

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

January 3rd - January 9th

- Today:** 9:45 - Sunday School
11:00 - Worship/Communion
12:00 - Fellowship Time
12:15 - PWCT Meeting
- Monday:** 6:30 - Cub Scouts (Fellowship Hall)
7:00 - Boy Scouts
- Wednesday:** Epiphany of the Lord
7:00 - The Bells of Bethel
7:00 - Adult Choir
- Saturday:** 9:00 - Officer Training & Joint Meeting
Diaconate Meeting Following Joint Meeting

Next Sunday, January 10th:

- 9:00 - Communications Committee Meeting
9:45 - Sunday School
11:00 - Worship/Ordination & Installation of Officers
12:00 - Fellowship Time
12:15 - Worship Committee Meeting
12:15 - Session Meeting

Greeters: Ben and Faye Brown

*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God by Libby Smith.

*The rose on the organ is in honor of the birth of Michael Lawson Gutzler who was born on Friday, December 18th, 2015, in Fairfax, VA. Michael is the son of Michael and Emma Beth Law Gutzler and the grandson of Jane Law. He also has a big sister, Clara Noelle who is two and a half years old.

*Good morning and welcome to Bethel! Whether you are a member, a friend or a visitor please take a moment to 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!

*Please welcome Harold Coiner who will be joining us starting today as Interim Adult Choir Director. Most of you probably already know Harold, so please make sure to make him feel welcome at Bethel.

*There will be time of fellowship following the worship service this morning. Many thanks to Barb Gough and Marty Simmers for providing the refreshments today! There continues to be a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in Memorial Hall and all those interested in taking a turn are encouraged to sign up. We are grateful for the refreshments provided and friends to talk to!

*The PWCT will be meeting today following the worship service.

*If you have a mailbox in Memorial Hall, please check it and clean it out by today! Remember to check your mailbox in Memorial Hall periodically for updates, church information, etc. Thanks!

*We will be having our Officer's Joint Training and Meeting next Saturday, January 9th, 2016, beginning at 9:00 am. This is a time for the Elders, Deacons, and Trustees to come together and share their vision for Bethel. It is also a refresher course on the specific duties and responsibilities of each body. If you are a currently serving Elder, Deacon or Trustee, especially if you are just rotating onto the board, please make every effort to attend.

*The Diaconate will meet next Saturday, January 9th, following the joint meeting with the Session.

*The Communications Committee will meet next Sunday, January 10th, at 9:00 am.

*Next Sunday, January 10th, Bethel will be ordaining and installing our newly elected officers in a special Sunday morning worship service. Come and be a part of this important and moving moment in the life of the church. If you are an officer and will be unable to be at the service please let Pastor David or the Church Office know as soon as possible. Thank you.

*The Worship Committee will meet next Sunday, January 10th, following the worship service.

*The Session will meet next Sunday, January 10th, at 7:00 pm.

*The Afternoon Circle will meet at the church on Tuesday, January 12th, at 1:30 pm.

*The Evening Circle will meet at the church on Tuesday, January 12th, at 7:00 pm.

*Bible Study will resume on Thursday, January 14th, at 7:00 pm in the Bethel Fellowship Hall. The Bible Study theme continues to be the Gospel of John. Please contact Pastor David (540/490-2258 or jdavidshearer@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

*The Witness/Mission Committee invites everyone to its annual Mission Appreciation Luncheon after worship on Sunday, January 17th, 2016. There is no need to bring anything - we want to thank you for your generous support of our mission projects and share with you our plans for the coming year. Please come to learn how you have helped those in need in our community and beyond and the volunteer opportunities you can help with this year.

*The Men of the Church will meet on Tuesday, January 19th, at 6:30 pm.

**The deadline for the Annual Reports for 2015 is Wednesday, January 20th, 2016.* If you were a chair of a committee for 2015, please have your report and statement to the Church Office by the above date. Thank you!

***Church Inclement Weather Information** In the event of bad weather on Sunday mornings, please tune into WHSV-TV3 (Harrisonburg) or log onto their website (www.whsv.com) for information on whether church has been cancelled. If church is cancelled a congregational email will also be sent out to all active members. For weekday activities please follow the Augusta County Schools. If school is cancelled, all events for that evening at the church are cancelled. The Church Office may also be closed due to inclement weather if Augusta County Schools are closed (Monday through Thursday). If the Church Office is closed due to inclement weather and you have a need please email bethelpc@gmail.com. Adrienne will be checking email messages throughout the day even if she is not in the Church Office. Thank you!

*My family and I would like to thank you all for your love and support at Bethel Presbyterian Church. It is a joy to know that our Church family loves, cares, and prays for us. It was a blessing to receive a number of cards and well wishes this Christmas Season, and I would especially like to thank this congregation for their gift of the Pastor's Purse. Your generosity both to my family and to this community is greatly appreciated.

- The Shearer Family

*Words cannot express my gratitude and thanks to all of you for the cards and gifts that were given to Justin and me for Christmas. I am blessed to be part of such a wonderful "family". I wish you all a very happy and healthy new year! Love in Christ, Adrienne Barker

*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!

December 27th

Attendance: 83

Weekly Budget: \$3,589.00 Received: \$12,974.00

Four Cents A Meal Offering: \$260.00

Financial Stewardship Report

Pledges 2016: 29 pledges for a total of \$76,364 have been received. Thanks to those who pledged. If you have not already pledged, please prayerfully consider pledging now for 2016 - it is never too late! Pledge cards are available in Memorial Hall and the vestibule. Send completed cards to the church (Attn: Receiving Treasurer), or put in the Receiving Treasurer mailbox in Memorial Hall or in the offering plate any Sunday.