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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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Sunday, November 6 – All Saint's Day

10:45 a.m. Worship with Communion

Sunday, November 13 Stewardship Sunday

10:45 a.m. Worship

Sunday, November 20 Harvest Home and Thanksgiving

10:45 a.m. Worship with collection of Canned Goods

Sunday, November 27 First Sunday in Advent

10:45 a.m. Worship with Communion

REMEMBER to turn your clocks BACK one hour on Saturday night, Nov.5 for All Saints Sunday.

Dear Bethany Family,



Every mid-October is Ministry Day for clergy of the Penn Northeast Conference to gather for education and fellowship. This year we had a Zoom guest, the Rev. Jim Keat, from the Riverside Church in NYC who is their Digital Minister. His position was established before the pandemic. We all know what happened in March of 2020 when the world and notably the church was thrust into virtual worship. We are in the “new normal” of times as we are gathering in person as well as gathering folks online. Virtual is not the opposite of real just not physical. Virtual is still real. So how can community be attained with those who are not physically gathered with us? Rev. Jim reminded us of the communication explosion with the resources of Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, You Tube, Tic Toc, and good old Zoom. These can be used by the church of today to keep us connected. And that’s a good thing!

On November 6th we will gather for worship and Holy Communion for all Saints Day remembrance of four church members who entered their Eternal Rest since last year. They are Dolly Ackerman, Ruth Bowers, Lillian Connors and Dot Kraemer. May God continue to bless their loved ones with comfort and peace.

A Fall Rummage Sale is Friday, Nov. 18th from 8-4 and Saturday Nov. 19 from 8-2. Help is needed for both days. Sign up at church or see Gail Correll. Donations of clothing and small items are still requested.

A community Thanksgiving Eve Service will be held at Trinity UCC 81 E. North St. Bethlehem on Nov. 23rd at 7pm. The service is planned by our five UCC churches in Bethlehem. Join us as we offer Thanksgiving to God for His many blessings and to come together for worship.

The first Sunday of Advent (already?!) is November 27. We will celebrate Holy Communion and the first candle of the Advent Wreath will be lighted.

See you at Bethany, Pastor Todd



A note from our Music Director:

November...a month that is associated with giving thanks...Thanksgiving. Thanks for the harvest, thanks for the colorful beauty that surrounds us, thanks for the blessings received both great and small. Turning the page on the calendar to that 11th month of the year catches our attention for a brief moment, that "looking forward to" the day we celebrate all that we have been given. And, maybe we pause to take stock in ALL the things that give meaning to life. Included in that assessment is the freedom of religion, the freedom to worship with fellow Christians in their church home. Our blessing is Bethany Church...its physical beauty, its spirit that connects us with those saints who have gone on before us, and the warm fellowship we feel as we gather together for worship, for meetings, for activities, for rehearsals, and when we share meals together, especially the Lord's Supper. We are also blessed with those who give their time and talents as special musical gifts...and blessed are we, when as a "congregational choir," we lift our voices in song. How glorious, how rare!

This month the Handbell and Chancel Choirs will rehearse on Wednesdays Nov. 2, 16 and 30. Special music will be offered up on Harvest Home Sunday, November 20th. Then on November 27th we begin our time of anticipation of our

Savior's birth...the Advent season. How blessed are we...a Savior comes!

Joyfully,
Susan Denninger Wright

P.S. Please consider joining the Live Nativity Pageant Choir. The performance dates are Sat. Dec. 10th and Sunday Dec. 11th. The rehearsal date is Wednesday Dec. 7th, 8 to 8:45 PM.

Talk with Sue for more information.

FUNDRAISERS -



We will do our nut prep on Nov. 5th and 7th with orders due by October 31st. For December we will prep nuts on Dec. 3rd and 5th with orders due on Nov. 28th.

Please mark your calendars and talk to your friends and relatives. We need orders as well as workers. Due to rising costs, we will be charging \$5 per 8oz. bag for Peanuts, Cashews, and Almonds. Any questions please call me @ 484-358-3735.

Thanks, Debbie

Chocolates on Broadway!

Brochures for this year's Christmas candy sale are here. We will take orders until Sunday November 20th and will receive our candy on Sunday December 11th. These candies are delicious and make great holiday gifts.

Rummage Sale

A Fall Rummage Sale will be held in Fellowship Hall on Friday Nov. 18 from 8-4 and Saturday Nov. 19 from 8-2. We need 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. Please ask relatives and friends for donations as well.

Gift Cards from Martellucci's

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

Gift Cards from Dan Schantz

We will be selling Monthly Madness cards for the holidays. You purchase a gift card for \$25 that will entitle you to a gift each month. The church will earn \$10 for each card.

Christmas at Bethany

We would like to collect gift donations for the resident youth at Bethany Children's Home in Wormelsdorf, Pennsylvania.

You may check out the wish list online @ bethanyhome.org/holidays-at-bethany. The wish list will also be posted in the narthex. All gifts (new and unwrapped) should be dropped off at church by Sunday, Dec. 11. Thank You!



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

4 Robert Frankenfield
14 Lyndell Robinson
18 Cassandra Haines-Riiska
 Courtney Dupre
21 Beverly Rumble
24 Terry Stauffer
26 Diane Brunner
 Barbara Wagner



The following couples have anniversaries in November:

11 Joan & Kenneth Mathias, Jr.
14 Susan & Thomas Wright, III

DID I MISS ANYONE? If so, call the church office

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.**



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 484-358-3735 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
Karen De Pietro
Darlene Yocum
Noel and her Parents



Those Who Will Serve

November 6 – All Saints Day

Flowers: Linda Hollabaugh
Bulletins: Linda Hollabaugh
Greeters: Corey Tancin
Ushers: Consistory
Reader: Bill Rumble
Altar Guild: Gail Correll

November 13 – Stewardship Sunday

Flowers: Sabetti
Bulletins: Sabetti
Greeters: Jack and Diane Brunner
Ushers: Jack Brunner, Tom Wright
Reader: Mike Reiniger

November 20- Harvest Home and Thanksgiving

Flowers: Sue Wright
Bulletins: Sue Wright
Greeters: Cindy Beck and Bob Ruhe
Ushers: Bob Ruhe, Len Kesselring
Reader: Bob Ruhe

November 27 – First Sunday in Advent

Flowers: Rebecca Kesselring
Bulletins: Rebecca Kesselring
Greeters: Barbara Backensto and Lisa Williams
Ushers: Consistory Members
Reader: Sue Wright

2022 Consistory

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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.

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. A copy of the bulletin is included with the audio link. Thank you, Bill, for making sure we are able to see and hear the services.



BETHLEHEM EMERGENCY SHELTER

The leaves are changing and the weather is getting cooler. That means we are less than one month away from the opening of the Bethlehem Emergency Shelter! Bethany UCC has the privilege of taking care of our homeless neighbors again this season on three different occasions. Our schedule includes providing the dinner meals on Friday, December 9th, Tuesday, February 14th and Friday, March 3rd. Sign-up sheets for all three days are posted on the bulletin board. If you have been guided by the Holy Spirit to participate this season, please sign up for the position you would like to fill. For those of you that have volunteered in the past, THANK YOU, and I hope you will consider joining us again this season. You will note that this season there are no spots to sign up for registration. This particular task will now be done by the paid staff at the shelter as this year begins a new automated registration! Of course, we still need you fabulous bakers to assist us with dessert selections and there is a spot on the sign-up sheets for you too! We are also accepting monetary donations to purchase the items to prepare the dinners. If you have any questions or would like more information, please do not hesitate to call me at (610) 807-9438 or talk to me in church! Thank you to all of you who have already expressed an interest in volunteering this season and I look forward to working with you and sharing God's grace in our community!

Blessings,

Sherri Gangewere



NOVEMBER CALENDAR

- 1st All Saints Day
- 2nd 5:30PM Handbell Choir
7PM Chancel Choir
- 5th 9AM Nut Prep in FH
PNEC Fall Meeting @ Forks UCC
- 6th All Saints Sunday
10:45AM Worship with Communion
- 7th 9AM Nut Prep in FH
- 8th Election Day Voting @ Bethany
- 10th 7PM Consistory
- 13th Stewardship Sunday
10:45AM Worship
- 16th 5:30PM Handbell Rehearsal
7PM Chancel Choir
- 18th Rummage sale 8-4
- 19th Rummage sale 8-2
- 20th Harvest Home/Thanksgiving Sunday
10:45AM Worship
- 23rd 7PM Thanksgiving Eve Service @ Trinity
UCC
- 24th Happy Thanksgiving Day
- 27th First Sunday of Advent
10:45AM Worship with Communion
- 30th 5:30PM Handbell Rehearsal
7PM Chancel Choir

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