

The Bethel Weekly News Week of February 14th, 2021

THE WEEKLY MESSAGE

"The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with Christ. For we were all baptized by one Spirit into one body - whether Jews or Greeks, slave or free - and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. Now the body is not made up of one part but of many.

But God has combined the members of the body and has given greater honor to the parts that lacked it, so that there should be no division of the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. If one part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it.

Now you are the body of Christ, and each of you is a part of it. And in the church God has appointed first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, the workers of miracles, also those having gifts of healing, those able to help others, those with gifts of administration, and those speaking in different kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all have gifts of healing? Do all speak tongues? Do all interpret? But eagerly desire the greater gifts.

And now I will show you the most excellent way. If I speak in tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and surrender my body to the flames, but not have love, I gain nothing. Love is patient, Love is kind."

- 1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 27-31; 13:1-3

We are all part of a family, community and the world. In this time when there are so many things we can disagree about, remember there is one constant - God. He is always here for us and we are all of equal importance to him. We are all in this together. Check on your family, friends and neighbors. Love one another as He loves us!

Happy Valentine's Day, Kathy Swisher, Elder

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GENERAL CHURCH NEWS & INFORMATION

With worship and church activities suspended, you are encouraged to continue praying for your friends, family, church, and country. <u>Check on each other whether by phone calls, cards, text messages and/or emails</u>. Likewise, if you need help with anything or need someone to talk with please feel free to reach out and contact the Elder-on-Call or one of the Elders listed below. Until we can return to worship together on March 7th, <u>maintaining unity within the church is the priority</u>.

SESSION NEWS & NOTES

If you need help with anything or need someone to talk with please feel free to contact the Elder-on-Call or any of the Elders listed below.

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ELDER-ON-CALL FEBRUARY 2021

If you have a pastoral need please contact Derek Almarode.

(540) 280-4940 (call or text) almarodes@verizon.net

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, February 14th

Happy Valentine's Day!

Transfiguration of the Lord

6:00 pm Session Meeting w/

Presbytery (Sanctuary)

7:00 pm Stated Session Meeting

(Sanctuary & Zoom)

Monday, February 15th

President's Day

Church Office Closed

7:00 pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, February 16th

9:00 am - 3:00 pm Church Office Hours

12:00 pm Deadline: Weekly News

(February 21st)

Wednesday, February 17th

Ash Wednesday

9:00 am - 3:00 pm Church

Office Hours

Thursday, February 18th

9:00 am - 3:00 pm Church Office Hours

Friday, February 19th

9:00 am - 3:00 pm Church Office Hours

Sunday, February 21st

1st Sunday in Lent

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CHURCH OFFICE NEWS & NOTES



WEEKLY NEWS DEADLINE

The deadline for the February 21st Weekly News is Tuesday, February 16th. at noon.

ANNUAL REPORTS 2020

Copies of the 2020 Annual Reports will be available on Sunday, February 28th. You can pick up your copy in the vestibule, Memorial Hall, or on the table in the hallway next to the Choir Room. If you would like to have Adrienne mail you a copy (printed or digital) please contact the Church Office.

The Annual Reports have important information about the life and work of Bethel. It's requested that you would take a moment and review a copy once they are published.

BETHEL OFFICE HOURS



Tuesday - Friday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

(Lunch usually taken 12:30 pm - 1:00 pm)



Occasionally the Church Office may be closed unexpectedly due to various reasons including inclement weather

or illness. If you have a need and no one answers the office phone please leave a message on the answering machine. You will be contacted within one to two business days. If you have an immediate need including pastoral care please call or text the Elder-on-Call.

COMMUNICATONS

EMAIL ISSUES

There has been a problem with emails sent out from our congregational email account being returned and/or marked as spam. Please add our domain name

bethelpresbyterianstaunton.org to your address book and/or safe sender list. Also, please add the office email address bethelpc@gmail.com.

Let Adrienne know if you have any questions or no longer wish to receive email from the church.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

HELP CONGREGATONAL CARE KEEP THE PRAYER LIST **UPDATED**



Please call or text Tammy Barbour at (540) 471-0450 or Barb Gough at (540) 255-6521 with any updates or changes to the Prayer List. You can also contact the Church Office at (540) 886-6041 with any updates or changes. Please don't forget to let us know when people have improved enough to be removed.

If you add a name to the list and have not given us an update after six weeks we will do our best to contact you to see if the person is improving or continues to need prayer. If we cannot contact you, the person may be removed from the list. We all want the Prayer List to be up-to-date. We do care, so please let us know how your friend, neighbor or family member is doing!

- The Congregational Care Committee

(Current Prayer List is on page 4.)

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CONGREGATIONAL CARE (continued)

PRAYER LIST (updated 2/11/21)

New Additions Bill & Jake Sproul (brother & sister-in-law of Alex Sproul)

Congregation Members

Jarod Davis & Family Margaret Liptrap
Dan Gano John Pilson
Bobby Goodson Doris True
Ken & Evelyn LaPorte Alice Wooddell
Sam Leonard

Family & Friends of the Congregation

Adrienne Barker
Matthew Fitzgerald
Joe Fleming
Roy Pilson
Van Pirkey
Beth Shaw
Walter Wade
Sarah Brownlee
Eleanor Feldon
David Law
Jamie Pirkey
Barbara Shaner
Jack True

Sympathies & Condolences

Family & Friends of Melvina Sprunt Busby Family & Friends of William Heizer Family & Friends of Karen Koogler Family & Friends of Cathy Miller

Community, Country, & World

Doctors, nurses, & healthcare professionals including volunteers
All military leaders & personnel
Law enforcement, firefighters, & EMS workers & volunteers



If you're praying about it God is working on it.



STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Estimated Weekly Budget: \$4,317.00

Weekly Offering February 7th: \$1,645.00

We so appreciate and are grateful for your continued giving, as it's more important now than ever. With services suspended, our bills continue to come in and must be paid. If you are able to continue to contribute to Bethel's budget in the coming weeks, please mail checks to:

Bethel Presbyterian Church Attn: Kay Thompson 563 Bethel Green Road Staunton, VA 24401

- Stewardship & Finance Committee

WORSHIP

WELCOME BACK TO WORSHIP!

MARCH 7TH, 2021 11:00 AM

3RD SUNDAY IN LENT

GUEST SPEAKER: MARK WILSON

(for the safety of others please wear a mask)

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.