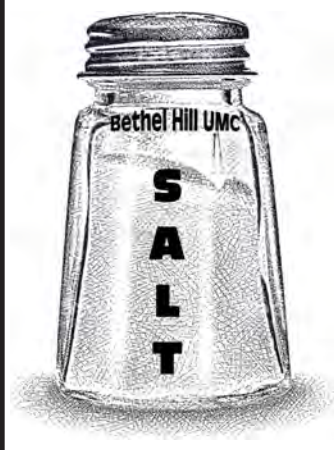


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## A NEW YEAR

This came across my Facebook feed one day and I thought it would be a great way to start out the year of 2023 (or any year).

### Note to Self:

*When things feel overwhelming, remember...*

*One thought at a time.*

*One task at a time.*

*One day at a time.*

I have to constantly remind myself that I am not in charge – God is! Let me say this again: I am NOT in control – God is! That should be a comfort to all of us. God has enough strength, power, and might to create the whole universe and still is creating today. God has enough mercy, grace, and forgiveness for the whole world and he is still giving it out today. God has enough love for EVERYONE and he is still loving us today. Enough said!

I found this Christmas carol verse too late to include it in the last Bugle issue, so let me include it here. It is from a carol entitled: *God's Dear Son without Beginning* from 1822. It is old English, so you might have to read it a couple of times.

*Now to him that hath redeem'd us,  
By his precious death and passion;  
And us sinners so esteem'd us,  
To buy dearly this salvation.  
Yield lasting fame, that still the name  
Of Jesus may be honour'd here;  
And let us say that Christmas Day,  
Is still the best day in the year.*

*Pastor Sue*

**THE  
BETHEL HILL  
STAFF would  
like to thank  
you all for the  
generous  
Christmas  
gift!**

**Note: Pastor Sue & Gerry will be away from  
January 2<sup>nd</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>. Should you have a pastoral emergency,  
please contact Rev. Harold Burkett at 215-350-2039.**

**Please – if you hear of any of our members being in the hospital or ill at home for an extended period of time, please let Pastor Sue or the church office know. We care about you & want to know you are well! Thank you!**

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## Worship Notes for January & February 2023 *(subject to change)*

Don't forget to check out Pastor Sue's Saturday Story on Bethel Hill's Facebook page.

**Worship: 9:00am & 10:30am, Sunday School for all ages at 9:00am**  
**The 10:30 service will be livestreamed as well.**

**January 1 – Epiphany Sunday, Holy Communion**

**ONE SERVICE ONLY** at 10:30am, Matthew 2:1-12– *We Three Kings*

**January 8– Baptism of the Lord, Pastor Sue away – Lay Speaker Kelli Durling**

**January 15 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany**

Pastor Sue just returning – Lay Speaker Ed Gale

**January 22 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany,**

Matthew 4:12-23 – *Change Your Hearts & Lives*

**January 29 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany, Matthew 5:1-12 – Happy People**

**February 5 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany, Holy Communion**

Matthew 5:13-20 – *Salt & Light*

**February 12– 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany, Matthew 5:12-37 – Jesus Gems**

**February 19– Transfiguration Sunday, Matthew 17:1-9 – Changed!**

**February 22 – Ash Wednesday**

Community Soup Supper at 6:00pm at Bethel Hill

Community Worship at 7:30pm at Bethel Hill

**February 26 – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent, Matthew 4:1-11 – Tempted!**



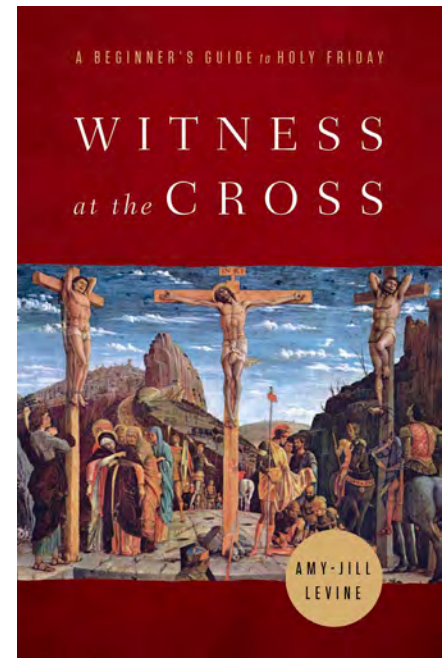
Each Wednesday in Lent at 7:30pm at a different church in our Skippack Pike Area Ministerium (SPAM). The location schedule is not yet set, HOWEVER, **Bethel Hill is hosting the Ash Wednesday Soup Supper** at 6:00pm and the worship service at 7:30pm on February 22. Soup makers, get out your pots! Dessert creators, whip out those recipes! We will be calling for volunteers for soup, desserts, set-up, servers, and clean-up.

**Put this on your calendar!**

### Lenten Bible Study

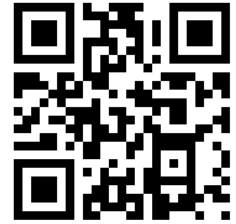
will meet by ZOOM

on Tuesdays, February 21, 28, March 7, 14, 21, & April 4 at 7:00 p.m. We will be studying the book *Witness at the Cross* by Amy-Jill Levine. Cost of the book is \$16. Please RSVP to Pastor Sue by Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup> (267-577-2223 or [kettsue@gmail.com](mailto:kettsue@gmail.com))





2023 Offering Envelopes are available in the narthex, please pick up yours and save us the postage to mail. Also available are EFT – electronic fund transfer form for online giving. The EFT form is available in the narthex. Please fill out and send to the church office. You can also scan the QR Code to the right to access the online payment page or visit <http://bit.ly/BHUMC-onlinegiving>.



The communion offerings collected on the first Sunday of each month provide all members a chance to direct contributions to a group or mission that they may feel called to help. These offerings are intended to be donations above any amount pledged. Thank you for your support. Upcoming communion offerings are as follows:

**January** – Hospitality

**February** – Souper Bowl



**Manna on Main Street**  
Upcoming collections are:

**January - Soup**

**February - Canned Fruit**

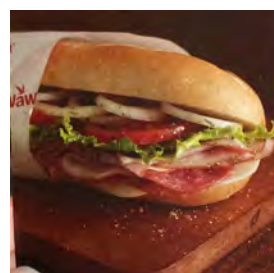
Please leave in basket in the narthex. Thank you to Ken & Joy Black for continuing to deliver the collections. Thank you to everyone who has contributed donations!



The Mission's team is selling Giant and Shop-Rite gift cards at both church services. See Bob Whiteside at the early service or Karen Matus at the later service. Proceeds go to ongoing local, national and international Missions work. We now have Giant gift cards in \$25 denominations.



Wawa shortie hoagie-coupons are also available for \$5 each.





## A MESSAGE FROM THE



### BOARD of TRUSTEES

The Trustees would like to thank everyone who participated in the Fall Clean-up: Jim Angelo, Sandy Angelo, Cheri Brown, Les Brown, Chris Delaney, Dan Delaney, Kyle Doll, Paul Doll, Beatty Hoffman, Ken Hoffman, Tyler Nash, Jack Paugh, Alan Silfies, Heather Smink, Ray Vasey, Ed Wild, Jim Wilkie. In a few quick hours we raked leaves, moved benches to the grass for snow removal, cut down a tree, trimmed bushes, and built a wood screen in front of the oil tank at 2012



### *Stewardship Message*

If you are over 70½, don't forget that you can potentially get a tax benefit by using a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). QCDs are not counted to your income from which your taxes are calculated. For those who have reached 72 years old, QCDs can count towards RMD. But you **MUST** work with your financial institution to make sure their check is made out to Bethel Hill UMC and not you. Their check can be mailed to you, but must not be made payable to you.

Please ask your financial advisers for details about your situation,

*Paul Doll*

*Chair of Stewardship committee*



The next **American Red Cross Blood Drive** is scheduled for Thursday, January 26<sup>th</sup> from 2-7pm. Please schedule your appointment by visiting [www.redcross-](http://www.redcross-blood.org)

[blood.org](http://blood.org), calling 800-REDCROSS, or contacting Brenda Doll.

## CHURCH NEWS AROUND the CONGREGATION



### *Losses in Our Church Family*

**Charlie Hegh** passed away on November 6<sup>th</sup>. A graveside service was held at Bethel Hill on November 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Lorraine Shaw** passed away on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. A service was held at Bethel Hill on December 9<sup>th</sup>, followed by interment at Bethel Hill cemetery.

**Polly Holmes** passed away on December 6<sup>th</sup>. A Memorial service is being planned for January.

### DIRECTORY UPDATES:

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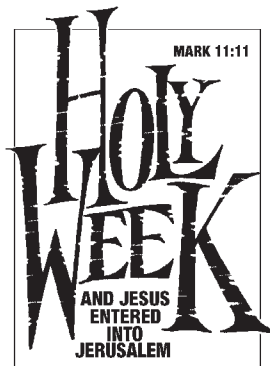


Thank you to all of my Bethel Hill family who supported me during a challenging December. I am so grateful for everyone's prayers, cards, plant adoptions, and hugs after my mother Lorraine Shaw's passing. Your kind words about how special she was to Bethel Hill were so touching. And your continued prayers during my knee surgery and ongoing recovery have also been greatly appreciated.

~Brenda Doll

### Christmas Angel Gifts

On December 11<sup>th</sup>, over 170 toys provided by Bethel Hill UMC were delivered to Methodist Services in Philadelphia. As we unloaded the many bags of toys, clothes and wrapping paper, there was a huge smile on the face of their director, Carol Boughter. She stated that those gifts would save christmas for dozens of families. See the many smiles pictured below:



Palm Sunday – April 2  
Holy Thursday – April 6  
Good Friday – April 7  
Easter Sunday – April 9

### Help Build Hope Mission at Bethel Hill

**Friday, April 14, Saturday, April 15 and Sunday, April 16**

Details to follow in the coming months, but plan on building a home and your faith while enjoying some Christian Fellowship. Pray for good weather or bring a rain coat, Bethel Hill works rain or shine.



### Vacation Bible School One-Night Extravaganza

**Wednesday, June 28<sup>th</sup>**

Bible Story, Music, Games, Crafts & FUN!!!!



## WOMEN'S BREAKFAST

Monthly on the second Saturday,  
9am in Hayes Hall.

**January 14<sup>th</sup> & February 11<sup>th</sup>**

Bring a dish to share.

All women are invited.



## UM MEN'S BREAKFAST

Monthly on the last Saturday, 8am in  
Hayes Hall, plus special date this

**January 7<sup>th</sup>** to un-decorate.

**January 28<sup>th</sup>**

**February 25<sup>th</sup>**

All men are invited.



## LUNCH BUNCH

**January 18<sup>th</sup>**

**February 15<sup>th</sup>**

**12:30 in Hayes Hall**

Bring a bag lunch for fun  
and fellowship; beverages  
and dessert provided.



## COUPON UPDATE:

Thank you for your unused coupons! You can leave them on the parsonage porch or in the white mailbox on the inside of the railing at the old Sunday School room entrance.



## COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE:

Please check with the church office and the church calendar BEFORE scheduling any events. This is very important so that all will be able to participate in the ministries Bethel Hill is providing.

**Thank you!**

**The BUGLE LITE** is published on the even months! Committee & team chairpeople – don't forget: You should get a *short* report on what your committee/team is working on from your last meeting. Please email this to Brenda Doll at [brendoll@verizon.net](mailto:brendoll@verizon.net).



If anyone would like to put a fresh flower arrangement on the altar, please email the church office at [bethelhill@verizon.net](mailto:bethelhill@verizon.net) or sign up on the sheet in the narthex.

The arrangements are now \$35.

**THE BUGLE** is a bi-monthly publication of Bethel Hill United Methodist Church. Drop off articles in the Bugle mailbox at the church or send to Brenda Doll: [brendoll@verizon.net](mailto:brendoll@verizon.net).

Collating Crew:  
Linda Dennison  
Elaine Hegh  
Alan Powell

Nancy Powell  
Janet Vasey  
Ray Vasey  
Bob Whiteside

## Upcoming Bugle Schedule

Publication Date	Submission Deadline
March 1	February 10
May 1	April 10
July 1	June 10



## EVERY SUNDAY

Worship Services: 9:00 | 10:30\*  
Sunday School for all ages: 9:00




\*10:30 service also available on  
Facebook Live

**10:30 service ONLY on Jan 1**



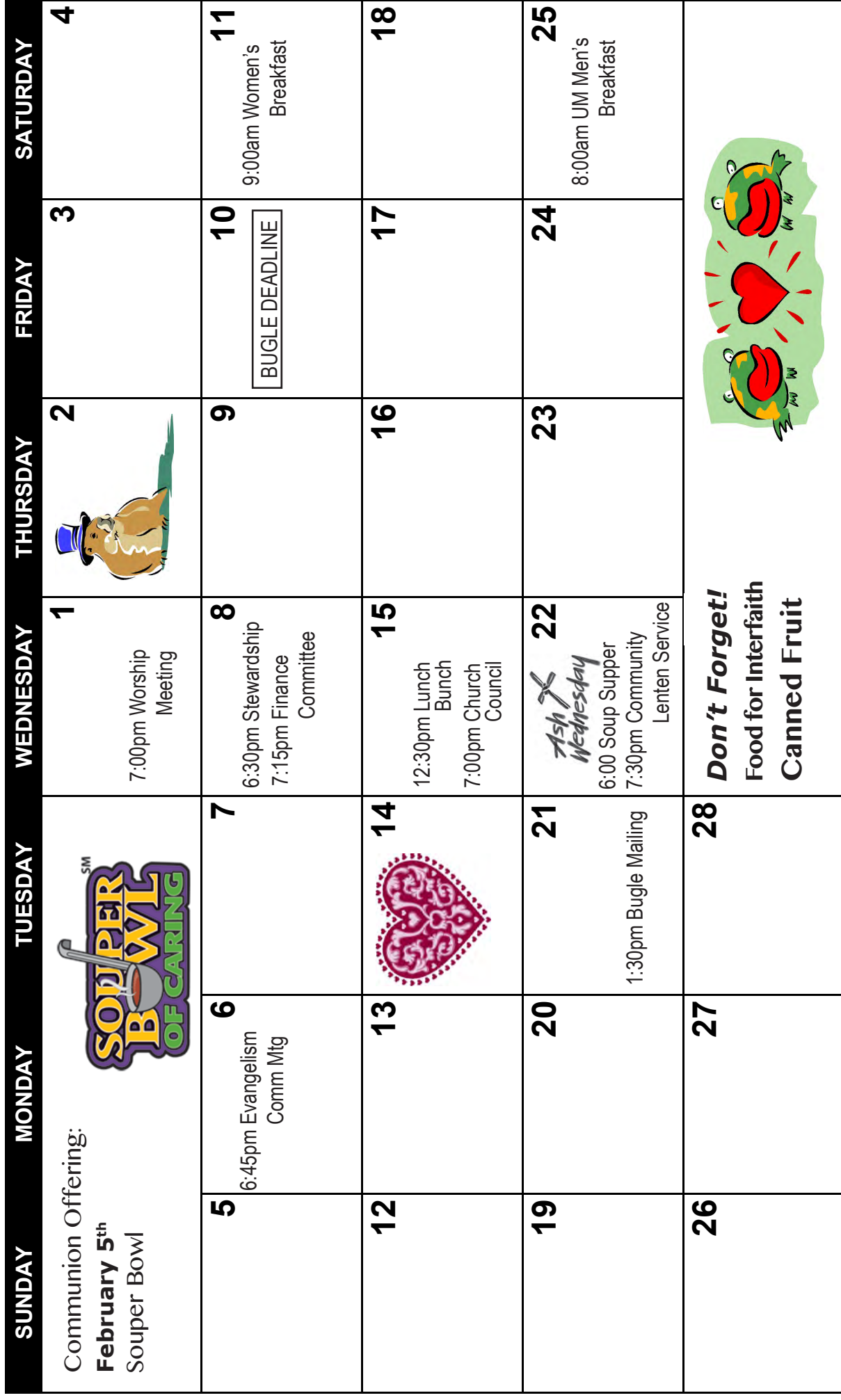
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	2	3	4	5	6	7 8:00am UM Men's Breakfast
8	9 7:00pm Trustees Mtg	10	11 7:00pm Missions Mtg	12	13	14 9:00am Women's Breakfast
15	16  Martin Luther King Jr. DAY 6:30pm SPRC Mtg	17	18 12:30pm Lunch Bunch	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 5:30pm Mitzvah Circle Volunteer Opportunity	26 2-7pm Blood Drive	27	28 8:00am UM Men's Breakfast
29	30	31	Communion Offering: <b>January 1<sup>st</sup></b> Hospitality		 <b>Don't Forget!</b> Food for Interfaith <b>Soup</b>	

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### **JANUARY BIRTHDAYS**

- 1 Claudia Smith
- 4 Zoë Curran
- 6 Wayne Acker
- 7 Katelynne Gilbert, Ed Wild
- 9 Marsha Wolgast, Mason Hall
- 11 Margaret Buchanan, Amanda Gale
- 12 Rich Durling, Bonnie Yale
- 14 Karen Delaney, Matt Robinson
- 15 Dung Martinez
- 16 Janice Jacobs
- 17 Chuck Mossbarger, Bobby Schreiner
- 18 Bob Berger
- 20 Betsy Novelli
- 22 Sally Helman, Ethan Haley
- 23 Prudence Silfies
- 24 Jim Barbiere, Steve Hoyer
- 28 Merrilee Hurley
- 30 Eric Wright
- 31 Caydi Conway

### **JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES**

- 12 Jim and Andrea Barbiere ('74)
- Albert and Heather Closs ('08)
- 23 Shirley and Harold Burkett ('60)

### **FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

- 1 Bonnie Hurd, John Smink
- 2 Ed Buchanan, Mary White
- 3 Brooke Frederick, Alex Tomlinson
- 4 Holly Frederick, Tyler Nash, Kenneth Martinez
- 8 Benjamin Hoyer
- 9 Ellie Beagle
- 10 Mary Watson
- 11 Junelle Edgard, Michael Flatley, Nancy Flatley, Matthew Reimel
- 15 Eva Beagle, Christina Perrone
- 16 John Haley III, Tom Hurd, Daniel Perrone
- 17 Jillian Harris
- 20 Tracy Reimel, Ralph Salvina
- 23 Shirley Burkett, Grayson Keaton



### **FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES**

- 4 David & Susan Ludwig ('89)
- 18 Scott and Selaine Keaton ('96)

**Check out Bethel Hill's new webpage at [www.BethelHill.org](http://www.BethelHill.org)**



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