



*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

October 23, 2016

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

Today we'd like to thank Tammy Esposito for lending her calligraphy talents by inscribing our Bibles every year and Confirmation certificates.

### **Today's Worship Assistants:**

**Readers & Communion Stewards 8:30am:** David McClain

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

**Communion Stewards (serve and clean-up):**

Sarah DeShan, Peter Philip

**Counters:** Bill Struth and Claudia Schaefer

**Greeters:** Alan and Debbie Brown

**Ushers:** Team D: Tracy Brown, Fran Bartholomew, Paul McHugh, Lee Griswold

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 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	10/23	8:30am & 10:00am Worship Sunday School; 5:00pm-6:00pm Youth Group
Monday	10/24	7:30pm UMW – "Wicked Women of the Bible"
Tuesday	10/25	7:30pm Trustees
Wednesday	10/26	7:30pm Dave Ramsey wk 6
Thursday	10/27	7:00pm Prayer Shawl 6:30pm Hand bells 7:30pm Choir
Friday	10/28	
Saturday	10/29	
Sunday	10/30	8:30am & 10:00am Worship Sunday School; 5:00pm-6:00pm Youth Group

### **Coming Events:**

### **Quote for the week:**

Patience is not simply the ability to wait - it's how we behave while we're waiting. Joyce Meyer

**Our Prayers Local Concerns:** Rev. Robert Johnson, Ann Tibbatts **Prayers for the world:** 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:** Prayers for our new NYAC Bishop Thomas J. Bickerton.

**CAPSULE ARTICLES ARE DUE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE FOR NOVEMBER'S EDITION!!!!!!**

### **News**

Former BUMC member Ann Tibbatts had a knee revision surgery and is in Bethel Rehab for the next week. If you would like to send a card her address is 138 Kinney Hill Rd, New Preston, CT 06777.

### **Sunday Morning Ministries for 8:30am & 10:00am October 30<sup>th</sup>**

**Readers & Communion Stewards 8:30am:** Marty Bishop **Readers & Communion Stewards (set-up and**

**serve):** Diane Meldon, Tom Wolff **Communion Stewards (serve and clean-up):** Bill Struth, Kyle Johnston

**Counters:** Tracy Brown and Krista Mayer **Greeters:** Marty Bishop **Ushers:** Team B: Alan Brown, Linda Bruce, Tammy Esposito

### **All Saints' Day to be Observed**

We will be observing All Saints' **Sunday on October 30<sup>th</sup>**. On that day we will be calling the roll of our saints who have passed away in the past year. Please give Cheryl the names of any of your loved ones who have gone on to glory in the past year if you would like them to be remembered at that service. Contact her at 203-743-6835 or [bmethodistchurch@snet.net](mailto:bmethodistchurch@snet.net). There will also be a clipboard in the back of the sanctuary.

### **Save the date**

Our first church sponsored blood drive will be held on Tuesday **November 29**. The Red Cross has asked us for this date since there is such a shortage of blood after Holidays. [You can sign up on line @ redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org). It will run from 1:00-6:00 p.m. We need 2 volunteers (one each for registration and canteen) for the duration of the drive. If you can help with a shift (2 hours) please see Alice Mayer.

### Request for Theme Baskets

Please help make the Bazaar a big success. We are in need of Theme Baskets this year. This booth has been one of the main attractions of the Bazaar and we want to keep it that way! Over the years we have been relying too heavily on contributions from the community and we would like to get back to having church members donate baskets. It's fun and easy to create a basket. Gather the kids, your friends, your spouse, come up with a theme and use your imagination. Think of things you'd enjoy receiving and put it all together! There are some extra baskets in the closet in Mitchell Hall if you need one. If you have any questions or need ideas, please contact Nancy O'Halloran at 203 792-7833 or you can email me at [nancyoh@snet.net](mailto:nancyoh@snet.net). Thanks!

### News from the United Methodist Women

**\* CALLING ALL WOMEN (Men will not be turned away)! Who are the "Wicked" women of the Bible? Why? Come and learn more at the UMW meeting on Monday, October 24, 2016. The business meeting starts at 7:30 followed by our special program. Marty Bishop has come up with a great program for us!**

\*Prayer Shawl group meets at 7 pm on the 4th Thursday of the month. 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.

Our annual memorial "Service of Light" will be at the November meeting. Please join us.

### Bethel UMC Outreach Opportunities

**October** will be Undies Sundays and we are collecting all kinds of under garments

**November** will be collecting hats, gloves, coats, blankets and sheets.

There will be a basket in Mitchell Hall every Sunday for these items if the Spirit so moves you. The Outreach Committee is also looking for some new members.

Other ways you can serve: Support the Jerry Shike Youth Missions Fund, join a firewood ministry team, think about becoming a Stephen Minister.

If you have any questions about the items above or would like more information about joining this committee, please contact Carol Morey or John Esposito...Thanks!!!

## 47<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL COUNTRY BAZAAR

Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016, 5pm-8pm

Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016, 9am-4pm

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The Bazaar's success depends on your continued support!

### [11 Ways That You Can Help!](#)

1. Donate a new/unused item or service for the Silent Auction (do you own a time share or property you could contribute? Do you have a skill, talent/hobby you could share?)
2. Donate handmade/new crafts (pillows, blankets, wood crafts, card making, doll making, knitting, crocheting, and felting) for Calico Corners
3. Donate Christmas crafts, ornaments, wreaths, or candles for Holly Hearth
4. Donate small, new/unused prizes for the Kiss Tree (hit the Christmas Tree Shop and visit those clearance bins when you are out shopping). We need prizes for adults and children
5. Donate plants and pots (or other containers), jewelry or small antiques for the Plants etc Booth
6. Cook a stew, soup, lasagna etc for the Taste of BUMC (cooking nights will be scheduled as these meals need to be prepared in the church kitchen)
7. Bake (cookies, loaves, breads, pies...) or prepare jam, fudge or candy for the Country Store
8. Donate a basket for the Theme Baskets Table (cooking, baking, coffee/tea lovers, pet, fishing, games, teddy bears, candles, movie night, sports....)
9. Donate your time to help at the Bazaar (setup the night before, run a booth, help in the kitchen or serve breakfast/lunch in the BUMC Café)
10. Donate GENTLY used books, puzzles and games for the Book Sale
11. Donate food supplies for the kitchen. These items need to be at the church by Friday November 18<sup>th</sup> 5pm.

Signups available in Mitchell Hall for donations of time, food and many booth items!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

**Please contribute in whatever way you can! Contact me with any questions, suggestions, offers of donation etc. ([petersells@aol.com](mailto:petersells@aol.com))**

**Thank you for your support! Peter Philip, Bazaar Chair**

### **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.

### **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

### **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

### **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.

### **Randall Wright Hall 50 year anniversary**

We are looking for people to join our Randall Wright Hall Anniversary committee. Anyone interested in being part of the committee please contact the church office at [bmthodistchurch@snet.net](mailto:bmthodistchurch@snet.net) or 203-743-6835. Also anyone having information concerning the construction of this building please leave your name and number so we can get in touch with you. Thank you!