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Sunday School and Worship

Sunday School – 9 am on Sundays

Worship service – 10 am on Sundays

Find Refuge, Strength and Help in God

Psalm 46:1

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. – NIV

Many people in the Bethel family and our surrounding community are facing ordeals on several fronts. During recent prayer times we have heard words and phrases pointing to those trials – *passing of a loved one, hospice care, chemo, radiation, surgery, biopsy, emergency room, fire*. And the world adds to our list of troubles with addictions, wars, political division, mass shootings, social media clogged with incessant name calling, etc. We live in times that test us.

How we move through those tests depends on where we turn when trouble surfaces. We have options. Sometimes we ignore the trouble, hoping it will heal itself or disappear. Other times, we run from it in an attempt to divorce it from our lives. And there are times we try to ease the pain of life through some type of addictive substance.

But there is a better way. As Christians, we can move through tough times because our God provides refuge, strength and help in times of trouble. To Him we must turn for refuge that brings protection of a fortress. And as we find sanctuary in Him, we find strength to navigate the difficulties of life. Also, His help is ever-present – He is always with us. In the lowest of lows and the highest of highs, He never leaves us. When the trials of life surface, and they will, be sure the first place you turn is to our God of refuge, strength and help.

In Christ,



Pastor Bryan

Thank You

Thank you to the Bethel Family for all the prayers, cards, and food during my recent illness.

It was all very much appreciated.

Bethany Hammelman

I would like to thank everyone for the prayers and cards after my recent surgery. A special thanks to the Bethel Women's Guild for the beautiful flowers. I really appreciated it.

Monica Russell

Memorial Fund

In memory of Janice Courter:

Vincennes University Foundation

Preschool

Another school year has come to an end and I have to say goodbye to my sweet students. We have had a wonderful year and I am proud of each child. They have learned so much and are ready for Kindergarten, but more importantly they have more knowledge of God's great love.

We made some great memories at our Mother's Day Tea. The children were so excited to sing some songs for their moms and to present them with a special gift. Everyone enjoyed the delicious food.

In May we witnessed the exciting transformation of our caterpillars into butterflies. It was hard to wait for the butterflies to emerge from the chrysalis, but so much fun to closely observe our new friends. We enjoyed releasing them on a beautiful spring day.

Graduation day is fast approaching and our excellent photographer, Ted Roach, captured perfect images of our students in their caps

and gowns. They looked so grown up. We are looking forward to celebrating our year together on Graduation night.

Thank you to all who have given time, prayers, and donations to make our preschool program a success. We are so blessed!

Mrs. Carter

Happy May, Happy Summer.

We had our Earth Day lesson on taking care of God's creation and reducing, reusing, and recycling when we can. We talked about how we can help. Some of the kids replies were: Not brushing our teeth (I think it should have been not letting the water run when we brush our teeth), don't throw out trash, eat all our food on our plate, turn out the lights and pray!! Love them and all their responses. We loved putting our name on recycled bottle caps and we always reuse our paper for projects.

YES LORD! YES LORD!! (Shout it out as we learn about letter Y)!! We talked about things that are yummy like apples, chocolate, and goldfish crackers. We then went to things that are yucky like green vegetables, milk, and rotten bananas.

Letter Z took us to "Bethel Zoo" and all the animal sounds!! We loved finishing our letters as we had been on the countdown for a few weeks. We also talked about Zacchaeus and how even though he was small, he still searched for Jesus. This is something we should all do in the good and bad times. When we start letter A at the beginning of the school year and look down our line, letter z seems so far away, but we made it according to one little boy.

We enjoyed bringing our moms and special guest to Mother's Day Tea!! The kids did a great job singing and loved spending a little extra one-on-one time.

We read “If Jesus Came to Visit Me” (one of my favorite books) and talked what we would give him or do. Some would take Him to the swings, some would feed Him, some would play games with Him and some would let Him rest. Most importantly, we would all want to give Him our heart.

Our last week was all fun and games!! We had relay races, kites, pizza and popsicles. We shared more hugs than normal and had smiles as we know summer is here!!

Thanks to our Bethel family who have given us support with love, stickers, and prayers! We are so blessed with a great group of Jesus servants!!

Another preschool year has come to a close. It went by very fast. I am blessed to have had each and every child special and unique in class. Wishing them all a great summer!! Praying for Jesus’ love to always shine through each of them.

Mrs. Beth Durall

MISSION COMMITTEE

The Mission Committee has been sort of quiet for the past month. We are gearing up for another food drive. For the month of JUNE we will be collecting peanut butter and jelly for North Knox Social Ministries (we would appreciate buying plastic jars).

Also, we would like to thank the Youth, Bible Study group, Tri Kappa, the Committee and others who helped in packing food bags for North Knox. We have packed approximately 800 bags and distributed to the three schools in the area. We just pack and deliver, and the KIDS FIRST FOUNDATION pays for the food. This is a great ministry and very helpful to some less fortunate children.

SAVE THE DATE ---- AUGUST 21, 2022

175TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE has been busy preparing a new directory for the celebration. We will be having t-shirts, and keep your eyes open for a new banner on the church. Worship will be in the sanctuary, with lunch at the Shelter House and activities in the grove in the afternoon. Please plan to spend the day with us on this special day.

Bethel Church Council Minutes **May 9, 2022, 7:00pm**

Present: Randy Hammelman, Bobbie Hislip, Bonnie Organ, Lisa Richter, Collin Tiek, Carol Albrecht, Clint Durall, and Pastor Bryan Taylor

Absent: Christopher Nettles and Brandon Spanger

Pastor's report: Bryan Taylor

- Sermon prep for April
- Confirmation of Brody Page
- Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, and Easter service
- Attended 175th Anniversary planning committee
- Attended Bible school planning meeting
- Attended pastors retreat at The Billy Graham training center
- Baptized Mia Alsman
- Preached at Nursing Home church service
- Bible study starts up on May 4 (parables of the kingdom)
- 16 home visit and two hospital visits
- Pastor Bryan's first anniversary at Bethel was May 3
- Web planning meeting with Stacey Kahre

Secretaries report: read and approved by council

Deacon's report: Clint Durall

- Average attendance for April was 235
- Offering for April was \$22,695.78

Treasurer's report: Carol Albrecht

- Missions for May-\$2500 to North Knox Social Ministries

Elder's report:

- Served 282 people communion on Easter
- Served 68 people communion on Maundy Thursday
- Bobbie and Vaughn Hislip filled in at the Nursing Home church service on April 24

Building and grounds:

- Lightbulbs in sanctuary have been installed and they look great
- Clint Durall fixed the church pew
- Leak in Mustard Seed classroom needs to be checked

Old business

- Windows for the Sunday school class are here and will be put in soon
- Preparing a banner for the 175th Anniversary celebration-call newspaper, talk to Glatha about DVD, and Carla is catering the meal
- Discussion on starting a Welcome committee
- Discussion on starting up small groups again

New business

- Need new first aid kits around the church- Lisa Richter will restock
- Looking into purchasing an AED
- Floors in the preschool area will be cleaned after VBS

Upcoming dates

- Preschool graduation May 20
- VBS June 13-17
- Next meeting will be June 13 at 7:00

Meeting adjourned after reciting the Lord's Prayer

Parish Records

Deaths: John Clinkenbeard, 89, died on May 16, 2022. Burial was in Bethel Cemetery on May 21, 2022.

Attendance:

Apr. 17 325

Apr. 24 164

May 1 202

May 8 226

May 15 162

Ushers: Kyle and Jennifer Stafford

Nursery (Sunday School):

June 5 Lana Dike/Cheryl Hagemeyer

12 Cheryl Hagemeyer/Diane Telligman

19 Holly Spanger/Cheryl Hagemeyer

26 Cheryl Hagemeyer/Krista McLaughlin

Nursery Notes (Worship):

June 5 Macey Alsman/Brianna Page

12 Nikki Mundy/Shaylie Phegley

19 Brittany Pahmeier/Emma Miller

26 R. Hammelman Family

Children's Church:

June 5 Peg Taylor/Amy Tiek/Brandy Telligman

12 Jane Tiek/Autumn Cone

19 Micah Morgan/Rylee Hammelman

26 Brenda Maddox/Natalie Phegley/Autumn
Burruss

June Birthdays

13 Patty Buescher (91st)

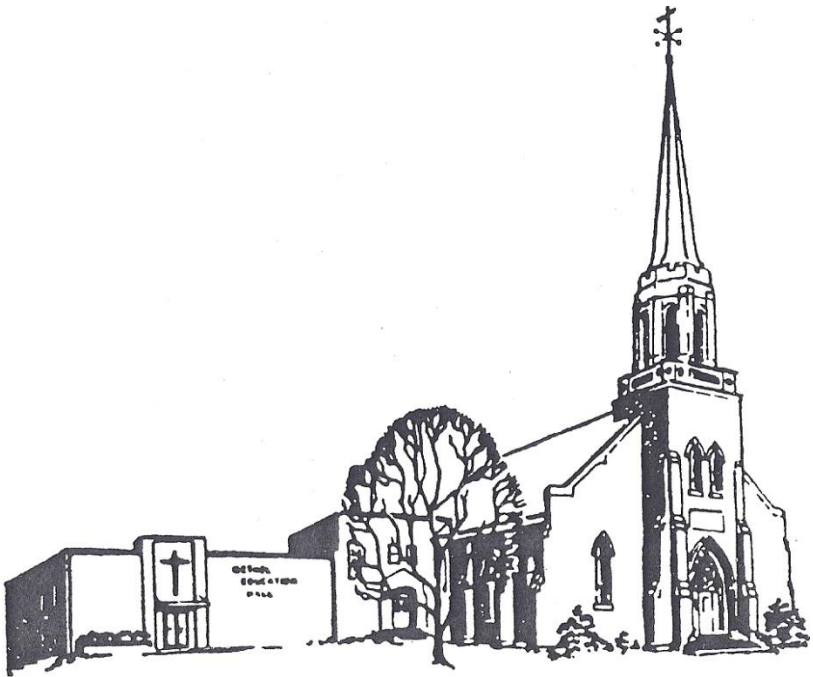
30 Carolyn Williams (90th)

Chimes news will be due on June 20th.

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