



*Our mission is to welcome everyone to God's House of Worship in the Heart of Bethel. We are committed to active spirituality, Bible-based learning applied to everyday life, and service to our brothers and sisters in communities near and far.*

## The Heart Beat

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Weekly Illuminations and Inspirations

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### Church Person(s) of the Week:

Thank you to Sarah DeShan and Jessica Bardelli for leading us with their beautiful voices these past few weeks while we explore new worship songs.

### Today's Worship Assistants:

**Readers & Communion Stewards (set-up and serve): 9:30am:** Kyle Johnson, Martha Bishop

**Communion Stewards (serve and clean-up):** Diane Meldon, Pat Deuschle

**Counters:** Janette Blackstock and Dave Albin

**Greeters:** Marty Bishop

**Ushers:** Team C: Krista Mayer, Debbie Albin, Frank Tomaino

**Summer Sunday School:** Pat Deuschle & Emily Williams

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.

**Lost and Found:** please check the rack near the side entry, or the small basket on the shelf in the church office.-

**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

### Quote for the week:

"Every Champion was once a contender who refused to give up"

**Our Prayers Local Concerns:** Rev. Robert Johnson, Arthur Meldon advanced brain damage, Grace Meldon serious COPD. **Prayers for the world:** Nice France, All the families of Sandy Hook, Newtown and surrounding communities as they continue to heal. All the men and women who have served and are serving in our Armed Forces. **Conference prayers:** Bishop Jane Allen Middleton as she prepares to leave and go back into retirement. Prayers for our new NYAC Bishop Thomas J. Bickerton as he prepares to take over our conference on September 1<sup>st</sup>.

***The flowers on the Lords Table today are for sale after the service. They are \$7.00 or \$10.00 w/ the vase. Please see Alice Mayer if you wish to purchase. If you need a flower arrangement during the week for a special occasion you can order flowers from Alice @ 203-748-2774. They are \$13.00 w/ the vase, delivered. This year's flower/plant funds will go for access.***

### Leadership

Have you ever thought of being in church leadership? This is a wonderful opportunity for your faith to grow and to serve your local church. In the coming months, the nominating committee will be meeting to fill positions for our church leadership. Will you consider becoming part of the team? See Pastor John for more details.

### The 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Church Bazaar 11/18 & 19

The church bazaar will be here before you know it. This is our biggest single fundraiser of the year and last year we made over \$10,000. It is a line item in our budget.

**Chair:** Peter Philip

Here are this year's booth chairs so far:

**Theme baskets:** Nancy O'Halloran

These are baskets of items made up with a theme in mind and tickets are sold at \$1.00 each to win a basket. A candy is given with each sale.

are towards the end of the hallway on the right. Each restroom is equipped with a commode.

**Nursery Care:** The nursery (for ages 3 and under) is located in the Education wing just before the bathrooms on the right!

### This Week's BUMC Calendar:

Sunday	8/28	9:30 am Summer Worship Summer Sunday School Children's Backpack Blessing
Monday	8/29	
Tuesday	8/30	
Wednesday	8/31	
Thursday	9/01	
Friday	9/02	
Saturday	9/03	10:00-12:00pm Off the Streets
Sunday	9/04	9:30am Summer Worship Summer Sunday School

### Coming Events:

9/08 First day of Choir practice  
9/10 **Pasta Dinner**  
9/11 8:30am and 10:00am service with Teacher dedication and Sunday School registration  
9/18 Worship in the Park  
10/02 UMW Soup Sale

**Holly Hearth: Jackie Penyak & Tamara Wachnuik**

This booth features handmade Christmas items.

**Plants And.....: Dawn Tamaino**

This green thumb booth sells house plants, jewelry and other unique/antique items.

**Calico Corner: Alice Mayer**

Handmade crafts other than Christmas items are sold at this booth.

**Country Store: Sandy & Ken Bardelli**

Baked goods, Cookies, Jams, Cheese, candy and anything yummy can be bought here.

**The Book Nook: Ann McLellan**

Used books, CD's or video treasures will await you here.

**Taste of BUMC:**

Your favorite recipe is made by you in our certified kitchen, frozen and sold at this booth.

**Pictures with Santa: Santa & Mrs. Claus, Pat Deuschle**

Even some adults sit on Santa's knee!!

**The Kiss Tree: Maddy Wachnuik**

The Christmas Tree shaped board holds Hersey kisses that have a # of a prize you can win.

**Silent Bid: Krista Mayer**

Goods and services are available for you to bid on. Of course highest bid wins.

**The Lunch Room:**

**Kitchen:**

**Dining Room:**

A delicious lunch sandwich & soup is served for our guests.

**Kids Craft Room: Audrey Stejskal**

Kids can make a craft for a nominal fee.

And other chairs:

**Publicity: Marty Stejskal**

Makes sure the whole world knows about the bazaar.

**Business Solicitation:**

Collects items donated for our silent bid/ kiss tree by our local businesses.

**Finances: Finance committee**

Manage the money and credit card during the bazaar.

**Please see Peter Philip or Alice Mayer if you can help.**

**Sunday Morning Ministries for 9:30am September 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Readers & Communion Stewards (set-up and serve):** Julien Schaad, Bill Struth, **Communion Stewards**

**(serve and clean-up):** Diane Meldon, Pat Deuschle **Counters:** Bill Struth and Claudia Schaefer

**Greeters:** Linda Bruce and Betty Lepus **Ushers:** Team D: Tracy Brown, Fran Bartholomew, Paul McHugh, Lee Griswold

**Handbells and Choir**

Rehearsals will begin the Thursday after Labor Day, **September 8<sup>th</sup>**. Handbells will practice in the balcony of the sanctuary from 6:30-7:30. Choir will practice in the choir room from 7:30-9:00. New members are welcome! Please contact Todd Gorski, music director, for more information: [music.bumc@gmail.com](mailto:music.bumc@gmail.com) or 203-743-6835. **All 20 choir copies of the new hymnal have been purchased. Thanks very much to all who contributed.**

**Sunday School**

Sunday **September 11<sup>th</sup>** is Teacher Dedication and Registration Sunday. Sunday School will be held in Mitchell Hall that day.

**All Teachers, assistants, subs and anyone interested in working with the Sunday School in any capacity, please put 7 pm on Wednesday, September 7, 2016 on your calendar. This is a Start Up Teacher's Meeting with Pastor John. Pizza is being served. Please do your very best to be there!! RSVP**

**News from the United Methodist Women**

\* The Prayer Shawl group continues to meet at 7 pm on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month, even during the summer months. All who like or want to learn crochet or knitting are welcome. They meet in the Johnson Building alcove. Contact Linda Bruce for more information.

\* The first UMW meeting of the Fall will again be at the Comida Pantry, sponsored by the Association of Religious Communities. We will be sorting beans this time, as the need is great. Save the date: Saturday, **September 17, 2016**, from 9 am until noon.

\* UMW meetings are usually the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month. Upcoming programs include, 'Wicked Women of the Bible' in October, and our memorial "Service of Light" in November. Please join us.

\* We will be scheduling Paint Events, definitely, during the first quarter of 2017.

**Perennials**

Forms to order perennials are located on the table in the narthex.

**Free Piano and bench**

Upright Fisher piano, currently located in the Classroom. If interested, please contact Todd Gorski, Director of Music, at [music.bumc@gmail.com](mailto:music.bumc@gmail.com) or 203.743.6835. First come, first serve.

**Red Bird Mission**

The UMW collects **Campbell's labels** and **Boxtops for Education** for the **Red Bird**. Please cut the bar code labels as we only need the bar codes. There is a small basket on the counter in Mitchell Hall for the labels.

**Need activity space?**

Mitchell Hall: \$180 for 4 hrs including set up time, (Pledging Members: \$51.00 – tax deductible donation). \$51.00 for partial Kitchen use (refrigeration and warming of meals), There is also a \$75 refundable deposit in case of damage to the room or in case professional cleaners have to be called in. Rm. 201: \$15.50 hr

**BUMC "Giving Gifts for Christ" List Items Needed**

*The Giving Gifts for Christ program is a program where you can make a donation of an item needed by the church in honor or memory of someone. Below is a sample of some of the items needed at this time:*

**Opportunities to serve our church**

Please consider volunteering for our church service! We currently need readers, communion stewards, greeters, ushers and acolytes. Please contact Cheryl for more information or to sign up at [bmthodistchurch@snet.net](mailto:bmthodistchurch@snet.net) or 203-743-6835