

What's Happening at Bethany

Sunday, November 19 @ 7 pm
Bethany United Methodist Church

Community Thanksgiving Service

Bountiful Living
2 Corinthians 9:6-15
Love Offering to go to
Backpack Pals



You can help decorate the church this Christmas season by purchasing a poinsettia in memory or in honor of a loved one. The cost is \$10 each. By purchasing a poinsettia, you are helping us make the sanctuary festive and beautiful during the Advent season. Forms will be available at the Welcome Center Sunday. Please fill them out and return to the church, with payment, no later than Sunday, Nov. 26.



How much of our Christmas memories include Christmas classics, such as "The Grinch Who Stole Christmas?" Join your Bethany family for a fun, yet thoughtful, **Advent Study** as we work through the book **"The Heart That Grew Three Sizes"** by Matt Rawle. Sign up at the Welcome Center so we can order books by Nov. 14.



This four-week study will begin Nov. 29 and go through Dec. 20. We will meet every Wednesday at 10 am and 6:30 pm. This book will be used in Pastor Blaine's sermons, so even if you can't join us for the study, sign up for a book. If you would like to make a donation towards the cost of the books, each book cost the church \$10. You are under no pressure to do so!

Bethany will be "ringing the bell" for the Salvation Army on Saturday, Dec. 2 from 10 am - 6 pm at Shenandoah Valley Heritage Market on Route 11. Times will be in one hour increments. There is a sign up sheet at the Welcome Center for you to sign up to help this year. Get the entire family involved!



Charge Conference will be held Sunday, Nov. 12, right up the road at Bridgewater UMC at 2 pm. This is a time where we handle the business of our local church and worship together with our fellow UM churches in our area. If you are planning on come, please let Pastor Blaine or Julie Ritchie know.

Caring Cards will meet on Tuesday, Nov. 14 at 10 am. Looking for a way to get involved at Bethany that won't take much time, join this group as they send cards and notes of encouragement to those who need them. Folks are so appreciative to receive a card or note from their church family. It makes their day a little brighter! Questions? Talk to Lori Mooney or Becky McCarty.



All men are invited to attend "Donuts & Devotions" on the third Saturday of each month. This will be a time of donut eating, coffee drinking, fellowship, devotion sharing and praying! Invite a friend or neighbor to come with you. It's a great way to kick off fall with something new. There's no commitment. Come when you can. The November gathering will be held on Saturday, Nov. 18 at 8 am in the fellowship hall. Questions? Contact Chuck McCarty.



All youth are invited and encouraged to join us on Sunday, Nov. 12 at 10:30 am, immediately after the worship service, as we explore the Bible and how it relates to your life now. Lunch will be provided. Please let Bridgett Crawford know if you plan to attend so she'll have a number for lunches.