

CHURCH  
ANNOUNCEMENTS

January 15th - January 21st

•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!

•We welcome Don Reid who will be preaching and leading the worship service this morning. Don is an original member of the Statler Brothers and is a member of both the Gospel Music Hall of Fame and the Country Music Hall of Fame. Don is also a lifelong member and Elder at Olivet Presbyterian Church. Since his retirement, he has written and published many books, both fiction and non-fiction; all of a religious nature. Don regularly does speaking engagements and pulpit supply at many area churches. Please let him know how much we appreciate him being with us this morning!

•Children's Church has been cancelled for today. (*Nursery is still available for ages birth through kindergarten.*)

•Fellowship Following Worship will be held today in the Bethel Fellowship Hall. Many thanks to Mo Kyle and Sally Williams for providing the refreshments this morning!

Congregational Care "Fellowship Following Worship" sign-up sheet: There is a new volunteer sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in Memorial Hall. The Congregational Care Committee has placed monthly Sunday dates under the name of each month. Please write your name down next to the month you are willing to provide refreshments and then circle the date of the Sunday you have chosen. Communion dates are also included; we ask that no one sign up for refreshments on any of those four dates. As other events are scheduled they will be added to the sign-up sheet, e.g., Lemonade on the Lawn, planned meals. Thank you!

•The Church Office will be closed tomorrow, January 16th, for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

•The Men of the Church will be meeting for dinner and fellowship this Tuesday, January 17th, at 6:30 pm.

•The February Tower Deadline will be this Thursday, January 19th. Please have all articles and announcements to the Church Office by noon. Articles and announcements for the February Tower can be left in Adrienne's mailbox in Memorial Hall or you can email them to: bethelpc@gmail.com. Please remember that all announcements are subject to editing and if you turn in items after the deadline Adrienne cannot guarantee they will be included in the Tower. Thank you!

•The deadline for the Annual Reports for 2016 is this Friday, January 20th, 2017. If you were a chair of a committee for 2016, please have your report and statement to the Church Office by Friday. Thank you!

•Bethel's Officer Training will be held next Saturday, January 21st, at 9:00 am and will conclude at about 1:00 pm. All new officers must attend and current officers should make every effort to be there. Having Roy Martin (Transitional Presbyter for Shenandoah Presbytery) lead the training will be an opportunity for all of us to learn and grow in our faith, knowledge and leadership skills. Please let Rhonda Johnson know if you will be unable to attend. Thank you!

•Rehearsals for the Staunton Choral Society 2017 Spring Concert Season will begin on January 23rd. The rehearsals are on Monday evenings at 7:00 pm at Christ Lutheran Church (2807 North Augusta Street - Staunton; meet in the Social Hall on lower level, enter from back parking lot). New and returning members are welcome to join through February. The fee per season is \$30.00 for music and concert cost. The director Raymond Hebert has a great program of fun pieces picked out for the Staunton Choral Society. They are planning a Hymn Festival in March, their big concert on May 21st, probably repeat performances at "Serenity at Trinity" vespers services in the historic Trinity Lutheran Church in June, and Praise in the Park at Staunton's Gypsy Hill Park in July. Come join the Sing - Join the Staunton Choral Society!

•The Congregational Care Committee will meet on Tuesday, January 24th, at 6:30 pm.

•Congregational Appreciation Luncheon

Remember that there will be a Congregational Appreciation Luncheon sponsored by the Bethel Youth on Sunday, January 29th, following the worship service, in the Fellowship Hall. Make plans now to attend this special event!

•Worn blue hymnals are available in the Choir Room, on a first come, first choice basis.

•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](mailto:bethelpc@gmail.com). Adrienne will be checking email messages throughout the day even if she is not in the Church Office. Thank you!

•Many thanks to everyone who worked on plowing and salting the church parking lot, shoveling the sidewalks, and checking on everything at the church following the snow and ice last weekend! Your hard work is appreciated!

•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!

December 25th

Attendance: 62

Weekly Budget: \$3,679.00 Received: \$7,265.00

January 1st

Attendance: 57

Weekly Budget: \$3,196.00 Received: \$3,124.00

January 8th

Weekly Budget: \$3,196.00 Received: \$1,555.00

**Financial Stewardship Information**

***Pledges 2017:*** 21 pledges for a total of \$67,582 have been received. Thanks to those who pledged. If you have not already pledged, please prayerfully consider pledging now for 2017 - 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.

***Offering Envelopes for 2017:*** ATTENTION OFFERING ENVELOPE USERS – Numbered offering envelopes are available in the vestibule for those who used offering envelopes in 2016. If you do not currently use envelopes but would like to or have been using them but no longer want them, please contact the Church Office with your request.