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“Moving Forward United in Faith.”

Committed to Christ, United by Love. We are about God, Christ, the Word, and the Future. No matter who you are or where you are on life’s journey, you are welcome here. We are Bethany United Church of Christ.

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AUGUST 2022

Sunday, August 7

10:00 a.m. Worship in Fellowship Hall.

Sunday, August 14

10:00 a.m. Worship in Fellowship Hall.

Sunday, August 21

10:00 a.m. Worship in Fellowship Hall.

Sunday, August 28

10:00 a.m. Worship in Fellowship Hall.





**FROM OUR
PASTOR**

Dear Bethany Family,

Gosh it has been hot lately! Many in our nation and particularly Europe are facing unprecedented high temperatures. We take for granted the comfort of AC wherever we go but there are many in our community and world that do not have this luxury which makes life unhealthy and difficult.

Pray for these folk and pray for cooler weather and much needed rain.

Covid is still with us! Though not as serious when one tests positive the contagiousness of the current variant is real and making its impact. Someone said to me last Sunday “I guess we will all get it – like the common cold.” Indeed, that is the course of the virus. Let us all remain sensitive and wise so that we do not infect another, especially when we have tested positive or have family members with the same results. God will see us through this time but we must do what we can.

I pray you as well are able to enjoy the recreative opportunities of the season. We enjoyed hosting a large family picnic in July and had my youngest Jon and Family stay with us for a week. Blossom really enjoyed all the tummy rubs and having people around.

We now have a team of volunteers from Bethany to help serve on Habitat for Humanity project in the Lehigh Valley. There will be a planning meeting on Tuesday August 2nd. There is room for you! Please speak to me or call the church office.

See you on Sunday! Pastor Todd

**A note from our
Music Director:**



Choir members at Bethany certainly have a reason to be thankful this summer...the air conditioning still operates in Snyder Chapel!! Despite absences, both the Chancel and Handbell Choirs continue to rehearse every other week. The Chancel Choir is scheduled for weekly Sunday anthems, The Handbell Choir will play on August 28th.

When on vacation Sunday July 31st, Bethany members provided our service music. Thanks to Cindy Cressman (piano) and Robert Ruhe (banjo) and our Chancel Choir for their musical talents.

Rehearsals during the month of August are on Wed. August 10th and 24th. Handbells begin 5:30 pm. Chancel Choir 7:00pm.

A call was received from Dave Landis informing the Chancel Choir members that the Live Nativity Pageant will be held on December 10th and 11th...a mere four months away!

But for now, everyone stay safe, healthy, and cool.

Susan Denninger Wright

Please remember when you are at Bethany for any reason to make sure all doors are closed, lights and air are turned off. Open doors could create a problem if we were to get a surprise fire inspection.

As we move into the fall, please remember that we have committees that would be happy to welcome you. There is something for everyone. Think about joining one committee, if you like it maybe join more.

On Sunday October 16th we will hear from Kelly Schoenberger from Alzheimer's Research. Due to our support with their work for the last 11 years she would like to both thank us as well as share with us what has been accomplished during that time. She will speak briefly during church after which we will adjourn to Fellowship Hall for a soup and salad lunch. After that we are extending an invitation to the other UCC churches as well as our neighboring churches and the neighborhood to join us for an educational talk and question and answer time. Kelly would like to make us aware of the resources that are available to anyone who needs them. Please contact the office if you are willing to help by either preparing soup or helping with this project.

Church Picnic

Please join us on September 11 at Louise Moore Park as we return to our outdoor church picnic. We will provide Hot Dogs and want you to provide the side dishes, desserts and drinks as we have done so well in the past! We are also suggesting that if anyone is interested in playing any games to prolong the fun you may bring them along or step up and offer to be in charge of the after-church fun. Our service will be at 10:45 where we will remember 9-11 with patriotic music. A sign-up sheet will appear soon so mark your calendars! Remember "Be there or be square

PRAYER LIST: We ask that you check this list and let us know if there are any persons that no longer need to be on this list. Also, if you know of someone that needs our prayers, you can submit their name to Debbie Brown at 484358-3735 or the church office. Remember, because of the privacy to individuals; please be sure you have their permission before submitting their names for the prayer list.

Gracious God, help me face life's struggles with the love of Christ, who strengthens me. Amen

Samantha Guffy and family
Joyce Bergey
Sandy Ackerman
Walter and Ann Williams
Ted and Marion Hendricks
Lillian Connors
Louise Snyder
Carol Haines
Sharon Haines
Ken & Joan Mathias
Marie Wolfe
Barbara Sigafos
The family of Lillian Connors
The family of Judy Wuchter



August Anniversaries

6 Cindy & Ken Beck
8 Diane & Gary Diefenderfer



August Birthdays

- 1 Marie Wolfe
- 4 Andrea Learn
- 6 Katherine Knoll
- 7 Judy Morgan
- 29 Wendy Laubenstein
- 29 Margy Sabetti
- 30 Wendy Glassic



2022 Consistory

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 Dan Sabetti – Vice President
 Jenna Nguyen – Secretary
 Tom Hoffert - Treasurer

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The Consistory continues to look for one or two people to step up and take over Property. We need someone to oversee the many items that this committee takes care of. Please pray on this and consider stepping up to help.

Stewardship Corner

Bethany United Church of Christ Financial Report
January through July 25, 2022 07.25.22

	Income	Expense
January 2022	* \$13,512.65	\$7,692.60
February 2022	\$5,909.36	\$8,293.63
March 2022	\$9,527.60	\$10,580.29
April 2022	\$8,215.45	\$8,224.62
May 2022	\$7,424.50	\$7,262.50
June 2022	** \$6,090.75	\$11,943.07
July 2022	\$6,262.00	\$6,927.43
Total	\$56,942.31	\$60,924.14

* Includes Estate Distribution \$8,277.56

* * Includes Unexpected Plumbing Bill \$1,690.00

As you can see even with the generous bequest donation from the Bauder estate we are still behind expenses. Please remember Bethany with your giving over the summer month.

Thank you!

The Stewardship Committee & Consistory

Who doesn't like pizza!

Be sure to get your Martellucci \$25 gift cards to benefit Bethany Church. Order them by August 7th with a check to Bethany or \$25 cash. I will have them the following Sunday for you.

Thank you,

Margy Sabetti

P.S. the Sicilian thin crust pizza is excellent!

BES

It seems strange thinking about the winter season and our homeless neighbors when the temperature is over 90 degrees!! Bethlehem Emergency Shelter will be opening in less than 4 months and it's been on my mind already. It's with much sadness that I will be stepping back as volunteer coordinator for Bethany. Personal responsibility has made it impossible to take it on for the coming season. I hope someone will be willing to take the job. It has given me a lot of joy and helped me grow in my faith. It goes without saying I will be willing to help in any way I can to our group. We have a great bunch of workers who will do fine without me. The important thing is to keep our church involved in this mission.

Wendy Glassic

August Breakfast

Bev Rumble is selling tickets for the Aug. 20th Breakfast with seating's at 9am and 10 am. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$5 for children 5-13, 5 and under are free. That price includes scrambled eggs, sausage, hashbrowns, juice and coffee.

Habitat for Humanity

If you are interested in serving at a Habitat for Humanity project, please let Pastor Todd know. A planning meeting is scheduled for Tuesday August 2. Time and place to

Sponsor a Bill

You may contribute toward our unexpected large plumbing bill of \$1690. Please designate your contribution to Plumbing.

Due to rising prices our current florist is no longer doing altar flowers. I am researching local florists please let me know if you have any recommendations. Debbie

Please keep the following members in your prayers and perhaps drop them a line to let them know that you are thinking about them.

FELLOWSHIP MANOR

Roger Wagner
c/o Fellowship Manor Villa
Rm. 334-A
3020 Fellowship Dr.
Whitehall, PA 18052

PHOEBE HOME

Ruth Bowers
c/o Phoebe Home L-123-B
1925 W. Turner St.
Allentown, PA 18104

Theodore "Ted" Hendricks
808 Elm Street
Bethlehem, PA 18018

Walter Williams
1130 Spring Street
Bethlehem, PA 18018-4919

AUGUST CALENDAR

- 2nd Habitat for Humanity Meeting, time and location to be announced.
- 7th 10am Worship in Fellowship Hall
- 10th 5:30pm Bells
7pm Chancel Choir
- 14th 10am Worship in Fellowship Hall
- 18th 7pm Consistory in Fellowship Hall
- 20th Bethany Breakfast in Fellowship Hall 9am and 10am seating.
- 22nd 10am Worship in Fellowship Hall
- 24th 5:30pm Bells
7pm Chancel Choir
- 28th 10am Worship in Fellowship Hall



Those Who will Serve

AUGUST 7

FLOWERS: Gail Correll

BULLETINS: Diane Diefenderfer

GREETERS: Judy & George Morgan

USHERS: Lisa Williams, Len Kesselring

LAY READER: Bev Rumble

AUGUST 14

FLOWERS: Dan & Margy Sabetti

BULLETINS: Dan & Margy Sabetti

GREETERS: Volunteer

USHERS: Tom Wright, Steve Tarasuk

LAY READER: Diane Diefenderfer

AUGUST 21

FLOWERS: Open

BULLETINS: Open

GREETERS: Volunteer

USHERS: Tom Hoffert, Len Kesselring

LAY READER: Diane Diefenderfer

AUGUST 28

FLOWERS: Open

BULLETINS: Open

GREETERS: Volunteer

USHERS: Tom Hoffert, Len Kesselring, Corey Tancin

LAY READER: Len Kesselring

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