

THIS WEEK AT
BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH


March 20th - March 26th

- Today** First Day of Spring
Palm Sunday
Deadline: Maundy Thursday Dinner
Reservations
Deadline: Easter BERF Donations &
Lily Orders
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Worship/One Great Hour of Sharing
12:00 Fellowship Time
- Monday** 6:30 Cub Scouts Blue & Gold Dinner
(Fellowship Hall)
7:00 Boy Scouts
- Wednesday** 7:00 The Bells of Bethel
7:00 Adult Choir
- Thursday** Maundy Thursday
9:00 April Tower Mailing
6:30 Traditional Maundy Thursday
Meal & Service
- Friday** Good Friday
7:00 Community Good Friday Service at
St. John's Reformed Church

Next Sunday, March 27th: Resurrection of the Lord/Easter
7:00 *Sunrise Service at the Chapel in the
woods*
9:45 *Sunday School*
11:00 *Worship/Communion/
Four Cents A Meal Offering*

CHURCH
ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 20th, 2016 - March 26th, 2016

- The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God by Libby Smith.
 - 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!
 - Reminder: Bethel will be collecting the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering during the worship service today. 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. Envelopes are available in your bulletin if you wish to donate. Thank you!
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- The Bethel Pastor Relations Committee is inviting you to meet us today in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the worship service for light refreshments to honor Pastor Shearer's two year anniversary. Please join us in celebrating his service to the Bethel Family!
 - The Stewardship/Finance Committee Meeting scheduled for today has been cancelled. The Stewardship/Finance Committee will meet following the worship service on April 10th and April 17th.
 - A community Good Friday service will be held at St. John's Reformed Church on the evening of March 25th. The service will begin at 7:00 pm. Everyone is invited!
 - There will be a cross outside the front entrance of the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday. Please bring fresh flowers to church next Sunday to place on the cross.



•Have you seen our chapel in the woods? Next Sunday, we plan to hold our Easter Sunrise Service at the chapel followed by a covered dish breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. We ask that you drop off your food at the church kitchen and gather at the chapel at 7:00 am. The chapel is located behind the Scout Hut. As you turn on Bethel Green Road, take the first lane to the right. There is limited parking near the chapel and plenty of seating. In case of rain, the service will be held in the sanctuary. Join us for this special service and time of fellowship. Tell your neighbors and friends. Better yet, bring them with you! All are welcome!

•Communion will be served during the 11:00 am worship service next Sunday, March 27th, Easter Sunday.

•The Christian Education Committee will meet on Monday, March 28th, at 7:00 pm.

•The Congregational Care Committee will meet on Tuesday, March 29th, at 6:30 pm.

•After Church Receptions: What wonderful refreshments we have been having at our after church fellowship get-togethers! It is so good to see the children in our church family enjoying this easy time of being together. March is soon leaving us and April is almost here. Would you look at our sign-up sheet in Memorial Hall and see if there is a date you can sign up for? There are openings in April and May, as well as later in the summer. Light refreshments, something to drink and a friendly face are all the ingredients required!

•Reminder: The Bethel Continuing Education Loan Fund applications are due in by April 15th.

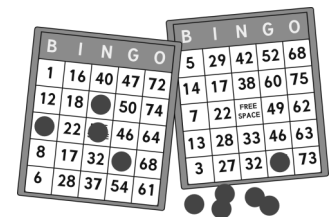
•Please send your announcements for the weekly bulletin and updates for the Prayer List to the Church Office by noon each Wednesday (unless otherwise noted in the bulletin). Feel free to email the information to: bethelpc@gmail.com or you can place it in Adrienne's mailbox in Memorial Hall. Please remember that all announcements are subject to editing. Thank you!



•*Note from the Co-Chairs of the Diaconate:* Spring is our favorite time of year-there is a sense of renewal that makes us step a little more lightly. We want to paint, fix, repair, make things look their best! Bethel is such a place of beauty and peace, but it is beginning to feel and show its age. It is in need of repairs and maintenance, some of which we as Deacons are aware and are making efforts to correct. We need your help and we are placing a notebook/clipboard in Memorial Hall for suggestions. Often we may miss something, so if you see anything needing attention, please write it down. Please include the date and time, the room, part of the church, the specific concern or problem and your name. We will be checking the book each week and looking at the concern/problem. Please check the bulletin board in Memorial Hall behind the choir loft. We will be looking for a permanent home for the notebook/clipboard, but for now you will find it there. May the beauty of the season give you joy!!

- Marty Simmers and Tamara Barbour

BAJA BINGO BASH!



What: 2016 Baja Mission Trip BINGO Fundraising Event!

When: April 10th from 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Where: Verona Moose Lodge

Why: The Shenandoah Presbytery is hosting a BINGO fundraising event to support its summer trip to Baja California, Mexico

Cost: \$25 (pre-sale - 3 bingo cards per person; at the door - 2 bingo cards per person) 18 BINGO games with prizes! Please call Keith Folsom (540/294-0025) for tickets.

Come out for a fantastic time of fun and fellowship for the whole family! Hope to see you there!

Learn more at <http://shenpres.org/baja-mission>

March 13th
 Attendance: 88
 Weekly Budget: \$3,679.00 Received: \$1,977.00

Maundy Thursday - Meal & Service

This Thursday, March 24th, Bethel will have a Maundy Thursday service. Reminiscent of the disciples' meal with Jesus in the Upper Room, our meal will be followed by the Eucharist. Plan to come to this special service: everyone is invited! So that we might be able to make adequate preparations, please fill out the reservation form below so that we might know about how many are coming. Please make your reservation by today.

Also, we need help in setting up, serving, and cleaning up after the meal. If you would like to and would be able to serve in any of those capacities, please let Jill Webb or the Church Office know. Thank you!



MAUNDY THURSDAY RESERVATION FOR
 DINNER AND WORSHIP AT THE TABLE

March 24th, 2016 - 6:30 pm
 Fellowship Hall

NAME _____

NO. OF ADULTS _____ NO. CHILDREN ATTENDING _____

Please place your reservation in the offering plate today.



Easter Lilies & BERF Donations Form

You may order lilies at a cost of \$10.00 (tax included) each or you may make a monetary donation to BERF (Bethel Emergency Relief Fund). The Easter Lilies purchased and the donations made to BERF will be acknowledged in the bulletin on Easter Sunday. To purchase a lily or make a donation please fill out the form below. The deadline for lily orders or to make a donation to BERF for Easter is today.

**Note: Please fill out the form completely. Sometimes forms come back not completely filled out and it can make things difficult when compiling them for the bulletin on Easter Sunday. Also, if you would like to order a lily and make a donation please use two forms (one for the lily and one for the donation). Thank you!*

Easter Lilies and BERF Donations Form

Please fill out the information below, attach the check or cash and place in the offering plate. If you are purchasing a lily please make checks payable to Bethel Presbyterian Church. If you are making a donation to BERF please make the check payable to Bethel Emergency Relief Fund. The deadline is today.

Number of Lilies _____ Check or Cash Total _____

or

Donation to BERF _____ Check or Cash Total _____

In Honor Of : _____

Given By: _____

In Memory Of: _____

Given By: _____