This Week in the Life of the Church

Sunday 8/31

10am Outside Worship at Elrama VFC 6pm Contemporary Worship 7pm Couples Small Group

Wednesday 9/3

10am Women at the Well at FUMC7pm Joyful Givers7:30pm Contemporary Worship at SHCC

Thursday 9/4

7pm Men's Band Meeting

Upcoming Events

Sept. 21- Church Lunch at Jumonville Sept. 22- Trustees 6pm Ad Board 7pm Nov. 21-22 Awaken Conference

Jumonville Picnic: We will be having a picnic and worship at Jumonville on Sept. 21 at 12 for lunch, worship at the cross to follow. Please bring a chair. Cost \$17.50 per adult, kids free.

<u>Volunteers Needed</u> - The area churches are looking for volunteers to work with middle school students for one hour during the school day on one day a week. The hour and the day have not yet been set. The students will meet at the Valley Inn Social Hall. If you are interested in being part of this ministry see Pastor Jude.

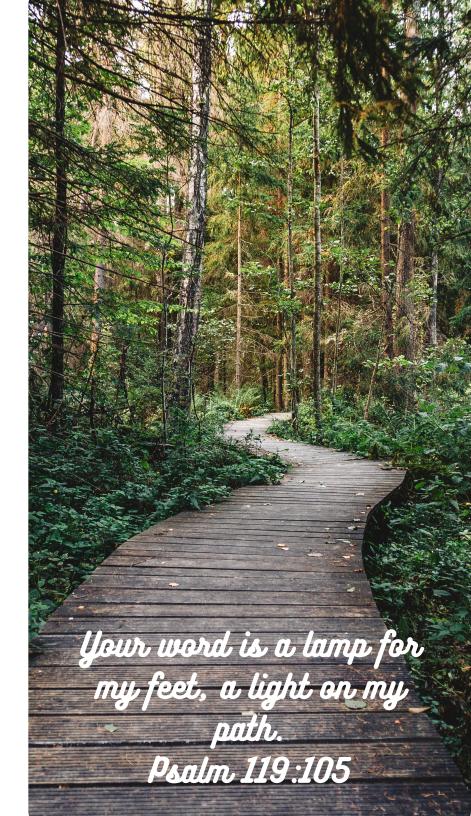
Be sure to visit us online at www.ElramaCommunityChurch.com where you can learn more about our Church, like our Facebook page and participate in online giving,

BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS

- 1. Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.
- 2. Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers; our fears, our hopes, our fears, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.
- 3. We share each other's woes our mutual burdens bear; and often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.
- 4. When we asunder part, it gives us inward pain; but we shall still be joined in heart and hope to meet again.
- 5. The glorious hoe revives our courage by the way; while each in expectation lives and longs to see the day.
- 6. From sorrow, toil and pain and sin we shall be free; and perfect love and friendship reign through all eternity.

MATTHEW 11:7-15

7 As John's disciples were leaving, Jesus began to speak to the crowd about John: "What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed swayed by the wind? 8 If not, what did you go out to see? A man dressed in fine clothes? No, those who wear fine clothes are in kings' palaces. 9 Then what did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. 10 This is the one about whom it is written: "I will send my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.' 11 Truly I tell you, among those born of women there has not risen anyone greater than John the Baptist; yet whoever is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he. 12 From the days of John the Baptist until now, the kingdom of heaven has been subjected to violence, and violent people have been raiding it. 13 For all the Prophets and the Law prophesied until John. 14 And if you are willing to accept it, he is the Elijah who was to come. 15 Whoever has ears, let them hear.



August 31, 2025 Elrama Community Church 10 am Service

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Hymn "O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing" 001

Call to Worship

Leader: Sing aloud to God our strength;

People: Shout for joy to the God of Jacob.

Leader: The Lord has freed us from bondage,

People: And has satisfied our every need.

Opening Prayer Children's Message

The Proclamation

Scripture Matthew 11:7-15

Message "The Importance of Hearing"

Rev. Jude Urso

The Response of the People

*Hymn "For the Beauty of the Earth" 082 Receiving Joys, Concerns & Testimonies

Congregational Prayer

Receiving Tithe and Offerings

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

*The Lord's Prayer

Sending Forth

*Benediction

*Hymn "Blest Be the Ties That Bind" 405

*Postlude

*If you are able, please stand

O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING

- O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!
- 2. My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.
- 3.Jesus! the name that charms our fear, that bid our sorrows cease; 'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.
- 4. He breaks the power of canceled sin, he set the prisoner free; his blood can make the foulest clean; his blood availed for me.
- 5. He speaks, and listening to his voice, new life the dead receive; the mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.
- 6. Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loosened tongues employ; ye blind, behold your savior come and lead, ye lame for joy.

FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH

- 1. For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies;
- 2. For the beauty of each hour of the and and of the night, hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light;
- 3. For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight for the mystic harmony liking sense to sound and sight;
- 4. For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth and friends above for all gentle thoughts and mild;
- 5. For thy church, that evermore lifteth holy hands above offering up on every shore her pure sacrifice of love;
- 6. For thyself, best Gift Divine, to the world so freely given for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth, and joy in heaven;

Chorus

Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.



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Prayer Requests: Colleen Wazny, Shad Richardson, Krystal Roberts, Toni Archbold, Bob and Sue Oslenger, Neal & Vicki Drown, Dorothy Shaffer, Sally Fellabaum, Ray Welsh Lynda Nester, Ament Family, Hildebrand Family.

Homebound: Ray Welsh, Al Henze, Bob Sabo, Jamie Powell,Pat and Bob Laverick