

# What's Happening

at Bethany

Oct. 15, 2020



## The Great Pumpkin Party

Church Council made the decision to “come out of hibernation” and do something for our kids and members ... and that something will be our THE GREAT PUMPKIN PARTY! But ... since it's a last minute decision, that doesn't leave much time to plan. So, please prayerfully consider helping on the PUMPKIN Team to make this happen. This will happen at the Weyers Cave Community Center on Sunday, Oct. 25 from 4 - 6 pm. And at this time, we are only inviting Bethany kids ... who can bring a friend. We need to limit the number of kids so we can safely social distance. Masks will be required at all times! If you would be willing to help make this happen, and again, it can only happen with your help, please contact Cindy Kite at [office.bethany@gmail.com](mailto:office.bethany@gmail.com) or 820-5604 or you can contact Jackie Dunsmore at [jackiedunsmore@comcast.net](mailto:jackiedunsmore@comcast.net) or 421-2307. If you can't help by being on the PUMPKIN Team, consider donating wrapped candy or small prizes such as pencils, small balls, matchbox cars, etc.

**Let's make this HAPPEN!!**

## Apple Tree Project

Our Mission Team will once again be assisting Kingsway Ministries with gifts for children ... the Apple Tree Project. There is a complete list of names and wanted items in the October newsletter. You can look at the list and pick out a name or two or you can let Lori pick one and send you the info. Please contact Lori Mooney at 540-820-7394 or [brownsugarcookie@yahoo.com](mailto:brownsugarcookie@yahoo.com) and she will mark that name off the list so we don't have duplicate gifts.

## 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**. All are encouraged to participate. We will be voting on the 2021 budget and slate of church officers and committee chairs. The Zoom link will be sent out by email. If you are new to Zoom and need assistance getting it installed on your computer, please let Pastor Susan know by Friday. Please don't wait until the day of the meeting.

## Ladies Book Study

In “Sick of Me,” Whitney Capps, shows us that spiritual growth means being both honest and holy -- that we can come to Jesus just as we are, but we cannot stay that way. While virtues like vulnerability, honesty, and humility are desperately needed, we should fight for more. Whitney calls us beyond trendy transparency and into something better ... true transformation. If you want to be honest about all your junk, but are also sick of staying there ... “Sick of Me” is for you! You will need to purchase the book from Amazon ... just search the title ... due to us not being able to hand anything out. The study will be held on Tuesday evenings, beginning October 27, at 7 pm. Please contact the office if you plan to attend so we will have an accurate number of seats ... socially distant, of course. Sorry, but masks will be required. Kim Moyer and Cindy Kite will facilitate the study and hope to see you there!!!

## Young at Hearts Christmas Party

Attention Young at Heart members! Are you ready to get out of the house a little more? Fellowship with your friends? If so, the Young at Hearts Christmas Party is still scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 1 at Mrs. Rows in Staunton. Please contact Carolyn Swartz at [swartz1204@aol.com](mailto:swartz1204@aol.com) or 540-434-1470 and let her know if you do or don't plan to attend so she'll know whether to keep or cancel the reservation.

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## CELEBRATE Stewardship Month

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! During 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.

## Food Pantry Need



The Food Pantry is in need of diapers ... diapers of all sizes, but especially size 4 and 5. You can drop them off on Sunday mornings by giving them to Jeff Ritchie as you check in or you can drop them by the church during office hours.

Thank you for your generosity.

## Lights On, Lights Off

When you leave the church building, please make sure all lights up and down stairs have been turned off. And that all doors are locked by giving them a pull as you leave.

## Sunday's Sermon Title & Scripture

Celebrate Generous Hearts

2 Corinthians 9:6-12

## Please be in Prayer for ...

**Members:** Barbara Somers, Tom & Jan Gorden, Eddie & Pat Lynn, Phil Mikesell, Leslie Wagoner, Lloyd Meadows, Judy Faby, Carolyn Swartz

**Extended Members:** Don & Diane Smiley - brother & sister-in-law of Carolyn Swartz, Hannah Smiley - aunt of Cindy Kite, Alvin Weaver - brother-in-law of Jim Miller, Jo Moomaw - cousin of Jim Miller, Uncle Phi - uncle of Beth Metcalfe and Tim Schnittger

## Happy Birthday to ...

16th - Maecy Ann Frizzelle

19th - Jennifer Cook

20th - John Hull

21st - Barbara Somers & Wyatt Dunsmore

22nd - Jan Fulton & Beth Metcalfe



## WRE Benefit Silent Auction



Weekday Religious Education, a supported ministry of Bethany, will hold a benefit auction on Saturday, Oct. 24 at 9 am. There will be a bake sale from 5-8 pm and a snack bar will be open throughout the auction. It will be held at Shady Oak - Weavers Mennonite Church. Donations are needed for the auction and for the bake sale and will be accepted on Friday afternoon at the church. Questions? Please contact WRE at 438-9997.

