

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 30th - November 5th

•The flowers in the Sanctuary are given by Laura Barmore in loving memory of her mother, Lee Jump, deeply missed for forty years.



•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!

•Rev. William (Bill) Painter will be leading the worship service today. Bill is a retired member of the Shenandoah Presbytery and he lives at Sunnyside Retirement Community with his wife Louisa. They have two adult children and one small dog. Please let him know how much we appreciate him being with us this morning!

•Daylight Saving Time ends next Sunday, November 6th. Make sure to turn your clocks back one hour on Saturday night!

•Next Sunday, November 6th, Bethel will be observing "All Saints Sunday". 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 we will honor all who have gone before us. This will include all members of Bethel who have died in the past 12 months. It will also include anyone you wish to remember in prayer who has died in the past 12 months. All names will be listed in the bulletin and there will be a time of prayer with candle lighting conducted by our Deacons. Please list everyone you would like remembered in the form provided at the end of the announcements and return the form today. Thank you!

•"Fellowship Following Worship" will be held next Sunday, November 6th. Many thanks to David & Betty Schooley who will be providing the refreshments next week!

•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. Brochures on how to pack your shoebox are available in the vestibule and Memorial Hall. All shoeboxes will be due by next Sunday, November 6th. Thank you for all the past support of this project!

•The December Tower Deadline will be Thursday, November 10th. 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?. Please remember if you turn in items after the deadline Adrienne cannot guarantee they will be included in the Tower. Thank you!

•Stewardship Season & Stewardship Sunday 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 November 13th, 2016. If you cannot be present on Stewardship Sunday please use the pledge cards in the vestibule or Memorial Hall. Mail the completed card to the attention of the Receiving Treasurer (Church Address: 563 Bethel Green Road; Staunton, VA 24401). You may also place the pledge card in the offering plate any Sunday. 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!

•Reminder: Nominations for the Class of 2019 are due Sunday, November 13th and all congregation members are encouraged to participate in the election process by nominating potential candidates. Nominating Forms are included in your bulletin.

•Save the Date! The Bethel Diaconate will be having a "Blanket & Winter Coat Giveaway" on Saturday, November 19th, from 9:00 am until noon. The Deacons are asking for donations of new/gently used blankets (please label with size) and winter coats (all sizes from kids to adults). For more information please see the special "Bethel Warm Hearts" flier in your announcements. Thank you for your generosity with this project!

•Congregational Assessment Tool In times like this, it is important for our congregation to know we are doing everything possible to get our church back on track and focusing on our mission. One of the first steps in this process is an evaluation/questionnaire by the congregation on their perception of the church's spiritual health. You will be hearing more about this first step called the CAT Scan (Congregational Assessment Tool) in the coming weeks. A small committee has been formed of myself, Barbara Gough, and Tammy Barbour to be trained and work with our Presbytery contact, Anne Ross. In the meantime, if anyone has any questions, please feel free to call or email me directly (laura@alllabs.com).

In His Service,
Laura Barmore

•The Communications Committee would like to remind everyone to take pictures at their Bethel events and activities. The pictures can then be shared with Communications Committee members who will post them to the website and Facebook. Thank you!

•The Congregational Care Committee is changing the after church reception schedule to once a month. We will still have a sign up sheet on the bulletin board in Memorial Hall and will ask individuals to sign up for a Sunday they choose, perhaps taking into consideration meetings which may be held after Sunday services. November and December are taken care of for this year so January 2017 will need volunteers. We all are so grateful for your willingness to help with project for the past two years. Thank you and may many blessings be in your lives.

•The Congregational Care Committee tries to keep in contact with our College Students throughout the year, but we need your help. We need the contact information for your college age children. Telephone numbers, email addresses, and mailing addresses are all important ways that Bethel can stay in touch with them. Please send the information to Barbara Gough (barbsgough@gmail.com). Thank you!

•Bethel Pictorial Directories are now available! Please contact Barbara Gough (barbsgough@gmail.com) or Marty Simmers (martyrn22812@yahoo.com) to make plans to pick up your directory or have it delivered to you. The \$20 fee also includes prints if you had a picture taken. We are very pleased with the professional directory that Penny Lee produced for us.

•Bethel Hats & Shirts are now available! Polo Shirts are available in sizes small to XXXL and are priced according to size - \$21-\$25 each. Hats are \$17 for fitted hats and \$13 for adjustable hats. Email Tom Whitaker at: whit2153@gmail.com with your order. You can also add your order to the order sheet in Memorial Hall following the worship service. If you have any questions please see any member of the Communications Committee (Tabby Moore, Penny Lee, Tim Turner, Jill Webb, Tom Whitaker). Show your support and pride in Bethel and place your order today! The order will be placed when significant volume is reached. - Communications Committee

•Many thanks to Tom & Tammy Barbour, Devon Dransfield, Barbara Gough, Brian Lee, Joe Lotts, David & Betty Schooley, Marion & Marty Simmers, Joe & Sally Williams, and Mac Williams for helping with the Diaconate Adopt-A-Highway Project. With their help we were able to complete this important community project before winter. Thanks for a job well done!

•If you would like to join Bethel Presbyterian Church, please feel free to contact the Church Office or a Session member. We would love to hear from you!

October 23rd
Attendance: 67
Weekly Budget: \$3,679.00 Received: \$2,248.00
Four Cents A Meal Offering: \$249.00
Kroger Quarterly 5% Rebate: \$164.00

(Please see next page for All Saints Sunday Observation form)

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY OBSERVATION

Next Sunday, November 6th, 2016, during the worship service, we will recognize all in our Community of Faith who have claimed the Gift of Eternal Life, in the past 12 months.

If you have a loved one who has died in the past 12 months, and would like to have them included in our Remembrance List, please list them below, and place the form in the offering plate OR contact the Church Office (bethelpc@gmail.com).

Please return the form today!!! Thank you!

Person(s) to be remembered:

Submitted by: _____



**BETHEL
WARM
HEARTS**

—» DONATE NEW OR USED «—
COATS & BLANKETS

(Distribution November 19th in time for cold weather!)

DONATE BY NOVEMBER 13TH
for more information contact:
Tammy @ 540.471.0450 Barb @ 540.255.6521

Drop off locations:
Bethel Church | 9-3 | Monday - Thursday
2.5 MILES WEST OF RIVERHEADS HS
Wades Floor Covering | 9-5 | Monday - Friday
RT 340, STUARTS DRAFT