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## **Council members:**

Justin French, President (2020)

Sam Miller (2019)

Stacey Kahre, Vice President (2020)

Terry Perkins (2021)

Pam Loheider, Secretary (2019)

Nancy Tilly (2021)

Jan Spanger, Treasurer (2021)

Mark Sargent (2022)

Ryan Johanningsmeier (2022)

(Indicates the time that the term is over)

## **FROM THE PASTORS STUDY**

We read from 2 Timothy 3:16, 17 that all scripture is not only inspired by God, but God has a reason for scripture. That reason is for training the believer in righteousness, or maybe better said to be made right in the eyes of God. Being made right by God is something totally different than being made right by man. To be made right by God means not only having our sins forgiven but also forgotten. Only God can do this work, man cannot. All man can do is clean up the outer man, only God can clean the inner man.

The writer of these verses gives use the reason for being made right in verse 17, so that the believer may be equipped for every good work. Whose work? It must be God's good work, not mans. God's good work deals with the inner man; while man's good work only deals with the outer. All the self-help books in the world can never compare to God's Words. God is calling His people back to His Word today, are we listening?

In His Service,  
Pastor Mike  
James 5:1

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## **Basement Bulletin Board schedule for 2018**

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October/November – Faithful Footprints  
December – Mustard Seed

### **Guild**

Bethel Guild had their October meeting going to see the bird houses and to Lakeview for lunch with Herman Tilly driving the church van for us. We enjoyed seeing over 6,000 bird houses inside his home, plus outside. We each got a small birdhouse to take with us. Then off to Lakeview for lunch. It was a beautiful day, lunch was delicious and the fellowship great.

Our November 7<sup>th</sup> meeting will be at 1:30 pm, with guest speaker Judge Ryan Johanningsmeier. Hostesses will be Shirley Brouhard and Doris Richter. Please bring a small Christmas decoration for the Generations “Build a Basket”.

Remember, we have greeting cards for sale in the Guild room. Plus a lot of good books to read this winter.

### **Memorial Fund**

*In memory of Wilma Chester*

*Kent & Brenda Brocksmith*

*Tim & Linda Cardinal*

*Clint & Beth Durall*

*Ed & Cheryl Hagemeier*

*Jim & Ruth Wesner*

## Thanksgiving Delights

On Thanksgiving Day we're thankful for  
Our blessings all year through,  
For family we dearly love,  
For good friends, old and new.

For sun to light and warm our days,  
For stars that glow at night,  
For trees of green and skies of blue,  
And puffy clouds of white.

We're grateful for our eyes that see  
The beauty all around,  
For arms to hug, and legs to walk,  
And ears to hear each sound.

The list of all we're grateful for  
Would fill a great big book;  
Our thankful hearts find new delights  
Everywhere we look!

*By Joanna Fuchs*



## Preschool

*Happy Harvest from the Pre-K Class! We have enjoyed celebrating the fall season and all of God's beautiful creation. We have also been learning about community helpers. We have some very special guests visiting our classroom this month to talk about the jobs they do in our community. Thank you to John Streeter, Andrea Harting, Nicholas Hatfield, Nicole Ricketts, and Lana Dike for sharing about your community roles. The children had a wonderful time making (and eating!) their own pizza with Nicole and Lana after listening to Nicole read the very funny story, "Pete's A Pizza".*

*While discussing the many helpers in our community, we have also been learning about Jesus choosing His special helpers, the disciples. Our memory verse reminds us that we can all be God's helpers and tell others about His love for them. "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Matthew 4:19 Another Bible story that we have been studying is the Good Samaritan and how we are to love our neighbor as our self.*

*We will be sharing God's love with some of our neighbors at the Freelandville Community Home on Oct 31st as we visit and sing some songs for the residents. As the holidays approach we will continue to focus on ways to be kind and share the love of God with those around us.*

*Mrs. Carter*

We are having fun on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Preschool. I love seeing all the kids come in with big smiles and hugs. They make my day.

Letter b was a busy week as we traced our name with a balloon, played a silly bingo game, read a big about a big brown bear and learned that the Bible is the best book of all. We love books and should read every day, especially our Bible stories.

The cross is the best way to introduce letter c to the kids. We know that it has great meaning for Christians. We also counted cookie

crisp, talked about the caterpillar and how Jesus gave him new life as the caterpillar thought he was going to die. We got to use scissors and cut, but learned we can only cut paper: nothing else.

Dandy Dirt Dessert was our first time in the kitchen for cooking class, but a great way to learn letter d. The preschoolers decided they were pretty good “cooks” as they stirred and didn’t make a mess. We read one of my favorite childhood books, “Big Dog, Little God” and then had to make a dog craft. We read “Daniel and the Lions (that Didn’t Roar)”. We know it is okay to be scared sometimes, we just have to pray no matter what. If God can shut the mouths of lions, just imagine what else he can do.

Letter E took us outside as we learned the nursery rhyme, Humpty Dumpty. We dropped eggs off of the wall, made a mess and realized that we definitely cannot put broken eggs back together. We then tried to put a paper egg back together with band aids. That didn’t work wither. God is the only one who can put things back together perfectly. We also read “Little Elephant with Big Ears”. We learned we have to be happy with the way God made us, because He loves us all just the same, no matter what size ears we have. We are happy our ears and eyes belong to God. We loved going to the “space center” and playing or learning about the solar system. Thanks, Mrs. Carter, for your creativity and sharing with us.

The ladies from Generations were here and checked our eyes. We had fun with them and did a great job. At the time of this writing, we are on fall break and maybe sleeping in a bit. We look forward to sharing our love for Jesus with the Nursery Home residents and staff.

Happy Thanksgiving to all,  
Mrs. Durall

## **Carpenters on a Mission 2018**

God has called a team of 12 to travel to the Dominican Republic to serve. The team is made up of: Randy Archer, Roger Johanningsmeier, Ryan Johanningsmeier, Mike Leydet, Allan & Beth Mackey, Brenda Maddox, Tiffany Rehwald (from Nurses on a Mission), Bill Resler, Collin Tiek, Dale Tiek, and Bridget Yockey (from Nurses on a Mission). The group will leave Evansville on Tuesday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 6 AM and will return on Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>.

Even though 12 will go to the DR to serve, many of you are a part of this team. You have prayed, encouraged and have supported the team financially. You came out for the Corn Hole Tourney and the Spaghetti Dinner and the team feels blessed.

We have been in awe of how God has provided. A father-son team came to our Corn Hole Tourney from Greencastle, people from outside our church have sent checks and handed us money, the prison gave the team a very generous donation and the list goes on and on. God has shown us over and over that He is going before us to prepare the way.

The team will be staying in the mountains and will be working in an extremely poor community. They are going to be building different size picnic tables for the local school. They will be working “mano a mano” (hand in hand) with people from the community. They will worship with the community. The team will lead a Bible School for the community. The team will go hoping to bless the community, but we know that the team will receive more blessings than they will give. The team has been called to offer hope to people who live in what seems to be hopeless situations. Please be in prayer for each team member and their families. Families make huge sacrifices to allow the team members to go. Pray for travel mercies and good health. Pray for the people they are going to serve. Pray that everyone sees and feels the love of Jesus through this team. Pray that in everything God is glorified.

The team has a blog site so check it out. They will add pictures and stories as often as they can during the trip. The site is: [carpetnersonamission2018@blogspot.com](mailto:carpetnersonamission2018@blogspot.com)  
Gracias!

## **Operation Christmas Child**

Investment: “purchase of goods that are not consumed today but are used in the future to create wealth.” People invest in the stock market, in IRAs, real estate and the list goes on. As believers we have been given the opportunity, the privilege, the honor to invest in things that are eternal!

Operation Christmas Child is an opportunity we have been given to invest in something that could have eternal benefits. When we pack and pray over a shoebox we are investing in a child- a child who will not only receive the gifts we place in the shoebox, but a child who will also receive the good news of Jesus! Just imagine that the box you invest in could be the beginning of a child’s walk with Jesus. God could use your box to lead a child, his/her family, and his/her community to know and experience the great love of our Savior! Now that is an enormous return on a small investment.

Won’t you invest in the life of child? Won’t you step out in faith and pack a box? Won’t you pack more than one box? Please experience the blessing of sharing. Put together a box with your children or grandchildren.

If you need help packing a box our youth group has offered to do it for you. Give Pastor Mike Leydet \$25 and they will pack a box for you.

If you have friends, co-workers or relatives that don’t have a church or that go to a church that does not participate in Operation Christmas Child encourage them to pack a box and tell them you will deliver it for them.

Our goal is 150 shoeboxes! Get busy and get packing Bethel! Pick up a box at the foot of the cross or use your own box.

Invest in kingdom work and you will be blessed! The return on your investment could make an eternal difference! WOW! Now that is exciting!

# **Bethel Church Council Minutes**

**October 8, 2018**

The meeting was called to order by President Justin French and opened with prayer by Sam Miller.

**Pastor's Report :** Pastor Mike shared his monthly report which included conducting a worship service at the Freelandville Community Home with 11 attending. Confirmation for the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade will begin on Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup>. He served as the Head Spiritual Director at a Women's Emmaus Walk on September 13-16<sup>th</sup>. He announced that, as Bethel has purchased a table for eight at the Inaugural dinner for Helping His Hands on October 25 at Highland Woods, there are tickets available for this event.

**Youth Pastor's Report:** Pastor Mike Leydet's activities for the past month were serving at See You at the Pole at North Knox High School. Approximately 60 youth were served pancakes, sausage, milk, and juice at the Fellowship of Christian Athletes Breakfast on Wednesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at Bethel. Jack Lynn gave devotions on "running the race and focusing on the goal" of sports and life. The youth attended Fields of Faith held at South Knox High School. This is a time sponsored by FCA when students from North Knox, South Knox, and Lincoln share the Gospel of John, give testimonies and meet in smaller "huddles". The Youth will be attending the SideWalk Prophets Concert on Sunday evening, October 14<sup>th</sup>. Pastor Mike and his family will be on vacation the week of October 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Secretary's Report:** Approved as written.

**Treasurer's Report:** Approved as written.

Jan Spanger shared that Memorial gifts from Wilma Chester have been given to the Youth and Congregation for the sound system and projector in the Social room. Also, a Thank You note was received from KLOVE for the \$350 donation for its radio programming.



**Mission Allocation:** Helping His Hands - \$500. A budgeted amount of \$1000 was allotted for 2018. This includes the donation and the purchase of the table at the dinner.

**Elder's Report:** Nancy Tilly shared that one visitation was made. 112 persons were served Communion at the World Wide communion on October 7. The "Getting to Know You" gathering is scheduled for Saturday evening on October 27<sup>th</sup>. Ten families have been contacted for this informal gathering at the Shelter House. She also shared of the Guild's trip to The Bird House and to the Lakeview restaurant near Loogootee. 11 ladies and Herman Tilly enjoyed the day, their first outing in the new church van.

**Deacon's Report:** Stacey Kahre reported the average attendance was 141 for 3 Sundays in September and the offering total for 5 Sundays was \$22,021.60. \$6808 was realized from the auction after Church in the Grove. This will be given as a gift to the Jim and Allison Bowers family. Their family will continue to be lifted in prayer. We thank Randy and Ramona Hammelman for faithfully serving.

**Buildings and Grounds:** Sam Miller report that we are waiting on Wolfe Construction to begin the work on the back staircase and also on Sure Clean who will be replacing the roof on Pastor Mike's home.

**Old Business:** The following areas need to be checked:

- The preschool door, as it still pops open.
- The flat roof on Bethel Hall needs attention when Sure Clean roofs the parsonage.
- Shekell Plumbing and Heating will be asked to check on the condensation lines from the AC behind the stage.
- The circuit board in the parsonage

### **New Business:**

- Justin purchased a replacement light in the balcony
- The mower needs to be checked to see its working hours
- The door knob on the door by the ramp will be replaced by a lever
- Plans for the “Getting to Know You” Gathering were discussed and completed
- Members were reminded of the Trunk or Treat Night on Halloween, October 31<sup>st</sup>. The council will be preparing “Pop In to Bethel” popcorn packets to be given to adults attending the evening.

### **Upcoming Events:**

October 27<sup>th</sup> – Getting to Know You Gathering

October 31<sup>st</sup> – Trunk or Treat Night at the Freelandville Community Center from 6-7 pm.

November 12<sup>th</sup> – Council Meeting

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**Totenfest**  
*Service of Remembrance*

May we remember those who have passed on to life eternal in the past year.

Herbert Grabbe (88) – died November 3, 2017

Meaghan Meeks (32) – died February 4, 2018


Linda Miller Hammelman (80) – died February 19, 2018

Agnes Lee (88) – died February 28, 2018

Gertrude Hagemeyer (94) – died March 28, 2018

Wilma Chester (98) – died July 8, 2018

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**Parish Records:**

Births: Shaun and Liberty Lemberg welcomed baby Charlotte June on October 15<sup>th</sup>. She weighed 8 lb. 7 oz., and was 20 ½ inches long. She is welcomed by brothers, Caven, Carter, Cooper, Crosby, and sister, Cabella.

**Attendance:**

Sept. 23  
Sept. 30  
Oct. 7        158  
Oct. 14       132

**Greeters:**

Nov. 4 & 11 – Tim & Tonya Miller  
Nov. 18 & 25 – Collin & Amy Tiek

**Ushers:** Brandon & Holly Spanger

**Nursery (Sunday School):**

Nov.    4    Lana Dike/Holly Spanger  
      11    Cheryl Hagemeyer/Lana Dike  
      18    Lana Dike/Cheryl Hagemeyer  
      25    Diane Telligman/Carole Albrecht

**Nursery Notes (Worship):**

Nov.    4    Theresia Barrett/Natalie Phegley  
      11    R. Hammelman Family  
      18    Beth Dural/Hope Leyder  
      25    Tracey and Hailley Kahre

**Children's Church:**

Nov.    4    Kate & Linda Hammelman/Ryan Johanningsmeier  
      11    Emma Miller/Hope Leydet/Jennifer Nettles/Micah  
              Morgan  
      18    Rylee Hammelman/Pam Loheider  
      25    Melissa Schroeder/Emily Pirtle/Dale Tiek

**November Birthdays:**

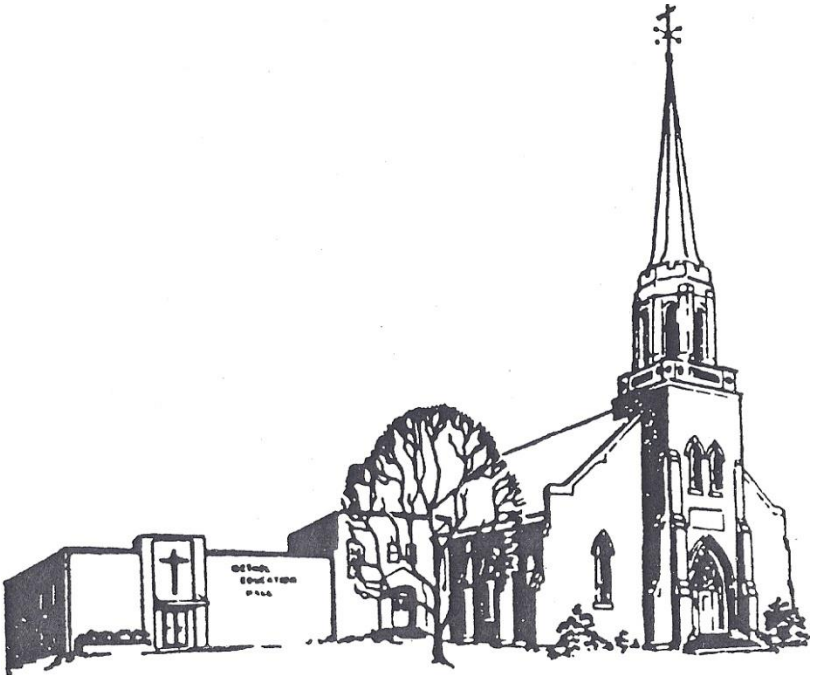
      4    Betty Miller (83<sup>rd</sup>)  
     13    Max Kixmiller (82<sup>nd</sup>)  
     17    Etta Boberg (85<sup>th</sup>)  
     21    Jack Miller (83<sup>rd</sup>)  
     23    Marvin Deerhake (88<sup>th</sup>)  
     29    Shirley Miller (90<sup>th</sup>)  
     30    Helen Mackey (91<sup>st</sup>)

***Chimes news will be due on November 19th.***

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