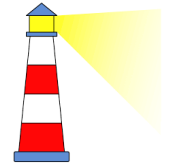


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# Bethel Beacon



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**Trustees** Mr. John Waldrop (2018)  
Mr. Allen Burress (2019)  
Mr. Paul Johnson (2020)

**Treasurers** Mr. John Waldrop  
Mrs. Betty Ewing

### The Session

**Class of 2018** Dr. James E. Ewing  
Mr. Gary Levi  
Mr. David Payne

**Class of 2019** Mrs. Nancy Dix  
Mrs. Laura Farrar  
Mr. E.G. Brown

**Class of 2020** Mrs. Linda Caldwell  
Dr. Eugene Shively  
Mr. Mike Thomas

### The Staff

**Pastor** Rev. James C. Murphy  
**Organist** Mrs. Suellen Shaw  
**Pianist** Mrs. Ann DeSpain  
**Choir Director** Mr. Joe DeSpain  
**Church Secretary** Mrs. Mary Kornis  
**Bookkeeper** Mrs. Karen Reynolds  
**Youth/Child Dir.** Mrs. Michelle Murphy

### From the Pastor's Pen...

Having just celebrated Pentecost, I realize how am thankful for the life of God's Holy Spirit at work in our life together at Bethel First. In my study time, I have recently come across of a parable once told by the 12th-century mystic, Hildegard of Bingen.

“Listen, there was once a king sitting on his throne. Around him stood great and wonderfully beautiful columns ornamented with ivory, bearing the banners of the king with great honor. Then it pleased the king to raise a small feather from the ground and he commanded it to fly. The feather flew, not because of anything in itself but because the air bore it along. Thus, I am a feather on the breath of God.”

This parable is serves as a reminder about the source of our power as Christians, and as the

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Church. It also reminds me of another thought shared by Stephen J. White about the third person of the trinity.

*Holy Spirit. The Greek is hagios [holy] and pneuma [a breath, or a gentle wind]. So a better translation might be Holy Breath or Holy Wind. Let's try it: In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Wind.*

*It only sounds weird because we are used to Holy Spirit instead of Holy Wind. But Holy Wind is much closer to the reality of God's third person. A wind moves things. Think of leaves blowing around on a blustery autumn day or snow blowing in a blizzard. Think of the loud flapping sound of a flag on a flag pole on an unrelentingly windy day when you think the wind might rip the flag right off the pole. Think of the wind filling the sails of a sailboat and moving it swiftly through the water. Wind is about movement.*

*And think of standing by the seashore or on top of a mountain on a sunny day with the wind blowing so hard in your face that it makes you squint. Think of how alive you feel in those moments.*

—Stephen L. White, "Holy Wind, Holy Breath of God," The Episcopal Church at Princeton Web Site, May 15, 2005, <http://webscript.princeton.edu>.

May the Holy Wind of God empower us and lead us into the future, and may we be moved as it directs.

God Bless, Jim

## **Circle #34**

No Meetings June, July and August.

## **Men of The Church**

No meetings June, July and August.

## **Opportunity Circle**

No meetings June, July and August.

## **Ladies Luncheon**

Ladies Lunch is Wednesday, June 20, at 11:45 a.m. at Creekside. Come and bring friends!

## **Kingdom Kids And B.Y.G.**

Happy Summer!! I know you are all excited about summer break and no school for a couple of months. Mark your calendars for Wednesday, June 13th. This is the date of our annual church picnic at Big Oak Pavilion. There will be delicious food, games, and friends.

## **BF Cemetery Committee Report**

-Now in process of having cemetery surveyed and a map and index prepared.

-Suggests making a donation to BF Cemetery as a memorial gift for the passing of a church family member.



## **2018 Graduates**

### *Middle School*

*Ethan Watkins, Son of Dr. James and Bonnie Watkins and granddaughter of Barlow and Ursula Brooks and Mary Watkins, graduated from Taylor County Middle School.*

*Trinity Wells Daughter of Rob and Mary Wells Granddaughter of Kathy Wells graduated from Boyle County Middle School.*

### *High School*

*Reed Borrow Son of Brett and Diane Burrow of Franklin, TN, and Grandson of John and Lynn Waldrop graduated from Brentwood High School.*

*David Walker Lee Son of Jim and Keith Lee and Grandson of Betty and Jim Ewing graduated from Franklin Co. High School.*

*Charles Carson Meyers Son of Jennifer and Chuck Meyers and Grandson of Betty and Jim Ewing graduated from Dixie Heights High School.*

### *College*

*Sara Sanders Daughter of Dr. Richard and Nancy Sanders of Birmingham, AL graduated from Auburn University with a BS in Communication Disorders and will be attending the University of Memphis to pursue a Masters in Speech Language Pathology.*

## **Lay Readers and Ushers**

### **Lay Readers-**

June 6: Mark Farrar  
June 10: Julie Caldwell  
June 17: Laura Farrar  
June 24: T.B.A.

### **Ushers-**

June 6: Nancy McLean-Dix  
Allen Burress  
June 10 Gerry Feather  
Jimmy Ewing  
June 17: Paul Johnson  
Julie Caldwell  
June 24: Allen Burress  
Wayne Wells



**6/4—Cindy Corell—Haiti**

As a companionship facilitator for FONDAMS, the joining Hands program in Haiti, Cindy connects the realities of farmers facing hunger, seed alienation, and land grabbing with churches in the US so that together they can work on improving those policies that prevent farmers from doing what they do best—grow food to feed people. As the country continues to recover from the 2010 earthquake, Haitians are seeking to produce more food locally and rely less on imports. Cindy senses God’s call to empower the Haitian people, “Being a farmer’s daughter,

**6/11—Amanda Craft and Omar Chan Giron—Guatemala/Mexico**

As regional liaison, Amanda builds bridges between Presbyterians in the US and partner churches and organizations in Guatemala and Mexico. She also supports the ministries of other mission co-workers serving in these countries. Omar is the facilitator of Presbyterian Border Region Outreach, which supports the ministries of the six sites along the border of Mexico and the US. “

**6/18—Rev. Gordon and Dorothy Gartrell—Brazil**

Gordon and Dorothy work in partnership with the United Presbyterian Church of Brazil in ministries of church planting and leadership training in Pains, Brazil. They are helping a small church grow through a ministry of leadership development.

**6/25—Farris and Thelma Goodrum—Brazil**

Farris and Thelma serve at the Center of Theological Formation Richard Schull, a ministry of the United Presbyterian Church of Brazil. They teach Christian education, administration, evangelism, music, and pastoral ministry. The Goodrums say that God has used them in many ways and that they have been learners as well as teachers, a reflection of the true meaning of mission in partnership.

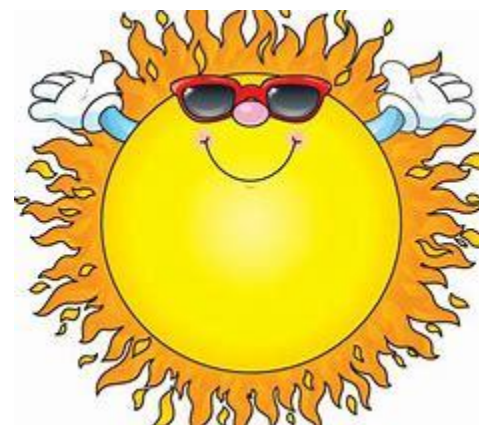
**JUNE 13 6:00 P.M.**

**Church Picnic at the Big Oak Pavilion.** Church will provide hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks. Please bring a covered dish and dessert. See you there!

I hope to see you all there. I would like to meet with you the following Tuesday, June 19th from 6-7:30. I will feed you and we will play some games, but most importantly I would like to get you input on several ideas for summer activities. Remember, friends are always welcome.

Don’t forget on Sunday mornings we will continue to have Children’s Church. This summer we will be studying God’s creation and talking about His love for all of us. I have a lot of fun activities planned. The older kids will be helping to teach some of the lessons. I hope to see you all very soon.

God Bless, Michelle



**FAITH AND FLICKS 6/5/2018**

**7:00 p.m. Kite Runner**

**Who:** Laura Farrar, a former film and literature teacher at Larue County High School, will guide us.

**What:** Kite Runner (1st half)

**When:** The first Tuesday of each month.

**Where:** Bethel First Presbyterian Library.

**Why?:** Because it’s FUN (and educational)



# JUNE

# 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3 10:00 a.m. Church School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service	4 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts	5 7:00 p.m. Faith and Flicks	6 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice	7	8	9
10 10:00 a.m. Church School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service	11 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts	12	13 6:00 p.m. CHURCH PICNIC BIG OAK PAVILION	14	15	16
17 10:00 a.m. Church School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service	18 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts	19 6:00-7:30 pm Youth Meeting	20 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice	21	22	23
24 10:00 a.m. Church School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service	25 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts	26	27 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice	28	29	30

## June Birthdays

3<sup>rd</sup>: Joey Harris  
 4<sup>th</sup>: Ethan Morgan Watkins  
 5<sup>th</sup>: Torie Shively Graham  
 6<sup>th</sup>: Frances Feather Wilson  
 Carole Whitley  
 8<sup>th</sup>: Raymonda Cunningham  
 George Dearen  
 10<sup>th</sup>: Susan Mitchell DeSpain  
 12<sup>th</sup>: Dr. Eugene Shively  
 13<sup>th</sup>: Jenny Feather  
 17<sup>th</sup>: Jason Sanders  
 19<sup>th</sup>: Ray Cunningham  
 20<sup>th</sup>: Logan Dial  
 23<sup>rd</sup>: Baxter Waldrop  
 John Powell  
 24<sup>th</sup>: Jack Hughes  
 Suellen Shaw  
 25<sup>th</sup>: Dr. John Burrese  
 Jennifer Grammer  
 26<sup>th</sup>: Jan Grant

## Budget Information

Average Weekly Giving  
 \$3,420.52  
 Average Weekly Needs  
 \$\$3,151.28

## **REMINDER:**

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