

**BETHEL CHURCH
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

April 8th - April 14th



•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!

•The flowers in the Sanctuary are given by Doris True and family in loving memory of Bill True.

•We welcome Rev. Bernard Bangley who will be preaching and leading the worship service this morning. Rev. Bangley is a retired Presbyterian Minister living in Rockbridge County. He was pastor of Bethesda Presbyterian Church in Rockbridge Baths for eleven years, and then served churches in Lynchburg and Sarasota, Florida. He and Anna, his wife of 60 years, have 3 children and 4 grandchildren. He is the author of a number of religious books. Please let Rev. Bangley know how much we appreciate him being with us this morning!

•You are cordially invited to the Staunton Choral Society's 5th Annual Hymn Sing "Songs Divine". The hymn sing will be this evening at 7:00 pm at Verona United Methodist Church, 406 Lee Highway, Verona. A free-will offering will be taken to benefit the Staunton Choral Society, a 501(c)(3) organization. For more information go to www.stauntonchoralsociety.org or www.facebook.com/StauntonChoralSociety.

•Bible Study & Prayer has resumed and will continue weekly on Thursdays, from 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm. We are currently studying the book of Mark and praying for the Bethel congregation, officers and community. Please come join this informal group and add your prayers and concerns.

•Reminder: Continuing Education Loan Fund applications are due next Sunday, April 15th!

•Miles for Mary 5k Fun Run/Walk Please join us at Riverheads High School in honor of Mary Williams Dransfield next Saturday, April 14th. All donations and proceeds from the Fun Run/Walk will go towards the Mary Williams Dransfield scholarship fund at Riverheads High School. The event will begin at 9:00 am with registration starting at 8:00 am. To make a donation and/or to register early please go to <https://runsignup.com/Race/VA/Staunton/MilesforMary>.

•Make plans to attend the MEN'S SUPPER on Tuesday, April 17th, at 6:30 pm. The guest speaker will be local pediatrician Dr. Bob Gunther. Dr. Gunther recently returned from a six month mission with the international humanitarian organization "Doctors Without Borders", in which he lent his talents in a children's hospital in Monrovia, Liberia. If you can't join us for supper, the program should begin 7:00 pm - 7:15 pm. We are hoping for a strong turnout.

•The May Tower Deadline will be Thursday, April 19th. 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. Thank you!

•Adopt - A - Highway The Diaconate has scheduled the Spring Roadside Trash Pickup on Howardsville Road for Saturday, April 21st, at 9:00 am. Trash bags will be provided but please bring gloves! Children need to be accompanied by an adult. Please join the Diaconate and volunteer to help with this special service project that benefits our community!

•Volunteers Needed! Many of you know long-time Bethel members Jon & Donna Bush. Not only are they the Bethel Custodians, they also volunteer at many church events, and Donna teaches the Children's Sunday School Class. They would like to attend worship one Sunday a month and are looking for someone who would be willing to stay with Donna's mother, Margaret Liptrap at their home. If you would be willing to stay with Margaret so Jon & Donna can attend worship please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in Memorial Hall. Circle the Sunday you would be willing to serve along with your name and phone number. Donna will contact you with more details before you are scheduled to serve. Thank you for your consideration in volunteering!

•Pork Loin Dinner & Silent Auction Our annual Pork Loin Dinner will be held Sunday, April 29th, 2018, at 5:30 pm. 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 the Bethel Witness/Mission Committee. A Silent Auction will also be held during the meal and donations of new or gently-used items are needed. You may leave your donated items for the Silent Auction on the stage in the Fellowship Hall by Tuesday, April 24th. (If you have an item that you would like to donate but are unable to transport please call Bob Olson to make arrangements for pick-up.) A free-will offering will be collected for the meal. All the money donated for the meal and collected from the silent auction will go to Bethel's mission projects. Please join us for a fun evening of delicious food, fellowship and great bargains to support Bethel's missions.

Thanks for your support,
Bob Olson

•Monthly "Fellowship Following Worship"

The Congregational Care Committee is still looking for people who would be willing to provide refreshments for "Fellowship Following Worship" during the month of April. Please sign-up on the bulletin board in Memorial Hall if you can help out (you choose which Sunday). Thank you!

•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!

April 1st

Attendance

Sunrise Service: 79

11:00 am Worship Service: 120

Weekly Budget: \$3,577.00 Received: \$3,059.00