

Bethel Presbyterian Church

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THE OPEN DOOR

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Dear Friends,

This month we are privileged to have PCUSA mission co-workers Jeff and Christi Boyd with us on October 20. The Boyds have served as mission co-workers in Africa for 30 years. They have experience in many African countries and thus much to share with us about the mission and ministry as well as the needs in that part of the world and that part of the Body of Christ.

We will gather for breakfast at 9am in the fellowship hall. Breakfast is for everyone. At 9:30 children will go to their classes and youth and adults will remain in the fellowship hall for a presentation by the Boyds. During worship, Jeff will preach and Christi will offer the children's moment. We have many opportunities to learn about their work and the work of the PCUSA in Africa. I hope you will make plans to be at Bethel on October 20.

The Session is faithfully working to put a budget together for 2020. I am grateful for your generosity in support of Bethel's mission and ministry. Because of your support we are able to begin much needed ministries like Laundry Love. There are many needs in our community that we are able to meet through simple acts of kindness and love. Your support makes that possible.

While the ministries of the church stay front and center in our minds, we tend not to think about that which we don't notice. The mortgage often goes unnoticed, yet the ministry made possible by the building renovation and addition is also great. Bethel arts ministry is a space for community and church members alike to meet and learn and practice and support one another. Many of the participants have experienced the hospitality of Bethel as a balm for their souls.

Tai Chi is another community program that uses Bethel space many days a week and provides support and community within itself. Again participants experience the grace of welcome through the open door of our church building. So when we think about the mortgage, it isn't just a monthly payment. It enables vital ministry and mission. We are down to owing around \$500,000.00, which is wonderful. However, monthly giving to the mortgage payment rarely covers the actual payment, and our mortgage reserves are quickly dwindling.

As you consider your giving to Bethel now and in 2020, prayerfully consider giving to the mortgage fund as well as the church general fund if you don't already do so. Gifts to the mortgage fund impact our community in seen and unseen ways. Thank you again for your faithful generosity and support of the mission and ministry of Bethel Presbyterian Church. It makes a real difference in this community and beyond.

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Wednesday Night Programs – October and November

October 2 Penny Neal on mental

health

October 9 Penny Neal on mental

health

(Specific topics to be determined later)

October 16 Monthly Pot-luck Dinner

October 23 Wendy Neff will present a

series on religions of the

world

October 30 Wendy Neff on religions of

the world

November 6 Wendy Neff continues her

series

November 20 Monthly Pot-luck Dinner

Dinner is at 5:45 pm

Programs begin at 6:15 pm

THANK YOU

Dear Bethel Family,

Thank you for your kind expressions of sympathy on the recent passing of my dear father. Your kindness to me and my family are deeply appreciated.

With love and joy for you,

Rebecca Price

If it is October, it must be time to think about Christmas Baskets! Several churches work together in providing food and Christmas gifts to families in the Kingston area and it is time to begin that process.

The first part of this ministry is the sign-ups and your help is needed for this process. The dates for sign-ups are below. All dates except Wednesday, October 16, will be at Bethel Presbyterian Church.

Tuesday, Oct. 15 1-3 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 16 11-1 KUMC (Community Lunch and Flu Shot Clinic) Thursday, Oct. 17 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 22 1-3 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 23 11-1

Thursday, Oct. 24 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

EVERYONE who works with the registration must go through the training BEFORE the day he/she works. The dates for training, both of which are at Kingston UMC in the Fellowship Hall, will be:

Monday, Oct. 7 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 10 6:00- 7:00 p.m.

Those not able to attend one of the training sessions will need to arrive on their first day of registration 1½ hours before the beginning time (i.e., 9:30, 11:30 or 4 p.m.) in order to go through the training.

Please contact Rev. Sue Lynn Johnson at sljkumc@comcast.net or 865-376-6337, ext. 104 to help with this ministry opportunity.

THANK YOU

Bethel.

Thank you for your contribution of \$50.00 to Roane Imagination Library. Your gift will enable Roane Imagination Library to deliver quality, age-appropriate books to the children of our community free of charge.

Jill McMaster, Coordinator

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Church Picnic

The annual Church Picnic will be Sunday, Oct 6th at Marge Hettrick's house. The picnic will start at 3 pm with fun and games, and food will be served at 5 pm. Bring a finger dessert,

drink, and lawn chair.



H.O.M.E. Food Collection

Thank you to everyone who contributed food for our September HOME collection, which helps to support our local food pantry and helps feed hungry folks in our community.

For the month of October, our focus food will be Pasta/
Spaghetti 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, October 20th.



Diapers and Pull-Ups are always in need.

memorials gifts

In memory of Edith Miles from DeeAnn Dunwoody Ostby Liz Singley

In memory of Rev. Marc Sherrod from Mark and Kathy Banker Andrew and Patsy Buchanan

In memory of Rev. Dick Hettrick from Mark and Kathy Banker

In memory of Teresa Hettrick from: Liz Singley

In memory of Gibby Barber from Jim and Karen Schall Jill mcMaster Gary and Dianne Griffith

In memory of Bill Shadden from Marianne Shaden, Kelly and Aaron

In memory of Jacob Murr from Tom and Jane Pickel

Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study will continue on Thursday, Oct 17th and 24th at 10:30. We will study the Book of Job. Job is an oft quoted book but equally as oft misunderstood. Job directly and deeply deals with the human experience of suffering as well as mines the depths of what justice is. It also courageously delves into the relationship between human beings and God. As Kathleen O'Connor says, "Because it refuses to settle for any easy answers about any of its subjects, the book of Job is a classic of world literature."

Long time members of the women's Bible study class as well as newcomers are welcome.



- 2 Don Pierce
- 3 Linda Preston Jamie Woodard
- 4 Rick Durham, Jr. Hannah Sherrod
- 5 Gisela Condon Eden Sherrod
- 10 Adam Gallaher Joe Pierce
- 13 Gary Lemasters Tom Pickel, Jr.
- 15 Carrie Vickers
- 16 Mike Cutts
- 17 Jared McGill
- 19 Andy Holloway Scott McGill Jill McMaster
- 20 Eddie Kirby Caleb Sherrod
- 24 Yvonne Rossi
- 25 Eric Windhausen
- 26 Connor Rourke
- 29 Rebecca Dailey Pierce
- 31 Julie McGill Roger Richmond

Laundry Love

Laundry Love will now be held on the second Tuesdays of the month for the remainder of

this year. Laundry Love dates are, October 8,

November 12, and December 10.

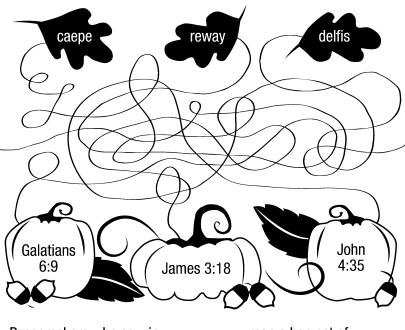


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Directions: After unscrambling each leaf's word, follow the vine to complete the Bible verse.



Peacemakers who sow in __ _ _ reap a harvest of righteousness. James 3:18, NIV

Let us not become __ _ _ _ in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Galatians 6:9, NIV

I tell you, open your eyes and look at the __ _ _ _ _ _! They are ripe for harvest. John 4:35, NIV

Answer: peace, weary, fields

HARVEST *Irail Mix*

This portable snack combines favorite fall flavors.



What you need:

- 1/4 cup maple syrup
- 1 tsp. pumpkin pie spice
- 1/8 tsp. salt
- ²/₃ cup pecan pieces
- 1/3 cup roasted pumpkin seeds
- 1/3 cup almonds
- 1/4 cup raisins
- 2/3 cup dried fruit (any)

What you do:

- 1. Microwave syrup, spices, seeds and nuts for 30 seconds at a time, stirring frequently, until mixture thickens.
- 2. Spread the mixture on a baking sheet lined with wax paper. Let cool and harden.
- 3. Break the candied nuts into chunks. Combine with dried fruit.
- 4. Store in airtight container.

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
		1	Supper and Study 5:45	3 Book Club 10	4	5
Faith Team 12:15 Church Picnic @ 5pm	7	8 Laundry Love 6-8:30	9 Supper and Study 5:45	10	11	12
13	14	15	16 Fellowship Supper	Women's Bible Study 10:30	18	19
Breakfast 9 AM H.O.M.E. collection Session 12:15	21	22	23 Supper and Study 5:45	Women's Bible Study 10:30	25	26
27	28	29	Supper and Study 5:45	31		

EACH WEEK:

Bethel Arts Ministry: Art Club Monday 10-Noon & Monday 5-7 pm

Taoist Tai Chi: Tuesday 5:30 -7 pm, Friday 9:30-11 am

Choir Practice: Wednesdays 7 pm

Yoga: Thursdays 5:30 pm