

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

November 8th - November 14th

- Today:** Stewardship Sunday
9:00 - Communications Committee Meeting
9:45 - Sunday School
11:00 - Worship
12:00 - Fellowship Time
- Monday:** 6:30 - Cub Scouts
7:00 - Boy Scouts
7:00 - Session Meeting
- Tuesday:** 9:30 - Shenandoah Presbytery Meeting - Woodstock P.C.;
Woodstock, VA
1:30 - Afternoon Circle
7:00 - Evening Circle
- Wednesday:** Veterans Day
7:00 - Adult Choir
7:00 - The Bells of Bethel
- Thursday:** 12:00 - December Tower Deadline
7:00 - Bible Study

Next Sunday, November 15th: Deadline: OCC Shoeboxes Due
9:45 - Sunday School
11:00 - Worship
12:00 - Congregational Meeting
12:30 - Fellowship Time (after Congregational Meeting)
7:00 - Stewardship/Finance Committee Meeting

Greeters: Bob and Louise Hoy

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God by JoAnn Pendley.

*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!

*Stewardship season is here! Bethel is ready to have a good and productive year in 2015. Today is Stewardship Sunday. Pledge cards are available in your bulletin, in Memorial Hall, and in the vestibule. Please place your completed cards in the offering plate or give them to Ken Wilkinson, Receiving Treasurer. Please carefully and prayerfully consider your pledge for next year.

*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 D.W. and Beth Miller. 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. We are still looking for someone to provide refreshments next Sunday, November 15th. 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!

*Attention Committee Chairs! If you are chair of a committee please have your committee's budget to the Stewardship/Finance Committee by today! 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 (khmiller39@msn.com). Thank you!

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

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

*The December Tower Deadline will be this 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 next 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 next 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 Stewardship/Finance Committee will meet next Sunday, November 15th, at 7:00 pm.

*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 2015 Advent Workshop will be on Sunday, November 29th, following worship. All ages are welcome! We will have a light lunch and activities will include crafts representing each Sunday of Advent. Each family will receive an Advent wreath and calendar to be used at home during the Advent season. Advent is a season of anticipation and preparation for the coming of Christ. Please be part of this Advent Workshop. If you have any questions, please see or call Peggy Smith.

*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!

November 1st

Attendance: 86

Weekly Budget: \$3,589.00 Received: \$4,099.00

General Fund Monthly Report

Estimated Budget through October 27th: \$154,327.00

Actual Budget Expenses: \$129,464.00

Actual Budget Receipts: \$128,959.00

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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!