



BPC REVIEW

Bethel Presbyterian Church Newsletter

June 2018



One of my favorites by Max Lucado. Enjoy!

A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

HAD A PICTURE given to me after a church service sometime back. A picture of a dog. A snapshot of a scruffy red hound. It's not often that people show me a picture of their dog. Babies, yes. Grandchildren, often. Spouses, occasionally. But dogs? This was a first. I didn't know what to say. "Quite a dog," I attempted. The couple looked at each other, snickered, and looked back at me. They knew something I didn't. "What's the scoop?" I asked. (Poor choice of nouns.) "We named him Max!" they proclaimed in unison. Again I was stumped. Was this a joke or an honor? A cut or a compliment? I took the safe route. "Uh . . . I've never had a dog named after me before." "We knew you'd be flattered," she explained. "We've enjoyed your books so much that when we got 'Puppy-boo' we thought of you." (Puppy-boo?) I said thanks and pocketed the photo. Only later did I think of some appropriate replies. "Not the first Max to be in a doghouse," was one. Too bad I didn't think of it in time. A friend later gave me an article reporting that Max is the most popular name for dogs in America. So maybe I'll get another chance. Can't say I've given a lot of thought to my given name. Never figured it made much difference. I do recall a kid in elementary school wondering if I were German. I said no. "Then why do you have a German name?" I didn't even know Max was German. He assured me it was. So I decided to find out. "Why did you name me Max?" I asked Mom when I got home. She looked up from the sink and replied, "You just looked like one." Like I say, I haven't given much thought to my name. But there is one name that has caught my interest lately. A name only God knows. A name only God gives. A unique, one-of-a-kind, once-to-be-given name. What am I talking about? Well, you may not have known it, but God has a new name for you. When you get home, he won't call you Alice or Bob or Juan or Geraldo. The name you've always heard won't be the one he uses. When God says he will make all things new, he means it. You will have a new home, a new body, a new life, and you guessed it, a new name. "I will give some of the hidden manna to everyone who wins the victory. I will also give to each one who wins the victory a white stone with a new name written on it. No one knows this new name except the one who receives it" (Rev. 2: 17). Makes sense. Fathers are fond of giving their children special names. Princess. Tiger. Sweetheart. Bubba. Angel. I have a friend whose father calls her Willy. Her name is Priscilla. Growing up, he teased her by saying Priscilly. That became Silly-willy. Today he calls her Willy. No one else does. Even if they did, no one else could say it the way her dad does. Now maybe you didn't get a special name. Or maybe you've devoted much of your life to making a name for yourself. Or perhaps your name, like mine, is popular in the animal kingdom. Whatever, any earthly name will soon be forgotten. The only name that matters is the one God has reserved just for you. Or maybe you have received special names. Names you never sought. Names of derision and hurt. Names like "loser" or "cheat," "cripple," "infected," or "divorced." If so, I'm sorry. You know how a name can hurt. But you can also imagine how a name can heal. Especially when it comes from the lips of God. Isn't it incredible to think that God has saved a name just for you? One you don't even know? We've always assumed that the name we got is the name we will keep. Not so. Imagine what that implies. Apparently, your future is so promising it warrants a new title. The road ahead is so bright a fresh name is needed. Your eternity is so special no common name will do. So God has one reserved just for you. There is more to your life than you ever thought. There is more to your story than what you have read. There is more to your song than what you have sung. A good author saves the best for last. A great composer keeps his finest for the finish. And God, the author of life and composer of hope, has done the same for you. The best is yet to be. And so, I urge you, don't give up. And so, I plead, finish the journey. And so, I exhort, be there. Be there when God whispers your name.

Don't forget
Father's Day



June 17th

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Nancy Mory ~ 06/01

Joe Burgess ~ 06/03

Elizabeth Holt ~ 06/03

Grayson Dietz ~ 06/04

Betty Jane Foard ~ 06/05

Donita Dietz ~ 06/07

Bill Pullen ~ 06/07

Garrett Lowe ~ 06/09

Sam DiBastiani ~ 06/10

Scott Henderson ~ 06/10

Sam Fielder ~ 06/13

Allen Eberwein ~ 06/14

Dawson Jones ~ 06/15

Wanda Edie ~ 06/20

Heather Yeung ~ 06/20

Mackenzie Saneman ~ 06/24

Keeghan Sachs ~ 06/25

Charles & Kelley Saneman
June 1st

Robert & Cathy Kirkwood
June 5th

George & Pat Denbow
June 13th

Bruce & Carolyn Mattheiss
June 15th

John & Hazel Adair
June 17th

Jack & Betty Rogers
June 17th

John & Sandy Louderback
June 18th

Craig & Carmie Messenger
June 19th

Larry & Marta Kastner
June 20th

Kirk & Anne Jones
June 24th

David & Gail Thomas
June 25th

Richard & Ruth Walker
June 25th

David & Jessica Sambor
June 27th

DEACON'S UPDATE

We uphold the following members, relatives and friends in our prayers and pray God's healing upon them:

Prayer Concerns

Gretchen Shanklin, Billy Gross, Bruce Young, Leonora Rose, Jason Rowley, Nancy Sacks, Dorothy Goldstein, George Reeves, Allen Eberwein, Jack Shaul, and Bill Pullen.

Bruce Snyder, friend of John and Sandy Louderback and Carol Morrow.

Rev. Bruce and Barbara Barstow, former pastor at Bethel and his wife.

Joseph Biondo, uncle of Gary Lowe.

Ed Sturtevant, friend of Bethel.

Dan Kelleher, brother-in-law of Jack and Betty Rogers.

Jay and Martha Elliott's grandson, James Kennedy, friends of Dan and Mary Beth Scott.

Howard Eisner, brother-in-law of Carol Morrow.

Dan Garey, brother of Sandy Louderback.

Lynn Zeichner, friend of Sandy Louderback.

Into the Church Triumphant:

Betty Saneman
May 26, 2018

Gail Lowe will be updating the Prayer Concerns. If you would like to add someone or you feel someone can be removed from the list, please call Gail at 443-567-0150 or email her at gggalowe@aol.com



Thank you to my Bethel Family and Friends for your generous outpouring of care for me after surgery. The multiple cards, calls, cookies, food, and prayers have been so welcomed and have contributed greatly to my recuperation. I look forward to being back in church regularly.

~ Sue Hinkley

Dear Bethel Friends,

Harford Family House is thankful for your gift of \$500. Because of your generosity, we will be able to continue to provide shelter and support services to homeless families with children right here in our own community.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Your donation will enable us to provide housing, resources and support to enable a family to move from homelessness to permanent, stable housing.

As you enjoy the renewal of spring, please know that you have made a difference in the lives of a homeless family right here in Harford County. You are a part of our extended family and for that we are thankful!

Sincerely,
Robin Tomechko
Executive Director/CEO
Harford Family House

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your generous donation to the North Harford High School 2018 Senior Class Baccalaureate Service. Your donation will allow us to gather as a school community and reflect on the labors of the past, the accomplishments of the present, and the possibilities of the future for our graduating seniors. Thank you for your continued support of our seniors.

Best Regards,
Karina Jackson,
Chair — NHHS Baccalaureate Service

Church Groups

CHURCH FLOWERS

Interested in donating flowers to decorate the sanctuary on Sunday mornings? Please feel free to call Betty Rogers at 410-692-6579.

Let her know if the donation is in memory of a loved one or in celebration of birthdays or anniversaries.



BETHEL CROSS STITCHERS

The Bethel Cross Stitchers will be meeting on **June 2nd & 16th at 9:00 a.m.** in the Fellowship Hall.

If you would like to enjoy the fellowship of other Christian women while learning a craft, we welcome you join in on the fun.

Cross Stitch Heaven

MARY'S CIRCLE

Women of Bethel, come and expand your knowledge of the Bible. This Woman's Bible Study Group meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 1:30 p.m.

If you would like to feel the love of other Christian women, you are cordially invited to attend their next meeting on **June 8th** in the Foyer of the CE Building.

Women's  Ministry

THE BREAKFAST BUNCH

The men's bible study group will meet on **June 3rd and 17th at 7:00 a.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. A continental breakfast will be available. The lesson will end at 8:00 a.m. If you would like information regarding this group, please call Bob Horn at 443-807-0563, or send an email to hornsrbb@aol.com



CHANCEL CHOIR

Bethel Chancel Choir will have rehearsals every **Wednesday at 7:15 p.m.** in the Sanctuary. We would love to have you join our choir. Please feel free to attend rehearsal and lend your voice for our Worship Service each Sunday. If you have any questions, please contact our Music Director, Kirsten Fitzsimmons via email at ...



kirstenfitzsimmonsmusic@hotmail.com

HOME VISITS

If you need a little extra support and guidance, are having an upcoming surgery, or you need some one-on-one time with Pastor Todd, please feel free to call Melissa Dick in the Church Office at 410-692-5282 or you can email her at melissadick@bethel-md.org to schedule a Home Visit.

Your spiritual well being is as important as your physical well being.



Church Events

BETHEL

FLEA



MARKET

We are partnering with the Jarrettsville Lions Club to host our Spring Flea Market on ...

Saturday — June 16th at 8:00 a.m.

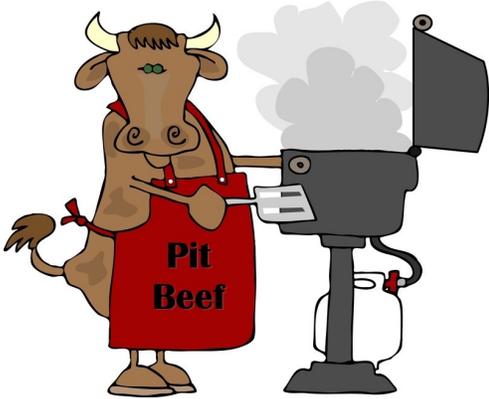
Rain Date — June 23rd

Spaces are \$15 each

Please be sure to contact Melissa Dick in the Church Office - 410-692-5282 or by email at melissadick@bethel-md.org to reserve your space.

Please stop by and grab some lunch at the Pit Beef Stand being run by Eagle Scout, Tyler Sambor, to help support his Bethel Church project.

The Board of Trustees will be setting up the spaces as well as directing traffic the day of the event.



Deacons Bake Sale

The Deacons are looking for donations of baked goods to be sold at our Flea Market on ...

Saturday — June 16th at 8:00 a.m.

If you would like to make something delicious for our Deacons to sell, please contact Nancy Berigtold at **410-692-9033** or email nancy4320@aol.com



Church Events

Happy Children's Day



The Christian Education Committee acknowledged all the 2017-2018 Sunday School Participants with a special presentation on Sunday, May 20th. They began a new pin system this year and all were very excited to receive their recognition during Worship Service for all their hard work and dedication. We would like to recognize and congratulate all the participants. We would also like to acknowledge all the teacher volunteers for the incredible job they all did this year with our students. This program would not be possible without all of their hard work, time, love, patience, and commitment to helping develop a relationship with our children and God. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts !

Taught By: Jennifer Calary

Leah Calary
Ben Comaty
Joey Comaty
Emmett Sadler

Taught By: Ruth Walker & Jessica Sambor

Jack Rowley
Carolina Galliher
Linley Morrow
Elizabeth Henderson
Celia Morrow
Carrie Thomas
Emma Clayton

Taught By: Bob Dennison

Corbin Rowley
Dylan Sambor
Gregory Thomas

Taught By: Gail Lowe & Jane Burgess

Tyler Sambor
Samantha Fielder
Hannah Burgess
Shelby Jones
Zachary Clayton
Dawson Jones

College:

Joey Burgess
Nathaniel Clayton
Becky Burgess
Sarah Fielder
Laura Fielder

Confirmation Class:

Dawson Jones
Samantha Fielder
Hannah Burgess
Corbin Rowley
Tyler Sambor

Church Events



Graduates Day



On May 20, 2018, the members of Bethel Church acknowledged all the graduating students during Worship Service. We would like to congratulate each and every graduate for all their hard work and perseverance ... best to you in all you do in your future endeavors.

Zachary Clayton

*North Harford High School
Attending University of Baltimore
Studying Forensics & Data Management*

Sarah Fielder

*University of Maryland
Bachelor of Arts in Journalism
Minor in Agriculture Economics
(Global Poverty)*

Dawson Jones

*Hereford High School
Attending University of Maryland
Studying Finance*

Bryce "BJ" Mattheiss

*University of Michigan
Bachelor of Science in General Studies in
Sales and Marketing Track
through Ross Business School*

Rebecca "Becky" Burgess

*Misericordia University
Bachelor of Science in Health Science
Minor in Psychology
Continuing for Master's Program
for Occupational Therapy*

Bailey Saneman

*University of Vermont
Bachelor of Science in Dietetics,
Nutrition and Food Science
Attending Auburn University
for Master of Science Program*

Church Events



Church Picnic

We sure to mark your calendars because you do not want to miss

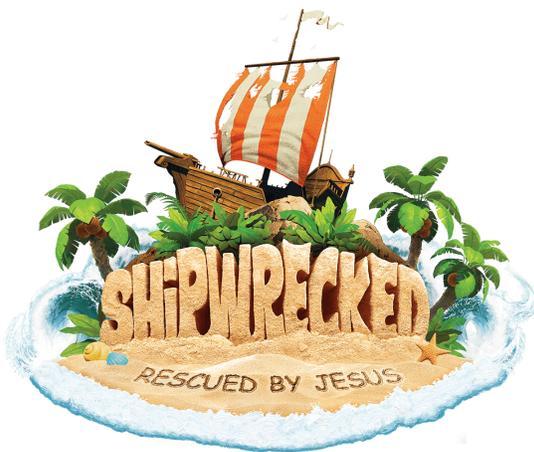
Bethel's Annual Church Picnic on ...

Sunday – July 22nd at 1:00 p.m.

at Clear Meadow Farm

We ask that each family bring a large side dish or dessert to share. Please contact Melissa Dick in the Church Office at 410-692-5282 to let us know how many people will be attending with you

Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Corn on the Cob & Beverages
will be supplied by **Bethel Presbyterian Church**



Get ready for this year's ...

Vacation Bible School

Join us for a fun filled adventure at Bethel Church on ...

July 25th, 26th & 27th

5:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m.

Please be sure to contact Melissa Dick in the Church Office 410-692-5282 or by email at melissadick@bethel-md.org to request a registration form ... we can't wait to see you there !

Session Summary

The Session held a regular meeting on May 17, 2018. The meeting was called to order by Rev. Todd, devotion led by Bob Horn, who also led us in prayer.

CLERK'S REPORT

Approved April 19, 2018 session minutes.

Communion held May 6, 2018 in pews.

MODERATOR'S REPORT

"The Keep the Lights on Slogan Jar" name will be changed.

TRUSTEES –

There was discussion of a tree in the front of the church office regarding the removal of the tree. The removal of the tree does not need to be approved by session, however, session to be notified.

Thank you note sent to Trustees thanking them for taking down tables and setting up chairs for the AARP meetings.

ADMINISTRATIVE & PERSONNEL –

Pastor Todd, Elder Dennis Kirkwood and committee will conduct annual reviews of employee performances.

Moved to purchase an AED Unit installed between sanctuary and Educational Bldg. To be funded through the Edie Fund.

On Tues. July 17th at 11 a.m., the Community Police unit will be out to do a security assessment of Bethel P.C.

Also, half of the bells refurbishing will be funded by Edie Fund, remaining will come from Hand Bell Fund.

FINANCE – 2016 reviewed, turned in and received by Session.

CARE AND REACH OUT TEAM –

Hospitality Hour Summer Scheduling – Sunday May 27th will start summer worship at 9:30 a.m.

Hospitality Hour will be held in Foyer, can also be outside. Moved and seconded to have cookies, lemonade, iced tea, water for June, July & Aug. Session will pay for cookies and drinks. Carries. Just have cups, small plates, napkins put out.

Schedule: June 3rd, 10th, & 24th – Care and Reach Out Team
June 17th – Father's Day – we will have cake & drinks
July 8th and 15th – Choir. None on July 1st or 22nd. July 29th – VBS will supply refreshments.
Aug. 26th – Finance Committee.

MISSION – Will support the following:

\$500. – Young Life Camp

\$500. - NESH girl graduating and needs funding for room & board to attend college

Need school supplies for neighboring elementary schools. Will start collecting in August.

SBC TASK FORCE – Elder Dennis Kirkwood gave an update on the committee. Each committee member has assignments given to them, monthly events tentatively laid out.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. with prayer by Pastor Todd.

Respectfully submitted,
Polly S. Winskowski
Clerk of Session

Community Events



2018 Town of Bel Air Summer Concert Series

William A. Humbert Amphitheater @ Shamrock Park

(Behind Town Hall - 39 N. Hickory Ave., Bel Air, MD - Hickory Ave. & Lee St.)

The rain location is Bel Air High School Auditorium.

Please call (410) 803-9784 for rain/heat info. 2 hours before the concert.

From: 7:00 p.m. To: 8:15 p.m. - FREE Admission

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| Sun. 6/3 | Susquehanna Symphony Orchestra |
| Sun. 6/10 | Baltimore Symphonic Band |
| Sun. 6/17 | Bel Air Community Band |
| Sun. 6/24 | Bel Air Community Chorus |
| Sun. 7/1 | Bel Air Community Band Jazz Ensemble |
| Sun. 7/8 | 229 th National Guard Band |
| Sun. 7/11 | Duke Thompson & Friends |
| Sun. 7/15 | Blues in the Night Big Band |
| Wed. 7/18 | The Borowsky Family and Intermuse Festival |
| Sun. 7/22 | Fast Eddie and the Slowpokes |
| Wed. 7/25 | The Colliders |
| Sun. 7/29 | U.S. Navy Band Commodores Jazz Ensemble |
| Wed. 8/1 | Annapolis Bluegrass Coalition |
| Sun. 8/5 | Maryland Military Band |
| Wed. 8/8 | Harford Youth Jazz Ensemble |
| Sun. 8/12 | Juliet Lloyd |
| Wed. 8/15 | Sounding Brass |
| Sun. 8/19 | The Starvation Army Band |

Concerts are sponsored by the Town of Bel Air through the Bel Air Recreation Committee

Community Events

AARP – MADONNA CHAPTER



Johnstown, Pennsylvania
Frank Lloyd Wright
911 Memorial & Trains

**Monday, October 15, 2018
through
Wednesday, October 17, 2018**

Departure Time: 8:00 a.m.
Return Time: 6:00 p.m.
(Meet at Jarrettsville UMC)



Cost: \$590 Singles \$505 Doubles \$481 Triples \$467 Quads

RSVP no later than **June 25th**



??? Mystery Tour ???

Tuesday, December 4, 2018

Departure Time: 8:45 a.m.
Return Time: 8:00 p.m.
(Meet at Jarrettsville UMC)

Cost ~ \$ 93.00 Per Person
Includes: all attractions, lunch, and dinner

14 Seats Available

RSVP no later than **June 25th**



Please contact Debbie Stover at 410-692-5468
to make your reservation for these trips

Community Events



Jarrettsville Lions Club will be hosting their annual

CARNIVAL

June 4th through June 9th

Be sure to come out and enjoy an evening of fun, rides & delicious food with the whole family!

St. Paul United Methodist Church

Located in Pylesville
is hosting a Strawberry Festival on

**Saturday, June 2nd
3:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.**



Norrisville United Methodist Church

Located in White Hall
is hosting a Spaghetti Dinner on

**Tuesday, June 26th
4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.**



2018

JUNE

SUNDAY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	31	01	02
9:30 Worship Service 10:30 Hospitality Hour	7:00 Deacons Meeting	6:30 Bridge Group 7:00 Trustees Meeting	9:00 am Bethel Cross Stitchers	7:00 am The Breakfast Bunch		Scout Screw #265 11:00 am - 1:00 pm
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9:30 Worship Service 10:30 Care & Reach Out Team 10:30 Hospitality Hour 1:30 Cub Scout #809 6:00 Blue Ribbon 4-H Club	1:00 AARP Board Meeting 4:00 Mission Committee 7:00 Worship & Music	1:30 Mary's Circle 2:00 SBC Task Force 6:30 Bridge Group 7:00 Finance Committee Mtg. AARP TRIP - CARS IN LOT	9:00 am Bethel Cross Stitchers 5:30 pm Staff Meeting 6:15 pm Woman's Bible Study 6:30 pm Cemetary Committee 6:30 pm Scout Screw #265	7:00 pm Deer Creek Board Mtg.	Prep for Flea Market	 8:00 am - 2:00 pm
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
9:30 Worship Service 10:30 Hospitality Hour	12:00 AARP Monthly Meeting	6:30 Bridge Group				