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Carole Albrecht, Treasurer (2025)	Lisa Richter (2026)
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Sunday School and Worship

Sunday School – 9 am on Sundays

Worship service – 10 am on Sundays

The 175th Anniversary Committee would like to share that there are directories and some t-shirts left after the celebration. The cost of the directory is \$10, and the t-shirts is \$15. We can mail you either or both for an additional \$5 per item.

You Can't Miss His Glory

Psalm 19:1-2

“The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge.” – NIV

I witnessed the glory of God in mid-October traveling the Hoosier countryside to officiate a funeral in Clay City. The sunlight popped off the recently harvested fields reflecting golden rays onto trees in seasonal transition of multi-colored leaves. Barns and farm equipment added to the picturesque nature of my drive. But it was the brilliant blue sky and the bright sun that provided the backdrop for this scene. The countryside captured my attention, but the sky reminded me of who makes it all happen.

President Abraham Lincoln was quoted as saying, “I can see how it might be possible for a man to look down upon the earth and be an atheist, but I cannot conceive how he could look up into the heavens and say there is no God.” No one can miss the declaration of the skies, which is ongoing – day after day, night after night. When we look to the skies, we can see: *beauty* in a sunset or the puffy clouds; *expanse* in a blue sky with no boundaries; *infinity* with stars at night; *order* with nature guided by specific laws; *life support* from a sun and rain that give life; and *power* in a thunderstorm packed with lightning and wind.

So when you find your faith beginning to waver as the world presses in around you, poke your head out the front door, look up to the heavens, and witness the glory of God. Because of the heavens’ ongoing proclamation of the “work of his hands,” there can be no doubt of the power of our God who sent His son, Jesus, to save us from our sins.

In Christ,



Pastor Bryan

Preschool

During October we read the stories of the Good Samaritan, friends lowering a lame man through the roof to see Jesus, and Jesus calling His disciples. The children have memorized two new verses this month. Mark 12:31, "Love your neighbor as yourself." and Matthew 4:19, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." We are talking a lot about what it means to follow Jesus and how to be a good neighbor.

Our dramatic play theme has been Community Helpers. The children enjoyed dressing up as firefighters, police officers, construction workers, and postal workers. We had a special visit from Fire Chief Josh Trotter, who talked to the children about fire safety. We also got to sit in the fire truck, spray the hose, and hear the siren. That was fun!

We are continuing to sing songs and play games to help us learn our letters, sounds, and numbers. This month we started counting to 30. I am so proud of the progress we have made during the first quarter of our year.

As October comes to an end, we plan to visit the Freelandville Community Home to sing for the residents from the porch. We are also looking forward to dressing up and playing games at our Harvest Party.

Mrs. Carter

What a fun fall we have had. We have had our eyes checked, pictures taken, a few special visitors, and learned a lot.

Letter B led us to play in the kitchen band, bingo and bubbles. During kitchen band, one little boy shouts, "I promise I have never heard anything like this"!! Trust me, neither has anybody else, but it was fun. We love books but know the best book of all is the Bible. We went on a bear hunt and had lots of growling going on.

Letter C, we talked about the cross and what it means to us that Jesus loved us so much, He died there for all of us. We counted cupcakes with Pete the Cat.

Dandy Dirt Dessert is always a fun day as we learn about letter D. We love cooking class, especially when there is a treat at the end to take home and enjoy. We read "Daniel and the Lions" and talked about how loud, frightening and scary it would be in a den with lions. We knew to pray no matter what. God will take care of us.

Eggs, soaked in vinegar or cracked, were our lesson for letter E. Our science experiment allowed us to soak the raw eggs in vinegar and look at them in pictures for a few days. We then watched them bounce to their end. What a fun messy experiment, but the concrete outside and our paint shirts are washable!! Thank goodness.

We thank Freelandville Fire Fighters for coming and talking to us about fire safety and letting us see the big red truck! Letter F is funny, says one little boy. I think he meant fun but was so excited and speaking fast!!

We read "Shine Smiling Pumpkin" and learned we are a lot like pumpkins. Jesus picks us and takes away our sins or goo inside of us. We shine for HIM!! One little girl says, "BUT I AM NOT ORANGE LIKE THAT"! They speak their mind and let it be known when something is said they don't agree with :-). We look forward to sharing that light at the Nursing Home at the end of October.

We are off on fall break at the time of this writing. Hoping everyone enjoys staying up late and sleeping in!! Have a great November!!

Mrs. Beth Durall

Guild

December 7 will be our Christmas Guild meeting. It will be a covered dish luncheon at 11:30. Please bring your cookies, as we will do cookie plates after lunch. A short business meeting will follow.

Doris Richter

Peg and I would like to thank the church for the pastor appreciation gift. We truly are grateful for it, and we appreciate even more the Bethel family. Thank you for embracing us the way you have. It is a privilege to serve alongside you.

Bryan and Peg

We want to thank Bruce and Sally Clinkenbeard for providing a new lamp post for the parsonage. They gave that gift in memory of their son Tennyson. Also, thanks to Bruce, Bill Resler, and Mark Telligman for installing the light.

Memorial Fund

In memory of Leroy Pieper:

*Vickie Held
N. K. Classroom Teachers
Max & Becky Nickless
Bill & Darlene Resler*

*Brad & Pam Summers
John & Jan Spanger
Herman & Nancy Tilly
John & Connie Wanke*

“COME and SEE”.....Bethel’s Sunday School

Scriptures in the Bible urge people to “Come and See”! In John 1: 46, Nathanael asked, “*Can anything good come from Nazareth?*” Philip answers, “Come and see!” In Psalm 66:5, it is written, “Come and see what God has done, his awesome deeds for mankind!”

Several years ago, the theme “Come and See” invited our church family to join the fellowship of Sunday School. Again, we urge you to become part of a time spent in studying the Bible each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. The seven classes provided are detailed in brochures on the bulletin board in Bethel Hall. The members of each class decide on the curriculum to be studied. Adult classes use those found on Right Now Media, and others use the Standard Commentary called The Present Word. For very young children, a nursery is provided during the Sunday School hour. The Preschool – 1st grade class study from David C. Cook’s Heart Shaper series and the 2nd-6th graders follows a 3-year cyclical study beginning with Genesis from Gospel Project. The High School and Junior High also study from lessons from Gospel Project. The seventh and eighth graders are currently attending Confirmation classes with Pastor Bryan. There is no longer a designated Promotion Sunday, but those in children’s classes move to an advanced class as a new school year begins.

What are the missions of the Sunday School? All quarterly curriculum lessons and study material and the Vacation Bible School curriculum, supplies and some food for approximately 140 children and staff were financed by the Sunday School this year. 21 children attended Camp Illiana this summer and the Sunday School equally shared that financial responsibility with Bethel Church. In 2021, the contributions from our Sunday School to Knox County missions alone was \$5,550. Other classes also were involved in mission giving. The giving for 2022 is now \$10,408 and thankfully our missions can continue with the faithful support.

Our Sunday School is an active participant of Christian education for Bethel’s families. COME AND SEE!

Sunday School Committee



A New Beginning for Génesis



In the mountains of Ecuador, 8-year-old Génesis was invited to an Operation Christmas Child outreach event by her cousin. There she heard the Gospel of Jesus Christ clearly presented and was surprised with her first gift ever—a shoebox filled with a stuffed animal, doll, and her favorite toys. Even “the box itself made me very happy,” said Génesis.

At the event, she also accepted Jesus Christ into her heart! “I have a new friend,” said Génesis. “I am happy for the opportunity I had to come here. I have learned about God and received a shoebox. He is my Savior.”

Génesis went home and told her mother, who was sick with COVID-19, about Jesus. As a result, both of her parents came to faith in Christ! The family was also grateful to God for her mother’s full recovery.

Génesis went on to participate in The Greatest Journey, the follow-up discipleship program designed especially for shoebox recipients, where she learned more about following Christ and sharing Him with others.

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SHOEBOX GIFT IDEAS



"WOW" ITEM

- Soccer ball with pump
- Doll
- Stuffed animal
- Shoes

TOYS

- Toy cars
- Jump ropes
- Yo-yos
- Toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries)



PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

- Toothbrushes
- Washcloths
- Combs
- Hairbrushes



SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- Pens, pencils, sharpeners, crayons, and markers
- Notebooks and paper
- Coloring and picture books
- Solar calculators



ACCESSORIES

- Socks
- Sunglasses
- Jewelry and watches
- Flashlights (with extra batteries)



DO NOT INCLUDE

candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; scary or war-related items; seeds; food; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items or glass containers; aerosol cans



"Through your prayers

and generosity, we're sending the Gospel to the ends of the earth! Be sure to make your shoebox gift unique and include a letter and photo—those personal touches can mean so much to a child."

—Franklin Graham,
President, Samaritan's Purse

MISSION COMMITTEE

The Mission Committee has been busy packing Food Packs for the North Knox Schools, with help from the Wednesday Night Bible Study. We have several children in this area who need this help. We pack twice a month. If you are interested in helping, let the committee know.

We will be hosting the TRUNK OR TREAT on Sunday October 30th from 5:00 to 7:00. Come out for an evening of fun. Lots of **FREE** food, cones, hotdogs, chips, cookies, drinks and Ice Cream. EVERYONE WELCOME

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD **“SHOE BOXES”** is in full swing. We have boxes at the church and the Church will pay the \$10.00 shipping fee for the boxes. Our Goal this year is **“225 BOXES.”** So, pick up your boxes and fill them, pray over them, and return them to the church by November 20th. Make a difference in some child’s life as they experience the love of Jesus and caring that can come from someone they do not know.

“BE THE HANDS AND FEET OF JESUS”

Bethel Church Council Minutes

October 10, 2022

Brandon Spanger opened in prayer

Present: Bryan Taylor, Bonnie Organ, Randy Hammelman, Carole Albrecht, Lisa Richter, Clint Durall, Brandon Spanger, and Collin Tiek

Absent: Christopher Nettles and Bobbie Hislip

Pastor's report:

- Confirmation class - (10 children) makeup class if can't be there on Sunday is on Tuesday evenings
- Attended Preschool Grandparents Day
- Attended Preacher to Preacher at Redemption Church
- Baptism of Mason Cumberworth
- Bible study started in September on the book of John
- Attended North Knox Social Ministries meeting
- Participated in Worship in the Grove - September 18
- Helped with loading of backpacks for Backpack Blessings
- Attended FCA breakfast on September 30
- Lead World Wide Communion on October 2
- Lead Freelandville Community Home Church service on October 2
- Participated in Saturday evening prayer group

Secretary's report:

- Read and approved

Deacon's report:

- Average attendance for month of September - 185
- Offering for September - \$24,995.71 (includes auction)

Treasurer's report:

- Youth - paid for pizza for 5th quarters and donuts/ drink for Meet You At The Pole
- Missions - Nurses Fund \$1000

Elder's report:

- Served 125 Communion on October 2
- Served 10 Communion at Nursing Home on October 2

Building and Grounds report:

- Bruce Clinkenbeard would like to replace lamp post in front of the parsonage in memory of Tennyson Clinkenbeard
- Dale Tiek replaced window in church parsonage

- Fire extinguishers inspected this month
- Coal mine representatives walked to survey the church

Old Business:

- Obtaining prices for security systems - VEI and ADT came to check the church and give options and prices
- Purchase steel doors for pastor and secretary's offices
- Need some motion lights around the church
- Lamp post on south side needs repaired
- Need to plant some trees - offer to congregation the donation of a tree in memory of loved ones
- Trunk or Treat at Fire station/Community building on October 30

New Business:

- Isaiah House Luncheon - Highland Woods November 1 can host a table for lunch or dinner
- Christmas services - Sunday is Christmas, so Christmas morning service will be at 6:30 am (no SS or 10 am service)
- Evaluations for Bethel Church staff will be on November 14 around 7:30 pm - schedule will be sent to staff
- Requested use of the church van to transport ladies to watch Reeve Hammelman play basketball at Kentucky Wesleyan in Owensboro

Parish Records

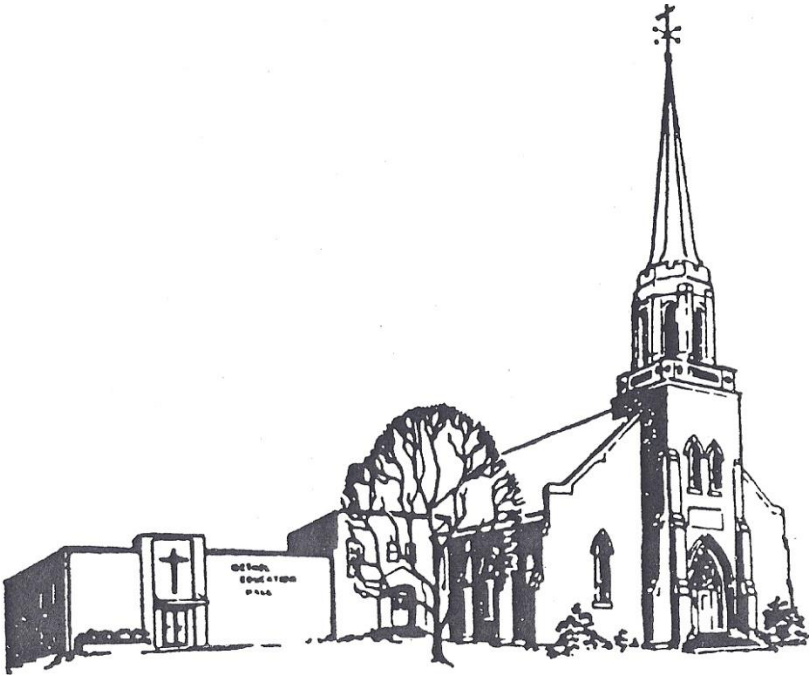
Attendance:

Sept. 18 220
 Sept. 25 169
 Oct. 2 179
 Oct. 9 192
 Oct. 16 183

Ushers: Kyle & Jennifer Stafford

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