

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

October 27th - November 2nd

Today: Reformation Sunday
9:45 - Sunday School
11:00 - Worship/Four Cents A Meal Offering
12:00 - Congregational Meeting
12:15 - Witness Committee Meeting
(after the Congregational Meeting)

Monday: 6:30 - Cub Scouts
7:00 - Boy Scouts

Tuesday: 6:30 - Growth & Strengthening Committee Meeting
7:00 - PNC Meeting

Wednesday: 5:45 - The Bells of Bethel
7:00 - Adult Choir

Thursday: Halloween

Friday: All Saints' Day
World Community Day

Next Sunday, November 3rd: Daylight Saving Time Ends
9:45 - Sunday School
11:00 - Worship/All Saints' Observance
12:00 - Church Officers Meeting
12:00 - PWCT Meeting

Greeters: Dale and Kay Thompson

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given by Laura Barmore to the Glory of God and in loving memory of her mother, Lee Jump.

*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!

*Today during the worship service, we will be learning about our creeds with help from our youth and young people. After the service and Congregational Meeting the Christian Education Committee invites you to join us at Cici's Pizza in Staunton for food, fellowship and a fundraiser. Cici's will donate 10% of all receipts today, that are designated to benefit Bethel, to our 21st Century Renovation Fund.

*There will be a Congregational Meeting today following the worship service for the purpose of hearing the report of the Church Nominating Committee and electing new Church Officers.

*The Witness Committee will meet today, following the Congregational Meeting.

*This evening, October 27th, at 7:00 pm, Mt. Carmel Presbyterian Church in Steeles Tavern will feature a *Hymn Festival*, to celebrate and also dedicate the new Presbyterian hymnal Glory to God. The evening will feature hymns from the congregation, as well as a combined chorus and a combined bell choir. The organist and director is Jesse Ratcliffe. The program will last about one hour and everyone is welcome to come and join them in this special celebration!

*The Growth & Strengthening Committee will meet this Tuesday, October 29th, at 6:30 pm. (Please note that the date has changed!) Thank you!

*There will be a Community Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, November 2nd, at the Mint Spring Ruritan Building from 4 pm until 7 pm. A free will offering will be collected and all proceeds will go to the Jamie Wright family who lost their home and belongings in a fire on October 19th. Please call Roger Stover (292-0307) or Barb Gough (255-6521) for more information or if you have any questions.

*Next Sunday, November 3rd, Bethel will be observing “All Saints Day”. This is the day in the church calendar when all of the saints, who have served their Lord faithfully on earth, now live eternally in God’s Presence. During the morning worship service we will honor all who have gone on before us. This will include all members of Bethel who have died in the past 12 months. It will also include anyone you wish to remember in prayer who has died in the past 12 months. All names will be listed in the bulletin and there will be a time of prayer with candle lighting conducted by our Deacons. Please list all you wish remembered in the form provided at the end of the announcements. Thank you!

*All Church Officers: Elders, Deacons and Trustees will meet next Sunday, November 3rd in the Fellowship Hall following Morning Worship. A light lunch at 12:30 pm is scheduled. The topic of this “All Church Officer Meeting” will be Church Incorporation. The Rev. Dr. Fred Holbrook will be present as our Resource Person for this discussion of Church Incorporation and the issues that need discussion and decisions. Dr. Holbrook is uniquely equipped to be our resource person as Shenandoah Presbytery Parliamentarian; author of “Church Incorporation Directives and Guidelines” for Shenandoah Presbytery as posted on the Presbytery Website: shenpres.org. As well as being a good friend to Bethel, Fred Holbrook is also Executive Director of Massanetta Springs Conference Center.

*The PWCT will meet next Sunday, November 3rd, after the worship service.

*The next Communications Committee meeting will be on Sunday, November 10th, at 9 am.

*Remember that Stewardship Sunday is November 10th and it is fast approaching! Be thinking about the programs, ministry, and outreach of our congregation and how you might support them. Our theme for the 2013 stewardship season is: “I Love To Tell The Story”.

*This year, our Church is providing you with the unique opportunity to share Christ with a needy child using a simple shoebox. Your shoebox will reach a child in a troubled country with the Gospel message. Operation Christmas Child, is a project of Samaritan’s Purse, a Christian ministry, led by Franklin Graham, son of Billy Graham. The shoeboxes are delivered to a needy child overseas with Christian literature in his or her own language. Please be a part of this opportunity. The deadline for shoeboxes is Sunday, November 17th. For more information please pick up an Operation Christmas Child brochure in Memorial Hall. If you have any questions, please see 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!

*Check multi-tasking is a no no. Please, do not split the money you donate to different funds on one check. Make each check payable to Bethel Presbyterian Church and then note in the Memo space on the check only one intention - examples are Pledge, 21st Century, Memorial, or BERF, etc. Thank you. All multi-tasked checks will be returned to sender!

*Many thanks to the Howardsville Road clean-up team! We got it done in less than two hours on a nice Saturday, October 19th. It was made easier by the recent mowing by the highway department. My thanks to D.W. Miller, Tim Turner, Sally and Joe Williams, Kay Moore Agee, LeeAnn and Tom Heizer, Betty and Dave Schooley, and Steve Hord for giving their time and effort. We had a nice time of fellowship and filled Tom’s truck with bright orange bags! Let’s hope there will be less trash next year when we do this again! - Barb Gough

*If you would like to join Bethel Presbyterian Church, please feel free to contact a Session member. We would love to hear from you.

October 20th
Attendance: 82

Weekly Budget: \$3,648.00 Received: \$2,712.00

ALL SAINTS DAY OBSERVATION

Next Sunday, November 3rd, 2013, during the morning worship service, we will recognize all in our Community of Faith who have claimed the Gift of Eternal Life, in the past 12 months.

If you have a loved one who has died in the past 12 months, and would like to have them included in our Remembrance List, please list them below, and place the form in the offering plate OR contact the Church Office (886-6041; bethelpc@gmail.com). Please return this form by this Wednesday, October 30th. Thank you!

Submitted By: _____