

Bethel Presbyterian Church

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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 coming together,
for fellowship, study and
service...seeking God's
peace, justice and love ~



The Open Door

BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH / JANUARY 2012

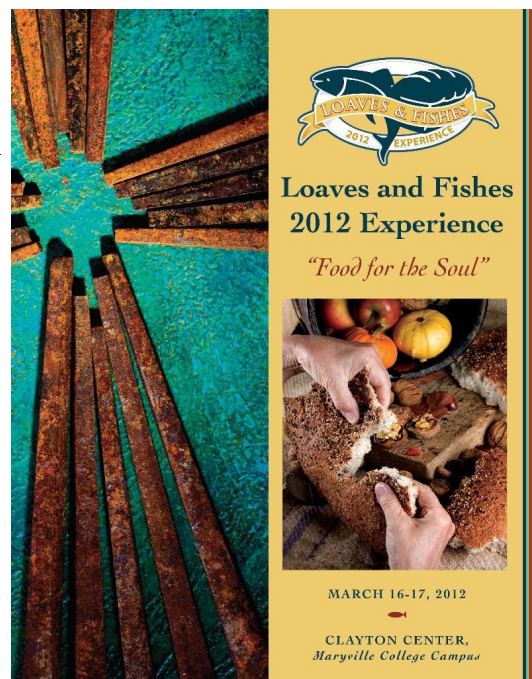
Dear Friends,

Several years ago our presbytery began offering an educational and fellowship event for the entire presbytery called Loaves and Fishes. I am particularly looking forward to the 2012 Loaves and Fishes experience because the theme is "Food for the Soul." As the brochure says, "Taking Jesus' command literally to 'feed my sheep,' we invite you to join in this conversation about feeding God's hungry people from growling stomachs to aching souls." This is a two day event Mar 16 and 17 at Maryville College in Maryville, TN.

There will be keynote speakers, worship, music and workshops as well as dinner Friday night at New Providence Presbyterian Church to experience and learn about their "Welcome Table" dinner begun a couple of years ago to feed those hungry for food and companionship. The workshops Sat morning and afternoon vary from food and faith to a pick-up band of musicians, to Living Waters for the world and Second Harvest, to Using social media and children's spirituality.

There are programs for children and youth as well as the adult programs. Essentially there is something for everyone. I am sure it will be an enriching event filled with great worship, good food, and lots of fellowship. I want to encourage you to go on line to www.presbyteryeasttn.org and

read more about the event and the workshops offered. Who knows, you may learn something at Loaves and Fishes that sparks an idea for ministry and mission at Bethel or you may find a workshop that would answer your questions or enhance



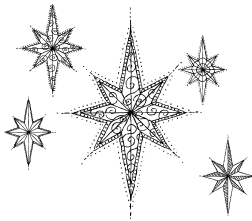
the ministry and mission we are already doing.

Registration is \$40 for adults for the weekend (or \$30 if postmarked by Feb 1); \$20 for youth (or \$15 if postmarked by Feb 1) and children 11 and under are FREE! Watch for more information in the coming month and talk with me if you are interested in going. It would be great to have a group from Bethel go and we could even car-pool together.

Grace and Peace, Wendy

Service Team

Many thanks to all the Bethel members who participated in Christmas Baskets and Angel Tree this year. With your generous contributions and help we were able to give a generous amount of food to 49 families and gifts to 67 children. We are getting very good feedback from Bethel members and our guests about our Sunday afternoon activities combined with Hanging of the Greens. The children love going downstairs to participate in crafts, several parents even went down and some families stayed for the supper and evening services. All seemed very appreciative of our efforts.



Flower Ministry

We ended the year with a very colorful display of poinsettias. Nancy and Joan arranged a beautiful poinsettia "tree" using the poinsettias purchased by members of the congregation under the guidance of Will. Many thanks to all who participated in the purchase of these plants. If you have not picked yours up, please do so. If kept in a bright room and watered regularly, they will last for several months. For those who would like to plant them outside in partial shade, they will form a beautiful green plant over the summer. In parts of the world, people arrange poinsettias among their summer blooming plants and houseplants for an interesting effect.

Jill McMaster's poinsettia tree, the Chrismon Tree, and Virginia Fowler's African violets have all added to our winter and Christmas enjoyment. Many thanks to all.

Family and Fellowship

January 18 is Fellowship Supper at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a dish to share. Family and Fellowship meets at 5:30 on January 18 in the Fellowship Hall.

Just a note to please pick up any dishes you might have left at the church. They are on the kitchen counter. Occasionally the committee puts things in the Sunset Gap closet if we can't locate an owner.

When the song of the angels is stilled,
when the star in the sky is gone,
when the kings and princes are home,
when the shepherds are back with the flocks,
then the work of Christmas begins:
to find the lost,
to heal those broken in spirit,
to feed the hungry,
to release the oppressed,
to rebuild the nations,
to bring peace among all peoples,
to make a little music with the heart...

And to radiate the Light of Christ,
every day, in every way, in all that we do and in all that we say.
Then the work of Christmas begins.
--By Howard Thurman

Fair Trade Items for sale:

14 Dark Chocolate Bars \$3/each
1 Box English Breakfast Tea \$4
4 Whole Bean Breakfast Coffee \$7/each
5 Whole Bean Breakfast Decaf Coffee \$8/each
5 bottles of Olive Oil \$12/ each
If you are interested in any of these items see Susan in the office.

Transitions Fellowship is hosting a night of contemporary music that will be held January 17th in the Sanctuary. Both congregations, and their guests, are invited to take part.

What can a cookie do?

Girl Scouting celebrates 100 years in 2012. A **new cookie** has been created for the occasion (Savannah Smiles are a crispy, zesty, lemony delight) along with past favorites for the **January cookie sale** (Thin Mints, Samoas, Tagalongs, Do-si-dos, Trefoils, Dulce de Leche, and Thank U Berry Munch cranberry). This year's theme is "What can a cookie do?" as girl scouts in Roane County troops learn how to run a cookie business at the local level. You can also purchase a box of cookies for residents of Kingston's assisted living facilities or food pantry as part of the **Gift of Caring** program. The troop is raising money for a special shopping cart for the food pantry plus a field trip. Please call Julie at 376-9033 for more details. Holiday thought of the day: "All the cookies freeze well".

Memorials and Gifts

In memory of Denys Stutesman
from Gary and Dianne Griffith
In memory of Teresa Hettrick
from Nelda Toon
In memory of Sharon Skinner
from Nelda Toon
In memory of Christine Woods
from Leonard and Bina Kirby
In memory of Marc Sherrod
from Mark and Kathy Banker
In honor of Bill Shadden's
birthday from Dave and Helen Stevenson
In honor of Wanda Carter from
McCord Carter

New Member Corner

From time to time, we will use the Open Door to introduce our readers to folks who have recently joined our congregation.

If you haven't already done so, please make it a point to say hello and make them welcome!

Brian Shelby

I grew up in Kingsport, TN and went college at ETSU in Johnson City, TN where I received a degree in Business Management. After college graduation, I moved to Atlanta, GA. When I went there, I did not have a job so I started what I thought would be a temporary job with General Shale Brick. I worked 25 hours per week answering the phones and taking orders. I never thought I would be involved in the brick business as a career. Now 15 years later, I am still in that temporary job and am expecting a full time career to come along any time now.

While in Atlanta, I met Wendy. In 1999 I wanted to get back to Tennessee because I missed the mountains and I had had enough of Atlanta traffic. I transferred with General Shale to Knoxville and Wendy went to Northern Ireland. We completely lost touch with each other during this time. In 2001 a mutual friend from Atlanta called to ask me if I knew Wendy had moved to Knoxville. This is when we reconnected. During all this time, Wendy and I were just friends, but in July 2002 I asked her out on a date, after all, we had known each other for 5 years. She turned me down. A couple of months later, she agreed to a date. Less than one week later I asked her to marry me and we were married in February 2003. God blessed us with two amazing children; Isaac Herron Shelby was born on January 16, 2007 and Sarah Rebecca Shelby was born on February 2, 2010.

In my work for General Shale, I work with architects, contractors and homeowners selling brick for houses and commercial projects. I really enjoy what I do. Each day it is something different.

In my spare time, if there is such a thing, I enjoy spending time with my family, working in the yard and working on my Corvette.

Bethel is a very special church full of very special people. I have really enjoyed getting to know everyone and am excited about our future together. I want to thank everyone for the love, care and acceptance Bethel has shown my family.

Eric and Laura

Windhausen and Marie Gasparetti

Submitted by Laura: I used to be a registered nurse and have a rudimentary ability to speak Spanish. Eric speaks some Spanish as well. Eric has a masters degree in education. Eric is a member of the Masons and I am a member of the Eastern Star.

Eric was in his church choir in high school and I was in choir at high school. I am not wanting to join the choir right now, but maybe in the future. Right now I would just like to worship from the pew with my family.

I enjoy shopping with coupons so if anyone gets coupons in the paper and doesn't use them, I would love to have them. I will, also, use them as I can for buying things to donate. I love crafts and am trying to remember to go to the Monday art club. I am one of those 'head in the clouds' kinda people. lol.

Marie loves to sing and write songs. She loves to do art projects. Like most girls she loves to shop, but it's more the mall shopping than the coupon/grocery/necessities that get me going lol. She wants to learn to play guitar.

Prayer Reminders

It is with great sadness that we report the passing of our sister in Christ, Betty Nason. Betty died Tuesday, December 6. We extend our deepest Christian sympathy and love to her daughters, Christy, Vicky, Carolyn and Lynda and to her extended family in this time of sorrow. Please remember the family in your prayers. A memorial service is planned for January 5th.

Assisted Living / Nursing Homes

Jamestowne 851 Lawnville Road, Kingston 37763

Nelle Griffith	Room 206
Dick Hettrick	Room 102
Louise Pickel	Room 209
Mac Robbins	Room 305
Sophie Simon	Room 302

Wellington Place 1098 Bradford Way, Kingston 37763

Jan Parker	Room 107
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Renaissance Terrace 257 Patton Lane, Harriman 37748

Marge Maki	Room 108A
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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
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Brakebill Nursing Home 5837 Lyons View Pike Knoxville 37919

Anne Smith	Room 416-B
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In Need of Prayer: James Woodard, Gil & Julie Barber, Jean Dice, Pat Hale, Helene Ricker, Justus Baird (brother of Barbara Baird), Dianne Swinler (Brenda Strickling's sister)



Happy New Year! Can you believe it's 2012? We will have a busy year at Ignite Fusion Kingston. Check out the January calendar below and go online to www.bethelpcusa.org and click on the Ignite/Fusion 2012 major event calendar link to see what is happening in the new year. Please note that the schedule is always subject to change. Contact me with questions. I hope that we can all

learn to live out our mission statement to Serve, Embrace and be anchored in Jesus Christ for 2012. Remember to support our World Vision child Charity during the new year.

January 1- NO IGNITION!
Happy New Year!

January 4- Movie Night in the Bethel Youth room. Did you watch To Save A Life at our last movie day? Join us for a re-screening on January 4th at 7 PM.

Have you received...a new phone for Christmas? How about a new printer? Donate your used printer cartridges and cell phones to the Ignite/Fusion program. We do not accept cell phone accessories or extra batteries.



January 8- We will start a Life Choices series during the spring semester at Ignition. Our guest will be Kirk Steele. Join us at 6 PM for THE FEAST & Ignition in the KUMC youth room.

January 11- Word Search at the KUMC youth room 7 PM. **Resurrection deadline at 11 PM. A**

\$25 late fee will be added to all registrations after this day.

January 15- 5 PM Resurrection Meeting. Everyone is encouraged to attend this meeting. We will discuss the schedule and fill out several forms. You must have these forms



filled out before we can leave Friday, January 20.

THE FEAST & Ignition at 6 PM. Come see who our next guest speaker will be!

January 17- Take Time Worship at 7 PM in the Bethel Sanctuary.

The Transitions Fellowship (Young Adults) are sponsoring a time of worship through contemporary music with Terrie Winkle who works with worship and media arts at Cokesbury UMC in Knoxville.

January 18- Bethel Family Dinner at 6:30 PM and Word Search.

January 20-22- Resurrection!!! Depart at 4:30 PM and return at 2 PM on Sunday, January 22.

January 25- Word Search at 7 PM in the KUMC youth room

January 29- THE FEAST & Ignition at 6 PM-Guest speaker

February 1- Word Search at 6 PM in the KUMC youth room.

Transitions Fellowship

January 3- We will have a memorial service starting at 7 PM in the Bethel sanctuary for Heath Bailey.

January 17- Join us for Take Time Worship at 7 PM in the Bethel Sanctuary.

The entire congregation is invited to this event. We will spend time singing and

worshiping together with Terrie Winkle from Cokesbury UMC in Knoxville.

Money due for Divine Rhythm. Contact Will for details and your balance.

January 27-29- Divine Rhythm in Pigeon Forge. Watch email and Facebook for information on this great event.

January 31- Fellowship at KUMC. 7 PM

Upcoming Events:
February: Transitions
Experience: Love Kitchen at First Presbyterian in Harriman

January 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 New Year's Holiday Office Closed	3	4	5	6 Confirmation Class Kickoff Dinner 6:30	7
8	9 Finance Mtg. 5:30	10	11	12	13	14 Photo Group 10 AM
15	16 MLK Holiday Office Closed	17 Transitions Fel- lowship Night of Contemporary Music	18 Fam. & Fellow- ship Team 5:30 Ministry Support Team 5:30 Fellowship Supper 6:30	19 Service Team 6:30	20	21 Session Meet- ing/Retreat 10 AM-3 PM
22 Study Team 12:30	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 5th Sunday Wor- ship @ MCCR 7:30	30	31	EACH WEEK: Taoist Tai Chi: Tues., 6-7:30 Sat. 9 a.m. Spanish: Tues. Beginners 5:30, Advanced 6:30 p.m. Art Club: Mondays at 10 AM or 6 PM in the 2nd Floor Art Room Adult Choir Practice: 7:00 p.m. Children's Choir: 8:30 a.m. @ KUMC Annex (Ignite/Fusion Sun. 6 PM / WordSearch Wed. 7 PM (Full calendar on p.4)			

January Birthdays

2 Thomas McGill
 9 Matt Hines
 Marlene Woodard
 11 Eric Kornegay
 15 Jennie Morris
 16 Isaac Shelby
 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

