

BETHANY CHURCH
OF BERWICK
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BETHANY BEACON

Mission Statement: We are a Beacon for God—
Helping people to see, to accept and to grow in the light of Jesus Christ

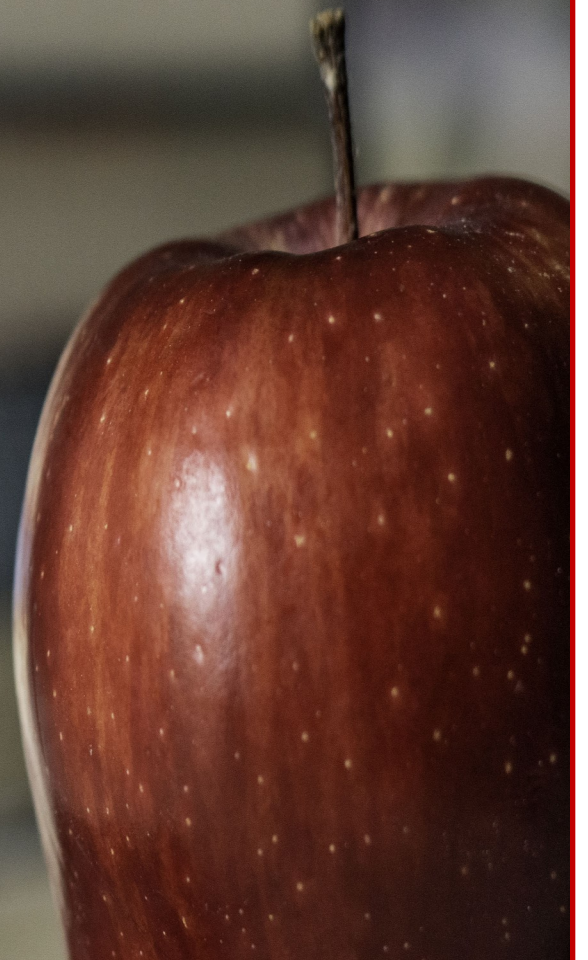
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Savior,
teach me
day by day
love's sweet lesson
to obey,
sweeter lesson
cannot be,
loving him who
first loved me.

—Jane Eliza Leeson (1842)



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The value of solid relationships

“Most of life’s great moments — the ones that resonate in our hearts and minds — involve other people,” writes John C. Maxwell in *Today Matters*. “Rarely do we experience these times alone. And even when we do, our first inclination is to share them with others.”

Maxwell then poses this challenge: “Think back to the most important experiences of your life, the highest highs, the greatest victories, the most daunting obstacles overcome. How many happened to you alone? I bet there are very few. When you understand that being connected to others is one of life’s greatest joys, you realize that life’s best comes when you initiate and invest in solid relationships.”



Short Term Prayer Concerns

Ed Cope, Thomas Makar, Al Houseknecht, Dot, Joan, Al Chadd, Donald Sheep, Barton Hough Jr., Melody Thomas, Madge Stump, Pam Pearson, Joshua Flook, Bob-Diane-Family, Lisa Hubley, Eli Stump, Joshua, Charlie Spatz

Please note: If you would like someone to be moved to the long-term list, please contact the church office.

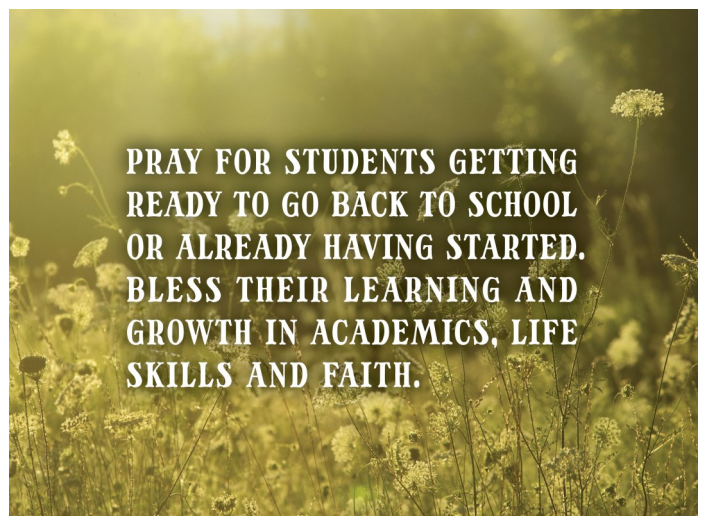
Long-Term Prayer Concerns

Wendy McClintock, Isabel Bower, Jennie Bedford, Shirley Hornberger, Kim Varner, Marlene Eckrote, Jim & Carol Zeart, Kim Kishbaugh, Warren Wolfe, Edna Mae Belles, Kent Williams, Joan Laubach, Rosemary Martz, Joe Phillips, Sr., Betty Morgan, Karen Hunsinger, Bill Mausteller, Billy Robbins, Samantha Scoblink, Nick Pritchky, Joyce Noroski, Mike Mattern, Esther Bower, Charlotte Laytar, Dick and Bethann Savage, Eric Black, Judy Harvey, Kelly Eyer, Joan Harmon, Tod Locher, Gary Fisher Carmella Picarello, Gloria Varner, Jackie Fisher, Edna McClintock, Renee Ptashinski

Sympathies for the family of Al Roberts,

“I alone cannot change the world,
but I can cast a stone across
the waters to create many ripples.”

—Mother Teresa





SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 9/02 Richard Good Sr.
- 9/06 David Boone
- 9/07 Liam Carroll, Cade Stump
- 9/08 Wendy McClintock
- 9/09 Thomas Winship
- 9/10 Kristi McClintock
- 9/11 Michelle Bower
- 9/12 Richard Bower, Melvin Kishbaugh
- 9/15 Libby Kishbaugh
- 9/17 Joseph Brady, Paige Brown
- 9/18 Abigail Phillips
- 9/19 Jacob Lisnock
- 9/21 Jessica Vajda
- 9/22 Angel Kishbaugh, Harrison Snyder,
Connor Welch
- 9/23 Michelle Seigfried
- 9/24 Sandra Canouse, Keith Seely
- 9/25 Nancy Gerlach
- 9/30 Kim Spence



Bethany Church of Berwick Peacemakers Prayer Support Ministry

Matthew 5:9

**Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called sons of God.**

General Prayer for Departments:

- Borough of Berwick Police Department**
- Briar Creek Township Police Department**
- Salem Township Police Department**
- Nescopeck Borough Police Department**
- Columbia County Sheriff's Office**
- South Centre Township Police Department**
- PA State Police Shickshinny Station**

Specific Daily Prayer for Officers: September 2023

1. Deputy Anthony Kopitski
2. Officer Randy Gaugler
3. Dallas Herbert, Patrolman
4. Patrolman Brenton Bacon
5. Deputy William Miner
6. Officer Jeremy Mulders
7. Deputy Heather Comstock
8. Officer Jessica Shoup
9. Elizabeth Whitenight
10. Officer Philip Schlegel
11. Deputy Dale Stokes
12. Officer Henry Roote
13. Sgt. Tyler Miller-Stephens County, TX
14. Patrolman Mason Dabulis
15. Officer Joseph Loyacono
16. Dustin Sabol, Patrolman
17. Deputy Dale Coombe
18. Chief Kenneth Strish
19. Thomas D. Frace, Chief of Police
20. Chief Richard Haraschak III
21. Assistant Chief Troy Maneval
22. Chief William Richendrfer
23. Jarrod Noss, Criminal Investigator
24. Officer Christopher Kelchner
25. Sheriff Timothy Chamberlain
26. Chief Michael McNeal
27. Chief Deputy Earl "Skip" Mordan
28. Sgt. Marc Fedder
29. Sarah Klingaman
30. Deputy Scott Mayernick

Missions & Evangelism

Extra Mile Giving for September will be in support of Boy Scout Troop 6

Our Extra Mile Giving for September will be in support of our Boy Scout Troop 6. The cost of registration and fees have gone up and we would like to help the Troop offset some of those costs for boys who may not be able to afford the fees. Envelopes are available at the Information Desk in the Main Entrance hallway or at the Angel Card table and Contemporary reception table.

List of the items needed for the Little Pantry locations

We are hoping the church as a whole might be willing to help with donations of the things we need. This has been an ongoing project. Here are some things we need:

Individually wrapped granola bars, breakfast bars, cereal bars and similar.

Ramen noodles, soups, instant lunch soups, nuts, tuna pouches, individual packs of crackers, fruit cups

Hygiene products, Individually wrapped toilet paper, Hand sanitizer, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Towels and washcloths, Soap

Drawstring garbage bags - large or kitchen size, Large or XL ziplock bags

Tote bags--the reusable kind from grocery stores and similar. These can be used or new.

Peanut Butter and Jelly Carepack Ministry

We are still collecting donations of peanut butter, jelly and gift cards in support of our peanut butter and jelly carepack ministry. Our carepacks are available the third Wednesday of every month and can be picked up under the canopy from the pick totes. Thank you for your continued support of this important mission. Envelopes are always available at the Information Desk for your monetary donations.

God has given us two hands: **one** to receive with and the **other** to give with.

We are not made for hoarding; we are channels made for **sharing.**

- Billy Graham



**We're
thankful
for you!**



Join Us for a Ladies Afternoon

Cupcake Decorating

Saturday, Sept. 9th

1PM - 3PM

Fellowship Hall

***Free, but please bring a cake decorating item to share**



*Dear Bethany Church Family
Thank you so much for the
flowers. They are beautiful
In Christian love
Barb Penatonek*




SEARCHING FOR SILVER

Godly, biblical wisdom is more valuable than gold or silver. Make this do-it-yourself toy to practice your searching skills.

What you need:

- 12 small, smooth rocks
- An empty, clean egg carton
- Paintbrush
- Acrylic paint (gold or silver)
- Black permanent marker

What you do:

1. Clean the rocks and egg carton. Place newspaper on a table to protect it from paint.
2. Paint all sides of the rocks and carton. Let dry. Add a second coat, if desired.
3. When rocks are dry, number each rock (1-12) with marker. Place rocks in the carton.
4. Play hide-and-seek with a friend. Take turns hiding the rocks in a room, sandbox or backyard. Give clues, if needed, and count the rocks as they're returned.
5. Use your imagination to incorporate a treasure hunt into study time or family devotions.



PUZZLE

A PATH TO PRAYER

God's Word offers lots of insights about how to pray.

Directions: Use the code to fill in the blanks and complete a Bible passage about prayer.



ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ
ZYXWVUTSRQPONMLKJIHGFEDCBA






R G S Z M P N B T L W
 V E V I B G R N V R
 I V N V N Y V I B L F
 R M Z O O N B
 K I Z B V I H U L I Z O O
 L U B L F R Z O D Z B H
 K I Z B D R G S Q L B
 K S R O R K K R Z M H

1:3-4, NIV

Answer: I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy. Philippians 1:3-4, NIV

September 2023

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 3 Pulpit – Ron Sult 9:00 am Traditional Worship 10am Adult Sunday School 11am Contemporary Srv(BR) | 4 Labor Day Office/Bethany Blessings Closed | 5 8 am TOPS (SGR) 5:00 pm Bethany Blessings Orientation 6:30 pm Pieces of Prayer (SGR) | 6 First School Day- Bethany Blessings 6:15 pm Praise Team (BR) | 7 6:30 pm Scouts(Scout) | 8 | 9 1 pm Ladies Night (FH) |
| 10 Pulpit – Jeff Gilton/Gary Bowman 9:00 am Traditional Worship 10am Adult Sunday School 11am Contemporary Srv(BR) | 11 6:30 pm Grief Support (RM2)  | 12 8 am TOPS (SGR) | 13 6:15 pm Praise Team (BR) | 14 6:30 pm Scouts(Scout) | 15 | 16 |
| 17 Communion Pulpit – Pastor Ralph Hartenbach 9:00 am Traditional Worship 10am Adult Sunday School 11am Contemporary Srv(BR) | 18 6:30 pm Grief Support (RM2) | 19 8 am TOPS (SGR) | 20 PBJ Carepack Distribution 6:15 pm Praise Team (BR) | 21 6:30 pm Scouts(Scout) 6:30 pm Church Council | 22 Bloomsburg Fair Begins thru 30th | 23 First day of Autumn |
| 24 Pulpit – Gary Bowman 9:00 am Traditional Worship 10am Adult Sunday School 11am Contemporary Srv(BR) | 25 6:30 pm Grief Support (RM2) | 26 8 am TOPS (SGR) | 27 6:15 pm Praise Team (BR) | 28 6:30 pm Scouts(Scout) | 29 | 30 |