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Randy Hammelman, President (2023)	Clint Durall (2024)
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Bonnie Organ, Secretary (2024)	Mark Sargent (2022)
Carole Albrecht, Treasurer (2025)	Brandon Spanger (2023)
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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.”

Sunday School and Worship

Sunday School – 9 am on Sundays

Worship service – 10 am on Sundays

Pastor

What Legacy Will We Build in the New Year?

2 Timothy 1:5

“I am reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also.”

As I enjoyed our Children’s Christmas Program “Jesus Is My Superhero,” I was struck by the awesome responsibility we have as a church, parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and friends to make sure we pass along the faith basics to our young people. It’s a responsibility not to be taken lightly. Are we helping build a legacy that will serve them well in their walk with the Lord? When people look back on our church years from now, will they find us faithful? Will our legacy be that of a Bible-believing church that honored and worshiped Jesus? Or will it be a legacy that recalls us only as the place that had two giant live Christmas trees? I hope it will be a combination of all of the above.

In his second letter to Timothy, the great apostle Paul recalled the legacy Timothy had received from his grandmother and his mother. They passed their faith on to Timothy who became a trusted assistant and fellow missionary with Paul. Timothy eventually became the pastor of the church at Ephesus. He was able to serve and help build the young church because of the legacy of his grandmother and mother that lived in him. It was a legacy steeped in faith.

As we flip the calendar to a new year, we have a great opportunity to pause and consider the type of legacy Bethel Church will leave behind. Just as Timothy’s grandmother and mother passed on their faith, we must strive to provide a strong foundation of faith grounded in the Word of God for future believers. The legacy we leave determines not only the future of Bethel, but, more importantly, it influences the future impact of God in the world.

In Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Pastor Bryan". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Pastor Bryan

Guild

Guild had their Christmas luncheon on the 1st of December. 21 cheer plates were fixed and delivered. All enjoyed the day.

We will meet in February for the Women's Memorial Service. See you there.

Thank You

Dear Friends,

Thank you, thank you, thank you for all your thoughts, cards, prayers and well wishes during my knee surgeries. This has been a long road for me but I can now see the light at the end of the tunnel. Your prayers have certainly been felt and your well wishes have really encouraged me. Prayers are a special gift we can give to others and are so very precious when you are on the receiving end. We are so blessed. Thank you once again.

Mike Held

Attention ALL SUPERHEROES cast, crew and anyone who helped in anyway with the play: You are all amazing and greatly appreciated! We could not have done it without all your help.

Please read Philippians 1:3 as you continue all year to allow Jesus to be your superhero all year. 57 ish kids (wow--that's a lot!!) on the stage at one time melted our hearts. We are blessed at Bethel with a great group of kids!!

Love in Christ,
Bonnie and Beth

A Note of THANKS to Earl and Theresa Pahmeier for the cute camel ornament from Samaritan's Purse. That is one mode of transportation that they use to deliver shoe boxes.

Memorial Fund

In memory of Sharon Dunkerly:

Randy & Theresia Barrett

Kevin & Linda Hammelman

Bernettia Hollingsworth

Mark & Deanna Sargent

Preschool

December is always a very busy month in our Pre-K class. So many exciting things happening and so many things to prepare for Christmas. Our students practiced daily for our Christmas program and I was very proud of their performance! It isn't easy to get up on that big platform in front of so many people, but my students were all brave. I am also very proud of how well the children have remembered even the smallest details about the birth of Jesus as we read and discussed the story all month long. Our Bible verse for December was Isaiah 9:6 "Unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given." By the end of the month the children understood that Christmas was all about God's Son, Jesus, who is the Savior of the world!

The children enjoyed our Gingerbread Man unit and loved pretending to make, decorate, bake, sell, and eat yummy gingerbread cookies. We also had a large gingerbread house where the children could visit with our gingerbread boy and girl. We used our art skills to make special gifts and the Little Elves also opened up their store for our students to shop for their parents.

We finished December with our Christmas party. Yummy snacks, fun games, crafts, prizes, and a gift exchange with our friends made it a great day. As 2021 comes to an end, we wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year!

Mrs. Carter

December is always a fast and eventful month. I love teaching about baby Jesus and his birth. I love listening to the kids retell our stories or sing our songs. I had one little boy tell me that Mary carried the donkey :-). I was very proud of all the kids during our Christmas program. They did terrific staying on stage and singing! Thanks to our Bethel Church family. It was good to see so many there!

We focused on letters J, K, and L. As they all lead to our savior's birth. J of course is all about Jesus, K was all about a kiss and the advent count down. We loved reading "I am a King's Kid: Yes I am." The Little Lamb's Christmas finished our letters for this half of the school year.

We got to follow the shepherd on the search around the room and celebrated when he ended up at the manger. The kids came in every day wondering and looking for our shepherd.

We had fun parties to celebrate the Christmas season. The parents did great planning fun things to keep us busy and entertained. I hope you all had a very Merry Christmas and got to spend special times with family and friends. Looking for to a blessed New Year!

Mrs. Beth Durall

Missions/Outreach Committee

The Mission/ Outreach committee is gearing up for the month of January to be Disaster Kit Month. We will be making kits for Helping His Hands for the Kentucky tornado victims, individuals or groups. Everyone is encouraged to get involved. The lists will be posted in Bethel Hall. We will dedicate them and pray over them on January 30th. They will then be delivered to Helping His Hands.

We are the Hands and Feet of Jesus.

Bethel Church Council Minutes

December 13 at 7pm

Present: Bobbie Hislip, Bonnie Organ, Carol Albrecht, Randy Hammelman, Garland Richter, Mark Sargent, Brandon Spanger, Collin Tiek, Pastor Bryan Taylor, Clint Durall

Opening Prayer: Bonnie Organ

Pastor's Report:

- Church Service at the Freelandville Community Home on November 7 and December 5 - Thanks to Vaughn and Bobbie Hislip, Peg Taylor and Bonnie Organ for attending
- Assisted with cutting Christmas trees and helped decorate church
- Leading bible study - Supporting Cast of Christmas
- Purchased new altar bible
- Met with Sound and Media Committees (discussing an upgrade in the sound system)
- Prayer list for bulletin will be left on for three weeks unless requested longer
- Went on many visits to the Nursing Home, Hospital, and homes
- Enjoying teaching the confirmation class every Sunday- Great group of kids

Secretary's Report:

- Read and accepted

Deacon's Report:

- Average attendance for November is 179
- Offering in November was \$18,223.50

Treasurer's Report

- Glatha Hemme sent \$1000 and an appreciation letter for all Bethel Church does for the community- Thank you note sent to her by Bonnie Organ.
- \$2000 CD matured - put in Money Market for Scholarship(meet with Edward Jones lady)
- Send Action Pest Control early and receive 10% off
- Received a call from Jason from Helping His Hands for immediate help for Wednesday when they take another load to tornado victims
- Missions - \$1900 for Shoe Boxes take out of Mission Trip, Call Seth Alexander to see if Armor Bearers is in need of \$500, Use Backpack fund \$1250 to give to Helping His Hands, Nurses Fund \$450

- Put together some emergency fund kits for Helping His Hands to transport to designated places

Elder's Report:

Served 134 Communion at the end of November

Next Communion is January 2

Bonnie Organ took Christmas Coloring pages made by the Children's Church kids to the Nursing Home residents (Thank you, Carol Albrecht for the coloring pages)

Building and Grounds:

- Bill Resler suggested we consider looking for a new lawn mower (tracker type) - Mark Sargent will be getting some bids
- Bill Resler fixed the fire place at shelter house (it wouldn't fire)
- Have carpet runner for the downstairs ramp when floor is down
- Purchased extended warranty on hot water heater \$70 for 5 years

Old Business:

- Have packed food into backpacks 3 times so far and it is going very well!
- Flooring looks great!
- Need a sound board person to replace Terry Perkins

New Business:

- Annual meeting on January 30, 2022
- Select new Council Members- interested in changing the amount of years on the committee (three instead of five)
- Carol Albrecht said PayPal is set up
- Our money is in PayPal but having trouble transferring it
- Jules Mominee (stained glass window man) will put us on the list for mid-July to give us an estimate on repairing a couple more windows
- January 10 Council Meeting
- January 18 End of the Year Evaluations (6:30 pm)

Lord's Prayer given by Council

Next meeting will be on Monday January 10 at 7pm.

Parish Records

Attendance:

Nov. 21 180

Nov. 28 179

Dec. 5 171

Dec. 12 202

Ushers: Bill and Brandee Davis

Nursery (Sunday School):

Jan. 2 Lana Dike/Cheryl Hagemeyer
9 Cheryl Hagemeyer/Diane Telligman
16 Holly Spanger/Cheryl Hagemeyer
23 Cheryl Hagemeyer/Krista McLaughlan
30 Cheryl Hagemeyer/Autumn Cone

Nursery Notes (Worship):

Jan. 2 Autumn Cone/Hannah Summers
9 Allison Rohlk/Brenda Maddox
16 Madi Burress/Lili Phegley
23 Beth Durall/Brittany Pahmeier
30 Kelci Johanningsmeier/Jennifer Stafford

Children's Church:

Jan. 2 Bonnie Organ, Nikki Mundy, Carole
Albrecht, Amy Tiek, Brandy Toney
9 Tracey Kahre/Autumn Cone
16 Janet Clinkenbeard/Rylee Hammelman
23 Dale Tiek/Natalie Phegley/Lili Phegley/Autumn
Burriss
30 Every one (preschool to 4th grade) meets in the
basement

January Birthdays

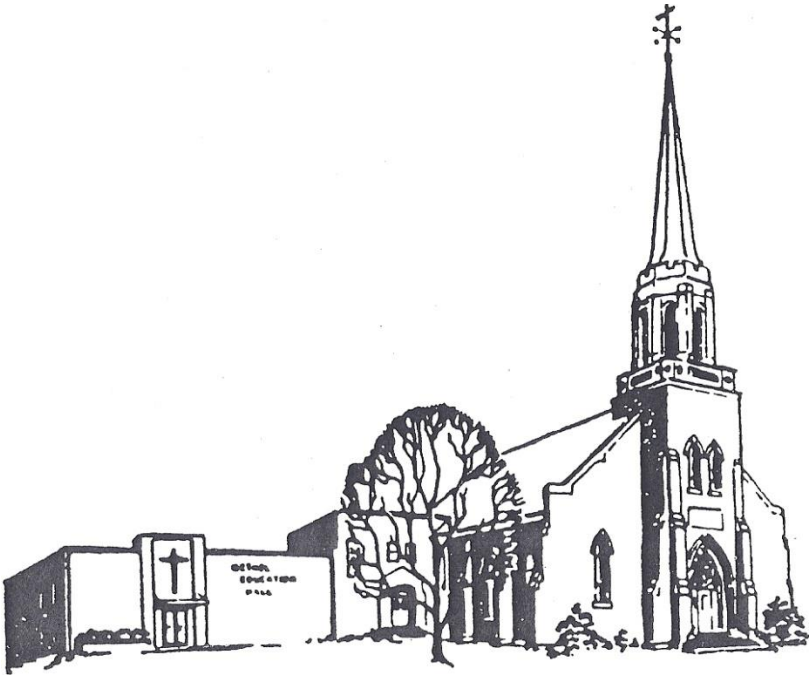
6 Bernettia Hollingsworth (80th)
29 Shirley Brouhard (83rd)

Chimes news will be due on January 17th.

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