

## **BETHANY PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN**

### **in the CONGREGATION**



We are excited to share the following 2022-2023 Program Schedule which encompass:

#### **Our Purpose**

**Forgiven and freed by God in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves**

- to nurture our faith through prayer and Bible study,
- to support the mission of the church worldwide,
- to work for justice and peace, and
- to build an inclusive, caring community of women that strengthens the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and witnesses to the promise of God's kingdom.

<b>DATE</b>	<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>PRESENTER</b>	<b>OTHER</b>
9/13/2022	Alyssa's Angels	John Rabish 585-943-2056 johnedge@adgroup.com	No projector/screen needed
10/11/2022	Mothers in Need	Maria Wehrle 585-348-8596 Maria Wehrle <mothersinneedofothers@gmail.com>	Mothers In Need of Others (MINO) ministry assists social service agencies and churches by providing emergency items to care managers and church outreach workers for families in crisis."  Mothers In Need of Others ministry has reopened following CDC guidelines for the safety and care of our clients and volunteers. As always, we need our donors more than EVER as we assist agencies and churches in Monroe County in the recovery efforts. If you have material goods — baby items, personal and feminine hygiene, cleaning and paper products — we need them!
11/5/2022 (Saturday)	Veterans Appreciation Card Making	Debbie Haskins	Will provide materials
11/8/2022	Greece Senior and Community Center	Jeannette Johnson 585-713-4115	Will provide hand-outs
12/3/2022 (Saturday)	Christmas Luncheon @ Noon	Jesse Smith	Bella Pasta Restaurant- Chicken Buffet (baked chicken, pulled pork, salt potatoes, rolls and butter)
1/10/2023	PADS Project	Polly McCubbin and Karen Dobbins	Purchase necessary materials. Determine what organization receives the kits.
2/14/2023	Journey Home	Executive Director-Tracey Jagula 585-748-6450	No projector/screen needed
3/14/2023	ROCovery Fitness	<b>Jonathan M. Westfall, CRPA,</b>	ROCovery Fitness: Sober Living Through

		<b>CRPA-F, CARC</b> Pronouns: he/him/his* Executive Director ROCovery Fitness, Inc. <u>1035 Dewey Avenue</u> Rochester, New York 14613 585-484-0234 (Office) <a href="http://www.rocoveryfitness.org">www.rocoveryfitness.org</a>	Fitness  ROCovery Fitness, Inc, is the NYS premier resource for recovery support through fitness and sober living, connecting peers, friends and family through wellness, acceptance and understanding.
			ROCovery Fitness is a supportive community of physically active individuals brought together by sober living, committed to creating an environment of healing and recovery. Members, friends and families are empowered to discover their inner strength and confidence through adventure, fun and camaraderie.  Our programs are free and open to anyone with 48 hours of continuous sobriety. We welcome friends, family members and those who choose to live sober.
4/15/2023 (Saturday)	Women's Retreat	Karen Bolinger	WonderFull World- Where Women Explore God's Wonder and Love (Australia, Europe and South America)
5/9/2023	Land Acknowledgement-Diversity/Equality/Inclusion	Roberta Davis	Land acknowledgement statements recognize that the land to which they refer is Indigenous land. More specifically, these statements acknowledge those Native American Nations and Peoples who: 1) cared for the specific place prior to and through European colonialism; 2) were often unjustly removed from the land by systematic processes of displacement by European powers, colonists, and later, American settlers and settler colonialism; and 3) have ancestral ties and are contemporary heirs to unceded land for which title was not relinquished. By articulating recognition, land acknowledgement statements serve to un-settle settler colonialism and shine a light on historical injustice and accountability. In this way the statement itself is often a starting point for further education and engagement with local Indigenous communities.
6/13/2023	Living as a New Creation: How does My Body Affect How I Follow Jesus?	Dr. Rebecca Letterman	Living as a New Creation: How does My Body Affect How I Follow Jesus? As Christians, we believe that Jesus came to make all things new. The Scriptures teach us to "put off the old man, and put on Christ." We know that classic spiritual practices like prayer, Bible reading, communal worship, and service to others all help form and express our commitment to follow Jesus. But over the past several decades, psychology, research into trauma,

			and advances in neuroscience have highlighted the significance of the physical aspect of our lives. So now we need to ask: how do our physical bodies contribute to our faithfulness to follow Jesus and our experiences of God's love?
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Bethany Presbyterian Women in the Congregation  
2022-2023 Coordinating Team:

Moderator- Karen Bolinger

Treasurer- Linda Lamb

Vice-Moderator- Karen Dobbins

Historian- Lisa Clement

Correspondence Secretary- Jeannette Johnson

Member-at-Large- Mary Leader

Ad hoc: Sunshine Card Coordinator-Beth Thomsen, Memorial Reception Coordinator- Charlotte Streams and Heather Kruspe

Note: The Coordinating Team finalized the 2022-2023 Program Schedule and developed the proposed budget on July 12<sup>th</sup> which will be presented to BPWC at the September 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Sawyer Park Gathering:**

All women in the congregation and friends are welcome to gather for fellowship, fun and laughter on the last Saturday of the month at 10:00 am beginning in September and October. We will resume in April and go through June. Please bring your own chair, beverage and snack.

**Women's Brunch:**

During the months of November, December, January, February, and March, all women and friends are invited to share in a brunch at Long Pond Family restaurant on the last Saturday of the month at 10:00 am.

**BPWC Budget Update:**

In the month of July there was no new income. During the month of July all the local and worldwide mission checks were sent with a personal note totaling \$5,125.00. There were two additional expenses in July. One in the amount of \$58.70 for afghan yarn and the other \$145.26 to cover the cost of 2023 Retreat books and pens.

To date for August there is no new income and one \$60.00 expense for postage to support our card ministry.

YTD income is \$11,184.69 and YTD expense is \$7,275.33. *Thank God from whom all blessings flow.,*

### **Coordinating Team:**

On Tuesday, July 12<sup>th</sup>, the Coordinating Team met to develop a proposed budget for the 2023 program year. We also finalized the Program Schedule for 2022-2023 which is posted in the Parlor display case. Activities such as Sawyer Park Gathering, Women's Brunch, and Women's Retreat were also part of the planning day.

### **Afghan Mission Project:**

Previously, Beth Thomsen delivered the following to Open Door Mission: 7 afghans, 1 lap robe and 1 blanket. She also has picked up 4 large afghans from Sharon Nichols and Joyce Adaskin. When she has 7-8 afghans, she will deliver them to Saints Place.

### **Veteran's Appreciation Card Making:**

It is time again to show our Veterans how much they are valued. **Saturday, November 5**, from 10am-12pm, the Presbyterian Women will be gathering in the large hall to assemble approximately 60 small "tokens" of appreciation. The supplies will all be provided, and you don't have to be an acclaimed artist to participate.

These will be distributed to our very own Bethany Veterans as well as those at Warrior Salute, a program provided by CDS Life Transitions in Webster. Please feel free to check them out at WarriorSalute.org to learn more about them. Extras will go to the VA Outpatient Clinic on Westfall Road.

Many hands make light work, so I look forward to working with a big team. Please contact Debbie Haskins at 585-260-5790 or [debbiehaskins66@gmail.com](mailto:debbiehaskins66@gmail.com) with any questions.

### **Christmas Luncheon:**

All women are invited to celebrate the Christmas season at Bella Pasta restaurant on **Saturday, December 3, 2022** at noon. The menu will be a Chicken Buffet which includes baked chicken, pulled pork, salt potatoes, salad, rolls and butter. The cost per person TBD. You make a check out Jesse Smith. We will have a sign up after church services beginning in November.

### **Building Caring Relationships:**

Any woman currently active or inactive with BPWC and would like to be added to the *Bethany Presbyterian Women in the Congregation Communication Distribution List* please contact Karen Bolinger- 585-227-2540 or [kbolinger@rochester.rr.com](mailto:kbolinger@rochester.rr.com).