

# What's Happening at Bethany

**Don't forget the BUM Christmas Post Office is open.** You can "mail" your Christmas cards with a donation of .25 cents each (or whatever you want to donate). Please have your cards to church by Sunday, Dec. 31. Place your cards in the appropriate basket in the fellowship hall. And don't forget to check the baskets for cards "mailed" to you! All proceeds will go towards the youth's summer mission trip.



**The tree in the foyer is a fundraiser for the Gideons.** A gift of \$5 will help them purchase Bibles. There are paper ornaments under the tree. Make a donation of \$5 (place in the Christmas box under the tree) and write your name on the back of the ornament and then hang it on the tree. Last chance to help us cover the tree in purple ornaments.



**Start out the New Year with something "New."** Join Young at Hearts for their monthly luncheon on Tuesday, Jan. 2 at 12 pm at the Thomas House in Dayton. All folks 55 and older, and still young at heart, are invited to join us. Bring a friend! We have some really good food and some really awesome conversations and then there's all the laughter! There's no commitment. Come when you can! We bet you'll want to come back!



**There will be a Young Adult Social on Saturday, Jan. 6 from 4-6 pm in the fellowship hall for those between the ages of 18-30.** Please bring your favorite appetizer to share with all. (There may even be a prize for the "best" appetizer.) We want to get the young adults of Bethany together for socials throughout the year. Won't you please join us for our first social?



**THE FELLOWSHIP HALL IS RESERVED AFTER CHURCH ON SUNDAY, JAN. 7 FROM 11:30 AM - 4 PM.** If you need to come to the church for any reason, please be considerate of those using the church. Thank you!

**There will be a Worship Meeting on Monday, Jan. 8 at 6 pm.** We'll meet at Valley Pike! Please let Jackie Dunsmore know if you are unable to attend.

**Caring Cards will meet on Tuesday, Jan. 9 at 10 am.** Join this group as they write notes and send cards of encouragement to folks within our church family. Just a small note may make a big difference in someone's life!! There is no commitment. Come when you can. We meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

**CLASS FOR New Members** Been involved at Bethany UMC for a while now, but never been asked to join the church? **Pastor Blaine will be leading a New Member Class directly after worship on Jan. 21,** and wants all who are interested in membership at Bethany to attend. If you have any questions about membership, please contact Pastor Blaine.

**January 28 is going to be a BIG and EXCITING day at Bethany UMC.** We will be welcoming NEW MEMBERS and CONFIRMANTS into our loving church family. Mark your calendars for this day, as it will be a worship service that celebrates new birth here at Bethany as we kick off our 70th Year Anniversary as a church.

**Please be in Prayer for ...**

**Members:** Pam Lynn, Laura Lucas, Jackie Dunsmore, Leslie Wagoner, Kathleen Stump, Gary Ruleman

**Extended Family:** Sandie Donald - daughter of Carolyn Swartz & sister of Cindy Kite, Clem, Jr. & Hannah Smiley - brother and sister-in-law of Carolyn Swartz, Samantha Steed - mother of Tabby Steed, Shawna - sister of Maggie Huffer, Alexis - daughter of Tara Stroop

**Happy Birthday to ...**

29th - Jake Frizzelle

Jan. 2nd - Garrett Simmons

7th - Mackenzie Crawford