The Bethel Beacon

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF BETHEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Living our faith, sharing God's love.



Pastoral Column — June 2023



May has been a wonderful month celebrating our mothers as well as celebrating our college students who graduated. This year my daughter graduated from Virginia Tech with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Human Development.



Kaitlin will be starting her master's program this summer to become an elementary teach next year.

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Sunday Schedule

9:00 am: Adult Sunday School

9:00 am: Children's Sunday School

10:00 am: Worship in Sanctuary & Online

1st & 3rd Sundays: Communion Sundays

4th Sunday: Youth Motel Ministries—12:00 pm

Join our Sunday morning ministry team. To volunteer:

- ◆ to read scripture, contact Jane Brewer at 540-428-0038
- ◆ to usher, contact Tom Ferrell at 540-439-9043
- ◆ to help before and after communion, contact Cathy Carayas at 540-219-2575
- ◆ to assist with tech, contact Sarah Hundley at 540-589-5564
- ◆ to assist with the Youth, contact Sandra Colvin at 540- 347-2375 or Karla Yocum at 540-514-6070

We appreciate all of our volunteers and can always use more!

June Worship

June 4 — Trinity Sunday

Scripture: Matthew 28:16-20 — "Go Therefore"

June 11 — Second Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture: Genesis 12:1-9 — "Trusting the Unknown"

June 18 — Third Sunday after Pentecost—Father's Day Scripture: Matthew 9:35-10 — Message: Sarah Hundley

June 25 — Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture: Matthew 10:24-30 — "Tell in the Light"

Upcoming Events

Wednesdays, 1:00 pm: Pastor's Bible Study—Parish House

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& via Zoom

Wednesdays, 7:00 pm: Devotional Prayer Time—Sanctuary

Thursdays, 9:30 am—11:00 am: Women's Bible Study—Social Hall

Thursdays, 5:30 pm: Bell Choir Rehearsal—Bell Room

Thursdays, 6:45 pm: Choir Rehearsal—Sanctuary

Saturday, June 3, 9:30 am: United Women in Faith Meeting

Lay Leadership:

Lay Leader: Brett Hahn

Administrative Council Chair:

Nancy Pinson

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Charlene Hahne

Mission & Outreach Committee Chairs:

Sandra Colvin, Karla Yocum

United Methodist Women President: Dolores Goff

Lay Member to Annual Conference: Brett Hahne

District Conference
Representative & Steward:
Murray Edwards

Music Notes

Make a Joyful Noise this Summer!

Summer is almost here! During the months of July and August, I would love to have folks (of any age) offer special music on a Sunday morning during the worship service.



Do you play the piano, another instrument? Do you sing in your school chorus? Would you like to sing a solo? Would you like to sing in a small group? I'd love to help you prepare something special to share with the congregation on a summer Sunday. Just let me know. See me on Sunday mornings or contact me at: pat88piano@gmail.com.

What's Your Favorite Hymn??

Starting this summer, I'd like to make an effort to include hymns in our worship services that are some of your favorites. And... who knows? We may host a casual HymnSing this summer!

You will find a Clipboard on the Welcome Desk for you to write in your favorite hymn(s). Add several and please include your name. It's best if they can be found in any of the hymn resource books we use at Bethel: The Hymnal, The Faith we Sing or Worship & Song. But if there's one from another source, write it down and I'll try to find it.

Pat Martin, Music Director pat88piano@gmail.com

Gathering for Prayer

Come Gather for Prayer on Wednesday nights at 7pm in the Sanctuary for a short time of devotion and prayer time led by Karla Yocum.

Some of us really enjoyed the Lent prayer gatherings that Pastor David led and wanted it to continue.



June Birthdays:

- 05 Madison Bayliff Vi Westlake
- 09 Ava Lee Jason Reichel
- 12 Mary Goff John Killinger
- 18 Bob Mroczek
- 22 Dick Brewer
- 23 Ron Crouch
- 26 Donna Broadbent
- 27 Gary Pinson
- 29 Murray Edwards Richard Rider

June Anniversaries:

- 04 Aaron & Christine Winters Stephen & Linda Lee
- 05 Lewis & Ava Lee
- 07 John & Ruth Lepto
- 17 Murray & Helen Edwards Richard & Nancy Rider
- 19 Demetrio & Yesenia Ford
- 22 Travis & Crystal Taylor
- 26 Bill & Karen Nelson
- 27 Tom & Gayle Ferrell

Welcome to Books on the Table

In Bethel's Social Hall there is a table and rolling cart that has lots of books for anyone to sign-out and read.



Adult, Youth, and Children's books with multiple subjects:

- Social Action
- Education for Mission
- Leadership Development
- Spiritual Growth and
- Nurturing for Community



Please take a look and sign-out some out!

Dona Nagy-Sutton
UMW Reading Program

Fellowship In Christ

Sundays are starting to feel like a family gathering. We had Stephen and Janet Miles stay for our fellowship time and it was wonderful reconnecting with them.



Bethel Breakthrough Prayer

God of grace and power, thank you for loving us and for hearing our prayers. Break through into Bethel Church, into our lives, our families, our community, and our world, with healing power and visible signs of your grace. Guide us in the ways of Jesus. Send the Holy Spirit to lead us into the future you desire for us; even when the present is full of uncertainty and anxiety. Lord, we are asking, seeking, and knocking. Open doors that will lead us on paths of faithful discipleship; and give us the courage to walk through those doors as we live our faith and share God's love. Amen.

Mission/Outreach

BUMY will continue with Motel Ministry on the 4th Sunday of each month throughout the summer. Any donations of canned meat, fruit, small jars of mayo and mustard are appreciated. Also, whoever donated the Pringles in May, they were a huge hit!

Mission/Outreach may have several community service projects going on this summer. If any adults or youth would like to volunteer to help out, please contact Karla Yocum, Sandra Colvin, or Earl Kemper at 540-229-1738 or egkemper1@gmail.com.

Thank you, Sandra Colvin and Karla Yocum Co-Chairs for Mission/Outreach Committee



Bethel United Methodist Youth (BUMY)



We've had a fantastic school year and as it comes to a close, the youth will be taking a break from meeting throughout the summer and will return to meeting regularly in mid-August.

We will still be participating in Motel Ministry in June and July, and we will also be participating in Serve Fauquier during the week of June 19-23rd. Serve Fauquier is a service week around Fauquier where

youth and adults from local churches participate in mission projects around the county together.

If you would like to participate in Serve Fauquier as well, please contact Sarah at sarahfhundley@gmail.com. Thank you!

Mother's Day



This year our youth and children handed out long stem roses on Mother's Day to share their love for all our mothers, grandmothers, and mother figures.

On May 11th, I was able to take a few of our sisters out for lunch to celebrate Mother's Day but most importantly to celebrate Jesus for giving us our mothers.



This was also a nice excuse to give everyone a ride on our church minibus!

Bethel Computer Mission Ministry



On May 7th, Denny Baumann flew into Dulles from Vero Beach, FL to check in on our computer ministry for missions. Denny has been working with Fauquier County Public Schools to donate their laptops for missions.

We are about to receive 300 laptops next month that will be stored in Bethel's shed and prepped for shipping out to mission fields like Haiti.

Special thanks to Mike Toussaint and Jim Hunt for managing the Bethel Computer Ministry shop. Ed Stouffer is also supporting Mike and Jim each week as they prepare the laptops for storage and shipment.

Special thanks to Martha Jo Payne as she has been paying their utility bills each month. We also have Joanne Clary and Aaron Winters who support the computer ministry by programming Linux onto these donated laptops so that free software can be added for the mission field.

If you are interested in supporting this ministry financially or even with your time, please contact Ed Stouffer: ed.stouffer@gmail.com.



Audio Visual System Upgrade

With the blessing and support of our Trustees again, our AV team was able to relocate the sanctuary speakers to the proper place and upgraded our video camera system.

Special thanks to all the men and women that came out to help make all this happen. We now have a 75' TV for those that sit near the back to see the words more clearly!





Playground Picnic Area



Since last year's windstorm, our Trustees have been thinking about a way to provide a shaded area for parents who want to take their children out to the church playground.

Prior to the storm we had a large tree that provided the shade but it was uprooted during the storm.

Instead of planting another tree, we purchased a nice picnic table with an umbrella for members to enjoy even on a hot summer day.

Special thanks to Christine Winters for putting it all together!

Ink Cartridges

Donating used ink cartridges to the church helps us to get rewards at Staples that we use to purchase copy paper and other office supplies.

Thank you to all who donate!

Finance & Worship Attendance

Income & Expenses*

May Income: \$22,570.25 May Expenses: \$25,743.13

YTD 2023 Income: \$119,995.25 YTD 2023 Expenses: \$134,642.40

*Because the Beacon is published monthly, finances for the prior month will be reported.

Attendance & Giving

Date	Views	In-Person Adults/ Kids	Average	Giving
May 7	45	74	122.94	\$8,434.00
May 14	44	70	122.47	\$5,242.25
May 21	67	72	123.30	\$4,083.00
May 28	56	92	124.48	\$4,811.00

Worship Update

We recently changed our mask mandate for worship and all other events at Bethel. If you feel safer or want to protect family members at home, please feel free to wear a mask. If you want to come without a mask, you are welcome to do so. We continue to meet in the Sanctuary. Air purifiers are running in the sanctuary before, during, and after worship service.

Communion will be served by intinction on the first and third Sundays of the month. Those who prefer the self-serve elements or the gluten-free elements can ask the server when they come up.

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