

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER UPCOMING SERVICES & MEETINGS

Bible Study – Wednesday Mornings – 10:00 to 11:30 AM

Craft Night – Wednesday Evenings – 7:00 PM

Sunday Morning Worship Service – Every Sunday Morning – 9:00 AM

World Communion Sunday – October 4 – 9:00 AM\

Community Health Fair – 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM – Kempton Comm. Center

Vince's Cheese Steak Sale – October 13 – 11:30 AM to 6:30 PM –

Kempton Fire Company (take out only)

Board Meeting – October 13 – 7:00 PM

Trunk or Treat – Kempton Community Center

Chili Cook-Off – October 24 – 3:00 to 7:00 PM – Iron Talon Farm

Board Meeting – November 10 – 7:00 PM

IN MEMORIAM:

Roma Loch – September 18, 2026

Thoughts and prayers go out to Shirley Wessner and the rest of Roma's family and friends,

WORSHIP SERIES: Sunday, September 20 we will be starting a worship series entitled "What We Believe." This series will run through the month of October ending on Reformation Sunday, October 25. This month highlighting the Mission Statements of the ELCA and UCC traditions and New Bethel Church's Mission Statement.

2026 FLOWER CHART: The 2026 Flower Chart is now hanging down on the bulletin board with many dates available for you to place flowers on the altar. Pick your dates today!

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS: We are always looking for people to serve as worship assistants. So if you are looking for a way to offer your time the Worship Committee is looking for more worship assistants – especially as greeters, and lectors. Ushers and communion assistants are also needed. The time involved is minimal and time is something that anyone can donate! If you are interested, contact Ruthann.

CRAFT NIGHT: Join the crafters Wednesday evenings as we gather to craft and enjoy fellowship time in the comfort of the Sunday School area. Craft Nights are held 2 hours, from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. It doesn't matter what the craft is, come and enjoy! Even if you do not have a craft that you are working on you are invited to join us for the fellowship.

WEIS GIFT CARDS: For a number of years, we have been offering Weis Gift Cards to raise money for our local mission Community Outreach and we have been averaging about \$500 a year. So if you are looking for

a gift card for a gift? Since everyone has to shop for food, why not purchase a gift card for Weis here at New Bethel. Our Weis program benefits New Bethel's Community Outreach, so every card sold is a gift twice over! Please see Vicki or Shirley Wessner after church or contact Vicki at 484-357-6371 or wessner@verizon.net to purchase a card. The cards may be used in the Kutztown, Hamburg or Fogelsville Weis stores. Thank you to anyone who has purchased these gift cards over the years.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS: If you are a Thrivent member and receive Thrivent Choice Dollars did you know you could designate them to New Bethel Church? It's easy to do but if you need the information on how to designate them there is a flyer down at the bulletin board or talk to your Thrivent representative.

TITHE.LY: If you would like to contribute or make your weekly offering to New Bethel and can't make it to church try TITHE.LY! By donating this way you are able to make a one-time donation or set up recurring donations. Tithe.ly deposits the funds directly to the Church's bank account at the same time tracking your donations on a yearly basis. Their website is <https://tithe.ly/give?c=1308566>

NEW BETHEL ENDOWMENT FUND: As you plan your financial legacy please consider New Bethel Church in your plan. Our endowment fund will accept monetary gifts including stock that would be deposited into our brokerage account. Having a strong endowment fund will help to keep New Bethel going strong for future generations.

ENDOWMENT FUND UPDATE: Endowment Fund Update: As of July 31 our Church Endowment Fund is valued at \$146,259.00. Thanks to your generosity and substantial gains in the financial market, the fund continues to grow and benefit our church. The committee that oversees the fund will recommend appropriate disbursements to the church board beginning October 2027. By that time, the fund will have established a three-year return and any disbursements that fulfill the fund's mission can be calculated. Guidelines set forth in establishing the fund nearly two years ago will be followed. Thank you again for your continued support.

ON-LINE SERVICE INFORMATION: Can't get to church on Sunday morning? If you would like to view the service just go to nbchurchkempton.org and click on the Youtube link on our home page. There you will find videos of our recent services that are available for viewing.

PASTORAL CARE: When you are in need of pastoral care, please have a family member contact Pastor Peiffer at 570.778.1245 or call the church at 610.756.6589. If you are in the Lehigh Valley Hospital, please note they will be phasing out the church code option.

2026 NEW BETHEL CHURCH BOARD

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