

The Bethel Weekly News Week of December 27th, 2020

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<u>Sunday, December 27th</u> Mark Wilson, Guest Speaker 11:00 am Worship



Monday, December 28th Church Office Closed

<u>Tuesday, December 29th</u> Church Office Closed

<u>Wednesday, December 30th</u> 9:00 am - 3:00 pm Church Office Hours (2020 year end tasks)

<u>Thursday, December 31st</u> Church Office Closed New Year's Eve



Friday, January 1st, 2021

New Year's Day

FIRST RULE OF 2021: HAPPY NEW YEAR! NEVER TALK ABOUT 2020

Sunday, January 3rd, 2021 Epiphany Sunday Jill Webb, Guest Speaker 11:00 am - Worship 12:15 pm - Deacons Meeting

DECEMBER WORSHIP LEADER: JILL WEBB

GENERAL CHURCH NEWS & INFORMATION

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



The Worship Committee has set things up so the worship service (& audio) is streaming on the TV in Memorial Hall. Audio of the service is also available in the Church Kitchen. TV (& audio) streaming of the service will be offered in the Fellowship Hall soon!



GUEST SPEAKER DECEMBER 27TH

Bethel welcomes Mr. Mark Wilson as the Guest Speaker on Sunday, December 27th.

Mark is from Augusta Stone Presbyterian Church in Ft. Defiance where he is an Elder and Trustee. He has done pulpit supply for a number of local Presbyterian churches, most recently for Hebron Presbyterian Church.

Please let Mark know how much we appreciate his joining us for worship again!

The poinsettias in the Sanctuary are given by the congregation and friends of Bethel.



If you purchased a poinsettia and have not taken it home yet please do so today! Thanks!

> (a complete list of who gave poinsettias & BERF Christmas donations is on page 5 of the January 2021 Tower)

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CHURCH ATTENDANCE

DECEMBER 20TH: 30

CHURCH OFFICE NEWS & NOTES

SESSION NEWS & NOTES

ELDER-ON-CALL DECEMBER 2020 & JANUARY 2021

If you have a pastoral need during the month of December or January please contact Kathy Swisher.

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

BETHEL OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm (Lunch <u>usually</u> taken 12:30 pm - 1:00 pm)



The Church Office will be closed December 28th & 29th for the Christmas holiday and December 31st & January 1st for New Year's. Adrienne will be in the office on December 31st from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm. Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, January 5th.

The staff of Bethel wishes God's blessings to you and your family not only during the New Year holiday but during all of 2021!

There are updated and printed copies of the Bethel Directory (text only) on the table in the hallway next to the Choir Room. Please let Adrienne know if you would like a copy emailed or snail mailed to you.

Additional copies of the January Tower are available in the vestibule & Memorial Hall.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

PRAYER LIST (updated 12/22/20)

<u>Congregation Members</u> Jarod Davis & Family Bobby Goodson Sam Leonard John Pilson Alice Wooddell

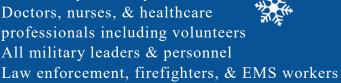
Dan & Ginny Gano Ken & Evelyn LaPorte Margaret Liptrap Doris True

Family & Friends of the Church & Congregation

Sarah Brownlee Matthew Fitzgerald David Law Roy Pilson Van Pirkey Barbara Shaner Jack True Davis Williams Eleanor Feldon Joe Fleming Cathy Miller Jamie Pirkey Richard Ritchie Beth Shaw Walter Wade

Sympathies & Condolences Family & Friends of Karen Kooger Family & Friends of Allen Quick

Community, Country, & World



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STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

Weekly Financial Report

Estimated Weekly Budget:	\$4,317.00
Offerings December 6th:	\$20,480.00
Offerings December 13th:	\$1,705.00
Offerings December 20th:	\$3,910.00



November Financial Report

Estimated Monthly Budget: \$18,702.00

Offerings November 2020: \$9,088.00

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

The Worship Committee has a few openings left on the Flower Schedule for 2021. If you would be willing to volunteer to provide flowers in the Sanctuary one Sunday please call Adrienne in the Church Office (540) 886-6041. If you would let her know by Tuesday, January 5th, 2021 it would be much appreciated! Thank you!



(Please feel free to leave a message on the answering machine if the Church Office is closed.)

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Cards & Messages of Condolences

If you would like to send cards and/or messages of condolences to the family of Karen Koogler please send them to Karen's mother's address:

Annabelle Koogler 4319 N. Lee Highway Lexington, VA 24435



Winter Weather Cancellations

Now that winter is finally here, Session has changed how we send out church notifications to members that church has been cancelled. The robocall system with emails, text or phone calls has been canceled. We are back to using Harrisonburg WHSV TV3 (along with Facebook). Elders and Deacons are asked to check their Shepherding List to see who needs a phone call.



FLOWER COORDINATOR NEEDED!

The Worship Committee is looking for a new flower coordinator. If you are interested in taking on this rewarding role please contact Tammy Barbour or Jill Webb. Either one would be happy to talk with you about what the role of Flower Coordinator entails.



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