

What's Happening

at Bethany



IT ALWAYS COMES IN THREE!!! Recently we replaced an air conditioning unit in the sanctuary, the refrigerator (18 years old) in the kitchen and purchased & installed a new ice maker, also for the kitchen. The total cost of these essential items was almost \$11,000!! If you are especially thankful for a cool sanctuary, a cold drink or creamer for your coffee, please consider a second mile gift ... a gift over and above your usual offering ... to go towards covering the cost of these items. Mark your offering "Building Needs" and drop it in the offering plate or you can give online. We are thankful we have the comfort and convenience these items provide for all our ministries at Bethany. Just think what it would be like without them! Thank you so much for your generosity!



During the month of August, Pastor Blaine will be doing a sermon series called "Ask The Congregation," which means we need YOU all to fill out questions, topics, or particular scriptures that you would like Pastor Blaine to preach on. There is a box at the welcome center for you to write down what you would like Blaine to preach on. Please fill them out by July 28th.



LAST CALL!! Do you have a favorite hymn or P&W song? One you haven't heard for a while or one you can't hear enough? If so, please stop by the Welcome Center to pick up a form, fill it out, and place it in the box at the Welcome Center. This summer we want to sing some of your favorite hymns and P&W songs!



There will be a 70th Anniversary Planning Committee Meeting on Monday, August 5 at 6 pm at the church. If you are interested in helping make plans for this celebration, please come. If you would like to help in a certain area, sign up at the Welcome Center!

PRAYER LIST ...

Members: Laura Lucas, Carolyn Swartz, Tom & Jan Gorden, Don & Hazel Truslow; **Extended Family:** Jon Roller, son of Randy & Annie Roller; nephew of Julie Ritchie; Susie, food pantry neighbor

Happy Birthday to ...

25th - Charlene Michael
27th - Kathy Kile & Drew Hittie
Aug. 1 - Eddie Lynn



In order to raise money for the drugs and medicine for the Honduras mission trip in September that Pastor Blaine and Gary Lucas are going on, we have decided to have 3 fundraiser nights at 3 different restaurants.

On Friday, July 26, head to Panera Bread in Waynesboro from 4-8 pm. Show the flyer, which can be found at the Welcome Center, to give Bethany credit and we get 20% from every sale. So share them with friends, family, co-workers, anyone, and we get that money donated to our cause. Please share on your Facebook accounts and get the word out. **On Tuesday, August 6, all day long, order from Domino's pizza in Bridgewater,** show the flyer and we get 20% of sales that day. Last, but not least, on **Monday, August 26, please head out to eat at Texas Roadhouse in Harrisonburg** or bring it home. Be sure to show the flyer so we get credit. We will get 10% donated to our cause.

Everyone share with everyone. The more we get to dine out on these nights at these restaurants, then the more money we will get donated to help pay for the drugs and medicine needed for their trip. Thanks for your support. Any questions, please ask Lori Mooney.

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We are looking for PAINTERS! If you enjoy painting, especially when all the supplies are provided, you are in luck! Several interior areas of the church need painted, beginning with a room being updated for our children. If you can give a little time, or a lot of time, it would be appreciated. We may try to set up some times to gather as a group to paint, but you may also paint at times convenient for you. If you can assist or just want to ask questions, please sign up at the Welcome Center and someone will be in touch!



We want to thank all those who have been mowing this summer! You are a blessing to Bethany! We still need volunteers for August and September!! If the trend continues this summer, you might not need to mow very often! We have a zero-turn mower and gas will be reimbursed, with receipts. If this is something you would be willing to do, please contact Cindy Kite or Pastor Blaine. **August is almost upon us, and there is not a volunteer yet to mow in August! Is that volunteer you?!!**

Our Ark on the playground is in need of a good cleaning! If you have some time and a pressure washer, or even just the time, we'll furnish you with a pressure washer, would you consider pressure washing it so our children can continue to have fun on it every Sunday morning without getting really dirty?! If so, talk to Mark Dunsmore. And what better time to do it than on a hot summer day!



Our Annual Ice Cream Social will be held on Sunday, August 18 at 5:30 pm. There will be sign up sheets for homemade ice cream coming soon! So start experimenting with those recipes! Who will take home the prize this year for best ice cream? Hotdogs, buns, drinks and paper products will be provided. We ask all others to bring a picnic type dish to share with all. This is always a fun event ... an awesome fellowship time to get to know new faces a little better. If you would be willing to help plan, set up, and/or clean up, please talk to Cindy Kite or sign up at the Welcome Center! Mark your calendar now ... you don't want to miss this event!

70TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION!

Sunday, September 8, is going to be a very special day in the life of Bethany! We will be celebrating our 70th Anniversary! Our District Superintendent, Victor Gomez will be our guest speaker and there will be a lunch after the worship service. Mark your calendar NOW and plan to attend.

As we get closer to celebrating our 70th Anniversary, there are lots of things we need help with. Because of this we will have a sign up sheet at the Welcome Center to sign up to help with different aspects of the celebration. Please sign up and help us make this a special day!

If you have family, friends or past members you would like invited to our 70th Anniversary, please provide names and addresses to Cindy Kite as soon as possible!

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER ...

Monday, August 5: 6 pm - 70th Anniversary Homecoming Planning Meeting

Tuesday, August 6: 12 pm - Young at Hearts @ Wood Grill in Harrisonburg; 7 pm - Trustee Meeting

Thursday, August 8: 9:30 am - Coffee with the Pastor

Saturday, August 10: 2 pm - Celebration of Life for Phil & Ruth Ann Mikesell

Monday, August 12: 6 pm - Finance Meeting; 7 pm - SPPRC Meeting (please note date change!)

Tuesday, August 13: 10 am - Caring Cards

Saturday, August 17: 8 am - Donuts & Devotions

Sunday, August 19: 5:30 pm - Annual Ice Cream Social

Tuesday, August 20: 6:30 pm - Church Council Meeting

Thursday, August 22: 3:30 pm - Coffee with the Pastor