

Have you ever considered being in leadership? The nominations committee is looking to have new folks come on board. Please see Pastor John if you would like to be in a leadership position at our church.



The Youth Group at Congregational Church invites you to come to their meetings every Sunday from 4:00pm-6:00pm. All Middle and High School youth are welcome. If you have any questions please contact Ashley Adams at fccbyouth@firstchurchbethel.org

The Sunday School needs items for the Incentive Store. Each Sunday children earn stickers during class and can "spend" them after church on Family Sunday. We like religious themed items as well as others, but no logo items. Stuffed animals, small games, items for teens are welcome as well. Please no activity books as we have many. Thank you in advance

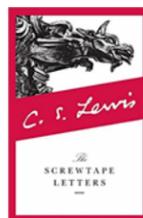


Sunday school Wish List

Stickers, Annie's animal crackers, glue sticks, markers, crayons, small Dixie cups, small dessert size plates, small bottles of water, Please leave any donations in the church office. Thank you for your donations

We are still looking for volunteers (All kinds of talent is needed from babysitting in the nursery, teachers, assistants to subs) High school to adults. Please e-mail Wendy Williams at williamsBUMC@gmail.com

C. S. Lewis Book study "The Screwtape Letters" Please join Rick Kelly and Bill Struth for a dive into the "Screwtape Letters" by CS Lewis. This powerful easy read book is a satirical look at the struggles in the spiritual world and how a demon in training is trying to tempt a young man throughout his life. The demon is guided by his evil intentioned Uncle Screwtape, in a series of 31 "letters" that we will be reading. This will provide an amazing insight into the powerful forces of good and evil all around us. Discussion is optional but greatly appreciated.



Study will begin on October 3rd at 7:30 pm at the church and run weekly until about early December. Please see Bill or Rick for more information.

 Thanks to all the volunteers who helped make the blood drive a success. BUMC once again showed we care about the community & beyond by sponsoring this life saving event. -Alice

Note from Trustees:
Please DO NOT leave anything in the hallways or stairways of the building. It is against fire code.



UMW CORNER

October 3rd—First meeting of the Thursday afternoon Bible Study 2-3:30pm in the Family Room. Study guides for this 7 week study (ending before Thanksgiving) are available from Ann McLellan. Open to all women.

October 6th—First Soup sale of the 2019 season! (please remember to bring your own bags) If you forget we can provide a bag for a small donation. Mission Pin for outstanding service to others to be presented at the 10:00am service.

October 8th— 7pm general meeting and Bazaar workshop. Due to FPU meeting in Mitchell Hall, UMW will meet in the Johnson Building Alcove. Cones will be removed for handicapped parking by the front door.

October 27— Days for Girls Sunday—a focus on this amazing mission project and giving opportunity.

Please remember the basket for food donations for the Bethel Community Food Pantry located right here @ our church. The basket is in our Communications area downstairs outside the kitchen. Thank you in advance.



Today at the 10:00 service, Bob & Pat O'Neil will mark their 30th wedding anniversary with a vow renewal. After the service, all are welcome in Mitchell Hall for fellowship and celebration. Lunch will be provided.



Community Bible Study Evening Class
Our local CBS (Community Bible Study) class is beginning...at the beginning...We are studying Genesis this year!
CBS is an international, interdenominational ministry. CBS classes meet in local host churches throughout the world, and Ridgefield Baptist Church (325 Danbury Road) has graciously welcomed our local evening class to use its facility. Approximately sixty men and women attend the class on Monday evenings, from 7:30 to 9:00, September through April. Anyone interested in looking into the Bible in a friendly, caring atmosphere is invited to visit or become a member of the class. Beginners, as well as more experienced Bible students, are always welcome. The book of Genesis is all about relationships. We will learn how much He cares for His people. God wants to have a relationship with you
This class will be especially relevant for all of you baseball fans out there since we're learning together about the Big Inning!
For more information about CBS go to <http://RidgefieldEve.cbsclass.org> or call (203) 431-9491. If anyone has any questions about this Bible Study opportunity, please also feel free to call Peter Eckert of BUMC who has been involved with CBS for about 20 years.

Bethel

United Methodist Church



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Our Mission is all about Knowing Jesus & Making Jesus Known in the Heart of Bethel and Beyond

Prelude: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling...arr. T. Smith
Introit: Blessed Be The Name....arr. R. Hudson Chancel Choir

Call to Worship:

L: Sometimes we wonder how we have gotten through some difficult situations.

P: God has been with us, lifting and comforting our spirits.

L: We struggle and worry.

P: God's loving presence sustains and strengthens us.

L: Listen for God's call to you.

P: Lord, we are listening and seeking your guidance. AMEN.

Hymn of Praise: #103 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise v. 1,3,4
#110 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God v. 1,3,4

Welcome & Announcements

Pastoral Prayer

a time to share our joys and concerns as a church family

Wedding Vow Renewal

The Offertory Blessed Assurance...arr. L. Shackley 8:30 a.m.
For I Know The Plans I Have For You....D. Schwoebel Chancel Choir

94 Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

Scripture Reading: John 5:2-9 (NIV) pg 90

* **Hymn of Preparation** #400 Come, Thou Fount Of Every Blessing

• **Passing of Greetings & Peace**

Sermon What are we waiting for? **Pastor John Parille**

Holy Communion *All are Welcome!*

Lamb of God (sung in unison)

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world. Grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

#402 Lord, I Want To Be A Christian Chancel Choir

***Hymn of Response** #3105 In Christ Alone

Choral Benediction The Gift Of Love....H. Hopson Chancel Choir

This benediction is sung in honor of Bob and Pat O'Neil, with our love.

• **Benediction & Closing Prayer**

* Please stand if able. *Large print hymnals are available— please ask an usher.*

Bethel United Methodist Church



Heartbeat News from the Pews

New to the church? Here is some helpful information!

Restrooms: The restrooms are located through the side door on the right of the sanctuary, go through both doors and make a left then a quick right. They are towards the end of the hallway on the right.

Nursery Care & Sunday School: 10:00 am. Nursery is available for **babies and children through age 2**, located in room 203 (next to the Men's room) It is staffed every Sunday except Family Sunday when it is open for parents to use. Sunday School begins aqt 10am. All but the PK should go directly to their class before service begins **Information Center:** Here you will find lost and found, upcoming event information as well as brochures and other pieces of information about our church. It is located just outside Fellowship Hall which is located on the lower level.

Safety: For the convenience of those who wish to cleanse their hands after exchanging signs of peace and before handling the communion elements, there are alcohol gel pumps available.

We are happy to provide anyone who needs to step out of service for any reason our "Family Room" located in the Narthex.

Office Hours: Monday office closed. Regular office hours are Tuesday through Friday 10:00am-2:00pm



Serving God doesn't mean we'll no longer have difficulties. We're still on the battlefield, but we don't have to fight alone. - Joyce

Readers & Communion Stewards

8:30am: Maureen Raftery

10:00am: Call to Worship: Bill Struth

Scripture: Lisa Gallichio

Counters: Bill Struth & Tom Wolff

Greeters 8:30am: Peter Eckert

Greeters 10:00am: Bill & Sharon Struth

Ushers: Team C: Jim Fernandez, Krista Mayer, Frank Tomaino, Andrew Serfilippi



Thank to Rick Kelly for his dedication to our RECHARGE Praise team and his leadership of our Staff Parish Committee.

This Week's BUMC Calendar:

- Sun. 09/29** 8:30am & 10:00am Worship
Sunday School
12noon ASP Information Meeting
North Campus Gaylordsville
10:00am Worship
- Mon. 09/30** Brotherhood & Sisterhood of Christ
- Tues. 10/01** 2:30pm Food Pantry
7:00pm Financial Peace University
7:30pm Church Council
- Wed. 10/02** 7:00 pm RECHARGE
Speaker: Jo Gabriele
- Thurs. 10/03** 2:00pm UMW Bible Study
6:30pm Bells
7:30pm C.S. Lewis Book Study
7:30pm Choir
- Fri. 10/04**
- Sat. 10/05** 10:00am-12:00noon Off the Streets
- Sun. 10/06** 8:30am & 10:00am Worship
Sunday School
UMW Soup Sale
North Campus Gaylordsville
10:00am Worship

Upcoming Events:

The flowers on the altar are for sale after the service. They are \$7.00 or \$10.00 with the vase. Please see Alice. The proceeds this year will go toward outreach projects during the year.



2020 ASP sign up meeting in the BUMC Sanctuary today at 12 noon.