

The Bethel Weekly News Weeks of October 4th & 11th, 2020

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, October 4th

World Communion Sunday



Rev. Nancy Meehan Yao

11:00 am Worship & Communion

(service in the Sanctuary)

12:30 pm Deacons Meeting

Monday, October 5th

*Church Office Closed

7:00 pm Boy Scouts

*Adrienne on vacation October 5th - October 8th



<u>Tuesday</u>, October 6th Church Office Closed

Wednesday, October 7th Church Office Closed

Thursday, October 8th

Church Office Closed

Sunday, October 11th

Rev. Melissa Harmon



11:00 am Worship

(at the Chapel if weather is nice, Sanctuary if not)

7:00 pm Session Meeting



Monday, October 12th
Columbus Day

7:00 pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, October 13th

12:00 pm Bulletin & Weekly News

Deadline

(for Sunday the 18th)

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If possible please print out a copy of the Order of Worship & bring the copy with you on Sunday. It will be needed for any unison readings.

Thank you for your cooperation!



Do you have risk factors that make you more vulnerable in contracting the coronavirus and you can only be around those wearing a mask?

The Worship Committee has set up things so you can watch the service on the TV in Memorial Hall.

They would like to keep everyone comfortable but also safe by considering the needs of those with higher risk factors.

(Please note that this will only be done when we worship in the Sanctuary.)

World Communion Sunday

Communion will be received on October 4th, World Communion Sunday.

Today congregations around the globe will celebrate World Communion Sunday. This special day originated in 1936 in the Presbyterian Church and was adopted by the Federal Council of Churches (predecessor of the NCC) in 1940. Since then, the celebration has grown into an international ecumenical celebration of Christian unity.

World Communion Sunday is a time for remembering that around the globe—in different languages, with different traditions and customs, and in various forms of liturgy—the Lord's Supper is celebrated throughout Christendom. At its best, therefore, World Communion Sunday serves two purposes: it is both a joyous and meaningful partaking in Jesus' sacred meal with his friends and a mind-opening exposure to different Christian traditions from around the world.

(please see page 2 for information about receiving communion on the 4th)

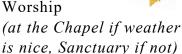
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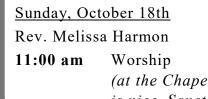
Instructions for Communion on October 4th

Communion during the COVID-19 pandemic will be normal except for how Elders will hand out the elements. Instead of Elders bringing the elements to each person, you will pick up a pre-made communion kit at the door. This kit is pre-packaged with both bread and juice. Rev. Nancy Meehan-Yao will conduct the usual Prayer of Thanksgiving and when it is time to partake of the elements, she will say, "The bread of Life take and eat". Pick up your pre-packaged communion kit, tear off the seal - the bread will be there - and we will take the bread together. (Note that there will be gluten free kits available but there are only six kits total. Please only take one if you have gluten sensitivities or an allergy.) After a moment or two, Rev. Meehan-Yao will say "the cup of salvation ", remove the seal on your cup and we will then drink the juice together. Trash bins will be available at the door for used sets. Elders will be present on each side and in back to help when needed, keeping social distancing guidelines.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS (continued)





Remembering Sara Ann Lamb

On Sunday, October 4th, we will have a special time during the worship service dedicated to remembering our remarkable friend, Sara Ann Lamb who passed away on April 26th, 2020.

Sara Ann had been the organist (and sometimes Choir Director!) at Bethel since she was a teenager. She rarely if ever took a Sunday off so you always saw her sitting behind the organ. She played music at numerous weddings, funerals, and other celebrations during her sixty-plus years as our organist.

Words cannot describe how much Sara Ann is and will be missed.

The organ will be draped in black cloth on October 4th as a symbol of her passing.



GUEST MINISTER - OCTOBER 4TH

Bethel welcomes Rev. Nancy Meehan Yao as the Guest Minister on October 4th. We appreciate her willingness to help with the worship service!

Nancy serves as Associate General Presbyter to the congregations of Shenandoah Presbytery. A graduate of Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, GA, she has served as co-pastor with her husband, Rev. Jim Yao, in churches in the Finger Lakes region of New York State. Nancy has also served as Temporary and Interim pastor to congregations. They live in Moorefield, WV, where Jim serves as pastor to Moorefield Presbyterian Church. They have 2 adult sons, and 1 very spoiled cat.

GUEST MINISTER - OCTOBER 11TH



Bethel welcomes Rev. Melissa Harmon as the Guest Minister on October 11th. We appreciate her willingness to help with the worship service! Melissa lives in Staunton and has served as a Member-at-Large in the Shenandoah Presbytery since 2016.

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The flowers on October 4th are given to the Glory of God by Drury Whitaker.



The flowers on October 11th are given to the Glory of God by Doris True.

OCTOBER WORSHIP LEADERS: DEREK ALMARODE & BRIAN LEE

ALL OCTOBER WORSHIP SERVICES START AT 11:00 AM



ELDER-ON-CALL OCTOBER 2020

If you have a pastoral need during the month of October please contact Tammy Barbour.

(540) 471-0450 (call or text) barbour.tamara@yahoo.com

<u>Upcoming Supply Ministers & Speakers</u>

October 4th	Rev. Nancy Yao
	(Communion)

October 11th Rev. Melissa Harmon

October 18th Rev. Melissa Harmon

October 25th Mark Wilson

Due to circumstances from the pandemic the "Daily Family Devotions" will not be available for the next quarter. The publishers hope to resume printing in 2021.



The "These Days" for the next quarter (Oct, Nov, Dec) are still available in Memorial Hall & the vestibule.

PRAYER LIST (updated 9/30/20)

Congregation Members

Jarod Davis & Family

Dan & Ginny Gano
Karen Koogler
Kenneth LaPorte
Margaret Liptrap
Allen & Pat Quick
Alice Wooddell
Bobby Goodson
Evelyn LaPorte
Sam Leonard
John Pilson
Doris True

Family & Friends of the Church &

Congregation

Sarah Brownlee Joe Fleming
Matt Koogler David Law
Mattie Marsh Roy Pilson
Jamie Pirkey Van Pirkey
Barbara Shaner Beth Shaw
Lee & Katie Simonds Walter Wade

Sympathies & Condolences

Family & Friends of Bobbye D'Orsi Family of Mark Sawyer Family of Rob Schnurr

Community, Country, & World

Doctors, nurses, & those who work in healthcare including volunteers
All Military Leaders & Personnel
Police, Firemen, and EMS workers
& volunteers
Michael & Pachel Weller

Michael & Rachel Weller, Missionaries in Ethiopia

> Church Attendance September 27th - 45





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Church Office News & Notes









The Church Office will be closed on Monday, October 5th through Thursday, October 8th while Adrienne is on vacation.

If you have a pastoral need please contact the Elder-on-Call (Tammy Barbour) and she will be happy to assist you.

Adrienne will be back in the office on Monday, October 12th, at 9:00 am. Thanks!

Deadline: November Tower & October 25th Weekly News

The November Tower Newsletter & October 25th Weekly News deadlines will be Monday, October 19th, at noon. You may leave articles and announcements for the Tower in Adrienne's mailbox in Memorial Hall or email them to: bethelpc@gmail.com. We welcome and appreciate early submissions before the 19th! All announcements for the newsletter should include: Who? What? When? Where? Why?









Stewardship & Finance Committee

Weekly Financial Report

Estimated Weekly Budget: \$4,317.00

Offerings September 6th: \$2,075.00

Offerings September 13th: \$3,431.00

Offerings September 20th: \$1,152.00

Offerings September 27th \$2,192.00

September Financial Report

Estimated Expenses for September: \$18,702.00

Total September Offerings Received: \$8,850.00





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