



This Week at BPC

Week of December 15th, 2019

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today, December 15th

3rd Sunday of Advent

Rev. Bernard Bangley - Guest Minister

January Tower Newsletter Deadline

- 9:30 am Sunday School (A)
9:45 am Sunday School (K)
11:00 am Worship &
 Joy Offering
12:00 pm Bethel's Christmas
 Dinner (*covered dish*)
1:30 pm Bethel Youth
 Caroling to Shut-Ins
 (*following meal*)

Monday, December 16th

- 9:00 am Deadline for December
 22nd & 29th bulletin
 announcements
7:00 pm Boy Scouts
7:30 pm Young Life

Wednesday, December 18th

- 1:15 pm Worship Planning
 Meeting
7:00 pm Adult Choir
7:00 pm Handbell Choir

Friday, December 20th

*Augusta County Schools Winter Break
(December 20th - January 3rd)*

Saturday, December 21st

Winter Begins



Next Sunday, December 22nd

4th Sunday of Advent

Elder Jill Webb - Guest Speaker

- 9:30 am Sunday School (A)
9:45 am Sunday School (K)
11:00 am Worship

Announcements . . .

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS ARE
AVAILABLE IN THE VESTIBULE.**



**Bethel welcomes the Rev. Bernard Bangley who will be the Guest Minister today. 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 62 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!

**The January Tower newsletter deadline is today! You may leave articles and announcements for the Tower in Adrienne's mailbox in Memorial Hall or email them to: bethelpc@gmail.com.

**The Christmas Joy Offering will be received during the worship service this morning. Special envelopes are included in your bulletin specifically for "Christmas Joy". Additional information about the offering is included with your bulletin announcements this morning.

**Bethel's Christmas Dinner is TODAY following the worship service! So remember to join us in the Fellowship Hall for this special time, even if you didn't bring a covered dish. There is always plenty of food for everyone! Please feel free to also join the Bethel Youth as they go caroling following the meal. Come join us as we spend time with our friends & church family celebrating this most joyous season of the year!



**All gifts for the Christmas Alive program at Riverheads Elementary School are due today! The gift should be wrapped with the tag attached and can be placed in Memorial Hall. If you have any questions or forgot your gift this morning please contact Kathy Swisher (540/885-7397). Thank you for your support of this project!

Announcements . . .



****Offering Envelopes for 2020: Beginning today, numbered offering envelopes will be available in the vestibule for those who used them this year.** Please help us save on postage and pick up your box of envelopes today! If you do not currently use offering envelopes but would like to or have been using them but no longer want them, please contact the Church Office with your request.

****Please have all announcements for the bulletin for December 22nd and the bulletin for December 29th to the Church Office by tomorrow morning at 9:00 am.** This early request date is due to the Christmas holiday. Thanks for your cooperation!

****Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**

“An Evening of Lessons & Carols,” our traditional candlelight Christmas Eve service, will begin at 9:00 pm on December 24th. There will be plenty of music and celebration as we traverse the biblical history leading to the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem and the start of His life on earth, the promise of our salvation!

****Offerings 2019:** It is requested that offerings for 2019 be made no later than Sunday, December 29th. Thank you for your continued financial support!

****Copies of the Financial Report through November 30th are available on the table across from the mailboxes in Memorial Hall if you would like one.**



****Church Inclement Weather Information**

In the event of bad weather on Sunday mornings, please check WHSV-TV3 (Harrisonburg) or their website www.wHSV.com for information on whether church has been cancelled. If church is cancelled you will receive either an email, text, or phone call (if you signed up).

The Church Office may be closed due to inclement weather if Augusta County Schools are closed. If the Church Office is closed due to weather and you have a need please contact Adrienne during normal office hours. She will still be available by phone, text, and office email even if she is unable to be in the Church Office. Thank you!

The poinsettias in the Sanctuary are given by the congregation and friends of Bethel. Please see the insert included with your announcements for a full list of those who gave poinsettias & those who made Christmas donations to BERF (Bethel Emergency Relief Fund).

PRAYER LIST

New Additions

Walter Wade (*Billy Wade's brother*)
Family & Friends of Larry Clemmer
Family & Friends of Lyle Douglass
Painter, Sr.
(*Derek Almarode's uncle*)

Congregation Members

Jarod Davis & Family
Dan Gano
Bobby Goodson
Karen Koogler
Sara Ann Lamb
Evelyn LaPorte
Jane Law
Jeannie Lee
Margaret Liptrap
John Pilson
Alice Wooddell



Family & Friends of the Church & Congregation

Sarah Brownlee	Paul Harper
Ann Kellogg	David Law
Olivia Lewis	Roy Pilson
William McFarlane	Jamie Pirkey
Van Pirkey	Devin Scott
Michael Somers	Steve Yancey
Margaret Sprouse	

Sympathy & Condolences

Family & Friends of Harold Blacka
Family & Friends of Maggi Peterson

Community, Country, & World

All Military Leaders & Personnel
Police, Firemen, and EMS workers
& volunteers
Michael & Rachel Weller,
Missionaries in Ethiopia



Elder-on-Call December 2019

If you have a pastoral need
please contact Dan Gano.
(540) 886-0637

Attendance
December 8th: 70

