

BETHANY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

THE NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2014

OCTOBER WORSHIP

October 5 is World Communion Sunday. The sacrament will be served in the pew. The Chancel Choir, and anyone who likes to sing, will offer special music. Pastor Lynch's meditation is titled, "A Corn Fed Beef."

October 12 is Caring Cupboard Sunday. The service will feature the debut of a new singing group of older youth and young adults (OYYA), led by Samantha Patrick. Pastor Lynch will speak on how "Everybody Has An Empty Sleeve."

October 19 has our Sunbeam Choir blessing us with "He's Got The Whole World in His Hands," with solos by Braden Dibler and Aiden Schell. Our youth will serve as ushers and Pastor Lynch will preach on "Love is the Greatest."

October 26 has Casey Funck and Samantha Patrick offering a duet and the message title is "Focus," from Mark 8:22-25.

LOYAL WORKERS

The Loyal Workers will be making bags for Trick or Treat on Halloween. Please help us by donating treats. A basket will be in the over-flow for donations.

HOLIDAY BAZAAR

Please mark your calendars for November 15, our Holiday Bazaar. We will be having crafts, soup sale, bake sale and cookies. We could not have our cookie sale without your help. A sign up sheet will be on the table in the over-flow. Please help us make this cookie sale the best ever. ~ Sandy Pillsbury

FALL CLEANING DAY

October 4, 2014 is our fall cleaning day. Anyone is welcome to come and help. Please meet in the fellowship room at 8:00. Bring your favorite cleaning solution, bucket etc. We usually finish between 11:00 and 12:00 depending on how many come out to help.

BETHANY HAY RIDE

The youth of Bethany invite the whole church family to join them for a journey through a corn maze and a hayride on Saturday November 1. We will start the corn maze at 4:30 and the hayride is at 5:30. Enjoy one or both! Following the hayride there will be hot dogs, apple cider, marshmallows and a wonderful campfire. Sign up sheets are on the information table in the Gathering Room next to the sanctuary.

~ Kristen Chapin, Kristen Scipioni

THANK YOU

Bethany Youth,

Thank you so much for your generous donation to the Summer Lunch Program at the Cupboard. It will be deeply appreciated by those children who benefit from the program and by all of us at the Cupboard.

~ Terry Baker, Director, The Caring Cupboard

CHANCEL CHOIR MEMBERS AND THOSE WHO LOVE TO SING

Would you like to sing on Sunday October 5? All are welcome to meet downstairs in the choir room at 10:10 for a very brief rehearsal of "Always a Place at the Table," prior to the 10:30 service of Holy Communion. We will not be using folders or wearing robes. Hope to see you there. ~ Helen Lutz

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL PRAYER MEETING MINUTES

The minutes of our Administrative Council are available on the information table in the Gathering Room off the sanctuary. You are welcome to pick one up and keep in touch with the decisions and direction of our Bethany Leaders. Any questions and input may be passed on to Council Chairperson Cindy Anspach or Secretary Sue Lasher. You are welcome to attend the next meeting on October 13 in the social hall at 6:30.

BISHOP COMING TO OUR NORTHEAST DISTRICT

Bishop Peggy Johnson will be in our district Saturday October 15. She will meet with clergy in the morning and an open meeting for all church members will be held that evening at 7:00 at First United Methodist Church in Schuylkill Haven. Bishop Johnson will lead a conversation on "Covenant and Sexuality."

PASTOR'S PUN

How does Moses make his tea?
Hebrews it.

VISION MEETING

Follow up on the Vision meeting, we have decided to form three committees: Family Ministries, Missions/Outreach and Youth Ministries. These committee's will implement the ideas from the Vision meeting. We need you to sign up to be part of these committees. Sign-up sheets will be on the table in the Gathering Room. ~ Cindy Anspach

SAFE SANCTUARIES

Due to new abuse laws that have been passed, the United Methodist Conference is having a workshop on how each church will need to institute these new laws. Teachers and anyone who works with the children are urged to attend. Dates will be made available as soon as we receive them.

OCTOBER WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Acolyte: Braden Dibeler

Scripture Readers;

October 5: Pastor Lynch

October 12: Eric Chapin

October 19: Pastor Lynch

October 26: Sue Lasher

Greeters/Ushers:

Dennis and Sue Keith, Richard and Sue Lasher

Sound System Operators: h

October 5: Barry Smith

October 12: Don Brubaker

October 19: Dick Lasher

October 26: Barry Smith

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

5 - Diane Schell

14 - Matthew Hetrick

21 - Timothy Miller

7 - Debbie Saaler

16 - Shannon Keefer

24 - Laurie Dove

8 - Zachary Hollenback

19 - Richard Lasher

28 - Jamie Unkow

11 - Linda Beam

19 - Carol Marcocci

31 - Ethel Funck

11 - Marilyn Betz

19 - Audrey Scipioni

31 - Shawn Saaler

12 - Stephanie Laudermilch

20 - Dylan Kriner

14 - Bethany Oleyniczak

21 - Logan Kriner

HELP NEEDED

Would you be interested in working on publicity and advertising for special events our church is planning. We need creative help with all types of advertising. With viral and print advertizing. Please let Cindy Anspach know of your interest.

BETHANY YOUTH AT GRETNA FUNDRAISER

Drew, Kyle and Brooke Chapin took part in the Gretna Gritty Mud Run Fundraiser. It appears from their picture they had a great time. Brooke said, "She didn't get her face muddy since she was small enough to get under things without get her face in the mud, like her brothers had to!"

PASTOR JOHN'S STORY CORNER

A woman who was recently baptized and had confessed her faith in Christ, was asked by a co-worker what it was like to be a Christian. She replied, "It's like being a pumpkin. God picks you up from the patch, brings you in, and washes all the dirt off you may have gotten from other pumpkins. Then He cuts the top off and scoops out all the yucky stuff. He removes the seeds of doubt, hate, greed, etc. Then he carves you a new smiling face and puts His light inside of you to shine for all the world to see.

Now that's something to think about.

Caring Cupboard Walk

Sponsored by Palmyra Area Cooperating Churches



Neighbors helping Neighbors

Sunday, October 12, 2014

Registration at 1:30 PM at the Caring Cupboard

131 N. Railroad St., Palmyra

Walk will begin at 1:45.

Please stop by the Welcome Center to get a sponsor form to help us raise money to fill the shelves.