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SEPTEMBER 2024 Bethel Record/Newsletter



Monthly Mission: Back Bay Missions

Communion Sunday → September 1st

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE → September 18th

OFFICE CLOSED → Labor Day - September 2nd

OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY - THURSDAY 8AM - 2 PM, FRIDAY CLOSED



OUR VISION IS TO BE UNITED IN SEEKING GOD'S WILL
AND SERVING ALL PEOPLE.

Because we affirm the face of God in all, we fully welcome and include people of all abilities, ages, cultures, gender identities, races, sexual orientations, and socio-economic backgrounds, into our life and ministry.

MISSION FOCUS - SEPTEMBER 2024 - BACK BAY MISSION



Back Bay Mission offers a variety of ministries serving the poor and marginalized of the Mississippi Gulf Coast and the people of the United Church of Christ.

Education and Empowerment: Low-income individuals and families need more than their immediate needs met. They need opportunities to learn, grow, and take control of their lives. From our client-run community garden to art classes, Back Bay Mission helps the people we serve realize their dreams and begin their journeys out of poverty.

Emergency Assistance: Back Bay Mission's emergency assistance program provides financial and material help to people in need. We operate the Mississippi Gulf Coast's only client-choice food pantry. We also provide limited help with utilities, prescription medicines, and securing vital documents.

Housing Rehabilitation: Housing restoration is a staple of Back Bay Mission's ministry. This program helps low-income families stay in their homes by making necessary renovations and repairs. Our professional and highly capable staff oversees volunteers from across the United States as they strengthen neighborhoods, seek justice, and transform lives.

The Micah Day Center and Homelessness Outreach: The Micah Day Center provides a safe and hospitable place for homeless residents to gather, have their needs assessed, access resources and find support for moving forward. For people who cannot make it to the Micah Day Center, the Mission offers homeless outreach services.

Mission Trips and Internships: Back Bay Mission provides powerful mission immersion experiences through mission trips to the Mississippi Gulf Coast, long term volunteer opportunities through the national setting of the United Church of Christ, opportunities for local volunteers, and the Shari Prestemon Social Justice Internship.

Supportive Housing: The supportive housing program at Back Bay Mission provides select homeless individuals and families with housing and supportive services to address the issues that caused their homelessness. Learn more at: <https://thebackbaymission.org/>

BETHEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

WOULD LOVE FOR YOU TO JOIN!

BECOME AN OFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE
BETHEL UCC CONGREGATION!

MEMBERSHIP CLASS - SEPTEMBER 8, 2024 @ 9:15 AM

RALLY DAY ROUND-UP



08 SEP. 2024

Immediately
following the 10:15
a.m church service
where the Bethel
Buddies
Preschoolers will
perform

Stock Up Stockwell – The Final Count!

Thank you for donating school supplies!!

Thank you for the financial donations!!!

Stockwell students are using these items right now as you read this.

682 Ticonderoga #2 pencils	19 Art boxes
92 Jumbo Kindergarten Ticonderoga pencils	20 1-inch binders
66 Crayola 24-count crayons	70 Composition notebooks
52 Crayola colored pencils	64 Post-it notes
110 Black Expo dry-erase markers chisel tip	21 Kleenex
4 Clorox wipes	4 spiral notebooks
2 pkgs. Wide ruled paper	3 glue sticks
2 pkgs. colored markers	4 bottles of glue

Boys underwear, 10 pairs to a package in sizes XS, S, M, L, XL.

Girls underwear, 14 pairs to a package in sizes 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16



New this year! Amazon provides a site where teachers can create wish lists for their classrooms. It works like the online wedding gift registries. Due to your generosity, we were able to purchase a gift for each teacher from their wish list! What a nice surprise for them as they returned to their classrooms.

*A special note of thanks goes to the **Stockwell Girl Scout Troop** that delivered the supplies to school!*



Bethel Buddies

Child Care & Preschool



**Monday-Friday
8:15a.m.-3:30p.m.**
**Employment opportunity for a
dedicated and nurturing Early
Childhood Teacher to join our
preschool team.**

***Startling pay of \$15.00 per
hour**

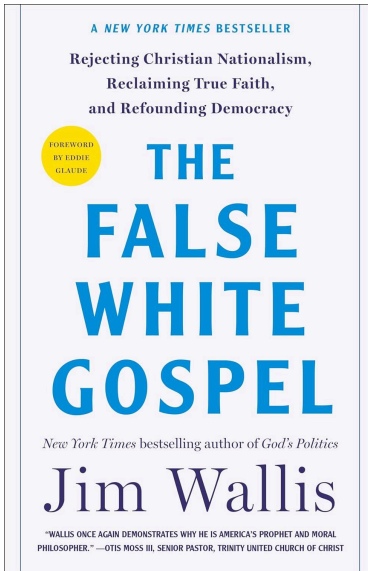
***Aprox. 34 Hours Weekly
*Paid Holidays *Earned PTO &
Vacation Time**

**The ideal candidate will have
experience working with
young children as well as a
love for teaching and helping
little ones grow and learn.
This role is responsible for
providing high quality
education that fosters age
appropriate cognitive and
social emotional development.**

- Blessing of the Cubbies:
- Back-to-School Night: September 9th
- Grandparents Day:



NEW BOOK STUDY



You are invited to join an eclectic group of clergy and lay persons for a study of Jim Wallis' The False White Gospel. In debunking the claims of Christian Nationalism, Wallis invites us to consider 6 core biblical texts. He encourages clergy to base sermons on them and all of us to have discussions about them prior to the election. To enable that, United Church of Christ members and others who wish to join us are invited to eight weeks of conversation and prayer:

- Tuesdays, Sept. 10 – Oct. 29 at 10 AM at St. Paul's UCC (West Side), 7700 Middle Mount Vernon Road and
- Thursdays, Sept. 12 – Oct. 31 at 5:30 PM at Christ UCC, 3601 Washington Ave.

The same chapters will be covered each week at both locations. The Thursdays are in recognition that some of us are not free in the mornings. For Thursdays to be viable, we need at least 6 people to attend.

Please let Rev. Stephanie Weiner know you are interested: stephanieweiner4@gmail.com

EVPL has the book. It is \$21 at Target and via Amazon, free for an Amazon Audible Audio Books trial. Book sharing is an ecological option. Hope you can come!

2024 BACK BAY MISSION TRIP

Dates: November 2 - 9, leaving EVV VERY EARLY on Saturday, November 2.
More information coming in October

Mission Team: Most members help with building/renovation projects, but other jobs involve serving meals, helping in the Micah Day Center or Client Choice Food Pantry, or running errands.

Cost: Last year the cost for lodging and program at BBM was \$150 per person. We also paid \$50 each toward food costs. If there is any change it would be small.

Meals: Almost all meals are prepared and served at the mission house. Some groups go to a local restaurant together one night (we will probably do this). We take sack lunches to the worksite. We ate VERY WELL last year.

So far, we have 3 members of Bethel going. Interested? Contact Lee Ann Shafer (812-746-2984). More info is posted on the bulletin board in the narthex.

MISSION
BACK BAY

Save the date for the UCS Golf Scramble: September 30, 2024, at Cambridge Golf Course.

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2024

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**GOLF
SCRAMBLE**

*Monday
September 30th
Lunch 11:30am
Tee Off 12:30pm*

*Cambridge
Golf Course*
1034 Beacon Hill
Evansville IN, 47725



HABITAT BUILD DEDICATIONS



The UCC/DOC build is complete and we are anticipating the announcement of the dedication ceremony in the very near future.
Please keep your eyes peeled for that information.

The Veteran's Build is also nearing completion and we are expecting that home dedication to occur in October.

Thank you all who have donated and volunteered to make these builds possible!

BIRTHDAYS



AND ANNIVERSARIES

Happy September Anniversaries to:

28 Donna & Richard Condi

Happy September Birthdays to:

8 Regena Bell	20 Wilder Allen
8 Aleena Webster	26 Karen Haas
11 Michele Vanhooser	29 Gabriel Schentrup
13 Susann Jett-Phillips	

Family and Friends Serving in the Active Military - We hold in our prayers: * Jacob Swanson, Army, grandson of Ruth Willis.

Memorial: Donations to the Music Fund in Memory of Marianna Vogel were made by Frank & Judy Schultheis, Carolyn Stephens, Laurel Vaughn, David & Angela Hammelman, Helen Ancona, Pat Stoltz, Bruce & Joan Roth, Good Samaritan Home, and Rolling Hills 9 Hole.

Donations to the Outreach Fund in Memory of Ron Phillips were made by Bruce & Joan Roth



NURSING/REHAB/RETIREMENT HOME/HOMEBOUND

Name	Room #	Address
Georgia McRae (812)704-0059		<i>Currently being updated</i>
Victor Luhning	149	Heritage Center 429-0700 1201 W Buena Vista Rd., Evansville, IN 47710
Harriet Anderson	103	Holiday Villa 1200 W Buena Vista Rd., Evansville, IN 47710
Nancy Westbo	153	North Park Nursing Center 425-5243 650 Fairway Dr., Evansville, IN 47710
Letta Fraccaro	1119	Covenant Living at The Holmstad 700 W. Fabyan Pkwy, Batavia, IL 60510
Linda Garrett Jim Vogel	117 226	Primrose Retirement Community 9800 Lincoln Ave., Newburgh, IN 47630
Jeanette Plane	SOUTH RM.3	Protestant Home 476-3360 3701 Washington Ave., Evansville, IN 47714
Sandra Altheide Ritchie Taylor	316 528	River Pointe 475-2822 3001 Galaxy Dr., Evansville, IN 47715
Doris Rohlfer	108	Brickyard / Woodlands Care Center 4088 Frame Rd, Newburgh IN, 47630
Cliff Kley Meyer		600 S Cullen Ave #603, Evansville, IN, 47715

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