

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).

Jefferson Regional Medical Center

Is in need of volunteers. Training and orientation is provided. Call 412-469-5885 or email volunteer@jeffersonregional.com if you would like to volunteer.

Items needed for around the church:

Lysol disinfectant spray.

www.bethesdaupchurch.weebly.com

Upcoming Events and Weekly Calendar

Today – November 10	11:00 am Worship
Staff Meeting – November 12	12:30 pm
Session Meeting – November 12	7:00 pm
Choir Practice – November 14	7:00 pm

Congregational Meeting – Nov. 17 following worship

The Chancel Choir will present the Cantata, "Go Tell It!" on December 22 at 11:00AM. Our preschool children will be participating in the cantata and we are overjoyed with their presence. Please join with us as we celebrate the birth of Jesus!

Please remember to place your order for your Christmas Poinsettias. Deadline to order is December 1st. Order forms are available in the Narthex.

Thanks to our volunteers:

Ushers today: Alvin Werner

Liturgist today: Betty Jane Berich

Counters today: Betty Bruce
Becky McHolme

Pedestal Flowers today:

11/17- Ron & Kathy Cain in memory of loved ones

Ushers next week: Alvin Werner

Liturgist next week: David Caird

Counters next week: Toni Thalman
Peggy Meyers

Pedestal Flowers next week:

11/24- Janet Barker in memory of her father, Arthur Heil and in honor of her mother Phyllis Heil

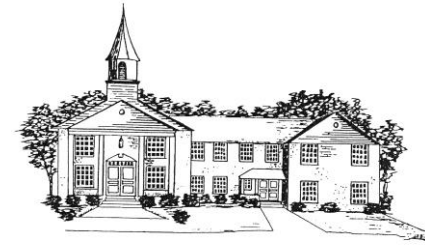
Pedestal Flowers upcoming:

12/1- Carolyn Gumphier

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12/15- David & Marlene Caird

12/22- Becky Shaw-McHolme in memory of loved ones



Bethesda Church Newsletter

November 17, 2013

Congregational Meeting Today, Nov. 17

The congregation will meet after worship today for the purpose of reviewing the budget for 2014, electing new elders and deacons, and reaffirming the pastoral arrangements with your part-time, temporary pastor; Rev. Walt Pietschmann.

Joint Thanksgiving Worship Service Sunday, Nov. 24

We are pleased to invite First Church, Elizabeth to join us here at Bethesda for another joint Thanksgiving Service. Rev. Jim Davidson will preach. Join us as we give thanks to God, together!

Elizabeth Forward Community Chorus Concert Dec. 6 & 7 at 7:30pm, Dec. 8 at 3pm

Entitled "The Gift Goes On", this year's concert will be held at EF High School and costs \$9.00 for adults, \$7.00 for seniors and students. For a \$2.00 discount, see Kathy or Ron Cain, Augie Thalman or Pastor Walt.

"At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me...Do your best to come before winter." 2 Timothy 4:16,21

Gingerbread House Workshop Dec. 1

We had so much fun making Gingerbread Houses last year, we are doing it again! Bring a lunch, pull up a chair and start putting your house together! All the housing pieces will be provided, but bring some bagged candy, interesting shaped cereal, or other small items to share for the decorating.

Sign-up by Nov. 24 so that we have the right number of houses prepared.

Bright Beginnings Preschool – Fruit Basket Sale

The Preschool is taking orders for Holiday Fruit Baskets. The baskets are 8 quart baskets filled with fruit, jams, and candies! They are **\$25.00 each**, but are HUGE! You're family and friends will love them. **Place your orders by Nov. 26th - Delivery will be on Dec. 16th.**

Christmas is coming sooner than we realize.

The Deacons will be making Christmas treat bags for the children serviced by the Elizabeth Boro food bank. **If you would like to make a monetary donation, please place it in the baskets marked "Food Bank Treats."** Do not place your donation in the offering plate. If you would like to donate any items (candy, drink boxes, individual packages of crackers, chips etc.), please place them in the kitchen (marked Food Bank Treats) by **Sunday, Dec. 1. Thank you.**

Day Trip to Lancaster to see "Moses" Thursday, March 27, 2014.
Cost is \$150.00. \$50 down payment is due December 1, 2013. Flyers with all of the information are available in the Narthex

Birthdays this week: 11/21 Emily Bocetti, 11/22 James Airesman

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- in the loss of her brother, Tom Fisher

Alene's friend, John – had a mini-stroke

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

Marilyn Firden's Sister-in-law, Whinney - in the hospital

Joys:

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

Budget Update:

Last week's income:	\$2,675.00
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.