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Mark your calendars for an evening of laughs, singing, and family friendly entertainment on Saturday, March 16 @ 6:30 pm as we welcome Brent Vernon to Bethany for a concert! Invite your friends, teammates, neighborhood children, co-workers and their kids; as this will be an evening you will not want to miss! It's a live concert event for the whole family with a guest appearance by "Sam!" A love offering will be collected and Brent will have a merchandise table setup in the foyer. We look forward to seeing you there. There are invite cards at the Welcome Center for you to pick up and hand out to your friends and neighbors!

Our friend Geneva Burns left us a legacy of Bibles, Christian books, and gift books. These and other church books are displayed on the back tables in the fellowship Please look them over and take anything that hall. interests you.



What a better way to commemorate our 70th year anniversary, than with a 30-oz Bethany UMC travel mug! This is one way to remember our church's history and hopefully will also be a wonderful starting point to invite others into the

Bethany family! They can be found in the foyer and we are asking for a \$20 donation per travel mug. Please place your money in the box on the table. If you have any questions, talk to Cindy Kite or Pastor Blaine.

Our Lenten book study, "Final Words From the Cross" will continue this Wednesday, March 6 at 10 am and again at **6:30 pm.** We invite you to join one of these studies.

Don't forget to order your spring flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one to help decorate the sanctuary! Order forms are at the Welcome Center. Orders are due by next Sunday, March 10!

We will be handing out Easter goodie bags to all children who attend the Brent Vernon concert plus holding an Easter Egg Hunt for our children on Easter Sunday and again on Monday for our food pantry kids. We need candy to fill these eggs. There is a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center for large bags of individually wrapped candy small enough to fit in plastic Easter eggs. Need by March 10!!

Lent at Bethany ...

Sunday, March 24 Palm Sunday Brunch after the worship service. Bring a dish to share with all. There will be a children's processional with palm branches.

Friday, March 29 A Good Friday service combined with six other churches will be here at Bethany at 7 pm.

Saturday, March 30 A hike through the Blue Ridge Tunnel. Meet there at 10 am.

Sunday, March 31 Easter Sunday! There will be heavy refreshments after worship and then an Easter Egg Hunt for our children.

> Join us for one or all of these events. Invite a friend or neighbor!

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The youth are sponsoring a silent auction of three gorgeous, hand crafted bird houses during the month of March. Earl King has shared his talent and gift with us by donating these exquisite birdhouses to help the youth raise money for our upcoming summer mission trip. Colors are purple/berry,

blue, and green with a copper roof. Bird houses can be seen in the church narthex along with a silent auction sheet to write your bids. Check back weekly to see if you need to raise your bid! If you have questions, please see Bridgett Crawford. Thank you for your support in our silent auction for these unique birdhouses you will not see anywhere else!

Thank you for your support of time, prayers, food, and resources to make our 30 Hour Famine fun and successful! The youth had a blast fasting, serving, learning, and having fun together. This all could not have been done without YOU! BUM Youth Group



Calling all Young Adults from age 18-30!! We will be meeting on Saturday, March 9 @ 5 pm at Jalisco Mexican

Restaurant in Harrisonburg for dinner and fellowship. The dinner will be paid for, so come on out and enjoy a free meal with your fellow young adults! If you have any questions, reach out to Jac Bridges.

Sunday, March 10 is UMCOR Sunday. If you would like to give to UMCOR, please use envelopes in the back of the pews and place in the offering plate.



Young at Hearts will meet at Taste of Thai in Harrisonburg on Tuesday, March 5 at 12 noon for their monthly luncheon. All you folks 55+ or

almost, are invited to join us for lunch, fellowship and laughter, oh, there's lots of laughter. There is no commitment. Come when you can! Next Sunday, March 10, DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS!! Remember to set your clocks forward one hour before you go to sleep on Saturday night. You don't want to be late for church do you?

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DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

There will be a Worship Meeting on Monday, March 4 at 6 pm at the church. Please let Jackie Dunsmore know if you are unable to attend.

Happy Birthday to ...

March 2nd - Jan Gorden 5th - Ken Elkins 7th - Becky McCarty

Prayer List ...

Members: Don & Hazel Truslow, Nadine Moore, Sidney & Jean Moyer, Kathleen Stump, Ramona Garrison, Audrey Bradshaw

Extended Family: Alma & Neese Spitzer - aunt & uncle of Barbara Long, Glenda Western - friend of Dale Roller, Mark Ruffin - mentor of David Williams, Connie Gorden - granddaughter of Tom & Jan Gorden, Sandie Donald - daughter of Carolyn Swartz & sister of Cindy Kite



We extend Christian sympathy to Laura Lucas and family upon the death of her cousin, Tim Fizer. If you would like to send Laura a card, her address is P.O. Box 121, Weyers Cave, VA 24486.