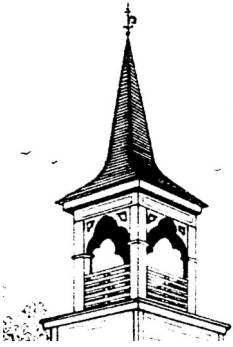


The Open Door

BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH / NOV. 2010



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Office Hours: 9-3:00 M-F

Sunday Schedule:

9:30 a.m. Sunday School for
all ages

10:30 a.m. Fellowship/Coffee

11:00 a.m. Worship

6:00 p.m. Youth

Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday of each month.

Bethel
Presbyterian
Church —
a community of
faith, fellowship, study and
service ...
seeking God's peace,
justice and love.



Dear Friends,

It is hard to believe we have been together for almost a year! A lot has transpired. I finished at my Interim in Powell on October 31st, Halloween, and was in the pulpit being introduced by Pat next day on the 1st of November. The next day, I took her to the airport and she was off to join her husband in Southern Baja, Mexico.

So, I was left to try and figure out how I could help Bethel move into the future. I was aware that Marc's death was very recent and that all of you were very caring and concerned about him, Melanie and family. In fact, one of the early experiences with Bethel included my attending his memorial service in September of last year.

Our interment of his ashes coincided with the dedication of our memorial garden. The garden was dedicated to Marc and his ministry, and the dedication experience was a highlight in the history of Bethel. After a memorial service where Bill Shenk and I gave homilies, we carried the ashes in a casket built by Andy Avel to the Garden that was tended by Micki Anderson, Phil Walsh, and others.

Hannah Sherrod gave an outstanding memorial and tribute to her father. Her words were confirming and of transcendence: Hannah was able to capture Marc's essence and his gifts in graceful confirmation. We need to remember that grace and mourning are not short term processes: we need, as a congregation, to be mindful of these opportunities.

We have become more organized in visiting the sick and shut-ins and providing communion for them Susan and I have developed a spreadsheet that identifies the person, place, and opportunities for each shut-in, retirement home, or hospitalized person in our parish. That spread sheet is on display in the office. I have been visiting and providing communion with elders. If you can visit these folks, just register on the spread sheet. They really appreciate any attention we can provide.

One of my own personal joys came this past Sunday. The Wednesday before, I had attended a new Parkinson's Support Group. Rev. Dick Hettrick was asked to say grace, and he did a beautiful job...I immediately asked him if he would pray on Sunday, which he did and it was wonderful! It had a profound effect on me and many others. Continue to pray for Dick and Marge, Ron Rossi and family, Justin Trivette, Marci Smith, Helene Ricker, Margaret True, and Tom Walker. Also, remember Gene Pierce, who passed away on the 16th at age 92. He was a long and faithful member of Bethel.

We are a congregation of the past that we honor. We also are a congregation of the present, which we celebrate. We are also a congregation of the future that we believe in. Let us not grow weary in heart about what we are trying to achieve. Nothing is ever accomplished without risk or faith: we are not alone.

Blessings,
Craig

Barber Library to be dedicated

The John and Doris Barber Library, which is located on the ground floor next to the office, is a gracious, inviting space which has been furnished through generous gifts and memorials of the Barber family and friends. It is an ideal place for study, meditation and meetings and it is in constant use. It houses a collection of contemporary books as well as a number of older books of historic significance, and those representative of the collections of Bethel pastors and members through the years. All materials are available for checkout on the honor system; simply fill out a card with your name and the date you checked it out, and leave it in the basket near the door.

On Sunday, November 7, we will formally dedicate the John and Doris Barber Library during worship. After the dedication, please join us in the library for a tour and light refreshments.

Fun Lunch is November 10.

Parish Life Committee meeting is on November 16 at 6:00. Of special interest at November's meeting is the planning of upcoming programs as Parish Life moves into its new role as Faith and Fellowship Team. We welcome new folks who might be interested in this ministry.

JOIN US on November 17 for our **Fellowship Supper**. This month is very special because we will dedicate the Joyce Law kitchen. Please bring a dish to share, your plates and utensils and join us for dinner and a special time to remember and celebrate Ms. Law's devotion to Bethel.



Great Deal!!! John Knox Center is providing a Women's Retreat November 5 - 7, 2009 for \$110.00 or \$40.00 for Saturday only.

Even Better Deal!!!!

Bethel Christian Education program will provide 50% scholarship for this event. Check out the event on John Knox Center web site. If you are interested, contact Jan Rybka at 882-8836 or jgrybka@hotmail.com

Below is some information about the retreat taken from the web site: Go to the John Knox web site: johnknoxcenter.org for more information about recreation options, registration information, accommodations, & cost.

Relax, Recreate, Rejuvenate

We all lead busy lives. We are constantly moving, working on tasks, washing, cleaning, helping, driving, calling, correcting... the list goes on and is never ending. Juggling all the balls can get very difficult and tiring. Sometimes you just need a break!

That's what this retreat is about; giving you a break from all the busyness that consumes *life*. It is about getting a chance to get away to relax in natural surroundings that put us in awe of God's creation. It is about recreating with others in our community; enjoying warm conversations by a fire or around a good meal, playing outside with others, or taking a nice peaceful walk. It is about rejuvenating yourself and your faith through teaching from a guest speaker and group discussions.

Our guest speaker for 2010 is Rev. Robin Humphreys from the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta. Robin, a recent graduate from Columbia Theological Seminary, is a likeable and dynamic speaker and has a passion for leading retreats. She works closely with Greater Atlanta Presbytery's camp, Calvin Center and has led many retreats. **Our theme for the weekend is "Catch Your Breath: Spiritual Practices for Daily Life" based on the passage Romans 8:26.**

Band Fruit Sale is underway:

Jacob Murr, Jon Dailey, Corey Preston, and Julie Coen are selling BAND FRUIT to support the Roane County High School Band. Below is a list:

- 4/5 bushel red grapefruit (\$25)
- 2/5 bushel red grapefruit (\$16)
- 4/5 bushel navel oranges (\$26)
- 2/5 bushel navel oranges (\$17)
- 1/2 bushel pears (\$27)
- 2/5 bushel tangelos (\$16)

- 4/5 bushel juice oranges (\$25)
- 2/5 bushel juice oranges (\$16)

Pre-paid orders are to be taken by Wednesday, November 10. Checks should be payable to RCHS Band. Delivery to customers begins Thursday, December 2. All proceeds go toward the cost of equipment, uniforms, music, transportation, and instruments since at present the band receives no local, state, or federal funding. The fruit will arrive just in time for the holidays.

HAVE ANY UNUSED and OUT-OF-DATE PHARMACEUTICALS? Not sure what to do with those unused rugs?

The Roane County Anti-Drug Coalition (R.C.A.D.C.) and the Roane County Sheriff's Dept. are sponsoring the local American Medicine Chest Challenge on Saturday, November 13, 2010. On that day, you will be able to bring them to the parking lot at LOWE'S Home Improvement in Mid-Town, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., for proper disposal.

Trip to Sunset Gap Planned

Joni Morgan will be heading up a caravan to deliver clothing and (small) household goods to Sunset Gap. We will be going on a Wednesday, just before

Thanksgiving. Joni is recovering from a broken collarbone, and is hoping some other drivers are available to help load/unload as she still won't be able to do much except drive.

If you can go, meet at the lower church entrance at 8 am on Wednesday, Nov 24th, to load vehicles. Open-bed pick-ups may have to be tarped, depending on the weather. Items will be delivered to Sunset Gap, lunch together as desired at Carver's Apple Barn/fresh market; return to Knoxville area around 2 pm. Donations for this trip can be placed in the storage area in the ground floor under the Educational Bldg stairs ((This is a new area which should be finished by the time this newsletter gets out. If not we'll put up a sign as to where it should go.)

Stewardship & Finance General Fund through Oct. 24, 2010:



Offering received:	\$162,943
+Funds Transferred	+\$7,477
- Expenses:	-\$182,539
Net -Decrease:	-\$ 12,119

Mortgage Fund through Oct. 24, 2010:

Offering received:	\$85,852
- Payments made	-\$75,245
- Payment pending	-\$ 8,350
Bal for Dec. payment	+\$ 2,257

Labyrinth

We finally got to build the labyrinth on October 15 and 16 - sincere appreciation is expressed to all who made this possible. The labyrinth was built in Honor/Memory of Rev. Marc Sherrod, our beloved minister.

The contained space of an open circle provides a place of safety, and walking the labyrinth path calms the mind and body. The labyrinth is a single circuitous path - the way in is also the way out. People may meet each other on the path and one will need to step aside and then return to their path. The labyrinth is on City property, and everyone is invited to walk the labyrinth.

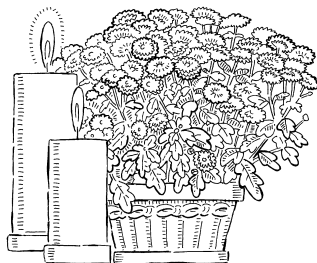
Melanie Sherrod and family are going to build a labyrinth in Honor/Memory of Marc at her parent's home in Virginia. There were many old bricks (those from Bethel's original foundation that remained after our renovation)

left over after the labyrinth was built behind Bethel. The session agreed to donate these left over bricks to the Sherrods for the Virginia labyrinth - most of them have already been taken to Melanie's home in Kingston and are awaiting transport to Virginia.

There are some remaining old bricks on a pallet at the end of the educational building. If you would like old brick mementos - please feel free to help yourself.

Flower Ministry

Most of you probably already know that Joan Davis has not



only done a fantastic job arranging flowers for us over the past months but has also supplied many of the flowers from her own garden. We are always grateful to everyone who can share their flowers with us. Over the past few months, Wanda Carter, Nelda Toon (great arrangements as well), Jeanette and Mike McElhinney, Marge Hettrick and Nancy Maynard have very generously shared from their gardens. East Tennessee is blessed with a wide variety of wildflowers which are often considered weeds. By using as many as we can in our fresh and dried arrangements, we hope to give new insight into just one of the many benefits of these gifts.

As always, please take arrangements home to enjoy or share with shut-ins. We do ask that the containers and any reusable materials be returned to the church.

Christmas Baskets and Angel Tree



This year the distribution of Christmas Baskets and Angel Tree gifts will be combined with the Hanging of the Greens. Be sure to mark Sunday, December 5 on your calendar for these two events. Distribution of the baskets and gifts will begin at 4:00 p.m. and any children present can participate in the craft projects. All recipients will be invited to join us for the soup and sandwich supper and vespers. Not only will we need help in getting the food and gifts ready but we will also need Bethel members who are willing to interact with our guests.

We have tried to bring our food list more in line with the needs of the recipients. With feedback from HOME volunteers and Amber at MidEast, we have eliminated some food items and added others. Instead of giving turkeys, we are going to give vouchers to cover a certain amount for meat, eggs, butter and other perishables for the recipients to purchase on their own and when needed. As always, Peggy has been busy purchasing the other food for the baskets. Even though we have a small amount to begin this year's purchases we still need donations for these baskets. We are planning to distribute 45 baskets.

There will be 50 children who will need sponsors. We are participating with KUMC again this

year and will have names available as soon as possible. Sponsors should have the wrapped gifts to the church by Wednesday, December 1.

Each of you can help. We need sponsors for the children, people to help set up, more people to interact with and help the recipients prepare their baskets, people to work with the children during craft time and donations for the baskets. This is a big undertaking for us but with everyone's participation, we hope to make the distribution of Christmas Baskets and presents a more interactive process.

Heifer International

Are you really stressed about that special Christmas gift?

Don't be. The new Heifer International catalog is on the Serve Team kiosk. Give that special someone a gift that keeps on giving in another part of the world or just around the corner. A gaggle of geese, a cow, or even a yak given in that person's name can make a big difference to a family or even a whole town or village. Think about it and then, just do it.

Notes and Letters

Winter winds a-comin'

For the fifth year, Bethel knitters are busy making hats for homeless and needy children. By mid-October we already have had 18 hats donated. If you are knitting for this worthy project, please get your hats to me by Sunday, 5 Dec so I may ensure that they get appropriately distributed in time for Christmas. Gloves, mittens and scarves are welcome too. THANK YOU.

--Jill McMaster



Sewing in Nicaragua

In the September "Open Door" Dianne Griffith invited Bethel members to contribute fabric and sewing supplies to a mission in Nicaragua. Since that time, several church members have met Melissa Weber and her 12-yr-old daughter Sage, missionaries working for the Open Eyes Ministry in the tiny village of Salinas Grandes, Nicaragua. We also met Deb Alvaro from Lenoir City who, with her daughter, went on a mission trip to Salinas Grandes last summer to teach the village women to sew. Their stories are touching.

The Salinas Grandes sewing ministry enables women to make items to sell (currently they focus on purses) and with the money they buy food and clothing for their families. Food is short (the mission runs a large food program) and children often don't attend school for want of the required uniform. For their sewing work, the village women gather in a dirt-floored building that has one electrical outlet, two sockets. They share one sewing machine that sits on a board supported by a stack of white plastic chairs at either end.

Bethel members have contributed fabric scraps and a sewing machine to the immense joy of these mission workers. Dianne has graciously agreed to continue collecting fabric from Bethel and transporting our contributions to Deb Alvaro for shipment to Nicaragua. I encourage you join me in cleaning out that sewing drawer or closet. Consider donating fabric, zippers, buttons, thread, needles, pins, snaps, bias tape, bindings, rick-rack (remember that?) and more. You get the idea I'm sure. There is still time to help this worthy cause.

--Jill McMaster

Here's the Scoop Youth News

November is here! Cooler weather, turkey, family! What more could you ask for? Wednesday's in November- Something new and different is coming to Wednesday nights. Watch your email and Facebook for more information. Sunday mornings at 9:30- Christian Education in the Youth Room on the third floor.

November 6- Bonfire at the Harris's. Free food and fun! We will leave the church at 5:30 and head to Breck Harris's house for a bonfire, and a hayride. Bring a friend for a great evening.

November 7- 5 PM- Youth Council
6 PM-Youth at KUMC youth room.

November 12- Did you hear Starfield at Resurrection a few

years ago? They are coming to Cokesbury for their The Saving One Tour. We will leave the church parking lot at 5:30 PM. We will return to the church at 10 PM. Tickets are \$10. See Will for yours!

November 14-Buddy's Race Against Cancer (see more info below)

Come join us and make a difference!

No Youth on November 14

November 21 – Do you want to go to Resurrection? Registration starts November 21. More details to follow! Check your email and Facebook for more information.

6 PM- BINGO at Wellington Place

November 24- NO BIBLE STUDY

November 25- Turkey Day!!!

November 28- Eat Out Night with your small group 6 PM

Do you want to be added to our text tree to receive *up to the minute* updates on youth activities. Text your name to (865) 679-7070.

Do you want to receive emails from the Bethel/KUMC student ministry? Email Will at willpuru@comcast.net.

Buddy's Race Against Cancer- World's Fair Park · Knoxville, TN

Starts: 11/14/2010 @ 3:00pm

Ends: 5:15pm

Check-in Time: 1:00PM
to 2:30PM

Group photo:

2:00 tentatively

Youth Van departs from

Bethel/KUMC: 1:00?

Youth Van returns to

Bethel/KUMC: 6:00



BUDDY'S Race Against Cancer is a 5K Walk 'n Run* that raises funds for Thompson Cancer Survival Center's [Cancer Outreach Services](#) program.

This year they celebrate 17 years of the BUDDY'S Race Against Cancer. Since its inception, the BUDDY'S Race has raised over \$3 million for cancer education and care in East Tennessee. Thanks to BUDDY'S Race Against Cancer supporters and participants, thousands of medically-underserved individuals have received life-saving screenings and information each year.

Unlike some fundraisers, proceeds raised by the Race go to fight cancer **locally**. Through prevention, early detection and education, we are saving lives.

Come join us and make a difference!

TEAM: BAND TOGETHER FOR A CURE

TEAM CAPTAIN: Penelope Uselton (Roane County High Band Boosters)

Pick up your team Tshirt, bib, packet: Sunday, November 7

Sign up online before October 24 minight
(www.buddysrace.org)
\$15 youth and \$30 adults

Assistance for Travelers:

People travel through our community everyday who might need assistance in their jour-



ney. We are collecting the following items for the travel bags: Tuna or Vienna Sausage with a removable top
Cereal Bars
Fruit Roll Ups (for the kids bags)
Saltine crackers
Peanut butter crackers
Fruit Snacks (for the kids bags)
1 Gallon resealable bags
Bottled water

Please help those who have fallen on hard times traveling through our community.

Prayer Reminders

The members and regularly attending friends of Bethel are assigned to elder care groups. Each month, we publish the list of one or more elder care groups in the newsletter for your prayers. The elder's name and phone at the top of the list are listed as a reminder of their role in nurturing and supporting those who belong to Bethel. You should feel free to contact your elder or the pastor if you have a particular spiritual need or other matter that needs to be brought to our attention.

***Elder Care Lists
for November:***

JULIE BUNCH (2012) 376.2983
 Condon, Jim & *Gisela
 ^Davis, Dot
 Hale, Pat
 +Shesler, Erma
 +Simpson, Rebecca (out of state)
 Smith, Marci & Tim, ~Joshua
 +Wolfenbarger, Pamela
 Wolfenbarger, Raymond & Lucy

FRANK HARRIS (2012)
 539.4779
 Marilyn
 Coen, Joe & Amy, Julie, Charlie,
 Henry
 Cribbs, Treavor
 Guy, Darrell & Christine
 *Jackson, April & *Wayne, *Paul
 & *Will
 McGill, George
 McGill, Scott & Julie, ~Thomas,
 Jared
 Oonk, Mariana & Lyric Rivera
 Oonk, Anneke
 Ostby, *Brien & +Dee Ann
 *Phillips, Rick & Shane
 Steele, *Kirk & *Elaine,
 *Jennifer
 +Thornton, Russell
 Walton, Lil

*non-member
 ^shut-in
 +inactive
 ~baptized roll

In Need of Prayer:

Justin Trivette, Ron Rossi, Marci Smith, Joe Carter (John Carter's brother), Dianne Swinler (Brenda Strickling's sister), Becky Skaggs (Larry Strickling's niece), Helene Ricker, Margaret True, Tom Walker.



***Memorials received for
September and October***

In memory of Joyce Law from
 Vernon Law
 In memory of Rev. Marc Sherrod
 from:
 Joe and Amy Coen
 Jerry and Jennie Morris
 In memory of Gary Murr from:
 Dick Evans and Celia Simon
 Chris Badger
 Ruth Ann Ludwig
 Frank and Marilyn Harris

***Assisted Living and
Nursing Homes***


Jamestowne
 851 Lawnville Road, Kingston
 37763
 Nelle Griffith Room 206
 Louise Pickel Room 209
 Mac Robbins Room 305
 Sophie Simon Room 302
 Anne Smith Room 304
 Wellington Place
 1098 Bradford Way, Kingston
 37763
 Jan Parker Room 107
 Arbor Terrace 9051 Cross Park
 Drive, Knoxville 37923
 Marge Maki Room 312L
 Baptist Healthcare
 700 Williams Ferry Rd 45 Lenior
 City 37771
 Evelyn Waldrup Room 42A
 The Bridge at Rockwood 5580
 Roane State Hwy Rockwood
 37854
 Roberta Cash Room 201B
 Margaret True Room 349
 NHC Healthcare Oak Ridge 300
 Laboratory Rd Oak Ridge 37830
 Wanda Carter Room 212A
 Barbara Baird Room 116



Poinsettias--\$5 each
 In Memory of...
 In Honor of...

Poinsettias will be delivered the week of Thanksgiving and our amazing Floral Team will integrate them into our Advent display. If you wish to purchase a poinsettia in honor of or in memory of a special person (s), please let the Bethel Office know by Friday, November 19th. Checks should be made payable to Bethel with a memo "poinsettia".

November 2010

	1	2	3	4 Evangelism Team 7:00	5	6 Youth Bonfire 5:30
7 Dedication of Barber Library during Worship Youth Council 5 PM	8	9	10 Deadline for Band Fruit Orders Fun Lunch	11	12 (Youth) Starfield @ Cokes-	13 Roane Cty. Pharmaceutical Exchange @Lowe's
14 Worship Team 12:00 Buddy's Race for the Cure 3:00	15	16 Parish Life	17 Property Comm. 5:30 Fellowship	18 Stated Session 5:30 Serve Team	19 Deadline for Poinsettia	20
21 Youth: Bingo @ Wellington	22	23	24 No Youth Bible Study	25 	26	27
28 Youth Small Groups 6:00	29	30	EACH WEEK: Seniorcize: M/W/F 9 AM in the Fellowship Hall Taoist Tai Chi: Tues.,Thur. 6 PM/Sat. 9 AM, Beginners 10 AM Spanish Class: Wed. 6:30 PM Youth: 6 PM Sundays; Bible Study 7 PM Wed. MUSIC SCHEDULE: Children's Choir: 8:45 in KUMC Annex; Sunday Mornings Handbell Choir Practice: Wed. @ 5:30 PM Adult Choir Practice: Wed. @ 7 PM			

November Birthdays

1 Josh Brown
Diego Vanegas
2 Paul Law
Jack McNew
3 Julie Hart
Helen Roostee
8 Ellen Wood
9 Chelsea Richmond
10 Nancy Landers

11 Charlie King
Lyric Rivera
12 Leonard Kirby
19 Hannah Foy
20 Bill Shadden
21 Jason Thompson
30 Patricia Law Grant
Jerry Harvey



Looking Ahead...

Mark your calendars!

All Angel Tree gifts should be wrapped and delivered to the church by December 1st.

Hanging of the Greens/Christmas Basket distribution will take place on Sunday, December 5th from 4:00 until??