

Bethel United Church of Christ
3029 N Green River Road
Evansville, IN 47715
812-473-0135
www.bethelucc.org

March 2023 Bethel Record/Newsletter

March 2023 Bethel Record Newsletter

Mission Focus: One Great Hour of Sharing

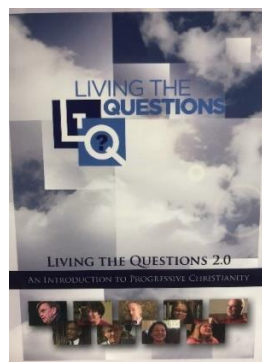
ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING (OGHS)

The gifts you give to OGHS are leveraged with those of others across the United Church of Christ bringing a greater impact to the work being done with local and global partners. Your support enables us to respond to a variety of global and local concerns by addressing advocacy, sustainable development, refugee and asylum issues, migration, disasters, and assisting those most in need and vulnerable among us. Wildfires, earthquakes, hurricanes, and flooding have ravaged communities in the United States and worldwide, leaving families and communities in desperate need of assistance. Some of these disasters have occurred in your hometown, or in nearby communities or to friends and neighbors in countries thousands of miles away, across the globe. Strengthened by the power of God's Spirit and your collective generosity, the United Church of Christ continues to work with partners to care for others, and not give up... as together we build a just world for all.



Lenten Study – “Living the Questions”

Beginning Sunday, February 19th, Bethel members are invited to join a Bible study with Rev. Sam Buehrer and Letta Fraccaro. This Bible study will review the DVD “Living The Questions, Honoring Creation”. This will be a 7-week study on Sunday's at 9am in the Fellowship Hall.



You're Invited! Spread the word!



Holy Week Easter Festivities:

Palm Sunday April 2: Palm Celebration at 10:15am

Maundy Thursday April 6: 7pm Communion, Service of Diminishing lights

Good Friday April 7: 9am-12pm Personal Meditation and Communion

Easter Sunday April 9: 10:15am Easter Celebration with Communion

***Be on the lookout for Easter flower order forms. The office is waiting for the flower shop to supply more information.**



Bethel Buddies are requesting your help! Bethel Buddies will have an Easter Egg Hunt on Thursday April 6th. We are asking for a total of 340 eggs stuffed (10 eggs per student, 34 students.) We ask that all candy be nut free for those with allergies! There will be a donation box located in the narthex. We ask for all donations by Friday March 24. We appreciate the BIG help!



The Board of Directors is pleased to announce that Va Cun will be assuming the role of Executive Director, United Caring Services effective February 8, 2023.

Va's career spans academia, higher education administration, and the nonprofit sector. The unifying themes of her professional work are equity and social justice. Moreover, she brings a wealth of experience and knowledge from her roles working with first-generation, low-income university students at the University of Southern Indiana to founding a micro nonprofit, Southwest Indiana Yoga Project, advocating for holistic health in underserved communities. She joins United Caring Services (UCS) from her most recent position as Director of Development with United Methodist Youth Home, where she led both internal and external communications as well as oversaw all fundraising related strategies and activities. Her passion, energy, and commitment to our community uniquely position her to lead the expanding work of UCS.

The mission of United Caring Services is "to provide values-based, low barrier, sustainable, and high-quality homeless shelters, services and solutions". As homelessness becomes an increasingly visible issue in southwest Indiana, we are excited that Va will work alongside community partners to provide shelters, services, and solutions to unhoused individuals. "United Caring Services is a transformative agency both for those who are served and for our community. I am honored to lead and serve so that together, we may realize the vision of 'a collaborative community of caring,'" said Executive Director Va Cun.

United Caring Services began as a day shelter and has grown to include both men's and women's night shelters, a medical respite program, white flag services and low-income apartments. A Diversion Center will open this year. "Each of our executive directors has helped this growth. We are enthused by Ms. Cun's competence and commitment as we continue to expand, offering more services and bringing to reality additional projects that will help solve homelessness in our community," stated Stephanie Weiner, Chair of the UCS Board of Directors.

Va holds a Master of Arts in socio-cultural Anthropology from the University of California-Berkley and Bachelor of Arts degrees in Political Science and French from Indiana University. She is also an advisory board member with the Vanderburgh Community Foundation and a community volunteer at Crossroads Christian Church.

Please help UCS Staff and Board welcome Va



Happy March Birthday to:

3	Sharon Greubel	16	Debra Marx	23	Kai Webster
4	Janel Allen	17	Kyle Perigo	26	Phillip Damm
8	Scott Scales		Doris Rohler		John Glaser
9	Jolayne Haller	21	Jennifer Farney	27	Louella Komuves
10	Lori Glaser	22	Clifford Kley Meyer		Sue Layman
				28	Kati Schultheis
				31	Frederick Bullinger

Happy March Anniversary to:

7	Steven and Linda Hape
17	John and Lori Glaser
22	Jerry and Vicki Langford
	Kevin and Robin Schneider
26	Chance and Jennifer Webster

Memorials:

Donations given memory of Lloyd Caldemeyer to the Memorial Fund: Carolyn Stephens, Sue W. Dewitt, James and Barbra Markwell, Larry and Patti Coleman

In Memory of Lloyd Caldemeyer to the Helping Hands Fund Frank and Judi Schultheis

Baptisms: February 19th Gavin Wininger, son of Chad and Jennifer Wininger

BETHEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST STAFF

(812) 473-0135 www.bethelucc.org

Rev. Samuel Buehrer, Senior Pastor	sbuehrer@bethelucc.org
Cynthia Grassman, Director of Music	cgrassman@bethelucc.org
Cynthia Jones, Program Associate	cjones@bethelucc.org
Abby Thomas, Youth Choir/Musical Theater Director	athomas@bethelucc.org
Melissa Conville, Office Administrator	office@bethelucc.org
Christy Woywood, Financial Secretary	cwoywood@bethelucc.org
Denise Carter, Preschool Director	dlane@bethelucc.org
Sue Layman, Accompanist ~ Tristan Arnold & Miranda Meister, Audio-Visual	
Hannah Jamison & Deborah Reising, Nursery Workers	
Rev. Donald Bernhardt, Pastor Emeritus	

Nursing/Rehab/Retirement Home/Homebound

Celebration Villas of Newburgh 5311 Rosebud Ln., Newburgh IN 47630	Georgia McRae-Apt. 313 (812)704-0059
Hamilton Point 858-5300 3833 Eli Pl., Newburgh, IN 47630	Darlene Neidig (801)
Heritage Center 429-0700 1201 W Buena Vista Rd., Evansville, IN 47710	Victor Luhring (149)
North Park Nursing Center 425-5243 650 Fairway Dr., Evansville, IN 47710	Nancy Westbo (159)
Protestant Home 476-3360 3701 Washington Ave., Evansville, IN 47714	Jeanette Plane - South Warren McCullough (4-ABN)
River Pointe 475-2822 3001 Galaxy Dr., Evansville, IN 47715	Ritchie Taylor (528)
Cathedral Health Care 520 West 9 th St, Jasper IN, 47546	Jana Bonifer
Walnut Creek Special Care Center 525 Bente West Ct. Evansville, IN 47715	Sandra Altheide 5B
Woodlands 4088 Frame Road, Newburgh, IN 47630	Arlene Horton (214)

Updated 2.17.23