November 1, 2026
All Saints Sunday



Mission Statement

Knowing Christ, Growing in Faith, and Showing God's Love

Vision Statement

Bethel United Methodist Church continues its unchanging heritage of faith, striving to be a sacred place to know Christ fully, grow spiritually, and show God's love through compassion, service, and generosity.

Celebration of WORSHIP

November 1, 2026
8:00 & 11:00 a.m. Service

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude (8): "*Festive Voluntary*" by Lau
(11): "*Riverside*" arr. Downie
Trumpet duet by Elizabeth MIlls and Bob Snyder
Greeting & Announcements

GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

*****Opening Hymn: *"For All the Saints"* (stanzas 1, 4, 5, 6).....*#711*

Opening Prayer: ***Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

Invitation: Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Confession: ***Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

Words of Pardon
Leader: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
People*: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!*
All: Glory to God. Amen.

LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Joys & Concerns and Pastoral Prayer
God's Tithes and our Offerings

Offertory (8): "*Variations on ITALIAN HYMN*" arr. Hamilton
(11): *"Bonse Aba"* arr. Johnson
Presented by the Youth Music Ministry

*Doxology.....#95

Scripture Lesson: Revelation 7:9-17

Message: *"Sharing the Gift"* Pastor Jim Penuel

CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT

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The Lord's Prayer (sung)

Hymns For Communion: "*Precious Lord, Take My Hand*"..... #474
"*More Love to Thee, O Christ*".....#453

Prayer After Communion: ***Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen***

GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

*Closing Hymn: "*Freely, Freely*".....#389

*Benediction & Final Blessing
Leader: As we depart, may the peace of Christ be with you.
People: May the peace of Christ be with you.
(You are invited to pass the peace of Christ with all as you exit during the postlude)

*Postlude (11): *"Festive Voluntary*" by Lau
The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God

** Those who are able, please stand.*

Hearing assistance devices are located at the sound booth.

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Come Alive Time WORSHIP

November 1, 2026
9:15 a.m. Service

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering *(Please watch the screen for upcoming events)*

Greeting & Opening Prayer

GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

"Opening Song of Praise & Worship: "*Beautiful One*"

Children's Message: *"Sharing the Gift"*

Joys & Concerns and Pastoral Prayer

Offering: *"More Love, More Power"*

LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson: Revelation 7:9-17

Message: *"Sharing the Gift"* Pastor Jim Penuel

Remembering the Saints.....See Bulletin Page 10

CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT

Holy Communion

GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

*Closing Song: *"Lord, I Lift You Name On High"*

*Benediction & Final Blessing

Leader: As we depart, may the peace of Christ be with you.
People:* *May the peace of Christ be with you.
(You are invited to pass the peace of Christ with all as you exit)

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BETHEL INFORMATION

To our guests…

Welcome to Bethel! Thank you for worshipping with us. We invite you to experience the love and grace of God in Jesus Christ today. During the announcements we would like to give you a welcome packet—just raise your hand and an Usher will bring you one. We value your feedback. Please fill out the Information Card in the mug and place it in the offering plate. For more information about Bethel, visit our website at **www.bethellewes.org** or call the Church Office. Thank you.

Worship Opportunities

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Sunday Worship in the Sanctuary
9:15 a.m. - *Contemporary Worship in Fellowship Hall
11:00 a.m. - *Traditional Sunday Worship in the Sanctuary

**Livestreamed Services: Watch Online Sundays @ 9:15 or 11:00 or anytime after the services on YouTube*

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Church Office Hours M-F 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. & 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

BETHEL INFORMATION

Leaders for Today's Service

Greeters:	8:00	Bill & Nancy Collick
	9:15	Bob Dathe
	11:00	(Ushers)
Ushers:	8:00	Ernie Stanley - *Head Usher*
		Sandy Hunsicker, Ron Smith - *Assistants*
	9:15	Libby Gibson - *Head Usher*
	11:00	Joann Brittingham - *Head Usher*
		Jim Brown, Miguel Gomez, Ralph Scott - *Assistants*
Liturgists:	8:00	Herky Billings
	9:15	Ray Davis
	11:00	Cathie Wagner
A/V Techs:		Ray Davis, Ed Emmett, Drew Fyock, Norm Macturk, Mauro Medeiros, Todd Mentzer, John Roman Nehrbas
Miracle Singers:		Kim Edmonds, Joyce Famelio, Cathy Ferree, John Harris, Patty Marvel, Bill Powell

Weekly Statistics

Attendance for October 25, 2026: 342 (8:00-50, 9:15-196, 11:00-96)

Contributions for October 25, 2026:

Weekly deposit:	$14,088.88
Weekly budget:	$16,915.18
Year-to-date offering:	$784,554.56
Year-to-date budget:	$727,352.74

ONLINE GIVING

If you'd like to enroll in Online Giving, log on to www.bethellewes.org and click the GIVING tab.

NOTE SHEET

Note Sheet

Sharing the Gift

Revelation 7:9-17

11/1/26

1. Sharing our faith is an opportunity for us to share a _____ with someone else.
2. We are called to continue the _____ of the saints together.
3. Jesus taught us how to live a God honoring life. We do that by living a life of _____.
4. The salvation we have been given in Jesus is the greatest _____ of all.
5. Very simply, whenever we share our faith with others, we give them a _____.
6. Let's share the gift with others not with reluctance, but with great _____!

Scripture reading for further reflection: Romans 5:1-17.

Note: You may access the Digital Sermon Note Page by scanning the QR Code

CHILDREN'S PAGE

Jesus Wants Me to Share the Gospel



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Help us Adopt-a-Grade at Ross Elementary: In response to the devastating fire at Lulu Ross Elementary School in Milford, Bethel is teaming up to "adopt" the 3rd Grade Team of Ross teachers, one of whom is our own Katie Davis. And YOU can help! Please bring in Amazon gift cards in increments of $25 (ie. $25, $50, $75, etc) so that they can be easily divided among the teachers. Simply place them in the designated box in the Lobby through the month of November (physical cards only - please no Ecards). Monetary donations can also be placed in the collection box (cash or check payable to BUMC, memo: ROSS) or by scanning the QR code below.

Your donations will help the nine 3rd grade teachers replace the storage items, flexible seating, decorations, manipulatives and other teaching materials that were destroyed...items that had been provided by the teachers themselves and won't be replaced by the school...items that are so critical to turning a classroom into a "home" that is a safe, warm, and welcoming place for children and teachers who need it now more than ever. Thank you in advance! Questions? Contact Todd or Joyce Mentzer.



Bake Sale:
The Elizabeth Circle is sponsoring a Fall Bake Sale today from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm. If you are looking for a pie or dessert to serve at a holiday gathering, look no further! We'll have a wonderful selection from which to choose in the Upper Lobby. All proceeds from the sale will benefit Family Promise. Elizabeth Circle cookbooks will also be available for purchase!



Advent Readers Needed: Pastor Jim is looking for Advent readers! We will need readers for our Nov. 29th (8:00,9:15 &11:00), Dec. 6th (8:00,9:15 &11:00), 13th (8:00,9:15 &11:00) & 20th (8:00,9:15 &11:00) services and for Christmas Eve at 3pm, 5pm, 7pm,& 11pm. Please email our office manager Sandy at office@bethellewes.org if you are interested in a reading. Readings will be given on a first come, first serve basis. Thank you

November 1, 2026

Remembering the Saints

The Names of our Honored Saints

Barbara Plambeck	Joann Merrick
Joan Gibson	Doug Elliott
Betty Sheats	Charles Plummer
Lou Henderson	Billie Ann Buckaloo
Ed Keefer	Sandra Workman
Steve Rellihan	Alyce "Joyce" Bingham
Joy Hopokins	Frances Smith
Les Stephenson	Fran "Eva" Baker
R. Lee Maxwell	Anthony Zigman
Paulette Lazzaro	



Love Offering: The November Love Offering will benefit Nanticoke Indian Association (NIA). NIA enhances and promotes the welfare of the Nanticoke Indian Community & raises awareness of American Indian cultures in rural areas. NIA aims to foster understanding, respect, & preservation of the Nanticoke Indian Tribe. Love Offerings may be given throughout the month in the "designated" plates found at the back of Fellowship Hall & the Sanctuary or online by clicking "Choose a Fund" and then by clicking "Communion/Love Offering" in the drop down menu. If donating by check please remember to make payable to Bethel UMC and note love offering.



Breakfast Bites: Breakfast Bites is looking for volunteers to help with set-up and clean-up on Sunday Mornings at the 9:15am service. If you are interested in helping with this ministry please contact Pat Emmett at 215-776-5471 or by email at pemmett47@verizon.net.

Elizabeth Circle Meeting: The Elizabeth Circle will meet on November 3rd at 12:45 PM in Fellowship Hall. We will feature a speaker, Nikki Gonzalez, from Seaford's Redemption City. She will inform us of the shelters and programs that Redemption City provides for those experiencing homelessness. After some social moments, we will begin the meeting at 1:00. For more information about the Circle, contact Donna Fleischauer (djmarrin@yahoo.com) or any Circle member. We welcome all women of Bethel to join us.

Operation Christmas Child Boxes Reminder: The Missions team handed out the Operation Christmas Child Boxes and ask that when filling your box that you keep one gender per box. $10.00 must accompany each box for shipping. This payment can be done on line if you prefer. If making payment by check please make check payable to Samaritan's Purse. The boxes must be returned to Bethel on November 8th at one of the three services.

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Bethel is preparing to re-start its Stephen Ministry!
Stephen Ministry is a world-wide, proven and effective way to organize, equip, provide supervise a team of congregation members, called Stephn Ministers, to provide one-to-one, Christ-centered care to people who are experiencing life difficulties and transitions. For more information, please reach out to Cathy Iocona at cathyiocona@gmail.com or 609-618-2659.



Christmas Curiosity Shop: The Women's Ministry will be holding a Christmas Curiosity Shop on Saturday, November 7th, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. We invite you to begin setting aside your Christmas, holiday, and winter treasures to donate. Donations will be today after the 8:00 a.m. and 9:15 a.m. services at the Parsonage Meeting House.

To help make this event a success, please limit donations to Christmas, holiday, and winter-themed items only. We are not able to accept books, kitchen supplies, home décor, electronics, or other items that are not holiday-related, as we did for our Summer yard sale. Please do not donate electronics, furniture, clothing, or non-seasonal items.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to get in touch with Janine Phillips at 610-905-6674 or Janinesphpath@gmail.com. Thank you for your generosity and support of the Women's Ministry!

Code Purple @ the Cape
Warm Shelter • Safe Nights • Community Care

Information Night Tuesday
November 10, 2026
6:30pm to 8:00pm
St Jude Parish
Life Cente



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sandwich & Side for 18 at Tharros Village:
Tharros Village, a community that provides temporary shelter and support for adults experiencing homelessness, is now fully operational with 18 residents! Bethel is one of several faith-based organizations that will be supplying a cold supper of a sandwich and side for each resident.

If you'd like to volunteer to provide meals, please follow these steps...

- Log on to www.bethellewes.org
- Click the "Information" tab and select "Bethel Food Ministries" from the drop down menu
- Under the heading "Tharros Village - Sandwich & Side" you'll find instructions and a direct link to the signup.com page. Openings are available every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday through November 28th.
- Once you've signed up, plan to deliver meals to 18006 Coastal Highway, Lewes between 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. See specific delivery instructions below.

Delivery Instructions

1. Locate the lockbox at the pedestrian entrance gate
2. Open the lockbox using the code: 1225
3. Switch the black toggle to the left of the numbers
3. Take the access fob out of the lockbox and tap it on the scanning pad beside the lockbox to unlock the gate.
4. When you've finished your delivery, put the fob back into the lockbox and scramble the numbers.
5. Questions? Contact Cathie Wagner at ccwgr@aol.com

Thanks to all who are providing sandwiches and sides!



Sign Up to Donate Cookies for Bethel Annual Cookie Walk

Call for Homemade Cookies ♦ Cookie Walk December 5

The Mary Martha Circle is asking our church family to donate homemade Christmas cookies to be sold at the COOKIE WALK. Please fill out the form below and place it in the cookie box located in the lobby.
There is also an online Cookie Walk form if you would prefer to fill it out online.

Name: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Name of Cookie: _____

Contains Nuts – indicate kind: _____

Cookies can be delivered to the Bethel kitchen
The week of Monday 11/30 through Friday 12/4/26 from 8:30-3pm. Label with Cookie Name.

Questions?
- Carlene Spangler, 302-945-5635; scspang@verizon.net
- Mary Hall, 302-584-4903; mary.hall34@verizon.net

Frozen cookies can be layered with waxed or parchment paper to maintain your beautiful cookies. Thank you for helping us to make this a successful Cookie Walk! Happy Baking! Proceeds to benefit Pathways to Success & Camp Hope. You will find your transport containers in the kitchen after the Cookie Walk.

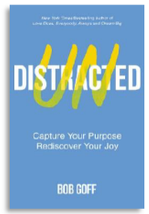


Bethel UMC Men's Ministry Opportunities!

Fall is the perfect time to gather and grow your faith and connect with other men from Bethel UMC. Two opportunities are offered each month:

Second Sunday of each month, 8:00-8:45am in the Parsonage Meeting House

- **Upcoming dates Nov. 8, Dec. 13**

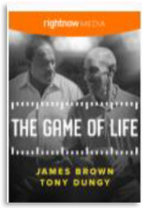


Undistracted by Bob Goff

NEW BOOK. Format is icebreakers followed by short video and discussion of book. The world has never been more distracting, and joy has never been more possible. Through the pithy and inspiring storytelling, Goff invites you to laugh with more gusto, dream with more confidence, and love with more intention in this disarming call to live Undistracted. Light reading – great discussion!

Fourth Wednesday evening of each month, 7:00-8:30pm at Barry Eaton's home

- **Upcoming dates October 28, November 25**



The Game of Life by Tony Dungy and James Brown

NEW VIDEO SERIES. Format is fellowship time followed by a short video and discussion/application. Sportscaster James Brown and former NFL coach Tony Dungy explore how we can live for God and serve him well. God has a purpose for you – are you ready to get on the field?

All men of Bethel are invited and encouraged to join us. Even if you haven't been before, we welcome you to check out either/both gatherings. Light refreshments.

Please contact Barry Eaton at 1785eaton@gmail.com or Ray Davis at ray@bethellewes.org for more details.

New request = ***Bold, italicized, and underlined***

PRAYER LIST

Rehabilitation: David Hurlock, Dick Plambeck, Paul Webb

Hospital: Rev. Johnathan Baker, John Horne, Trent Prechatka

Hospice: Norah Atkins, Rosemary Bouvier, Donald Dickey, Dorothy Donovan (Sister of Fred Gentry), Dr. Jim Marvel, Mrs. Sample, Barbara Starkweather, Jim Willhite

General Concerns: Andy Baker, Mike Bakker, Bill, Donna Bowers, Catherine Brittingham, Steve Bruno, Patricia Bull (Sister of Frank), Sharon Cherry, Chris Clark, Brett Conaway, Daniel, Susan Davis, Ruth Doughtery, Kim Edmonds, Tom Fincham (Brother of Nancy Logan), Bridget Fowler, Chandler Fox, Joan Fox, ***Bill Gaskill***, Fred Gentry, Bill Gibbons, Giovanna, Rev. Sterling Green, Jack Harrison, Jimmy Hastings, Rev. Vaughn Hayden, Hazel, Connie Hearn, Jim Holt, Bob Hunsberger, Ida, ***Marty Kellery***, Laura (Daughter of Marilyn Emanuel), Harry Marker & Family, Mason, Melody & Michelle, Ginny Mitchell, June Myers, Tammy Myers & Family, James O'Donovan, Brody O'Neill, Evie Orton, Pop Pop D, Margaret Quillen, ***Linda Riggleman***, Matt Shamanek, Steven, David Strow, Danny Summers, Debbie Summers, Helen Walter

Long Term: Ezequiel Agoff, Ansalvish Family, Bryan Attix, Rev. Gloria Attix, Ruth Ann Baker, Ginny Barney, Wesley Beam, Mike Beaucheman, Dave Beddle, Nancy Bektolino, Daryl Bradley, Elaine Bramante, Inez Brengle, Dale Buckwalter, Dan Carrier, Liz Carrier, Janette Clavette, Victor Colon, Rev. Charles Covington, Jay Dentino, Bob Dickey, Jim & Marilyn Emanuel, Pat Emmett, Tom Engel, Olga Fitch, Frank Fitzgerald Sr, Carol Frampton, Michael Gallagher, Peggy Gastner, Gayle Gibbons, Danny Gillespie, Hazel Gillespie, Jude Gray, George Hammond, Kelly Harp, Heather & Indy, Nancy Hecker, Jack Henriksen, Jim Hooban, David Jones, Erika Jones, Chubby Joseph, Deb Kellenbenz, Adam Kent, Faye Kintz, Norm Kugel, Janice Kulp, Donna LaValle, Nancy Logan, Bill Lyons, Rob MacArthur, Patty Marvel, Medhi, Claranne Meitrott, Stephen Metler, Stephanie Miller, Rev. Charles Moyer, Nancy (Friend of Janine Phillips) Chuck Naspinsky, Ted Niemczyk, Ray Norris, Lori O'Day, Brian O'Dell, Mike O'Neill, Sallee O'Neill, Peter (Brother of Pauline Powell), Doug Peters, Earl Peters, Dick Plambeck, Suzie Pryor (Niece of Elizabeth Fields), Ray Quillen, Beth Rampson, Beth Rinker, Carla Robinson, Martha Rougeux, Tom Schaich, Mary Louise Scott, John Schulze, Bill Seitz, Denny Shultz, Logan Smith, Tricia(Spangler)Gracey, Chet Sprague, Judy Stevenson, Bonnie Stevlingson, Margaret Stockslager, Dale Stough, Peggy Thomas, Dave Trout, Dawn Vandegrift, Kathy Watson, Kathy Wetherhold-Parrott, Hilda Williams, Trish Wilson, Woody Wilson, Theresa Wise, Lucretia Y., Marge Zayatz

Up Coming Procedures: Kim Edmonds, Guinn Paxton, ***Dale Stough***

Recovering From Procedures: ***Greg Cobb***, Ellie Colon, Libby Gibson, Cathy Gillen, Linda Gruchacz, Kenny Mahan, Joyce Mentzer, Carla Robinson, Pat Wagner

Other:
- ***Lulu Ross Elementary students, staff, & families: Building destroyed by devasting fire.***
- Those affected by the school shooting in Bend, Oregon.
- Those affected by hurricane Isaias.
- The people of Iran and Venezuela.
- All those caring for family and friends, especially spouses and those that have lost a child.
- Delaware Firefighters, EMS, State Troopers & Local Police.
- For racial justice in the United States.

Sympathy to:
- ***Family & Friends of Paulette Lazzaro, who passed on Oct. 22nd. Service for Paulette will be November 14th at 11am at Bethel with a Reception immediately following the service.***

CALENDAR

November 1 - November 8

Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship - Sanctuary
	9:15 a.m.	Contemporary Worship "Come Alive Time" - BFH
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School - Various Rooms
	11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship - Sanctuary
	6:30 p.m.	Fuel - Lefty's
Monday		***Joyce Mentzer's Sabbath***
	1:00 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry - Lounge
	6:30 p.m.	The Book of Esther Bible Study - PMH
Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Sue Sprague Bible Study - PMH
	12:45 p.m.	Elizabeth Circle Meeting - BFH
	6:30 p.m.	SPPRC Meeting - PMH
	7:00 p.m.	YM2 - Music Room
Thursday	10:00 a.m.	Book of Acts Bible Study - PMH
	6:00 p.m.	Miracle Singers rehearsal - BFH
	7:15 p.m.	Chancel Choir rehearsal - Music Room
Friday		***Pastor Jim's Sabbath***
		Ray Davis's Sabbath
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Priceless Christmas Curiosity Shop Sale - PMH
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship - Sanctuary
	9:15 a.m.	Contemporary Worship "Come Alive Time" - BFH
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School - Various Rooms
	11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship - Sanctuary



BFH = Bethel Fellowship Hall

PMH = Parsonage Meeting House

Revelation 7:9-17 NRSVUE

9 After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count,
from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before
the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their
hands. 10 They cried out in a loud voice, saying, “Salvation belongs to our God
who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!” 11 And all the angels stood
around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they
fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, 12 singing, “Amen!
Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen.” 13 Then one of the elders addressed
me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?”
14 I said to him, “Sir, you are the one who knows.” Then he said to me, “These
are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes
and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. 15 For this reason they are
before the throne of God and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. 16 They will hunger
no more and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching
heat, 17 for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away
every tear from their eyes.”

This is the Word of God, for the people of God!

Thanks be to God!