

Other ways you can help/donate:

Box Tops for Education:

Place them in the designated box in the back of the Narthex.

Labels for Education:

(Campbell's Labels) to benefit the new preschool. Place them in the designated box in the back of the Narthex.

Meals on Wheels:

Is in need of volunteers (call Josette Fuls at 412-751-2230) and in need of adopting a grandparent (donations can be given to the deacons).

Items needed for around the church:

Lysol disinfectant spray.

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Thanks to our volunteers:

Ushers today: Carolyn Gumphier

Liturgist today: Betty Jane Berich

Counters today: Ron & Kathy Cain

Pedestal Flowers today:

10/13- Goldie Smith

Ushers next week: Carolyn Gumphier

Liturgist next week: Marian Radosevich

Counters next week: Betty Bruce

Becky McHolme

Pedestal Flowers next week:

10/20- Dennis & Judy Howell in honor of their children and grandchildren

Pedestal Flowers upcoming:

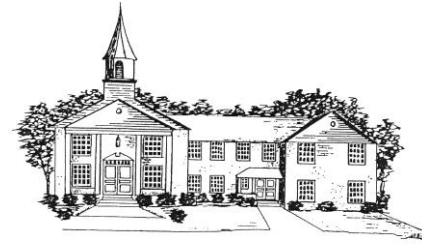
10/27- Bud and Bonnie Garvin

11/3- Robert and Nancy Sanutelli in memory of loved ones

11/10- Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Vaccari

Mr. & Mrs. Richard Simpson

In memory of John & Jennie Simpson



Bethesda Church Newsletter

October 13, 2013

Upcoming Happenings at the Church by the Deacons

We would like you to join us on **Saturday, October 26 (Bethesda Apple Dumpling Day!!)** for all (8:00am till 3:00pm) or **any portion** of this fellowship event. Please bring your rolling pin and/or an apple peeler/corer if you have one. We have a variety of positions available – peelers, dough mixers, dough rollers, oven help, packagers, cleanup, etc... No prior experience is necessary – we gladly provide on the job training. It really is a fun day and the smell is fabulous! You'll be glad you came.

The Christmas Flea Market and Lunch (hot dogs, soups, chili and baked goods) will be held on **Saturday, November 9 from 10a.m till 2:00pm** We have a wonderful variety of items thanks to your generous donations. The deacons will be setting up and pricing the items on Saturday, November 2 at 8:00am. We would love to have you join us especially if you have **pricing experience** (garage sales, flea markets, etc...) Pricing is not one of our talents! We would also welcome your help on the day of the flea market for any portion of the day.

We will have hot dogs, soups (broccoli cheese noodle, chicken noodle, chili, hot sausage, split pea and ham, and stuffed pepper soup) and baked goods at the Flea Market. You can eat at the Church or purchase your food "to go." **If you wish to take home some soup, please bring a container.** Bethesda has wonderful bakers. We would be very appreciative of any baked goods you could donate. Hope to see you at the Christmas Flea Market!

Upcoming Events and Weekly Calendar

Today – October 13 11:00 am Worship

Choir Practice- October 17 7:00 pm

Looking ahead:

Apple Dumpling Sale- Saturday, October 26, from noon till 3:00PM dumplings are \$3.50 each. Orders can be taken up until October 21st. Order forms are available in the narthex.

Christmas Flea Market and Lunch- Saturday, November 9 from 10a.m till 2:00pm

"For I know the plans I have for you, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11

Highlights from Session Meeting

The following items were discussed:

Is there interest among the congregation for a Pictorial Directory? Let us know.
Newsletters saved and mailed to shut-ins and those who haven't attended each month

Election Prayer Service on Sunday, Nov. 3 at 7:30 pm in sanctuary

Hymn Sing Sunday on Sunday, Nov. 10

Congregational Meeting scheduled on Sunday, Nov. 17

Combined Thanksgiving Worship Service with First Church on Sunday, Nov. 24

Gingerbread House Workshop on Sunday, Dec. 1

Lasagna Dinner planned for January 2014

Updates – Preschool going very well!!! Roof has been replaced and an update for bathrooms is being scheduled. Some face-lift items were discussed for Lion's Park and the placement of a Christmas Tree and Large Nativity Set for the holidays.

Elizabeth Forward Area Community Chorus

Members of the Chorus from our congregation; Kathy and Ron Cain, Augie Thalman, and Pastor Walt, would like to invite you to the Elizabeth Forward Area Community Chorus Christmas Concert entitled "The Gift Goes On". The EFACC Junior Chorus will also be featured during the performances. Join us for a festive start to the Holiday Season, as the combined Chorus of 60 voices presents secular and non-secular music reflecting on the Gift we were given so long ago. The Concert will be held at the Elizabeth Forward High School on Dec. 6 and 7 at 7:30pm and Dec. 8 at 3pm. The High School is located off of Rt. 48 and Weigles Hill Road in Elizabeth Township. Ticket prices at the door are \$9.00 for Adults and \$7.00 for Seniors and Students. A discount of \$2.00 is available on each ticket purchased in advance. Please see a Chorus member before-hand to purchase a ticket at the reduced price. A portion of the proceeds from the Concert will benefit the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank and nonperishable food stuffs will be collected at each concert.

Birthdays this week: 10/13- Alvin Werner, 10/18- Allan Waltonbaugh

Anniversaries this week: 10/17- James & Blanche Puckey

Parish Joys and Concerns:**Concerns:**

Cindy-Justin's aunt (son in law to Ron and Kathy Cain) Stage 3 cancer.

Genevieve- Stage 4 lung cancer, undergoing treatment.

Kate Crawford- 29 year old wife and mom with 4th stage cancer. Starting chemo.

Kim- needs a kidney transplant.

Betty Bruce- recovering from surgery.

Betty Bruce's brother, Jim- treatments for lung cancer.

Sophia- 2 year old on the waiting list for a heart transplant.

Wilma- breast cancer.

Ed-stage 4 cancer

Marlene Caird- health

Walter Meyers-health

Joe Leckie- bone cancer

Karen Swenson , dear friend of Pastor Walt– heart problems and complications

Connie Widen, Pastor Walt's Aunt – Abdominal/Colon Cancer

Joys:

Norma: David Caird's sister –home and doing well

Budget Update:

Last week's income: \$1,350.00

Month to date:

Expenditures:

Yearly:

Call the church office with any questions you have 412-384-7360. Please leave a message. If there is an emergency call Pastor Walt at 412-352-5983.