



God's Lighthouse at the Beach

September 2012 NEWSLETTER

"Bethel ...God's Beach House, where the Son always Shines"



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8:00 AM	Traditional Service	Sanctuary
9:15 AM	Contemporary Service	Fellowship Hall
11:00 AM	Traditional Service	Sanctuary

Prayer & Healing Service:

First Thursday ea. Mo. at 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary

Sunday School:

9:15 AM In various classrooms year round

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OFFICE HOURS

9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.

The Elizabeth Circle

Join us for Lunch & Fellowship

The Elizabeth Circle will meet Tuesday, September 4, at 12:30 p.m. at the Green Turtle Restaurant in the Villages of Five Points, Lewes. Each of us will order individually off the Green Turtle menu. This is a change from our previous evening meetings and we hope to see everyone there.

All women of the church are invited. If you are new to Bethel or not familiar with the Elizabeth Circle, please call Ginny Mitchell at 645-8810 or Ann Wotring at 645-9122. Either Ginny or Ann will be glad to explain what the Circle is about and arrange for you to get a ride to the luncheon.

The Mary Martha Circle

The Mary Martha Circle will be meeting at Noon on Wednesday, September 5, at Captain's Table Restaurant, 20859 Coastal Hwy., Rehoboth, phone number is 227-6203.

Directions: go south on Route 1, go over the bridge (water tower is on the right side) go past the traffic light at Rehoboth Plaza Mall on the left go a very short distance. Restaurant is on the left side of Highway.

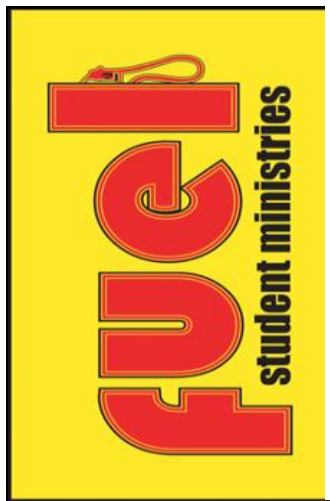
We will be sharing in Christian Fellowship and lunch. For more information, please call Inez Brengle at 644-4818.

MANY THANKS to all who participated in the MOTHER'S AND FATHER'S DAY DEDICATIONS sponsored by the Circle. \$818 was collected! We will be praying about and considering what ministry or mission within the Church the money will be earmarked for & keep you informed.

Bethel United Methodist Men



The Methodist Men will resume their monthly "Best Breakfast In Town" meetings on September 16th at 7 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Ray Davis, our Youth & Family Ministries Director, will be showing slides and telling us about their recent trip to Joplin, MO. You will not want to miss how his team spent a week helping others less fortunate than us. These people suffered through a devastating tornado. Bring a friend for good food and fellowship.



Fall Kick-Off Party!
 September 9th from 6:30 p.m. –8:00 p.m.
 In Small Bethel Parking Lot!
 This will be our 4th Annual Fuel Kick-Off Party!
 Come for tail gaiting, fun and a Pig Roast!



September 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 Day 	3 Weekend National Cream Filled Donut Day! 	4 	5 	6 National Comic Book Day! 	7 National Comic Book Day! 	1 Labor
9 Fuel Kick-Off Party! 	10 National Cream Filled Donut Day! 	11 	12 	13 	14 	15
16 	18 	19 	20 	21 	22 First Day of Fall 	23/30
24 	25 National Little League Day! 	26 	27 	28 	29 	30

Fuel Small Group will start up on September 16th at 5:00 p.m. Dinner will be included!



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And Family News



Ray's Ramblings

Group Photos from this summers mission trips.



Our Joplin Crew!



Our Cincinnati Crew!

Howdy Bethel!

Well it's hard to believe that summer has come and gone! This summer has been an awesome time of serving the Lord and building deeper relationships with the students and adults of this church. We went on two amazing mission trips in June and July. One to Joplin, MO with some outstanding adults and then to Cincinnati, OH with our Students. It was awesome to have God use us in so many different ways! All who participated will be forever changed, and want to thank you for your support of missions in this church. With Back to school and the fall upon us, I want to share with you all this month about some of our upcoming Youth and Family Ministry events!

Fuel Kick-Off Party

The Fuel Kick-Off Party will be on September 9th and will be a Tail Gate party and Pig Roast! It will take place in the small parking lot on the corner of 4th and Market Streets from 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. anyone in the 6th-12th grade is welcome to join us.

Confirmation classes

Our first Confirmation class for the 2012/2013 school year will be on Sunday, October 21st, at 12:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided. Confirmation is open to all 7th graders or older students who have not yet been confirmed. This meeting will take place in the Parsonage, and will be one hour long. Please sign your student up by calling the office or emailing me.

Secret Service

Secret Service will be done quarterly this year and will start back up on September 15th. We will meet at the Parsonage at 9:00 a.m. and will be done around Noon. Anyone in the 6th-12th grade is welcome to serve with us.

Fuse

Our Young Adult ministry has met weekly this summer and will continue to meet on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month starting September 20th. If you are interested in joining us at Fuse, please email me and let me know. It is a great time of fellowship for the young adults of Bethel UMC!

Ray Davis
ray@bethellewes.org





From the Women's Ministry:

By Pauline Powell

With the very successful Curiosity Shop behind us, the Women's Ministry members met on Wednesday, August 1st, to start planning our two Fall events.

First, we have booked a very inspiring speaker for the one day Women's Retreat on Saturday, September 22nd, which will be from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 or 4:00 p.m. Her name is Susie Bond. Susie is affiliated with Epworth United Methodist Church in Rehoboth, she is a well known, local, weekend and day retreat leader. At our August meeting, which Susie attended, she gave us an overview of her presentation, "Joy for the Journey". I can promise that all ladies who attend this event will be in for a real treat; Susie is so inspiring, godly, and filled with practical suggestions of ways that we can find God and the love of Jesus in the worst of our life situations, that we can truly find Joy as the Bible promises. I hope all ladies in Bethel will take advantage of this opportunity to fellowship, to get to know each other better, and to allow the love of Christ to fill their lives with joy by attending this retreat. Sign up sheets are in the Bulletin; you can also sign up on the sheet at the back of Fellowship Hall. Give your registrations to Pauline Powell, Bev Porter, Susie Collins, Jan LoBiondo, or place them in the offerings plates. Please make checks out to Bethel UMC, with "Women's Ministry" on the memo line. Your registration fee includes morning coffee, tea, juice and munchies, lunch, and an information folder.



Second, on Saturday, October 20th, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., it will be time for selling/buying "Bargains at Bethel"; mark your calendars and start thinking "Christmas Shopping" at this fourth annual event. 10' x 10' spaces are available for rent for \$25, anybody with crafts or collectables to sell can contact Pauline Powell at 645-9545 for further information. In addition to the bargains and collectables, we will have a bake sale table and the ladies from the Elizabeth Circle will be serving their delicious soup and sandwich luncheon. The Women's Ministry meet on the first Wednesday of each month in the Fellowship Hall Lounge at 7:00 p.m. Our next meeting is September 5th, please join us. ALL ladies are welcome. For questions or more information call, Pauline Powell, 645-9545.

Soup & Sandwich Luncheon

Bargains At Bethel



Dear Church Family and Friends,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! Summer is almost over and things are really starting to get busy here at “God’s Beach House.” As I write you, and look at the church calendar, I’m delighted to see how much we have going on in September and throughout the remainder of the year. I want to highlight just a few things as we begin another season of ministry.

As I look at the offering of small groups and studies forming right now, I’m reminded of a passage of scripture that was one of the featured texts at my recent Stephen Ministry Leadership training in Pittsburgh last month. It comes from Ephesians 4, where it says, *“As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called ; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it... So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.”*

I believe the key verse here is *“So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up .”* Here we find the reason we do what we do: Some may wonder why this is important. Well, it’s to build up the body of Christ, the Church, as it seeks unity in the faith. And that’s my primary responsibility as your pastor—equipping God’s people to be “sent” as apostles, prophets, evangelists and teachers so that Christ can be known to those in our community. That is why we are offering so many great small groups and ministry opportunities like “Beginnings,” the Bible 101 class, the Wednesday morning Bible study, the marriage enrichment group “Making Love Last a Lifetime”, and many others. My prayer is that you’ll connect with one or more of these exciting groups led by some of our most gifted leaders at Bethel.

I also want to share that our Nominations and Lay Leadership Team will be meeting to prayerfully discern who might be gifted and talented to serve on one or more of our Church standing committees like Staff Pastor Parish Relations, Finance, Trustees, and Ad Council. If you are called by one of our Team members, please know that they have seen something in you that may indicate that you might be just the one God needs to help us in the ministry of administration of Bethel. I hope you’ll say “Yes, Lord. Here I am!” and give us a “season” of your time.

Finally, I want to say a word about my upcoming sermon series called “Faith and Politics.” You might wonder why in the world I would want take on something so “touchy.” Well, I believe we as God’s people need to be involved in the political process. Besides, God has a lot to say about these matters in Scripture. As we prepare to elect a President and other national, state, and local officials, know that God cares about the political process. After all, God established governments to begin with. Jesus himself said a lot about this and we should know what he said. So get ready. It promises to be an interesting series. Let’s all keep open minds and hearts. Pray for me as I discern and prepare these important messages.

In Christ’s service,

Pastor Fred Juma

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Frank & Romaine FitzGerald	09/02/1983
John & June Turansky	09/05/1981
Jack & Anne Schulze	09/06/1964
Jim & Tressia Hickman	09/08/1973
Ron & Inez Brengle	09/08/1957
Wes & Norma Adams	09/09/1950
Eric & Sarah Reinhold	09/09/2000
Ed & Gilda Shockley	09/09/1989
Bill & Sarah Rickards	09/11/1954
Cary & Hilda Williams	09/11/1947
Chip & Joann Brittingham	09/12/1981
Chris & Jennie Dull	09/12/1959
Patrick & Melissa Watts	09/12/1992
Jack & Ginger Henriksen	09/13/1986
Kris & Laura Knutsen	09/13/1997
Brian & Mary Koyanagi	09/15/2000
Robert & Patricia Gable	09/17/1982
John & Lisa Zechiel	09/17/1994
Mark & Dixie Wolf	09/17/2005
Michael & Sandra Walker	09/19/1987
Edward & Gail Pristash	09/19/1970
Robert & Lisa Lingo	09/19/1999
Max & Margaret Hoyt	09/20/1953
Charlie & Nancy Joseph	09/21/1996
Robert & Shannon Fowler	09/21/2002
Blair & Carly Zych	09/22/2001
Tim & Jessica Lehne	09/22/1983
Ralph & Tonya Karl	09/23/1995
Charles & Elizabeth Curry	09/23/2001
Thomas & Robin Thompson	09/24/2004
David & Christine Gillan	09/26/1987
Richard & Marguerite Recicar	09/26/1998
Kenny & Cindy Vincent	09/27/1986
G. Edward & Jane Wyatt	09/27/1958
Mark & Karen Maull	09/27/1997
Larry & Ann Marie Mayo	09/28/1996
Phil & Olga Fitch	09/30/1967
Wayne & Daralyn Meluney	09/30/1979
David & Tammy Serman	09/30/1995

Happy 65th Anniversary

*Hilda & Cary Williams
09/11/1947*

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Chris Dull	09/01
Rawlins Reed	09/01
Ed Emmett	09/01
Brinleigh Parsons	09/02
Harry Marker	09/02
Harry Maier	09/02
Linda Mitchell	09/03
Alden Nelson	09/03
Ryan Nelson	09/03
Michelle Archer	09/03
Kaitlyn Emmett	09/03
Walter Howard Jr.	09/05
Bryn Watts	09/05
Cameron Symanski	09/05
Thomas Thompson	09/05
Lauri Vent	09/05
Catherine McCollough	09/06
Rebecca Pepper	09/06
Lisa Zechiel	09/06
Peter Nehrbas	09/07
Sarah Helou	09/07
Findley Strine	09/07
George Brittingham	09/07
Amy Zullo	09/07
Billie Buckaloo	09/08
Joseph Zullo Jr.	09/08
Steven Rellihan	09/08
Brandon Brennan	09/09
David Brittingham Serman	09/09
Anna Lee Hogan	09/09
David Archino	09/10
Paul Stauffer	09/11
Brooke Terhune	09/11
Charles Gwin	09/11
Norm Weston	09/12
Sue Raley	09/12
Lindsay Ribinsky	09/12
Olivia Burkentine	09/12
Karen Sposato	09/13
Madeline Pepper	09/13
Tara Lewis	09/13
Patricia Gable	09/14
Sarah Morris	09/14
Dane Palmer	09/14
Harry D. Parsons III	09/14

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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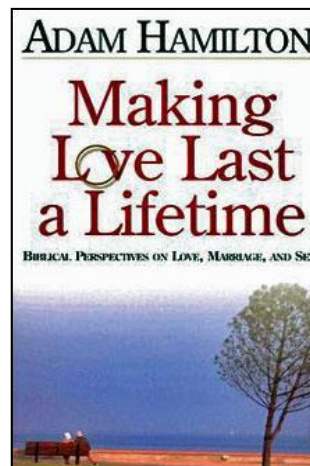
Jillian Steele	09/14
Raymond Edwards	09/14
Bill Gaskill	09/15
Carolyn Elliott	09/15
Robert Kennedy IV	09/17
Brent Moore	09/17
Lisa Parsons	09/17
Edith Sipos	09/17
Mia Moshier	09/17
Sheri Brown	09/17
Margaret Porter	09/18
Jacqueline Steele	09/18
Gary Kaier	09/18
Taylor Yun	09/18
Phil Williamson	09/19
Trevor Ricker	09/20
Todd Mentzer	09/20
Adam Nobles	09/21
Dorothy Squibb	09/21
Chelsea Thomas	09/21
George Horneck	09/21
Mallory Burn	09/21
Amanda Boyer	09/22
Darby Hollinger	09/22
Doris Shirk	09/22
Daniel MacElrevey	09/23
Brian Thompson	09/23
Jarrett Ford	09/23
Alivia Wilber	09/23
Ruth Ann Hearn	09/24
Daralyn Meluney	09/24
Benjamin Ashby	09/24
Richard Dickey Sr.	09/24
Helen Marsh	09/24
Goss Ferneyhough IV	09/25
Ethel Murabito	09/25
Josh Hunsicker	09/25
Jacob Hunsicker	09/25
Connie Murray	09/25
Sophia Sgromo	09/25
Caroline Maull	09/25
Braelyn Hall	09/25
Dave Robinson	09/25
Kaitlyn Klabe	09/25
Ronald Hagan	09/25
Holden Lehne	09/25
John Ellsworth	09/25

Richard Ingram Jr.	09/26
Jim Greenwell	09/26
Margaret Savage	09/27
John Ware	09/27
Barbara Vaughan	09/27
Samantha Tanner	09/28
Mary Rickards	09/28
Nathan Carnevale	09/28
Colin Anderson	09/28
Audrey Carroll	09/28
Joseph Zullo III	09/29
Mary Lou Warren	09/29
Loretta Higgins	09/29
Zachary Schroeder	09/29
Rodney Elliott	09/29
Thomas Lynch	09/30
Richard Steele	09/30

*Happy 92nd
Birthday to
Doris Shirk*



Coming September 16th!



“Marriage is a calling from God, not just the next step after falling in love.”
Adam Hamilton

Pastor Fred and Pat will team up to co-lead this exciting marriage study from Pastor Adam Hamilton. Based on his book, this 8 week small group study will help you develop a healthy, satisfying and successful marriage, regardless of how long you’ve been married. And, if you’re a single person, it will help you prepare to have a successful relationship. Most importantly, it’s based on Biblical principles to help you *make love last a lifetime*.

Begins Sunday, September 16th, 6-8 pm
Fellowship Hall

Register online at www.bethellewes.org



Community Quilting Bee

“Quilts of Love”, a local organization making crib-size quilts for at-risk babies, is sponsoring a day of quilt making on Saturday, September 8, Conley’s United Methodist Church, Lewes. Quilts are given to infants and children in Sussex County affected by HIV, poverty, drugs, alcohol and serious medical problems.

Please join us for a day of fun and creativity. All materials provided. If you don’t know how to sew, we’ll show you. If you have a sewing machine please bring it if you can. Please bring a covered dish to share at lunch.

We welcome the following donations for future Bees:

- pure cotton fabrics and flannel
- 100% cotton thread
- low-loft batting
- embroidery floss

Due to hot irons and extension cords, we ask that you don’t bring small children.

For more information call Jan at 302-703-2107



Florence's News Page



Fellowship Deli

Thank you to all who helped Marion Guyer and me in the kitchen and lunchroom during the Antiques Show. With your help we were able to raise over \$1,000 for Bethel. A special thank you to Olga Fitch who helped me with the shopping and cooking. I'm getting older and need all the help I can get. God bless all of you.



EVANGELISM

As I mentioned last month, Evangelism is the work of the whole church not just a "Team". If you invite someone to church, the Beginnings Study, Bible study, a small group or invite someone to the Mission Team's Dinner Dance in October, you are doing the work of Evangelism. We need to reach out to the entire community with the love of Jesus Christ.



You're invited

September 12th thru November 14th
Nine weeks on Wednesday evenings at
Bethel's Fellowship Hall
6 p.m. till 8 p.m. includes a
"Day Apart" retreat on Saturday,
October 27th from 9a.m.-3p.m.
See the information and application in this
newsletter and on our web-site.



Lewes-Rehoboth Association of Churches

L.R.A.C. is planning the purchase of a building to house both the Community Resource Center and the Cape Henlopen Food Basket. Both of these operations have outgrown their facilities due to the increasing needs of the community. More information will be available when plans are finalized.



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BETHEL BAND OF BROTHERS



A men's ministry has emerged here at Bethel called "Bethel Band of Brothers." This small group meets on the *first Saturday of each month* for breakfast to share prayer concerns, devotions, then to do work in the community for those in need. **All men of the church are invited.** Our next meetings will be Saturday, September 1, at 8:00 a.m. at Panera Bread on Route 1. We hope you will join us. Come prepared to be fed spiritually as well as physically – and then go to work!



Dear Bethel Family,

On behalf of the whole Dawson Family I wish to express our deep gratitude for all the kindness and love shown to our family after the recent loss of my mother, Isabelle MacArthur. Isabelle loved her time and activities at Bethel where she found a church home and enjoyed many warm and wonderful friendships.

A special thank you to Pastor Fred, the Mentzer Family, Alison and Keith Parsell, Ginny Beel and Ann Shulze for helping us with our Celebration of Life Service and Reception.

Thank you to all who lifted us up with your Prayers and words of encouragement and wrapped your collective arms around us. We are blessed to be a part of this Body of Christ.

In His Love,
Judy Dawson



The Prayer and Healing Service
at Bethel UMC
will resume on
Thursday, September 6th
at 7:00 p.m.
in the Sanctuary.

New Sunday School Year

The new school year is here and so are our regular Sunday School classes! Our first regular classes will be on 9-12-12. The children will sit with their parents at the beginning of the 9:15 a.m. service as we've done in the past and will be excused after the children's sermon. Please enroll your children early. You will find registration forms in the back of Fellowship Hall, and you can put the completed forms in the box beside them. The form will also be available on our web site and Facebook page if you'd like to register online. We are still looking for a few more Sunday School teachers and substitutes. Our annual Church-wide picnic will be on Sunday, September 30th, at the Canal Front Park. More information will follow, but save the date!

Sunday School Teachers Needed

School is right around the corner, and we are in need of a few Sunday School teachers when our regular classes begin in September. Each class will have two teachers so that they can alternate teaching, every other week. The curriculum is easy to follow and the children are great! If you would like to volunteer or want more information, and feel God is leading you to help with this important ministry, please call Keri Faircloth at (302) 645-0269 or Laura Knutsen at 302-644-8745.

Come to the Church-Wide Picnic

When: October 9, 11:00 AM

Where: Canal Front Park

Bring a lawn chair or blanket and a covered dish:

A - K Deserts

L - Z Veggies , Salad or Fruit

We'll supply the chicken, drinks and a few yard games. Hope to see you there!

Music Start-up Schedule

Mark your calendars NOW for our music groups' start-up dates for the Fall...

Chancel Choir: Wednesday, Sept. 5, from 7:00 to 8:15 PM

"J" Crew (3rd-6th gr.): Tuesday, Sept. 11, from 6:00 to 6:45 PM

YM2 (7th-12th grade): Tuesday, Sept. 11, from 7:00 to 7:45 PM

King's Kids (5 yrs.-2nd gr.):

Wednesday, Sept. 12, from 6:00 to 6:45 PM

As always, if you are interested in participating in any of these groups (First Towne Ringers and Miracle Singers, too!) contact Joyce Mentzer (jkmentzer@bethellewes.org)



Pastor's Office Hours:

In an effort to be as accessible as possible and to also allow adequate time for visitation, sermon preparation and study, I have established the following office hours. Thank you, Pastor Fred

Monday: Day Off

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Saturday: By appointment



Missions Minded



Mission Minutes: A Potpourri of Mission News and Opportunities

by Elizabeth Fields

*Missions Minutes, August 12, 2012

* Our Love Offering for the month of August was "Children & Families 1st" of Delaware. What an incredible organization this is — meeting the needs of children and families in need from the time before a child is born, through "babyhood" until the needs of the child and family have been met. We were honored to have Mrs. Leslie Newman, CEO of C.F.F. visit Bethel and present interesting facts about this organization to the congregations of the 9:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services. "Since 1883, Children & Families First has offered hope to people in need. Each year, they serve thousands of children and families across Delaware...Young women seeking support to have a healthy baby...Children in foster care awaiting a loving permanent home...teens in need of help to reconnect to their families...Parents looking for better ways to communicate with their kids...Families with limited resources taking care of an elderly parent...and more."

If you are curious about the details of the various programs, the website is: <http://www.cffde.org/> And oh, by the way, thank you for your most welcomed contributions for C.F.F. Thus far, you have contributed \$468.40; contributions may be made through the month of August.

* Our September Love Offering will be for the organization entitled: "October Boardwalk Buddy Walk and Buddy Fest". The Fest will take place on October 5th and 6th on the boardwalk in Rehoboth. This group provides important services that enhance the quality of life for individuals with Downs Syndrome and their families. We are looking forward to the opportunity not only to financially support these families through our Love Offering but also possibly joining them on the boardwalk in October for the actual event.

MISSIONS MUSIC, DINNER, AND DANCE!

Mark your calendars Now! This is a fundraiser for Missions at Bethel; the first of its kind at Bethel!

WHEN: Sunday, 4:00 - 8:00 p.m., October 7th, 2012

WHERE: In Fellowship Hall

DINNER: Baked Ziti, Fresh Green Vegetable Salad, Bread, and Desserts

BY: THE MISSIONS TEAM and OUR YOUTH

MUSIC BY: Sir Claude which will include dinner music and dance music for all ages

ADMISSION PRICE: \$12.00 adults, \$6.00 children 10 years and under

FOR: You, your family, friends and neighbors!



In addition, there will be a SILENT AUCTION offered for your pleasure from nearby restaurants, artists, shops, and individuals.

The auction will take place BEFORE the dinner begins and bids will end at 7:00 p.m. at which time the winners will be chosen.

COME ONE, COME ALL FOR A BETHEL FAMILY EVENT AND FOR THE COMMUNITY AS WELL.

TICKETS WILL SOON BE ON SALE, BEFORE AND AFTER EACH OF THE SERVICES AND AT THE DOOR.

LET'S ALL CELEBRATE THE EVENING AND REMEMBER, BETHEL IS ABOUT MISSIONS!

We look forward to seeing you on October 7th!



SCHFH & Lewes-Rehoboth Association of Churches dedicate home to Anne Lanholm and family



SCHFH Executive Director, Kevin Gilmore, began Anne Lanholm's dedication ceremony by quoting Psalm 118: "Rejoice and be glad, this is the day the Lord has made!" Once again, just like the opening project blessing on April 28, the rains stopped and the sun shone brightly; It truly was a day to rejoice and be glad. Many friends and family of the Lanholm's attended the dedication, as well as representatives from the 8 LRAC churches who sponsored this special project in the Lockwood Development in Angola.











Jim Miller, co-house leader, said, "We were truly blessed with beautiful weather, not only for the first project blessing and dedication, but all the Saturdays that crews came to work!" In a little over 100 days (April 28-August 11) teams from each church renovated this home that was purchased through the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) in partnership with Sussex County and the Delaware State Housing Authority. Stephanie Creel, coordinator of the overall project, presented the family with a House Blessing Plaque and "prayed that Anne and her family will continue to be blessed as they move into their new home!"

Thanks to all LRAC Churches that are helping SCHFH further our mission in partnership with low-income families. Special thanks to the LRAC teams representing the following churches: [Lutheran Church of Our Savior](#), [Lewes Presbyterian](#), [St. Peter's Episcopal](#), [All Saints/St. George's Episcopal](#), [Groome United Methodist](#), [Epworth Methodist](#), [Westminster Presbyterian](#), and [Bethel United Methodist](#)



A joy-filled Anne Lanholm told everyone, "My children and I plan to keep giving and working with Habitat on Saturdays. We are so grateful to everyone for helping make our lives better!" Pastor Buz Hughes (Lewes Presbyterian Church) invoked the blessing as all attending laid hands on the home and prayed.

SEPTEMBER 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		 <p style="font-size: 1.2em; margin-top: 5px;">Choir Resumes</p>				<p>1</p> <p>8:00 Bethel Band of Brothers</p> 
<p>8:00 Worship</p> <p>9:15 C.A.T.</p> <p>9:15 Sunday School</p> <p>11:00 Worship</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Labor Day Office Closed</p> <p>Labor Day</p> 	<p>4</p> <p>12:30 Elizabeth Circle</p> <p>6:30 SPRC Mtg.</p>	<p>5</p> <p>9:00 Bible Study</p> <p>10:30 HHC Comm.</p> <p>12:00 MMC Lunch.</p> <p>6:00 Evangelism Team Meeting</p> <p>7:00 Women's Ministry Mtg.</p> <p>7:00 Chancel Choir</p>	<p>6</p> <p>4:00 Brownie Troop #46</p> <p>6:00 Miracle Singers Rehearsal</p> <p>7:00 Healing and Prayer Service</p> <p>7:00 Boy Scouts Troop #1</p>	<p>7</p> <p>9:00 Worship Committee Mtg.</p> <p>5:45 Wedding Rehearsal</p>	<p>8</p> <p>4:00 Ward/Thompson Wedding</p> 
<p>9</p> <p>8:00 Worship</p> <p>9:15 C.A.T.</p> <p>9:15 Sunday School</p> <p>11:00 Worship</p> <p>3:30 Grief Share</p> <p>5:00 Fuel Sm. Group</p> <p>6:30 S. N. Fuel</p>	<p>10</p> <p>1:00 S. Keck Prayer Circle & Prayer Shawl Mtg.</p> <p>5:30 L.E.A.P. Training</p> <p>6:30 Prayer Study</p>	<p>11</p> <p>6:00 "J" Crew</p> <p>6:30 CS Pk. Sign Up</p> <p>7:00 YM²</p> <p>7:00 Finance Mtg.</p>	<p>12</p> <p>9:00 Bible Study</p> <p>6:00 Kings Kids</p> <p>6:30 "Beginnings"</p> <p>7:00 Chancel Choir</p>	<p>13</p> <p>6:00 Miracle Singers Rehearsal</p> <p>7:00 Boy Scouts Troop #1</p>	<p>14</p> <p>9:00 Worship Committee Mtg.</p>	<p>15</p>
<p>16</p> <p>7:00 UMM Breakfast</p> <p>8:00 Worship</p> <p>9:15 C.A.T.</p> <p>9:15 Sunday School</p> <p>11:00 Worship</p> <p>3:30 Grief Share</p> <p>5:00 Fuel Sm. Group</p> <p>6:00 Marriage Study</p> <p>6:30 S. N. Fuel</p>	<p>17</p> <p>5:30 L.E.A.P. Training</p> <p>6:00 CS Pk.1 Bears</p> <p>6:30 Prayer Study</p>	<p>18</p> <p>6:00 CS Pk.1 Wolves</p> <p>6:00 "J" Crew</p> <p>7:00 CS Pk.1 Webelos 1</p> <p>7:00 YM²</p> <p>7:00 Trustees Mtg.</p>	<p>19</p> <p>9:00 Bible Study</p> <p>5:30 Missions Team</p> <p>6:00 Kings Kids</p> <p>6:00 CS Pk.1 Tigers</p> <p>6:30 "Beginnings"</p> <p>7:00 Chancel Choir</p> <p>7:00 CS Pk.1 Web 2</p>	<p>20</p> <p>4:00 Brownie Troop #46</p> <p>6:00 Miracle Singers Rehearsal</p> <p>6:30 Knowing the Bible 101</p> <p>7:00 Boy Scouts Troop #1</p>	<p>21</p> <p>OCTOBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</p> <p>9:00 Worship Committee Mtg.</p>	<p>22</p> <p>8:30 Women's Retreat "Joy for the Journey"</p>  <p>First Day of Autumn</p>
<p>23</p> <p>8:00 Worship</p> <p>9:15 C.A.T.</p> <p>9:15 Sunday School</p> <p>11:00 Worship</p> <p>3:30 Grief Share</p> <p>5:00 Fuel Sm. Group</p> <p>6:00 Marriage Study</p> <p>6:30 S. N. Fuel</p>	<p>24</p> <p>5:30 L.E.A.P. Training</p> <p>6:30 Prayer Study</p>	<p>25</p> <p>6:00 "J" Crew</p> <p>7:00 CS Pk.1 Meeting</p> <p>7:00 YM²</p> <p>7:00 Admin Council</p>	<p>26</p> <p>9:00 Bible Study</p> <p>6:00 Kings Kids</p> <p>6:30 "Beginnings"</p> <p>7:00 Chancel Choir</p>	<p>27</p> <p>6:00 Miracle Singers Rehearsal</p> <p>6:30 Knowing the Bible 101</p> <p>7:00 Boy Scouts Troop #1</p>	<p>28</p> <p>9:00 Worship Committee Mtg.</p>	<p>29</p>
<p>30</p> <p>8:00 Worship</p> <p>9:15 C.A.T.</p> <p>9:15 Sunday School</p> <p>11:00 Worship</p> <p>11:00 Church Picnic</p> <p>3:30 Grief Share</p> <p>5:00 Fuel Sm. Group</p> <p>6:00 Marriage Study</p> <p>6:30 S. N. Fuel</p>					 <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin-top: 5px;">I love the house where you live, O LORD, the place where your glory dwells.</p>	



Beginnings: An Introduction to Christian Faith

We invite you to join a new Beginnings program.

September 12th thru November 14th

Nine weeks on Wednesday evenings at

Bethel's Fellowship Hall

6 p.m. till 8 p.m. includes a

“Day Apart” retreat on Saturday,

October 27th from 9a.m.-3p.m.

Each session includes a meal, a video presentation about basic Christian beliefs, and small group discussion groups.

Ideal for anyone who wants to learn more about the Christian faith. Wonderful opportunity to meet new people and make new friends.

The meal and program are offered without cost, however, donations will be accepted to defray costs of Materials

Contact Florence Sulitzky - 645-6613

or Pastor Fred - 645-9426

for more information

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Beginnings Registration Form

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Childcare needed: Yes___ No___

Ages/Names of Children: _____

The following optional information will help us determine the right small group for you:

Age: _____

Gender: _____

Occupation: _____

Marital Status: _____

Will you attend with a spouse or friend? Yes___ No___

Their name: _____

SMALL GROUP MINISTRY NEWS

If you have not yet entered into a relationship with Christ or perhaps are wondering why you should, come explore ...

BEGINNINGS (see page 16 for info and registration form)

If you've already entered into relationship with Him, keep that relationship growing and deepening with one of these studies:

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY Wednesdays, resuming 9/5, 9:00-10:30 a.m., PMH

Contact: Pastor Fred

This is a year-round group (though we break from time to time) focusing on various scripture or short-term Bible studies as determined by the participants. No registration is needed. Join us anytime or even just for one time! And bring your Bible!

DEVELOPING OUR PRAYER LIFE Mondays, 9/17-10/29, 6:30-8:00 p.m., PMH

Contacts: Kathy Engel (542-3846 or kathy_engel@comcast.net)

Julie Beebe (684-4274 or juliebb81@gmail.com)

This is a seven-week study on connecting with God through prayer. Participants will discover how and why we pray and how to use prayer to stay in touch with God throughout our busy days. Discover more about the character of God, how to keep things from interfering with your prayer time, and how to pray effectively in all life circumstances.

Cost is \$10 for the study guide.

KNOWING THE BIBLE 101 Thursdays, 9/20-11/15, 6:30-8:00 p.m., PMH

Contacts: Kay Poole (645-9602 or bookay10@comcast.net)

Gayle Gibbons (645-6335 or galyegibbons@hotmail.com)

Debbie Dawson (827-2152 or debrajhd2@comcast.net)

Whether you've read the Bible for years or are exploring it for the first time, this nine-week study will show how a single story line ties the whole Bible together, how each book fits into the whole & how you can apply the truths of the Bible to your own life. Make your relationship with God's Word the best it can be!

Cost is \$12 for the text.

Life Application studies help us live our lives in relationship with others as Christ taught:

GRIEF SHARE Sundays, 9/9—12/2, 3:30-5:00 p.m., Nursery

Contacts: Bev Porter (645-8403 or redhead2640@yahoo.com)

Edith Cross (645-0358 or edithseawind@msn.com)

GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences — the death of a loved one. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone.

MAKING LOVE LAST A LIFETIME (see page 8)

REGISTRATION FOR ALL ABOVE AVAILABLE ON THE CHURCH WEBSITE
OR CALL ONE OF THE CONTACT PERSONS

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SMALL GROUP MINISTRY NEWS (cont.)

If you simply need or want to connect & share with others, maybe one of these groups is what you're looking for:

UNITED METHODIST MEN

This group of men — young and young-at-heart — meet on the third Sunday morning of each month for a hearty breakfast, fellowship, and focus. Each month's meeting features a different guest speaker who brings a message on topics that range from discipleship to current event. Meetings begin at 7:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

For information, please contact the Church Office.

BAND OF BROTHERS

Who are the "Band of Brothers"? We are men of Bethel who put our faith into action doing odd jobs for seniors and others. We meet the first Saturday of each month for breakfast followed by a short devotion, then head out into the community to be the hands and feet of Jesus. All men are welcome! Contact Pastor Fred for more information.

LADIES' CIRCLES

Through Christian fellowship, devotional time, and prayer, our women's circles strive to grow closer to each other as they grow closer to God. The Mary-Martha Circle meets for lunch at noon on the first Wednesday of each month at various local Restaurants. The Elizabeth Circle meets at 6:00 pm on the first Tuesday of each month in the Parsonage Meeting House. For information, please contact the Church Office.


PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

This group of dedicated crafters meets each week to knit and crochet prayer shawls to give to the sick, bereaved, broken, and lonely. As they knit, the group members pray for whomever it is that might be receiving the shawls. Once completed, the shawls are consecrated. If you would like to help with this meaningful ministry, contact the church office at 645-9426 or email.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Take a little time out for yourself! Re-group and re-connect through our women's ministry group here at Bethel. Whether through a Bible study, a women's retreat, or social time together, Bethel is sure to have a place for you. Email Pauline Powell or call 302-645-9545 for more information.

ACTIVITIES PAGE



Name that animal

Play a fun drawing game about animals mentioned in the Bible.

What you need:


- Bible
- Paper strips
- Chalkboard and chalk (or dry erase board, pen and eraser)
- Timer or stopwatch

What you do:

1. On each paper strip, write a Bible verse that mentions an animal (see list below for ideas).
2. Form teams. Take turns looking up each verse and drawing for your team, getting one point for each correct guess.
3. Time each player. Take turns among teams.

Possible verses:

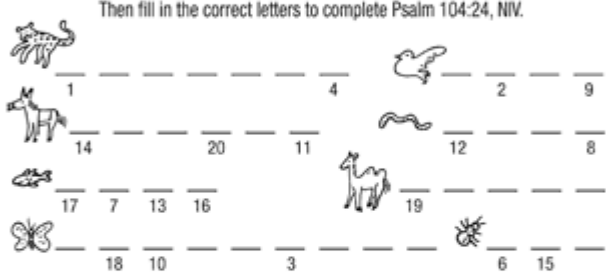
Numbers 22:21 (donkey); Deuteronomy 32:11 (eagle); 2 Samuel 17:8 (bear); Job 8:14 (spider); Job 39:13 (ostrich); Psalm 20:7 (horse); Psalm 58:8 (slug/snail); Proverbs 6:5 (gazelle, bird); Proverbs 26:11 (dog); Proverbs 30:25 (ant); Proverbs 30:28 (lizard); Isaiah 7:18 (fly, bee); Jonah 4:7 (worm); Matthew 10:16 (sheep, wolf, snake, dove); Matthew 10:29 (sparrow); Matthew 23:37 (hen, chick); Luke 13:15 (ox, donkey); Luke 13:32 (fox); 1 Peter 5:8 (lion).



AMAZING ANIMALS

God created a rich variety of animals to live on the earth.

Directions: Write the name of each animal next to its picture. Then fill in the correct letters to complete Psalm 104:24, NIV.



“How _____ are your _____,
 O _____! In _____
 you _____ them _____;
 the _____ is _____
 of your _____.”

Answers:
 leopard, dove, donkey, worm, fish, camel, butterfly, ant
 “How many are your works, O LORD! In wisdom you made them all: the
 earth is full of your creatures.” (Psalm 104:24, NIV)

oops!

From a newsletter in Phoenix, Arizona:
 SCHOOL IS BACK IN SESSION.
 Check out our Fail Programming!
 Choose from a variety of classes
 This ministry must've taken a serious fall.



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