



# Bethany Beeline

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## **Sunday, September 4**

10:00 a.m. Worship in FH- use 5<sup>th</sup>  
Ave. entrance

## **Sunday, September 11**

10:45 a.m. Picnic @ Louise Moore  
Park

## **Sunday, September 18**

10:45 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

## **Sunday, September 25**

10:45 a.m. Worship – in the Sanctuary



Dear Bethany Family,

It's an August morning as I prepare this letter. AND IT'S RAINING! How wonderful to welcome much needed rain to nourish the ground, the grass, the gardens. Thank You God!

September is just around the corner. Please sign up and attend the Worship Service and Picnic at Louise Moore Park, beginning @ 10:45am on September 11. Worship will feature the remembrance of 9/11/2001. We will gather at Pavillion 4- on the other side of the park from where we were last time(2 yrs. ago). There is no electic at this pavillion soo please plan your menu accordingly. You should turn left on Country Club Rd. if you are traveling south; right if north. Follow the road as far as it takes you to the parking area. Hope to see you there. Sabetti's Hotdogs will be provided.

Laity Sunday is October 9<sup>th</sup> . We are looking for 3-4 members to share reflections on the theme "The Power of Prayer". Please let me know if you will share in church that Sunday.



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IN FAITH**

Blessings to you all and  
See you at Bethany!  
Pastor Todd



## A note from our Music Director:



I woke up to the sound of rain hitting the roof this morning. “Well, that’s a change” I said to myself. It sounded refreshing, a new sound since it hadn’t been heard for a while with all the dryness and drought conditions in our valley. Then I thought, “That’s the lead in to my Beeline article for the fall.... a change that’s refreshing and hadn’t been happening for a while.” So here we are, at the beginning of the month of September with things to look forward to. After the Labor Day holiday, we will enjoy our time of fellowship at the church picnic. Since that Sunday is September 11th, it is most fitting to remember and reflect on all that took place that morning twenty-one years ago. The Chancel Choir will sing an anthem written specifically for that day.

Yet, we will rejoice as well...for we are blessed...fellowship with our church family is always a special time. Then...the change to worship time in our beautiful sanctuary!

It’s hard to believe, but the Chancel Choir started up their rehearsals again a year ago this September. They had been suspended due to the restrictions placed on us by the pandemic. Somehow, with the grace of God, we managed to sing every week at worship since then, and avoided any spreading of Covid within our music program. Of course, the handbell choir continuously played throughout the pandemic, and now, by group consensus, we are able to use our bell tables and play as a unit once again. We will be keeping the every other week rehearsal schedule for both groups for now. There are so many adjustments and considerations to be made to accommodate sickness, vacations, and other commitments that it is essential that members of both choirs

sign the absentee sheets in the choir room.... this determines what can be sung or played. The rehearsal schedule for the month of September is Wednesday September 7th and 21st. As a reminder, the Live Nativity Pageant takes place on Dec. 10th and 11th. Anyone is invited to sing...there is one rehearsal before the event.

Joyfully,

Susan Denninger Wright

**AUDIO & VIDEO RECORDINGS** If you or anyone you know would like to receive the link to the audio recording of the worship service, please let Bill Rumble know at [wrumble@ptd.net](mailto:wrumble@ptd.net). A copy of the bulletin is included with the audio link.

If you have an Instagram account, you can follow us @BethanyUCCBethlehem. We also invite you to tag the church in your posts and use the hashtag #BethanyUCCBethlehem to share posts and photos on Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter! Thank you, Bill, for making sure we are able to see and hear the services.

## *FUNDRAISERS -*

Rummage Sale – October 21 from 8-4 and October 22 from 8-2

### **PEANUTS - returning November**

Chocolates on Broadway and Poinsettias for Christmas

### **Gift Cards from Martellucci's**

**Contact Margy Sabetti for \$25 gift cards for Martellucci's Pizza**

## Rummage Sale

A Fall Rummage Sale will be held in Fellowship Hall on Friday October 21<sup>st</sup> from 8-4 and Saturday October 22 from 8-2. We will be needing volunteers to give time setting up for the sale, serving at the sale and helping with clean up. Gail Correll is in charge of this project and will be putting up a sign-up sheet. Donations of clothing and small household items can be brought to the 5th Ave Sunday School room. Please do not bring electronics, TVs, or furniture.

**REMINDER:** ALL announcements made before worship must pertain to the life and ministry of Bethany. Community and family announcements can be placed in the bulletin and/or Beeline. Please contact Susan Wuchter no later than the Monday before you want it to appear in the bulletin.

## ANIMAL FOOD BANK

Remember our furry friends. Just drop your donation in one of the bins in the Narthex. I will deliver the items to Pets in Need and Pebbles & Paws, a non-profit organization that assist people in need of help feeding their pets. Thanks again to everyone. – Gail Correll



## Bethlehem Emergency Shelter

Can you believe it is September already? Another summer has flown by and fall is quickly approaching and that means another season of sheltering our homeless neighbors will begin at the Bethlehem Emergency Sheltering and WE NEED YOU! Bethany UCC has played an integral part in volunteering at BES for years and we look forward to continuing that tradition again this year,

but we cannot do it without our faithful volunteers. While we do not yet know what this season holds, we do know that we will need both male and female volunteers to assist with registration, preparing the dinner meal, clean up and showers.

If you were not already aware, BES is a faith-based partnership that provides a hot meal, the opportunity for a shower, a bed and a safe environment for our homeless neighbors to shelter during the coldest months of the year. In addition, BES also works with their clients to help them find permanent housing as well as food stamps, Medicaid/Medicare, VA benefits and other services as necessary. BES plays a very important role in our community through the kindness, generosity and assistance of hundreds of volunteers each season.

It is my sincere hope that the good people of Bethany UCC will assist BES this year in their continued mission. If you have the gift of cooking and have a recipe you would like to share, join us in preparing the meal! If you like to clean, we have opportunities in the kitchen. If you like to meet new people and greet them with a smile, then registration or shower monitoring is for you. While I understand that people are busy and may not have the time to physically volunteer, monetary donations are also welcome and if you are a baker at heart, a donated dessert for the meal is always appreciated. The clients always LOVE the homemade desserts and truly appreciate the volunteers caring for them!

I have had the opportunity to speak to many clients at the shelter over the years and have learned that homelessness does not discriminate and can happen to anyone, at any time, for any reason. God has made each one of us special and unique in our own way and has provided us with His special gifts to use for His kingdom. I ask that you please pray about volunteering this season to use those gifts as the Spirit guides you. If you have any questions or would like more information about volunteering opportunities, please do not hesitate to talk to me in church or call me at (610) 807-9438. More information will be forthcoming in bulletin as it becomes available in the future!

Yours in Christ,

Sherri Gangewere

***"But do not forget to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased." Hebrews 13:16 (NKJV)***

**September, October, November devotional booklets** are available now. They are on the radiator at the rear of the church. You can place a donation in the wooden church if you are able. Suggested amount is \$1

**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*

Rebecca and Len Kesselring

Joyce Bergey

Sandy Ackerman

Walter and Ann Williams

Ted and Marion Hendricks

Robert Frankenfield

Roger Wagner

Louise Snyder

Carol Haines

Sharon Haines

Ken & Joan Mathias

Marie Wolfe

Barbara Sigafos

The family of Ruth Bowers



### **BIRTHDAYS**

- 1 Cindy Hottenstein
- 16 Cindy Beck
- 20 Corey Tancin
- 24 Meghann Wright
- 25 Laura Sutter
- 28 Jenna Nguyen



## ANNIVERSARIES

- 19 Katherine & John Knoll  
25 Patti & Tim Hoyt  
30 Barbara & Richard Roberts



**2022 Flower and Bulletin Charts** are posted on the BB on the left side of the main entrance. Please note two vases will cost \$40. A rectangular arrangement will cost \$30. Silk (S) flowers will be \$10. Bulletins will cost \$10. Be sure to indicate what type of flowers you want – real or silk. **Any questions, contact the church office.**



*Altar Flowers*

### **Thank you**

**Many thanks to those who contributed to offset the large plumbing bill and all those who are contributing to the life of Bethany on a regular basis. We are still operating with a deficit and appreciate your support as we enter the final quarter of 2022.**

### **Your Consistory**

#### *Sympathy*

*Our sympathies to Debbie Keretz and Josh Baum upon the death of mother and grandmother Ruth Bowers in August. A beautiful service of tribute to her was given on August 15. A highlight was having Debbie's choral group "Pieces of Eight" perform the song "Friends are Friends Forever" May God Bless Debbie and family.*

## THOSE WHO SERVE

### **September 4**

Flowers: Len & Rebecca Kesselring  
Bulletins: Len & Rebecca Kesselring  
Greeters: Gail Correll  
Ushers: Barbara Backensto, Gail Correll  
Reader: Rebecca Kesselring  
Altar Guild: Joan Hottle

### **September 11**

#### **Church Picnic at Louise Moore Park Pav. 4 - 10:45**

Flowers: Rebecca & Len Kesselring  
Bulletins: Rebecca & Len Kesselring  
Greeters: Dan & Margy Sabetti  
Ushers – Dan & Margy Sabetti  
Reader: Dan Sabetti

### **September 18**

Flowers: Rebecca & Len Kesselring  
Bulletins: Rebecca & Len Kesselring  
Greeters: Len Kesselring, Tom Hoffert  
Ushers: Len Kesselring, Corey Tancin  
Reader: Barbara Reiniger

### **September 25**

Flowers: Rebecca & Len Kesselring  
Bulletins: Rebecca & Len Kesselring  
Greeters: Judy & George Morgan  
Ushers: Cindy Beck, Bob Ruhe  
Reader: Debbie Brown

## SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

- 4<sup>th</sup> 10AM Worship in Fellowship Hall
- 5<sup>th</sup> Happy Labor Day! Office closed
- 7<sup>th</sup> 5:30PM Handbell rehearsal  
7PM Chancel Choir rehearsal
- 11<sup>th</sup> 10:45AM Worship @ Louise Moore Park pavilion 4 followed by the Church Picnic
- 15<sup>th</sup> 7PM Consistory in FH
- 18<sup>th</sup> 10:45AM Worship in the Sanctuary
- 21<sup>st</sup> 5:30PM Handbell Choir  
7PM Chancel Choir
- 25<sup>th</sup> 10:45AM Worship in the Sanctuary
- 27<sup>th</sup> Habitat for Humanity Onsite Project
- 28<sup>th</sup> 7PM Stewardship Meeting in FH
- 29<sup>th</sup> Habitat for Humanity Onsite Project

### October Upcoming Events

- 10/1 Habitat for Humanity Onsite Project
- 10/2 Worldwide Communion Sunday/ Neighbors in Need
- 10/9 Laity Sunday Service
- 10/16 Alzheimer's Thank You by Kelly Schoenberger @ worship. Lunch and Presentation in FH

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**CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED**

