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Answer to Bible Trivia: E (See John 20:24, NIV & ESV.)  
Answer to puzzle: 1.cloth, 2.Golgotha, 3.Herod, 4.Pilate,  
5.disciples, 6.Peter, 7.mountain, 8.Passover, 9.Mary,  
10.rabbi, 11.Thomas, gardener, 13.Simon; resurrection



...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 one of our many events coming  
in April. We'll see you there!



Pancake & Sausage Breakfast Fundraiser

Saturday, April 8th ~ 8am – 11am  
All are welcome! Look for more detail on page 8.



Bethel's Annual EasterFest Celebration

Please join us in celebrating the joy of Easter. We will have games and crafts for the kids in addition to our Egg-tra special Egg hunt!

Sunday, April 9th  
following 10am service ~ Egg Hunt begins at 11:30  
Look for more detail on page 5.



IT'S FISH FRY TIME!!!

Bethel UMC Annual Fish Fry  
Friday, April 28th 4:30 -7pm  
Look for more detail on page 8.



Easter Season Services  
Maundy Thursday Service ~ Thursday, April 13th at 7pm  
Sunrise Service ~ Sunday, April 16th at 7am  
Easter Sunday Service ~ Sunday, April 16th at 10:00am

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Special points of  
interest:

- “Finish Strong”
- UMW &
- A Baby’s Closet
- UMW May Tea
- Chicken Fundraiser
- BUMC Volunteer Opportunities
- VBS is coming!
- SCHOOL AGE SUMMER CARE 2017 SIGN UP
- Easter's dawn

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“Finish Strong!”

I have recently heard the call of Christ to follow Him on a new path in the race He has laid out for my life in ministry. While this path is leading me (and Rachel as well) in a new direction, I have found the Holy Spirit reminding me that I must finish strong on this leg of my race!

Throughout the Bible, our daily life in Christ is often described as a race. We are called by the Lord to this race, which, by the way, is not a sprint, but more like a marathon. Every new day presents new challenges as we move along the path God has laid out before us and we have a choice to make. Do I stay on this path and trust God in the midst of whatever hills and valleys He lays before me, or do I try to make my own way?

Let me tell you, I’ve tried my own way in the past and I can say without question that choosing to deviate from God’s path is not only ill-advised (translation:“stupid”), but that choice often leads you into dangerous terrain for not only yourself, but those around you.

So, the question becomes how exactly can we navigate this path and run the race the Lord has set before us? Thankfully, we’re not left alone trudging aimlessly in the dark. God’s Word provides 3 ways found in the book of Hebrews to keep us on the right track.

#1: Remember the “Cloud of Witnesses”

We get our start in the race of life by remembering that we’re not alone: “*Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses...*”(Hebrews 12:1a)

When ancient sprinters dashed off in their quest for victory and the laurel crown, they often did so in a large arena filled with spectators (much like sporting events today). Peering up into the stands full of billowing clothes and moving people looked somewhat like looking up into the clouds.

And that’s what it’s like for us in our race, too. We’re not the only ones to take this journey. People have run this way before, as Hebrews 11 (a chapter that’s often called the “hall of faith”) explains. Our spiritual ancestors, such as Abraham and Noah, answered God’s call and set out on the race set before them. Their example gives us encouragement.

But we don’t have to look back to find “heroes of the faith.” We can find them today—right in our own pews on any given Sunday morning and throughout the week all around our church and community. Christians are meant to make this journey together, and we’re much stronger when we do! Seeing the powerful examples of faithfulness around you can give you the courage you need to move forward in faith. The Apostle Paul sent this note to the church in Corinth to help them (and us) along. “*For this reason I am sending to you Timothy, my son whom I love, who is faithful in the Lord. He will remind you of my way of life in Christ Jesus, which agrees with what I teach everywhere in every church.*”(1 Corinthians 4:17)

Sometimes, however, other problems can keep us from running our race, even when the crowd is cheering us on, which leads us to point #2.

BETHEL PRAYER LIST

Bethel Family

Carol Borches	Donna Wakeland	Bishop Julius Trimble and family
Peg Cussen	Linn Walters	District Superintendent, David Neckers and family
Bob Dorsey	Linda Wheaton	Pastor Brian & Rachel Campbell and family
Diana Halter	Those of our congregation who are job-hunting	Kid’s Kingdom
Opal Herrberg	Families in crisis – financial, health, marriage	Awana Clubs
Pastor Jerry & Liz Machgan	Bethel Staff & Volunteers	
Bonnie Jean Merriman	Bethel Church	
Arline Miller	Bethel Preschool & Bethel Daycare	
Marcia Moore		
Ray Owen		
Jan Roberts		
Russ Sunday		
Don Wadkins		

Friends of Bethel

Brent Ashby, Rachel Campbell’s brother	Judy Miller, friend of Ron & Phyllis Shappell	Marscell Sloffer, Charlotte Klerner’s mother
Linda Bir, friend of Bob & Jean Shugert	Jim Overholt, friend of Bob Moore	The President and Cabinet (the government)
Ava Bower, child with Leukemia	Koree Neuenschwander, Shugert’s Great-granddaughter	Pray for the schools, children, teachers etc.
Helen Goonen, Betty Failor’s sister	Beth Richardson, friend of Dave & Pat Muncie	
Julie Harper, friend of Sarah Menefee.	The Saneta Family	
Richard Johnson, Jenny Lemmon’s father	Wayne Sauers, Linda Wheaton’s father	
Ryan & Chole McIntyre, relatives of Betty Failor	Caz Strzynski	

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:**

- Juanita Arnold: Heritage of Fort Wayne  
5250 Heritage Parkway, Room 328 Fort Wayne, IN 46835
- Edna Doty:  
2033 S. Lone Pine Rd, Columbia City, IN 46725
- Betty Failor:  
2001 Hobson Rd, Room 601-B, Fort Wayne, IN 46805; 260-446-3899
- Opal Herrberg:  
1821 Gilmore Drive, Fort Wayne, IN 46818
- Irene Johnstonbaugh:  
10925 Pine Mills Rd. Fort Wayne IN 46845
- Ronald Jones:  
413 Columbia Drive, Apt #19, Columbia City, IN 46725
- Marcia Moore:  
14409 Sunrise Court, Leo, IN 46765
- Elizabeth Richards: Care of their son, Tom Richards  
16203 Thunderbird Road, Huntertown, IN 46748
- Rooney Stewart:  
P.O. Box 5194, Fort Wayne, IN 46895-5194
- Russ Sunday: St. Anne Home  
1900 Randalia Dr, Room 223-B Fort Wayne, IN 46805

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

**#2: Throw Off the Sin that Entangles Us**

If we are to keep in step with the Spirit and keep moving on the right path, we can’t do so if we’re constantly tripping up. The writer of Hebrews describes it this way: “... *let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.*”(*Hebrews 12:1b*)

In the sporting events of the ancient world, competitors usually ran in a much more “natural” way than athletes do today. Long before the days of special sprinting attire, the clothes of the time either had to be tied up away from the legs or taken off before running. Otherwise, the runner would get tangled up and fall on his face.

Our Christian race isn’t much different. We can’t run very well if we’re bound up in the snares of sinful living. Those things that seem so satisfying in the moment can take our eyes off the prize (as we’ll see), and instead keep us fixated on temporary thrills. But we’re called to a much better path: “*For if you live according to the sinful nature, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live*”(*Romans 8:13*)

Life works best when we follow God’s Word and obey His commands in the Bible. He didn’t give us those commands to trap us, but to *free us* to run our race with endurance. When we do so, our true goal comes into view...Jesus!

**#3: Keep Looking to Jesus!**

While we may glance at the crowd of witnesses around us and we may throw off the things that tangle us up, our ultimate encouragement is in the prize that awaits those of us who live by faith: “*Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the Author and Perfector of our faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.*”(*Hebrews 12:2*)

At the beginning of our race, Jesus may sometimes seem far away in the distance. We know of Him through the Gospel accounts of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John and the rest of Scripture. We’ve heard how He has changed other lives. But our race is still new. Before long, however, we come to realize that the prize awaiting us is the Savior of our souls, and He’s not content to just sit and watch us from the finish line. He’s busy working on us as we run the race. Paul shares this truth as he exclaims in *Philippians 3:10–11*, “*I want to know Christ and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in His sufferings, becoming like Him in His death, and so, somehow, to attain to the resurrection from the dead.*”

As we run and keep our eyes on Jesus, God works on us, making us more and more like His Son. Ultimately, He will bring us to our long-awaited reward: “*I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.*”(*Philippians 3:14*)

Run the race that is set before you, but run it with the hope that God wants you to have in Christ. Trust Him, no matter what, for His sake and the sake of others who have their own race to run (even those who don’t know Him yet) and ***Finish Strong! Praying for us all! PB***

*(Adapted from an article found in Bible Study Tools “3 Proven Ways to Run the Race That is Set before Us”)*



# BETHEL AWANA CLUBS

*Sept. 7, 2016 - May 24, 2017*      *5:00 - 7:00 PM*



**Love, Hope, Joy, Dream, Inspire, Never Give Up**

Starting in April we will be holding a fundraiser for Awana selling MudLove bands. These bands are made from clay and covered with a protective glaze. They will have the inspirational sayings such as those listed above and are secured by elastic straps in a variety of colors. All bands are waterproof.

What's even better about this fundraiser is that it not only helps out Bethel's Awana Clubs but it also provides one week of safe, clean water for someone in need for every band that is purchased. You can read more about this at this website: <https://www.mudlove.com/pages/water-equals-life>.



## Notecards For Sale

Notecards designed by Bethel's own kids are available in packages of 8 cards for \$6.00.



## Upcoming Events

## APRIL

- Wednesday, April 5—**No Clubs**—Spring Break
- Wednesday, April 22—Theme Night—Rewind Night

## MAY

- Wednesday, May 24—**Awana Awards Night**

Shelby Naibauer  
416-0752


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<http://www.bethelchurchfw.com/>

*JUST FOR FUN!*

# HOSANNA BANNER

Offer Jesus our King praises by making this banner for Palm Sunday.

### What you need:

- 6 sheets of green construction paper (8" x 11")
  - Pencil
  - Scissors
  - 7 sheets of pastel-colored paper
  - Rubber cement or glue
  - 7 sheets of white cardstock (8" x 8")
  - Hole punch
  - Thin ribbon
- 



### What you do:

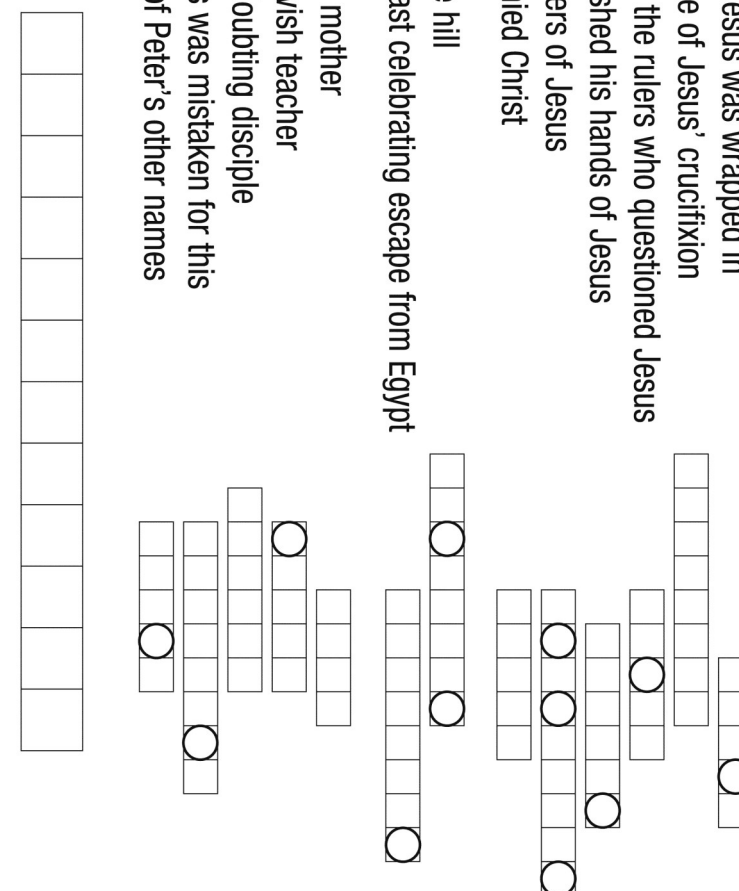
1. Fold the stack of green paper in half. Draw a palm branch on one of the folded sides and cut out all 12 branches.
2. On the pastel-colored paper, draw and cut out block letters to spell the word *Hosanna* — one letter per sheet. Then glue each letter onto a sheet of white paper.
3. Punch one hole in the top of each palm branch and two holes in each letter square (top left and top right corners).
4. Thread the ribbon through a palm branch, letter, palm branch, letter, etc. Tie a knot after each hole to keep the pieces from sliding.

After you complete the puzzle below you can check your answer at the bottom of page 16. Have fun!

# Puzzle!

After completing this Easter crossword, unscramble the circled letters to discover a special word:

1. What Jesus was wrapped in
2. The site of Jesus' crucifixion
3. One of the rulers who questioned Jesus
4. He washed his hands of Jesus
5. Followers of Jesus
6. He denied Christ
7. A large hill
8. The feast celebrating escape from Egypt
9. Jesus' mother
10. A Jewish teacher
11. The doubting disciple
12. Jesus was mistaken for this
13. One of Peter's other names



# JUST FOR FUN!

## JESUS IS RISEN!

When Jesus' disciples saw that the stone was rolled away from his tomb, they knew he had risen. Make a moveable tomb to celebrate Easter.

### What you need:

- 4 pieces of paper (brown, blue, black, yellow)
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Glue stick
- Brad fastener
- Marker



### What you do:

1. Fold the brown paper in half, short side to short side. Cut along the fold. On one half, draw and cut out a large half-circle (the tomb). On the other, draw and cut out a palm-sized circle (the stone).
2. Glue the brown tomb onto the blue paper.
3. Cut a black circle (the inside of the tomb) the same size as the brown stone and glue it onto the brown tomb.
4. Place the brown stone over the black half-circle; this is the entrance. Push the brad through one edge so the stone can move from side to side.
5. Cut out a cross from the yellow paper and glue it by the tomb.
6. Write "Jesus is risen!" atop the blue paper.

### Easter's dawn~



On the third day, the friends of Christ coming at daybreak ... found the grave empty and the stone rolled away. In varying ways they realized the new wonder; but even they hardly realized that the world had died in the night. What they were looking at was the first day of a new creation, with a new heaven and a new earth; and in a semblance of the gardener, God walked again in the garden, in the cool not of the evening but of the dawn.

—G.K. Chesterton

### Christian Symbol ~ Agnus Dei

This image is known as the Agnus Dei, Latin for "Lamb of God." When pictured standing and with a banner, it represents the risen Christ, victorious over death. John the Baptist, seeing Jesus approach, famously declared, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!" (John 1:29, NIV). In Revelation, too, Jesus is portrayed as a lamb who was slain but now reigns triumphant.



### Easter joy: by St. John of Damascus



Now let the heavens be joyful!  
Let earth her song begin!  
Let the round world keep triumph,  
And all that is therein;  
Invisible and visible,  
Their notes let all things blend,  
For Christ the Lord has risen,  
Our joy that hath no end.

### Bible Trivia Question:

By what other name(s) does the Bible identify the disciple we call "Doubting Thomas"?

- |             |                |
|-------------|----------------|
| A. Didymus  | B. The Skeptic |
| C. The Twin | D. A and B     |
| E. A and C  |                |



Check your answers at the bottom of page 16.

# BETHEL CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES



## Easterfest 2017!!!

Mark your calendars now! Please join us in celebrating the joy of Easter with our annual Easter celebration! This year Easterfest will be on Palm Sunday April 9th following service. The hunt will begin at 11:30am. This event is open to all of Bethel's children's programs and is one of our community outreach projects. We are asking for donations of individually wrapped candy to fill Easter eggs. We appreciate all the support for this event; the kids truly enjoy it each year!

## Easter Bunny Pictures at Bethel

We are planning to offer this once again this year with partnership from Stelhorn Photo. Watch news letters and bulletins for final date/time information.

## Summer Camp info available now!

We are really hoping that we can send a group of kids and youth from Bethel to camp this year. Summer camps are available for K-12th grade. Information about each camp is available at the Welcome Center with the dates for our church. Bethel will help provide assistance with costs for those that are interesting in attending. If you have any questions about camp or are interested please See Nicole Burt or Traci King. More information can also be found at [impact2818.org](http://impact2818.org)

## Have you Heard? We are on a Journey with Jesus!

A new series called Journey with Jesus, takes our Sunday school kids and youth through the milestones that Jesus experienced from his birth through is ascension to Heaven. The youth and kids have been engaged with Bible stories, games, and crafts and we hope you will join us each week as we explore a new stop and grow deeper in our walk with Jesus!!



## Sunday School Join Us!!

Sunday School:  
~8:45am - 9:45am

Kids Kingdom:  
~during 10am  
worship service  
~combined age class

## VBS COMING SOON!!!



Look for more  
details on page 10.

## Apr. Birthdays

4/02 Kirsten Sherry  
4/06 Elizabeth Gerig  
4/13 Kavey Bilderback  
4/14 Clark Davidson  
4/15 Audrey Lemmon  
4/16 Kaleb Mertz



# BETHEL SUNDAY SCHOOL

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



## Christian Home Builders-(Room S6)- Leader-Don Cross

These five lessons in April help us to claim what it means to trust God, to understand Jesus as the incarnate expression of God’s love, to celebrate that God’s love cannot be defeated, to live with the confidence that God loves us at all times and in all circumstances, and to recognize and respond to Jesus’ loving leadership. This caring, saving, and upholding love of God will empower us to live obedient and faithful lives as His disciples. All are welcome for fellowship, discussion, and learning of God’s Word.

### GOD LOVES US

Unit 2	God’s Caring, Saving, and Upholding Love	
April 2	God as our Shepherd	Psalms 23
April 9	God’s Saving Love in Christ	John 3:1-21
April 16	God’s Love as Victory Over Death	John 20:1-10; 1 Peter 1:3-9
April 23	God’s Reconciling Love	Romans 5:1-11; 8:31-39
April 30	God’s Preserving Love	John 10:1-15

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

Have you ever stopped to think what Christians truly believe? Several times a year, during our Sunday worship service, we state our beliefs as we recite the Apostles Creed. These last few weeks, the Seekers have been breaking this Creed apart and studying what each part means. Sometimes we recite these passages and don’t stop to think what they really mean. The Apostles Creed sums up Christian beliefs nicely, and studying what it says helps us determine what it is that make us Christians. Each week, our study includes a short video by Pastor Adam Hamilton followed by discussion. If this sounds interesting to you, please join us. We love to have new people join our group and look forward to seeing you.

## Koinonia (Room S7) Leader-Shared leadership between members

The Koinonia Sunday School Class will be studying the biblical prophecy of the shadow and the substance of the seven feasts that God gave to Moses in Leviticus 23. The shadow is the meaning of the feasts before Christ and the substance is the additional meaning of each feast once the mystery of Jesus was revealed. The substances of some of the feasts are obvious, for example, Passover; but others not so much, for example, what is the substance of the Feast of Trumpets? And is the order of the feasts significant?

## Friends and Followers - (Fellowship Hall) Leader-Barb Cross

As we talk about Biblical foundations for building strong disciples, in April we will continue to discuss The Holy Spirit. In this discussion we will answer the questions “Why does our view of the Holy Spirit matter?” and “How Does the Holy Spirit Help Us?”. Scriptures to read that will be studied are: John 16:8, John 16:13, Ezekiel 11:19-20, 2 Corinthians 5:17, concluding with Acts 1:8: “But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” This is our prayer to be witnesses for Jesus Christ. Please join us because there is always room at the table in the Fellowship Hall.

# SCHOOL AGE SUMMER CARE 2017 SIGN UP

My school age child(ren) will need summer care,      Yes\_\_\_\_\_      No\_\_\_\_\_

Name of child(ren): \_\_\_\_\_

A \$45 payment will be due upon the start date of the Summer Session. The fee will be used for field trips and supplies.

A list of field trips will be posted as soon as possible.

Please email [betheldaycarekids@gmail.com](mailto:betheldaycarekids@gmail.com) or call 260-489-3650 if interested.

# THANK YOU

Thank you, Bethel friends, for all the many cards you sent to Jim and me during our recent surgeries. Your kindness touched our hearts! ~The Crawfords

# BETHEL HAPPENINGS...

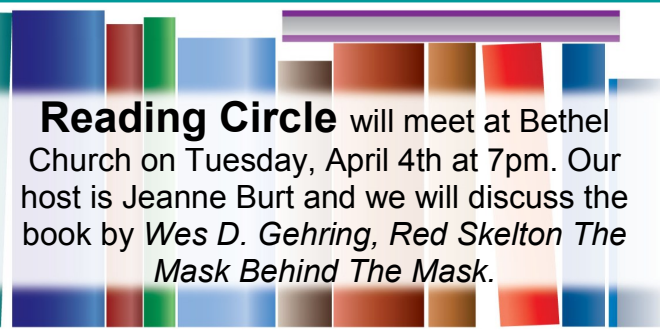
*The Men’s Prayer Breakfast group will host a Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, April 8th from 8am to 11:00am. This is a free will event. We hope to see you there!*



**Eve Circle** will be held on Thursday, April 20th at 12:30pm. We will meet at Bethel Church in Sunday School room S6. See you there!



**Thursday, April 13th**  
9:30am Church Staff Meeting  
**Thursday, April 27th**  
7:00pm Trustee Meeting



**Reading Circle** will meet at Bethel Church on Tuesday, April 4th at 7pm. Our host is Jeanne Burt and we will discuss the book by *Wes D. Gehring, Red Skelton The Mask Behind The Mask.*

### Greeters

April 2	Pastor Brian
April 9	Shelby Naibauer
April 16	Phyllis Strahm
April 23	Shelby Naibauer
April 30	Katie Robinson

### Congregational Communication

01/01/17 Beginning Balance	-20,095.59
INCOME	22,997.41
EXPENSES	25,706.77
01/31/17 Ending Balance	-22,804.95

## !!!BUMC Volunteer Opportunities!!!

**VBS Is Coming Soon!** We are on the lookout for volunteers to help make VBS a memorable time in the lives of our Bethel UMC Kingdom Kids and other children who will come to join in the fun and learn about Jesus! We need adult and youth volunteers who are willing to share their gifts, talents and love and who have a heart for helping children come to know the Lord. Please contact our Children's Director, Traci King; Pastor Brian, or Brandi in the church office if you are willing to help make VBS a truly life-transforming experience for children and their families alike!

**Reading is FUNdamental**, educational, and spiritually uplifting (depending upon what we are reading of course)! In case you weren't aware, BUMC has a library stocked with several good books of various genres. What we don't have right now is someone who can help maintain the library and get it back in working order. To be honest, since Jan Roberts' accident and time of recovery the library has become a little unorganized and a bit disheveled and we would like to remedy this situation as a way to honor Jan and her work. If you are interested in helping in this effort, please contact Brandi at the church office, or Pastor Brian and let's get Bethel back on the right page! (Sorry, couldn't help myself!)

Finally, BUMC is in need of one or two people who would be willing to help in preparing the elements for **Holy Communion** and making sure the church vestments (cloths on the altar table, podium, and pulpit) are changed according to the changing church seasons. This would be a great help and act of hospitality as we prepare for the pastoral transition in July. If you are interested in helping, please contact Pastor Brian. Blessings!

## Save the Date!!

**June 11th-14th ~ Bethel UMC 2017 ~ Vacation Bible School**



At this year's program, kids will dive deep into the account of Noah and the flood from the book of Genesis. They will learn the spiritual lessons from Noah's life and will focus on Standing for God, Obey God, Trust God, and Thank God

We will be in collecting the following items if you are able to donate any of them.

Paper towel rolls, blue and green spray paint, blue table cloths, clean & empty Yoplait yogurt cups.



We appreciate your help and support as we prepare for a boatload of fun at this years VBS!



## BETHEL DAYCARE & PRESCHOOL

### Preschool Registration

This is the last month that the registration fee is \$40. Our All Day classes have only 11 spots left so please get your registrations in as soon as possible.

### Silent Auction / Carnival

Our Annual Silent Auction is just around the corner. We are asking for help with donation baskets for this year. We will be posting items needed on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall, but here are a few items we are looking for to help fill out baskets: Nerf toys, Carmike Cinema Annual Movie Bucket, Lego building sets. We have such a great support group here at Bethel that I know this year's Auction will be bigger and better than the last.

#### AUCTION CLASSROOM BASKETS:

**Parents** – here is the list of the themed baskets for classroom donations for our Silent Auction!

MWF AM – Vacation/Road Trip Basket

MWF All Day – Camping Basket

M – F PM & T/TH All Day – Pool & Swim Basket

T/Th AM – Pet Basket

### Thank You!

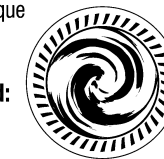
Thank you to those who came out to our Chuck E Cheese night! It was a great success! Our Cookie Dough fundraiser was also a great success. We were able to raise over \$2000. Thank you for your support! Order will be here for pick up on March 30th.

### Here is a list of upcoming events:

Spring Break: (No School)	Apr 3 – 7
Good Friday: (No School)	Apr 14
MWF AM Field Trip	Apr 19
T/Th All Day Field Trip	Apr 20
MWF PM Field Trip	Apr 20
MWF All Day Field Trip	Apr 21

## SHAVING CREAM EARTH

God created this wonderful world and told us to care for it. Remember that by making a unique painting.



#### What you need:

- A cookie sheet
- White shaving cream
- A wooden craft stick
- Paint (blue and green)
- A straw
- A paper plate

#### What you do:

1. On the cookie sheet, spray shaving cream in a circle (the same size as the bottom of the paper plate). Smooth it out with the craft stick.
2. Squirt the blue and green paint on top of the shaving cream in loopy, squiggly patterns. Swirl the paint around with the straw.
3. Place the bottom of the paper plate on top of the paint. Press it down gently so the whole plate bottom is covered in paint.
4. Lift up the plate and gently remove excess shaving cream with the stick.
5. After the painting dries, hang it on your wall.

### Feb. Scrip Report:

Total Sold	<b>\$5130.00</b>
Parent %	<b>\$30.59</b>
School %	<b>\$140.98</b>



The Men's Prayer Group Presents:

## Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

At Bethel United Methodist Church  
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**Saturday, April 8th 8am – 11am**

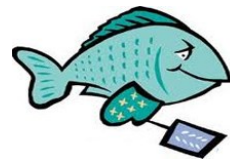
All are welcome!



Meal includes: Pancakes, Pancake Toppings, Sausage links, Coffee, Tea or Juice

This is a free will offering event.

## IT'S FISH FRY TIME!!!



*Join us for the*

## Bethel UMC Annual Fish Fry

**Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup> 4:30 -7pm**

At Bethel United Methodist Church  
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Invite your family, friends, and neighbors.

~ *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

Adults \$10.00, Children 6-12 \$5, 5 & under free.

Craft & Bake Sale Table Also Available

The proceeds to be evenly divided between UMW missions and Youth Camp assistance.

## ***SPECIAL SERVICES IN APRIL***

Please join us for the following special Easter Season services in April.



~ Thursday, April 13th we will have a Maundy Thursday Service beginning at 7pm.



~ Easter Sunday, April 16th we will have a Sunrise Service beginning at 7am.

Breakfast finger foods will be provided after service.

~ Easter Sunday, April 16th we will have our normal service at 10:00am with Sunday School at the normal 8:45am time.



## ***UMW & A Baby's Closet***



One of the Social Action projects of Bethel United Methodist Women is **A Baby's Closet**. This project is sponsored by the Associated Churches of Fort Wayne and Allen County. This is a ministry that helps improve the lives of disadvantaged infants and toddlers by offering their mothers and fathers incentives for responsible parenting. To help this ministry we collect new and very gently used clothing from newborn to size 4T, as well as new or in good condition baby furniture, diapers, and any items necessary for the care of an infant or toddler. **They do not accept car seats.** The collection dates are Sunday, May 7th to Sunday, May 14th. (Mother's Day) There will be a Pack n Play in the Fellowship Hall for you to put in your donations. If you are attending the Spring Tea on May 6th, please feel free to bring your items then. Thank you so much for donating to this ministry. ~The Bethel United Methodist Women

## ***UMW May Tea***



All ladies, and guests are welcome and invited to our Bi-annual TEA Party in the Fellowship Hall.

May 6, Saturday 2:00pm: UMW General Meeting, fun, food and fellowship

Our Guest Speaker will be: Elaine Williamson, from The Baby's Closet

Please bring with you a picture of yourself as a baby or young child

A sign up sheet is hung on the UMW bulletin board, so we'll know how many to expect.



## **Coming in June... High's Chicken Fundraiser**

Saturday, June 3rd on lawn near Lima Rd.

10:30am - 1:30pm

Ticket pre-sales to begin in May.

More details to come soon