



Newsletter



July Sermon Series

"Matthew-Little Miracles"

During July, Pastor Mark Reynolds and Eric Scholtens will finish our in depth look at the Miracles in the book of Matthew.

Upcoming Sunday Events:

July 5th - Communion

July 12th - OCC 7-day Prayer Challenge

July 19th - Kids to Center Lake Bible Camp

July Verse

All the people were astonished
and said,
"Could this be the Son of David?"

Matthew 12:23

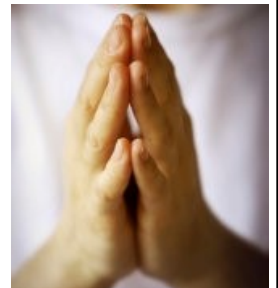


Operation Christmas Child 7-Day Prayer Challenge

On **July 12**, we challenge you to pray for a child daily. To participate, sign-up at the Operation Christmas Child table in the lobby to get a pack of cards to pray over and write an encouraging note that will be sent with a shoebox.

See page 4, for more details.

**7 DAY
Prayer
CHALLENGE**



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Newborn - 5th graders

We have classes for newborn - 5th grade on Sundays. Starting at 9:45 am, Nursery, Preschool, and Elementary students are invited to join in the fun with other kids as we study God's Word. From September - May, we also meet together Wednesday nights from 7-8:30 pm.



THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS AND FAMILIES!

A huge thank you to all the volunteers and parents that assisted with Kids Camp and 5-Day Frenzy this past week. What a joy it is to watch the kids laughing, singing, crafting, and learning about Christ's love for them. Thank you also for all the snacks, craft donations, games prepped, and time talking to families. An extra "shout out," to the design team for turning church into Ireland for the week and for all the drivers that volunteered to be there for our teens.

Summer Camp: Register Now! - July 19-24, 2026 (Deadline July 8th)

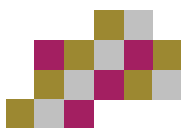
For those kids going into 3rd -12th grade who are interested in heading to Center Lake for summer fun, Bethany will be bringing kids to camp the week of July 19-24, 2026. Please check out the centerlake.org site and register online ahead of time right at the camp website. It is recommended that you only pay the deposit at first, so Bethany can assist with scholarship points. **After you register**, please let Dawn W know that you are ready to go, by applying for a "seat in the vans," using the following QR code.:



Deadline to register for camp and a ride - July 8th.

Scholarships are also available through Center Lake Bible Camp on their registration page when you register. Bethany can cover students up to \$200 max for those with scholarship points, so if cost is an issue, please apply with the camp as well. If you have any questions, please contact Dawn W. You should receive a "Van Ride Email" from Bethany the week prior to camp with extra information and a packing list.





Middle School 6-8th Grade
High School 9-12th Grade

Sunday Teen Bible Study - every week 9:45 am in Room 213

New Topic - Creation and Cool Science

All teens are welcome to join us on Sundays! Come check out what God says about creation and enjoy some cool projects too!



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High School & College to Cedar Point - July 28th

On Tuesday, July 28th our High school and College students will head to Cedar Point for a day of fun and thrills. Transportation will be provided, and will **leave church at 7 am**. The park is cashless, but you can exchange cash for a card at the front gate. A yearly medical release is required for anyone under 18 years of age. The cost for the trip is \$47 and food is not included in the price. There are some food and drink packages available online at Cedar Point's website. Sign up online with the church center app. Spots are limited. Questions? See Jill G or Chris W. **Deadline to sign up is July 24th.**



Plan ahead... Middle School Day at C. J. Barrymore's

Middle School students can look ahead to a fun day at CJ Barrymore's on **August 12**. Lunch and several hours of fun will be included. Flyers are available at the Events desk.



Friends of Bethany - July

Due to technology issues there is no update this month. Look for an update in August.



Kids Camp Money March

This year our Kids Camp raised money for the Children's Hunger Fund. They provide meals and skills to people in poverty in 33 countries, including the United States! In some countries they can provide a meal for 25 cents per person. Each day our kids brought in pocket change and

some bills to compete in a Boys versus Girls Competition. The winners of the day walked away with a cool popsicle, but the true winners are the boys and girls that will get a meal and be shown the love of God in a practical way. Thank you boys and girls for the generous giving, our **grand total was: \$880.82, that's 3,523 meals for kids!**



**Bethany's Kid Camp
Mission Project
Every cent helps**

Operation Christmas Child - July

Can you believe it's July already? It's time to start watching for those summer items to be marked down to make way for school supplies. For OCC, this is the perfect time to pick up those special items that will help fill a shoe box for some boy or girl. We have already been blessed with some of the items on our list. Here are some other items we could use.

School Supplies:

24 ct. crayons,
5"x7" journals,

12 ct. colored pencils,
small pencil sharpeners,

pink erasers, scissors,
small notebooks

Other items:

(colorful) small play-doh,
washcloths (colored)

small cookie cutters,
socks for boys ages 2 to 14,

yoyo's, sunglasses

On Sunday July 12th we begin our **7 Day Prayer Challenge**. It's easy to do. Just stop by the Operation Christmas Child table and pick up your card packet for the week. For the next 7 days, write a note to a child on one of the cards, and pray the child receiving a shoebox learns about Jesus and comes to know and love Him as their Lord and Savior. Then return the cards the following Sunday. Consider picking up several packets. These cards will be put in the shoeboxes during our packing party. We would really like to bathe our boxes and the children that will receive them in prayer. Prayer can really make a difference.

Thank you so much for all you do to help make this ministry a success.

Mark your calendar with these important Shoebox Days:

- **July 12** 7-Day Prayer Challenge
- **July 22** Work Night 6:30 pm-8:30 pm
- **Oct. 11** Fundraiser 12:30 pm
- **Nov. 2** Prime Timers Service Project
- **Nov. 7** Packing Party 10 am



Women's Ministry

"Home Sweet Home" Pantry Bridal Shower

July 15th at 7pm honoring the fiancé of **Ben W, Alyssa K.** Please sign up at the Event Center in the lobby and view their wish list. Let's bless this couple as they start their life together!



Couples Road Rally - July 31 at 6:30 pm

Join us for a fun-filled Couples Road Rally! Get ready for an exciting afternoon of teamwork, laughter, fellowship, and friendly competition as we follow clues, complete in challenges, and enjoy time together! Meet at church at 6:15pm. The evening will conclude at Patti & Kevin D's house for a bonfire and snacks, (you may want to get your car from church before heading over). The cost is \$5 a couple. Sign up at the Event Center.



Upcoming Events:

August 22- Steals & Deals Community Sale - see back page 8 for details.

Save the Date:

September 25-27 - Women's Retreat at Camp Barakel with speaker Jamie Gilbert - **Online registration begins July 15th at 8:00 am** @ www.campbarakel.org. Spots go quickly, sign up as soon as possible.

Daughters
of the KING

Men's Ministry

On July 11, 2026 at 10am Bethany will hold its annual Men's Intergenerational Golf Best Ball Scramble at Warfield Greens Golf Course. If you plan on playing, please sign up at the Event Center. We are asking golfers to please show up at the Golf Course before 9:45 AM. At the course we will divide into 4-man teams using the best ball format. After all the teams have finished the course, we will meet for lunch at Michael's Kitchen. Prizes will be given out there for the lowest team score, closest to the hole, and longest drive. Hope to see everyone there. Warfield Greens Golf Course, 34255 Utica Road, Fraser, MI 48026



Prime Timers August Event

Annual Picnic at the Marina - August 20th at Noon

Happy Birthday to the United States, 250 years! Please wear your RED, WHITE, and BLUE, and come on out to Riverbend Marina in Harrison Township. This event is always a favorite. Look for a sign up sheet with more details at the event center soon.



Growth Group

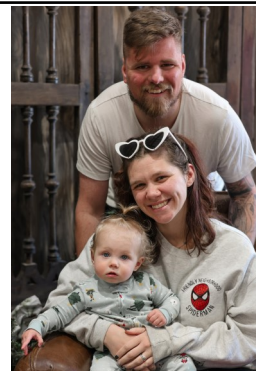
Pickleball Summer Growth Group

If you are interested in joining a growth group that exercises your, mind, body and spirit, please send an email to secretary@connect2bethany.org or let Dawn W or Jill G know. We plan to meet at the Clinton Township Civic Center Courts on Romeo Plank near Canal, our schedule is weather and participant related...so if you want to join, let Jill or Dawn know to contact you. You don't have to be a great athlete or even know how to play, as most of us are still new to the game. Lets grow together!



IT'S OFFICIAL - David B-Youth Pastor

We are excited to announce that **David B** was voted in and accepted the position of **Youth Pastor at Bethany** starting October 1, 2026. We are looking forward to adding David and his family to our Bethany Family. Please pray for a good transition for them and for God to provide a great housing situation. We will have ways that you can help make their move here easier with a list of jobs at a future date. Please help us Welcome David, Bri, and Anya to the Bethany family with love and support.



News from the Trustees

Air Conditioning Units



The Trustees recently completed approximately \$9,400 in repairs to restore all nine of our church's HVAC units following several leak-related issues. While all systems are now operational, the units are averaging around 10 years in age, and planning is underway for phased replacements in the coming years. Due to current tariff costs, long lead times, and installation requirements, replacements will be scheduled in future seasons rather than this summer. In addition, our boilers are also approaching replacement age and will be inspected later this summer as part of ongoing efforts to ensure safe and reliable facility operations. More information is available at the Event Center.

Worship Center Update

Mission 2911

The Worship Center carpet and chair project has been approved and will be moving forward; with the work is to be done in August. **Currently we have raised \$69,267 of the \$80,000 needed.** Thank you to all those that supported this project in prayer, finances, and doing research to make it possible. We trust God will provide the full amount. More information about demolition and installation along with a sign up sheet for volunteers will be at the Events Desk coming later in July.

MISSION 2911



Finances

Average Monthly Expenses
\$45,404

May's Giving Total
\$39,656



JULY 2026

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
COLOR CODE For Everyone For Women For Men For Committees For 1st-5th Graders For 6th-12th Graders For 18-29 Year Olds For PrimeTimers (50 +)			10:00 am Youth Committee Meeting 11:00 am Missions Meeting 7:00 pm Prayer Meeting Men's Bible Study	2	3	4
5 9:45 am Growth Groups & Kids Connection 11:00 am Worship Service Communion & Kids Connection	6 7:00 pm Deaconess Meeting	7	8 11:30 am Men's Luncheon 7:00 pm Prayer Meeting Men's Bible Study	9 12:30pm Single Senior Luncheon At River Crest on Harper	10 8:30 pm 9:40 pm Men's Softball	11 10:00 am Men's Golf Scramble
12 9:45 am Growth Groups, Kids Connection OCC Prayer Card Challenge 11:00 am Worship Service Kids Connection 12:30pm Unstuck Communication Team Meeting 1:00 pm Griefshare	13	14 7:00 pm Deacon Meeting	15 7:00 pm Home Sweet Home Bridal Shower Wolf / Kalaj 7:00 pm Prayer Meeting Men's Bible Study	16	17 6:00 pm PrimeTimers Baseball Game 6:10pm 7:20 pm Men's Softball August Newsletter Articles Due	18
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Drop-In Volleyball - cancelled for July

July Birthdays and Anniversaries

- 1 Isaiah B, Gabriella N
- 2 Anna Kay H, Alanna C
- 3 Elliott D, Sharon S
- 6 AJ L, Cork L
- 8 Milina F
- 7 Riley H, Jordon S
- 9 Linda C, Perris C
- 10 Raven W
- 12 Calvin W
- 13 Rebecca S
- 15 Colton P
- 17 Dave W
- 18 Olathe C
- 19 Bob D
- 21 Preston D, Ethan G
- 22 Landon S
- 23 Dan S
- 24 Gerald H
- 26 Austin D, Joshua J
- 27 Brian W, Carolyn W
- 28 Christy G, Mike G
- 31 Ed K, Jeff L, Hunter Q



- 2 Richard & Mildred D
- 5 Alex & Megan
- 18 Everett & Jan
- 19 Brian & Bonnie W
- 22 Hung Bob Brisson & Vicky
- 25 Kevin & Patti D
- 30 Rick & Christy G



COLOR CODE

Friends of Bethany Shut-In No Mailbox

To ensure those whose names are color-coded receive their cards, please use the postal service.

Men's Luncheon

Wednesday, July 8th at 11:30 am

All men are welcome to enjoy some food and fellowship as we gather together at **Michael's Kitchen** located at 35481 Groesbeck, Clinton Township.



Single Senior Luncheon

Thursday, July 9th at 12:30 pm Men and women are invited to enjoy a meal together at River Crest Restaurant on Harper (37531 Harper Ave, Clinton Township, MI 48036). Sign up at the Event Sign up desk so we can save you a seat!!



Steals & Deals Community Sale-Coming Soon!

Saturday, August 22, 2026 from 9am - 1pm

Have unwanted things lying around the house or stored in the garage? Come sell it at our Steals & Deals Community Sale! Rent a parking space for only \$10 and turn your unwanted stuff into extra money. Nothing to sell? Stop by for a little shopping (\$2 admission fee for adults, kids are free) and find some deals. All proceeds from the sale (renters fee and admission fee) go towards the Campers Fund to help send our kids to Summer and Winter Camps. Stop by the Events Center for a contract to sell with us or see Katherine D for any questions. And spread the word! This sale is open to anyone and everyone not just our church family!



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Bethany has been established on the corner of 15 Mile Road and Beaconsfield since **1956**, and has a rich heritage that involves Christ followers who are devoted to seeking the will of God. We know it is no accident that we have been placed on this corner and we strive to reach out to our community with the love of Christ.