Hi Bethel Family and Friends!!

The clock is rapidly ticking down to the Bethel United Methodist Women sponsored Cookie Walk and Bazaar, first since November 2019. This year -Saturday, *November 12–8 a.m.to 1 p.m.* While the UMW is the sponsor/organizer this is truly an all-out church event and we need your help to insure a successful sale. Prior to the pandemic we had hosted this event for over 28 years. Our customers come from far and wide so we want to offer the very best they can buy!

If you do handcrafts or needle work we hope you will consider donating items for our Bazaar. A lot of Christmas shopping takes place so gift items as well as seasonal items are always popular – knitted, crocheted, quilted, woodworked, paintings – whatever is your specialty! In addition to our famous Cookie Walk we also have a fabulous Bake Sale! Baked goods speak for themselves as we offer cakes, pies, breads, and candy. If you are a baker would love to offer your specialty! And it wouldn't be a Bethel sale without a huge array of jams and jellies.

O.K. I can hear the question now if you are new to Bethel – What is a Cookie Walk??

The basics: We sell an empty container to the customer and allow them to browse the varieties available that are layed out on tables, then pick their favorites and fill their container.

New this year: Instead of cookies displayed on open trays, the cookies will be in clear sandwich bags holding 2-3 cookies and labeled as to kind. The bags will be displayed by kinds/flavors and customers will make their choices and fill their container. We will provide a plastic glove to each customer to wear while picking up their choices.

<u>What we need</u>: Literally hundreds and hundreds of home baked cookies of all kinds and flavors. *if you bake cookies we need your help*! Please bake up a several batches of your favorite special cookies and donate them to the sale.

Set-up — 9:30 a.m. — 6:00 p.m. Thursday, November 10 and Friday, November 11: Please bring cookie donations on Thursday, November 10 so we have plenty of time to bag and label them.

Bakery and craft sale items can be delivered the same day or early on Friday. Arranging and displaying items on the tables takes time.

Contact Donna Broadbent or Ava Lee if you'd like to make any special arrangements for delivery times or have other questions. Contacts: Donna at dcb651@gmail.com or 347-0153; Ava at leisurelee@erols.com or 347-7805.

Check out the church website at bethelumc.com or the Bethel Church Facebook page for updates!

Thank you in advance for prayerfully thinking about how you might help with this all-church effort. And please invite all your friends and neighbors to come on Saturday, November 12– we will open at 8 a.m.

Living our faith, sharing God's love, Ava

The proceeds of the event will go and to UMW and other church missions.