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...I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you...2 Timothy 1:6b
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Join us for the
**Bethel United Methodist
Church Annual Fish Fry**
Friday, April 24th 4:30 -7pm

8405 Lima Road Fort Wayne IN 46818

Invite your family, friends, and neighbors.
All you can eat. ~ *Dan’s Fish & Chicken*
Menu: Fish or Chicken, Green Beans, Cole
Slaw or Applesauce, Desserts & Drink
Dine In, Carry Out and Drive Thru Available

Tickets available in the church office
8am-3pm M-Th. & 8am-Noon on Fri
Adults \$9.50, Children 6-12 \$5, 5 & under free.
Craft & Bake Sale Table Also Available

The proceeds to be evenly divided between UMW missions,
Youth Camp assistance, and kitchen stove replacement.

Special points of
interest:

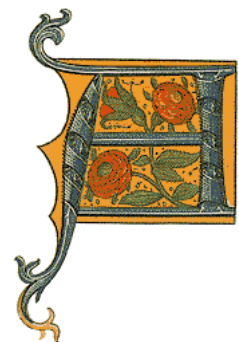
- “Hallelujah! Christ Is Risen! Christ Is Risen Indeed!”
- Lay Academy
- Children’s Easter Fest & Egg hunt
- VBS is coming!
- Summer Camp sign-ups
- Yoyo’s Fundraiser
- How Big Is Your God?
- Special Services in April
- 4 lessons of Good Friday

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you an Easter sermon by St. John Chrysostom (circa 400 AD), probably one of the most inspirational and powerful resurrection messages ever rendered!



re there any who are devout lovers of God? **Let them enjoy this beautiful bright festival!**

re there any who are grateful servants? **Let them rejoice and enter into the joy of their Lord!**

re there any weary with fasting? **Let them now receive their wages!**

If any have toiled from the first hour, **let them receive their due reward;** If any have come after the third hour, **let him with gratitude join in the Feast!** And he that arrived after the sixth hour, **let him not doubt; for he too shall sustain no loss.** And if any

delayed until the ninth hour, let him not hesitate; but let him come too. And he who arrived only at the eleventh hour, let him not be afraid by reason of his delay. **For the Lord is gracious and receives the last even as the first. He gives rest to him that comes at the eleventh hour, as well as to him that toiled from the first.** To this one He gives, and upon another He bestows. He accepts the works as He greets the endeavor. The deed He honors and the intention He commends. **Let us all enter into the joy of the Lord!**

First and last alike receive your reward; rich and poor, rejoice together! Sober and slothful, celebrate the day! You that have kept the fast, and you that have not, **rejoice today for the Table is richly laden!** Feast royally on it, the calf is a fatted one. Let no one go away hungry. Partake, all, of the cup of faith. **Enjoy all the riches of His goodness!**

Let no one grieve at his poverty, for the **universal kingdom has been revealed.** Let no one mourn that he has fallen again and again; for **forgiveness has risen from the grave.**

Let no one fear death, for the Death of our Savior has set us free. He has destroyed it by enduring it. He destroyed Hell when He descended into it. He put it into an uproar even as it tasted of His flesh.

Isaiah foretold this when he said, "You, O Hell, have been troubled by encountering Him below." **Hell was in an uproar because it was done away with. It was in an uproar because it is mocked. It was in an uproar, for it is destroyed. It is in an uproar, for it is annihilated. It is in an uproar, for it is now made captive.**

Hell took a body, and discovered God. It took earth, and encountered Heaven. It took what it saw, and was overcome by what it did not see. O death, where is thy sting? O Hell, where is thy victory?

Christ is Risen, and you, o death, are annihilated! Christ is Risen, and the evil ones are cast down! Christ is Risen, and the angels rejoice! Christ is Risen, and life is liberated! Christ is Risen, and the tomb is emptied of its dead; for Christ having risen from the dead, is become the first-fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

To Him be Glory and Power Forever and Ever. Amen!
Blessings for Easter and Always! PB

JUST FOR FUN!

Four lessons of Good Friday

The Rev. James Martin, S.J., author of Jesus: A Pilgrimage (HarperOne), writes that Jesus' suffering and death almost 2,000 years ago are very relevant to our 21st-century lives. He says Good Friday teaches us that:

1. physical and emotional suffering are part of life;
2. suffering isn't always the result of sin;
3. Jesus was fully human — and thus understands our humanity; and
4. suffering isn't the last word.

"The message of Good Friday is incomplete without Easter," Martin writes. "The story of the Passion is not simply of a man being brutally tortured, nailed to a cross and executed by the Romans. It's the story of a man who turns himself fully over to the Father's will, trusts that something new will come out of this offering and receives the astonishing gift of new life."

A sign of spring



In *The Story of the Easter Robin* (Zonderkidz), Dandi Daley Mackall retells an old Pennsylvania Dutch tale of the robin's compassion as he witnessed Jesus' death.

On Good Friday, a plain brown robin flying over Jerusalem was curious about the "nest" atop Jesus' head. When the bird realized it was a crown of thorns, he tried to dislodge it.

As the robin pulled out a long thorn from Jesus' forehead, a drop of blood landed on the bird's breast, staining it red. Now the robin's red breast is a symbol of Jesus' loving sacrifice, and the robin's early-spring song is a reminder of Jesus' joyful resurrection.

Bible Trivia Question

When Jesus was crucified, over what time period did darkness cover the earth?



- A. 9 p.m. to 6 a.m.
- B. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- C. 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- D. 12 noon to 3 p.m.

Check your answers at the bottom of page 16

+Christian Symbol+ Palms



When Jesus entered Jerusalem days before his death, crowds welcomed him by waving palm branches, which were common symbols of victory and rejoicing. Thus churches continue to use them in remembrance of that occasion, knowing that Jesus' crucifixion was ultimately his triumph over sin and death. As

early as Leviticus 23:40, God commanded Israel to use palms in a festival of rejoicing. In Revelation 7:9-10, Christian martyrs carry palm branches as they praise the Lamb before the throne of God.

THANK YOU'S

Thank you to everyone who sent cards and especially those who prayed for my family and I in the recent death of my son Marc. I am blessed by the people of Bethel. Thank you again.

Carol Brown

Thank you to all who volunteered, provided desserts, and attended the UMW Chicken Noodle luncheon. Our profit was \$566 and will be used to meet our mission responsibilities to Indiana UMW and Lucille Raines Rehabilitation Center.

Blessings to all, Carol Barton, UMW President

BETHEL HAPPENINGS...

Special Services in April

7pm Maundy Thursday Service
7am Sunrise Service



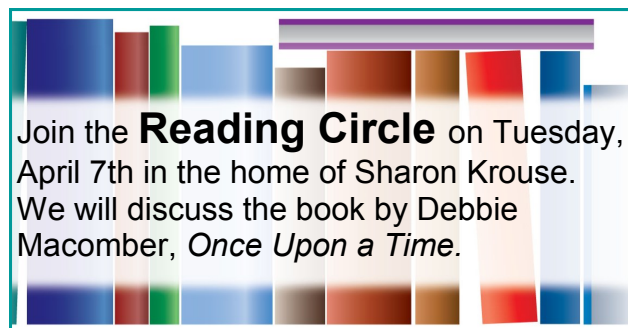
Eve Circle will meet on Thurs., April 16th at 12:30pm. JoAnn Knapp will be our host. We certainly hope that you can join us.

Men's Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, April 4th at 9am

Easter Fest

Sunday, April 12th at 12pm



Join the **Reading Circle** on Tuesday, April 7th in the home of Sharon Krouse. We will discuss the book by Debbie Macomber, *Once Upon a Time*.



April Meetings

Thursday, April 9th

9:30am Church Staff Meeting

Thursday, April 23rd

7:00pm Trustee Meeting

April Greeters

April 5 Jack & Shirley Birch
Cheryl Nicolet
April 12 Vic & Elaine Wheeler
Mike & Shelby Naibauer
April 19 Al & Irene Johnstonbaugh
Traci King
April 26 Don & Carol Borches
Robb & Diana Bilderback

General Operating Report - Feb.

2/01/15 Beginning Balance	-26,479.75
INCOME	16,845.70
EXPENSES	27,004.25
2/28/15 Ending Balance	-36,638.30

BETHEL UMW NEWS

UMW Spring Retreat

The Bethel United Methodist Women have the opportunity to attend the Spring Retreat for UMW of Indiana on April 17-18 starting at 7 PM Friday, until 2:30 PM Saturday, at Don Hall's Guest House. Cost for commuter attendance is \$25 which includes lunch on Saturday. Deadline to sign up is April 5. Please see the UMW bulletin board in Fellowship Hall for a registration form. Carol Barton plans to attend and would love to see those who can participate also attend. Pastor Corinne Boruff-Stucker will be the keynote speaker; her topic will be how to "Shake Our Sillies Out" and listen to what God has for us! This will be a time to refresh your spirit in Jesus Christ and have fellowship with other United Methodist Women throughout Indiana.



Biannual Woman's May Tea Party

Please mark a BIG circle around Saturday, May 16th at 2pm on your calendar for the UMW's Biannual Woman's May Tea Party. More details to come in the next issue of The Bethel Flame.

ACADEMY of LAY MINISTRIES for the NORTHEAST DISTRICT of THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Join us for an exciting time at the Spring Session 2015!

Location: Fort Wayne Calvary United Methodist Church
6301 Winchester Road Fort Wayne, IN 46819 (260) 747-9218

Dates and Times: April 12 through May 3 ~ Four Sundays! 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Courses offered: Basic Course ~ Pastor Barbara Cross

Preaching 1 ~ Pastor Nathan Whybrew

Preaching 2 ~ Pastor Ted Jansen

Bible Study - The Gospel of Mark ~ Pastor Scott Shoaff

Domestic Violence ~

Week 1: Jennifer Rohlf ~ Domestic Violence from the YWCA.

Week 2: Elka Jackson & Meghan Menchhoffer ~

The Center of Nonviolence.

Week 3: Leslie Cook ~ FW Sexual Assault Center.

Week 4: Lynnice Hamilton ~ The FW Victim Assistance.

Living Our Beliefs ~ Larry VanGilder

Spiritual Gifts ~ Pastor David Harrold

UM Heritage and Polity ~ Greg Bussard

More information: Registration through April 5 - \$50; April 6 through First Session - \$60
Scholarships Available

Contact: Northeast District UMC, (260) 482-8494; Toll Free: 877-781-6711

Email ~ northeast.district@inumc.org



CHILDREN'S

Thank you

- Christie Serre & Hollie Pease for leading the Squires & Kids Kingdom classes in March.
- Traci King for leading the Knights class in March.
- Everyone who came out to the Tokens –n– Tickets Fundraiser.

Easter Egg Hunt

Come out to Bethel's Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, April 12 just after the 2nd service. If you are interested in donating individually wrapped candy to fill the eggs with, please drop them off at the church office or in the designated bin in Fellowship Hall.

Christmas Card Designs

At the end of April we will hand out Christmas card templates to each child for them to design. Later in the year we have a Christmas Card Sale using the designs that are turned back in. Stay tuned for more details.

Kids News

Awana Clubs:

- Spring Break for FWCS and NACS is March 30—April 3. Awana will not meet on Wednesday, April 1.

Sunday School & Kids Kingdom:

- Are you interested in having your K thru 6th grader attend camp this summer? If so, contact Shelby. We are currently trying to get an idea of how many people might be interested.

Vacation Bible School:

- The date's been set. Bethel's 2015 VBS will be held from Sunday, June 14—Thursday, June 18. See more details on the next page.

Other:

- A CD Sale is coming in May! **Now's the time to go through your old music CD's and books on CD and donate them.** Donation boxes can be found around the church marked "Children's Ministry CD Donations".

Shelby Naibauer
416-0752

bethelkidsmin@frontier.com
<http://www.bethelchurchfw.com/>

BETHEL PRAYER LIST

Bethel Family

Donna Belcher
Andrew & Melinda Bird
and family
Carol Borches
Bob Dorsey
Maggie Eiffert
Diana Halter
Opal Herrberg
Phyllis Itt
Ann Kramer
Marge Leininger
Pastor Jerry & Liz Machgan
Mike & Arline Miller
Marcia Moore

Ray Owen
Kathy Smith
Virginia Staley
Joy Stuckey
Russ Sunday
Donna Wakeland
Linda Wheaton
Those of our congregation
who are job-hunting
Families in crisis – financial,
health, marriage
Bethel Staff & Volunteers
Bethel Church

Bethel Preschool & Bethel
Daycare
Bishop Coyner
District Superintendent,
Dave Michel
Pastor Brian & Rachel
Campbell and family
Kid's Kingdom
Awana Clubs

Friends of Bethel

Dennis Arnold, Juanita
Arnold's son
Ava Bower, child with
Leukemia
Destiny, Robb & Diana
Bilderback's niece
Steve Getty, friend of
Pat Muncie
Helen Goonen, Betty Failor's
sister
Terri Gruver, friend of
Dave Hord
Richard Johnson, Jenny
Lemmon's father
Cal Marker, Lin Walters'
brother-in-law
Mercedees, Shugert's
granddaughter

Ryan & Chole McIntyre,
relatives of Betty
Failor
Judy Miller, friend of Ron &
Phyllis Shappell
Edward Morken, friend of
Steve Klerner
Jim Overholt, friend of Bob
Moore
Beth Richardson, friend of
Dave & Pat Muncie
Chris Shankelton, Linda
Wheaton's cousin
Wayne Smith
Shappell's son-in-law
Caz Strzynski

Marscell Sloffer,
Charlotte Klerner's
mother
The President and Cabinet
(the government)
Pray for the schools,
children, teachers etc.

PLEASE NOTIFY THE CHURCH OFFICE OF CHANGES THAT NEED TO BE MADE TO THESE LISTS. WE THANK YOU FOR CARING ENOUGH TO PRAY FOR THEM.

Remember those of our church who are in healthcare, shut-in or in assisted living:

Jane Coak: Kingston Nursing Home
1010 W. Washington Ctr. Room 111, Fort Wayne 46825

Arlene Domer: Golden Years Homestead
8300 Maysville Road, Apt 2019, Fort Wayne, IN 46815

Edna Doty: 2033 S. Lone Pine Rd, Columbia City, IN 46725

Maggie Eiffert: 7211 Red Haw Drive, Fort Wayne IN, 46825; 260-755-5789

Betty Failor: 4012 Captiva Drive, Fort Wayne, IN 46815; 260-485-0205

Opal Herrberg: 1821 Gilmore Drive, Fort Wayne, IN 46818

Marge Leininger: 3385 US Highway 33; Churubusco, IN 46723; 260-489-4822

Marcia Moore: 14409 Sunrise Court, Leo, IN 46765

Ray Owen: 11623 Fox Valley Run, Fort Wayne IN, 46825

Ray & Elizabeth Richards: Care of their son, Tom Richards
16203 Thunderbird Road, Huntertown, IN 46748

Rose Sadler: 1717 Maplecrest Drive, Apt 142, Fort Wayne, IN 46815; 260-748-6604

Virginia Staley: 445 East Dupont Road, Fort Wayne IN, 46825; 260-637-1635

Rooney Stewart: P.O. Box 5194, Fort Wayne, IN 46895-5194

Russ Sunday: Arbor Glen Retirement Community
5202 Saint Joe Road, Apt# 203, Fort Wayne, IN 46835; 260-489-7620

Erna Troth: 7833 W. Jefferson Blvd., Apt 107, Fort Wayne, IN 46804

John W. Wearly: 2601 Covington Commons Drive, #51, Fort Wayne, IN 46804;
260-436-0791

**PLEASE LET THE CHURCH OFFICE KNOW OF ANY CHANGES THAT
NEED TO BE MADE SUCH AS ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER.**

MINISTRIES

Wednesdays at Bethel

Awana Clubs **5:00—7:00 PM**
Runs from Sep 3, 2014 - May 20, 2015
Ages: 2 yrs - Grade 6



Sundays at Bethel

Sunday School 9:30—10:30 AM

Squires of the Son Ages 2 - Grade 2

Location: Crib Room beside the kitchen.

This Month's Crew: Traci King & Kristi Miller

Knights in Christ Grades 3 - 6

Location: Music Room beside the stage.

This Month's Crew: Nicole Burt

Children's Church 10:30—11:30 AM

Kids Kingdom Ages 2 - Grade 6

Location: The castle in Fellowship Hall

This Month's Kingdom Crew: Traci King & Kristi Miller



Vacation Bible School at Bethel

Weird Animals VBS

Sunday, June 14 - Thursday, June 18

We are already collecting supplies!!! **Supplies needed include Tissue Paper, Pool Noodles and Cardboard Boxes.** To see more supplies that are needed check out the Children's Ministry Bulletin Board and the Bethel website: bethelchurchfw.com/vbs.html.



We Collect Cans!

Children's Ministry collects pop cans for cash! Collection bins are located near the pop machine by the kitchen and inside the fence just outside the kitchen door.

Donations

Did you know we have a wish list for supplies? Check out the Children's Ministry website to see if there's anything we need that you want to get rid of. Visit our website, click on the Children & Youth menu and choose Children's Ministry (scroll to the bottom of the page).

Volunteers

Interested in working with Bethel's Children's Ministry? Check our our website to see more details. bethelchurchfw.com/volunteer-opportunities.html

BETHEL YOUTH MINISTRY

Destination #4 Revealed

On March 1, four of the Bethel youth guys along with Andrew and Jeremy Swanson loaded up the bus and headed out in the snowy conditions for a destination unknown. After driving for about an hour they pulled into their destination: Pokagon State Park. There they took on the toboggan run. Although the weather made it a challenge to drive there, it was perfect for tobogganing. There were a lot of other people there who thought so too. In addition, this was the last day the toboggan run would be open for the season. So with these ideal conditions and last opportunity, many came out making the line very long. Our group was able to get two rides in before their hour of rental was over. Over all, the guys had a great time enjoying adventure, time together, and God's creation on this destination now known!

"Go" Bishop's Youth Rally 2015

"Go" 2015 was an exciting time! On Saturday March 14, the teens, youth directors, Hope (representing all the future youth to come) and Katie Robinson (representing the parents) spent the day in Indianapolis at this year's Bishop's Youth Rally. It was held at St. Luke UMC. We enjoyed the music, the food, playing 9 square, and gaga ball. The speakers encouraged us to "Go" into the world and make a difference. One speaker equated different phases in our spiritual journey with the experiences a baby eagle has learning to fly. This analogy caused us to identify which phase we were currently facing. Another speaker challenged us to live a radical normal life demonstrating the fruit of the Spirit to those around us. The Bishop concluded the day by having us evaluate what our purpose is and how God would use us. We were then given time to make a "Go" plan. Now we have the opportunity to live out our "Go" plans in our radical normal lives. Please pray for us that the good work the Lord did at the rally would continue and grow. May God use us to be world changers.



Bishop Mike



Thank you Katie Robinson for taking Lunch in our VIP room, courtesy of Hope, our picture, and coming with us.

SonRise Camp Deadlines

- Volunteer Application is due by March 22.
- Half the payment is due by April 26.
- Total payment is due May 31.

Don't Miss the

DEADLINE!

SPECIAL SERVICES IN APRIL

Please join us for the following special church services in April.



~Thursday, April 2nd we will have a Maundy Thursday Service beginning at 7pm.



~Easter Sunday, April 5th we will have a Sunrise Service beginning at 7am. Breakfast finger foods to be provided after service.

~ Easter Sunday, April 5th we will have our normal services at 8:30 and 10:30am with Sunday School to be held at 9:30am.

EASTER FEST IS HERE!!!



He is Risen!! Halleluia!!
Annual Easterfest Celebration
Date: April 12th

Time: following second service; Egg Hunt at 12:00



Please join us for our annual Easter celebration. There will be crafts, games, and of course the Easter egg hunt for the kids. Easter Egg stuffer donations are requested. There is a tote for donations or you may take a bag of eggs to fill and return. We appreciate your support for this event!

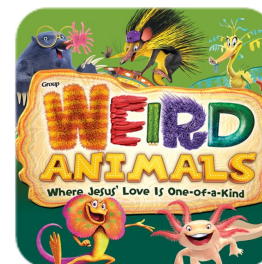
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

WEIRD ANIMALS: Where Jesus is One-of-a-kind!

Date: Sunday June 14-Thursday June 18th

Time: 6:00-8:00pm

Preparations for this year's VBS are underway. Please see the Supply Station for requested items. Some general needs include: Tissue Paper, Pool Noodles, and brightly colored



spray paint. Pre-Registration is targeted to begin in April. Please watch for further information. Additional information about this year's event can also be found on the website. Please see the Children's Ministry Page at bethelchurchfw.com/vbs.html. If you have any questions please contact Traci King or Kristi Miller.



BETHEL DAYCARE & PRESCHOOL

Help Wanted

Bethel Daycare Ministry is looking to hire experienced teachers/child care givers to fill our 2 year old class position. This is a full time position. We are looking for a dependable, responsible, caring person with experience in the child care field. If you are interested, please contact Kelli Moody at 260-489-3650 or betheldaycarekids@gmail.com.

YoYo's Fundraiser Night

YoYo Fundraiser night will be held on April 16th from 3pm to close. Gift cards for YoYo are available for purchase through scrip. This fundraiser does need a flyer/ticket in order for your purchase to go to Bethel. These tickets will be on the round table in the gathering area as well as sent home with preschool and daycare children. One ticket is all that is needed.

Coming Soon!!!

Silent Auction/Carnival – May 2nd 1pm – 4pm

Silent Auction is coming up! There will be carnival games, food, and great items to bid on. We are hoping to have everyone join us for this event. There will be plenty of chairs for people to just come, visit, and have a hot dog. If you would like to help, we are asking families and church members to create their own theme basket to auction off at the event. The preschool can also use volunteers to help run games or candy/prizes for those games. If you are interested in donating a theme basket to put up for auction, please talk to Sarah. Here are a few suggestions for baskets: Gardening, Pet, Spa, Sporty, Chef, Crafty, Candy/Snack, Party, etc...



BIG THANK YOU!!!

The Preschool and Daycare realize how generous our parents and church members are, and we may not say it enough!

THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DO!



Cookie dough fundraiser a success!!!

Thank you to all who helped sell for our cookie dough fundraiser. The Preschool & Daycare raised close to \$1600. We look forward to your help again next year.

Feb. Scrip Report:

Total Sold	\$3,916.00
Parent %	\$38.59
School %	\$108.31

BETHEL YOUTH MINISTRY

Coffee House Night

Our next coffee house night will be on Sunday, April 26. We will meet in the fellowship hall from 5-7pm to play board games, have flavored hot drinks, and spend time together. Mr. and Mrs. Culbertson will be sharing their testimony with us. We look forward to hearing from them. All are welcome to join us for this fun and refreshing time.



Holy Cross Bible Study

In preparation for our SonRise mission trip we will attend a Bible study on Wednesday, April 22. Those who are going to camp are highly encouraged to attend this Bible study. We will meet at the church at 6:15 and carpool to the meeting. At Holy Cross, we will experience what it is like to worship with friends with disabilities. Please sign up on the youth bulletin board to let Melinda know that you will be coming.

Revive – “Shine” 2015

The United Methodist Youth in Fort Wayne will gather to serve the community from June 9-11. This outreach is a three day, two overnight event hosted by First Wayne Street UMC. The cost is \$40. This year's theme is “SHINE: Serving Him In Neighborhoods Everywhere. A sign up sheet will be posted on the youth bulletin board.

Impact Outdoor Ministries

Summer camp is coming! There are three camps only 45 minutes from Fort Wayne. Choose from Camp Lakewood (elementary students), Epworth Forest CC (high schoolers), or Camp Adventure (middle schoolers). There are several different weeks you can sign up for in June and July. For more information or to register go to beacamper.com. If you would like a paper registration packet call 1-888-628-2818. See Melinda Bird for the iCash code to use for help with the payment. To receive the early bird discount you must sign up by April 20, 2015.

Youth Calendar

<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Other Info</u>
April 5	Sun	----	No Youth Group	
April 12	Sun	5-7 pm	Youth Group	
April 19	Sun	5-7 pm	Youth Group	
April 22	Wed	7 pm	Holy Cross Bible Study/Training	
April 26	Sun	5-7 pm	Coffee House Night	
April 29	Wed	4:45 pm	Serving Awana Dinner	

Mark your calendar for these upcoming June events:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Event</u>
June 7	Sun	Last Youth Group for the Summer
June 9-11	Tue.-Thur.	REVIVE- “SHINE” 2015
June 14-18	Sun.-Thur.	Bethel's VBS
June 22-27	Mon.-Sat.	Mission Trip 2015 to SonRise Camp

For more information about upcoming events contact: Melinda and Andrew Bird, Youth Directors
Home Phone: 260-220-3898 Email: bethelyouth@frontier.com

BETHEL SUNDAY SCHOOL

A Look Into What's Coming In
April For Sunday School



Christian Home Builders-(Room S6)- Leader-Barb Cross

“Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.” Acts 2: 46-47

We are God’s resurrection people. Jesus Christ has eliminated the power of sin and death. He loved us that much! The purpose of these lessons is to learn that all of our relationships, to God and to others, should come and be expressed from love. The goal of these lessons, then, is to live a life of unconditional love giving all glory, honor, and praise to God.

The Spirit Comes

Unit 2 The Community of the Beloved Disciple

April 5	Resurrection Guaranteed	1 Corinthians 15:1-22	Purpose: To become God’s resurrection people.
April 12	Love One Another	1 John 3:11-24	To live a life of unconditional love.
April 19	Believe God’s Love	John 4:13-5:5	To receive the gift of perfect love.
April 26	Watch Out for Deceivers!	1 John 5:6-12, 18-20; 2 John	To understand that belief has consequences for behavior.
May 3	Coworkers With the Truth	3 John	To unite truth and hospitality.

Seekers of the Covenant (Room S5)- Leader- Jeff Cusick

Join us as we continue our study of Adam Hamilton's Revival, which chronicles Adam Hamilton's journey to England, following the life of John Wesley and exploring his defining characteristics of a Wesleyan Christian. Wesley’s story is our story. It defines our faith and it challenges us to rediscover our spiritual passion.

Koinonia (Room S7) Leader-Shared leadership between members

The Koinonia Class is starting a new Converge Bible study; they are studies based on a common theme written to promote a lot of discussion. We are studying the Our Common Sins book from the Gospel of Mark. Mark tells the story of the disciples with power, bluntness, and a sense of urgency. Mark wrote to the early church being persecuted horribly by Nero (like ISIS today).

The Purple Group (Fellowship Hall) Leader-Shared leadership between members

The Purple Group is continuing our study of "The Purple Book-Biblical Foundations for Building Strong Disciples”. Each week we cover a couple lessons out of the book by reading and discussing the passages from the bible that are mentioned in each lesson. Feel free to join us if you don't currently have a class. Bring your bible, questions and be ready for a lively discussion.

BETHEL ADULT MINISTRY

Life Groups-Supporting and Sharing Life Together

Get connected! Join a small group.

Contact: Rachel Campbell 812/374-6564



How Big is Your God?

“Is God big enough to heal your marriage or heal your child? Is He bigger than a positive MRI or negative evaluation? Is He bigger than your secret sin or secret dream?”

Don’t miss out on our last small group session offered this school year; it’s a New York Times best seller entitled *The Circle Maker* by Mark Batterson. The study focuses on prayer. If you desire to go deeper in your prayer life and relationship with God, this study will definitely help. Let’s believe Jesus when He tells us we can have peace in the midst of a storm and faith in the midst of the unknown. Let’s believe God when he says he has an incredible plan for our lives! Let’s set aside times of prayer and intercession and see what God will do.

This study will be offered as a whole church study. Even if you can't join us on Sunday evenings, please read the book and be open to the Holy Spirit's leading. The author Mark Batterson will teach us "how to pray in a new way by drawing prayer circles around our dreams, our family, our problems, and most importantly, God's promises. In this process, you'll discover this simple yet life changing truth, God honors bold prayers and bold prayers honor God.” As the author writes, "I realize not everyone inherited a prayer legacy like I did, but you can leave a legacy for future generations. Your prayers will shape the destiny of your family for generations to come."

If you are interested in joining others in this short four week study, please contact Rachel Campbell (Christian Education Coordinator) at 812/374-6564 or bethelchristed@frontier.com.

Meeting dates and times are as follows:

Sunday evenings from 5:30-7:00p.m. on April 12th and 19th, May 3rd and 17th. Once again, this is the **last** small group offered until **September**. At least one of the small groups will meet in the sanctuary of Bethel for the four sessions. You do not have to attend all four sessions, nor do you have to sign up to come. If you are interested in reading the book, please see Pastor Brian and he will give you a copy (suggested donation is \$5.00).

Please pray about becoming a **Life Group Facilitator** for the 2015-2016 school year. You will receive six training sessions, connection to a prayer team, and the awesome opportunity to do life with others. The training will involve facilitators reading and sharing thoughts and ideas about the book, **Small Groups with Purpose, How to create Healthy Communities**. The book is written by the small group pastor from Saddle Back Church where Rick Warren (Purpose Driven Life) is Pastor. The six sessions will be held during the months of July and August. The training will clarify: your role as a Life Group Facilitator, the meaning of a healthy and balanced small group, step-by-step instructions on how to maintain effectiveness. Please contact Rachel Campbell if interested: bethelchristed@frontier.com or 812-374-6465.

