

Coming Up at Bethel UMC

Bethel Christian Preschool Registration is now open for the 2019-2020 School Year.

Please take a *Bethel Christian Preschool* flyer from the table in the Narthex and give it to someone with young children, hang it at your favorite store/restaurant, or share it with a group outside of Church. Like and share our Facebook Page with all of your friends to help us get the word out that we are now enrolling for the 2019-2020 school year!

Wawa Hoagie Coupons are available for only \$4 for a shorti hoagie (normally \$4.39). They make great gifts and provide a fast family meal for busy nights! Get your coupons from Joyce Shutt or Barb Hanlon. Proceeds benefit the Bethel Christian Preschool.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

6th Sunday in Lent—Palm Sunday, April 14, 2019

PLEASE SIGN THE ATTENDANCE PAD FOUND IN YOUR PEW

Worship Attendance, Early Service: 38, Late Service: 59, Total: 97

Christian Education Attendance: 34

Giving Last Week: \$3,584.71- Amount Needed per Week: \$3,884.00

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Building Fund Monthly Mortgage is \$2,048.75.

Received in March for the Building Fund - \$838.36 – 2 months to go!

We have paid our March Apportionment to the Conference.

March Electronic Giving - \$320.00

Stewardship 2019 is Heart Work! So Spring did come and we are current with our church payables through the 1st quarter! Soon it will be time for vacations! Don't forget to stay faithful during the summer months which can be a struggle with any church's budget. Two more mortgage payments – we will then use our Believe Funds for Maintenance, Bathrooms, etc. We currently have \$4,500.00 designated for new bathrooms. More details to come. Thanks to all who stay faithful in supporting Bethel!

GIVE PLUS⁺

Electronic Giving is active at Bethel: Simply download the Vanco Solutions Give+ App to your smartphone and you are easy steps away from making a donation, anytime and anywhere. Supply your email as identification. And of course, your bank routing and account number. Save time and checks with electronic giving! Remember to identify Bethel Church at 952 Bethel Church Road in Spring City when setting up your donation

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PRAYER MINISTRY

Prayers of Celebration, Thanksgiving, and Petition

Give thanks and pray for persons celebrating birthdays this week: Jeffrey Wynn, Marisa Bishop, Terrie McKinley, Dennis Robinson, and Ethan Conway

Pray for those who are ill, homebound, receiving treatment or recovering from illness or surgery:

Paul (undergoing treatment for retinal melanoma), Mary Lou Keim (Manatawny Manor); Larue Ewers (Parkhouse); Alice Collins (Phoenixville Hospital); Kruna Kovach; Caitlyn Ferris (cancer),

wife of Mark Ferris, Jr.; Benita Adams; Harrison Groman (Parkhouse); Ruth Peterman; Ronald Hopson; Janet Long (healing); Walter Shultz (Southeastern Veterans Center); Russell Bush (knees); Joanne Meitzler; family and friends struggling with addiction; physical and emotional well-being. **Other prayer needs:** Military personnel; employment concerns of members; Prayers for those who mourn.

April 14th Coffee Hour: We will have a special coffee hour after today's 10:45 a.m. service in honor of Allen Collins' 91st birthday. Come to Fellowship Hall and celebrate Allen with us!



SPRC Meeting: The SPRC will meet at 7 p.m. on April 17th in the Green Room (B1).

Maundy Thursday Sacrificial Supper & Holy Communion: We will gather for a Sacrificial Supper at 6 p.m. on April 18th (prior to the Maundy Thursday service) in Fellowship Hall. Please sign up outside the Sanctuary to bring soup, bread, drinks, or dessert. The Maundy Thursday Service with Holy Communion will be celebrated at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary.



East Coventry Union of Churches' Good Friday Services: St. Matthew's United Church of Christ, 2350 Conestoga Road, Chester Springs, is open for private prayer from 12-3 p.m. on Good Friday (April 19th). Brownback's United Church of Christ, 640 Ridge Road, Spring City, will have a Good Friday Service at 7 p.m.

Bethel Community Easter Festival: The Children's Ministry is hosting our annual Community Easter Festival on Saturday, April 20th from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Everyone is welcome and this event attracts a great number of local families who live near Bethel! All children through 5th grade are encouraged to participate in the egg hunt, games, crafts, and lunch. We need a team of volunteers to make this community event a success! Many hands make light work and there are many ways you can help:



- Fill plastic eggs **today** (Palm Sunday, April 14th)
- Set-up on Friday, April 19th starting at 9 a.m.
- Donate wrapped Easter candy
- Donate hard boiled eggs
- Assist with arts & crafts, games, and lunch
- Clean-up and reset after the event after 12 p.m.

Please see the sign-up sheet on table outside the sanctuary for a full list of ways you can serve.



"Where's the Beef?" at Bethel: On Saturday, April 27th, Kay and Rocky Weikel will host a mouthwatering roast beef dinner in Fellowship Hall from 4-6 p.m. The cost is \$12 for adults/ \$6 for children under ten and the proceeds go to the general fund. Tickets are available in the church office or by contacting Kay and Rocky Weikel.

Higher Education Grant Assistance: The Education Society of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church will accept grant applications to assist students for the 2019-2020 school year. The application is available at



www.epauc.org/administration/finance/higher-education-scholarships. The application window runs from April 29th to May 13th.

Spring Habitat Day with Good Works: Mark your calendars for Habitat Day with Good Works of St. Peter's on May 4th. We will buy Hoagie Coupons from the school for our lunch break. When you sign up, look for a sheet to create your Shorti Sandwich for lunch! This will be a fun, rewarding day and there is something for everyone to do! You can volunteer from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or whatever your schedule will permit. More information to follow!

United Methodist Women's Book Club: The book club will meet on Monday, May 6th at 1:00 p.m. in the Green Room (B1) to discuss the book, *"Not Worth Saving: How a Severely Handicapped Boy Transformed Lives"* by Ann Joyner.



Chicken BBQ: Dot Shantz has graciously taken the lead to organize our annual Chicken BBQ on Saturday, June 1st. If you would like to volunteer to help or have any questions, please contact Dot at 610-474-2154.

Larue Ewers is in Parkhouse, 1600 Black Rock Rd, Room 108, Royersford, PA 19468

Harrison Groman, husband of Adele Groman, has moved to Parkhouse, 1600 Black Rock Rd, Room North 214, Royersford, PA 19468

Mary Lou Keim is in Manatawny Manor 30 Old Schuylkill Rd, Room 17B, Pottstown, PA 19465

Walter Shultz is in the Southeastern Veterans Center, 1 Veterans Drive, Section 3E, Room 373C, Spring City, PA 19475

Service Schedule

7 a.m. Outdoor Sunrise Service (breakfast to follow in the Café)

8:30 a.m. Easter Praise Service