

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

August 28th - September 3rd

- Today:** Homecoming Sunday
 9:45 - Sunday School
 11:00 - Worship/Four Cents A Meal Offering
 12:00 - Covered Dish Luncheon
 Youth Trip to Massanutten Water Park after Luncheon
- Monday:** 7:00 - Preschool Orientation
- Wednesday:** 5:45 - The Bells of Bethel
 7:00 - Adult Choir

Next Sunday, September 4th:
9:45 - Sunday School
11:00 - Worship
12:00 - Diaconate
12:00 - PWCT Meeting

Greeter: Charlie, Rhonda, and Katie Johnson

*The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given in honor of all the past, present and future Bethel members by Keith and Tish Folsom.

*Welcome everyone to Homecoming Sunday! Our Homecoming speaker is the Rev. Clifford D. "Kip" Caldwell. Rev. Caldwell was the minister here at Bethel from 1969 until 1992. There will be a covered dish luncheon immediately following the worship service.

*All ages of youth are invited to go to Massanutten Water Park today. All children under elementary school age must have a parent accompany them. We will meet and car pool after sharing the Homecoming meal in the Fellowship Hall.

*The BELLS OF BETHEL need you! The Bells of Bethel are scheduled to resume practice this Wednesday, August 31st. If you would like to help bring out the beautiful sound of a full bell choir this fall, contact the Church Secretary or JoAnn Pendley. JoAnn will work one-on-one with all new bell ringers. Don't miss this opportunity to use your many talents. What a great way to praise and share God's love!

*The Diaconate will meet next Sunday, September 4th, after the worship service.

*The PWCT will meet next Sunday, September 4th, after the worship service.

*The Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church will be having its annual Harvest Sale and Supper on Saturday, September 10th, 2011, beginning at 4 pm. The Family Style Menu includes: Country Ham, Turkey, Dressing, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Lima Beans, Tomatoes, Pickles, Homemade Rolls, Apple Pie and Cherry Pie and Coffee and Tea. The price is \$12.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children under 10. Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church is located off Rt. 252 (Middlebrook Road), South of Staunton on Route 694 (Mt. Tabor Road). Signs will be posted. The church telephone number is 540-885-4738.

*PARENTS, YOUTH, VOLUNTEERS, and ALL Who Are Concerned With Reaching Out To The Youth In This Community: Please mark your calendars for a meeting on SEPTEMBER 10TH at 5:30 PM. We will be meeting with all parents, youth, and those concerned about Bethel's youth program on this day at our NEW PICNIC FACILITY located down the road beside the Scout Hut. Following a wonderful COOK-OUT, we will discuss the FUTURE of Bethel's youth program. We need everybody to come and bring someone with you. Want to see a vital and meaningful youth program continue at Bethel? We can make it happen TOGETHER! Come on out for some good fun, fellowship, food, and discussion!

*There will be a Congregational Meeting after the worship service on September 11th, 2011. The purpose of the meeting will be to elect five members of the congregation to the Nominating Committee.

*RALLY DAY will be on Sunday, September 18th, 2011. The day will kick off with a fabulous fellowship breakfast at 9:00 am. Everyone's invited!!

*Bethel Preschool is a preschool for ages 3-5 that meets from 9 am until 12 pm, Monday through Thursday. We have openings for the 2011-2012 school year! Please tell your friends and neighbors to call Pam Kirchman (886-3192) for information and registration packets.

***Bethel Fall Bazaar - Saturday, October 15th, 2011, from 9 am until 3 pm** Come and enjoy the fellowship and support Bethel's Women of the Church and the Witness Committee projects. There will be donated handmade items and baked goods. Also, food will be available for sale for lunch or takeout. Donations of handmade items should be delivered to the Church by 3 pm on Friday (October 14th) and perishable items should be turned in by 8 am on Saturday (October 15th). If you are donating items for the bazaar please let Libby Smith, Tish Folsom or Kathy Swisher know what your donations will be. Please call Libby, Tish or Kathy if you would like to help with the bazaar. COME AND ENJOY THE FUN AND FELLOWSHIP!

*We would like to thank Mr. Edwin B. Brown for his gift to Bethel of his published book Descendants of James Brown (Senior) (17**-1833) Who Settled in Augusta County, Virginia Between The South River and The "Great Road" That Ran From Waynesboro to Greenville to Lexington, Virginia. Bethel has such a rich history in this Valley that many interested people look to our records for family and historical research. It is a blessing to have this wonderful book to add to our collection.

*Bethel Preschool wishes to thank the wonderful ladies and Billy Wade who did lots of deep cleaning in the preschool rooms last Tuesday!

*I want to thank my church friends for the lovely cards, visits, and prayers while I was a patient at Augusta Health. Also, thanks for the food from my circle friends. All was greatly appreciated! May God bless all. - Jessie Earhart

*Thanks to the Women of the Church for the brownie and cookie mixes, snack foods, and puzzles donated for the Presbyterian Children's Home of the Highlands.

*If you would like to join Bethel Presbyterian Church, please feel free to contact a session member. We would love to hear from you.

Attendance: August 21st: 109
Weekly Budget: \$3,513.00 Received: \$2,762.00
Kroger Rebate: \$324.75