

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

November 17th - November 23rd

- Today:** Deadline: Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes Due
9:45 - Sunday School
11:00 - Worship
12:00 - Manse Open House
- Monday:** 6:30 - Cub Scouts
7:00 - Boy Scouts
- Wednesday:** 5:45 - The Bells of Bethel
7:00 - Adult Choir
- Thursday:** December Tower Mailing
- Friday:** 7:00 - Shenandoah Presbytery iCARE Special Event

Next Sunday, November 24th:
 9:45 - Sunday School
 11:00 - Worship/Four Cents A Meal Offering
 12:00 - PWCT Meeting
 12:00 - Witness Committee Meeting
 7:00 - Community Thanksgiving Service at
 Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church

Greeters: Keith and Tish Folsom

- *The flowers in the sanctuary are given by the Lynn Moore Family to the Glory of God and in memory of Jim and Charlotte Williams.
- *The rose on the organ is in honor of the birth of Fritz Hansford Crosier who was born on October 2nd and weighed 8 lbs, 6 oz. He is the son of Darren and Liesel Crosier and the grandson of Lois Crosier.
- *Good morning and welcome to Bethel! Whether you are a member, a friend or a visitor please take a moment and fill out the attendance pad at the end of your pew. Don't forget to give the attendance pad to others to sign when you are done. Thank you!
- *We welcome Brian and Penny Lee who will be joining Bethel this morning. We are blessed to have them and their children: Harleigh, Cameron "Moose", Bayleigh, Lydia, and Trever as part of our congregation!

*Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes are due today! Please place your shoeboxes on the cart in the vestibule. See Peggy Smith if you have any questions. Thank you!

***Manse Open House** There will a "Manse Open House" today following the worship service. The Growth & Strengthening Committee will be providing refreshments and Deacons Tammy Barbour and Mac Williams will be providing tours of the Manse. Come and enjoy the refreshments, the fellowship, and see all the improvements the Deacons have made to the Manse over the past year and a half!

*Want to learn more about the church in Ethiopia and iCARE? Put this Friday, November 22nd, 7:00 pm, on your calendar. Bethel will be hosting other churches in the southern area of the Presbytery for a special event. Guest speakers are Kes Tariku Tolesse and Ato Tilahaun Sima from the Illubabor Bethel Synod in western Ethiopia. Rev. Tariku is president of this Synod and Mr. Tilahaun is head of finance. They will bring news of how the Church is growing and how they are trying to handle this fast growth of Christianity. There will also be information about the country and the orphanage at Gore. Do make plans to come to this informative meeting. Additional information about iCARE is included on an insert in your bulletin. Please call Doris True if you have any questions.

*As a "Together in Service" project the Bethel Presbyterian Women are sponsoring a gift-card drive to benefit the Presbyterian Children's Home of the Highlands (PCHH) in time for the holiday season. PCHH has a particular need for gift cards from Wal-Mart and McDonalds. If you choose to participate in this mission project circle members can turn in gift cards to circle leaders Phyllis Cash or Libby Smith at the November meeting, or you may give the gift cards to Jackie Law. Although this project originated in the PW organization, all members of Bethel are invited to join in this effort to meet needs at PCHH. In order to assist with the equitable distribution of the gift cards please write the purchased amount on each card or envelope. All gift cards need to be received by next Sunday, November 24th so that they can be mailed to PCHH and arrive in time for holiday shopping and outings in December.

*The PWCT will meet next Sunday, November 24th, following the worship service.

*The Witness Committee will meet next Sunday, November 24th, following the worship service.

*Remember the community-wide Thanksgiving Service will be held at Mt Tabor Lutheran Church next Sunday, November 24th, at 7:00 pm. Everyone's invited to this special service!

*The Valley Mission in Staunton is in need of: (1) New or slightly worn children's clothing for children from 1 year to 15 years old (2) Canned food - large #10 size cans of green beans, baked beans, etc. (Wal-Mart has this size) and (3) monetary donations. They are not in need of books or toys at this time. A collection box labeled Valley Mission will be placed in Memorial Hall next to the Bumgardner Classroom. Donations will be collected through the month of November. Thank you for your generosity!

*The annual Hanging of the Greens program will be held on December 1st, during our regular worship service. Please make plans to attend this wonderful and meaningful service.

*The 2013 Advent Workshop will be on Sunday, December 1st, in the Fellowship Hall after the morning worship service. This workshop consists of lunch and craft activities representing each Sunday of Advent. Each new member for the church will receive an Advent candle wreath. All ages are invited to attend this workshop! If you have any questions, please contact Peggy Smith.

*Bethel Presbyterian Church needs a logo! The Bethel Communications Committee is currently seeking submissions/suggestions for a logo for Bethel that would be used on our website, Facebook page, t-shirts, caps, letterhead, etc. Please submit your creative design and tell your friends! Submissions can be given to any member of the Communications Committee (Tabby Moore, Tim Turner, Jill Webb, Joyce Miller). The deadline for submissions is December 1st, 2013. Thank you!

November 10th

Attendance: 85

Weekly Budget: \$3,648.00 Received: \$2,592.00

Estimated Budget Through November 1st: \$156,735.00

Receipts: \$130,709.00 Expenses: \$126,580.00