



THIS WEEK AT BETHEL:

September 26, 2021

Office hours: Monday-Thursday, 9am-12pm
Pastor Dave's office hours: Monday, 9am-12pm

Welcome to Worship! We are glad to have you with us today! If you are a first-time visitor, we invite you to complete a communication card, available at the Welcome Table. If you have questions or need assistance, please see an usher or greeter. **Nursery aged children (birth through pre-kindergarten):** please meet the Nursery Attendants at the door closest to the sound board after the Children's Sermon. Children's worship supplies are now on the table under the nursery bulletin board.

Assisting in Worship: Thank you to all those who stepped up to say "YES!" to the call to assist in worship leadership each week. A worship assistant schedule has been made through 12/31/21. Printouts are available in the narthex and church office. You can also find the schedule in the weekly "This Week At Bethel" email and posted on the church website. At our Congregational meeting in November, we will have another opportunity for folks to become a part of these ministries through our "Ministry Response" survey. If you have any questions about assisting in worship weekly, please contact George Donovan (george@bethelwinchester.com).

Bethel Grounds Work: We're mulching at Bethel on Tuesday the 28th at 1 pm. Please join us for fellowship and some exercise!

Coffee with Council starts next Sunday, immediately following worship

Little Lutherans / Jr Luther League Fellowship: We will be having a youth fellowship immediately following worship this Sunday for the Little Lutherans (K-2nd grade) and Jr. Luther League (3rd-6th grade). We will meet for about an hour. Please join us for some fellowship and fun!

Luther League: Starting this Sunday, September 26th, the Underground will be open from 6:30 - 8:30pm to just hang out and re-charge before we start another week. We'll have snacks, games & music. Bring a friend if you want to! See you there!

Thrivent: If you are currently a Thrivent member, please contact Kim (bookkeeper@bethelwinchester.com). We want to make sure that your current membership still fits your needs. If you are not currently a Thrivent member, but are interested in becoming one, we are working on getting updated member forms. Please contact Kim.

Music Ministry News: Calling all Ringers! Bethel's OffeRings Chime Group begins this fall! We are excited to bring back our chime group, open to high school students and adults. No experience necessary! If you would like to try it, director Darline DeMott says she will have you ringing in no time. Hoping to welcome back many of our regulars, too! There is a sign up sheet on the Welcome Table in the Narthex, please just let us know if you are interested and we will follow up with a Doodle poll to work out a weekly rehearsal that fits best for our schedules. Can't wait to get ringing! **Adult Choir** rehearses on Thursdays at 6:30 pm. You can also support our music ministries through regular giving to the **Jones/Joyner Music Fund**. Your donations help bless Shenandoah University Scholarship Students, and additional musicians for worship and special events who bless us with their gifts. We have a goal to raise \$6000 in this fund by December 1st to enhance special music offerings this fall and into the Christmas season. An anonymous donor has offered to match donations to the Jones/Joyner Fund, up to \$1000 through September. Come be a part of Bethel's amazing music programs!

Fall Adult Education Options: We will be offering Adult Forum on the 1st and 2nd Sundays in October, November, and December at 10:45am in the Fellowship Hall after worship. The topics will be as follows:

- † **October 3** - Climate change and the Christian Faith (led by John Gavitt)
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- † **November 7** - Reflections from the Appalachian Trail (led by Diane Milburn)
- † **November 14** - Congregational Meeting
- † **December 5** - Collective Amnesia: American Apartheid (led by Gene Betit)
- † **December 12** - Collective Amnesia: American Apartheid (led by Gene Betit)

Disciple Bible Study - Jennifer LaFollette, Bruce Lothrop, and Pastor Dave will be team teaching a Disciple Bible study class this fall. This class will be either Disciple 2, 3, or 4. You DO NOT NEED TO HAVE FINISHED DISCIPLE 1 to participate. Anyone who has finished Disciple 1 or subsequent classes, or anyone who would like to start the Disciple series is welcome. This will be a 12 week class and we will begin as we find out who is interested. To find out more information please contact Pastor Dave (pastordave@bethelwinchester.com).

Advent in Plain Sight (begins in Advent) - Like our Lenten study this year, Lent in Plain Sight, we will be using a similar book by the same author, Rev. Jill Duffield, called Advent in Plain Sight. We have purchased the books already and plan to begin this study the week of November 28. If you are interested in purchasing a book, please contact Pastor Dave. The cost is \$15.

Do you have questions on who to contact? We've put together a list:

- † I would like to sign up to help in worship - George (george@bethelwinchester.com)
- † I need to promote a Bethel event - Kristin
- † I need to use Bethel facilities - Kim (bookkeeper@bethelwinchester.com)
- † I have questions about giving - Kim
- † I need to update my information (address/phone/email) - Kim
- † I would like to provide a floral arrangement for worship - Kim
- † I want to promote/display something in the Narthex – George
- † I would like to submit a prayer request - Pastor Dave (pastordave@bethelwinchester.com or Intercessory Prayer Ministry Team – Urve Crowder (ukcrowder@icloud.com) & Shirley Strosnider (sstrosnider01@gmail.com))

Ways to Give to Bethel: Thank you for your continued support of mission and ministry at Bethel! At this time, we are not passing the offering plate during our worship gatherings, but you can leave your offering in the basket on the welcome table, or use one of the methods below:

1. Mail to Bethel at 2077 N Frederick Pike, Winchester, VA 22603
2. Use the “Give Now” button on our website.
3. Donate via text, by sending the dollar amount you wish to give, including a dollar sign, (ie: \$50/\$50.00) to 844-946-2995.

Ministry Spending Plan Update as of August 31, 2021	Actual <u>August 2021</u>	Actual <u>Year-to-Date</u>
Actual Income	26,946.80	\$227,226.55
Actual Expenses	\$32,212.36	\$252,680.02
Balance (Shortfall)	\$(5,265.56)	\$(25,453.47)
Balance (Shortfall) with 2021 Payroll Protection Loan Funds of \$35,408	\$(5,265.56)	\$9,954.53

For more detailed financial information, please visit bethelwinchester.com and click on Publications.

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www.bethelwinchester.com*

WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE

	Today	October 3rd, 2021
Church Season	Pentecost	Pentecost
Color	Green	Green
	9:30	9:30
Greeter <i>Please Arrive by 9:10 AM!</i>	Beth Garner	Shari Fletcher
Usher <i>Please Arrive by 9:10 AM!</i>	Renee Frederickson	John Gavitt
Scripture Reader	John Gavitt	Karen Shipp
Prayers	Sheila Betit	Robin Forest
Sound	Charlie Moyer	David Shoberg