

COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF MT. BETHEL AND PORTLAND

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



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Minister of Visitation

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As the summer winds down, I find it interesting to note what kind of growing season it has been. The gardens and crops are lush now with the rains in August. But we lost much of the fruit harvest from the severe freeze in April. June made us anxious with the near drought conditions. The spring honey flow was lighter than usual and that was probably related to the freeze (no blossoms – no nectar!). I believe the fall honey flow, which is usually much smaller than the spring flow, should be rather strong. All this keeps reminding me how dependent we are on weather and climate, and ultimately on the providence of God! Let us be appreciative of the fruit of the earth and give thanks to our creator!

I invite all who can join us to consider participating in the Sunday morning Bible Study which will begin on the 13th at 9:15. The zoom connection actually works well for the Bible study and we will use the same link as is used for the church service. After ending with the Gospel of Luke last spring, we will now begin with Luke's second letter to his Greek friend Theophilus who had expressed interest in the Christian way. That letter is the book of Acts (Is it the Acts of the Apostles or the Acts of the Holy Spirit? Maybe both!) . Whether you come in person to the meeting room or join us on Zoom, you are most welcome to come for as many days as fits your schedule. We conclude at 10:00. People from other churches sometimes join us as well.

Looking ahead to the Fall *Soup and Study* Wednesday lunches, I will be working on the faith of three of our well-known and loved presidents: George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and Abraham Lincoln. We will attempt to separate fact from myth especially looking at the way they spoke about their religion. The dates are November 11 and 18 from 12 noon to 1:30.



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Worship Service: 10:30
a.m.

Bible Study: 9:15 am

Holy Communion:

1st Sunday of the Month

Session Members:

Deb Llewellyn

Laura Bocko

Mike Feeney

Lillian Williams

Jonathan Rush—Clerk of Session



Meeting ID: 833 629 3018

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Below is an alternate link to log onto Zoom if you are unable to use the above.

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Draw near unto me and I will draw near unto you; seek me diligently and ye shall find me; ask, and ye shall receive; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.

-Doctrine and Covenants 88: 63

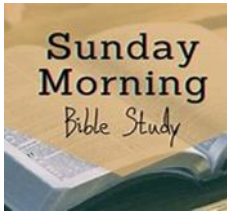
*Betty Meixsell, Marcia Pensack,
Michelle Dinnen, Phyllis Boisselle,
Wanda Farrell*

Prayer requests are to be made to Laura Bocko, Prayer Chain leader. If you would like to participate in the prayer chain, please contact Laura.

*Laura's contact info is: (610) 452-2620 or
laurabocko24@gmail.com*



The next stated Session meeting is Wednesday, September 9th at 7:00 pm via Zoom.



The Sunday morning Bible study will resume on September 13th. The zoom account will also be used so that others who are unable to come to Mt. Bethel can join in. The study will be zoomed each week by Rev. John.

The Women of Community Presbyterian Church will have their stated meeting on Tuesday, September 1st at 10am at the church in the choir room, followed by a business meeting at 11am and then meet at 12 noon for lunch at a local restaurant.



The Women of CPC's Bake Sales- will be held at 10am at Driftstone campgrounds on Saturday, September 5th. Joan Correll will be at the church at 9:00am to pick up baked goods and take them to Driftstone. We thank everyone who so willingly bakes for us.

To be announced



On Sunday, September 13th, the Women of CPC will have Blanket Sunday, that is sponsored by Church World Services. The Blanket Program was created to give a kind, loving and tangible response to people facing a difficult time, reminding them that they are not alone. Joan Correll will be on hand to give a talk about this loving program.

Our Family Photo Album



Get well wish teacups created by Sharon Potter (with Isla), Deb Llewellyn and Shirley Rush and delivered to Lela, Wanda, Mel, Jonathan and Joan

The Call to Worship— This summer we were honored to have guest ministers lead us in Worship. They are

June 28th—Our Clerk of Session, Jonathan Rush (center)

July 12th—Rev. Douglas Cronic (left)

July 19th—Rev. Andrew Barton (right)



Our Family Photo Album



Happy 13th Anniversary—to John and Laura Bocko.

Happy Birthday

Jim DeMartino—9/9

Jean Feeney—9/10

Mandela Nichols—9/18

Isaiah Nichols—9/18

Frank Ely—9/27

Donna Horvath—9/27

On Sunday, July 5th, the Sacrament of Baptism was administered by Rev. John Heinsohn to Lili Fern Flynn, child of Sara and Sean Flynn. Older siblings are Owen and Murphy. Grandparents are Debra and Allen Llewellyn, and John and Claire Flynn. A reception followed after the service in the Fellowship Hall.



September 2026

Sun

Mon

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Sat



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10:00 CPC
Women
AA 8:00 pm

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10:00 Bake Sale
Driftstone

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10:30—Worship
Rev. Heinsohn

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AA 8:00 pm

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AA 8:00 pm

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7:00 Session

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9:15 Bible Study
10:30—Worship
Rev. Nichols

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AA 8:00 pm

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AA 8:00 pm

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9:15 Bible Study
10:30—Worship
Rev. Nichols

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AA 8:00 pm

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AA 8:00 pm

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9:45 Coffee
Hour
9:15 Bible Study
10:30—Worship
Rev. Nichols

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