Bethel Prayer Concerns

Sunday, February 26, 2023



PRAYER REQUESTS

Bill Sides; Joan Pharis; Dave Stevenson; Anneke Oonk; Larry Riddell (friend of Marge Hettrick).

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God, as this day surrounds me like a garden with a thousand trees, give me enough knowledge to obey your commandments, and to choose the fruit that gives life: the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

REFLECTIONS

How might you grow in faith and draw near to Jesus through the forty days of Lent? Let Jesus' three responses to the devil be your guide: (1) study Scripture (live by the Word of God; Matt. 4:4); (2) seek reconciliation with God and others (do not put God to the test; Matt. 4:7); and (3) be active and intentional about participating in the worship of your congregation (worship the Lord your God; Matt. 4:10).







Bethel Presbyterian Church Announcements

Childcare for infants and preschool age children is offered from 9:30 a.m. until noon in the nursery.

The Quiet Room is available during worship.



Pastor Nancy is leading a six-week Lenten study during the Sunday School hour (9:30-10:30 am), which began this morning and runs through Palm Sunday on April 2. There is still time to join just get a copy of Amy Jill-Levine's book Entering the Passion

of Jesus: A Beginner's Guide to Holy Week. There are numerous previews of this book online.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING - TODAY

The Session has called the Annual Congregational /Corporation Meeting for TODAY (Sun., Feb. 26) in the Fellowship Hall immediately following Worship. Lunch will be provided. All are welcome at the meeting. All members should plan to attend. We will hear the Corporation report and vote on three members for the Nominating Committee. Ken Dungan for the 2022 Nominating Committee will present three nominees as 'members at large' for the 2023 Nominating Committee: John Carter, Dianne Griffith, and Mariana Oonk. Nominations may also be made from the floor. The session has already elected two active elders to serve on the 2023 Nominating Committee:

Ken Dungan and Ellen Dailey.

The Finance Team will present the Pastor's Terms of Call to the congregation for approval.

The Annual Report Booklet will be emailed before the meeting with limited copies being available for pick up.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Since 1949 Presbyterians have joined with millions of other Christians through One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) to share God's love with our neighbors in need around the world. Your generous gifts to this special offering help provide relief those affected by natural disasters (Presby. Disaster Assistance), provide food to the hungry (Presby. Hunger Program), and assist in helping to empower the poor and oppressed (Self-Development of People). The three programs all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. Bethel will receive our OGHS Offering on Easter Sunday (4/9)

Celebrating Through Music

Roane Choral Society – Oak Ridge Chorus – UT Concert Choir Saturday, March 4 at 7:00 PM

First Baptist Church, Kingston

Admission by donation

HOME Food Collection

Thank you to everyone who contributed food for our Feb. HOME collection. Thank you for supporting our local food pantry. For the month of March our focus foods are **Canned Fruit / Apple Sauce.** These and other non-perishable food items can be brought in throughout the month and placed in the HOME collection basket in the Gathering Area.

Our in-worship collection will be Sunday, March 19th.

MARCH FELLOWSHIP SUPPER – SUNDAY 3/26

The fellowship committee has decided to try something new and move the fellowship meal to Sunday, March 26th immediately following worship. We request that members bring food items to share that can be left in the kitchen during worship, either in the refrigerator or on the counter! There are plenty of outlets to be used if you would like to bring something to share in a crockpot as well.

Bethel Presbyterian Church Calendar February 26 – March 5



Sun. 26	9:30 11:00 12:15 3:30–5:00	Sunday School Worship (S) Congregational Meeting + Lunch (FH) Grief Share (L)
Mon. 27	10:00 7:00	BAM Art Club (2 nd fl) Boy Scouts (FH)
Tues. 28	10:00 Noon 6:00–7:30	Fiber Arts Group (2 nd fl) SAIL Exercise class (FH) Tai Chi (GA)
Wed. 1	4:30-5:30 5:30-6:30	Bell Choir (C) Choir (C)
Thurs. 2	10:00 Noon 5:00	TN-10 Book Club (FH) SAIL Exercise class (FH) CASA
Fri. 3	10:00-11:00	Tai Chi (FH)
Sat. 4		
Sun. 5	9:30 11:00 12:00 3:30–5:00	Sunday School Worship / Communion Sunday (S) Transition Team (FH) Grief Share (L)

C=Choir Room, S =Sanctuary, L=Library, RR=Reading Room, FH=Fellowship Hall, GA=Gathering Area

