @ 11:15 am

### Sunday, September 27

- ◆ Worship @ 10 am
- ◆ Congregation meeting
- ◆ Benefit concert @ 4 pm

### Sunday, September 29

- ◆ Brownies @ 6:30 pm

### Sunday, October 4

- ◆ World Communion  
Worship @ 10 am

### Saturday, October 10

- ◆ Wedding @ 5 pm

### Sunday, October 11

- ◆ Blessing of the Animals  
Worship @ 10 a.m.

### Sunday, October 18

- ◆ Worship @ 10 am

### Saturday, October 24

- ◆ Cemetery tours @ 10 am

### Sunday, October 25

- ◆ Worship @ 10 am
- ◆ Benefit concert @ pm



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We're on the web: [www.boehmschurch.com](http://www.boehmschurch.com)

Visit us on Facebook!

### Other Meetings at Boehm's:

Alcoholics Anonymous  
Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m.

Brownie Girl Scouts  
Alternate Mondays, 6:30 pm

Phila Grace and Truth Church  
Worship: Sundays, 12:30 pm  
Bible Study: Fridays , 7:30 pm

Society of Christian Scientists  
Worship: Sundays, 11:00 a.m.  
Readings: Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m.