

# BLESSINGS FROM BETHEL

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Oct / Nov 2015



## Coming events:

- **World Wide Communion: Sunday October 4th**
- **Consistory Meeting: Monday October 5<sup>th</sup> and November 2nd**
- **Rally Day: Sunday October 18<sup>th</sup>. Program begins at 10:00 AM**

## From the Pastors Desk

The writer of the letter to the Ephesians wrote, "The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ." (4:11-13) In Romans, I Corinthians and this passage from Ephesians we read about a total of twenty different gifts for ministry.

Growing churches today have individuals who recognize their various gifts and are using them. Growing churches have visitation teams of individuals who have identified their gifts of compassion and servanthood (Romans 12:6-8) and are visiting individuals and families in an intentional way. Growing churches have teams of Eucharistic ministers who help distribute Holy Communion. Growing churches have many people involved in many different types of ministry.

There is a solid Biblical basis in the New Testament for sharing the ministry of God. Even in the Old Testament in Exodus 18 we hear the sound advice that Jethro gave his son-in-law Moses. Jethro observed that Moses spent hours a day mediating disputes. The people came with the desire to hear God's wisdom. Jethro told him that what he was doing was not good. He told Moses that he would tire himself out. He encouraged his son-in-law to divide the work up amongst some good and faithful individuals who were men of God.

The ministry of Bethel United Church of Christ even for a smaller congregation has become involved. God has opened the door to new and challenging opportunities. Ministry here requires more than just a few individuals.. What is your part in the ministry of Jesus Christ here at Bethel UCC? Our ministry here will grow and flourish more if more individuals begin to use their God given gifts for service.

Pastor David Danneberger

## **Pastor's Report August 2015**

1. Worship Leadership & Preaching: 3
2. Pastoral Contacts: Hospital: 0 ; Visits: 3; Phone Calls: 10
3. Church Gatherings/Meetings (local & denominational):
  - Bible Study: 2
  - Church Picnic
  - Consistory
  - Planning meeting with Bonnie Whittier
  - Meeting with Christ UCC, Jefferson
4. Personal/Professional Growth:
  - Colleague Meetings: 2
5. Community
6. Agenda Items:
  - a. Mission Statement Development – A small committee to write the statement.
  - b. Shared Ministry with Christ UCC? Are we wanting to study this or drop it?

## **Consistory Meeting August 2015**

The Meeting was called to order by Sue Tharp at 6:58 PM. Opening prayer was given by Pastor Danneberger.

Attendance: Pastor Danneberger, K. Weaver, S. Tharp, P. McCawley, C. Worley, N. Vickers, R. Ernst, D. Bankert, F. Brillhart and T. Allison

C. Worley made a motion to approve July's minutes and 2<sup>nd</sup> by F. Brillhart with all approving.

Treasurer's Report (K. Weaver) Motion to accept the report was made by D. Bankert and 2<sup>nd</sup> R. Ernst with all approving. A motion was also made to send a contribution to Porters Fire Company by D. Bankert and 2<sup>nd</sup> by T. Allison with all approving.

Pastor's Report (Pastor Danneberger) R. Ernst made a motion to accept the report and 2<sup>nd</sup> by F. Brillhart with all approving. Pastor Danneberger also thanked everyone who helped with VBS.

Worship (S. Tharp)

- Sally Jane Johnson will be our guest speaker on Sunday 9/6.
- Outdoor service and church picnic was enjoyed by all.
- Lori will be off Sunday 9/13. Marg Leppo will sub for Lori

Church Care (T. Allison)

- Septic system needs pumped. Tom will make the arrangements.
- Water cooler is leaking and Sue will follow-up.

Fundraisers (P. McCawley) Peggy will be checking with Infinito’s pizza and Sweet Frog to set up additional fund raisers.

Outreach (N. Vickers)

Birthdays = 16, Anniversaries = 4, Get Well = 2, and Thinking of you = 6

Social (D. Bankert) Rally day needs to be scheduled.

Rentals (S. Tharp) Rental scheduled for Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> for the social room and kitchen.

Website (D. Bankert) Website is up-to-date. Are there any suggestions to improve the site?

Offering and Attendance (R Ernst) Bob noted a slight drop in attendance and offering.

Search Committee (D. Bankert) The committee has an interview scheduled for August 10<sup>th</sup>.

Old Business:

- Sue Tharp thanked Lori and everyone who helped with VBS. It was another success.
- Thanks to Sue Tharp for being greeter
- Bethel needs an updated mission statement. Some of the key words that describe Bethel were Worship, Community of Faith, Outreach, Hospitality and welcoming.

New Business:

- Shed doors need to be replaced. Ed Miller will follow-up.
- Volunteers needed for Budget committee and Nomination committee.

Meeting ended at 8:05 PM followed by the Lord’s Prayer

Respectfully submitted by

Dave Bankert

## LIST OF SHUT-IN AND PRAYER CONCERN MEMBERS

<b>Robert Lindsey</b> Wonder’s Personal Care 1441 Baltimore St. Hanover, Pa. 17331	<b>RUTH STERNER</b> P.O. Box 330 Hanover, Pa. 17331	
<b>Janet Barnhart</b> Brethren Home 2990 Carlisle Pike New Oxford, Pa. 17350	<b>DAISEY ERNST</b> Manor Care North 1770 Barley Rd. York, Pa.	



## *From the Congregation's Life:*

**DAISY ERNST:** God Bless Daisy! Our prayers are with you!

**CURT AND CHARLETTE MILLER** are still in our prayers.

**JOAN MURRAY** is recovering from another surgery to correct the problem with her ankle. Let's pray that this will be the surgery to correct the problem.

**GENETTA FAHNESTOCK** is doing better but she still needs our prayers.

**BOB LINDSEY** was admitted to Wonder's Personal Care Facility. We pray that this transition goes well for Bob.

**WALTER MILLER:** Keep Walter in prayer as he goes through treatments.

**RUTH SNYDER** will have surgery in October. We pray she has an easy recovery.

**CARD SHOWER for Grace Hamm:** Grace will turn 100 **on October 24, 2015**. Grace is the aunt of Bob Thoman. It would be great if she received 100 cards on her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. Send cards to:

**Grace Hamm  
1100 W Elm Ave  
Hanover, PA 17331**

**CHAD BRILLHART and KATE HERSL** will wed on October 10<sup>th</sup>. Chad is the son of Fred and Dixie Brillhart. May God bless them in their new life together.

**DAVID AND PATSY SMELTZER** surprised us with a visit last month. They were in the area about 2 weeks and It was great seeing them again.

**STEVE AND KAREN BEARD** moved into their new home. Their new address is:  
430 Harrisburg St.  
East Berlin, Pa. 17316

*We also uplift many of our congregation and friends who have been going through some rough times. We certainly apologize if we fail to mention anyone going through any illnesses or other experiences we mention during our prayer concerns at church! We do keep you in our prayers*

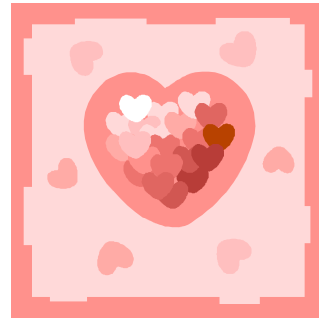


### **October Birthdays**

- 5 – Robert E. Thoman
- 5 – Walter Miller
- 9 – Dequay Lauchman
- 14 – George Shue
- 15 – Steve Beard
- 19 – Kayla Stevenson
- 20 - Jean Masenheimer
- 22 – Deb Bankert
- 29 – Andrew Stevenson
- 29 – Diane Nace

### **November Birthdays**

- 8 – Sue Tharp
- 8 – Georgetta Kreitz
- 8 – Bryan Rice
- 12 – Ryan Simpson
- 12 – Randy Noel
- 15 – Sarah Diehl
- 16 – Kathy Main
- 23 – Laura Walters



### **October Anniversaries**

- 4 – Ted & Georgetta Kreitz
- 7 – Gene & Diane Nace
- 10 – Greg & Tina Main
- 19 – Clay & Jamie McKim
- 5 – Walter Miller

### **November Anniversaries**

- 7 – Jim & Cheryl Worley
- 16 – Bryan & Rose Rice

# COMING EVENTS:

**RALLY DAY:** Sunday October 18<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendars!

- Service begins at 10:00 AM instead of 9 AM
- Our guest is Andrea Adams who portrays different women of the bible. She will be taking a humorous look at the industrious Martha from Luke 10: 38-41.
- A covered dish social follows the service with games and other activities to include the WHITE ELEPHANT silent auction. Please bring a covered dish and something for the silent auction.
- Please invite friends and family for a meaningful and humorous experience.

## **REMEMBER OUR OUTREACH MINISTRIES:**

**God's Meal Barrel** – Continue to fill our shopping cart with donations that we give to Doris and God's Meal Barrel as they provide supplies to the needy of the Hanover area! We have been supporting this ministry for many years and are so thankful that you have been so generous! **Donations for October are pastas and sauces. Donations for November are breakfast items like cereals.**

## **HANOVER AREA COUNCIL OF CHURCHES:**

**No information for October Special Needs was received so this information will be posted on the bulletin board at church when it is received.**

**BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION.** Many products we buy at the grocery store have these coupons on them. Collect the coupons and bring them to church. There will be a box to receive them. We can donate these coupons to Hoffman Homes or even divide them between the school districts our children attend. This will be an ongoing project just like another one we have in process.....

**POP TOP CAN TABS** – MARG LEPPA has been collecting Pop Top tabs for HOMEWOOD HOMES. She has contributed a couple of thousand of these so far and we are helping her with this project. So, ANY pop top tabs you may have, collect them and bring them to church. There is a plastic container on the table in the Sanctuary to collect the tabs for Marg. THANK YOU!!!!

## **SPECIAL OFFERINGS:**

We are aware that sometime in the future we will have major expense with either the Heat Pumps or maybe a new roof. In order to prevent a major blow to our reserve funds, we are asking people to use the special **Building Improvement Fund** Envelopes to help build up funds we would have available to replace anything we may need for the church building! There are envelopes available in the pews as well as one for each month in the envelope boxes and can be given anytime.

**SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE:** The committee interviewed another candidate in September. Keep the search committee in your prayers as we continue our mission to find the right person for Bethel. Rev. Danneberger agreed to continue on as interim minister. We will be looking at the possibilities of a shared minister with Christ UCC in Jefferson. More to follow as these meetings proceed.



**Sunday School classes for Youth begins on Sunday October  
4<sup>th</sup> at 10:15 AM following our worship service**

## Lectionary for October and September

Season after Pentecost Year C	First* reading and Psalm	Alternate* First reading and Psalm	Second reading	Gospel
Proper 22 (27) Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost October 4, 2015 <i>ART -- PRAYER</i>	<u>Job 1:1, 2:1-10</u>  <u>Psalm 26</u>	<u>Genesis 2:18-24</u>  <u>Psalm 8</u>	<u>Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12</u>	<u>Mark 10:2-16</u>
Proper 23 (28) Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost October 11, 2015 <i>ART -- PRAYER</i>	<u>Job 23:1-9, 16-17</u>  <u>Psalm 22:1-15</u>	<u>Amos 5:6-7, 10-15</u>  <u>Psalm 90:12-17</u>	<u>Hebrews 4:12-16</u>	<u>Mark 10:17-31</u>
Canadian Thanksgiving Day October 12, 2015 <i>ART -- PRAYER</i>	<u>Joel 2:21-27</u>  <u>Psalm 126</u>		<u>1 Timothy 2:1-7</u>	<u>Matthew 6:25-33</u>
Proper 24 (29) Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost October 18, 2015 <i>ART -- PRAYER</i>	<u>Job 38:1-7, (34-41)</u>  <u>Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35c</u>	<u>Isaiah 53:4-12</u>  <u>Psalm 91:9-16</u>	<u>Hebrews 5:1-10</u>	<u>Mark 10:35-45</u>
Proper 25 (30) Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost October 25, 2015 <i>ART -- PRAYER</i>	<u>Job 42:1-6, 10-17</u>  <u>Psalm 34:1-8, (19-22)</u>	<u>Jeremiah 31:7-9</u>  <u>Psalm 126</u>	<u>Hebrews 7:23-28</u>	<u>Mark 10:46-52</u>



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Proper 26 (31) Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost <b>November 1, 2015</b> <i>(If All Saints not observed on this day)</i> <b><u>ART -- PRAYER</u></b>	<b><u>Ruth 1:1-18</u></b>  <b><u>Psalm 146</u></b>	<b><u>Deuteronomy 6:1-9</u></b>  <b><u>Psalm 119:1-8</u></b>	<b><u>Hebrews 9:11-14</u></b>	<b><u>Mark 12:28-34</u></b>
All Saints Day <b>November 1, 2015</b> <i>(Sometimes observed on first Sunday in November)</i> <b><u>ART -- PRAYER</u></b>	<b><u>Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9</u></b> <i>or</i> <b><u>Isaiah 25:6-9</u></b>  <b><u>Psalm 24</u></b>		<b><u>Revelation 21:1-6a</u></b>	<b><u>John 11:32-44</u></b>
Proper 27 (32) Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost <b>November 8, 2015</b> <b><u>ART -- PRAYER</u></b>	<b><u>Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17</u></b>  <b><u>Psalm 127</u></b>	<b><u>1 Kings 17:8-16</u></b>  <b><u>Psalm 146</u></b>	<b><u>Hebrews 9:24-28</u></b>	<b><u>Mark 12:38-44</u></b>
Proper 28 (33) Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost <b>November 15, 2015</b> <b><u>ART -- PRAYER</u></b>	<b><u>1 Samuel 1:4-20</u></b>  <b><u>1 Samuel 2:1-10**</u></b>	<b><u>Daniel 12:1-3</u></b>  <b><u>Psalm 16</u></b>	<b><u>Hebrews 10:11-14, (15-18), 19-25</u></b>	<b><u>Mark 13:1-8</u></b>
Reign of Christ - Proper 29 (34) Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost <b>November 22, 2015</b> <b><u>ART -- PRAYER</u></b>	<b><u>2 Samuel 23:1-7</u></b>  <b><u>Psalm 132:1-12, (13-18)</u></b>	<b><u>Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14</u></b>  <b><u>Psalm 93</u></b>	<b><u>Revelation 1:4b-8</u></b>	<b><u>John 18:33-37</u></b>
Thanksgiving Day, USA <b>November 26, 2015</b> <b><u>ART -- PRAYER</u></b>	<b><u>Joel 2:21-27</u></b>  <b><u>Psalm 126</u></b>		<b><u>1 Timothy 2:1-7</u></b>	<b><u>Matthew 6:25-33</u></b>
Proper 3 (8) <b>Not Observed This Year</b> <b><u>ART -- PRAYER</u></b>	<b><u>Hosea 2:14-20</u></b>  <b><u>Psalm 103:1-13, 22</u></b>		<b><u>2 Corinthians 3:1-6</u></b>	<b><u>Mark 2:13-22</u></b>

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