



Bethel United Methodist Church

THE MESSENGER

Knowing, Loving, Serving...so the world will experience Christ's love!

October 2018

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Many Parts, ONE BODY ...each serving!

"Each should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace." —1 Peter 4:10

Fall is my favorite season: leaves changing colors, the crisp air, football, pumpkins (and pumpkin pie!) the State Fair... what's not to love?! A beloved book of mine is *The Fall of Freddie the Leaf* by Leo Buscaglia. It's a story about life and death, beginnings and endings, the seasons of our lives. The book was written to help children understand the difficult nature of death, but it has a great deal of hope and resurrection in its pages.

Freddie is part of a huge tree and is surrounded by hundreds of other leaves just like him. His best friend Daniel is the oldest and wisest leaf on their branch. Freddie asks Daniel why the leaves turn different colors in the fall even though they are on the same tree. Daniel replies, "Each of us is different. We have had different experiences. We have

faced the sun differently. We have cast shade differently. Why should we not have different colors?"

This month, as you re-commit yourself to upholding the church with your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service and your witness, I invite you to consider what Bethel means to you. How the ministries of our church have brought about change and transformation in your heart, and along your faith journey. How Bethel has encouraged and challenged you to grow as a disciple; how it has embraced and supported you in your struggles; how it has shone the light of God's love into dark corners of the world.

Members of a church are like leaves with different colors on the same tree - we may experience church differently, but we are all part of the Body of Christ. We gather around the table and are fed physically and spiritually at our Fellowship Dinners.

Through Sunday School we challenge one another to dig deeper in faith. Through the music, prayers, and proclamation, we engage in worship that is relevant and uplifting. We offer healing and hope through our caring outreach and in-reach with visits, prayers, telephone calls, rides, meals and on and on. We spread the good news of God's love through impressive mission work, both hands on and financially - far too numerous to list.

Think about commonalities that ground us and differences that make us unique in our own colors and symbols and understandings of life and how we relate to the world. We all have different resources and talents, but we are all called to share what we have. May your faith grow and blossom as you commit yourself anew to the mission and ministries of Bethel United Methodist Church in the coming year.

Peace and love,
Rev. Julie Belman

JOIN

Pastor Julie

FOR

**Coffee &
Conversation**

**Tues. mornings,
9 to 11am**

out in our community!

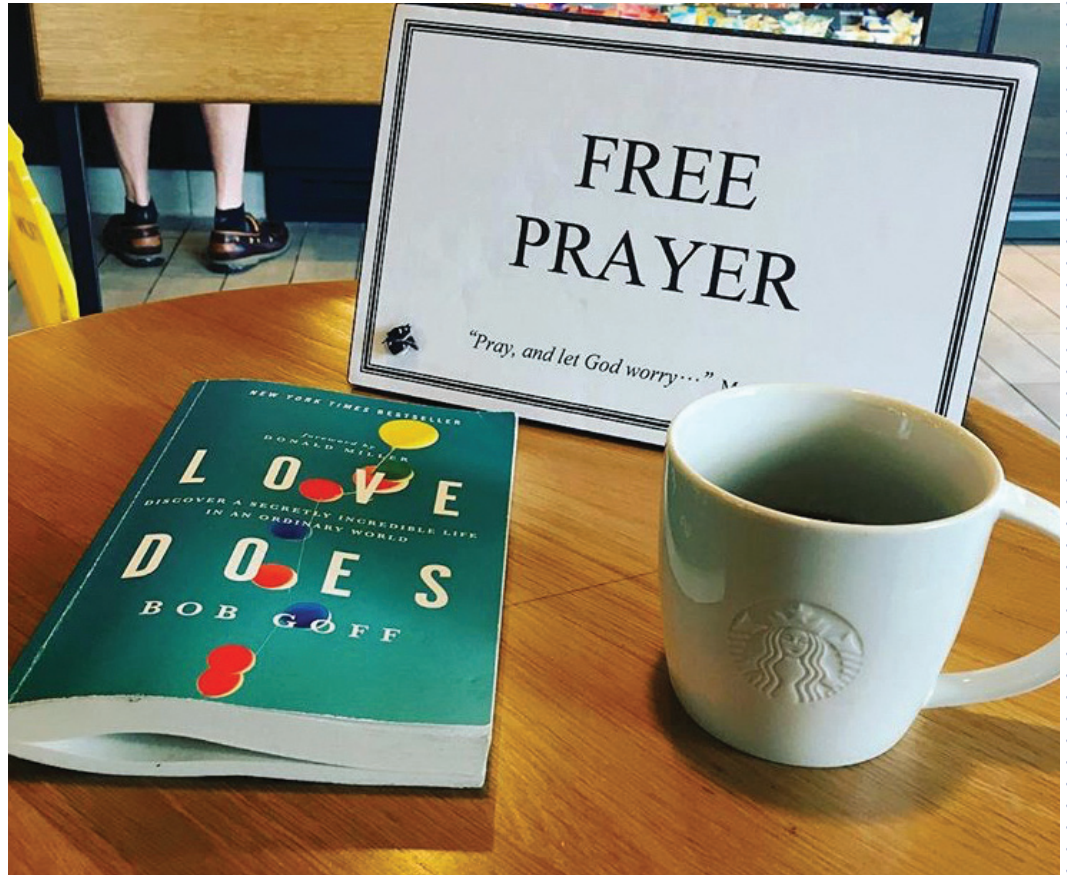
**Tuesday, October 2:
Brueggers Bagels**

**Tuesday, October 9:
Starbucks Trenholm Plaza**

**Tuesday, October 16:
Brueggers Bagels**

**Tuesday, October 23:
Starbucks Trenholm Plaza**

**Tuesday, October 30:
Brueggers Bagels**



Holy Yoga

A five-week class series
beginning October 22

Week 1 - Chosen

Week 2 - Loved

Week 3 - Precious

Week 4 - Forgiven

Week 5 - Free

Mondays at 9:30 in the Sanctuary.
Begins October 22.



**HARVEST
HOPE
FOOD BANK**

Please share
with others!
For the month
of **October**
bring **canned
vegetables and
and protein**
(dried beans
and meat)

Lina Ott Circle



The Lina Ott Circle was named for Lina Ott, mother of Sidelle Ott, who was a member of Bethel from childhood until her death on April 5, 1951. The circle was named for her several months prior to her death. As members of United Methodist Women, we proclaim its PURPOSE, which is to strive to: "Know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through the global ministries of the church."

Our programs are continuing learning experiences, using UMW and other sources concerning women and children locally and worldwide. They give us a strong motivation to respond -"belief backed by action".

Projects that we do locally are: one of the cottages at Epworth Children's Home at Christmas, Low Income Housing, save plastic grocery bags for making sleeping mats for the homeless, and support of other UMW missions.

Meetings: 3:00 pm, Second Tuesday of the Month, Bethel UMC Conference Room (CR). clean house or prepare food. (Refreshments are not served at circle meetings.)

Women of all ages and stages are invited to visit or join.

If you would like more information please contact: **Marcie Marshall, Circle Chair, 738-9348** or email marcellaruth@bellsouth.net.

PRESCHOOL NEWS

Well, once again we started the school year with WILD weather, but we are in a groove now! We have about 45 children enrolled this year thus far. There are still a few spots available in our 2, 3 and 4-year-old classes.

In October, we will begin chapel on Wednesday mornings at 9:30. Jason and Pastor Julie will alternate giving the message to the children each week. The children enjoy visiting the sanctuary, hearing a short message and singing a couple of songs. We are so excited to have Pastor Julie join us this year!

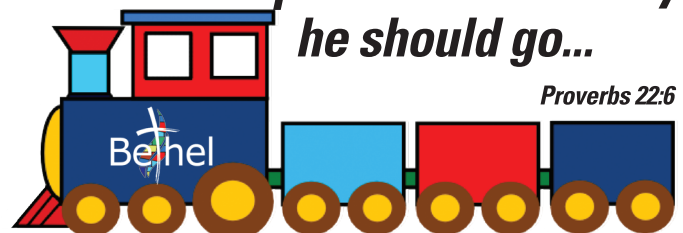
On October 16 at 9:30 the Firetruck will pay us a visit to speak with us about fire safety. This is always a special morning. The children will give the firemen special treats and a card for coming to visit.

Preschool will be hosting our Baked Potato and Salad Bar again on October 24 from 5:30-7:00pm. The price is \$7.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 2 and up. Please call the Preschool to make reservations. You may put the money in the offering plate in an envelope labeled PRESCHOOL POTATO SUPPER. All funds raised will go towards our playground fund. Reservations are necessary by Thursday October 18! We do not buy extra potatoes and we want to have enough for all who would like to attend. Your support is necessary and much appreciated!

Blessings,
Carol Burger, Preschool Director

*Train up a child in the way
he should go...*

Proverbs 22:6



BUM's Heading to Florence, SC!



ATTENTION BUMS: PLANS FOR THE BUMS' OUTING ON OCTOBER 17th HAVE BEEN CHANGED: The guided tour scheduled for the BUMS' visit to the Francis Marion University of Fine Arts Center in downtown Florence has been cancelled due to a gubernatorial debate to be held on that date. The BUMS look forward to re-scheduling a visit to the Francis Marion Fine Arts Center. Meanwhile, with a slight change in the time frame of our outing on Wednesday, October 17th, the BUMS are looking forward to experiencing the newly established **DOWN-TOWN OF FLORENCE, SC.**

On October 17th, at 10:00 AM, the Bethel United Methodist Seniors will meet in the church back parking lot before leaving at 10:15 AM to travel to Florence. The BUMS will arrive in Florence at approximately 11:45 AM, in time to enjoy a delightful lunch in newly established Downtown Florence. After lunch, at approximately 1:15 PM, the BUMS will leave the restaurant for a guided tour of the **FLORENCE COUNTY MUSEUM.** Over 140 works are showcased in the Museum, representing 20th Century Southern Art and the region's artistic, cultural and historic heritage. As host of the Pee Dee Regional Art Competition, the FCM has established a platform for contemporary artists and the best in southern contemporary art since 1954. Through a range of exhibitions, studios, lectures and family programming, visitors are provided a Florence County Museum educational experience.

If you can join us on this special trip, please let Mary Ott know by phone at (803) 787-3103 or email at ott@sc.rr.com or call Iva Dell Griffin at (803) 782-5032.

WE'LL BE WAITING FOR YOU IN THE BACK PARKING LOT ON OCTOBER 17TH at 10 am! Please join us for a good time!

Our Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service & Witness

Church Attendance For September	2018 Church Budget	\$367,280.00
9/2 Worship: 119 SS: 67	Received (Sept)	\$27,382.86
9/9 Worship: 158 SS: 83		
9/16 no Church Service		
9/23 Worship: 121 SS: 70		
9/30 Worship: 109		

PRAY Daily for Bethel, Bethel friends & family!

Bill Hynds; Herman Berry; Myra Jackson; Leo Foster; Vicky Hill; Brice Smith; Nancy Johnson at The Blake; Connie Fowke, Betty Onley and Carmen Pool at Rice Estates; Gloria Pruitt at home; Claude Murphy at Encompass; Mary Kirby at Waterford; Sarah Parker; Margaret and David Hinze in Georgia; Janel Bell and family in the loss of husband, father and grandfather, David Bell. Please continue to keep these people in your hearts during your daily prayer time. Also please continue to pray for Bethel, her leaders and her ministry.



Keep our young adults in your thoughts and prayers as they are away at school. We wish them much success.

Clemson University—Brian Burger, Mary Sydney George

Lander University—McKenzie Furr

USC—Jennie Joe Wiltshire; Andrew Garnto; Dillon Garnto

USC Sumter—Alan Farmer

Johns Hopkins—Abbie Bowman

Auburn University Vet School—Kelly Farmer

Midlands Tech—Dana Garnto

FALL FESTIVAL

Saturday, October 20th

11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

This is a free event open to everyone!



Firetruck!

Crafts

Games

Tasty Treats

Boy Scouts

Food & Candy

Balloon Art



Bouncy Houses!





KNOW ♦ LOVE ♦ SERVE

The Youth Ministry of Bethel UMC exist, to bring youth to **KNOW** Christ personally, to share the **LOVE** of Christ with everyone and **SERVE** Christ in our community.



FALL FESTIVAL Youth will be participating by working games and other jobs during the day. See Jason to sign-up.

LUNCH OUTING AFTER CHURCH Bring money for food, and we will all go out to eat for lunch as a group.

SCAVENGER HUNT We will have a fun night of finding clues around the church and neighborhood. Mark your calendars for a fun night!!

Contact Jason Barrs
803-318-6061
if you have any questions

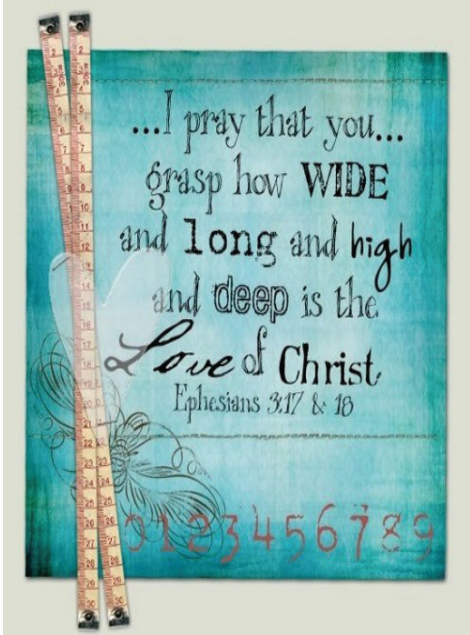
<u>OCTOBER</u>	
7	No Youth
14	Youth (4:30-6)
20	Fall Festival (11-1)
21	Lunch Outing after Church (NO Regular Youth)
28	Scavenger Hunt

UP COMING EVENTS

join the **revolution.**

January 25-27

Cost: \$25





**Temptation and Redemption
all in the same pint.**

100% OF ALL PROFITS BENEFIT
EPWORTH CHILDREN'S HOME



Vanilla Chocolate Swirl
with Peanut Butter Cups

Original Peanut Butter

Vanilla Bean

Caramel with
Caramel-Filled Chocolate

Order yours today.

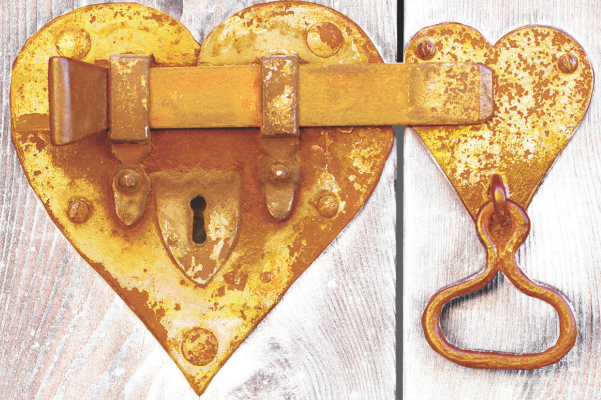
Four pints, four flavors: \$25

(includes sales tax)

Orders due Sunday, October 21 and
Delivery will be Sunday October 28th



FIND YOUR Treasure



**Invest your time, energy, and money
in Bethel—you will find your treasure!**

BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays, Oct. 4-25 6-7:30 pm

Childcare provided.

COMMITMENT SUNDAY

October 28

Bring commitment card to Worship

maritan's

Declare
HIS
Glory
AMONG THE
Nations
PSALM 96:3

Send gift-filled shoeboxes
TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH

25
YEARS
1993-2018

Join us in the Pool Activities Building

Saturday, November 10th

11:00 - 1:00

MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY

Pack shoeboxes for Christmas Child

Chili Cook-off and Bake Potato Bar

Decorate the Christmon Tree

as well as make Christmon ornaments

Fun for the entire family!



Visit samaritanspursegift.org/oc and learn how to bless a child overseas through a gift-filled shoebox, given in Jesus' Name.

08-18-18 View additional disclosure information for Samaritan's Purse online at www.samaritanpurse.org/disclosure



October 2018 Calendar of Events

Monday, October 1

8:30 Preschool (EB)
1:30 BUMS (NJC)
6:00 Trustees (CR)

Tuesday October 2

8:30 Preschool (EB)
11:30 Transitions (offsite)
2:30 Good News Club (GNC)
(Satchel Ford)
6:45 Choir Rehearsal (CR)

Wednesday, October 3

8:30 Preschool (EB)
9:30 Preschool Chapel (S)
2:00 Pray for Bethel (S)
6:00 Reach Band Practice (PAB)

Thursday, October 4

8:30 Preschool (EB)
10:30 UMW Exec. Comm. (CR)
11:30 Transitions (off site)
6:00 Bible Study w/
Pastor Julie (PAB)

Friday, October 5

8:30 Preschool (EB)
2:30 Pray for Bethel (CR)

Saturday, October 6

8:30 UMM Breakfast (PAB)

Sunday, October 7

9:00 Reach! Service (PAB)
9:40 Children's Music (CR)
9:45 SS/Bible Study (EB)
11:00 Worship (S)
4:15 Handbells (CR)
4:30 NO Youth

Monday, October 8

8:30 Preschool (EB)
3:00 Lina Ott Circle (CR)
7:00 Boy Scouts Board of
Review (PAB)

Tuesday, October 9

8:30 Preschool (EB)
10:30 Belle Dent Circle (CR)
2:30 GNC (Satchel Ford)
6:00 Finance Comm (NJC)
6:45 Choir Rehearsal (CR)
7:00 Sylvia Hulsey Circle (PAB)

Wednesday, October 10

8:30 Preschool (EB)

9:30 Preschool Chapel (S)
2:00 Pray for Bethel (S)
6:00 Reach Practice(PAB)

Thursday, October 11

8:30 Preschool (EB)
6:00 Bible Study w/
Pastor Julie (PAB)

Friday, October 12

8:30 Preschool (EB)

Sunday, October 14

Stewardship Campaign begins

9:00 Reach! Service (PAB)
9:40 Children's Music (CR)
9:45 SS/Bible Study (EB)
11:00 Worship (S)
2:00 Eagle Scout Ceremony (S)
4:15 Handbells (CR)
4:30 Youth (Zone)

Monday, October 15

8:30 Preschool (EB)

Tuesday, October 16

8:30 Preschool (EB)
9:30 Firetruck visit preschool
2:30 GNC (Satchel Ford)
6:45 Choir (CR)

Wednesday, October 17

8:30 Preschool (EB)
9:15 BUMS to Florence (meet
back parking lot)
2:00 Pray for Bethel (S)
6:00 Reach Practice (PAB)

Thursday, October 18

8:30 Preschool
2:30 Kitchen Committe (PAB)
6:00 Bible Study w/
Pastor Julie (PAB)

Friday, October 19

8:30 NO Preschool (EB)

Saturday, October 20

10:00 Fall Festival (Court Yard)

Sunday, October 21

9:00 Reach! Service (PAB)
9:00 Handbells Rehersal (S)
9:40 Children's Music (CR)
9:45 SS/Bible Study (EB)
11:00 Worship (S)
12:00 Youth Lunch (off site)
4:15 Handbells (CR)

Monday, October 22

8:30 Preschool (EB)
9:30 Holy Yoga (S)
6:00 Long Range Plan (CR)

Tuesday, October 23

8:30 Preschool (PAB)
2:30 GNC (Satchel Ford)
6:45 Choir (CR)

Wednesday, October 24

8:30 Preschool (EB)
10:00 Preschool Chapel (S)
2:30 Pray for Bethel (CR)
5:30 Preschool Bake Potato
Supper (PAB)

Thursday, October 25

8:30 Preschool (EB)
6:00 Bible Study w/
Pastor Julie (PAB)

Friday, October 26

8:30 Preschool (EB)

Sunday, October 28

COMMITMENT SUNDAY

9:00 Reach! Service (PAB)
9:40 Children's Music (CR)
9:45 SS/Bible Study (EB)
11:00 Worship (S)
12:00 Holroyd Luncheon (PAB)
4:15 Handbells (CR)
4:30 Youth/Scavenger Hunt (Z)

Monday, October 29

8:30 Preschool (EB)
9:30 Holy Yoga (S)

Tuesday, October 30

8:30 Preschool (EB)
2:30 GNC (Satchel Ford)
7:45 Choir Rehersal (CR)

Wednesday, October 31

8:30 Preschool (EB)
2:00 Pray for Bethel (S)
6:00 Reach Practice (PAB)

CR	Conference Room
EB	Education Building
NLC	New Life Class
NJC	New Journey Class
PAB	Pool Activities Building
S	Sanctuary

FAMILY PROMISE

BETHEL HOSTS
November 11 - 18

October Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

- 1 Sarah Califf
Horace Jackson
Karen Furr
- 2 Nancy Burkhalter
- 4 Jack Bonnaville
- 8 Brenda Harper
Elizabeth Yarbrough
Joshua Furr
- 10 Carolyn Bowers
- 11 Sibyl Staples
- 11 Beth Welch
- 15 Joe Weir
- 17 Judy Nicholson
- 18 Jim Bowman
- 18 Kimberly Hoover
- 26 Ginny Burger
- 26 Abbie Lucas
- 28 Lem Harper Jr.
- 29 Ken Wood

Anniversaries

- 5 Jim and Marian Wilson
- 7 John and Anne Mathis
- 8 Ken and Frances May
- 20 Furman and Nelle Porter
- 20 Chuck and Sue Ward

Serving the Congregation in October

Greeters

- October 7 Tom Elliott, Sharon Bonnaville, Diane Roddey
October 14 Connie Fowke, Lucinda Miller, Ken Wood
October 21 Charles Byrn, Marian Wilson, Kimberly Wilson
October 28 Frances and Ken May, Brenda Shealy

Ushers

- October 7 Tom Elliott, Furman Porter, Lee Wilson, Jim Wilson
October 14 Fred and Kate Brown, Chuck and Sue Ward
October 21 John and Anne Mathis, Brenda Shealy, Dan Toma
October 28 Dave Barnes, Kimberly Wilson, Ken Wood, Frank Hafner

Sound System Operator

- October 7 Joe Weir
October 14 Joe Weir
October 21 David Walker
October 28 David Walker

Acolyte/Crucifer

- October 7 Foster Barrs/Hannah Curran
October 14 Will Barrs
October 21 Sterling Davis
October 28 Skyy Morgan

Children's Moment/Scripture

- October 7 No Children's Moment/Matthew 6:19-21
October 14 Marian Scullion/Matthew 6:24
October 21 Louise Davis/Matthew 6:1-6
October 28 Julie Belman/Matthew 6:25-34

Offering Counters

- October 7 Chuck Ward and Ron Jordan
October 14 Dianna Elliott and Janis Lawther
October 21 Debbie Carter and Sara Derrick
October 28 Mike Hellams and Brenda Shealy

Sanctuary Preparation

Marcie and Mac Marshall

Sanctuary Lock up after Service

Furman Porter and John Mathis

Communion Servers

Louise Davis, Debbie Carter, Janel Bell