

Bethel Tidings

April 2019

Message from Pastor Jim

All of you who are thirsty, come to the water! Whoever has no money, come, buy food and eat! Without money, at no cost, buy wine and milk! Why spend money for what isn't food, and your earnings for what doesn't satisfy? Listen and come to me; listen, and you will live. Isaiah 55:1-3

The scripture for this month comes from the Third Sunday of Lenten readings. We are amid a sermon series that will bring us to the Cross and the Resurrection. It is a time to worship God, repent, and renew our spiritual lives. During the forty days of Lent, we are preparing for the renewal of our Hope that is given to us through Jesus Christ. Just as we sometimes adjust our diets for maintaining our physical health, we must adapt our spiritual foods on occasion to return to spiritual health.

God urges people to get off the fast, cheap and easy spiritual diet and instead come to the free and abundant banquet Jesus offers through his grace. This isn't food you have to work to be able to afford, but rather the gift of a gracious host (55:1). That "food" is the richness of God's word and promise based on God's covenant with David (55:3). As the rain comes to the earth and brings forth seeds that lead to bread, so God's word goes out and sustains his people if only they will come and eat. It's a word that is never "empty" but always accomplishes God's purpose (55:10-11).

God urges us to fill up on bread that sustains -- the Bread of Life, as Jesus called himself in John 6, the manna from God that is there to nourish us daily. That bread enables us not only to be healthy but to help others as well. Jesus once said, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work" (John 4:34). We should embrace the same diet!



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Women at the Well

By: Beverly Miller

The Women at the Well Bible study, will be held on Wednesdays at 10:00 am in the Parlor on April 3rd, 10th and 24th. The monthly brunch will be on April 17th at Rik's Café in the South End Shopping Center. All are welcome!

The Women at the Well have just begun a new Bible Study, "Wonder Struck - Awaken to the Nearness of God" by Margaret Feinberg. We have room for you - won't you join us?

The Women at the Well will host All Girls Together at the 2019 Mother-Daughter Banquet. We hope you will join your sisters-in-faith on Wednesday, May 15 at 6:30pm in the Family Life Center as we celebrate all girls/women of the church. More information will follow in church bulletins, and in the Sunday morning announcements.



Sunday Worship

8:45am - Traditional Services

10:00am - Sunday School for all ages

11:00am - Contemporary Services

NUT SENSITIVE

AS WE RESPECT THAT INDIVIDUALS MAY HAVE NUT SENSITIVITIES,

**We at Bethel make every effort to keep our kitchen "Nut Free".
If your donated food item may contain nuts, or has been prepared in a facility
where nuts may have been present, please use a place card in front of the
item. (In the drawer below the coffee pot.)**

THANK YOU

MISSIONS & OUTREACH



Micah's Backpack packs approximately 15-20 backpacks for students at Old Forge Elementary school. This effort ensures that students will have food over the weekend when not in school. Here is a list of items that we include in the backpacks. Please pick up some items at the store and drop them in the bins that are placed at each entrance. If you would like to make a monetary donation, just drop it in the collection plate with a note in the memo line for Micah's Backpack. As always, thank you for your kindness and generosity. It truly does make a difference in the lives of the children! ~Kim Rishell

ITEMS NEEDED FOR MICAH'S BACKPACK

BREAKFAST ITEMS – Individual boxes of cereal and oatmeal



LUNCH/DINNER ITEMS – Small cans of spaghetti and meatballs and ravioli; individual packs of Ritz crackers; individual servings of peanut butter; cans of chicken and/or tuna fish; chicken noodle soup, mac and cheese



SNACKS - Fruit Cups, Pudding Cups, Individual packs of goldfish and pretzels



VEGETABLES – Small individual servings of corn, green beans, peas and carrots



JUICE BOXES



Altar Flowers – April 2019

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>
April 7	Pastor Jim
April 14	Pam Brubaker
April 21	The Congregation
April 28	Sylvia Rider



The 2019 sign-up sheet is posted outside the sanctuary. Please consider ordering flowers to honor or remember a loved one or to celebrate an event. The cost is \$45 for both vases and they can be taken home with you following the worship service or can be given to one of our homebound members. If you have a specific kind of flower or color you would like, please contact Sandy Hose (240-527-5167) or Melissa Metzger (410-251-8439). All orders are called in the Wednesday before the Sunday you've signed up for.

Don't forget to give Deb Wagner the message you would like included in the bulletin Tuesday prior to the service. Thank you!

Lay Readers – April 2019

<u>Date</u>	<u>8:45 am / 11:00 am</u>
April 7	Tori Smith Phil Petry
April 14	Laura Harbaugh Linda Barnhart
April 21	Phil Baker
April 28	Valarie Kaufmann Joyce Belella



Greeters – April 2019

TRADITIONAL SVC - 8:45 am

April: Jeff & Laura Harbaugh
Vivian Michael & Beverly
Miller

CONTEMPORARY SVC - 10:45 am

April: Joyce & Larry Belella

Nursery – April 2019

<u>Date</u>	<u>8:45 am Worship</u>	<u>Sunday School</u>	<u>11:00 am Worship</u>
April 7	Tammy Smith Katie Smith	Tammy Smith Katie Smith	OPEN OPEN
April 14	OPEN OPEN	Tammy Smith Katie Smith	OPEN OPEN
April 21	Tammy Smith Katie Smith	Tammy Smith Katie Smith	OPEN OPEN
April 28	OPEN OPEN	Tammy Smith Katie Smith	OPEN OPEN

**To sign up for Nursery Care please send a message to Abbie Barnhart
at: abbie.barnhart@yahoo.com.**

Our littlest members deserve our support too.

Thank you!

Sharing from our Members

Sharing from Pastor Schildt:

Rev. Barbara Kaetzel Row, a ministerial daughter of Bethel UMC, has sent word that her Aunt, Wanda Kaetzel Zimmerman died in Harrisburg on March 3.

The Kaetzel's lived on Waltz Road and were very active at Bethel. Wanda's mother, Marian, not only cooked for church suppers but was the cook at Camp Greentop when it was the Outdoor School.

Wanda was struck by a car near the old train station while walking home from church one Sunday. She was badly injured.

At one time, Wanda was the President of the YF of the Pennsylvania Conference. Services were in Harrisburg on March 9th.

Barbara, now retired, served several churches in the Central Pa. Conference and is now living in Bedford, Pa.



Community Volunteer Involvement:

Reach Shelter

On March 8th Bethel Volunteers served a meal and worked at the Reach Shelter.
Contact is Candice Castillo @240-500-8085



Saturday April 27th from 11:00 to 12:00 we will have Ms. Diana Castle from REACH here to teach us how to make the Plam mats. Please let the office know if you plan to attend.

Family Fun Frenzy

Our next event was Sat March 22rd at 7:00. BOWLING with duck-pins at Turners on the Dual Highway.



A Message from the Altar Guild: Easter Sunday

Changes are coming soon to the Sanctuary of Bethel United Methodist Church. Our beautiful dorsal curtain behind the altar was taken down. Phil & Fred Baker are donating the Cross that will be carried in on Easter Sunday.

We hope that you are as excited by these fresh new changes as we are. We also hope to have all of the work completed before Easter and plan to have a dedication ceremony for our new cross.

Parents' Night Out



Bethel UMC
21006 Twin Springs Dr.
Smithsburg, MD 21783



2nd Friday Monthly
5:30-9:30 pm

To register call
the church at
301-733-8387



Parents Night Out

Continues monthly on the 2nd Friday

On Fri March 8th Bethel hosted 18 children. They were taught about "following the leader" and how they can be the leader. Fun was had with stories and games. Each child made a footprint that is now on the wall in the Family Life Center, following Jesus.

New Members

Sunday, March 17th

Bethel was blessed to receive 13 new members into our Flock.

There was also the Baptism of four souls. A list of their names and addresses was placed in the March 24th bulletin, If you missed it, just ask at the office.

Please make these new families feel welcome.

Stewardship – March 2019

<u>Date</u>	<u>8:45 am Worship</u>	<u>Sunday School</u>	<u>11:00 am Worship</u>	<u>Special Events</u>	<u>Offering</u>
March 3	110	56	44	N/A	\$4,545
March 10	93	60	57	N/A	\$3,205
March 17	93	69	78	Received New Members Baptism	\$3,648
March 24	98	62	58	N/A	\$4,804
March 31	82	62	67	UMCOR	\$3,214

TODAY I PLEDGE:

~To see only good in others

- ~To do something different ~ To forgive a past offense
- ~To fill a need for someone ~ To laugh every chance I get

~ To forget yesterday's mistakes

- ~To maintain a positive attitude ~ To practice listening to others
- ~ To spend time in solitude ~ To go an extra mile for another
- ~ To step outside my comfort Zone ~ To change one thing about myself

~ To only speak words of affirmation

- ~ To take a backseat to someone else
- ~ To write down my innermost thoughts



SUN 31	MON Apr 1	TUE 2	WED 3	THU 4	FRI 5	SAT 6
<div>8:45am Traditional W</div> <div>+ Create</div>	<div>5:30pm Volleyball / F</div>	<div>5:30pm Volleyball / F</div> <div>6pm Girl Scouts / Pa</div>	<div>10am Women- Well /</div> <div>5pm Family Fun Fren</div> <div>5:30pm Volleyball / F</div> <div>7pm AA / Upstairs</div> <div>7pm Bible Study / Pa</div>	<div>5:30pm Volleyball / F</div> <div>7pm Adult Choir / Pa</div>	<div>6pm CSU Class / Ups</div> <div>6pm Girl Scouts / FLC</div>	<div>9am AA / Lower Leve</div> <div>10am CSU Class / Pa</div> <div>1pm Girl Scouts/FLC</div>
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
<div>Communion</div> <div>8:45am Traditional W</div> <div>10am Sunday School</div> <div>11am Contemporary</div>	<div>5:30pm Volleyball / F</div> <div>7pm Caring Conn/Pa</div>	<div>5:30pm Volleyball / F</div> <div>6pm Girl Scouts / Pa</div>	<div>10am Women- Well /</div> <div>5:30pm Volleyball / F</div> <div>7pm AA / Upstairs</div> <div>7pm Bible Study / Pa</div>	<div>5:30pm Volleyball / F</div> <div>7pm Adult Choir / Pa</div>	<div>5:30pm Parent-Out /</div> <div>6pm CSU Class / Ups</div>	<div>Easter Egg Hunt</div> <div>9am AA / Lower Leve</div> <div>10am CSU Class / Pa</div>
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
<div>12am PALM SUNDAY</div> <div>8:45am Traditional W</div> <div>10am Sunday School</div> <div>11am Contemporary</div>	<div>NEWSLETTER DEADLI</div> <div>Tax Day</div> <div>5:30pm Volleyball / F</div>	<div>5:30pm Volleyball / F</div>	<div>10am Women- Well /</div> <div>11am Fellowship Bru</div> <div>5:30pm Volleyball / F</div> <div>7pm AA / Upstairs</div> <div>7pm Bible Study / Pa</div>	<div>10am MAUDY THURS</div> <div>5:30pm Volleyball / F</div> <div>7pm Adult Choir / Pa</div>	<div>10am GOOD FRIDAY</div> <div>6pm CSU Class / Ups</div> <div>6pm Girl Scouts / FLC</div>	<div>9am AA / Lower Leve</div> <div>10am Children's East</div> <div>10am CSU Class / Pa</div>
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
<div>Easter Sunday</div> <div>6:45am Sunrise Servi</div> <div>8am Easter Breakfas</div> <div>10am Combined Wor</div> <div>2pm Western Md Cer</div>	<div>Easter Monday</div> <div>5:30pm Volleyball / F</div>	<div>5:30pm Volleyball / F</div>	<div>10am Women- Well /</div> <div>5:30pm Volleyball / F</div> <div>7pm AA / Upstairs</div> <div>7pm Bible Study / Pa</div>	<div>5:30pm Volleyball / F</div> <div>7pm Adult Choir / Pa</div>	<div>6pm CSU Class / Ups</div>	<div>9am AA / Lower Leve</div> <div>10am CSU Class / Pa</div> <div>11am Reach Blankets</div>
28	29	30	May 1	2	3	4
<div>Blood Pressure Check</div> <div>8:45am Traditional W</div> <div>10am Sunday School</div> <div>11am Contemporary</div> <div>2pm Western MD Cer</div>	<div>5:30pm Volleyball / F</div> <div>7pm SPRC/Parlor</div>	<div>5:30pm Volleyball / F</div>	<div>10am Women- Well /</div> <div>5:30pm Volleyball / F</div> <div>7pm AA / Upstairs</div> <div>7pm Bible Study / Pa</div>	<div>7pm Adult Choir / Pa</div>	<div>6pm CSU Class / Ups</div> <div>6pm Girl Scouts / FLC</div>	<div>9am AA / Lower Leve</div> <div>10am CSU Class / Pa</div>

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Events to watch for:

Parents Night Out

Fri., April 12 @ 5:30

This is the date of the next event. FYI- we are planning an "end of year" FAMILY PICNIC for June. July and August this event will take a vacation and the restart in September.

Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., April 13th @ 11:00

Help spread the word. We are excited to share blessings to the community children. There will be a candy filled Egg Hunt, games, free lunch and a time of fellowship.

Family Fun Frenzy

Sat., April 27 @ 1:00 pm

Our next event will be min-golf and choice of one other activity such as go-carts or batting cage etc. Then in May possibly indoor swimming.

Bethel Youth Mission

July 20-27, 2019



Please remember to support this project.

Special offering envelopes are outside the Family Life Center.

Moments for Moms

Look for Changes

This program is undergoing new thoughts and changes to make it a quarterly program of interest to all women. Please relay any new ideas to Steph Belella.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1 st	Perry Chris Miller	10 th	Connor McNairn	20 th	Walter R. Miller, Jr. Michael Young
2 nd	Emily J. Nulph Kaylee West	11 th	Eleanor Loveland	22 nd	Jordan Boward
3 rd	Ann J. Taylor	14 th	Carrie M. West	24 th	Melissa Springer Makayla Clairborn
4 th	Scott Harshman	15 th	Joseph T. Rishell Cheyenne Price Dominic Rucci	25 th	Jon Backus Carol Ganley
5 th	Ronnie E. Snyder Brittany Buhrman Zachary Kaufmann	16 th	Kayla Harshman	28 th	Barbara Axline Katie Sprecher Callie E. Rishell
7 th	Ted G. Reeder Debbie Johnson Kinsey Shifflett Carolina Bennett	17 th	Duane A. McNairn Colby J. Johnson	29 th	Melvin L. Weaver Keith L. Hoffman Teresa Rossiter Jason Broadwater Jason Campbell
8 th	Jacquie Starleper	18 th	Philip A. Baker		
9 th	Alicia Guzowski	19 th	Jean D. Detwiler Cindy L. Harshman Dalton A. Miller		

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

1 st	Kyle & Kristen Aiken
8 th	Marty & Pam Brubaker
10 th	James & Debbie Johnson
16 th	Mike & Linda Sokol
17 th	Mel & Liz Weaver
20 th	Lacey & Barbara Simmons
25 th	David & Mary Lidie
26 th	Ted & Janice Reeder
29 th	David & Susan Brandenburg
30 th	Gene & Mary Gross



Treasurer Report

February 2019

Income

Offerings and Undesignated Receipt	14,077.00
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Restricted Contributions

Other Restricted Contributions	77.00
Disbursement of Restricted Contributions	-357.00
Restricted Contributions	<u>-280.00</u>

Other Income

Interest Income	27.92
Other Income	<u>27.92</u>

Total Income	<u>13,824.92</u>
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Expenses

Missions

BWC Apportionment	2609.66
Other Contributions	
Missions	<u>2609.66</u>

Pastor Expenses

Parsonage Utilities and Maintenance	566.34
Pastor's Salary	4,209.50
Medical	1,720.00
Pension	1,894.30

Pastoral Expenses

8,390.14

Pogram Expenses

Nursery Coordinator	
PR Taxes	
Flowers	
Children's Ministry	-180.00
Church Materials	-149.56
Music Materials	138.21
Music Other Costs	371.00
Kitchen Supplies and Materials	400.00
Pianist	95.40
	<u>350.00</u>

Program Expenses	<u>1,025.05</u>
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Treasurer Report

February 2019

Facilities Expenses

Payroll Tax Exp.	98.30
Custodians Electricity	1,285.08
Repairs & Maintenance	1,750.83
Gas & Oil	541.50
Telephone & Internet	3,485.62
Facilities Expenses	69.95

Administrative Expenses

Office Supplies	235.38
Payroll Tax	130.28
Expenses	1,352.76
Administrative Assistant	<u>1,718.42</u>
Administrative Expenses	7,231.28

Total Expenses

20,974.55

General Fund

-7,149.63

Net Income

-7,149.63

Overall Net Income



BETHEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Mission & Vision

OUR MISSION: To be the people of God on the move for Jesus and to transform the world by the power of the Holy Spirit.

OUR VISION: To be the Church of Jesus Christ to all God's children through discipleship grounded in God's Holy Word. We pledge to God and each other to accomplish our mission: Through prayer, worship and education, we will be seekers of God's will. Through witness, we will kindle the fire of spiritual and physical growth. Through Christian community we will love, nurture and support each other and those in need throughout the world.

CHURCH OFFICE:

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SUNDAY SERVICE TIMES:

8:45 am - Traditional Worship Service 10:00
am - Sunday School
11:00 am - Contemporary Worship Service

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FAMILY CARE MINISTRY:

Please let us know if you or a family member wish for pastoral visitation during a time of grief or hospitalization, including the birth of a child. We want to pray and minister to you.

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