

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 3rd, 2016 - April 9th, 2016

•**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 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!

•There will be a Congregational Meeting today following the worship service. The purpose of the meeting will be to elect someone to the Board of Deacons. Our nominee for the position is Briana Lawhorne. There is a vacancy on the Diaconate which occurred when Mitch Lathrop moved out of state.

•Fellowship Following Worship: What wonderful refreshments we have been having at our after church fellowship get-togethers! Would you look at our sign-up sheet in Memorial Hall and see if there is a date you can sign up for to bring refreshments? *There are openings in April and May, as well as later in the summer.* Many thanks to Karen Koogler for providing the refreshments today. Light refreshments, something to drink and a friendly face are all the ingredients required!

•Pork Loin Dinner & Silent Auction

Our annual Pork Loin Dinner will be held today at 5:30 p.m. Bob and Kenneth Olson will sponsor the meal with a menu of pork loin, sauerkraut, baked potatoes, green beans, baked apples, rolls and fried ice cream, with cooking assistance from Wayne and Kathy Swisher. We will also hold a silent auction during the meal. Please join us for a fun evening of delicious food, fellowship and great bargains to support Bethel's missions.



•The May Tower Deadline will be Thursday, April 14th. 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: bethelpc@gmail.com. If you turn in items after the deadline Adrienne cannot guarantee they will be included in the Tower. When writing announcements for the newsletter please keep in mind the 5 W's: Who? What? When? Where? Why?. Thank you!

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

•Adopt - A - Highway Project The Diaconate will be doing a spring roadside trash pickup on Howardsville Road on Friday, April 15th at 1:00 pm and on Saturday, April 16th at 9:00 am. On Friday they will be picking up trash from the church west to Middlebrook and on Saturday they will be picking up trash from the church east to Rt. 11. Trash bags will be provided but please bring gloves! Children need to be accompanied by an adult. This is a big job so please make plans to join them for this special service project that helps our community!

Deacons

•*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 of 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

•John Pilson would like to thank the Bethel Congregation for all the prayers, cards, and food when he was recovering from his recent broken ankle. Your thoughtfulness and caring is truly appreciated!

•Thank you all very much for my two year anniversary celebration. I cannot believe how quickly time has flown by. My family and I feel very blessed to be a part of this community and look forward to many more years with you. - Pastor David

March 27th

Attendance:

Sunrise Service: 65 11:00 am Service: 138

Weekly Budget: \$3,679.00 Received: \$3,443.00

Four Cents A Meal Offering: \$341.00

Shenandoah Presbytery Event

BAJA BINGO BASH!

What: 2016 Baja Mission Trip BINGO Fundraising Event!

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

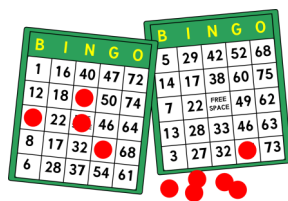
Where: Verona Moose Lodge

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 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>



Community Events

Miles for Mary 5k Fun Run/Walk



When: Saturday, April 9th Time: 9:00 am

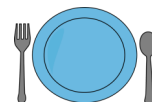
Location: Riverheads High School

Registration: <http://tinyurl.com/hmrw9cm>

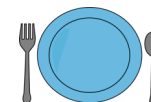
All donations and proceeds will be going to the Mary Williams Dransfield scholarship fund at Riverheads High School.

Join Miles for Mary 5k Fun Run/Walk group on Facebook and registration will also be available at 8:00 am on April 9th.

For more information contact Katie Shook at (434) 547-9724 or shookke@vcu.edu.



Spring Supper



St. John's Reformed Church
(1515 Arborhill Road; Staunton, Virginia)

Saturday, April 9th, 2016 4:00 pm - Until

Menu:

Beef Brisket Baked Potato Green Beans
Cole Slaw Rolls Fruit Pies

\$12.00 - Adults

\$6.00 - Children ages 3 - 12

Free - Children under the age of 3

20% of proceeds go to local missions.

