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FROM THE PASTORS STUDY-

When we pray the Lord's Prayer, how closely do we listen to the part that says Thy will be done? Several weeks ago, while reading in preparation for a sermon, I read the following statement. While I can't place the article or the author, the statement instructed the believer that God wasn't necessarily interested in our *understanding* His will but was instead interested in our *obeying* His will. Too often we try to bend God's will to resemble our will in order to understand His will. That is not what God wants; instead He wants us to be in strict obedience to His will. To put it simply, to be happy in Jesus, we must trust and obey. We must learn to trust and obey Him in every aspect of our life, in study, in prayer and in worship. His will be done, not ours, is what the Lord demands of the believer. If we follow this order, we will find order in our lives.

In His service,
Pastor Mike
James 5:16

Notes of Thanks

Thanks to Edna Rinsch and Carolyn Williams for help with the Chimes. News for the June Chimes is due on May 17. A big thanks, also, to all the ladies who helped me put together flyers for the Revival. Your help was very much appreciated.

I wish to express my heartfelt thanks for the many cards, phone calls, flowers, gifts and visits on my 99th birthday.

Your remembrance, thoughtfulness and acts of kindness are greatly appreciated.

In Christian love,
Louise Rinsch

The family of Erin Ferree would like to thank the congregation of Bethel church for all their thoughts and prayers during her illness and passing. She really enjoyed being able to come to a church service and have so many people welcome her and Matt. A special thank you goes to Pastor Mike for his visits to Indianapolis.

-Gary, JoAnne, Bonnie, and Justin Ferree and Matt Aldridge

Basement Bulletin Board schedule for 2010:

May/June	Faithful Families
July/August	Christian Generations
September/October	Christian Partners
November/December	Children's Church



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In honor of Mother's Day

His Mother

Even He that died for us upon the cross, in the last hour, in the unutterable agony of death, was mindful of His mother, as if to teach us that this holy love should be our last worldly thought - the last point of earth from which the soul should take its flight for heaven.

- Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Mother

In her eyes
the look of loving,

In her hands
the touch of comfort,

In her smile
the warmth of caring.



In her heart
the gift of sharing.

- Author Unknown

Bethel Sunday school News

As everyone is busy with Spring, we fast forward a few months to the Annual Sunday School picnic. This year the picnic will be held on September 19. Hopefully the weather will be a little more cooperative than it was last year. The Picnic Committee will be made up of volunteers from each adult Sunday School Class. The committee is as follows: Kelci Anderson, Beth Durall, Bonnie Organ, Carole Albrecht, Bill Brocksmith, Mary Ann Miller, Doris Richter and Doris Brocksmith. Thank you for your willingness to serve on this committee. We will need 2 people from this group to chair the committee, so if you are willing to do this please let me know as soon as possible.

Bethel Church is extremely blessed to be able to continue Sunday School Classes for all ages. I am hopeful that everyone will be willing to continue to work together to keep the Sunday school program strong. We may need to make changes in the future in various ways because of changing times but it is vital to our Christian Walk to study God's Word together. Our children and Grandchildren need to have a strong Biblical foundation, not for the sake of tradition, but for the future of Bethel Church and the future of families and our communities. The world needs more of God's truth! The foundations of our faith journey begin at an early age and continue through life. I encourage everyone who attends Sunday school to continue and if you don't attend, please come back. We need you! We are never too old or too young to learn and grow in our faith. One thing we can all do together is to pray for Bethel Sunday School.

I Timothy 2:1-4 "I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone- for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all men to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth."

See you on Sunday morning!

Superintendent,
Janet Clinkenbeard

Youth Group

The youth would like to thank everyone who helped to make our Haiti mission project such a success. Our money along with that of the younger youth group, the coin contest, allowed us to send \$2,361 dollars to Matt and Pam McCormick, missionaries in Haiti.

Thank you, thank you, thank you for making our second annual food drive another huge success. The youth collected 1,000 pounds of food. After the food was collected, we delivered it to the NK Social Ministries and helped sort and shelve the items. When we were finished, we went to Cabello's to eat.

Kelci Anderson and Theresia Barrett represented the youth and walked in the Daviess Co March of Dimes on April 10. Also, congratulations to the youth on a wonderful church service. We have a lot of talent in our youth and hope that they will continue to serve God whenever and wherever they are asked.

On May 1, we will travel to Indy for a mission trip to help clean up Indianapolis. We will leave very early in the morning and return late that evening.

Our schedule for May is going to be rather limited due to Mother's Day, graduation and Memorial Day. We will only meet on May 2 and May 16. We have three that are graduating this year. They are Garth Hislip, Jacob Richter, and Christopher Sargent. We want to wish them the best of luck and hope that they will continue to be a part of the youth. Continue to pray for the search committee.

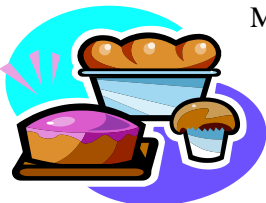
Christian Partners Sunday school class

Our class has been having very inspirational lessons each Sunday. Our great teachers give us a lot to do to help us in our Christian growth. We have had several members ill and we pray they will be back with us real soon. We miss you. Our sympathy goes out to Barbara McClure's family on her death. She was a loyal member for many years.

Relay for Life Bake Sale

Bethel's Relay for Life teams will hold a bake sale on Sunday, May 2 after worship service to raise funds for their teams.

Take time to stop by and pick up some delicious baked goods that day and help with the fight to battle cancer.



Preschool News

Mrs. Linda Chattin will be leaving Bethel Preschool after this year's graduating class has finished out the school year. The Bethel Preschool Board wishes to thank her for her years of service and dedication. Many young hearts were touched by her ministry. Best wishes on her future endeavors.

Notes from Mrs. Durall:

Wow--it is hard to believe we only have six weeks of school left. The year has gone by fast. We still have a lot to do and talk about. But the weather has been excellent, so we are having fun playing outside and picking flowers (aka weeds or dandelions) or picking up worms.

We had many in depth talks about Easter and all the events that lead up to Jesus' big day of rising and living forever. We made our own palm braches and waved them high. As we were reading one story, one little boy questioned why Jesus had to have nails in His hands. The whole class decided that would be very painful. We know that the love of Jesus is that strong for all of us. We had great Easter parties. We had a lesson on "New Life in Jesus". We talked about the butterfly coming out of a cocoon and the new life it has. We thanked God for giving each of us new life.



We learned about Zaccheus and how he cheated others by taking more money then he was supposed to. We know Jesus changed his life and helped him become an honest man. We want to be like Zaccheus and always be looking for Jesus.

We talked about wearing a suit with magical powers that helps us fight the devil while filling our hearts with salvation, righteousness, truth and peace for a good strong faith. We all love putting on the Armor of God one piece at a time: the helmet, breast plate, belt, sandals, shield and sword. We learned quickly that it is not for fighting others, but to help us become better Christians. One little boy thought he was taking the suit home. I tried to explain that he had to pretend every morning to suit up and put on the pieces everyday when he got out of bed. He quickly let me know that pretending at home was not near as fun as playing the real dress up. We learned that WE CAN WIN AGAINST SIN.

We are busy making surprises for our mothers to give them at Mother's Day Tea. Sometimes we don't get to take anything home in our folders. We have several students tell Miss Ruth and I that they have to take something home and we said that we were making it for mom. We really don't try to confuse them, but it sure looks that way at times.

Our thoughts and prayers go to Speed (Grandpa Dallas Miller). We hope for a fast recovery. We have also prayed for Grandma Sug (Shirley) to be able to help take care of him. I have had one little boy with a cast on his foot for a few weeks. We prayed for Blake to be able to play outside soon and act like a kid again. The cast hasn't slowed the boy down at all. I will have to admit the crutches made me very nervous the first day. I was told God watches us all :-)

Our God is Awesome!!

Mrs. Durall

Applications are being taken for the preschool teacher position that will be opening up at the end of this school year. Applications for this position are available in the church office. The applications need to be completed and turned back in to the office by May 28. Days and hours for this job will be Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9-3 pm. Anyone who has questions may call Andrea Miller at 328-6102.



Graduation Sunday

Bethel church will be honoring this year's graduates on Sunday, May 16. Please contact the church office with the graduate's information so that it can be included in that Sunday's bulletin as well as in next month's Chimes.

Vacation Bible School

This year's Vacation Bible School will be held from Monday, June 7 through Friday, June 11. The theme this year is High Seas Expedition-Exploring the Mighty Love of God. Be sure to mark your calendar. More information will be available about this exciting event in June's Chimes.

Camp Registration

It is almost time for camp to begin. Camp registration and fees need to be turned into the church office by Monday, May 10. If you have any questions, please call the church office.

Mission Committee

The Mission Committee would like to thank the congregation for making the Haiti Earthquake Mission a great success. After the collection taken in February and the Spaghetti dinner in March, we have collected \$5,000 to send to Haiti through Samaritan's Purse. Without each of you and your generous donations, this would not have been possible. Thank you for being the hands and feet of Jesus and sharing with those less fortunate to help make their lives a little better.

Once again we will be doing the Bethel 600 and collect items to donate for North Knox Social Ministries. This is a wonderful ministry for our church and it is greatly appreciated by those in need in the North Knox area. Our goal again this year is to collect at least 100 items each month for six months. Our collections will begin May 1, 2010 and continue through October, 2010 as follows:

May.....Bars of Soap
June.....Dozen of Diapers
July.....School Supplies
August.....Personal Items
September.....Laundry Soap
October.....Dish Soap and/or Paper Products

Let's make this a fun project and see what we can do.

Soon we will be having Bethel Pre-School graduation and, as a reminder, please remember those students who will be graduating from Bethel in May and preparing to attend kindergarten in the fall. Keep them in your prayers. If you have a Prayer Partner graduating, you might remember them with a card or nice note. They love to get mail!

The Mission Committee

Women's Guild

We had a very interesting lesson in April on Elizabeth. At our May 5th meeting, our lesson will be on "Eve" another interesting woman of the Bible and our leader will be Shirley Brouhard. Hostesses are Naomia Pepmeier and Dorothy Spanger. We are to bring bar soap for the NK Social Ministries.

Come early around 1pm and help make bibs and lap robes for the Community Home. They are easy to make and will be enjoyable to do together. If you aren't able to cut with scissors, tie knots, or sew by hand-just come for some Christian Fellowship.

Bethel Church
Treasurer's Report
(1/1/10-3/30/10)

Income:

Cemetery Income	540.00
Choir Income	5,000.00
Interest Income	1,094.34
Memorial Inc.	70.00
Misc Income	25.00
Mission Income	9,157.50
Offering	40,218.49
Preschool Inc.	12,817.95
Rental Income	225.00
Youth Pastor Inc.	<u>2,242.61</u>
Total Inc.	71,390.89

Assets:

Brocksmith Miss.	24,174.48
Building Fund	25.00
Cemetery Fund	(831.60)
Cemetery Trust	244,749.30
Choir/Music	8,375.19
General Fund	63,195.52
Insurance	0.00
M L Mabes	633,460.69
Memorial Fund	19,021.14
Mission Fund	3,532.04
Mission Trip	0.00
Scholarship Fund	2,907.55
Shelter House	7,574.13
Strate 40 Acres	17,700.46
Van Fund	(29.75)
Youth Pastor	<u>10,386.45</u>
Total Assets	1,034,222.60
 Net Worth	 1,034,222.60

Expenses:

Advertising	9.50
Asst Preschool person	3,184.20
Choir Expense	84.95
Custodial Supplies	158.74
Custodian	2,415.96
Electricity	4,098.08
Employee w/holding	7,568.03
Gas	4,376.01
Groundskeeper	2,202.18
Insurance	8,353.00
Maint. & repair	5,068.36
Memorial Expense	1,065.98
Misc. Expense	1,840.04
Mission Expense	13,340.50
Music Director	2,016.24
New Equipment	273.80
Office Supplies	622.28
Pastor	13,859.70
Pastor Training	540.00
Pastor Travel	515.25
Pest Control	215.00
Postage	200.00
Preschool Director	4,440.42
Preschool Aid	1,912.98
Secretary	3,705.42
Sub Music Person	250.00
Sub Pastor	100.00
Telephone	531.56
Van Expense	29.75
Waste Expense	198.08
Water	218.96
Youth Past. Expense	<u>200.00</u>
Total Expenses	83,594.97

Grand Total (12,204.08)

Parish Records:

Death: Erin Ferree, age 28, passed away on Thursday, April 1.

Funeral service was held at Bethel church on Tuesday, April 6 with burial in Sullivan.

Attendance:

Mar.	28	202
Apr.	4	141
	11	128
	18	139

Greeters:

April 18 and 25

Craig and Tonya Scott

May 2 and 9

Randy and Theresia Barrett

May 16 and 23

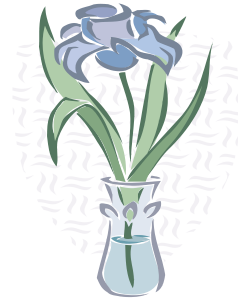
Andy and Andrea Miller

Ushers:

May		Joe and Virginia Koenig
May	16	Youth

Nursery Notes:

May	2	Cally Miller
	9	Clint Durall
	16	Ramona Hammelman
	23	Tracey Kahre
	30	Bonnie Organ



Children's Church:

May	2	Bonnie Organ/Chris Horst
	9	Cally Miller/Kelci Anderson
	16	Micah Bowman/Chris Horst
	23	Brenda Maddox/ Nancy Tilly
	30	Brandi Toney/Emily Telligman/Ramona Hammelman

Happy May Birthday to:

May	3	Earl Linneweber-(Happy 82 nd birthday)
	7	Ralph Buescher-(Happy 85 th birthday)
	8	Helen Harbin-(Happy 84 th birthday)
	10	Marge Linneweber-(Happy 81 st birthday)
	22	Dick Finke-(Happy 88 th birthday)
	24	Martha Enmeier-(Happy 88 th birthday)
	24	Bob Jones-(Happy 85 th birthday)
	25	Rose Singleton-(Happy 86 th birthday)
	26	Ruth Richter-(Happy 87 th birthday)

Church Council Minutes

April 12, 2010

Pastor's Report – Pastor Mike presented to the council members his monthly pastor's report.
Report was read and approved.

Secretary's report – was read and approved.

Treasurer's report – was read and approved as written.

Deacon's report – report was presented by Debbie Telligman and was approved as written.

Elder's report – was approved. Pastor Mike and Dale Tiek served Communion to the residents at the Freelandville Community Home and to our shut-ins on Good Friday. Communion was served to seventy-seven (77) church members at Maundy Thursday services, and one hundred and eighty (180) on Sunday at Easter morning service. Plans for the Spring Revival with Craig Cook were finalized. The Revival dates are April 30th, May 1st, and Sunday morning service on May 2nd. The Revival will start at 7:00 PM on both Friday (Apr. 30) and Saturday (May 1). A meal will be provided at 6:00 PM on both Friday and Saturday. The Christian Generations and the Mustard Seed Sunday School Classes have volunteered to provide the meals.

Building and Grounds report – Repairs have been completed on the organ. To help eliminate costly repairs, the repair service advised that the organ needs to be played at least twice a year. The church's parking lots and drives received new gravel. Thank you's go to Kevin Hammelman for leveling the gravel, and to Bill Resler for taking care of the weed-control spraying of the church property. Several pews in the sanctuary are in need of repairs. Opinions on repairs to the seating in the sanctuary were discussed and are being looked into further. The church's infrastructure repairs were discussed; estimates on six (6) projects are being obtained.

Old Business:

Youth Pastor – the Search Committee is in the process of interviewing applicants.

Carpet cleaning – Carpets will be cleaned after Vacation Bible School in June.

New Business:

Landscaping – Herman Tilly volunteered to clean-up and mulch the landscaping around the church and the office.

Coming Events:

April 30, May 1 & May 2 – Revival with Craig Cook

May 2 – Worship at FCH

May 16 – Graduation Sunday

May 23 – Pentecost & Holy Communion

June 7-11 - VBS



May 2010

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