

# The Bethel Weekly News Week of August 2nd, 2020

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Today, Sunday, August 2nd Rev. Malcolm Brownlee.

Guest Minister

10:00 am

Worship at the Chapel in the Woods (if it's raining, please meet in the Sanctuary)



## Monday, August 3rd

7:00 pm Boy Scouts

#### Tuesday, August 4th

12:00 pm Bulletin & Weekly

News Deadline for

the 9th

#### Next Sunday, August 9th

Elder Jill Webb, Guest Speaker

10:00 am

Worship at the Chapel in the Woods (if it's raining, please meet in the Sanctuary)

# AUGUST WORSHIP LEADER: BRIAN LEE

ALL SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICES START AT 10:00 AM

#### ELDER-ON-CALL AUGUST 2020

If you have a pastoral need during the month of August please contact Kathy Swisher.

(540) 885-7397 (call or text) kwswisher@gmail.com

### MESSAGE OF THE WEEK

"Never put the Cart before the Horse or God's Will, not Mine"

According to Wikipedia, "Never put the cart before the horse" "means doing things in the wrong order". Even us city people know a horse is to pull the cart, but how often do we get "God's Will, not Mine" out of order? Do you first choose what you are doing and believe God will bless it because it's "Christian Work", or do you pray first and let God direct your path?

In Acts 10:9-23 Peter must decide with taking God's message (his first message) to a Gentile named Cornelius. Knowing other Jews would criticize him and his reputation as a Godly Jew would be ruined, Peter turned to God for help in making this difficult choice. God provided Peter the help he needed using the following three steps that we can use today.

- Word of God
   May appear as one reads the Bible, a Daily Devotional or when a Bible verse comes to mind as one prays.
- 2. Confirmation (sound reasoning)

  Can come from other people, family, friends and even strangers, in the form of affirmation, confirmation, and encouragement. When you hear it, you will know it.

God's wisdom is only known to the human heart through the Holy Spirit.

Bible Study Fellowship Life and Letters of Paul Lesson #15

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(Message of the Week continued)

3. Do I have peace about it?

A deep sense of peace whenever you consider one decision or choice.

Colossians 3:15 Let the peace of God rule in your heart.

These three steps were part of my decision to become an Elder. A story in "The Daily Family Devotional", Doris True asking if she could nominate me for Elder, and the relief I felt once I accepted.

Bring your decisions to God in prayer, use the Bible as your guide, and then follow God's leading. He will make your paths straight by both guiding and protecting you.

Life Application Study Bible - NIV Notes on Proverbs 3:5-6

Tammy Barbour, Bethel Elder

#### GUEST MINISTER - TODAY, AUGUST 2ND

Bethel welcomes the Rev. Malcolm Brownlee who will be the Guest Minister today, August 2nd.

Rev. Brownlee grew up in Rockbridge Baths, Virginia, and moved back there 10 years ago to retire. He has been pastor of churches in Hazard, Kentucky; Riverdale, Georgia; and Huntersville, North Carolina, and interim pastor of churches in Lexington, North Carolina; Beckley, West Virginia, and Fairfield and Rockbridge Baths, Virginia. From 1973 till 1984 he and his wife Sarah were missionaries in Indonesia. Bethel was one of their supporting churches during that time.

Please let Rev. Brownlee know how much we appreciate his being with us!

The flowers at the chapel this morning (August 2nd) are being given to the Glory of God and in memory of Rev. Dr. James A. McClure and Josie Gilkerson McClure, and Janie McClure Bumgardner and Ned Bumgardner, by McClure descendants

August 2020 Supply Ministers & Speakers

August 2nd - Rev. Malcolm Brownlee

August 9th - Jill Webb

August 16th - Rev. Malcolm Brownlee

August 23rd - TBA

August 30th - Rev. Malcolm Brownlee

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# Church Office News & Notes

- ⇒ The deadline for the order of worship information and the weekly news is Tuesday at noon (unless otherwise noted). Please email the information to Adrienne or place it in her mailbox in Memorial Hall. Thanks for your cooperation!
- ⇒ Can you help out? If you would be willing to help out in the Bethel Office while I'm on vacation August 24th - August 27th please let me know (540/886-6041). Picking up the mail a few times that week along with checking the phone messages on the answering machine (and passing them on to

the appropriate person) is all that is required. Thanks for your consideration!

> - Adrienne Barker, Office Manager

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# Church Office Hours

Monday - Thursday

(as circumstances allow)

Phone: (540) 886-6041

# Stewardship & Finance Committee

# Weekly Financial Report

Estimated Weekly Budget: \$4,317.00

Offerings Received July 5th: \$3,384.00

Offerings Received July 12th: \$2,596.00

Offerings Received July 19th: \$1,620.00

Offerings Received July 26th: \$1,417.00

### PRAYER LIST

(updated 7/29/20)

## Congregation Members

Jarod Davis & Family

Dan Gano **Bobby Goodson** Karen Koogler Evelvn LaPorte Sam Leonard Kenneth LaPorte John Pilson Margaret Liptrap **Doris True** Allen Quick

Alice Wooddell

# Family & Friends of the Church &

Congregation

Sarah Brownlee Bernice English Joe Fleming Paul Harper Matt Koogler David Law Cecil Layman Mattie Marsh John Michael Roy Pilson Jamie Pirkev Van Pirkey Barbara Shaner Beth Shaw Lee & Katie Simon Walter Wade Dennis & Sarah Russell & Family

# Sympathies & Condolences

Rev. Roxana Atwood & Family

## Community, Country, & World

Doctors, nurses, & those in healthcare including volunteers who are working with COVID-19 patients

Those in our community who are homeless &/or struggling with addiction All Military Leaders & Personnel Police, Firemen, and EMS workers

& volunteers

Michael & Rachel Weller,

Missionaries in Ethiopia

# July Financial Report

Estimated Expenses for July: \$18,702.00

Total July Offerings Received: \$9,017.00