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Collin Tiek, President (2025)

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Bobbie Hislip, Secretary (2025)

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Ed Hagemeyer (2028)

Blaine Rohlk (2028)

Christopher Nettles (2026)

Bruce Clinkenbeard (2027)

Travis Kahre (2027)

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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.”

North Knox Social Ministries

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Food Pantry Hours

Monday: 10 am to Noon

Wednesday: 5:30 pm to 7:15 pm

1st, 3rd, & 4th weeks

Friday: 1 pm to 3:15 pm

Clothing Give-Away Hours

2nd Thursday: 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

4th Thursday: 10 am to Noon

Chimes news will be due May 20th.

Nothing Can Eclipse The Power of God

Colossians 1:16

For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him.—NIV

How about that eclipse? Peg and I marveled at that celestial alignment from the front lawn of the church, and we were able to visit with folks from Kentucky, Minnesota, northern Indiana, and Chicago who discovered our church parking lot for their eclipse viewing. All kinds of hype preceded the event – news stories about traffic gridlock, viewing parties, ISO-certified viewing glasses, and apocalyptic predictions, to name a few. For me, it all came down to two words – God’s power.

Yes, the eclipse was a natural occurrence; we even knew it was coming. But as darkness swept across the Knox County countryside accompanied by the birds going silent and the temperatures dropping, we received a special revelation of God’s power. Think of how the sun, earth and moon must align in their orbits for such an event. Their placement not only serves us well on eclipse days, but every day of the year – a natural order created by God.

Such a creation is only possible through the power of God. While that can boggle the mind, we can take joy in knowing that we can turn to His power in our lives. The God whose creation declares His power, provides us a power source to help us through every moment in our lives and that, of course, is the Holy Spirit. In Acts 1:8, Jesus tells the disciples that the Holy Spirit will empower them. The great preacher Charles Spurgeon once said: “Without the Spirit of God, we can do nothing. We are as ships without the wind, branches without sap, and like coals without fire, we are useless.” Lean on the power of God.

In Christ,



Pastor Bryan

MISSION COMMITTEE

The Mission/Outreach Committee met on April 15, 2024. Bryan Taylor opened with prayer. Scripture was taken from Matthew 28: 19-20. "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

The following events were discussed and planned as follows:

- April 21, 2024 @ 7 pm, everyone is invited to attend a family mission night with guest speaker, Kim Williams. Kim will be sharing the Jacob's Well project. The youth group will be joining our mission committee and will be providing ice cream and desserts for a free will donation. All proceeds will be going to the Jacob's Well project. There will be all kinds of toppings for the ice cream! Please plan to come and support our mission and our youth!
- June 9, 2024, there will be a Summer Bash after church with the following Menu: Fried Chicken, Baked Beans, Potato Salad and Slaw, Cookies, Cakes, Brownies, Cupcakes, and ice cream! Please plan to come and join in some fellowship and good food.
- The mission committee has decided to volunteer to help Knox County 4-H. We will be hosting some clinics at Bethel Church to help any 4-Her complete their projects. More details to come, so stay tuned to the announcements on Sunday Mornings. Tentative dates are May 4th, May 18th, and June 29th. If anyone is interested in volunteering, please see one of the committee members for more information on how to sign up.
- The mission committee will be boxing up books for the Love packages. A date and time will be announced. So, stay tuned.

Our next meeting will be May 20th, 2024 @ 7 pm at Bethel. Our meeting was adjourned and closed with prayer.

We Are Commanded to Go & Grow Disciples

Preschool

Wow! The days have really been flying by since spring break. I can hardly believe that we are already nearing the end of this school year!

This month we had fun learning more about Jesus and celebrating that He has Risen! A big thank you to the parents for planning such fun Easter parties and to our prayer partners for such thoughtful Easter gifts. We loved learning and singing a new Easter song, "Hosanna" as we praised the Lord! It has become a favorite that we sing often.

We talked about the letter K and kindness. We read the book, "We're all Wonders." It was a good reminder that God makes us each special in our own ways and that we can be kind and show God's love to everyone we meet, even if they are different than us. We enjoyed making and flying kites.

Uu week started with outdoor centers that even included playing with water because it was so warm outside! We used finger paint to paint colorful umbrellas and even wrote under the table, laying upside down! We read books about umbrellas, Silly Sally who walked to town backwards and upside down and about bears in underwear (you should hear all the laughs that one gets!)

We are loving the beautiful weather and are loving getting to spend more time playing and learning outside! We are excited to be getting ready for Mother's Day Tea this month and also graduation. There is still so much fun to be had before the end of the year, we are going to soak in every moment!

Love,
Liberty Lemberg

Hello Spring! We are so glad you are here! We welcome the day of warmer temps and the rainy ones too.

We talked about God's amazing work with the eclipse in our area. So thankful many of us were able to witness it from our own little areas. Truly neat and eerie was how one preschooler worded it!

Letter W was all about Jesus and how he calmed the waters, wind and walked on the water: always a favorite of mine. It was also our last cooking class of the year. As we read "Warthogs in the Kitchen," we had to make our own cupcakes, but without the mess like the warthogs made. They get so excited about cracking eggs and using a mixer, but so much learning goes along with it and they don't even realize it.

Letter X – always marks the spot when pirates are hard at work. We talked about x-rays and what God would see if he x-rayed our hearts and hands. We want him to see us all showing love and always helping others.

As I write this, we only have 5 short weeks left and a lot of fun learning to get done yet. We will have to finish our letters first, celebrate our moms and enjoy every day.

Congrats to our very own Bobbie, the cookie maker, and her husband Vaughn on a well deserved outstanding award 😊
Looking forward to the fun days ahead as God is our guide.

Love in Christ,
Beth Durall

Thank You

Thanks, Bethel Church, for the new playground equipment. We have really enjoyed playing on all of it and are so excited.

Preschool and Church kids

Dear Bethel Church,

Thank you for supporting me the past two years during my confirmation class. I appreciate all the prayers, cards and kind words that were shared with me. I am thankful for my church family. Thank you for always being there for me.

Love,
Cooper Lemberg

Memorial Fund

In memory of Monica Russell:

Bill & Carol Albrecht

Randy & Theresia Barrett

Chuck Borgmeier

Gordon & Janet Clinkenbeard

Richard & Cheryl Earley

Jo Ann Ferree

Kevin & Linda Hammelman

Vaughn & Bobbie Hislip

Dennis & Sharon Kahre

Bill Kiser

Mike & Pam Loheider

Lenora McCrary

Bruce & Terri Miller

Mary Ann Miller

Tim & Tonya Miller

Bill & Darlene Resler

Mark Sargent Family

John & Kathy Telligman

Mark & Diane Telligman

Collin & Amy Tiek

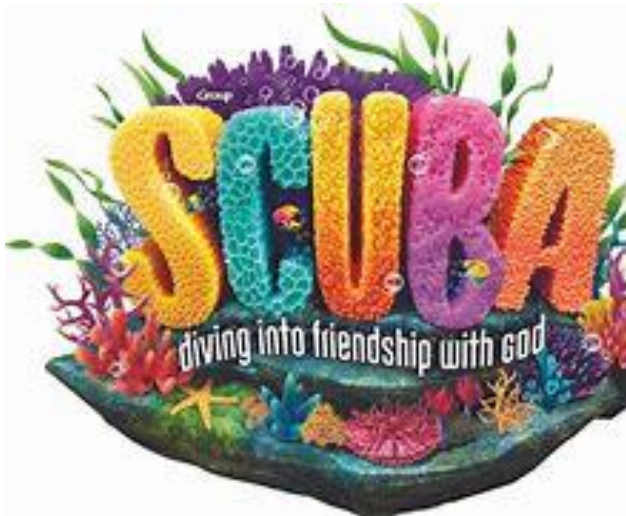
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Cemetery Fund: *Patty Bobe*

Vacation Bible School

It's the most wonderful time of the year.....VBS season.....the planning committee is off to a great start. The theme this year is SCUBA....diving into friendship with God.....come dive with us as we learn some amazing stories of the Bible. Ages are 3 (potty -- trained) through incoming 6th grade. We will start each day at 9:00 a.m. learning the Super-singable Scuba songs, then move on to stations: Deep Bible Adventures, Imagination Station, Tidal Treats, Reef Recreation and end with a Fin-tastic Finale wrapping up at 11:30 AM.

But.....we need you to help make a splash. Look for registration information beginning in May and be sure to get signed up for another wonderful year of VBS. We look forward to seeing you!!!



New Testament Women

Women played very important roles in the life and times of the New Testament – in the story of Jesus and the growth of the Church. Can you match the women in the right column with the descriptions given in the left column?

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| 1. Handed down faith to grandson Timothy. | a. Anna |
| 2. She served. Her sister listened to Jesus. | b. Tabitha |
| 3. Rejoiced when Peter knocked at the door. | c. Lois |
| 4. First European convert of Paul. Sold purple goods. | d. Lydia |
| 5. With husband Aquila, taught Apollos at Ephesus. | e. Martha |
| 6. Known too as Dorcas. Known for good works. | f. Phoebe |
| 7. Withheld money from the church. | g. Priscilla |
| 8. Deaconess of the church at Cenchreae. | h. Rhoda |
| 9. Provided for Jesus and the twelve out of her means. | i. Sapphira |
| 10. Fasted and prayed and gave thanks to God at the dedication of Jesus. | j. Susanna |

Answers:

1. c – Lois, 2 Timothy 1:5
2. e – Martha, Luke 10:38-41
3. h – Rhoda, Acts 12:13-16
4. d – Lydia, Acts 16:11-15
5. g – Priscilla, Acts 18-24-26
6. b – Tabitha, Acts 9:36
7. i – Sapphira, Act 5:1 – 10
8. f – Phoebe, Romans 16:1
9. j – Susanna, Luke 8:3
10. a – Anna, Luke 2:20, 36

Old Testament Women

We are much more appreciative these days of the role that women have played in the story of faith. And rightly so. Try matching the names in the right column with the descriptions give in the left column.

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| 1. Prophetess, Sister of Aaron and Moses. | a. Abigail |
| 2. Faithful daughter-in-law. Ancestor of Jesus | b. Deborah |
| 3. Saved husband David from her father's assassins | c. Esther |
| 4. Her integrity cost her her position as queen | d. Hannah |
| 5. Queen of Persia. She saved her people, Israel. | e. Michal |
| 6. Her husband served seven years for her. | f. Miriam |
| 7. Vowed to give her first-born son to God. | g. Rachel |
| 8. Woman of faith, she had a child at age 90. | h. Ruth |
| 9. Of "Good understanding" and beautiful. | i. Sarah |
| 10. Prophetess. One of the "judges." | j. Vashti |

Answers:

1. f – Miriam, Exodus 15-20; 2:4-8, Numbers 12:1-16
2. h – Ruth, Ruth
3. e – Michal, 1 Samuel 18:27; 19:11-12
4. j – Vashti, Esther 1:10-19
5. c – Esther, 2:17, 7:3 – 8:8
6. g – Rachel, Genesis 29:16 – 20
7. d – Hannah, 1 Samuel 1
8. i – Sarah, Genesis 17:15 -17
9. a – Abigail, 1 Samuel 25:3
10. b – Deborah, Judges 4:4-5

Bethel Church Council Minutes

April 9, 2024

Present : Carole Albrecht, Ed Hagemeyer, Christopher Nettles, Lisa Richter, Blaine Rohlk, Collin Tiek, Pastor Bryan Taylor and Bobbie Hislip. Absent: Bruce Clinkenbeard and Travis Kahre.

OPENING PRAYER: Christopher Nettles

Pastors Report: Sermon Preparation

Preparation of Lenten Services including video & short sermon.

Conducted Maundy Thursday service with communion

Continued with confirmation Classes, Attended the “PROMISE” with the confirmation class Conducted Confirmation on Palm Sunday.

Conducted Easter Service to a full church and had First Communion for the confirmation class.

Attended various meetings during month: N K Ministerial Association, and Council

Attended National Preaching Summit

Officiated funeral for Monica Russell

Had Discover Bethel Session with 9 people in attendance

Helped with Back Pack Program as needed

Prayer Group on Saturday nights

Motion to approve Carole Albrecht with Second by Lisa Richter. Carried.

SECRETARY’S REPORT: Reviewed and approved with motion by Lisa Richter and second by Blaine Rohlk. Carried

DEACON’S REPORT: Average Attendance for March was 243, Total Offering - \$35,303.59. Total Lenten Offering was \$2,985.89. Motion to accept report was by Christopher Nettles and second by Ed Hagemeyer. Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Carole Albrecht reviewed the reports. Missions for the month were Helping His Hands - \$1500.00

Backpack Blessings- \$500.00 Jacobs Well - \$1000.00 The Williams family will be here on April 21 and we will present their check then. The Lenten offering will be rounded off to \$3000 with \$1500 going to Firebrand Ministries and \$1500 Going to Samaritans Purse. Discussion was held on upgrade of Quick Books. Motion to approve Treasurer's report by Ed Hagemeyer with second by Lisa Richter. Motion Carried.

ELDER'S REPORT : Communion on Maundy Thursday 59 and Easter Sunday Communion 269. Motion to approve by Ed Hagemeyer with second by Blaine approved.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: Homes Plumbing has completed electrical, plumbing, drains, faucets and water supply for the Baptismal. Water heaters were brought up to code.

Door locks are still in process. Some of the new ones were not right.

Check Preschool door. Need a new door with break-away

Check asphalt in front of church from front to down in front of Pastor's house Between road and sidewalk. Will Look into this.

Report approved with Ed making motion and Christopher second. Carried.

OLD BUSINESS: D & H Glass made a bid for new Sanctuary Doors, new frames and Handles. Bid was \$6,025.00. Council voted to accept the bid and move forward on the new doors.

Pastor's desk is still in the works. He and Carole will look at maybe Graber Furniture.

Baptismal is about finished. Scripture is Ephesians 4: 5-6 ONE LORD, ONE FAITH, ONE BAPTISM,(6) ONE GOD AND FATHER OF ALL We discussed using the Choir room as a changing room. Will need a partition. Baptismal committee will work on this.

Downstairs bathrooms will need to be ADA. Discussion was held about remodeling. Garland and Sam will look and see if they can do this, if not we will need a contractor.

NEW BUSINESS: Purchase of new Wireless Microphones & Charger from Concept Sound & Light at a cost of \$ 2,811.99
Motion to purchase by Carole Albrecht with a second by Blaine Rolhk. Motion Carried. Pastor will proceed with this purchase.

Discussed purchase of Volle Ground. Possible driveway around the church with Handicap parking available by front. Probably not a possibility.

Coming events : April 21st - Mission night with Williams family for Jacob's wells. Elementary Youth will be having ice cream.

Meeting closed with Lord's Prayer. Next Meeting 5-13-24



Parish Records

Attendance:

Mar .24 285

Mar. 31 359

Ushers: Mat & Brittany Pahmeier

Apr. 7 232

Apr. 14 218

Nursery (Sunday School):

May 5 Krista McLaughlin/Cheryl Hagemeyer

12 Krista McLaughlin/Cheryl Hagemeyer

19 Krista McLaughlin/Cheryl Hagemeyer

26 Holly Spanger/Cheryl Hagemeyer

Nursery Notes (Worship):

May 5 Nikki Mundy/Beth Durall

12 Kelci Johanningsmeier/Jennifer Stafford

19 Juli Dye/Lindsey Zollman

26 Macey Alsman/Tracey Kahre

Children's Church:

May 5 Amy Tiek, Kenzie Barrett, and Caleb Bottum or
Carter Lemberg, Jenny Anthis, Theresa Pahmeier

12 Theresia Barrett, Macey Alsman, Tracey Kahre,
Brandon Spanger

19 Bonnie Organ and Shirley Bright or Jennifer Nettles
and Sherry Sheren, Janet Clinkenbeard, Collin Tiek

26 Natalie Phegley, Dale Tiek, Blaine Rohlk

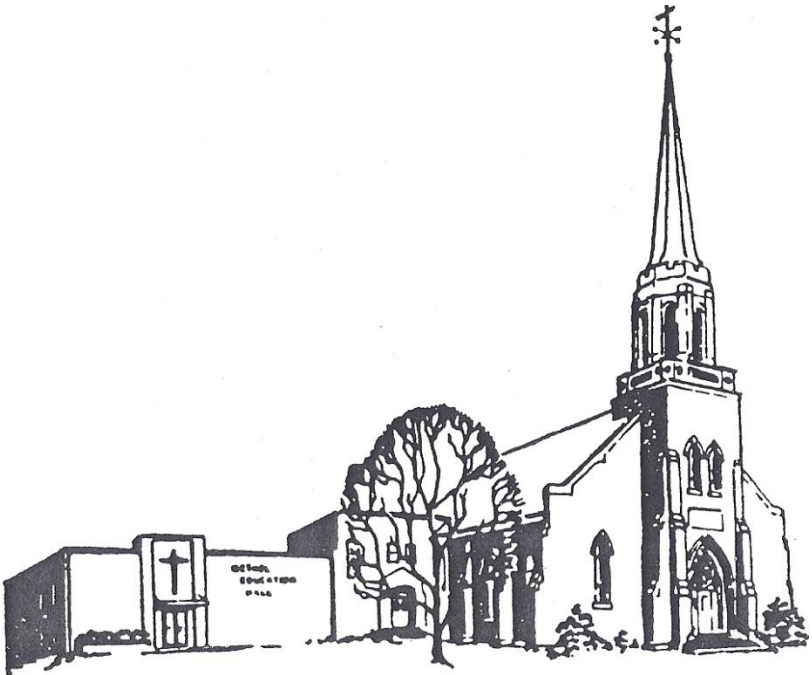
May birthdays:

May 2 Vaughn Hislip (82nd)

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