

What's Happening

at Bethany

Oct. 1, 2020

Celebrate Communion on Sunday

We will be taking communion together this Sunday, Oct. 4, at the Drive-In/Outdoor Worship Service. We encourage you to come! It will be our first communion together as a church family since March!

There will be a basket with pre-packaged communion elements for you when you check in at the parking lot entrance. Take a package for each person in your vehicle. Then proceed to your spot with the elements.

During these unusual times, we may now extend communion to people watching our service online. If you will be watching on Facebook Live, you are invited to have bread or crackers and juice (or water if juice is not available) on hand as the elements are blessed so you can take part.

Make sure you have the elements near at hand after the sermon when we begin the communion liturgy. If you are sitting outside your vehicle, you may remove your mask briefly so you can eat the wafer and drink the juice. The wafer is sealed in the top section and the juice is sealed in the cup right below it.

Although we might be separated by distance, Holy Communion reminds us we are united through Jesus Christ.



Worship Outside Your Car!

You have the option to remain in your car during the outdoor service or you can sit outside of your car. If you choose this option you will need to do a few things to prepare.

- Let us know that you are going to take part in the outdoor option.
- Bring a blanket to sit on or some lawn chairs. The grass might still be a little wet at 9:30.
- Bring a mask – it's a bummer I know, but everyone who isn't in a vehicle is supposed to have one on.
- Have everyone review their health. If anyone is sick, stay home, get comfy and watch the service on-line.
- Check in with the parking attendant and read the Health Acknowledgement Poster.
- Let our parking lot attendant know that you want to sit outside of your vehicle. He will put a card under

your windshield wiper so we can direct you to a spot in the shade near a boom box.

- Bring your song sheet so you can sing along. Yes, you can sing along under your mask. Sing loud! Remember Buddy the Elf says, "The best way to spread cheer is singing loud for all to hear." We need lots of cheer!

Now sit back and enjoy the service, but if you have to leave your spot to go to your vehicle, please maintain social distancing--staying at least six feet away from anyone who isn't a family member or living in your home.

JOIN US FOR DRIVE-IN
WORSHIP
CHURCH WITHOUT LEAVING YOUR CAR!

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October at Bethany is Stewardship Month. And this October Stewardship Month is a "Time to Celebrate." Celebrate? What do we have to celebrate? There is plenty of bad news all around us; a bad virus, bad weather, bad fires and bad people. Not to mention another heated election year. And in spite of all that, Pastor Susan and Jerry Sheets have deemed this month as a month of celebration; celebration of all the wonderful, giving and self-sacrificing good stewards here at Bethany!

As we enter Stewardship month, you are all encouraged to find reasons to celebrate our strong church family of good stewards and all that we have accomplished so far this year. It is the time of year that we can pray, reflect and meditate on how our Lord has truly blessed us, individually and as a church, and how we will respond to his blessings.

Sunday's Sermon Title & Scripture

Celebrate Christ with Us

Luke 22:14-16, 1 Corinthians 11:23-30

2020 Charge Conference

As with everything, charge conference will look different this year! Our charge conference will be held on Saturday, October 24 at 11:30 am by Zoom.

Church Council Meeting

There will be a Church Council meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 6 at 6:30 pm by Zoom. All committee chairs and church officers are encouraged to attend; however, meetings are open to everyone. Please notify Pastor Susan if you would like to be part of this meeting so she can send you a Zoom invitation. We will be voting on the 2021 church budget submitted by the Finance Committee.

Please be in Prayer for ...

Members: Barbara Somers, Tom & Jan Gorden, Linda Byers, Carolyn Roller, Pat Lynn, Phil Mikesell, Leslie Wagoner, Lloyd Meadows, Judy Faby

Extended Members: Don & Diane Smiley - brother & sister-in-law of Carolyn Swartz, Hannah Smiley - aunt of Cindy Kite

We extend Christian sympathy to the family and friends of member Agnes Carter, who passed away on Sunday, Sept. 27.

Happy Birthday to ...

1st - Carolyn Roller & Tara Stroop

2nd - Wayne Frizzelle

3rd - Linda Byers & Landon Ryan

4th - Brantley Metcalfe

6th - Mary Beth Hill, & Stephen Metcalfe



*Never miss a moment to
celebrate one another.*

(Robin Sharma)

