

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

November 1st - November 7th

Today: All Saints' Day
9:45 - Sunday School
11:00 - Worship/Communion/All Saints' Service
12:00 - Fellowship Time
12:15 - Diaconate Meeting
12:15 - PWCT Meeting

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

Tuesday: Election Day

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

Thursday: 7:00 - Bible Study

Friday: World Community Day

Next Sunday, November 8th: Stewardship Sunday

9:00 - Communications Committee Meeting

9:45 - Sunday School

11:00 - Worship

12:00 - Fellowship Time

Greeters: Bob and Louise Hoy

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in memory of loved ones by Joe and Shirley Heizer.

*Good morning and welcome to Bethel! Whether you are a member, a friend or a visitor please take a moment and fill out the friendship pad at the end of your pew. Don't forget to give the friendship pad to others to sign when you are done. Thank you!

*Bethel will be observing "All Saints' Day" today. This is the day in the church calendar when we celebrate all the saints, who have served their Lord faithfully on earth and now live eternally in God's presence. During the worship service this morning we will honor all who have gone before us. The names of those we are honoring are listed in the bulletin and there will be a time of prayer with candle lighting.

*Today we will be having a time of fellowship following the worship service. You are welcome to come and go as you please and enjoy a time of friendship with your church family. Light refreshments today will be provided by Jug and Peggy Smith. There is a new signup sheet on the bulletin board in Memorial Hall for the after church fellowship time. Dates are available in November through February 2016. Please consider taking a turn in providing refreshments for this special time. Refreshments can be as simple as coffee and doughnuts which would taste good on these cool autumn Sundays! Thanks go out to all who have provided refreshments as well as those who have helped with setting everything up!

*The Diaconate will meet today following the worship service.

*The PWCT will meet today following the worship service.

*The Hospice of the Shenandoah is having the Third Annual Quilt Auction to benefit the Gifted Care Program next Saturday, November 7th, 2015, at August Expo (in Fishersville). The doors open at 7:30 am for the silent auction and to view and vote on live auction items; a breakfast buffet will be served from 8:00 am - 9:30 am; and the live auction begins at 10 am. Tickets are \$15 per person and \$10 for children ages 6 to 12 years (children five and under get in free). Ticket price includes: admission to the auction and a hot breakfast provided by Kathy's Restaurant. To purchase tickets call (540) 932-5037 or visit their website at: www.quiltsofcomfort.org. Come bid with your heart on beautifully quilted items from your community!

*The Communications Committee will meet next Sunday, November 8th, at 9:00 am.

*Stewardship Season! School is back in session. Thanksgiving is almost here, and it is time again for Bethel to make plans for next year. Yes, Stewardship Season is here. Stewardship Sunday is scheduled for next Sunday, November 8th, 2015. Bethel needs all of you to help if we are to reach our goals. Please carefully and prayerfully consider your pledge for next year. Thank you for your continuing support!

*Attention Committee Chairs! If you are chair of a committee please have your committee's budget to the Stewardship/Finance Committee by next Sunday, November 8th. You can put a hard copy of the committee's budget in James Williams mailbox in Memorial Hall or email a copy of the budget to Ken Miller. Thank you!

*The Session will meet on Monday, November 9th, at 7:00 pm.

*Reminder: The Thank Offering will be collected at the November Circle meetings. The Afternoon Circle will meet Tuesday, November 10th, at 1:30 pm. The Evening Circle will meet Tuesday, November 10th, at 7:00 pm.

*The December Tower Deadline will be Thursday, November 12th. Please have all articles and announcements to the Church Office by noon. Articles and announcements for the December Tower can be left in Adrienne's mailbox in Memorial Hall or you can email them to her at bethelpc@gmail.com. When writing announcements for the newsletter please keep in mind the 5 W's: Who? What? When? Where? Why?. Answer all of these in your announcement and you can be sure that your news will be communicated well. Please remember if you turn in items after the deadline Adrienne cannot guarantee they will be included in the Tower. Thank you!

*IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR - OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES! Since 1993, Samaritan's Purse has been distributing shoebox gifts to boys and girls around the world in Jesus' name through Operation Christmas Child. Each shoebox gift can bring joy and the good news of Jesus Christ to a child in need. Please be a part of this effort by filling a shoebox this year. Information sheets and brochures on how to pack your shoeboxes are available in Memorial Hall. All shoeboxes will be due by Sunday, November 15th. Thank you for all the past support of this project. If you have any questions, please see or call Peggy Smith .

*There will be a Congregational Meeting on Sunday, November 15th, following the worship service for the purpose of hearing the report of the Church Nominating Committee and electing new Church Officers.

*The Women of the Church and the Witness/Mission Committee are going to provide and serve the breakfast meal at the Valley Mission on Saturday, November 21st. We need donations of the following items: breakfast casseroles (in disposable pans); grapes or oranges; gallon jugs of juice; loaves of quick breads, such as banana bread (please make a note on each whether or not they contain nuts). If you would like to provide any of these, please contact Rhonda Johnson. Everything needs to be dropped off at the church by 7:00 pm on Friday, the 20th, with any baking instructions for the casseroles if they are the "overnight" type. Your help with this worthwhile mission is greatly appreciated!

*Remember the community-wide Thanksgiving Service will be held at St. John's Reformed Church on Sunday, November 22nd, at 7:00 pm. Everyone's invited to this special service!

*The Presbyterian Children's Home of the Highlands (PCHH) is a long-term residential care facility located in Wytheville, Virginia. As a "Together in Service" project the Bethel Presbyterian Women are sponsoring a gift-card drive to benefit 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 Yvonne Goodson 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 Sunday, November 29th so that they can be mailed to PCHH and arrive in time for holiday shopping and outings in December.

*Calling all ringers, calling all ringers! Yes it is time to reserve your time, date and location for this season of Red Kettle Ringing for the Salvation Army. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Teresa Harris at (540) 885-8157 to schedule an appropriate time and date. Ask a friend to join you and have some fun ringing for a worthy cause!

*The Bethel Personnel Committee would like to thank Tish Folsom for her outstanding work as Disbursing Treasurer for the past 11 years! Tish has resigned this position effective December 31st of this year. We need someone to fill this important position in our church. It involves entering information into a simple accounting program, writing checks and maintaining a schedule of certain recurring payments, such as benevolence. This is a great opportunity to give back and fill a need at Bethel. This is a paid position and the amount of time worked per week will vary. Payroll of all church employees is currently taken care of by an independent company. Please contact Rhonda Johnson if you are interested or would like more information. Thank you!

*Please note that The Bells of Bethel practices now begin at 7:00 pm on Wednesday evenings.

*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!

October 25th

Attendance: 76

Weekly Budget: \$3,589.00 Received: \$2,522.00

Four Cents A Meal Offering: \$280.00

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Communications Committee Challenge

During the month of November,
we challenge you to bring a friend
to church.

We encourage you to invite a
family member, a friend or a neighbor.
Sometimes all it takes is a smile
and a personal invitation.

Meet them at the door.

Save them a seat.

Let's let everyone know
they are welcome!