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A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

he month of October seems to usher in a time of change. The seasons change with cooler temperatures and the daylight hours grow shorter. There will be a time change soon and the holiday season will come quickly. There is also much change taking place in our world with various countries transitioning to new leaders. There is the change that the Covid virus has brought to our world with many people being affected. In the middle of all the change that we see it is encouraging and comforting to know that God does not change. Malachi 3:6 says "I the Lord do not change". Hebrews 13:8 says "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." James 1:17 says "Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows." We serve a God who does not change. Everything around us might change but God does not. The one constant in our lives is the Lord God Almighty! In a changing world we can have confidence because we are trusting in God who does not change.

Straight Ahead!

Pastor Doug

Prayer Groups

House of Prayer ~ First Sundays @ 6pm

Men's Prayer ~ Thursdays @ 7am

Moms In Prayer ~ Tuesdays @ 7pm & Wednesdays @ 9:30am

Church Events

- Oct. 1 Kids Movie Night
- Oct. 3 House of Prayer
- Oct. 6 Lunch Bunch
- Oct. 10 Alabaster Sunday
- Oct. 14 Tot Time starts!
- Oct. 15 Family Game Night
- Oct. 19 50-UP
- Oct. 20 Teen Farmstead Trip; Board Meeting
- Oct. 24 Sunday School Teacher Lunch
- Oct. 27 Harvest Party

Look what's happening...

Single Again Lunch Bunch - Wed, Oct. 6 @ noon.

Bring a sack lunch and join us in the Fellowship Hall. Contact Bertie Stout with questions.

50-UP Fellowship Night - Tue., Oct. 19 @ 5:45pm

This month is indoor Picnic! Please sign-up at the Welcome Desk if you can bring a side dish. Our entertainment will be the Jr. Jammers. Please sign-up at the Welcome Desk so that we can prepare enough food. If you need a ride that night, please also put your name down on that list.

Family Game Night - Friday, Oct. 15 @ 6pm - EVERYONE is invited to join in. Please bring a favorite game and a snack to share. We'll also have Pickleball and Corn Hole setup in the gym. Don't prefer games? Come for the fellowship!

New Sunday School Class starts October 10 - Christianity 101, Sundays at 9:00am in Room 102 (by the Fellowship Hall). This class is for new believers or those who just never learned Bible basics. Jackie Clapp will be teaching.

Alabaster Sunday - Sunday, October 10

We will be collecting Alabaster boxes during both Sunday morning services. The kids will bring theirs to service for the Alabaster parade and you can join in! Alabaster provides buildings and property for churches and missionaries around the world.

Kids & Family Movie Night! - Fri., Oct. 1 @ 6:30pm

As a wrap up to the series about emotions we will be watching the movie "Inside Out" in Bethel Kids' Dept. All kids and their families are invited! Snacks provided; feel free to bring blankets and pillows.

Tot Time is coming back! - starting Thursday, October 14 from 10:30am-noon in PromiseLand. Parents are invited to bring their kids age Kindergarten and younger to this time of fellowship. The kids play and the grown-ups chat! There's also a short devotional and prayer time. Come check it out! We meet every Thursday throughout the year.

Teens Headed to Farmstead Pumpkin Patch! - Wed. Oct. 20, we'll be leaving the church at 5:30pm and be back by 8:30pm. Cost is \$5 per person. Signup with Pastor Matt so we can plan rides.

With Grace & Goodies Christmas Craft Fair -

Saturday, November 13 from 9am to 4pm. Join us for a day of great shopping! There will be 30 local vendors offering all kinds of goods for sale. Come support our Bethel family and get some Christmas shopping done! Contact Tammy Wightman if you would like to reserve a booth.



October 27th * 6:00-8:00pm All Outdoors this year!

Join us out by the Picnic Shelter for a FREE chili/ hotdog dinner, pumpkin patch, hayride, barrel train, photo ops, Trunk-or-Treat, obstacle course, fresh donuts and games!

We need to collect LOTS of **CANDY** for all the events!! We also need lots of **VOLUNTEERS** to help with games, dinner crew, clean up etc. Please sign up at the Harvest Party table in the foyer for the different things. Talk with Pastor Kym or Pastor Kaleb if you have questions.

Bring your friends, family and neighbors for fun, games, prizes and a chili dinner!

Help us fill up the Candy Jar in the foyer with M&M's! 100 candies = 1 M&M



October is Pastor Appreciation. Take some time this month to encourage and pray for our faithful pastors.

Pastor Doug & Joni ~ Pastor Josh & Shawna
Pastor Kym & Scott ~ Pastor Bob & Kathy
Pastor Matt & Megan ~ Pastor Kaleb & Courtney
Pastor Weldon