



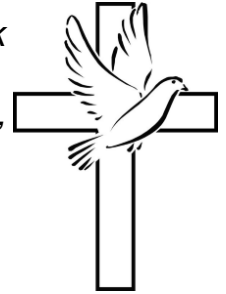
THE BETHEL INFORMER

September 2019

Pastor Tim Starbuck

Ephesians 5

“(v1) Follow God’s example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God... (v15-17) Be very careful, then, how you live – not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord’s will is. Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit.



"Be filled with the Spirit." Those who are filled with the Holy Spirit are those who crave it, who are willing to change anything the Lord requires, who are willing to serve as the Lord commands. We should be unwilling to live a single day without being refueled by Almighty God.

Many years ago in the Rose Bowl Parade in Pasadena, a float stalled. Frustration increased quickly because other floats could not move in this nationally televised event. Mechanics quickly surveyed the stalled float, searching for the problem. Finally, someone had the presence of mind to check for fuel. That's right. It was out of gas. This became even more embarrassing when the crowd realized that this float's sponsor was one of the major oil companies.

The power available to every Christian far exceeds fossil fuels, or even nuclear energy. The Holy Spirit is the greatest power in the universe. Ask for a daily in-filling. Our church should never be caught without fuel.

Blessings, Tim

Spirit Filled not water filled.

The past few months we have been worshipping in our Family Life Center. As fun as this has been, what caused this change was major flooding in our sanctuary basement. Clean up in the basement is complete and we now turn our attention to repairs and reconstruction. Bethel has been blessed with a wonderful insurance policy that has covered the estimated \$100,000 dollars of damage and restoration minus a small deductible.

However, to be assured our basement will not flood again, we will need to construct a system to protect our building from water intrusion. This project is an additional cost not covered by insurance nor the general budget of Bethel.

The Administrative Board along with the Trustees have met several times and finalized plans for the water intrusion system. The estimated cost for this project is \$19,500. We are planning several fund-raising events in addition to inviting our congregation and church friends for donations beyond general tithing. Our church is blessed to have you as a part of the family of God. Your faithful tithing has allowed our church to minister in many areas locally and around the world.

We appeal to your generosity to help us complete repairs to Bethel's Sanctuary.

Blessings,

Pastor Tim Starbuck & The Administrative Board



Please keep these persons and their circumstances in your prayers:

Elsie Joiner, Gary Phelps, Lois Wilson, Lois Leonard and Cody Cordell

Nursing Homes/Retirement Centers:

Patsy Beck, Lon Borland, Ellen Cobb, Elmer Coggins, Jr.,
Jerri Edwards, Tammy Hanner, John Nance, Ruth Pittman,



Lon Borland

Westchester Manor at Providence Place
(Room 612)
1795 Westchester Dr.
High Point, NC 27262

On-Going Schedule

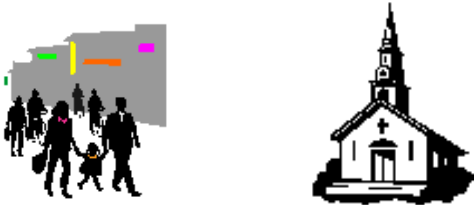
Weekly

Sunday

9:15 a.m. Prayer Room Opens
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School Assembly
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Worship Service
 5:00 p.m. Youth Meeting

Wednesday

2:00 p.m. Bible Study
 5:00—8:00 p.m. Prayer Room
 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice



Monthly

1st Tuesday

United Methodist Women
 6:30 p.m. @ Family Life Center

1st Sunday

United Methodist Men
 7:30 a.m. @ Family Life Center

2nd Thursday

Senior Adult Singles
 11:00 a.m. Van leaves from Church



Calendar of Up-Coming Events

1	7:30 a.m.	United Methodist Men
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service (<i>Communion</i>)
2		Labor Day
3	6:30 p.m.	United Methodist Women
4	2:00 p.m.	Bible Study
	5:00—8:00 p.m.	Prayer Room
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
8	10:45 a.m.	Worship Service (<i>Grandparent's Day</i>)
	12:00—1:30 p.m.	Fundraiser Luncheon
11	2:00 p.m.	Bible Study
	5:00—8:00 p.m.	Prayer Room
	5:45 p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
12	11:00 p.m.	S.A.S.S.Y.
14	7:00—10:00 a.m.	UMW Breakfast
15	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
17	5:30 p.m.	CCM Meals of Grace (<i>Team # 7—Leader, Dianne Fore</i>)
18	2:00 p.m.	Bible Study
	5:00—8:00 p.m.	Prayer Room
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
19	5:30 p.m.	CCM Meals of Grace (<i>Team # 3—Leader, Martha Doby</i>)
22	10:45 a.m.	Homecoming—Al Ward
	12:00 p.m.	Covered Dish Meal
25	2:00 p.m.	Bible Study
	5:00—8:00 p.m.	Prayer Room
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
29	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	5:30 p.m.	5th Sunday Singing and Ice Cream Social

**If you need to contact Pastor
 Tim, his numbers are:**

Pastor's Mobile: 336.590.2421

Parsonage: 336.590.2453

Happy Anniversary!

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 4 Rayvon and Sandra Leonard
- 9 Charles and Linda Beck
- 10 William and Doris Hardin
- 17 Mark and Kathy Aldridge
- 27 Bob and Pattie Mitchell



*If your birthday or anniversary
is incorrect or not listed
please call the office
and let Wanda know.
336-476-4222 Thank You!*

Mark Your Calendar!



Homecoming

Our Guest Speaker will be Al Ward
Sunday, September 22nd
10:45 a.m.—Worship
12:00 p.m.—Covered Dish Meal

Happy Birthday!

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 5 Steve Ferguson
- 6 Krista Pettit
- 9 Linda Beck
- 12 Jane Pinion
- 15 Sandi Gordon
- 16 Carri Gordon
- 18 Callie Brown
- 19 Darrell Hunt
- 19 Peter Vargas
- 19 Steve Surratt
- 20 Randy Mayhew
- 20 Jesyka Camelia Vargas
- 21 Keith Beck
- 21 Trent Gordon
- 21 Don Goins, Jr.
- 24 J.C. Hill
- 24 Melissa Ferguson
- 24 Seth Starbuck
- 25 Natalie Jarrett
- 28 Chuck McClamrock
- 29 Nancy Whitman
- 29 Christy Lucas





Our Helpers and Leaders in September



**Ushers: Steve Ferguson
J. C. Hill
Ricky Simpson
David Smith**



*If you need to contact
the church secretary,
her hours are as
follows:*

*Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday & Thursday*

*4:00 p.m. — 6:00 p.m.
Phone: 336-476-4222*

Acolytes, Greeters, and Nursery

September 1

Acolyte	Seth Starbuck
Greeters	Jerry and Martha Doby
Infant Nursery	Linda Goins and Irene King

September 8

Acolyte	Zoë Starbuck
Greeters	Charles and Priscilla Wood
Infant Nursery	Ricky and Cindy Simpson

September 15

Acolyte	Seth Starbuck
Greeters	William and Doris Hardin
Infant Nursery	Kemp and Sue Tobin

September 22

Acolyte	Zoë Starbuck
Greeters	David and Cynthia Campbell
Infant Nursery	Tammy Beck

September 29

Acolyte	Seth Starbuck
Greeters	Joel and Melissa Ferguson
Infant Nursery	Sheila Myers

Check it out! *Bethel's Webpage*
<http://www.bethelthomasville.com>

The Mission of the Bethel United Methodist Church is to:

- B**ring people together for the worship of God by
- E**ncouraging a personal relationship with Jesus Christ through
- T**eaching the Gospel message of salvation. We must
- H**ear the cry of others-both spiritual and physical
- E**stablish supportive ministries for all ages by
- L**oving and affirming all people as they grow spiritually in their faith.





**5th Sunday Singing
and
Ice Cream Social**

**Sunday – September 29th
5:30 p.m.**

Please come and worship God
with our area churches
and enjoy a time of fellowship
following the singing.

**Please let Alan Beck
(336-906-5100)**

**know if you can make a
freezer of homemade ice
cream or if you are willing
to provide ice cream
toppings or a dessert.**



Everyone is invited!

**Bethel United Methodist Church
508 Fisher Ferry Street
Thomasville, NC 27360**

*I can do all things
through Christ
who strengthens me.
Phil. 4:13*



**YARD SALE
COMING SOON!**

**We need lots of helpers for the yard
sale and other activities!**

We still need items. Please be
gathering your items. Please
make sure all items are in reusable
condition. For more information,
see Sheila or Cindy.

**Youth
Ministry**



**Youth Meetings —
Will start back on
Sunday, September 8, 2019**

**September 8..... 5:00 p.m.
September 15..... 5:00 p.m.
September 22..... 5:00 p.m.
September 29..... 5:00 p.m.**

Fundraiser Luncheon **MENU**

Sunday,
September 8, 2019

12:00—1:30 p.m.

Immediately following
the worship service.

Grilled BBQ Pork Chops
Mashed Potatoes
Black Eyed Peas
Salad, Roll,
Dessert and Drink

Cost:

Adults — \$7.00
Children —
6 & under \$2.00
7-10 years \$3.00



Come join us!



S.A.S.S.Y.

(Single Adult Seniors, 55+)
Invites You To Our
Monthly Fellowship Dinner

**Date and Time
to be announced!**

Bethel United Methodist Church
Wavel Surratt (476-6568)



United Methodist Women

FAITH · HOPE · LOVE IN ACTION

Tuesday, September 3rd
Meet at 6:30 p.m.
at the Family Life Center.

Program:

Please bring lotion.

All women are invited to come and be a
part of this wonderful missions group.



Books from the
UMW Reading Program
are in the library.



United Methodist Men

Sunday, September 1st
7:30 a.m.
at the Family Life Center.

All men are invited to attend!



Happy Grandparents' Day

September 8th



There are open dates on the flower calendar:

September 1st, 8th, 15th 22nd and 29th
**If you would like to reserve flowers
for any of these dates,**

Please Contact: Priscilla Wood (475-1654)

Mugs for Sale! 

**The Evangelism Committee
is selling Bethel Mugs to
benefit the General Fund for \$5.00 each.**

Committee members are:
Martha Doby, Joel and Melissa Ferguson.

**The United Methodist Men
have chicken pies to sell.**

The price of the pies are
\$ 8.00 each.

*Please call the church
to get your pie.*



**"Tree of Life"
Brochures for the
Building Fund**

If you need a brochure,
please look in the
vestibule at church or
contact the church secretary and she
will be
glad to mail you one.

The United Methodist Women are selling flavoring for **\$3.00 a bottle.**
Please contact **Dianne Fore** at **475-3208** and leave a message on her answering
machine or please see her at church if you would like to purchase a bottle.



Flavors

**Rum, Maple, Orange, Vanilla (Clear & Regular),
Banana, Butter Nut, Almond, Lemon, Butter,
Coconut Flavoring and Black Walnut**

**MISSIONS /
OPPORTUNITIES**

Local Missions:



The UMW is collecting for the
Cooperative Community Ministry.

***The item for September
is crackers.***



**Don't forget to bring hygiene items for the
teenagers for Communities in School.
The teenagers also need socks.**



United Methodist Women's Breakfast

Saturday, September 14th
7:00 – 10:00 a.m.
Bethel UMC Family Life



Country Ham, Sausage, Bacon, Eggs,
Grits, Stewed Apples, Gravy,
Homemade Biscuits,
Coffee, Juice, Tea, Soft Drinks

Cost \$8.00 (Adults)
\$2.00 (Under 12)



Thank you for Bringing School Supplies and for supporting the Backpack Program.



Dear People of Bethel,

I humbly acknowledge your gracious generosity in your giving to our Backpack project to feed the students on weekends. We collected **\$504.72**. A check will be written to the Fairgrove Family Resource Center for this amount.

The school supplies were taken to the Fairgrove Family Resource Center to be distributed among the school children. There were **306** items. Many of these were packages of multiple items (pencils, erasers, glue sticks, pens, etc.). The packages will be opened and the items will be given to multiple children.

Do you know what I think of our congregation? Only that you're the most caring, committed, and supportive people I know!

With appreciation,

Martha Doby, Missions Chair

Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to His power that is at work within us. Unto Him be glory.

Ephesians 3: 20,21 KJV



Grandparent's Day Bulletin

The youth are taking names to be placed in the Grandparent's Day bulletin on Sunday, September 8th. You may have a name placed in honor or in memory (\$ 1.00) and help our youth at the same time.



Please turn in your form by Wednesday, September 4th.
Contact Cindy or give the information to one of our youth.