BLESSING BOX

Bethany's Blessing Box relies strictly on your donations. There is a huge need for this ministry in our community. The Blessing Box is currently running low on supplies. Please consider donating some of the following items: canned stews and meat (turn, chicken, etc.), canned fruits and individual fruit cups, canned vegetables, individual pasta, rice, cereal, and bottled water. Thank you for your generosity!

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NEW BNOW CLASS FOR KIDS

The Fall session of Bethany NOW Wednesday Nights will begin on Sept. 6. We are in the process of creating a new class for kids ages Kindergarten - 5th grade. This will be an alternative to the Melody or Wesley Choir practices. The Bible Adventure class will divide into two sections, Kindergarten - 2nd Grade from 6-6:45pm and 3rd - 5th grade from 6:45-7:30pm. The class will learn Bible basics, play games, have trivia and have other activities to reinforce Bible skills, as well as learn about the basics of worship and why we do things the way we do them. We are looking for two leaders for the class, all material and supplies will be provided. If you have any questions, please contact someone in Children's Ministries.

SCAN TO GIVE OPTION

It's easier than ever to give now! Simply scan this QR Code & you will be directed to PushPay, our online giving platform. You can also text 833.245.8417 and give right from your phone! If you would prefer to give the traditional way, giving envelopes can be found in your pew for cash and check donations.

Welcome to Word & Table



John 1: 11-17, John 8: 30-32, 36 Rev. Mark Barnes

We're Glad You're Here

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July 30, 2023

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Welcome & Announcements

Songs of Faith

OFFERING

Song of Faith

PASTORAL PRAYER

KIDS' MOMENT

Scripture John 1: 11-17, John 8: 30-32, 36

Message "Be Still, My Soul"

Communion

SONG OF FAITH

BENEDICTION

John 1: 11-17

11 He came to his own people, and even they rejected him. 12 But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God. 13 They are reborn-not with a physical birth resulting from human passion or plan, but a birth that comes from God.

14 So the Word became human[a] and made his home among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness.[b] And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father's one and only Son.

15 John testified about him when he shouted to the crowds, "This is the one I was talking about when I said, 'Someone is coming after me who is far greater than I am, for he existed long before me."

16 From his abundance we have all received one gracious blessing after an other.[c] 17 For the law was given through Moses, but God's unfailing love and faithfulness came through Jesus Christ.

John 8: 30-32, 36

30 Then many who heard him say these things believed in him.

31 Jesus said to the people who believed in him, "You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings. 32 And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

36 So if the Son sets you free, you are truly free.

BLOOD DRIVE

Bethany is hosting a blood drive TODAY from 8am-1pm in the Gym. Please stop by and/or schedule your appointment online at www.redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code: BethanyUMC or call Rodney McKanna at 843.709.0953.

HANDS OF CHRIST-MONETARY DONATIONS STILL NEEDED- NEEDED BY AUGUST 13!

Monetary donations are still being collected to buy school supplies for the 2023-2024 school year. We have about 33% earned toward our goal. Monetary donations may be made online, placed in the offering plate on Sunday, or dropped off at the Business Office. Please put in the memo line "Hands of Christ.". Donations are needed by August 13. We continue to need empty book bags to distribute to some of the district schools. Our goal is to collect 200 book bags. These can be dropped off in the Business Office anytime before August 13th. The book bags that we donate will have our Bethany backpack tags with them. This year we are supporting 26 local schools with these school supplies and bookbags. Please help make our Hands of Christ mission a success!! Volunteers will also be needed to distribute the supplies during the week of August 14-18. More details on distribution will be coming soon!

PROMOTION SUNDAY & BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS Sunday, August 20 will be Promotion Sunday and the Blessing of the Backpacks. On this Sunday, all children will move up to their new Sunday School class. Bring your backpacks to church and receive a special blessing before school starts. We will also be handing out tags for the kids to attach to their backpacks to remember that their church family is praying for them and that Jesus is always with them!

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