

The Bethania Gazette



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“Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms!” -Peter 4:10

The Trustees voted in the last meeting to contract out the treating and priming of the wall of the Guild Classroom and then repaint that wall. Also, there will be caulking removal and replacement at the fellowship hall area.



Bethania Walkers

Bethania Walkers will meet at Tobaccoville Park at 9:00 AM on October 4th. A visit to Cup of Joe in King will happen after the walk. Rain date October 18.

WIDOWED FRIENDS

Our group of Widowed Friends met for lunch on September 3rd at Town and Country in King! This group is open to all who are in need of support due to the loss of a spouse.



Love Is In the Air!



On Sunday, September 14th, at the close of worship, the congregation was honored to be witness to the renewal of vows between Sr. Tonya and Br. Burke Bovender in celebration of 30 years of marriage! We wish them many, many more years of wedded bliss!

The Bethania Moravian Arts and Community Festival!

Saturday, September 20th – 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Bethania: *How did the idea come about to begin the Bethania Moravian Arts and Community Festival?*

Mike: Mainly, Beth came to me and said, “The town is not doing the Black Walnut Festival. Let's do it.” So, we said, “Yes!”

Bethania: *What was the objective of organizing this event?*

Mike: For me, it was exposure to the local area as to who we are. The event proved that there was that need to me. The statements and questions I was personally asked proved that many locals had no idea we were even here. That they had not realized our size and facilities. Many stated it was great having an event open to the public.





Bethania: *How did you decide who was going to spearhead the event?*

Mike: We (Beth, Debbie and I) just started having brainstorm. We just divided tasks up by time availability, frankly.

Bethania: *What were the major challenges in organizing the event?*

Mike: Food needs (how many to serve). We got that wrong, but it's working out, all in all, with the youth gathering in Oct. Signage will be better in the future. Enough members volunteering had me worried at first, but our congregation came through in a big way. We had all the help we needed.



Bethania: *What surprised you in the organization of this event?*

Mike: The fact that locals knew so little about Bethania Moravian. I was frankly very surprised. Some folks I know that came out have lived very close by for 20 plus years. Also, how well it was attended. I was very nervous about this.



Bethania: *Was the response and involvement from the congregation a positive one?*

Mike: YES! The congregation, youth, and women's fellowship *made* this a success. No two ways about it.





Bethania: *Were you pleased with the outcome of this event?*

Mike: Yes, indeed. The goal I personally had of letting the locals know we exist was a success. We have already started an improvement list for next year. We learned many things we could have done better

Bethania: *Have you received any feedback from the congregation or the community?*

Mike: Some from the neighbors. It's all been very positive. The congregation members I have spoken to have been very positive and supportive. Many have also mentioned it was a long day. On the list of improvements for next year is better time management of volunteers, better job descriptions, and smaller time allotments.

Bethania: Thank you to Mike, Debbie, and Beth for spearheading and organizing this great event! Your leadership is invaluable!

Note: It is because of the time, talents, and treasure of the Bethania Moravian Congregation and neighbors that this festival was able to fully come to fruition. Because of you all, we were able to raise \$4,930.00 to go to the operations and missions of the church, and it is because of you that we were able to be better neighbors to the Bethania Community. Thank you all so, so much!

Upcoming Dates to Remember



October 4th: Youth Sponsored Square Dance, 5:00-8:00

November 2nd: Time Goes Back One Hour

November 30th: First Day of Advent

October 5th: World-wide Communion – 11:00 AM

October 18th: Trunk-r-Treat, Set up at 3:00, Function 4:00-6:00

November 16th: Jesus the Chief Elder Holy Communion – 11:00 AM

November 16th: Church Council Following Worship

December 7th: Youth Christmas Program during worship! – 11:00 AM

November 23rd: Congregational Thanksgiving Lovefeast – 11:00 AM

December 21st: Congregational Lovefeast – 11:00 AM

December 23rd: Joshua, Alex, Adam, and choir rehearse with strings.

December 24th: Community Christmas Eve Lovefeast – 5:00 PM

December 28th: Christmas Song Service – 11:00 AM

CHURCH COUNCIL

Sunday, November 16th

Following worship

Sanctuary of Bethania Moravian Church

All members are requested to be in attendance, please.

Elders: Electing one Elder, one delegate and one alternate to Synod.

Trustees: Filling two positions; one will be for a three year term, and another to fill an already vacant one year term.

If you are asked to serve, we ask for your prayerful consideration. Or, if you feel lead to serve, please speak to a current member of the Elders or Trustee Board.

Youth Sponsored Hoe - Down!!!



All Bethanians are welcome and encouraged to come to support your youth!

Trunk- R- Treat!!!

October 18th - 4:00-6:00 - Set up at 3:00

Donations of candy, cars, and decorations very much appreciated!





October 1st: Lexie Scott
October 6th: Jo Anne Todd
October 6th: David Merritt
October 9th: Eric Martin
October 16th: Janet Conrad
October 18th: Stephanie Hauser
October 23rd: Jefferey Stoltz
October 24th: Mike Todd
October 29th: Deborah Allen

With Your presence, Lord, our Head and Savior, bless them all, we humbly pray; our dear heavenly Father's love and favor be their comfort every day. May God's Spirit now in each proceeding favor them with His most gracious leading; thus, shall they be truly blessed both in labor and in rest. Amen.

(Any omission from this list is purely accidental. If your name was inadvertently left off, please contact Joshua to let him know. Our system sometimes misses names.)