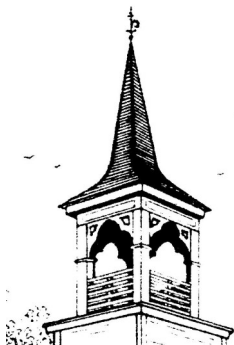


# The Open Door

BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH / JANUARY 2011



## Greetings!

*After the busy-ness of Christmas week, Rev. Craig Hendrix and his family are enjoying a well-deserved vacation. In place of his usual letter to the congregation, we include a sampling of the activities coming up in the month of January:*

## Faith and Fellowship Team

The Faith and Fellowship Team will be meeting Tuesday, January 18 at 6:00. Everyone who is interested in supporting the worship and fellowship activities of our church is encouraged to come be a part of this team.

Fellowship Supper is January 19 at 6:30. The hosts for the dinner are Bonnie Anderson and Marilyn Gaffin. Please bring a dish to share, and remember that if you bring your own dishes and utensils you help preserve the environment, and also save wear and tear on the kitchen help!

make *Ladies Night Out* a monthly event and will be discussing our February outing at the January social. In case of bad weather, we won't meet if the Roane County schools are closed.

## The John Knox Center

is renovating some of their cabins with the help of Morgan County Correctional Complex inmates. JKC has invited Bethel to bring a noon time meal to the inmates and staff while the renovations are being completed. **Bethel will be providing a meal for approximately 20 people on January 26th.** We need cooks to prepare food (fellowship supper/potluck style) and folks to transport the bounty out to John Knox Center on January 26th. Please sign up in the narthex. If you need additional information, please contact Cathy McDowell.

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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.

## LADIES NIGHT



Monday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 6P.M.

## Pot Luck Dinner and Recipe Swap at

## Carol Brown's home

1146 Circle Drive, Kingston  
(865) 376-7171

We're doing a pot-luck dinner and recipe swap in January. Bring a food or drink to share and several copies of your favorite recipe. You can sign up in the gathering area or call Carol to let her know you will be coming. The dress is casual. We hope to

The *Gift of Caring* is a project to send boxes of Girl Scout cookies to residents of assisted living facilities and to local food pantries. Roane County troop 846 will be delivering good cheer plus boxes of Girl Scout cookies to Jamestowne and Wellington assisted living and to the Hands of Mercy food pantry during March. Your requests will be collected during January. Please see Julie Coen (376-9033) if you would like to buy Thin Mints or shortbread Trefoils for \$3.50 per box as part of the Gift of Caring.

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*a community of faith, fellowship, study and service ... seeking God's peace, justice and love.*



## *Serve Team*

As we begin a new year, let's keep several important missions before us. These missions need assistance on a regular basis and are not in the Service Team budget.

### *The Paws and Claws*

The container remains in the gathering area. So far, there has been a marvelous response to this ministry that helps people in need and the elderly keep their pets. More and more research is supporting the idea that the mental and physical well being of humans is improved by association with pets. Many of us know the importance of "fur therapy".

The *Cents-Ability* basket is on the name tag table each Sunday as well as available at the Fellowship Suppers each month. This money goes to the Presbytery to help the needy. Bethel sends money for this mission several times a year.

### *Sunset Gap:*

The container for the Campbell product labels is on the children's table in the gathering area. These labels are taken to Sunset Gap and used by them for needed school materials.

Continue to save gently used clothing, small household appliances and toys to be taken to Sunset Gap (or elsewhere if we know there is a need) on a regular basis.

We now have a holding area specifically for these items thanks to the Property Team.

### *Christmas Baskets:*

We have just finished the 2010 distribution of Christmas Baskets but it is not too early to start thinking about 2011.

Used bicycles of all sizes are needed each year.

This year we had several bicycles donated and several more were purchased. We often need gently used larger baby things such as playpens, swings or small riding toys. If you want to get rid of any of these items and cannot



store them until next December, let the office know.

*Heifer International* is popular at Christmas but this is an ongoing need. This project helps people help themselves and is a gift that keeps on giving.

The Service Team has just added a new category in our giving program. This is called

*Health and Welfare* and contributions can be made at any time. At various times, Bethel members find themselves in difficult circumstances for a short period of time. This category is set up specifically to help Bethel members in need.

Distribution will be determined by the minister and Service Team leader.

These are just a few of the worthwhile projects Bethel members support. A longer list of projects is available.

## *Ministry Support Team*

### General Fund through Dec 19, 2010:

|                    |           |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Offering received: | \$210,762 |
| +Funds Transferred | +7,372    |
| - Expenses:        | -217,395  |
| = Net Increase:    | \$ 795    |

### Mortgage through Nov 2010:

|                                 |          |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Planned payments                | \$91,844 |
| Extra principal paid            | \$34,200 |
| Interest avoided                | \$63,888 |
| Mortgage payoff 14 months early |          |

*Many thanks* to all who provided poinsettias for the sanctuary this Christmas season. They were beautiful and fun to work with. The Poinsettia Tree as well as the Chrismon Trees all

received a lot of praises and thanks. Special thanks go to Joan Davis, Nancy Maynard and Nancy Braski and to everyone who worked on the Chrismons. More special thanks go to Mike and Jeanette McElhinney for the loblolly greenery and to Ruth Ann Ludwig for the hollies. It all works together to make our church a warm, welcoming place.

--Jane Walsh and the Serve Team

### *Session Members:*

On January 8th there will be a Session Retreat/Session Meeting from 1:00 until 5:00 pm

## Christmas Baskets and Angel Tree and Hanging of the Greens

If you missed any of the activities at Bethel on December 5, you really missed an amazing show of good will, working together, reaching out and all around good spirits. The day was successful far beyond most of our wildest dreams. Sunday afternoon was very busy with lots of good food (thanks to Joan Davis) for a quick lunch and then preparing the gathering area for food distribution. Peggy Sheppard and Joan Davis along with the help from others had the food ready and partially boxed. Many people showed up to interact with our guests as they finished filling their boxes and got the presents. Many children eagerly went downstairs to the arts and

crafts area and returned with happy smiles and parents carefully carrying their creations. Several families and individuals stayed for the soup and sandwich supper (thanks to everyone who provided for this) and the evening worship. Many people were moved by the beautiful closing worship with the explanation of the symbols and the dedication of the Chrismon Trees.

Peggy Sheppard, Wayne and April Jackson, Vernon Law, Pat Hale, Larry Strickling and Joan Davis are to be especially thanked for the long hours and sometimes very heavy work. Will and his young people did an excellent job in many different areas.

Jill McMaster was available to discuss the Imagination Library with parents with children under 5. She was delighted to find so

many already participating in this program and signed up 7 more. Jill asked that the following quote be shared:

"My 13 month old loves me to read to him. But when you barely have enough money to buy food, you don't have money to buy books."

"My two children are already registered. I have to admit that I've not given them their books for the last two months. I'm going to wrap them up so they have presents for Christmas."

Too many other people were involved in Christmas Baskets to give individual thanks in the Open Door but each went away with a very special feeling for Bethel and what we as a congregation can do when we work together. We act on what we stand for.

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**Thank You.** We want to express our gratitude to the good people of Bethel for their prayers, concern, food, sympathy, words of encouragement, and hugs. You have helped us through a difficult time and we are deeply grateful. --The family of Hugh Webb

**Thank you** Bethel Church and our friends at Project Linus. Together, we contributed 90 hand knit hats to the 2010 "Gloves of Love" campaign. --Jill McMaster

### To Bethel Presbyterian Church:

Thank you so much for knitting hats for our "Gloves of Love" campaign again this year. We have collected well over 800 pieces (gloves, hats and scarves) and received over \$400 in cash donations. We had enough supplies to fill containers for the



principals of all eight elementary schools in Roane County. We used the money to buy additional gloves to add to the school backpack program, sending a pair of gloves home with each student who receives a backpack of food when they leave for the school holiday.

We appreciate you so much and your hand knit hats were beautiful. I am sure that they will keep a child warm this win-

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ter. We know that these supplies are getting right to the children who need them the most.

Bless you and thank you again from the bottom of our hearts!

--From Becky Woody and the staff at Enrichment Federal Credit Union, Kingston Branch

### From the Study Committee:

It took many hands to make the Hanging of the Greens such a success! From constructing the outdoor nativity scene, putting up Christmas trees, hanging wreaths, helping make Chrismons, setting up for dinner, or making soup, sandwiches or cupcakes or cleaning up, comes a great big THANK YOU to all who helped from your Study Committee. You made the Hanging of the Greens a truly meaningful experience!

# igniteFUSION

## KINGSTON

**Do you have** old cell phones or old printer cartridges sitting around your house? Bring them to the church and help fund the Ignite/Fusion Kingston (formerly Bethel/KUMC Student Ministry). The collection boxes are located in the church office. Some printer cartridges will not be accepted. Contact Will at the church office for more information.

**Are you between** the ages of 18-35? Come join the new young adult fellowship. We will enjoy food and study as we grow together.. We will have meet in the KUMC annex January 4<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM. Contact Will at 376-6340, email at [willpuru@comcast.net](mailto:willpuru@comcast.net), [Facebook](#) at Bethel/KUMC young adult ministry , or Twitter @bethelkumcyoungadu.

**Our youth program** is evolving, growing and and always moving . We have many needs within our youth ministry and you can help! We have an on going wish list of items for the youth program:

### **Sporting equipment-**

- Basketballs, ball pumps, ping pong balls, and paddles, foosballs, pool cues, pool balls
- Storage items i.e. Rubbermaid containers, mesh ball bags, etc.

### **Technology Equipment**

- Apple Computer to assist with video, website production, and overall ministry of the youth program.
  - Projector
  - Portable PA system (6/8 channel system)
  - Flip cams (small video cameras that can be used for audio visual production)
  - Video Games for our new Wii system.
  - Flat Screen Television
  - Mounting hardware for flat screen television
  - DVD Player
  - Locking entertainment center
  - Multi Disc CD Changer
  - Home Audio Speakers
- Contact Will for more information!

## **Wish List for Travelers Bags**

Our community has individuals passing through who have fallen on hard times. They usually are looking for food that help them get to their destination. We can fulfill this need by creating a travelers bag. The Ignite/Fusion Kingston Student ministry (Bethel/KUMC youth) are seeking donations for the travelers bags. The contents are listed below:

### **Adult bags**

- Cereal bars
- Bottled Water
- Saltines, Cheese and Cracker or peanut butter cracker packs
- Can of tuna or Vienna Sausages (open without a can opener)
- Ziploc Gallon Bags
- Rice Krispie Treats

### **Kids Bags**

- Fruit Roll ups
- Fruit Snack packs
- Bottled Water

## 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.

### BOBBIE MARTIN (2010)

376.6840

#### Bill

Clouse, \*Emily  
+Gasque, Julia  
+Halsey, Margaret  
Hensley, Dana  
+Horton, Stacy  
Hyder, Dan & Debbie, Bram & Kerry  
+Lefler, Robin Evans  
Reynolds, Bill  
Rossi, Yvonne  
+Scott, Gloria  
\*Singley, Liz  
Swicegood, Duie  
Traskas, (Wood) Ellen (out of state)

^Waldrup, Evelyn  
Wall, Jan  
\*Wheeler, Dorothy  
Winsbro, Bob  
+Wood, David

### JAN RYBKA (2011) 882.8836

#### Alfred, John [out-of-state]

Allen, \*Chuck & Cathy  
Cantrell, Charlie  
Dice, Don & Jean  
Gilliam, Carolyn  
\*Harmon, Melanie  
+Kehrer, Laura  
Knies, Amanda Phillips & \*Adam  
Maddux, \*Aaron & +Kelly Shadden  
McElhinney, Mike & Jeanette

Nason, Betty  
\*Phillips, Bonnie  
+Pierce, Janice  
+Pierce, Kathy  
Preston, Mark & Linda, Corey, Ryan  
Richmond, Roger & Anita, John, Chelsea, Jesse (out of-state)  
Shadden, Bill & Marianne  
Smith, Anne  
Stevenson, Dave & Helen

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

## Memorial Gifts

In memory of Gene Pierce from:  
Mr and Mrs. Terry Robbins  
George W. Brown  
Jay and Clay Pierce  
Gary and Dianne Griffith

In memory of the Henley Family from:  
Anita J. Nerhus

In memory of Ron Rossi from:  
Gary and Dianne Griffith

In memory of Hugh Webb from:  
Dick Evans and Celia Simon  
Gary and Dianne Griffith  
Ruth Ann Ludwig  
George and Ginny Warlick  
Sidney and Donna Law  
Frank and Marilyn Harris  
Jill McMaster  
Tom and Jane Pickel  
Mr. and Mrs. C.S. Cook  
Louise M. Flores

In memory of Joyce Law from:  
Vernon Law

In memory of Jean Young from:  
Dick Evans and Celia Simon

In memory of Marc Sherrod from:  
Mark and Kathy Banker  
Joni Morgan  
Chuck and Brenda Bunch

In memory of Henry Tulley from  
Chuck and Brenda Bunch

In memory of  
J.A. Davis, Ruth Ferguson,  
Terry Robbins, Sr., Carole Robbins Row from:  
Terry and Charity Robbins

In honor of  
Jo Miles, Mary Miles, J.D.Miles,  
Edith Miles and Mac Robbins from:  
Terry and Charity Robbins

## January Birthdays

2 Thomas McGill  
9 Matt Hines  
Marlene Woodard  
11 Eric Kornegay  
15 Jennie Morris  
16 Tollie Banker  
17 Frank Jones  
19 Ryan Preston  
21 Henry Coen  
22 Laura Walker  
23 Jan Wall  
24 Anita Richmond  
25 Katie Dungan  
26 Pat Hale  
28 Ken Dungan  
31 Pam Law



# LIGHT SWITCH COVER

Everyone who believes in God and lives for him is a child of light. Make this cover for your bedroom light switch to remind you to be a light for God.

## What you need:

- An adult to help
- Light switch cover
- Screwdriver
- Colored paper
- Markers
- Scissors
- Decoupage glue
- Paintbrush
- Craft knife



## What you do:

1. Remove the screws from the cover.
2. On the paper, draw small images related to light and write out "Live as children of light" (Ephesians 5:8, NIV).
3. Cut out the drawings and verse. Make sure they'll fit on the cover.
4. Paint the cover with a coat of decoupage glue, and then immediately place the drawings and verse on the cover.
5. Paint over them with another coat of glue. Let it dry.
6. Turn the cover over and use a craft knife to cut out the opening for the light switch.
7. Using a screwdriver, place your new light switch cover on your wall.



# Kids' Corner



## From darkness to light

In the Bible, God speaks often about light and darkness. He gives us much instruction about which path we should choose.

- |           |               |
|-----------|---------------|
| 1. Good   | Righteousness |
| 2. Death  | Children      |
| 3. Go     | Life          |
| 4. Evil   | Come          |
| 5. Adults | Bad           |

Match the opposites and then write the word in the right-hand column in the correct blanks to finish each verse.

"When your eyes are good, your whole body also is full of light. But when they are \_\_\_\_\_, your body also is full of darkness." Luke 11:34, NIV  
(1)

"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of \_\_\_\_\_." John 8:12, NIV  
(2)

"I have \_\_\_\_\_ into the world as a light, so that no one who believes in me should stay in darkness." John 12:46, NIV  
(3)

\_\_\_\_\_ and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness?"  
(4)  
2 Corinthians 6:14, NIV

"For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as \_\_\_\_\_ of light." Ephesians 5:8, NIV  
(5)

# January 2011

| Sun  | Mon   | Tue  | Wed   | Thu   | Fri | Sat   |
|--|---|--|---|---|-----|---|
| <b>EACH WEEK:</b><br><br>Seniorize: M/W/F 9 AM in the Fellowship Hall<br>Taoist Tai-Chi: Tues., Thur. 6 PM, Sat. 9 AM; Beginners 10 AM<br>Youth: 6 PM Sundays; Bible Study 7 PM Wed.<br>Spanish: 6:30 Wed. |   |  |   |   |     | 1   |
| 2<br><br>Communion   | 3<br><br>Office Closed                                  | 4  | 5   | 6<br><br>Church<br>Cleanup 5-6<br>PM<br>Evangelism<br>7:00 PM     | 7   | 8<br><br>Session Re-<br>treat and<br>Stated Session<br>Meeting 1-5<br>PM              |
| 9  | 10<br><br>Ladies' Night<br>Out 6 PM at<br>Carol Brown's | 11   | 12  | 13<br><br>Church<br>Cleanup 5-6<br>PM                             | 14  | 15  |
| 16   | 17  | 18<br><br>Faith & Fellow-<br>ship Team 6<br>PM   | 19<br><br>Property Team<br>5:30 PM<br>Fellowship<br>Supper 6:30 | 20<br><br>Church<br>Cleanup 5-6<br>PM<br>No Serve Team<br>Meeting | 21  | 22  |
| 23   | 24  | 25   | 26<br><br>Lunch served<br>at John Knox<br>Center                | 27<br><br>Church<br>Cleanup 5-6<br>PM                             | 28  | 29  |
| 30<br><br>5th Sunday<br>Worship @<br>MCRCX 7 PM  | 31  | <b>MUSIC SCHEDULES:</b><br><br>Children's Choir: 8:45 Sunday mornings in KUMC Annex<br>Handbells: 5:30 PM Wednesdays<br>Adult Choir: 7 PM Wednesdays |   |   |     |  |