

## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

April 6th - April 12th

**Today:** 5th Sunday in Lent  
9:45 - Sunday School  
11:00 - Worship/Preschool Sunday  
12:00 - Reception for Preschool  
12:15 - Diaconate Meeting  
12:15 - Stewardship/Finance Committee Meeting  
2:00 - Session Meeting

**Monday:** 6:30 - Cub Scouts (Fellowship Hall)  
7:00 - Boy Scouts

**Tuesday:** 1:30 - Afternoon Circle  
7:00 - Evening Circle

**Wednesday:** 5:45 - The Bells of Bethel  
7:00 - Adult Choir  
7:30 - Lenten Service at Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church

**Friday:** 5:30 - Bethel Trash Pick-Up

**Saturday:** 8:00 - Witness Committee - Rebuilding Together  
Project in Stuarts Draft  
8:30 - Presbyterian Women - Spring Gathering at  
Massanetta Springs  
9:00 - Bethel Trash Pick-Up  
1:00 - Bethel Easter Egg Hunt

*Next Sunday, April 13th: Passion/Palm Sunday*

*9:00 - Communications Committee Meeting*

*9:45 - Sunday School*

*11:00 - Worship*

*12:15 - Worship Committee Meeting*

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Greeters: Kenneth and Evelyn LaPorte

\*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God by Doris True.

\*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!

\*This morning we welcome the families of Bethel's Preschool children. The children will be singing for us during the worship service this morning. We are grateful to Teacher Pam Kirchman and Assistant Teacher Suzanna Burkholder for their dedicated work with these children. This historic preschool has been part of Bethel's Youth, Christian Education, and Community Service ministries for several generations. Please tell your friends and neighbors with children ages 3 to 5 that Bethel Preschool has openings for the 2014-2015 school year. For information call Pam Kirchman at (540) 448-0387.

\*There will be a reception following the worship service today in the Fellowship Hall to honor the Bethel Preschool. We will have lemonade and light snacks. Everyone is invited!

\*The Diaconate will meet today at 12:15 pm.

\*The Stewardship/Finance Committee will meet today at 12:15 pm.

\*The Session will meet today at 2:00 pm.

\*Today, April 6th, will be St. John's Reformed Church Sunday at Cici's Pizza in Staunton. If you eat there before 4 pm and put the receipt in the designated jar, our neighbor St. John's will get 10 % of the sales.

\*The Afternoon Circle will meet this Tuesday, April 8th, at 1:30 pm. (Please note the time change!) The meeting will be at the church.

\*The Lunch Bunch will meet at St. John's Church this Wednesday, April 9th, at 12:00 pm. The entertainment will be Roger Miller and the High on the Mountain Boys. Everyone is invited!

\*The Community Lenten Service will be at Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church on Wednesday night, April 9th, at 7:30 pm. Rev. JoAnn Bunn (Pastor - Redeemer Lutheran and Mt. Tabor Lutheran) will be the speaker. Everyone is invited to this special service!

\*Trash Pick-Up Day The Deacon's will be picking up trash along Howardsville Road this Friday, April 11th at 5:30 pm and this Saturday, April 12th at 9:00 am. Trash bags will be provided but remember to bring gloves! A great deal of help is needed with this project so please make plans to attend and help if you can! Small children need to be accompanied by an adult.

\*The Witness Committee will be sponsoring a Rebuilding Together Project this Saturday, April 12th (rain date: April 26th) in Stuarts Draft. We will be constructing a 17' wheelchair ramp from the front porch to the driveway, clean construction debris from the crawlspace, reattach low hanging insulation or replace if needed, install a new vapor barrier and extend drain lines from two downspouts. This project provides opportunities for all ages and abilities and everyone is welcome to come and help! The project will start at 8 am, lunch will be served and if needed we will start the project on Friday evening after 4 pm. Please come join us for a fun day of working together! If you would like to help or have any questions, please call Peggy or Jug Smith. Thank you!

\*Next Saturday, April 12th, at 1 pm the annual Bethel Easter Egg Hunt and Party will be hosted by the Growth & Strengthening Committee. All ages are invited and don't forget to bring your Easter baskets. Goodies will be provided!

\*The Communications Committee will meet next Sunday, April 13th, at 9:00 am.

\*The Worship Committee will meet next Sunday, April 13th, at 12:15 pm.

\*The May Tower Deadline is Thursday, April 17th. Please have all articles and announcements to the Church Office by noon. Articles and announcements for the May Tower can be left in Adrienne's mailbox in Memorial Hall or you can email them to her at [bethelpc@gmail.com](mailto:bethelpc@gmail.com). When writing announcements for the newsletter please keep in mind the 5 W's: Who? What? When? Where? Why?. Answer all these in your announcement, and you can be sure that your news will be communicated well. Thank you!

\*The community Maundy Thursday service will be on April 17th, at Pines Chapel Presbyterian Church. Isca Mitchell (Commissioned Ruling Elder - Pines Chapel) will be the speaker. The service begins at 7:30 pm and everyone is invited!

\*The community Good Friday service will be held here at Bethel on April 18th. The service will begin at 7:30 pm and everyone is invited!

\*The Easter Sunrise Service will be on Sunday, April 20th, at 6:45 am and will be followed by a covered dish breakfast. Pastor David will be the speaker and the service will be held at the home of Warren and Kaye Aylor. Please call the Church Office for the address and directions. Thank you!

\*There will be a cross outside the front entrance of the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday. Please bring fresh flowers to church on Easter to place on the cross.

\*Bethel will be collecting the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering during the worship service on Easter Sunday, April 20th, 2014. The familiar fish-shaped donation boxes that kids love to use are available (look in the vestibule at the back of the Sanctuary). Since 1949, Presbyterians have been giving from the heart in the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering to help those in great need. Our gifts support ministries of disaster response, refugee assistance and resettlement, and community development that help people find safe refuge, start new lives and work together to strengthen their families and communities.

\*The Witness Committee will be working the Food Booth at The Meeting Place on Friday, May 2nd and Saturday, May 3rd. The Food Booth opens at 8 am and is usually open until 3 - 4 pm. The following food will be sold: country ham buns with egg or cheese, tenderloin sandwiches, chicken sandwiches, cheeseburgers, hamburgers and hot dogs. Baked goods will also be sold. The Witness Committee needs 4 people to volunteer on Friday and/or Saturday for shifts from 8:00 am to 11:00 am and from 11:00 am until 3:00 pm. The following baked goods are also needed: fruit pies, homemade bread and rolls, brownies, cookies, 1/2 a cake, and peanut butter or chocolate fudge. If you would like to volunteer to help in the Food Booth or can provide baked goods, please see Peggy Smith. If you are providing baked goods and would like to leave them at the church, please leave them in the Church Kitchen by 7 pm on Thursday night, May 1st. Come help or come and eat with the Witness Committee!

\*Attention Women of the Church: The PWCT is starting the process of updating the Bethel Presbyterian Women Yearbook and they need your help. If you would like to change from one circle to another please contact either Libby Smith, Phyllis Cash or Stephanie Rivers. Also, please make sure they have your correct phone number listed especially if you no longer have a home number and only use a cell phone. The deadline for changes is May 31st so the yearbooks will be ready for the Ladies Annual Dinner. Thank you!

\*Acolyte - a follower or assistant, somebody, especially a young person, who assists a member of the clergy in the performance of rites. Starting Sunday, March 23rd, Pastor David will be assisted by an acolyte at the beginning and the end of the worship service. If you are interested in being an acolyte, let Pastor David know. This position is open to anyone, of any age, who is able to carry the candlelighter. Pastor David has also asked for liturgists. If you are interested in reading scripture or leading the Call to Worship during the worship service, please contact Pastor David.

\*Pastor David's Office Hours will be Monday through Thursday from 9 am until noon. If you need to meet with him at another time please contact him to set up an appointment. Thank you!

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

March 30th

Attendance: 117

Weekly Budget: \$3,423.00

Received: \$1,893.00