

MINUTE FOR MISSION

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: Our Father who art in heaven; hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO THE LORD

OFFERTORY "Praise the Lord" Arr. Theron Kirk

* DOXOLOGY

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: We give you thanks and praise, generous God, for every good gift that comes from your hand: for food and clothing, for life and health, for family and friends, above all for the treasure of your grace. Make us rich in good works, generous and ready to share, taking hold of the life that really is life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

* CLOSING SONG Hymn #307: "Fight the Good Fight"

* CHARGE AND BLESSING

* CHORAL RESPONSE

* POSTLUDE "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Graphic for 'The Good Fight' series with dates and themes: September 15 (GRACE), September 22 (PRAYER), September 29 (CONTENTMENT), October 6 (COURAGE), October 20 (PURPOSE), October 27 (TRUTH), November 3 (ENDURANCE). Includes '10:30 AM SUNDAYS THIS FALL' and '1 TIMOTHY 6:12'.

UPCOMING EVENTS!

- Sept. 29th Communion Class for Children and Parents
Oct. 7th Basic
Oct. 12th Fall Cleanup Day
Oct. 12th Playdate at Boyce-Mayview Park
Oct. 20th Membership Class
Oct. 27th Trunk or Treat

WORSHIP NOTES

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY to the Swidorsky family on the loss of Ronald Swidorsky (Griz - the One Man Band). Please keep his wife Liz and all who loved him in your prayers. A Memorial Service has been scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 5th, 10:00 a.m., at Crossroads Baptist Church, 81 Walter Long Road, Finleyville, PA 15332, with a gathering of friends and family to follow.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY to the Zelt family on the loss of Albert R. Zelt, Jr., former member of BPC. Please keep the family in your prayers during this difficult time.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND HYMNALS, as well as audio listening devices, are available from the Worship Welcome Team.

MONTHLY CONGREGATIONAL LETTERS: On communion Sundays, five letters will be placed in the Narthex and then taken to Fellowship in Galbraith Hall. Please add a quick note to each letter ... these letters provide an important link to those members unable to join us during worship each week.

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION: Will be observed on Sunday, October 6th - Team 3, Stacey Lucidore.

MEMBERS IN SERVICE

LITURGISTS: Barbara Jay; Oct. 6th Courtney Kiesling

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS: Families I - L; Oct. 6th Families M - O

CHILD CARE: Child Care rooms are open, but not staffed; Oct. 6th Carrie Virgin & Marilyn Beckstrom

WORSHIP WELCOME TEAM: Team 8: Carole Carroll, Gail Anderson, Wendy Roithner, Marian Rhodes*, Hazel Knapp*; Oct. 6th - Team 9: Phyllis Criss, Judy & Fred Shoemaker, Tom Hultz*, Joanne Wells* (*Chairlift)

SANCTUARY COORDINATORS: Carol MacDonald; Oct. 6th Greg Smith

GRAPHICS TEAM: Larry Jay; Oct. 6th Robin Macherey

SOUND BOARD: Frank Jackson; Oct. 6th Steve Kloc

CHANCEL FLOWERS: In Loving Memory of Janet Hultz, given by Tom Hultz.

PRAYER CONCERNS: Rob Backstrom, Hartley Baird, Hank Barr, Betty Bauer, Gary Bittner, Carl Bonanni, Marilou Booth, Marina Bowser, Art Brandenburg, Michele Cobb, Phyllis Criss, Bob Dare, Sueann DeFurio, Marilyn DeHuff, Bob Ericson, Cliff Fair, Ginny Flynn, Bill Franciscus (Marilyn DeHuff's son), Bettyjean Gamble, Steve Kloc, Dick Kraft, Pat Kraft, Whitten Little, Carol MacDonald, Carol McDonald, Emily Parise, Donna Puglisi, Dave Rawlings, Ann Reid, Joan Sherbak, Sally Sinatra, Jean Smith, Anne Unger (Pastor Cathie's sister), Sheila and Rich Vandevander, Ansley Virgin (Basso), Kristi Wade, Edith Wallace, Russell York



Please join us in wishing Pastor Cathie's mother-in-law, Mary Frances, a happy 95th birthday on October 1st!

Graphic for 'Sermons ONLINE' with text: Did you miss a sermon? Past sermons are now available to listen to on our website! Recordings include music, prayers and other parts of the worship service, too! www.bethelpresby.org/sermons

Congregation Life Weekly Newsletter September 29, 2019

SOUTH HILLS INTERFAITH MOVEMENT FOOD PANTRIES: In order to fully stock the shelves at the Food Pantry, SHIM is requesting donations of jars of spaghetti sauce, canned pineapple and baking items. They also need plastic grocery bags so clients can take their produce home. All donations are appreciated and can be left at the Marshall Road entrance.



FOOD DRIVE: PW is sponsoring a Food Drive for South Hills Interfaith Movement. Please consider helping our local residents who are in need. Check the poster at the Marshall Road entrance for suggestions. Thank you for your help!

Debbie May General PW Mission Coordinator

AUGUST 2019 PLEDGES

Table with 2 columns: Pledges YTD (\$132,369), Budgeted Pledges YTD (\$140,664), Difference (-\$8,295)

As you can see, pledges received so far in 2019 have not kept pace with what is expected or needed to meet our ongoing ministry expenses. Thank you for your ongoing love and support of the church and all God is calling us to be and do. If you missed your pledges/offerings for a few weeks, please consider a catch-up donation to help the church continue its faithful ministry in the coming weeks and months.



PLAYDATE! OCTOBER 12TH, 3:00-5:00 P.M.: Families with children of all ages are invited to come and hang out for an afternoon at the playground at Boyce-Mayview Park ... a nice day for the children to play together and parents to get a little actual adult conversation!

THE NAOMI CIRCLE will meet Wednesday, October 2nd, 10:00 a.m., at the Bethel Park Retirement Center (across the street from the church). Please bring your Bible!

Coming to the Table graphic with text: Children in kindergarten and above are invited to this special workshop with Pastor Cathie. We'll learn what communion is and what it means, and we'll get ready to join the church family at the family feast Jesus gave us! RSVP to the church office or to Pastor Cathie. Sept. 29 2-3 pm

TRUNK OR TREAT! On Sunday, October 27th, 4:30-6:00 p.m., we will welcome children from our church, Preschool, Child Care and the community to the church for some Halloween fun as they "trick or treat" in our parking lot (or inside if it rains). We need lots of decorated cars or trucks in the lot for children to come to! Can you help make this great outreach happen? Sign up in the hallway!

Saturday, October 12
9 am- Noon

TWO PROJECTS



1. Bring yard tools and work gloves and help get the building and grounds ready for colder weather.
2. Bring wire cutters and scissors to help repair and refresh the Chrismon ornaments to get ready for Christmas.

MEMBERSHIP EXPLORATION: Are you new to Bethel Church or have you been coming for some time with questions about our life together or how to take the next steps to membership? Join Pastor Cathie after worship on Sunday, October 20th, in the McMillan Room to learn more about our church and how you can find your home and place here!

Interested in learning more about BPC and finding your place in our life together?

Membership CLASS

Sunday, October 20 after worship

PW WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL THOSE WHO TOOK SUPPLIES TO MAKE GIFT BASKETS FOR HOLIDAY-A-FAIR THIS YEAR! We had a great response to this effort, but there is still more that can be done. We would like to have donation gift cards in denominations from \$10 up, to either add to baskets or in our ALL gift card basket. If you have gift cards to donate, please see Lana Kling, Cathy Misko or they can be turned in at the church office. Thank you in advance for your generous contributions!

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CONGREGATIONAL CALENDAR

Sunday, September 29 (Daily Readings: Psalm 108; 150; 2 Kings 17:1-18; Acts 9:36-43; Luke 5:1-11)

9:30 a.m. Sunday School/Small Groups
10:30 a.m. Worship
Pastor: Rev. Dr. Cathie Smith
11:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour: Families I - L
11:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry
12:00 p.m. Youth Group
2:00 p.m. Communion Preparation Class

Monday, September 30 (Daily Readings: Psalm 62; 145; 2 Kings 17:24-41; 1 Cor. 7:25-31; Matt. 6:25-34)

7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 215 Meeting

Tuesday, October 1 (Daily Readings: Psalm 12; 146; 2 Chron. 29:1-3, 30:1, {2-9}, 10-27; 1 Cor. 7:32-40; Matt. 7:1-12)

10:00 a.m. Quilters Meeting
5:00 p.m. Soccer Shots
7:00 p.m. Supportive Services Meeting

Wednesday, October 2 (Daily Readings: Psalm 96; 147:1-11; 2 Kings 18:9-25; 1 Cor. 8:1-13; Matt. 7:13-21)

10:00 a.m. Naomi Circle
7:00 p.m. Galatians Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Macdonald Pipers Band Rehearsal
7:30 p.m. AA Meeting

Thursday, October 3 (Daily Readings: Psalm 116; 147:12-20; 2 Kings 18:28-37; 1 Cor. 9:1-15; Matt. 7:22-29)

5:00 p.m. Kinder Karate
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal
7:45 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday, October 4 (Daily Readings: Psalm 84; 148; 2 Kings 19:1-20; 1 Cor. 9:16-27; Matt. 8:1-17)

Saturday, October 5 (Daily Readings: Psalm 63; 149; 2 Kings 19:21-36; 1 Cor. 10:1-13; Matt. 8:18-27)

Sunday, October 6 (Daily Readings: Psalm 103; 150; 2 Kings 20:1-21; Acts 12:1-17; Luke 7:11-17)

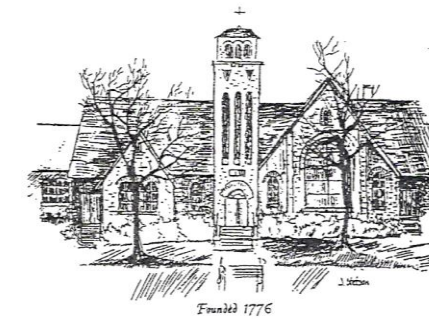
9:30 a.m. Sunday School/Small Groups
10:30 a.m. Worship, World Communion, Malawi Anniversary
Communion Sunday - Team 3
Pastor: Rev. Dr. Cathie Smith
(child care provided for infants up to 5 years of age)
11:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour: Families M - O
12:00 p.m. Youth Group - Food of the World Party
7:00 p.m. Cub Scout Committee Meeting

Monday Nights Oct. 7-Dec. 2

Basic.

Who is God? | What is Church?

meeting at Pastor Cathie's home
7:00-8:00 pm



Bethel Presbyterian Church
Worship for the Lord's Day
September 29, 2019
10:30 A.M.

"Changed by Christ So We Can Change the World"

* Please stand in body or spirit as you are able.

PRELUDE "Happy Are They Who Trust in the Lord"

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

* **SONG OF ADORATION**
Hymn #170: "The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"

* **CALL TO CONFESSION**

* **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

All: We have sinned, O God, hoarding what we have, grasping for more and ignoring those who hunger and thirst. We stay with our own kind; we are complacent in the face of systems that oppress. Forgive us; purify us; remake us, that we might love as you love. Amen.

* **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

* **SONG OF GRACE**
Hymn #341: "Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!"

(Children are invited forward for their special time.)

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

SONG OF PREPARATION
Insert: "Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet"

(As we sing, children may return to their seats.)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING *Matthew 6:25-34*

ANTHEM "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" Jack Schrader

SECOND READING *1 Timothy 6:6-19*

SERMON "The Good Fight: Contentment"

* **SONG OF RESPONSE**
Insert: "As the Deer" (Sing Twice)

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

Please sign the friendship pad (the red folder) and pass along to others in your row, greeting others by name after worship.