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Randy Hammelman, President (2023)

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Bonnie Organ, Secretary (2024)

Carole Albrecht, Treasurer (2025)

(Indicates the time that the term is over)

Clint Durall (2024)

Bobbie Hislip (2025)

Mark Sargent (2022)

Brandon Spanger (2023)

Collin Tiek (2025)

Pastor

Give Thanks for Freedom Through Christ

It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery. – Galatians 5:1

July is the month we celebrate our freedom as a nation, remembering on July 4 the Declaration of Independence when we claimed our freedom from Great Britain. It's a great holiday and one I truly enjoy with its parades, cookouts, fireworks and all things red-white-and-blue. But as we revel in our nation's freedom, we cannot forget that many people who live in our great country are not completely free as they live as slaves to sin.

Sin saps our freedom. It can bog down our lives and we know the "wages of sin is death." Fortunately, Jesus has come to break the shackles of sin and set us free. Acts 13:39 says "Through him everyone who believes is set free from every sin . . ." Our eternal freedom from sin comes only through Jesus who made a declaration of independence on the cross, a declaration written in red. As we remember the Fourth of July, let's not forget who provides our ultimate freedom.

In Christ,
Pastor Bryan

Contact Info for Pastor Bryan

Just a reminder that Pastor Bryan can be reached on his cellphone at 812-236-9573, or via e-mail at btaylorbethel@gmail.com. He even has a Facebook page under the name “Bryan Taylor.”

Basement Bulletin Board schedule for 2021

July/August – Nancy Tilly
September – Preschool
October/November – Mary Ann Miller
December - ??

New-Member Class

A New-Member Class is being planned for later this summer. If you are considering membership at Bethel, or you want to learn more about the church, contact Pastor Bryan.

Thank You

Bethel Church,

Thank you so much for the support that you have given me throughout the years. I am so blessed to have grown up in a church so kind and generous. Thank you for this scholarship! Both your financial and emotional support is appreciated. My faith is the most important part of my life, and I will continue to lean on God to guide me as I begin this next chapter of my life. Thank you again for your generosity!

Brittany Page

Dear Bethel Church Family,

Thank you all for your support during this new chapter in my life! I want to thank everyone that came to my graduation party, sent cards, or congratulated me on graduating. I'm thankful for everything this church has done for me and helped me accomplish over the past several years.

Reece Hammelman

“All Rise For Ryan’s Run For Recovery”

This run will honor the memory of Judge Ryan Johanningsmeier, with proceeds benefitting the Knox County Drug Court, a recovery program Ryan established almost immediately after becoming Judge of Superior Court 2 in 2015. The Knox County Drug Court program has served more than 100 participants, significantly improving the hope and expectation for recovery in our community. He loved his role as the Drug Court Judge and the opportunity it gave him to guide people from a life of crime in addiction toward a life of recovery.

The event will occur on **Saturday, September 4, 2021**. The 5k run and 1 mile walk will start at the Knox County Court House in Vincennes at 9 am, and will loop throughout downtown, finishing at the Court House.

You can register for the run, walk or to volunteer at: https://runsignup.com/Race/IN/Vincennes/AllRiseforRyansRun_forRecovery. If you would like to be a sponsor of the event, please contact Kari Johanningsmeier at 317-223-8259. Please join us to honor Ryan!

Vacation Bible School

Over a year ago our church had a visionary who wanted to bring VBS back for a full week and he was willing to direct it. Unfortunately, he passed before that vision came to fruition, so this week we honored Judge Ryan Johanningsmeier and put together a full week VBS and it was an amazing week. Ryan would have been so pleased to know that over 90 priceless gems were in attendance each day and they learned that they were treasured by God.

Along with the children that attended, around 65 volunteers served in one or more capacities throughout the week. From the planning committee, the decorators, those who donated items for the kitchen, the tireless crew leaders and helpers, the talented gals who made the Bible Stories come to life, the creative ones who led the kids in crafts, the crazy game ladies, our kitchen workers who created interesting snacks, the many hands that helped with the little kiddos in the nursery, our sound and camera lady, Ted Roach for putting the slide show together, the secretarial assistance, and Pastor Bryan who stayed very busy teaching music and doing the opening and closing sessions, along with his cast of characters, Dr. Diggingstone, Jesus and Queen Esther. A huge thank you to all who served all week, a partial week, or one day and for being interchangeable at the last minute and filling in wherever needed. It really couldn't have gone any better.

Also, thank you parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, friends and neighbors for transporting the children to VBS. They brought so much joy and enthusiasm and we were blessed to serve these treasures.

See you next summer at VBS 2022!!!

The VBS planning committee

Mountains

You may not think of Palestine as having mountains, but Mt. Hermon is snow clad year round. Can you identify these “high places” mentioned in the Bible?

1. Moses received the Ten Commandments on Mt. _____.
2. After the Last Supper Jesus went to the Mt. of _____.
3. The “holy hill” of Israel is Mt. _____.
4. Abraham was to sacrifice Isaac on Mt. _____.
5. Moses saw the Promised Land from Mt. _____.
6. The Samaritans worshiped on Mt. _____.
7. Elijah spent forty days and nights at Mt. _____.
8. Barak went down from Mt. _____.
9. Saul “leaned upon his spear” and died on Mt. _____.
10. Elijah contested 450 Baal prophets on Mt. _____.

Answers:

1. Sinai, Exodus 10
2. Olives, Matthew 26:26-30
3. Zion, Psalm 2:6
4. Moriah, Genesis 22:2
5. Nebo, Deuteronomy 34:1-4
6. Gerizim, Judges 9:7, John 4:20-21
7. Horeb, 1 Kings 19:2-8
8. Tabor, Judges 4:14
9. Gilboa, 2 Samuel 1:6
10. Carmel, 1 Kings 18:17-19

Bethel Church Council Minutes

June 14, 2021

Opening prayer for the meeting was given by Mark Sargent.

Pastors Report: Bryan Taylor

- Pastor Bryan read his report for the month of May
- Many visits to different church meetings, youth groups, Sunday School classes, community home, preschool , and shut-ins were done
- Questions about membership of the church were brought up-interesting in starting a class for people interested in joining the church

Secretary's Report: Bonnie Organ

- Report was read by council members and no changes were made

Deacon's Report: Brandon Spanger

- 181.6 - average attendance for the month of May
- \$22,463 - offering total for May

Treasurer's Report: Carol Albrecht

- Missions for the month of June - \$500 Camp Illiana, \$500 Backpack Blessings, \$500 Backpack Food, and \$500 Campus Christian Foundation

Elders Report: Garland Richter

- 135 were served Communion
- Plans to serve communion at next Community Home service

Buildings and Grounds: Mark Sargent

- Got bricks from Sawmill to use for some repairs
- Looking at the seal on the picnic tables at the shelter house-veneer is coming off
- Candelabra switch needs repaired
- Check soap dispenser in handicap bathroom

Old Business:

- The service on Facebook still buzzes
- Need to ask service guy to come and check camera set up
- First Impressions team met-preparing to make small changes around the church(paneling in basement)

New Business:

- September 19 - Church Picnic and Auction
- Auction money possibly used for stained glass window repair
- Suggestions for welcome cards for guests in pews and foyer- helpful for us to get in contact with our guests
- 175 anniversary of the church-need a committee-Bobbie Hislip volunteered to be on this committee
- Bethel Church will be taking over Backpack food blessings - (food in bag given to kids on Friday)
- Our church will be in charge of 1) buying food 2) storing it 3) packing it 4) take it to schools on Thursday
- Kids First will be financing this project
- Council will be talking to Sunday school classes and other groups to help with this project

Parish Records

Deaths:

Frank McCrary, 83, died on June 20, 2021. Burial was in Bethel Cemetery on June 24, 2021.

Audrey Kixmiller, 97, died on June 20, 2021. Burial was in Bethel Cemetery on June 26, 2021.

Attendance:

May 23 197
May 30 175
June 6 151
June 13 145

Ushers: Blaine & Allison Rohlk

Nursery (Sunday School):

July 4 Lana Dike/Cheryl Hagemeyer
11 Cheryl Hagemeyer/Diane Telligman
18 Holly Spanger/Cheryl Hagemeyer
25 Cheryl Hagemeyer/Lana Dike

Nursery Notes (Worship):

July 4 Natalie Phegley/Kelci Johanningsmeier
11 Page Family
18 Autumn Cone/Emma Miller
25 Hammelman Family

Children's Church:

July 4 Carole Albrecht/Brandy Toney/Bonnie Organ
11 Autumn Cone/Tracey Kahre
18 Janet Clinkenbeard/Rylee Hammelman
25 Dale Tiek/Emily Pirtle/Lili Phegley

July Birthdays

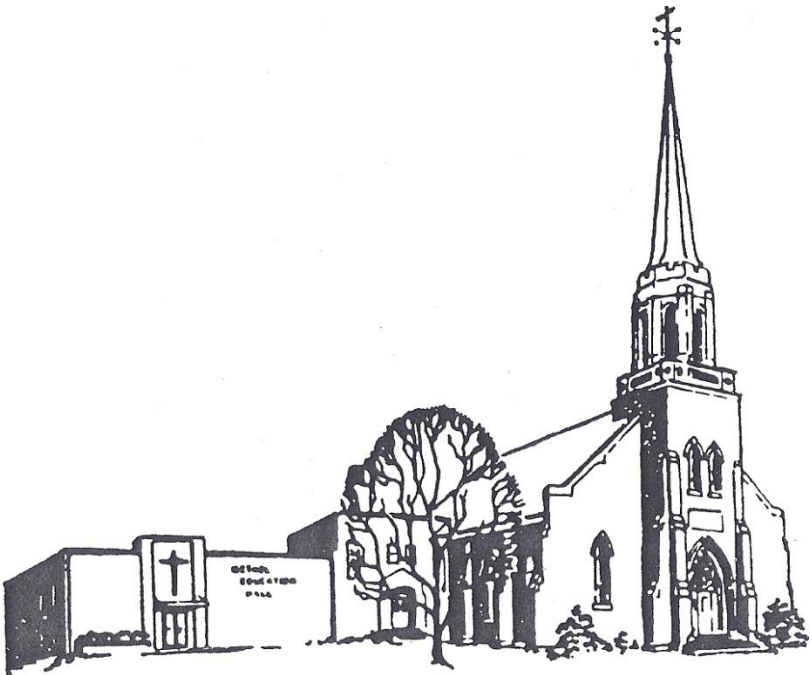
8 Beverly Schuckman (92nd)
10 Edgar Hammelman (86th)
14 Leroy Pieper (90th)
24 Joyce Telligman (90th)
25 Reda Boberg (85th)
26 Billie Sager (83rd)

Chimes news will be due on July 19th.

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