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Terry Perkins (2021)

Nancy Tilly, Secretary (2021)

Mark Sargent (2022)

Jan Spanger, Treasurer (2021)

Brandon Spanger (2023)

Ryan Johanningsmeier (2022)

(Indicates the time that the term is over)

FROM THE PASTORS STUDY

The 2nd chapter of the book of Acts is devoted to the day of Pentecost. That chapter is only 47 verses in length, but those 47 verses are filled with the power of God, and we see His power manifested in those verses. We read of the Holy Spirit's appearance, we read of how some 3,000 souls came to a saving knowledge of God through Christ that day, and then we read the end of the chapter.

From verse 42 until the end of the chapter, we read how the early church conducted business. We find the believers devoting themselves to teaching and learning, breaking bread together, and praying. What we read here is a description of a church family. A family who understood worship to be more than a small segment of time set aside on the Lord's Day. Rather they saw worship as every day, taking time to interact with one another, to be in prayer, to share and to worship together.

I pray that as we read scripture concerning the early church, we understand the need to stick together. News of the modern world is not good, and not likely going to get any better. It is time for the church to bind together and to teach and learn, to share and to pray and to bring the lost into the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.

In His Service,
Pastor Mike
James 5:1

Youth Pastor

THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!!

I just wanted to thank everyone who helped to make our Yee-Haw vacation Bible school a success this year. We had 72 kids join us and it was exciting to see them all get excited about Jesus. We had a great time laughing at our new friend Rawhide McSpur. (I was told Rawhide has a good-looking mustache) We assembled 120 kids' activity pack for Helping His Hand to take to disaster areas. We enjoyed singing and dancing. We learned about Jesus and how he came as a baby in a manger, died on a cross, and resurrected so that we all could spend eternity with him. So, thank you to all of those that were able to come out and help that day. Thank you to everyone who donated for our kids' activity pack. Thank you to those who prayed. Thank you to all of you at Bethel Church that make VBS possible every year.

In His Love,
Pastor Mike

Basement Bulletin Board schedule for 2019

July-August – Christian Generations
September – Preschool
October-November – Worship Committee
December - Assigned

Guild

The June meeting was attend by 15 ladies, and we had devotions and prayer. Our guest speaker was Judge Ryan Johanningsmeier, who spoke on how the Knox County Drug Court is creating productive citizens through accountability and drug rehabilitation, He is thankful for the program that citizens can get off drugs, and get jobs.

Delicious refreshments were served by hostesses Doris Richter and Shirley Brouhard.

Our next meeting will be August 7th at 2 pm at the Freelandville Community Home where we will host the August birthday party. Come and enjoy playing Bingo and visiting with the residents.

Lill Clinkenbeard

Thank You

Dear Bethel Church,

Thank you so much for your generous donation to Kids First.

Because of your thoughtfulness, we can continue to provide aide to children in our community that desperately need it.

You're appreciated 😊

Thanks again,
Chelsey Cardinal
NK Kids First Foundation

Dear Bethel friends & family,

Thank you! Thank you for all the shoes! They will be walking all over many places in Africa!

God bless you all!

The Fellowship of Christian

Farmers

Dear Bethel Council,

Thank you so much for the generous donation to the North Knox Nurses' Fund!

Because of your generosity and caring, several families in this area will have food on the table, water or electricity available in their house, prescriptions filled or gas vouchers available so an adult can take a child to a doctor, or go to a doctor for themselves, or sometimes get themselves to work.

God bless you!

Maridell Sargent

Bethel Church Council Minutes

June 10, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Justin French and Pastor Mike DeCoursey opened with prayer.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Mike reported that the number of Community Home residents attending the Sunday service was declining. He and Karen attended the pastor renewal at The Cove in North Carolina. Jim Cymbala from the Brooklyn Tabernacle was the featured speaker. He will be officiating at a wedding in Merom this weekend and he conducted a memorial service for Robert Messel on May 25. He has

been contacted by the leaders of the Bethany United Church of Christ who are searching for procedures to leave the UCC Association. He reminded members of the completion of the Baby Bottle Campaign which ends on Father's Day.

Youth Pastor's Report: Pastor Mike Leydet reported of the final FCA breakfast for this school year. Bethel hosted this, but Mariah Creek Christian Church provided the meal. He participated in the preschool graduation, held a VBS training session and lunch, and helped with the Roundup for VBS for the Freelandville community. Although this activity might not have resulted in a large participation, several registered and it served as an outreach to our community. 72 children attended VBS and 125 bags of coloring books, crayons, etc. to be given to Helping His Hands for children in disaster areas were made. Pastor Mike and Renee will be taking the youth to Spirit Song at King's Island on June 23rd.

Secretary's Report: This report was read and approved.

Deacon's Report: Terry Perkins reported an average attendance for May was 150 and an offering total of \$17,310. Other money deposited was from Atlas Gas, Brocksmith Mission, Facility use, the Memorial Fund, and the Cemetery Fund.

Treasurer's Report: Jan Spanger gave the treasurer's report and it was approved as written. She transferred \$2500 into the Youth account. This was a partial sum of a budgeted amount.

Mission Allocation: The following were approved: \$500 to the Christian Campus Fellowship and \$400 to the Gideon's.

Elder's Report: Justin French told of serving communion to 128 congregants on Pentecost Sunday and that 168 were in attendance for the June 10th service which included a celebration of VBS. Approximately 123 people stayed for the "Come As You Are" VBS celebration cookout.

Buildings and Grounds: Junod Painting has made a bid for the painting and repair of the sanctuary. Rainbow Painting will also be submitting a bid. Wired-Up repaired a light in the secretary's office. Pastor Mike L reported that the glass in the front storm door in the parsonage was broken by the wind and also attention is needed for the septic system.

Two companies will be contacted for bids to complete this work. The storm on June 5th resulted in damage to trees and limbs in the grove and cemetery. Cort Bilskie was contacted for this work. Brandon Spanger, Michael Toney, and Terry Perkins donated their time and equipment for most of the cleanup. Our thanks to them, once again. Some of the work for the damage to higher spots and for stump grinding will be done by Cort Bilskie.

Old Business: Ashley Archer attended the meeting to report on building the website. It has been approved for this to be done by Faith Connector. They will be waiving the set-up fee. An annual fee will be charged and this will provide templates to choose from, fitting for Bethel. Some of the services will include the capacity for on-line giving, apps for phones, and streaming services. It will be easy to upload current pictures. The council and congregation still need to choose a logo, one that is immediately recognized as representing Bethel Church. A committee will be formed to continue with this project. It was approved to move forward with these plans. Again, our thanks to Ashley for her work and patience.

Discussion was continued on the comprehensive insurance. A.J. Terrell of Springer Insurance has recommended that we choose Mennonite Mutual as the carrier, as it specializes in insurance for churches and farms. There are essential items to be addressed before the renewal in 2020. One is to have Sexual Abuse Awareness Training for all who work with children at Bethel. Mennonite Mutual provides templates and resources for this training. The change of carriers was approved by the council.

Outdoor lighting and cleaning of the marquee are still items to be completed.

Action Termite and Pest Control have treated the termite problem. There will be another inspection in three months.

New Business: Some of the new business was a reiteration from the Buildings and Grounds report. It was approved to allow Cort Bilskie to finish the cleanup from the storm in the grove and cemetery.

Other concerns are the absence of a handicap accessible bathroom on the main floor, the steepness of the front ramp, the plaster coming down in a classroom and the stairwell, a broken slider sash in the shelter house, and the broken flagpole rope in the cemetery. Several of these items will be repaired at a WORK DAY tentatively set for August 10th at 8 a.m. with a lunch served.

Ministries:

Coming Events: June 16 - Father's Day (Bring filled baby bottles back to church.)



Parish Records

Attendance:

May 26 120
June 2 132
June 9 168
June 16 144

Greeters:

July 7 – Sharon Dunkerly & Janet Tilly
July 14 & 21 – Bruce & Terri Miller
July 28 & Aug. 4 – Dale & Jane Tiek

Ushers: Travis & Stacey Kahre

Nursery (Sunday School):

July 7 Lana Dike/Cheryl Hagemeyer
14 Cheryl Hagemeyer/Diane Telligman
21 Holly Spanger/Cheryl Hagemeyer
28 Cheryl Hagemeyer/Carole Albrecht

Nursery Notes (Worship):

July 7 Theresia Barrett
14 Autumn Cone/Hope Leydet
21 Organ Family
28 Beth Durall/Shaylie Phegley

Children's Church:

July 7 Kate & Linda Hammelman/Ryan Johanningsmeier
14 Emma Miller/Hope Leydet/Jennifer Nettles
/Tracey Kahre
21 Rylee Hammelman/Janet Clinkenbeard
28 Melissa Schroeder/Emily Pirtle/Dale Tiek

July Birthdays:

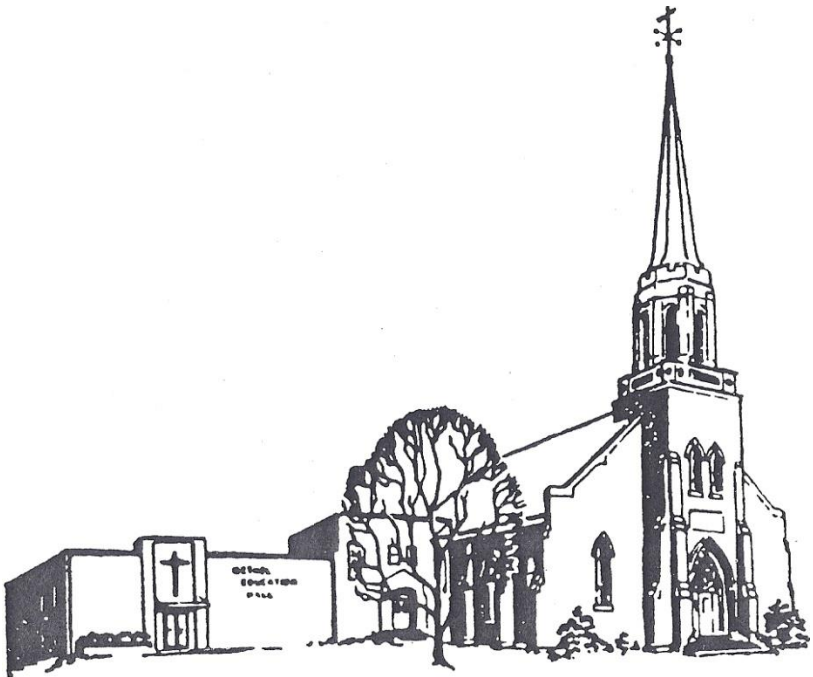
8 Beverly Schuckman (89th)
10 Edgar Hammelman (84th)
12 Lois Wampler (92nd)
14 Leroy Pieper (89th)
24 Joyce Telligman (88th)
25 Reda Boberg (83rd)
26 Billie Sager (80th)

Chimes news will be due on July 15th.

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