



Bethel Presbyterian Review

The Pastor's Corner

The Beatitudes in the tradition of Matthew can be found in the fifth chapter. Here is a small bible study to help you take fresh look. Basics to look at as we get started:

- Beatitude is a Latin word. Makarismos is the Greek word. It means fortunate, happy or privileged
- The opposite of rich and self-sufficient and therefore arrogant is poor, humble, dependent or trusting.
- This teaching takes us into our spiritual as well as physical poverty...in some ways they are always related.
- Martin Luther taught that we should let scripture teach us about scripture... that may help us.
- From Old Testament times, the poor were seen as the true people of God... the Dead Sea scrolls say this; this is over and against the establishment.

The Main Point

The teaching here is that God wants us to know our need for Him in all aspects. God's vision is to understand that God comes to us because we have no means or resources to "earn" the way to Him. The concern is over people who think they are rich and ready, or arrogant and "better than" and therefore separate themselves from the rest of the world. God is deeply concerned with people who feel deficient in spiritual wealth or inadequate, because we have enough! God gives it so we can be blessed.

Our Response

- When we do an assessment of our spiritual health...how does it come out!?
- What are some of the categories of a spiritual life?
- What gifts do we yearn for? Where do we sense we are deficient?
- If the kingdom of heaven was given to you, in all its greatness, would you know it? And if you did...what would you do with it?
- This is primarily a point about identity...who are we?

Does this beatitude help us or is it still a question for us?

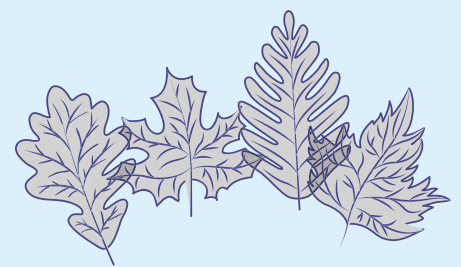
- Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of Heaven.
- Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
- Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
- Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness for they will be filled.
- Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.
- Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
- Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God.
- Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

It is a good thing to have ever before us the question of the things Christ says help make us blessed.

Food for thought. . . Pastor Todd

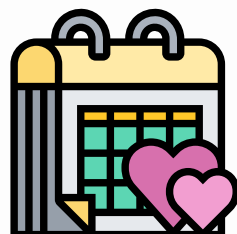
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OCTOBER

Happy
Birthday



Robert & Sarah Scott 10/3
Sean & Jennifer Dietz 10/6
James & Karen Nystrom 10/14
Eddie & Debbie Calary, Jr. 10/18
John & Marcanne Saneman 10/19



Happy Anniversary

Patricia Kirchner 10/1

Ann Ragonese 10/2

Larry Kastner 10/3

Sue Hinkley 10/5

Hannah Burgess 10/6

Karen Nystrom 10/6

Nancy Alexander 10/9

Garry Smithson 10/9

Todd Smith 10/12

Eric Benson 10/15

Janet Henderson 10/15

Martha Ann Smithson 10/15

Rebecca Burgess 10/16

Laurel Falkner 10/16

Jeanne Heinze 10/17

Angela Kirchner 10/17

Craig Kirkwood 10/19

Ada Koepper 10/20

Brian Calary 10/23

Samantha Fielder 10/24

Savannah Shaul 10/24

Douglas Smith III 10/24

Joseph Ostrowski 10/25

Marianna Putnam 10/30

2021 Per Capita

The Per Capita fee for each congregation member for 2021 is **\$36.06**. Please be sure to submit your portion by the end of the year.

Thank you!



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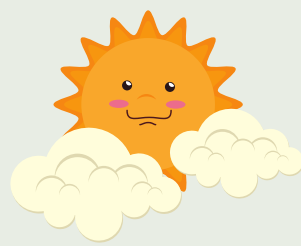
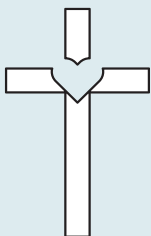
**GOD SHOULD BE OUR
STEERING WHEEL,
NOT OUR
SPARE TIRE**



Deacon's Update

We uphold the following members, relatives and friends in our prayers and pray God's healing upon them:

- The 2 families displaced by fire in Jarrettsville & Whitefordl
- Doug Arnold
- Sandy Hughes
- Charles McKenzie, father of Gail Lowe
- Holly Robinson, sister of Becca Smith
- Nelson Berigtold
- Charlotte Scott, sister-in-law of Dan Scott
- Barb Kirschner, mother of Dave Kirschner
- Ed Calary
- Max Montfort, friend of Tom and MaryLee Swift
- Dorianne Griffey
- Janet Kauffman
- George Reeves
- Kelly Jarrett Reeves and Robbie Reeves, son & daughter-in-law of the Reeves
- Brendan Lins, grandson of Ron & Andi Holmes
- Henry Kraft, grandson of Gail & David Thomas
- Frank Clement, friend of Sam & Marsha Brooks
- John Dorn, friend of John and Rita Cairnes
- Beverly Schmidt
- George Cowman
- Howard Eisner
- George Denbow
- Jessica Sambor
- Debbie Dahl, friend of Lisa Robbins
- Kelly Spurlock, friend of Lisa Robbins

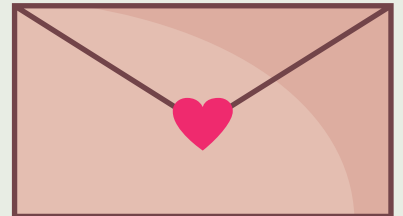


Shower of Cards

Our featured
Bethel Members
for September are:

Nancy & Nelson Berigtold
4320 Harford Creamery Rd.
White Hall, MD 21161

Send a little Sunshine!
Each month we select a
member (or members) to
shower with cards or
notes of love, support,
encouragement and
good cheer!



Mission Committee Notes

Once again, the Mission Committee wishes to thank the congregation for their unflagging support of the needs of our community.

With your help, we've made quite an impact in our neighborhood and beyond!

Thanks for supporting the Mason-Dixon Shoe Fund, the ongoing Food Pantry Drives, the Sunflower Fund, and other initiatives.



We recently received a note of thanks from Christ Our King Presbyterian Church for supporting their **Giving Boxes** project, which provides Thanksgiving Boxes to families in need.



Bethel Family Life



Kids of all ages
enjoy the
beautiful music
provided by
Kirsten
Fistzimmmons and
the Music &
Worship team

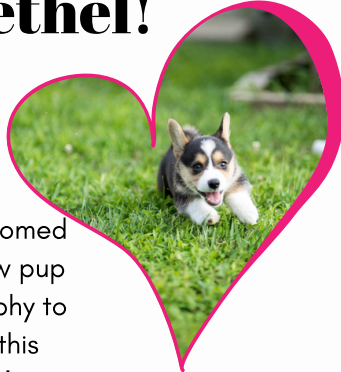


At the end of August, we welcomed Reverend Ron Lee back as our guest pastor! He led a beautiful blessing of the backpacks as we prepared to send our children and teachers back to school. We hope everyone is getting settled in their back-to-school routines this month.

Pets of Bethel!



Kirsten welcomed a sweet new pup named Murphy to her crew this summer!



He joins big brother Ashe and their feline friend, Ciri.



Pogo likes to visit the office with MaryLee and Tom Swift! He's always well-behaved :)

Bethel Youth Group



At our September meeting, Bethel Youth Group made bookmarks for Maryland Book Bank with scripture verses and positive thoughts!

We also enjoyed dinner at Jarrettsville Creamery!



Upcoming Events at Bethel

Bethel's Women's Group

Calling all ladies, all ages from Bethel and community

Pumpkin Carving by the Fire Pit
(no cost to participants)

Saturday, October 23 @ 4PM

Bring a chair and carving tools

Afterward, gather round the campfire in fellowship to roast hot dogs and marshmallows.

Must Register! Call church office by

October 15:

410-692-5282

Bethel Women's Bible Studies

Ruth Walker is offering to lead a weekly women's Bible study on Mondays starting **October 4th**, to be held in Bethel's fellowship hall. If there is enough interest, she will offer a morning session (10:00-11:00am) and an evening session (6:30-7:30pm). For this study session, content is based on the book, "*Twelve Extraordinary Women*", by John MacArthur. As we work through the book, we hope to learn how God shaped women of the Bible and what He wants to do with us.

Please let Ruth know if you're interested and which time slot you plan on attending. (No cost to participants). Please email to register:

ruth.walker341@gmail.com



Bethel Cemetery Tour

Halloween is the perfect time for a tour of the Bethel Cemetery.

Join us at noon on **October 31st** to hear the Cemetery Players bring historical figures to life. Characters from the novel *Jarrettsville* will make their appearance as they tell the story of a complicated romance that ends in a tragic crime.



Movie Night

Saturday, October 30th @ 6 pm
in the Sanctuary

Join us for some good old-fashioned fun with Abbot and Costello



Abbott and Costello
Meet Frankenstein

Cinnamon Rolls

Submitted by Gail Thomas

Dough:

2 cups whole milk
½ cup vegetable oil
½ cup sugar
2 pkgs. Active dry yeast
4 cups all purpose flour (plus ½ cup, separated)
½ tsp (heaping) baking powder
½ tsp (scant) baking soda
1 tsp salt

Filling:

½ cup melted butter
¾ cup sugar
¾ cup brown sugar
Cinnamon

Frosting:

¼ cup softened cream cheese
2 T. melted butter
2-3 T. whole milk
Confectioner's sugar
1 tsp. vanilla



Heat milk, oil, and sugar in saucepan over medium heat just below a boil. Set aside to cool until warm, not hot. Pour into large bowl and sprinkle yeast on top and let sit for 1 minute. Add 4 cups flour. Stir until just combined, cover with towel and set aside in a warm, draft-free place for 1 hour. After 1 hour, remove the towel and add the baking powder, baking soda, salt and remaining ½ cup flour. Stir thoroughly and combine, (or use standing mixer with dough hook attachment.) Knead dough till smooth. Use the dough right away or cover and refrigerate up to 3 days (punching it down as it rises.)

To assemble rolls, cut the dough in half. On floured baking surface, roll half the dough into large rectangle, about 24 x 10 inches. Dough should be thin.

For filling, combine the sugars in a mixing bowl. Set aside. Brush melted butter over the rolled out dough. Generously sprinkle cinnamon over dough and then sprinkle with half the sugar mixture. May add nuts if desired. Begin at end near you and tightly roll the dough until you reach the other end. Pinch the seams together. With sharp knife, make 1 ½ inch slices. Place on sprayed or buttered pan. Do not overcrowd. Repeat with other half of dough.

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Cover pans with towel and let rise for at least 20 minutes before baking. Remove the towel and bake 15-18 minutes until browned. Do not overbake.

While rolls are baking, make icing. Mix the cream cheese, butter, vanilla, milk, and confectioner's sugar until smooth. Should be thick, but pourable.

Remove rolls from oven and immediately drizzle icing over the top. Serve hot.



Do you have a recipe to share?

We'd love to feature **your** favorite recipe in a future newsletter.

Please email your submission to lisa@bethel-md.org or drop off a copy to the church office. Everyone loves those tried-and-true recipes from our church community!

Pause for Poetry

I Like Fall

Aileen Fisher

I like fall:
it always smells smoky,
chimneys wake early,
the sun is poky;

Folks go past
in a hustle and bustle,
and when I scuff
in the leaves, they rustle.

I like fall:
all the hills are hazy,
and after a frost
the puddles look glazy;

And nuts rattle down
where nobody's living.
and pretty soon...
it will be Thanksgiving.



HE HAS
MADE
EVERYTHING
BEAUTIFUL
IN ITS TIME

Ecclesiastes 3:11
ChristianPhotoshops.com



October is Favorite Hymns month!

Thank you for sending in your selections. Enjoy
the beautiful music!



God's mercy is
bigger
than any
of your
mistakes.

Lamentations 3:22-23



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