



Bethel Messenger

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September 2014

"Now you are the body of Christ and each one of you is a necessary part of it."

1st Corinthians 12:27

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Our Missionaries

Rev. & Mrs. Monty Taylor
Budapest, Hungary

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Campus Crusade for Christ

Sunday Schedule

Join us for

Reach! Contemporary 9:00 am

Sunday School 9:45 am

Worship 11:00 am

Nursery 9-12 am

Children's Church 11:30 am

Fall is in the air... just this morning I noticed a cool undertone in the breeze. While we still have a few more weeks of summer temperatures, the kids are back in school, football teams are gearing up and fans of all ages are feeling the anticipation of a new season. Season tickets are purchased and recipes are being perused for the perfect tailgate munchies. School colors proudly proclaim *our* team!

I wish we could bottle that excitement and apply it to God's church! In Kyle Idleman's book *Not a Fan*, he writes Jesus was never interested in having admirers. It's not fans that He is looking for, but followers. But what if we followed Him with the same excitement that we follow the standings?! What might God do through us if we bled "Jesus" as boldly as we bleed Orange or Garnet?

As we enter Fall, I invite you to take part in one of the many groups and studies at Bethel that seek to help us Know, Love and Serve Christ... so the world will experience His love! In addition to the many Sunday School classes for all ages, Youth programming, prayer, mission and study opportunities available at Bethel, please take note of the following opportunities that will begin soon:

Disciple I is a program of disciplined Bible study aimed at developing strong Christian leaders. The study gives the Old and New Testaments equal time, emphasizing the wholeness of the Bible as a revelation of God. DISCIPLE draws upon the work of scholars, the personal Bible reading and study of the participant, and dynamic group discussion to aid understanding of the Bible. This 34-week class will meet Thursdays from 6-8:30pm in the New Life classroom of the Education Bldg. beginning September 18th. Contact Debbie Carter (dcarter1321@yahoo.com) or the church office if you haven't already signed up!

Neighborhood Groups are small groups that meet for study and fellowship at various times. Current Hosts & meeting times are listed below. Please contact the host for more information, or let us know in the church office if you are interested in starting a new group.

Kimberly Wilson - 9:00 am the 3rd Saturday of every month, next meeting September 20th Christian Voyagers classroom (Education Bldg.) - Studying Ephesians over doughnuts & coffee. (Contact Kimberly at wilsonka@bellsouth.net or 315-6578.)

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KNOWING, LOVING, SERVING
. . . so the world will experience Christ's love!

For our loved ones . . .

In memory of **George Peter Chaconas** by Elizabeth Harris, Gloria Burg, Frank & Sally Hafner, Toby Lourie and Lorraine & Jeff Moses, Jim & Charlotte Haygreen and Dr. & Mrs. Robert Stafford.

In honor of **Margaret Marshall** by Verlon "Stoney" Stone.

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Bill & Sylvia Hulbert – 7:00 pm, Sunday, September 21st at the home of Cheryl Johnson, 111 Thicket Lane. (Contact Bill Hulbert if you have questions—whulbert@sc.rr.com or 787-2077.)

Lois McNair Neighborhood Group—Sundays @ 7:00 pm. Contact Arnette or Ron at 788-0287 for information.

As you prayerfully consider which opportunities God might be calling you to this Fall, invite a friend to join you! I would love to help you find a group that meets you where you are – please let me know if you need more information on any of the amazing ministry groups at Bethel!

Blessings,
Michelle



TOO BUSY
TO COOK?

Join us at the **UMW Unit Meeting and Annual Salad Supper**

Thursday, September 11th at 6:30 pm
Pool Activities Building

"We encourage you to bring a guest!"

Diane Moseley

Director, Killingsworth Women's Shelter

Hosted by the Sylvia Hulsey Circle

PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS BY
RETURNING THIS FORM

In the Offering Plate or to the Church Office by Sept. 8th

UMW SALAD SUPPER \$4.00 per person

NAME _____

Circle _____ Other _____

Cash \$ _____ Check # _____

\$ _____ (make ck. payable to Janis Lawther)

BUMS Outing to Camden

Tour of Historical Buildings & Houses

Lunch at The Armory Restaurant

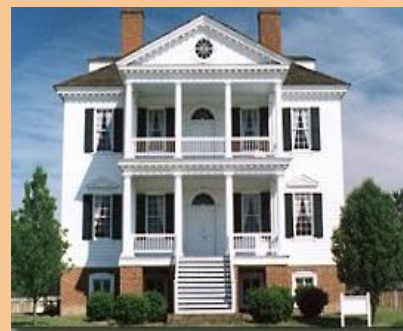
Friday, September 26

Name/s: _____

Phone #: _____ How many: _____

Will Drive: _____ Need Ride: _____

Please complete the form & drop in offering plate or call Walt Speas 727-8514 to RSVP. We plan to leave the church back parking lot @ 9:30 am.



News from the Kitchen

Celebrate September... a beautiful season filled with color, red apples, orange pumpkins, falling leaves, crisp air, harvest time and new beginnings.

Clean up and fix up time for the church kitchen by committee members is planned for September 13 at 9:00 am. Suggestions are welcomed. The kitchen remains a meaningful extension of Bethel's ministry. Again, a reminder to those who bring food for meetings to please pick up your personal serving dishes. Names labels are sometimes lost when dishes are washed and then the dish is without a home.

Happy Autumn!
The Kitchen Committee

Sanctuary Flowers

If you would like to make a flower dedication the following dates are available: **September 21, 28, October 19 & 26, November 2, 23, 30. December 7 & 14.** The cost is \$54 and you may call the church office or Rebecca Bennett @ 261-3331 reserve a date.

Join us to Celebrate and Dedicate

Bethel's New Sanctuary Sound System

Sunday, September 7th at 3:00 pm
Bethel Sanctuary

Special Music Program presented by
Bill Webb, Bethel's Organist and The Adult Choir

Hymn singing, praise and thanks to God
for this wonderful new gift!

***Ice Cream Social to follow in the
Pool Activities Building!***



Congratulations to Wilhelm Elliott!!

On Monday, August 4, 2014, Wilhelm Elliott, who played golf on this year's Midlands PGA All Stars Junior League, and team members won the South Carolina State Championship. We are very proud of Wilhelm and ask God's continued blessings on this special gift He has given Wilhelm. Wilhelm's coach commented, "Not only did the team play GREAT GOLF, they worked tremendously well as a team and showed incredible sportsmanship throughout the day!" Way to go Wilhelm!!



Boy Scout Popcorn Fundraiser

Please support
Bethel's Boy
Scouts this year

by purchasing some popcorn. Great variety and makes wonderful gifts. Come by the church office to look at the pamphlet and place your order. We appreciate your support!

Special Offering For Killingsworth

September 14, 2014 We will receive a special offering for Killingsworth Home at the traditional service. Killingsworth is a unique community residence for women who are emerging from crisis situations. It is an important ministry of the UMW. Checks may be made out to Bethel UMC and designated for Killingsworth. Find out more at

www.killingsworth.org.



Youth Spotlight

FAMILY ministry

At Bethel, we seek to honor God by providing opportunities for all ages to fulfill our Mission Statement of
Knowing, Loving, Serving...
so the World will experience Christ's love! We hope you will join us.

Bethel Senior, Brian Burger, will serve as the Youth Representative to Church Council for the 2014-15 school year. Brian replaces Josh Bowman who graduated in May and is currently attending The Citadel.



Children's Music All children & youth classes are invited to Education Building Rm 109, 9:45-9:55 on Sundays to worship through music & learn songs that will be shared in worship.

Family Fun Day

for families of all ages!
Saturday, September 27th
Meet up at Royal Z lanes!

9-11 am

<http://bowlingcolumbia.com/>
for directions & pricing



Dates to Know!

Sunday, September 7th—

Youth Movie Night **God's Not Dead!**, Youth Zone 6-7:30pm

Sunday, September 14th—

Christian Ed & Family Ministries Meeting— 5-6pm, CV Room

Youth Meeting, Youth Zone 6-7:30

Sunday, September 21st—

Young Adults/Christian Voyagers Lunch—12:00-1:30 in the PAB

Youth Day Trip to Charleston, 11:00am-?? (Details coming!)

Saturday, September 27th—FAMILY FUN DAY!

Sunday, September 28th—Youth Meeting, Youth Zone 6-7:30

Watch for info on the Youth Fall Festival Fundraiser coming in October!



Back to School!

Jordan Smith & Ivy Wood helped Miss Cara (right) with music during the recent Back to School Fellowship hour for children & youth. In addition to music from the praise band, the group enjoyed doughnuts and made prayer buddy rocks.

During both worship services, Pastor Todd offered a special blessing for everyone's backpacks and students received a key fob to remind them that God is always with them wherever they go.

Need Some Help???



Bethel's new **Helping Hands Ministry** has volunteers ready and willing to help Seniors with small tasks. Simply contact Nancy Maxfield (call 417-429-6621 or email happyfeetincola@gmail.com) and let her know what you (or a family member) needs help with. Here is an example of tasks that Helping Hands can do for you (the list keeps growing!): Shopping, visiting, reading, light housework, handy-man type repairs (minor wiring, carpentry, locks), computer instruction and repair, etc. If you want to help others or if you need help, contact Nancy.

KEEPING THE FAITH!

Our membership vows when joining the church state, *"As members of our congregation, we will faithfully participate in its ministries by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness to Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord."* And, Hebrews 10:25 commands, "Let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of Christ's coming back again is drawing near."

One important responsibility of Bethel's Church Council (and all church members!) is to seek out members who have become inactive and are not regularly participating in the life of the church. We may be missing them because they have moved, relocated their church membership, or have another reason for not being active. Below is a list of inactive Bethel members for whom we do not have current contact information. If you know any of these persons and have current contact information on them, please contact the church office at 787-3058 or office@bethelmethodistcolumbia.com. Thank you very much for your help!

Elizabeth Wilson
Bill Smith
Sylvia Lawrence
John Gay
Paul Marano
Kevin Krumm
Richard Campbell
Susan Hair
Leigh Harrelson
Jennifer Manton
Lizzie Pratt
Kelly McClanahan
Marcie Jennings
Martin Jennings
Rhonda Grant
James Grant

Preston Curran
William Kadlowec
Judith McInnis
Hoyce McInnis
William McInnis
Lora Nottingham
Don Nottingham
Lisa Putnam
Charles Shipman
David Starr
Mike Austin
LeAnn Austin
Marian Starr
David Mefford
Phillis Mefford
Philip Cory Mefford

Rebecca Pace
Michelle Fifis
Danielle Fifis
Joe Ballentine
Debbie Ballentine
Kathryn Lee
Cappie Baskin
Steven Isaacs
Angel Isaacs
Jesse Rogers
Franklin Clayton
Virginia Byrd
Mozelle Boland
Millie Carnes
Emory Austin
Suzette Morganelli

September Birthdays

09/02 Zoe Guidice
 09/08 Taylor Estes
 09/10 Pat Wood
 09/10 Lilyan Kelly
 09/11 Jeff Estes
 09/13 Dan Toma
 09/14 Tom Walker
 09/14 Dot Miller
 09/14 Derek Schaller
 09/14 Betty McCune
 09/16 Sharon Smith
 09/16 Lindsey Keller
 09/17 Lynne Estes
 09/21 Caroline Funderburk
 09/21 Verlon Stone
 09/24 Margie Jackson
 09/25 Ron Jordan
 09/25 Roy Canty
 09/26 Sandra Wayson
 09/26 Margaret Hinze
 09/28 Betty Moore
 09/28 Maggie Giametta

September Anniversaries

09/08 Eugene and Joyce Appleman
 09/28 Lem & Brenda Harper

Preschool Baked Potato & Salad Supper

Thursday, September 25th

5:30-7:30 pm

Pool Activities Building

All are invited to come!

Call Carol Burger
 787-3089 to RSVP

Annual Charge Conference

You are invited and encouraged to attend Bethel's Annual Charge Conference on October 7th at 7:30 pm in the Pool Activities Building. This conference celebrates the ministry of the church over the last year, and we ask God's blessings on new leadership and ministry for the coming year. Our new District Superintendent, Cathy Jamieson-Ogg will preside over the meeting.

Serving the Congregation in September

Greeters

September 7
 September 14
 September 21
 September 28

Connie Fowke, Lisa Wood, Ken Wood
 Mike Hellams, Kimberly Hoover, Ken May
 Frances May, Cora Jiles, Kimberly Wilson
 Linda & William Stewart, Marion Wilson

Acolyte/Crucifer

September 7
 September 14
 September 21
 September 28

Brian Burger/Abbie Bowman
 Mary Sydney George
 Christopher Walker
 Lindsay Conrath

Ushers

September 7
 September 14
 September 21
 September 28

Tom Elliott, Jim Wilson, Ron Jordan,
 Furman Porter
 Chuck Ward, Linda & William Stewart,
 Sally Hafner
 Dave Barnes, John Scullion, Sid George,
 Mike Hellams
 Kate & Fred Brown, Ken Wood,
 Coy White

Children's Moment

September 7
 September 14
 September 21
 September 28

Holy Communion - No Moment
 Debbie Carter
 Todd Davis
 Lucy Kelly

Children's Church

September 7
 September 14
 September 21
 September 28

Holy Communion—No Children's Church
 Martie Walker/Louise Smith
 Martie Walker/Louise Smith
 Martie Walker/Louise Smith

Offering Counters

September 7
 September 14
 September 21
 September 28

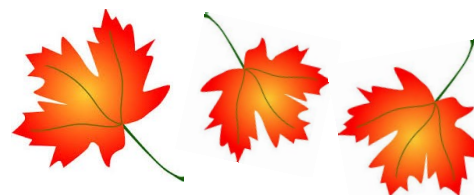
Mike Hellams, Kimberly Taylor
 Dianna Elliott, Cappy George
 Ken May, Chuck Ward
 Ken Burger, Larry Cope

Sanctuary Preparation

Rebecca Bennett

Barbara Harper

September Calendar of Events



Monday, September 1

**Labor Day Holiday—Church
Office and Preschool Closed**

Tuesday, September 2

Todd at Bishop's School of Ministry
8:30 am Preschool (EB)
1:15 pm Yoga (PAB)

Wednesday, September 3

Todd at Bishop's School of Ministry
8:30 am Preschool (EB)
2 pm Pray for Bethel (CR)
7:30 pm Choir (CR)

Thursday, September 4

Todd at Bishop's School of Ministry
8:30 am Preschool (EB)
11 am UMW Executive Board (PAB)

Friday, September 5

Todd at Bishop's School of Ministry
8:30 am Preschool (EB)

Saturday, September 6

8 am Upper Room Prayer (CR)

Sunday, September 7

9 am Reach! Service (PAB)
9 am Nursery
9:45 am Sunday School (EB)
9:45 am Reach! Band Practice (PAB)
9:45 am Children's Music (CR)
11 am Worship w/ Holy Communion (SAN)
3 pm New Sound System Dedication (SAN)
3:30 pm Ice Cream Social (PAB)
4:15 pm Handbell Rehearsal (CR)
6:00 Youth Group (Zone)

Monday, September 8

8:30 am Preschool (EB)
1:30 pm BUMS meeting (CR)
3 pm Lina Ott Circle (CR)
7 pm Boy Scouts (Hut)

Tuesday, September 9

8:30 am Preschool (EB)
10:30 am Belle Dent Circle (CR)
1:15 pm Yoga (PAB)
6 pm Finance Committee (CR)

Wednesday, September 10

8:30 am Preschool (EB)
10 am Staff Meeting —
Devotional by Michelle (CR)
2 pm Prayers for Bethel

Thursday, September 11

8:30 am Preschool (EB)
1:15 pm Yoga
6:30 pm Sylvia Hulseley Circle Salad
Supper (PAB)

Friday, September 12

8:30 am Preschool

Saturday, September 13

No scheduled events

Sunday, September 14

8 am UMM Breakfast (PAB)
9 am Reach! Service
9 am Nursery
9:45 am Sunday School (EB)
9:45 am Reach! Band Practice (PAB)
9:45 am Children's Music (CR)
11 am Worship special offering
for Killingsworth (SAN)
11:30 am Children's Church
4:15 pm Handbell Rehearsal (CR)
5 pm Education/Family Ministries (CVC)
6:00 Youth Group (Zone)

Monday, September 15

8:30 am Preschool
7 pm Boy Scouts (Hut)

Tuesday, September 16

8:30 am Preschool (EB)
1:15 pm Yoga

Wednesday, September 17

8:30 am Preschool
2 pm Prayers for Bethel (CR)
7:30 pm Choir (CR)

Thursday, September 18

8:30 am Preschool
7 pm Boy Scouts (Hut)
1:15 Yoga
6 pm Outreach Committee (EB-
Christian Voyager)
6 pm Disciple 1 begins (EB-New
Life Class)
6:30 pm Cub Scout (PAB)

Friday, September 19

8:30 am Preschool

Saturday, September 20

No scheduled events

Sunday, September 21

9 am Reach! Service
9 am Nursery

Cont. September 21

9:45 am Sunday School (EB)
9:45 am Reach! Band Practice (PAB)
9:45 am Children's Music (CR)
11 am Worship
11:30 am Children's Church
12 CVC Lunch (PAB)
4:15 pm Handbell Rehearsal (CR)
6:00 Youth Group (Zone)

Monday, September 22

8:30 am Preschool
6 pm Church Council (PAB)
7 pm Boy Scouts (Hut)
7 pm Scout Court of Honor (SAN)

Tuesday, September 23

8:30 am Preschool
1:15 pm Yoga (PAB)

Wednesday, September 24

8:30 am Preschool
2 pm Prayers for Bethel (CR)
7:30 pm Choir (CR)

Thursday, September 25

8:30 Preschool (EB)
11:30 am Bethel serving at
Transitions
1:15 pm Yoga
6 pm Disciple 1 (EB-NLC)

Friday, September 26

8:30 am Preschool (EB)

Saturday, September 27

12 noon Family Outing (other)

Sunday, September 28

9 am Reach! Service
9 am Nursery
9:45 am Sunday School (EB)
9:45 am Reach! Band Practice (PAB)
9:45 am Children's Music (CR)
11 am Worship (SAN)
11:30 am Children's Church
12 Called Church Council (San)
12 noon Holroyd Lunch (PAB)
4:15 pm Handbell Rehearsal (CR)
6:00 Youth Group (Zone)

Monday, September 29

8:30 am Preschool (EB)
7 pm Boy Scouts (Hut)

Tuesday, September 30

8:30 am Preschool
1:15 pm Yoga (PAB)

Bethel United Methodist Church

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Upper Room Prayer Line

Carol, MA; Diana, KY;
Nelson, OH; Julie,
ND; Katie, MN; Kay, KY(2); Ava, NY;
Sue, MI; Dick, CA (2); Deborah, CA;
Carol, MA (2); Chaka, CA (2); Carola,
MA; Joyce, NC; Rose, IL; Max, IN;
Susan, NM; Lynn, CA

Prayer Concerns

As a family of faith we are called to be in prayer for one another. Contact the church office or Iva Dell Griffin @ 782.5032 to be added to the Prayer Chain.

Homebound Members

Fran Love	Philip Meek
Margie Dent	Sarah & Tom
Clyde Hasty	Walker
Betty Hulsey	Dot Miller
Lillian Haller	C. Lem Harper, Sr.
Irene Boyd	Marjorie Steadman

Church Office Hours

Monday 11:00 am - 4:00 pm Tuesday - Friday 9:30 am - 4:00 pm

Publication Submission Deadlines

The deadline for the *Bulletin* is 9:00 am on the preceding **WEDNESDAY**.
The deadline for *The Messenger* is 9:00 am on the **25th** of each month.

For addresses or contact information (not listed in the church directory)
for these individuals please call or email the church office at
office@bethelmethodistcolumbia.com

Members in Independent and Assisted Living Communities

Beverly Chandler — Wildewood Downs,
Columbia, SC

Betty Harper — Sandpiper Rehab &
Nursing Facility, Mt. Pleasant, SC

Harry & Sarah Parker — Still Hopes,
West Columbia, SC

Betty Shuler — Morningside,
Lexington, SC

Lawrence & Virginia Loveless —
Presbyterian Home, Lexington, SC

Helen McDermott — The Waterford,
Columbia, SC

Gladys Blackmon — Rock Hill, SC

Vickie Hill — The Waterford,
Columbia, SC

Margaret Campbell — Arden, NC

Elizabeth Christopher — Methodist Home,
Orangeburg, SC

Lois McNair — Beaufort, SC

Alma (Toddy) Atwater & Bob Hester —
Frankie's @ Seaside, Mt. Pleasant, SC

Nettie Allen — Nashville, TN

Carmen & Dick Pool — Forest Pines,
Columbia, SC

Joyce Varn — Forest Pines, Columbia, SC

Eva Mae Nobel — New York State