



The Bethel Weekly News

Week of October 3rd, 2021

Welcome to our Worship Service!

WELCOME TO BETHEL!

We are so glad when you choose to join us as we worship the Lord together in the beautiful and great outdoors (or indoors if rainy) on Sundays!

It is always an awesome moment when you look at others in worship and see people of all ages worshipping God in their own unique way.

Scripture helps us to understand why worshipping God with other believers is essential. Bible verses let us know that fellowship is the place where believers can love one another (1 John 4:12), obtain spiritual growth, and encourage one another (Hebrews 10:25).

Sunday Morning Worship Information

WORSHIP LEADER, OCTOBER 3RD

Wade Cash

ARE YOU NEW TO OUR CHURCH?

If you're new to Bethel Presbyterian Church, and are looking to get more connected, we want to hear from you! If you haven't had the opportunity to fill out a "Welcome Visitor" card with your contact information please take a moment to do so. Cards are available on the designated table where the copies of the "Order of Worship" are placed.

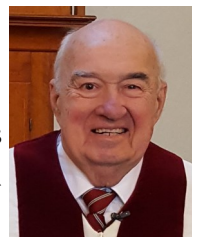
If you are interested and request it we will gladly send you the "Weekly News" every week and "The Tower" newsletter monthly.* Both are great opportunities to engage more deeply with our community. We look forward to getting to know you!

(*Please make sure to include your email address on the card. If you don't have email please include your full mailing address. Thanks!)

SEPTEMBER 26TH ATTENDANCE 38

GUEST MINISTER, OCTOBER 3RD

Bethel welcomes Rev. Bernard Bangley who will be assisting with the worship service along with giving the message on Sunday. Rev. Bangley is a long-time friend of Bethel who always does a fabulous job when he preaches. We appreciate Rev. Bangley joining us once again for worship!



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 63 years, have 3 children and 4 grandchildren. He is the author of a number of religious books.

Beginning on Sunday, October 10th, worship will be in the SANCTUARY AT 11:00 AM. Sunday, October 3rd, will be the last worship service outdoors for 2021.

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WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY OCTOBER 3RD, 2021

Communion will be Received

Bethel will once again make our own disposable (fresh) elements using plastic cups for communion. Please pick up one of each, juice and bread, as you arrive at the worship service. Follow Rev. Bangley's instructions during the "Invitation to the Lord's Table" which will be noted in your Order of Worship. Gluten free elements will also be available, please only take one if you have gluten sensitivities or an allergy.

Elders will not be handing out the elements.

Trash bins will be available as you leave for the used cups. Elders will be present on each side and in the back of the chapel area to assist if needed.

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On October 3rd, 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.

## FLOWERS, OCTOBER 3RD, 2021

The flowers on Sunday, October 3rd, are given by Alex & Lucy Sproul in memory of Alex's parents, Mr. & Mrs. W. W. Sproul and Lucy's parents, Mr. & Mrs. H. M. Sisson.

## General Church Information

## ELDER-ON-CALL OCTOBER 2021

If you have a pastoral need please contact  
Penny Lee.

(540) 416-8996 (call or text)  
brianpennyfamilee@gmail.com

## Celebrating 275 Years!

# Join Us!

DAY 1 OF OUR CELEBRATION WEEKEND!



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9<sup>TH</sup>  
2:00 IN THE AFTERNOON

PROGRAM AND SOCIAL  
CELEBRATING BETHEL'S HISTORIC PAST  
AND PROMISING FUTURE

FOLLOWING THE PROGRAM  
ENJOY FELLOWSHIP AND REFRESHMENTS

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## Weekly Calendar of Events

### Sunday, October 3rd

Guest Minister: Rev. Bernard Bangley,  
Honorably Retired

10:00 am Worship at the Chapel in the  
Woods & Communion  
(Rain Location: Sanctuary)

11:15 am Deacons Meeting

11:15 am PWCT Meeting

2:00 pm Private Graveside Service

### Monday, October 4th

Church Office Closed

7:00 pm Boy Scouts

### Tuesday, October 5th

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

9:00 am Deadline: Order of Worship &  
Weekly News (October 10th)

### Wednesday, October 6th

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

7:00 pm Handbell Choir

(Moon Phase: New Moon)

### Thursday, October 7th

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

6:30 pm Evening Bible Study

### Friday, October 8th

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



(weekly calendar of events continues)

### Saturday, October 9th

#### 275TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION (Day 1)



2:00 pm Program & Social Celebration  
of Bethel's Past & Future

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Refreshments & Fellowship to
Follow Program



Sunday, October 10th

275TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION (Day 2)

Guest Speaker: Derek Almarode,
Bethel Ruling Elder

11:00 am Worship (Location: Sanctuary)

1:00 pm Celebration Dinner (catered)

Stewardship & Finance Committee

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Estimated Weekly Budget: \$3,365.00

Weekly Offering September 5th: \$2,515.00

Weekly Offering September 12th: \$1,620.00

Weekly Offering September 19th: \$1,142.00

Weekly Offering September 26th: \$2,513.00

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT SEPTEMBER 2021

Estimated Monthly Budget: \$14,582.00

Offerings September 2021: \$7,790.00



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Congregational Care Committee

PRAYER LIST (updated 10/1/21)

Bethel (*our church*) - Leaders & Congregation

CONGREGATIONAL MEMBERS

Jarod Davis & Family	Larry Edwards
Dan Gano	Bobby Goodson
Jeff Heizer	Joe Heizer
Ken LaPorte	Sam Leonard
Margaret Liptrap	John Pilson
Alice Wooddell	

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF CONGREGATION

Sarah Brownlee	Jim Bush
David Law	Jamie Pirkey
Van Pirkey	Carly Pond
Ryland Poole & Family	Tony Pugliese
Gary Rosen	Ruby Rosen
Bill Ross	

SYMPATHIES & CONDOLENCES

Family & Friends of Evelyn LaPorte
Family & Friends of Roy Pilson
Family & Friends of Barbara Tate (wife of James Tate)

COMMUNITY, COUNTRY & WORLD

Shenandoah Presbytery Administrative
All US military leaders & personnel
Law enforcement, firefighters, &
EMS workers & volunteers

If you have any changes, additions or updates to the Prayer List please contact Tammy Barbour (540) 471-0450 or Ellen Fitzgerald (540) 292-2914. In order to keep the Prayer List up-to-date names may be removed after 6 weeks if we haven't received an update. (This does not apply to Bethel members.) Thanks for your cooperation!

Presbyterian Women

BETHEL'S GIFTS TO THE PRESBYTERIAN CHILDREN'S HOME OF THE HIGHLANDS

The Bethel Women will deliver gift cards to the Presbyterian Children's Home of the Highlands, located in Wytheville, VA. As a ministry of the Presbyterian Church, it is a long-term residential facility that accommodates as many as 30 children, age 5 to 17, and serves more than 90 residents annually. The children are offered psychiatric evaluation, life skills training, education, counseling, faith development programs, hope, purpose, and a home in a stable and loving environment overseen by God's love and grace. The children will enjoy receiving our gift cards for Christmas. The cards that are most popular are from Walmart or McDonald's. Other places where children could use gift cards are Hardees, Wendy's, KFC, Bojangles, and Taco Bell. If you can participate in this project, please print the purchase amount of the gifts on the cards and deliver them to Stephanie Rivers or Beth Miller before Sunday, November 21st. Thank you for your help with this effort by Bethel's Presbyterian Women.

Community Event

52ND LORD'S ACRE DAY SPONSORED BY MINT SPRING UMC - OCTOBER 16TH

Mint Spring Ruritan Building 11:00 am - 6:00 pm

Handmade crafts, baked goods, & takeout BBQ chicken & BBQ beef dinner - 2 meats, potato salad, green beans, cookies - \$13.00
(items may be ordered separately)

Can preorder online (<https://bit.ly/LordsAcre>) or purchase at the door.