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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

Ephesians 4:29 speaks of edification. In the church, edification is used for the building up of a person of grace. In other words, edification is used to instruct, encourage someone in a positive manner in their walk with Christ. In order to do this, the believer must have control over their tongue. The book of James speaks of the tongue several times. James 3:5-10 gives us a good example of the power of the tongue. From these verses we see that if we have no control over our tongues, then there is no way that we can edify other believers, and without edification the church suffers, and when the church suffers the enemy, Satan, gains a strong hold.

It is time for the church to return to the message of the gospel, the whole message in order to differentiate from the world. Let us make an effort then to people who edify, who build up, rather than like those of the world who seek to discourage and destroy.

It is my prayer that Bethel be a leader in edification of the believer and not a follower in the ways of the world. Let Holy Scripture be our standard for like and let us stick by that standard.

In His Service,
Pastor Mike
James 5:1

Youth Pastor

September is upon us and school is back in full swing which means my favorite season is upon us: football season. I love football and I love watching our high school students compete on the field but my favorite thing about North Knox football is 5th Quarter. 5th Quarter was started a few years ago by some of our local youth leaders and meets after the home football games. We meet in the high school cafeteria for pizza, a short Bible Study and some games. All high school students are invited and it is great to see all these students from different churches and some that don't belong to a church come together after these games. There is a lot in the world that competes for the attention of our youth and 5th Quarter provides them an opportunity to have some fun in a God honoring environment. It is great to see five of our local churches all come together to serve our community. Thank you for your support of 5th Quarter and our youth programs here at Bethel.

In His Love,
Pastor Mike

Basement Bulletin Board schedule for 2019

September – Preschool
October-November – Worship Committee
December - Assigned

Guild

Bethel Guild held an enjoyable afternoon in August visiting with residents at the Freelandville Community Home hosting the August birthday party. We sang Happy Birthday to 7 residents, and also sang several favorite hymns. Doris Richter read a poem about years ago which we all enjoyed. We played bingo, and served ice cream, cookies and punch to all present.

Our next meeting will be the first Wednesday in October, and we will be going to Sullivan to eat out. Check the October Chimes for details.

Lill Clinkenbeard

Thank You

Thank you to all who sent cards and came to visit me at Fox Ridge for my 89th birthday. It was such an outpouring of love and made me feel very special. I'm so glad to be a part of this church family.

Eldina Benedict

Thanks to all the Church family for the prayers, cards and support at the passing of Deanna's mother, Roberta Jenkins.

Mark, Deanna, Patrick and Chris Sargent

Preschool

A new year of Pre-K has begun...how exciting! Our first few weeks will be spent getting to know each other and introducing our classroom rules and routines. We will meet our class mascot, Backpack Bear, who will take us on many fun learning adventures. We will also meet our Zoo Phonics animal friends who will help us with our letters and sounds. Each week we will learn more about God's great love through our Bible lesson and memory verse. Our imagination will run wild as we explore the world in our dramatic play area. Small groups and learning stations will provide many hands-on activities to prepare the children for kindergarten.

I am thrilled to begin my second year at Bethel Christian Preschool. What a blessing it has been to experience the kindness, generosity, and prayerful support of the Bethel congregation. Thank you all!

Mrs. Carter

We are off to a groovy preschool year so far. No tears and the kids could form a line to get us from one point to the next! We are already working hard on our shapes, colors, and counting. We are learning name recognition and sharing with our friends. I told the kids to sit on their pockets and one little girl made a point to say she did not have pockets as she lifted her dress above her head.

We are preparing for our Grandparent's Day celebration, trying to learn new songs, but have lots of energy and would rather just go play outside even if it is 90 plus degrees. One little boy heard from his brother that preschool was just a lot of playtime. We are a talkative group and have a lot to say already. I love my cool kids and can't wait to learn more about each one and their unique personalities.

Mrs. Beth Durall

Bethel Church Council Minutes

August 12, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Justin French and was opened with prayer by Mark Sargent.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Mike DeCoursey officiated at two funerals since the last council meeting. One was for Karen's mother and the other was held at Shaker Prairie Church. Our condolences to Karen and Mike on the loss of her mother, Joyce Hedden. He will be conducting graveside rites for Harold and Marilyn Rinsch on August 22. He will be officiating at the wedding of Allison Stoop and Blaine Rohlk to be held at Bethel on September 7th.

Youth Pastor's Report: Pastor Mike Leydet accompanied nine people to the Voice of the Martyrs Conference. He took the youth to the Colton Dixon concert at the Vincennes Lincoln Gym on July 28th. Pastor Mike, Marv and Jan Richter, and Laura Phegley accompanied the elementary youth to the Creation Museum near Cincinnati on July 30th. Sixteen youth enjoyed **7-Up Sunday**, a time when those entering 7th grade move into the junior high and high school youth group. After Labor Day, the times for youth meetings will be changed to 4:30-5:45 for the elementary and junior high and from 7:00-8:30 for the senior high group. He will be working the Boys' Flight 54 on August 17-19.

Secretary's Report: The secretary's report for the council meeting of July 8th was read and approved.

Deacon's Report: Mark Sargent reported an average attendance of 140 and an offering total of \$16,836 for the month of July.

Treasurer's Report: The report submitted by Jan Spanger was approved as written. The **Mission Allocations**

approved were \$1500 to the Nurses' Fund and \$1500 to the North Knox Social Ministries.

Elder's Report: Justin reported that 111 persons were served communion on August 4th. The Guild hosted a birthday party for the residents at the FCH on August 7th. Birthday celebrants were Lucille Robbins, Kay Combs, Janet Memering, Joe Grunaldo, and Steve Reddick. Four visits were made to residents and a patient in the Colonial Assisted Living, Gentle Care Nursing Home and Good Samaritan Hospital.

Buildings and Grounds: Stacey Kahre reported that an air conditioning unit serving the sanctuary and a capacitor in a unit in Bethel Hall was replaced by Shekell Heating and Air Conditioning Service. WORK DAY accomplishments were cleaning of the lighted sign and leveling of the pavers around the marquee, replacing many of the ceiling tiles in the social rooms, and taking the plaster off two rooms on the second floor that had been damaged by water. A new door that had been damaged by the storm was replaced at the parsonage. D.C. Metals has replaced a broken window in the shelter house and the fire pit that was damaged in a storm has been repaired by Thomas Shrock. A **Big Thanks to Conner Spanger**, who was the youngest volunteer on WORK DAY!

Old Business: The carpets have been cleaned, but the waxing of the floor near the preschool will be completed during Fall Break. The building of the website and choosing a church logo is ongoing. Ten samples will be sent soon for perusal.

New Business: Pastor Mike DeCoursey volunteered to check on replacing the flag poles in the sanctuary. Other concerns are a crack in the front ramp, which Randy will repair, the water fountain near the social room which could not be fixed, and the drainage in the cemetery. It has been suggested that the area near the doors in the social room be replaced by a different surface other than

Parish Records

Attendance:

July 21 135
July 28 163
Aug. 4 144
Aug. 11 159
Aug. 18 141

Greeters:

Sept. 1 – Clint & Beth Durall
Sept. 8 & 15 – Herman & Nancy Tilly
Sept. 22 & 29 – Justin & Traci French

Ushers: Tim & Tonya Miller

Nursery (Sunday School):

Sept. 1 Lana Dike/Cheryl Hagemeyer
8 Cheryl Hagemeyer/Diane Telligman
15 Holly Spanger/Cheryl Hagemeyer
22 Cheryl Hagemeyer/Carole Albrecht
29 Church Picnic

Nursery Notes (Worship):

Sept. 1 Theresia Barrett/Natalie Phegley
8 Autumn Cone/Brittany Page
15 Organ Family
22 Beth Durall/Emma Miller
29 Church Picnic

Children's Church:

Sept. 1 Kate & Linda Hammelman/Ryan Johanningsmeier
8 Emma Miller/Hope Leydet/Jennifer Nettles
/Tracey Kahre
15 Rylee Hammelman/Janet Clinkenbeard
22 Melissa Schroeder/Emily Pirtle/Dale Tiek
29 Church Picnic

September Birthdays:

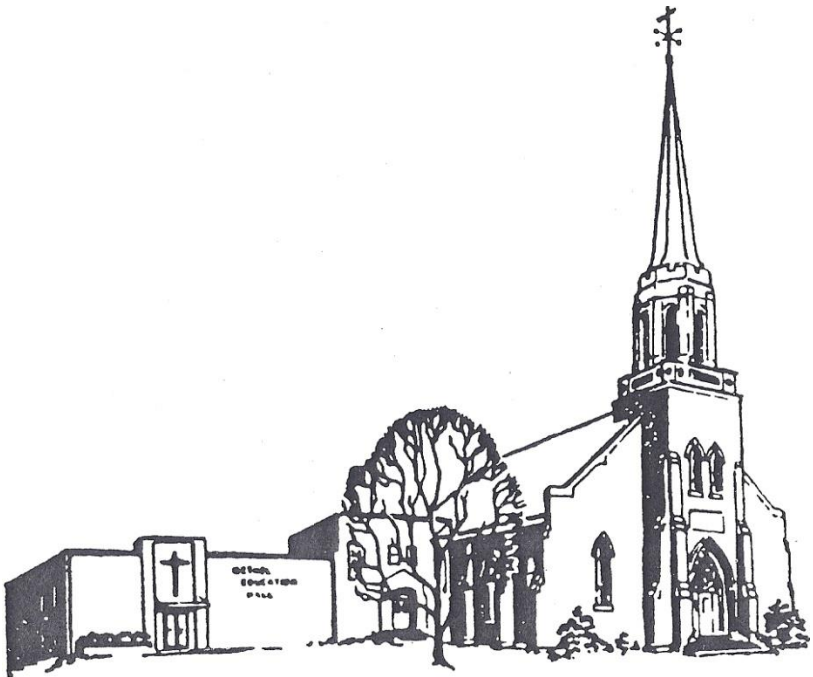
1 Irma O'Niones (84th)
18 Stanley (Pete) Coker (84th)
27 Bernard Sager (85th)

Chimes news will be due on September 16th.

September 2019

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