

THE CHALLENGE

Bethlehem United Methodist Church
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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Seminary introduced me to the word **hermeneutics** for the first time. While I very rarely hear the word mentioned, I see it played out in the lives of Christians.

Merriam-Webster defines **hermeneutics** as the study of the methodological principles of interpretation (as of the Bible); a method or principle of interpretation. As I read the definition put forth by the dictionary, it confuses me as much as I'm sure it confuses you.

The best way the professors at Emory University's Candler School of Theology explained it to us students was it's about where you fit into the Biblical story, especially the story of Jesus. Some people find the birth of Jesus speaking to them more than God so loving them he gave them his son. As the song by Christina Georgina Rossetti (1885) says, "*Love came down at Christmas ... love was born at Christmas ...*"

Some folks find their close walk with God through the teachings of Jesus. The whole of the Sermon on the Mount brings an understanding of a life lived in the Kingdom of God. The prayer he used to teach us to pray what we call "The Lord's Prayer," his lessons on how to deal with other people especially those who do you wrong, his encouragement, the why of trusting God for all things, and his urging people to "seek first the Kingdom of God" - all these teachings awaken in the heart of some God's presence in their lives.

One church member long ago told me he found the passion story of Christ the only meaningful part of the gospel story for him. It spoke so powerfully to him that, surprisingly to me, he didn't even know if he believed in the resurrection of Christ. While I did not agree with him on the resurrection, I understood his connection to God through the passion story. He experienced God's love through God's sacrifice of his son. And it was Jesus' total commitment to God's will and his desire to provide a way to salvation for all people that gave him an understanding of God and God's desire for his own life. The arrest, trial, and crucifixion of Jesus spoke to this former church member's heart in ways the rest of the gospel story did not.

Then there is Easter and the empty tomb. The resurrection stands huge in the story of Jesus. It gives power to the words God speaks to you of "I love you." The Christian message proclaims more than words. God acts on behalf of those who trust in Jesus. He not only promises life but demonstrates in a real way his ability to provide that life, even from the point of one's surrender through faith in God to follow Jesus. Christians are Easter people celebrating every day of the year the power of God demonstrated in the resurrection revealing the love of God for each one.

Where do you find the story of Jesus speaking loudest to you drawing you closer to God through Christ?

When I first heard the word, **hermeneutics**, I examined my own spiritual journey to learn what part of the gospel spoke deepest into my soul. From time to time ever since, I've done another examination only to return to the same answer. There is not one part of the story of Jesus that draws me to Christ more than any other area. One might on occasion speak to me in a strong way but then on another occasion, God blesses me with another section. I'm moved by the gift of God's word (John 1:14) that came not only to the elite of this world but to all, especially the poor and struggling, as the angel's invitation to shepherds demonstrated. The teachings of Jesus give me understanding of life. The praying of Jesus and his prayers for us invite me to experience the source of his power and authority.

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Our Mission at Bethlehem UMC is to share the love and spirit of Christ, be a welcoming fellowship for all, nurture followers of Jesus and send them, as servants, into the world in need of God's grace.

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OUR PRAYER LIST

Ongoing Prayer Needs:

Lucy Albright (Clapps Assisted)
 Dale Austin
 Jack Bowman
 Peggy Bowman (Clapps)
 Suzie Branch
 Edna Coble (NH)
 Cletis Fields (NH)
 Cory Fields
 Jeanette Fields (home)
 Kelsey Garrett
 Nancy Golden (chemo)
 Sandy Greeson (Strawberry Lady)
 Ruby Hockett (assisted living)
 Carolyn Johnson (home)
 Clyde Land

Ongoing Continued

Marjorie Mabe
 Bobbie McClintock (home)
 Ashley McCollum surgery)
 Mildred Moser (Clapp's
 Assisted Living)
 Jamie O'Daniel
 Dickie Parks
 David Robb
 Wanda Sheets
 Mike Underwood (home)
 Jeffrey Welker (back in U.S.)
 Lisa Shown (broken wrist)
 Bobby Tew (home)
 Kay Wilkinson
 All of our homebound

Immediate Prayer Needs:

Barbara Badeau (Clapps)
 Tony Bowman (home)
 Ann Hice (Clapps)
 Doris Hockett
 Betty Hull (Clapps)
 Lorene Wells (Clapps)
 Brody Watson (home)

*Our prayer and God's
 mercy are like two
 buckets in a well; while
 one ascends, the other
 descends. ~*

Arthur Hopkins

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Budget Results for February 2018

\$259,588.37 Total Budget Money Available February 1, 2018
 + 24,016.90 Money Received in February
 - 26,036.66 Money Spent in February
 \$257,568.61 Total Budget Money Available February 28, 2018

For the month of February, 2018, the Church Budget spent \$2,019.76 more than it received.
 For the year, the Church Budget spent \$4,828.39 more than it received.

Major Maintenance & Repair Fund – this designated money will be used to pay for major maintenance or repair projects to the Church building, parsonage or parking lot. The Board of Trustees must recommend all expenditures from this fund to the Church Council, and the Church Council must approve all expenditures from this fund. This is a perpetual fund and a minimum balance of \$2,500.00 shall be maintained at all times.

\$18,464.24 Total MM&RF Money Available February 28, 2018

Other Designated Gifts – occurs when the Church receives money for a designated purpose and the Church shall only spend this money for the purpose that it was given.

Insurance Money (mold)	\$ 6,053.70	Camp Tekoa	\$ 781.88
Food Pantry	\$ 613.82	Handbells	\$ 160.52
Discretionary Fund	\$10,105.18	Scholarship-Religion Ed	\$ 1,983.22
Little Chefs	\$ 195.03	Missions-Undesignated	\$ 21,625.57
Records & History	\$ 541.56	Christmas Shoeboxes	\$ 158.20
UMYF	\$19,597.71	Cemetery Fund	\$ 9,480.29
Family Ministries	\$ 1,817.87	Cemetery/Columbarium	\$ 19,284.94
Helen Grady Endowment	\$ 274.55	Columbarium Donations	\$ 10,697.00
Flowers	14.50	Columbarium Niche	\$ 1,000.00
Camp Meeting Fund	\$ 25.00	Veteran's Memorial Pavers	\$ 700.00

Total Other Designated Gift Money Available February 28, 2018 \$105,110.54

Frank Willis, Stewardship Ministry Chair

BUMC Facilities Use and Fee Policy

Effective January 1, 2018 Bethlehem United Methodist Church has updated and revised its **Policy for Use of Facilities**.

The following changes have been made to the Facilities Usage and Fee Policy for BUMC:

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- Non-member facilities usage options ONLY include – Kitchen and Fellowship Hall.
- Hourly rate charged and hours for set up and clean-up must be included in the time calculated for facility use. Maximum usage is 6 hours.
- Security/Cleaning Deposit is required.

The Policy for Use of Facilities is available through the church office, or pick up a copy from the table outside of the church office.

A completed **Reservation Request for Use of Facilities Form** is required, and (as applicable) approval from Trustees, before any event will be placed on the church calendar. This form is available through the church office; it is also available on the table outside of the church office. You will find a copy of the **Reservation Request for Use of Facilities Form** in this newsletter. If you have questions regarding Facilities Use and the updated Policy, please contact a member of the Trustees.



Brittany Ingold will be on staff for her second summer at Carolina Cross Connection. She will be having a bake sale on April 15 from 10 am-12:30pm to raise money for her salary as she has to raise half her salary. Come support her if you are able! Thank you.

Scout Troop 342 Pine Needles on sale now. \$4.50 per bale. Saturday 9AM – 1:30PM; for other times call Eddie Wilkinson @ 336-674-0921, leave a message.



Recognizing the growing threat of child abuse and its presence even among God's own people, the 1996 General Conference adopted a resolution on "Reducing the Risk of Child Sexual Abuse in the Church" which states, "God calls us to make our churches safe places, protecting children and other vulnerable persons from sexual and ritual abuse. God calls us to create communities of faith where children and adults grow safe and strong." **Safe Sanctuaries** is the movement and initiative to fulfill this call upon us – to make our churches safe places for the young and the vulnerable and those in ministry with them.

Submitted by Robin Bunton

<https://nccumc.org/christianformation/safe-sanctuaries-children-youth-vulnerable-adults/>

---SAVE THE DATES---

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - JULY 9-12 5:30-8:30PM

if you are interested in helping, please let Gail Williams or Melissa Swofford know. We would love to have you! Remember we are a Safe Sanctuary Church and must have an updated background check on file. You can pick one up from the church office or from the Children's Ministries mailbox. Please fill it out and return to Robin in the church office ASAP!

GRADUATE SUNDAY 2018 is May 20th.

Graduates will be recognized during worship. This will also be the Sunday that our college students find out who their secret pal sponsors are. College students and sponsors are asked to contact Karen Lauder and let her know which worship service they will attend. Karen's phone number is 336-495-1253.

CONGRATULATIONS!

December 2017 – J.D. Peele graduated from The Electrical Lineman Program at Forsyth Technical Community College. J.D. is the son of Tracy & David Peele and the grandson of Pat Waugh.

Heather Robb graduated from Alamance Community College with a degree in cosmetology. She is the daughter of David II and Kristy Robb and the granddaughter of Ronda and David Robb.

April Birthdays

4/1 Phyllis Alley
Jeff Neelley
4/3 Beth Walsh
Casey Welborn
4/4 Craig Massarelli
4/5 Ashley Neelley
4/7 Eddie Wilkinson
4/8 David Coble
Doyle Ingold
4/9 Phyllis Garrett
4/10 Wayne Dunham
Jim Jones (Alice's son)
Susan Hutchens
4/11 Louise Bowman
4/12 Frances Jean Fields
4/13 Christopher Bass
Danny Dunham
Glenna Staley
4/17 April Wreath
4/18 Anna Parrish
4/19 Shirley Hackett
Matthew Young
4/20 Daniel Moser
Craig Smith
4/24 Erica Reed Sypole
4/25 Haley Parrish
Lexie Terry
Jane Reddick
Tommy Oliver
4/26 Bill Regan
4/27 Julie Spencer
Rachel Grace Hill
4/29 Sandra Southard
4/30 Ruby Kirkman
Parker Robb

May Birthdays

5/1 Allison Eanes
5/2 Ruby Hockett
5/5 Lore Lambert
5/6 Mark Wilkinson
5/7 Wendi Martin Lowe
5/8 Tim Parrish
5/9 Jana Fields
John Holder
Barry Norris
Alan Wilkinson
5/11 Mildred Moser
5/13 Wayne Kirkman
Jeannie Suggs
Kelly Fields
5/17 Caleb Windsor
5/19 Kelsea Owens
5/20 James Evans
5/22 Eutha Bowman
Nancy Golden
Brittany Ingold
Kay Wilkinson
Taylor Martin
5/24 Betty Wilkins
5/26 Adam Garrett
Joy Massarelli
Lowell Suggs
5/27 Doris Kirkman
Faye Fields
Debbie Waugh
Londa Parks
5/28 Gilbert Suggs
5/29 Christal Owens
Karen Barbone
5/31 Mike Hinshaw



BRADSHAW/VETERAN'S MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Sat., 4/14 @ Holly Ridge Golf Course. 8AM shotgun start. \$65/golfer or \$260 for team of 4. Hole **sponsorship \$100 (4/4 deadline)**. Lunch is provided. Call Becky Windsor for more info (336)708-2897.

YOUR DONATIONS ARE NEEDED FOR THE GOLF TOURNAMENT:

- Bottled Water
- Can Drinks
- Snacks - crackers and the like.
- Brownies & Cookies
- Golf Balls

Contact Becky Windsor for information.

REMINDER FROM THE TRUSTEES

In an effort to move forward with security measures for our church, all entrance doors will be locked at 10:55am for the service. To gain entry after 10:55am, enter via the front main doors to the sanctuary where they will be monitored by a member. Thank you.



SUNDAY SCHOOL EVENT

On April 29th all of the adult Sunday school classes are invited to meet in the fellowship hall at 10AM to hear a presentation from Mike Jackson of the Howard Coble Center. This will be an opportunity for all to learn more about the center and its services. Refreshments will be served.

UMYF APRIL SCHEDULE

- Wed., 4/4 6-7PM Bible Study
- Sun., 4/8 5:30-7PM UMYF
- Wed., 4/11 6-7PM Bible Study
- Sun., 4/15 5:30-7PM UMYF
- Wed., 4/18 6-7PM Bible Study
- Sun., 4/22 5:30-7PM UMYF
- Wed., 4/25 6-7PM Bible Study
- Sun., 4/29 5:30-7PM UMYF

MARCH - APRIL VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Date	8:50 Greeters	10:55 Greeters	Altar Flowers	Communion Stewards (Early)	Communion Stewards (Late)	Opener/ Closer For Month
4/1 Easter Cantata (Combined Service)	NO EARLY SERVICE	Karen Barbone	Easter Lilies	NO COMMUNION	NO COMMUNION	NEED OPENER/Jerry Berry (C)
4/8	Sandie Harris	Debbie Waugh	Desi & Gail Williams			
4/15	Lois Snow	Joyce King	Lois Snow			
4/22	NEED GREETERS	The Dahls	Ruth Rowland			
4/29	NEED GREETERS	Ronda Robb	Ruth & Robin (Recog. of World Day of Prayer)			
5/6	Lois Snow	Joyce King	Becky Windsor	Becky & Dale Windsor	NEED STEWARDS	Johnny Riddle (O)/Greg Wicker (C)
5/13 Mother's Day	Jeannie & Gilbert Suggs	Michael Brady & Debbie Marlowe	Jim Smith			
5/20 Pentecost/Grad. Sunday	Jennifer & Dale Young	Pat Waugh	Pat Waugh			
5/27	NEED GREETERS	Joy, Mario, & Lorrie	Lorrie Roth			

April Ushers:

David Allen, Jerry Berry, Byron Dahl, Terry Franklin, Kevin Gunter

May Ushers:

Earl Fields, Tim Fields, Doug Garrett, Leo Kirkman, Bob Norris

Audio/Visual:

Gene Flinchum, Terry Franklin, Wayne Moser, Denny Spencer, Justin Windsor

Acolytes:

Sofia Cook Marimon & Claudio Cook Marimon

Thank you all for serving!

FREE COMMUNITY-WIDE INVITATION – HOSTED BY TABERNACLE UMC

5721 Methodist Rd., Greensboro, NC 27406

Sunday, April 29th

KEEPING OUR CHILDREN SAFE – Darkness to Light's – Stewards of Children

Stewards of Children is a two-hour training designed to educate adults on how to recognize, prevent, and react responsibly to the reality of child sexual abuse, emphasizing child safety as every adult's responsibility. Our goal is simple: to educate and prepare our community to deal with and prevent child sexual abuse. The training teaches the steps to prevent abuse, recognize the warning sign, and react responsible when abuse occurs.

THIS IS A FREE TRAINING

This special training has been gifted to our Community in order to
Help adults better protect our children from Sexual Offenders

THIS IS AN ADULT ONLY TRAINING

WE RECOMMEND YOU SIGN UP NOW TO MAKE YOUR CHECK-IN/ARRIVAL EASY ON TRAINING DAY.

Check-in at the church will begin promptly at 12:15PM.

A light lunch will begin at 12:30PM. – Training will begin at 1PM.

Check our webpage link for more info: www.tabernacle-umc.org

Or call (336) 674-2941 for information

Memorials Received

In Memory of Dale Averill

By Linda Duncan, Kim & Cindy

By Brenda Fields

By Jerry & Karon Monnett

In Memory of Frances F. Fields

By Betty Hull

In Memory of Mike Fields

By the Christian Friendship

Class of BUMC

By Betty Hull

By Kim Secor

By Kim Scotton

By Carol Fields

In Memory of Martha Hinshaw

By Betty Wilkins

By Bette Weatherly

By Joyce King

By Buddy & Judy Fields

By Ruby Hockett

By Phyllis Wicker

By Linda Duncan, Kim & Cindy

By Kelly & Betty Fields

By Carol Fields

By Dicky & Evonne Parks

By Jerry & Karon Monnett

By Cindy & Steve Fields

By Frank & Julia Willis

Memorials Continued

In Memory of Jimmy Siske

By Friendly Club

In Memory of Mary Lee Stevens

By the Christian Friendship

Class of BUMC

Honorariums Received

In Honor of Gray Boren & Londa Parks

By Dicky & Evonne Parks

By Margaret Royal

By Phyllis Wicker

In Honor of Beverly Fields

By Margaret Royal

In Honor of Doug & Kim Garrett

By Margaret Royal

In Honor of Lucille McClintock's 87th

Birthday

By Angie Routh

In Honor of Missions

By Anonymous

In Honor of Jerry & Karon Monnett

By Bette Weatherly

In order to meet printing deadline for the newsletter, some memorials & honorariums received will be listed in the May newsletter.

Honorariums Continued

In Honor of Jamie & Paden O'Daniel

By David & Laura Cranfill

In Honor of Margaret Royal

By David & Ronda Robb

In Honor of Jim Smith

By Young at Heart SS Class

In Honor of Brody Watson

By Dicky & Evonne Parks

By Margaret Royal

In Honor of Bette Weatherly

By Wayne & Phyllis Alley



Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die."

John 11: 25-26a (NIV)

A COW, NOT A CUP

Every year we provide special Heifer International Banks for collecting loose change during Lent. Your collections will be received as part of worship on Sunday, April 8. Your gifts go a long way in helping this organization do its work all over the world.

Here is a little bit about how Heifer International got started and who started it.

Dan West was a farmer from the American Midwest and member of the Church of the Brethren who went to the front lines of the Spanish Civil War as an aid worker. His mission was to provide relief, but he soon discovered the meager single cup of milk rationed to the weary refugees once a day was not enough.

And then he had a thought: What if they had not a cup, but a cow?

That "teach a man to fish" philosophy is what drove West to found Heifer International. And now, nearly 70 years later, that philosophy still inspires our work to end world hunger and poverty throughout the world once and for all.

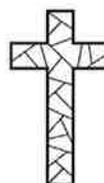
The core of our model is Passing on the Gift. This means families share the training they receive, and pass on the first female offspring of their livestock to another family. This extends the impact of the original gift, allowing a once impoverished family to become donors and full participants in improving their communities.

The goal of every Heifer project is to help families achieve self-reliance. We do this by providing them the tools they need to sustain themselves, and it's thanks to the generosity of donors like you.

Submitted by Robin Bunton <https://www.heifer.org/about-heifer/Index.html>

EXERCISE CLASSES – TIME CHANGE!

Spring class time is 7:30PM – 8:30PM on Monday & Wednesday. Cost is \$1.00 per class. Bring light weights, mat & bottled water. Everyone welcome!



MISSING BRASS ALTAR CROSS –

It was a part of the candle/altar set. If you know the whereabouts of this, please let the church office know 336-674-0155.

APRIL

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Easter Day NO COMMUNION Peanut Butter/ Oatmeal Sunday 6:45AM Sunrise Service Breakfast Follows 9:45AM Prayer/Altar 10AM Sunday School 10:55AM Combined Worship/Cantata	2 Easter Monday CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 6:30PM Child Care Board 7:30PM Exercise	3 8am Breakfast Club 10AM StoryTime (Library) 7PM Women in Christ 7PM Cub/Boy Scouts	4 Food Pantry open 3-4PM BRADSHAW/VET. MEM. GOLF TOURN. HOLE SPONSORSHIP DEADLINE 6PM Youth Bible Study 7PM Choir Practice 7:30PM Exercise	5 NO CHILDREN'S CHAPEL 7:30PM Trustees	6	7 9AM-1:30PM Pine Needles
8 2nd Sun of Easter Heifer Int. Offering Collected 8:50AM Early Worship Service 10AM Sunday School 10:55AM Traditional Worship 4:30PM Confirmation 5:30PM UMYF 5:45PM Bible Study	9 7PM Evangelism 7:30PM Exercise	10 10AM StoryTime (Library) 7PM Bradshaw/Veteran's Mem. Comm. 7PM Women in Christ 7PM Cub/Boy Scouts	11 Food Pantry open 3-4PM 6PM Youth Bible Study 7PM Choir Practice 7:30PM Exercise	12 3:15PM Children's Chapel 7PM Missions	13	14 8AM Bradshaw Vet. Mem. Golf Tournament (Holly Ridge) 9AM-1:30PM Pine Needles
15 3rd Sun of Easter MOTHER'S DAY BULLETIN BEGINS 8:50AM Early Worship Service 10AM Sunday School 10:55AM Traditional Worship 4:30PM Confirmation 5:30PM UMYF 5:45PM Bible Study	16 7:30PM Exercise	17 10AM StoryTime (Library) 7PM Women in Christ 7PM Cub/Boy Scouts	18 Food Pantry open 3-4PM 6PM Youth Bible Study 7PM Choir Practice 7:30PM Exercise	19 3:15PM Children's Chapel 6:30PM PG Lion's Club 7PM Children's Mins. Comm.	20	21 FH in use 10AM-6PM 9AM-1:30PM Pine Needles
22 4th Sun of Easter Earth Day: Festival of God's Creation 8:50AM Early Worship Service 10AM Sunday School 10:55AM Traditional Worship 4:PM Confirmation (time change) 5PM 60+ Dinner (FH) 5:30PM UMYF 5:45PM Bible Study	23 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 7PM Arlene Stokes 7:30PM Exercise	24 10AM StoryTime (Library) 7PM Women in Christ 7PM Cub/Boy Scouts	25 World Malaria Day Food Pantry open 3-4PM 6PM Youth Bible Study 7PM Choir Practice 7:30PM Exercise	26 3:15PM Children's Chapel 7PM SPRC	27 Arbor Day	28 9AM-1:30PM Pine Needles
29 5th Sun of Easter 8:50AM Early Worship Service 10AM COMBINED SS (Adult Classes) 10:55AM Traditional Worship 4:30PM Confirmation 5:30PM UMYF 5:45PM Bible Study	30 7:30PM Exercise	7PM Women in Christ 7PM Cub/Boy Scouts	6PM Youth Bible Study 7PM Choir Practice 7:30PM Exercise	3:15PM Children's Chapel		

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

**DEADLINE FOR
MAY NEWSLETTER
IS MONDAY, APRIL 23rd.**

If you are not a member of Bethlehem UMC and feel God leading you to it, I welcome you to speak to me about adding your name as a member of the church. You can reach me at – (704)516-6272 or email me at mwofford2@wnccumc.net
Blessings, Pastor Michael

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK CONTINUED

His following the will of God helps me with the injustice in the world. The humble nature of Jesus bowing with wash bowl and cloth in hand at the feet of the disciples shows us followers of Christ who we are in the world. Our place in life is as servants demonstrating God's love for people through our serving others. The passion and the resurrection brings it all together revealing that regardless of what we face, there is nothing too great that God can't handle for us if we just place our faith in him.

Wherever the story of Jesus speaks to you, we give praise to God in thanksgiving for Jesus. As you continue your spiritual journey, may God bless you each day with that tug on your heart drawing you ever closer to him and along with you, others, through your relationship with God. In Christ, Pastor Michael

Bethlehem United Methodist Church Reservation Request for Use of the Facilities

Policy Changes & Fee Schedule Changes effective January 01, 2018

Member or Non-Member

(Note: Members reserving facilities for groups are responsible for ensuring policy adherence. Fees are applicable with group reservations.)

Requester or Group: _____

Event Purpose: _____

Leader Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Email Address: _____

Contact for this event if different: _____ Phone#: _____

Email Address: _____

Requested Day/Date/Time (Please include time for set-up, time for the event, and clean-up after the event):

Identify the facilities you will be using: Kitchen , Fellowship Hall space , Tables & Chairs ,
Grounds/Outside areas , Other _____

NOTE: You are expected to bring your own paper products for use at your event. If church products are used, you are expected to pay a minimum of \$20 in addition to any other fees.

Is your event open to the community? Yes No

Would you like your event posted in the Church Newsletter Yes No

Will you have any special needs for Heat or AC? _____

Audio or Video? _____

When will the event begin and conclude? _____

Key Arrangements:

Will you need special arrangements for a key to access building? Yes No

If yes, please identify date/time for pick-up at the church office: _____

Key#: _____ Key Returned Date: _____

(Office Hours: Mon – Thursday 9:00 am – 4:30 pm)

PLEASE CONFIRM BY SIGNATURE REVIEW OF THE BETHLEHEM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH POLICY OF USE OF FACILITIES

SIGNATURE

DATE

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Requested Facilities and/or Rooms	Fees	Office Use Only
A. Cleaning Deposit	\$100.00	
B. *Custodial/Cleaning Fees (If required due to non-cleaning.)		
B1. Fellowship Hall	\$100.00	
B2. Fellowship Hall & Kitchen	\$150.00	
B3. Sanctuary & other facilities (not available to non-members)	\$100.00	
C. Facilities Non-Member Use Fees		
C1. Fellowship Hall	\$75.00 per hour; max hours up to 6 & set-up & clean-up hours MUST be included.	
C2. Fellowship Hall & Kitchen	\$150.00 per hour; max. hours up to 6 & set-up & clean-up MUST be included.	
C3. Sanctuary	NOT AVAILABLE TO NON-MEMBERS	
D. *Paper Goods Fee (If applicable.)	\$20.00 (minimum)	
*Applicable to member's weddings & non-members, for all reservations		

1. 25% deposit \$ _____

Deposit paid on: _____ Received by: _____

(25% deposit is required from non-church members before the event is placed on our calendar.)

2. The remaining balance of \$ _____ is required four weeks before your event/function.

- A member of the Trustees committee will be assigned to each non-church function.
- If you have any questions, you may contact either your contact or the church office.
- A clean-up checklist will be furnished at the time the reservation is made.
- This checklist must be signed by the Trustee and returned to the church office before any security deposit will be released.

Your Trustee contact is: _____

Phone Number: _____

All submitted requests are subject for final review and approval by the Trustee Committee.

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Church Office Hours: Monday – Thursday 8:30AM-4:30PM

Facilities Use> UPDATED REQUEST FOR USE FORM