

Announcements & Opportunities
Bethel UMC
March 24, 2024

LIVESTREAMED WORSHIP: Anyone who is unable to attend worship in person is invited to join the livestreamed worship service from Faith UMC, beginning at 10:00 a.m. at: <http://www.churchofbethelumc.com> or <https://www.faithumcshebfalls.org>.

THANK YOU to all of our March volunteers. You are all appreciated beyond words.

HAPPIEST OF MARCH BIRTHDAYS TO Caitlyn Flanigan, Ted Bonde, Amy Rank, Arnold Enneper, Jill Fritsch, and Janet Malesevich! God's blessings to you all for another year of life!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE ASP SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER. Over \$1,111 was raised! It was a group effort and very much appreciated.

STICKY FAITH CONFIRMATION: The Rite of Confirmation will take place on Sunday, May 19, 2024.

APPALACHIA SERVICE PROJECT 2024: Please pray for and support, as the team prepares for its week of service, June 15 through June 22. Twenty-one youth and adults from St. Luke, Bethel (Sammy Gilbertson), and Faith UMC (Sophia Koeppen and Aiden Raisbeck), New Life Community Church, and friends will be traveling to eastern Kentucky to serve as the hands and feet of Christ, our neighbors in need. Mark your calendars for the upcoming fundraiser listed below. It is a great way to show support to our youth in their service to community!

- **Brat Fry, Saturday, April 27,** from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Rick's Piggly Wiggly, 80 E. Park Ave., Kiel.
- **Burgers & Brats, Saturday, May 25** from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. at Festival Foods, 595 S. Taylor Dr., Sheboygan.

FAITH UMC YOUTH ARE SPONSORING A WORLD WILDLIFE FOOD FAIR & PET PARTY on Friday, April 12 from 5-7 p.m. at Faith UMC, 633 Detroit St., Sheboygan Falls., to raise money for the Humane Society and the World Wildlife Fund, all while enjoying great food, crafts, and activities. There is a \$10 entrance fee. No age limit on who is welcome to attend! **Come one, come all! Everyone is invited to join the fun.**

YOUTH OUTING: Sponsored by Faith UMC, on Friday, August 2, 2024, to Land of Natura Water park in Wisconsin Dells. The bus leaves from Faith UMC at 9 a.m. and returns around 8:30 p.m. The cost is \$40 per youth and includes lunch and dinner. Ages 9 and up (must be a comfortable swimmer.) Contact Andria P. with questions (920.207.2796.)

NOISY OFFERING DATES FOR 2024: March 31, June 30, September 29, and December 29.

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

- **PALM SUNDAY WORSHIP:** Sunday, March 24 at 8:30 a.m. with palms.
- **MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP:** Thursday, March 28, at 6:30 p.m. here at Bethel UMC in New Holstein.
- **EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE:** Sunday, March 31 at 8:30 a.m. with Noisy Offering.

LOOKING AHEAD...OUR ANNUAL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY AT ROAD AMERICA: Mark your calendars for Friday, July 12, for the next fundraising opportunity to help at Road America. More information to follow.

RETIREMENT PARTY AND NEW BASEMENT REMODEL DEDICATION: Everyone is welcome to attend the potluck retirement dinner honoring Pastor Kathy on Saturday, June 29 at 4:00 p.m. here in the "new" Fellowship Hall, along with the dedication of our newly remodeled church basement dedication immediately following dinner. Come and celebrate Pastor Kathy on her retirement from her ministry at Bethel and Faith UMCs, and your gratitude for everyone who assisted by working so hard on the new basement hall remodel. Broasted chicken will be provided, and everyone is asked to bring a complimentary dish to pass. D.S. Park Hunter will be in attendance. To God be the Glory!

WI UM CAMPS – CAMP & RETREAT MINISTRIES SUMMER CAMP 2024: Camp Lucerne and Pine Lake. Youth camps begin June 9-14 and run weekly through August 12-15. So many fun and exciting camping opportunities to choose from. A printed schedule is on the table in the sanctuary and registration forms are available either online, or by contacting the Faith church office (920.467.6244.) Julie will be happy to get you a copy. In addition, the following very special camping opportunities are being offered at Pine Lake.

Please Pray For...

**Bethel United Methodist Church
Joys and Concerns
March 24, 2024**

Prayers of gratitude from

- From Ted, that Pastor Kathy is going to be able to do the Rite of Confirmation, in May.
- From Jill, that the small fire on her stove didn't turn into a kitchen disaster.

Prayers for God's guidance and consideration

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Prayers for sympathy and God's comfort

- From Angie, for the family of Ron Hickmann, who recently passed.

Prayers for traveling mercies

- From Rosie M., for John's sister Mary, who is traveling to Wisconsin to visit their mom.

Continued prayers for God's quieting, strength, peace, and healing presence

- From Janet and Faden, that their friend Bridget's husband Marc is having a double kidney transplant.
- From Amy, that her daughter Becca had a successful brain surgery.
- From Nancy, for a successful surgery for her neighbor.
- From Rosie, on behalf of her granddaughter, Elissa, who recently had gallbladder surgery.
- From Jill, for Pastor Kathy's continued healing from her recent knee replacement.
- From Rosie, for John's back. He fell while moving a door from the upstairs to the basement this past week.
- From Janet and Fred, for Barb S., who continues to recover from a fall and blood infection.
- From Arnie, for his daughter Elizabeth, who is recovering from neck surgery.
- From Patti, on behalf of her colleague's husband, who fell and is now recovering from a brain bleed and an infection.
- For Edie L.
- For Tom L.

Prayers of celebration

- From Ted, that even though Kiel's basketball team lost in the last few seconds of the game at State, that God can grant them strength to deal with their defeat.
- From Rosie M., for the completion of the staining, sanding, and varnishing of the wood for the basement. It is done! Praise the Lord!

Prayers for God's provision for peace and the end to the violence

- For the conflict in the Ukraine and Israel. Prayer for the peace that Jesus brings and for a rapid end to the tension, anger, discord, and violence. Prayers for God's peace in the hearts of everyone.