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Celebrating and Sharing God's Love

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Carol Wenger recently dropped off a page from the *Magnolia Journal*. It was found among some of Bob's papers and was saved near the end of his life. As she said, it was "one last gift from Bob to Zwingli!" The page bears a message that is desperately needed today. Please hear these words of wisdom:

We believe in friendship, in community, and in gathering side by side.

We believe in lively conversation. The kind where our differences are realized and met with honor. The kind where we leave having been made better.

We believe that when gathered around the table, there's room enough for all of us, where strangers become friends. And friends become family.

(Chip and Joanna Gaines, *Magnolia Journal*, issue 15 (2020), p. 80)

Knowing Bob, he saved these words because they reflected his hopes for our community and world and the life he and Carol strived to lead. I also trust Bob believed that the statement reflects aspects of the faith we try to embody at Zwingli.

As we approach elections this year and in the future, it will be a challenge to abide by such wisdom and hope in a country so divided. When we face so many places in life where opinions and principles differ and become a source of discord and quarrels, or where hateful speech and actions persist, it seems as if such words and the actions they encourage are sentimental or inadequate. But they are words that are incredibly powerful and suggest a way of life that echoes our call to be followers of Jesus. To live such a Christ-like life takes courage and persistence. Yet, we may not always reflect the meaning or power of words like these or the Gospel life entrusted to us. But Christ does not ask for perfection, only faithfulness. So, let us strive to live up to the hopes and faith that we hold dear, especially in this month where we cast our votes and where we give God thanks for all things.

And thank you, Bob, for reaching out in faith and love once again.

Peace, Butch

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We have new stained glass in the Zwingli sanctuary that was paid for as a gift in loving memory of Betty Ludwig! This beautiful window design by Mark Beard of Scintilla Architectural Stained Glass represents Welcome! The window's design is dominated by three large pineapples - each representing a statement of "Welcome," "Warmth," and "Hospitality". This invitation is repeated three times for emphasis.

We often see the Holy Spirit's presence represented with red flames. Here Mark uses blue tones which offers a calming sense of peace, respite, and joy.

There is a Monarch Butterfly which represents the fragility of life and our ongoing journey of faith.

There is also a brown tea pot. Making tea and its offering to strangers is recognized around the world as a symbol of warmth and an invitation of hospitality.

Come and view it in person! Pictures do not do it justice.



INSTALLERS NEEDED FOR NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT!

The new playground equipment we ordered for Zwingli Nursery School (ZNS) has arrived and we need people to help install it. We hope to have the playground installed in the next month or so. Please see Lisa or Tom Cinciripini if you are willing to help with installation.

The Zwingli Nursery School Board is very excited and grateful to receive something positive from the pandemic. We want our Zwingli Nursery School (ZNS) kids -and all the neighborhood kids- to have a safe, welcoming place to play. So, we ordered and received new playground equipment in the last few weeks. The funding for the new playground came from the grant ZNS received from the state that helped our school stay open throughout the COVID epidemic. The endowment we received also helped to pay for curriculum, rent, advertising, bonuses for our teachers and our cleaning crew.



Yes, Flu and Covid -19 Vaccines Can Be Given at the Same Time! By Kristie Lowery, Faith Congregation Nurse

"You shall serve the LORD your God, and he will bless your bread and your water, and I will take sickness away from among you."

Exodus 23:25

A common question being asked currently: "Is it safe to get a flu shot and a COVID-19 shot at the same time? The Center for Disease Control (CDC) has stated that it is safe to get a flu vaccine and a Covid-19 vaccine at the same visit if you are due for both vaccines. Giving more than one vaccine at a visit is common medical practice and is recommended. The idea is to get people up to date on all the vaccines they are due for at one visit, in case they are not able to return for additional vaccination at a later time. Studies conducted through the COVID-19 pandemic indicate that it is safe to get both vaccines at the same time.

Last year, due to COVID-19 precautions (masking, distancing, and hand hygiene) to stop the spread of that virus, the United States saw very little flu. However, that raises concerns for the current flu season in 2022. Due to the easing of Covid restrictions and a lack of immunity from the flu last year, it could lead to worse-than-usual current flu season. Early flu and early COVID symptoms can present with similar symptoms.

Precautionary measures can help to avoid either virus in the first place by having

increased immunity to resist the viruses. The CDC indicates that vaccines given in combination has shown that immunity is similar and side effects are similar, so there is no reason that you need to spread them apart. The CDC is advising that people get a COVID dose (if eligible) at the same time as getting the flu shot.

Ideally, the flu vaccine should be administered between mid-October and mid-November to reach the immunity needed for the onset of flu season that occurs in December. It takes up to two weeks to build the antibodies and immunity to resist the virus. The timing of the flu vaccine is a priority in order to have enough immunity when the flu season arrives. If the timing for your COVID-19 vaccine coincides with the timing of the flu vaccine, the vaccines may be administered at the same time.

It is not a problem to receive the vaccines in the same arm. There is no reason to separate the vaccines into both arms. However, having both vaccines in the same arm may leave that arm a little more sore than receiving only one vaccine. If you want to have one arm without soreness, then have the vaccines administered in the same arm. It is your preference that determines having the vaccines in separate arms or having both in one arm. The advantage to getting the vaccines at the same time is that it will improve your immunity and you will not have to remember to return for the second one.

There is one disadvantage to getting the flu vaccine and COVID-19 vaccine at the same time. The side effects for each vaccine such as fatigue and headaches may be exasperated when getting the vaccines together. If you have a tendency of having significant reactions to vaccine, then you may need to consider receiving the vaccines spaced apart.

The bottom line is that having some coverage is better than having nothing at all. If you have the opportunity, to get them both, consider doing so. You will be protecting yourself and your loved ones.

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URGENT STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE: CATCHING UP TO EXPENSES

The August plea for additional offerings to help the church catch up with expenses resulted in an almost doubling of offerings in September compared to August. Thank you for the generous giving. Total 2022 offerings as of September 30, 2022, however, are about \$51,000 less than this same time last year. This is a reversal of our status earlier this year. Between the lower giving and higher expenses, Zwingli still remains nearly \$57,000 behind expenses.

There have been a lot of mission outreach needs presented to the congregation recently and we certainly don't want to take away support for these local and world-wide critical needs, but Zwingli UCC is also a critical mission and ministry for sharing God's love and it is also in critical need of your support. The Ministry of Stewards requests that each member of congregation prayerfully consider how you can help support Zwingli's critical mission in sharing God's love either through a one-time gift or by an increase in regular giving for the remainder of the year. Thank you!



The Advent "Hanging of the Greens" service will be held on Sunday, November 27. This is a well-loved service and participation friendly. Of course, we may need to alter some of the things we usually do, so stay tuned as we plan how the service will happen. More information will be sent via email, snail mail, Facebook, Z-News and other means once plans are finalized.



Plans are to continue the Advent Stocking Children's Message Series during Advent. As stated above, we're still considering how best to carry on this young, but well-loved tradition.



CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

November 13 - Arrive at church a couple minutes earlier and enjoy a continental breakfast. The Shepherds will be hosting a Continental Breakfast between 8:00 and 9:00. Join us in the Family Life Center for Bagels and cream cheese, fruit, and yogurt, and of course, baked goods. Grab a cup of coffee and join us for breakfast and fellowship.





Please support the Bethany Children's Home Angel Tree – sponsored by the Zwingli Sunday School program

It's almost Advent, so that means it is time for the Bethany Children's Home Angel Tree. We will have decorated angels available for you to take home starting on November 27. There are two ways you can participate in this important ministry.

 Purchase a NEW gift from the lists out in the atrium (also enclosed) and place it (UNWRAPPED) in the box in the breezeway by end of day on Sunday, December 18.

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Purchase a gift from this Amazon Wish List: https://amzn.to/3MYx5cN
You may receive a notice that this could be a duplicate gift – that is ok. Bethany needs multiple orders of all the items on our wish list. Go ahead and order the item even if it's a duplicate.

You will need to put in a new shipping address for any items ordered off the Amazon Wish List.

Please use:

Bethany Children's Home Amazon Gift Registry 1863 Bethany Rd Womelsdorf, PA 19567

Items purchased from the lists picked up in the atrium need to be dropped off in the donation box at the church by end of day on Sunday, December 18.



ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Join us Sunday mornings at 10:15 am in the sanctuary for the following classes:

November 6 Failure? Part II

Do you consider yourself a failure? Are you afraid of failing? Are we failing as a church, as Christians even though we try our best and work so hard? On October 30 and November 6, we will ask look at failure in a possibly new way and hopefully find good news in it.
Rev. Dr. Deborah Rahn Clemens, a daughter of Zwingli and retired Pastor after 38 years will lead the conversation.

November 13 Joint Adult Bible Study Led by Jonathan Widgins

November 20 Travel Adventures

Pastor Butch will lead this class which will focus on a few historical, cultural, spiritual, and fun sites that he and Sally encountered while in the United Kingdom. Castles, campers, Abbeys, a wedding, and the moors will be just a few of the points of interest.

November 27 Guns and Suicide: The Means Matter We are excited to have Mark Boorse lead this very informative and thoughtprovoking presentation for Adult Electives.

December 4 Joint Adult Bible Study Led by Toni Kramlik

December 11 Caring for a Loved One with Dementia

A day in the life of a caregiver for those with a form of dementia can seem like a 36-hour day. It is often a role that is taken for granted. The dementia journey is like a roller coaster with many ups and downs, and sometime more downs than ups. Caregiver burnout is common. Kristie Lowery will focus on how support can be provided to the caregiver, and how we can help to lighten the load.

December 18 Welcome Project PA

Welcome Project PA is an organization that strives to be a diverse, safe place for the marginalized and vulnerable populations. It seeks to bring about positive social change to improve the quality of life for these individuals and families in the Greater Philadelphia area. Join us to learn how The Welcome Project PA helps our community and how Zwingli will be working with them. This ONA presentation will be led by Niki Kulp.



SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS/HELPERS WANTED

If you are interested in teaching or being a helper for our PreK through 5th grade class, please reach out to Erin Chalmers. Please see the Sign-up genius links below to volunteer. Any time you can help is appreciated. Thank you! Children's Sunday School

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0A4 FADAA2BAAFE3-zwingli

Children's Sunday School: https://bit.ly/zwkidsSStchrs

Youth Sunday School: https://bit.ly/ZwngYthSSteachers



YOUTH AND LYFT EVENTS

Look for Thanksgiving/Christmas activities coming out soon for Lyft and Youth Groups.

Information will be emailed to families prior to each event. Any questions and concerns should be directed to Pastor Alan. Email <u>pastoralan@zwingli.org</u> for more information and to get on our mailing list.



JOIN US IN-PERSON OR ONLINE FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP

Follow the directions below for your choice of worship.

IN-PERSON WORSHIP INSTRUCTIONS

Prelude music will begin at 8:45 am. Worship will begin at 9 am.

RETURN TO CHURCH GUIDELINES

After consultation with CDC guidelines, Montgomery County, and county COVID levels, *masking is optional*.

We continue to ask for your help in protecting our entire congregation and the wider community by staying home if you have mild symptoms, such as congestion or cough, and especially if you feel sick in any way.

Please stay home if you have experienced any of the following:

- Any Symptoms of COVID-19
- Have been exposed to Covid-19 over the last five days
- Have been advised to selfquarantine
- Are currently infected with Covid-19 or are undergoing treatment with Covid-19
- If you are unvaccinated, we recommend that you wear a mask or enjoy our services and special church events from home.
- Get vaccinated as soon as possible and keep up with vaccination boosters!! We encourage this out of our deep care for you.

We will continue to monitor pertinent information and make ongoing decisions about mitigation efforts as new information is available. We ask for your patience and hope our church community can be flexible enough to move in and out of restrictions with ease, if necessary, as we keep in mind the safety of our congregation and the community at large.



ON-LINE WORSHIP INSTRUCTIONS

Prelude music will begin at 8:45 am. Worship will begin at 9 am.

To join us on Facebook Live, go to: www.facebook.com/Zwingli.ucc

Don't have a Facebook Account? No problem –below are directions to watch

the worship service without a Facebook account.

- 1. Click on www.facebook.com/Zwingli.ucc/live at 8:45 am.
- 2. If video is not playing, click the word "videos" in the left column, then look at the first video thumbnail under "all videos". This should be the most current Live video. If you are early, you may need to refresh the page by hitting F5 on your keyboard.
- 3. You DO NOT need to log in or sign up to be able to view the service.
- 4. Remember, if you load the page before the stream starts, the stream will not pop up. You will need to refresh the page.

If you miss our live broadcast, you can watch at a later time:

Go to www.zwingli.org or Go to Facebook.com/Zwingliucc or Go to Twitter #Zwingliucc or Check your weekly Z-News on Monday.



ZWINGLI FALL CLEAN-UP Saturday, December 10, 2022 9:00 a.m. - Noon

Please bring your favorite garden rake and work gloves
Refreshments will be provided



ONA IMPLEMENTATION TEAM



Wednesday Nov 30, 2022 6:30pm-8:30pm

Zwingli UCC is hosting SAGA Community Center for a super fun Activity Night! Join us for games, snacks, and community for LGBT+ individuals and allies of all ages!

> Zwingli UCC 350 Wile Ave, Souderton, PA 18964



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WEDNESDAY PRAYER CIRCLE

We will meet for Prayer Circle with Pastor Alan or Pastor Butch **each Wednesday** of the month from 12:00 to 12:30. The zoom invitation will be sent ahead of time. We feel that heartfelt communal prayer is especially needed on a consistent basis as we continue to deal with individual, family and church concerns, the pandemics of COVID 19 and racism, as well as other societal issues and direction.



ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

All Saints Sunday is the first Sunday in November. We will celebrate long ago saints and those known to us as saints - people who inspired us by grit and determination to "keep on trying." Many of those people are the pastors whose lives shaped and influenced our own. Some of the PSEC pastors who retired years ago are now in need of special assistance.

Because their retirement income is low, the churches of the Pennsylvania Southeast Conference supplement the cost of their health benefits. We remember these saints as we receive the PSEC special All Saints offering. Your generosity will bring peace of mind and improved health to those who have served the church so faithfully in the past.

The entirety of the offering is used to supplement the needs of the retired pastors, spouses, and widows in the Pennsylvania Southeast Conference who need assistance with health and dental insurance.

Be a saint to those who have been saints and support this vital ministry. Please use the special envelopes provided or note All Saints Offering on your check or envelope.



CWSBLANKETS.ORG/DONATE

ADVENT MISSION APPEAL

When difficult times happen, a kind and loving response can make all the difference. That's why the Church World Service Blankets program was created—to give a kind, loving and tangible response to someone facing a difficult time, reminding them that they are not alone. Through the generosity of Church World Services partner organizations, congregations and individual supporters, our most vulnerable neighbors around the world can keep warm with fresh linens and clean sleeping quarters. This year the Missioners decided to support the CWS Blanket program. Blankets are provided, not just for those in need, but also when disasters hit. The Advent appeal will begin November 27th and Blanket Sunday will be December 18th. However, donations can continue to be submitted through the end of the year. One blanket is provided to those in need for every \$10 collected. Please help blanket the world in love.

HURRICANE IAN

On Sunday October 9th Karl Jones, UCC Disaster Ministries Coordinator, worshiped with Zwingli for the purpose of transferring the Church World Service cleanup buckets and hygiene kits that we had stored in the basement. In case you forgot, Zwingli is a local collection place for these items, not just for UCC churches, but any denomination who has assembled them.

Since they are stored in the basement, it's not one of our more visible missions. Karl also picked up buckets last summer after hurricanes and tornadoes hit lower Montgomery and Bucks counties. This time he picked up 87 cleanup buckets and 52 hygiene kits assembled by local churches and took them to the warehouse in Maryland for distribution. Note that on October 5th 4,500 cleanup buckets, 4,500 hygiene kits and 3,000 blankets were sent south from the Maryland distribution center in response to hurricane lan.



2023 CALENDARS AND GAME BOOKS

Collection has resumed for puzzle/game books for Bethany and calendars for SCI Phoenix prison. Both boxes have been moved to the floor in front of the Missioners table. Please note that spiral bound calendars cannot be sent to the prison, even plastic spiral bindings. They will be discarded.



THANK YOU TO THE ZWINGLI CROP WALKERS AND SPONSORS

We raised \$4,073.20!!!!!

Julie Neff and two of her children Adalyn and Harrison, Lee and Lois Hunsicker, Ed Bibic, Pastor Alan Miles and Lisa Cinciripini spent a beautiful afternoon on Sunday, October 9 walking and raising money for the 39th Annual Pennridge CROP Hungerwalk. Carol Wenger also raised money for this mission.

Twenty-five per cent of all proceeds will go to Pennridge FISH for local hunger use. The remaining funds will be used by Church World Service and its partner agencies for hunger and disaster relief in the US and globally.

NEIGHBORS IN NEED THANK YOU

Thank you for donating to Neighbors in Need which supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. One-third of NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM). Two-thirds of this offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries (JWM) to support a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects through grants. The total donated was \$1,024 closely matching last year's donation.



THANKSGIVING FOOD BAGS

Special thanks to everyone who contributed to this mission project in conjunction with Keystone Opportunity Center. We delivered 22 completed food bags (2 more than last year) and 3 extra gift cards. Plus, we delivered about another 20 items which went directly into Keystone's food pantry for general distribution. Your efforts will help make Thanksgiving Day more enjoyable for those less fortunate.

BURIAL PLOTS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE



Due to a generous member donation, Zwingli has twelve grave sites at Whitemarsh Memorial Park. We are offering nine grave sites for sale at \$1,000 each, plus a \$295 transfer fee. Transfer fees will most likely go up on November 2. After our members are given priority, we will then advertise outside our church, followed by letting local funeral homes know about the availability. We will retain three sites as a

donation for three needy families. Contact Ed Bibic for more information ebibic@verizon.net



IF YOU ARE HOSPITALIZED

Due to privacy procedures implemented by all healthcare facilities, it is much more difficult for the church to obtain information about patients than it has been in the past. If you or a member of your family is hospitalized, or at a rehab or other health facility, please let the church office and the pastor(s) know directly. This is the only way you can be certain this information will be received.



STAY INFORMED

If you want to stay current on what Zwingli Ministries and Council are doing, pick up a Pre-Council Report from the vestibule or contact Lisa in the office for an electronic copy. See the wonderful ideas that are being shared by your leaders!

CAN YOU HELP?

Volunteers are needed for a weekly Sunday rotation to sell the grocery store gift cards during the refreshment half hour. If you can help, please see Lisa Cinciripini. This is a simple task which helps our general fund. Training will be provided. We are hoping to do a rotation of five people and have three so far!



SIMPLE WAYS TO HELP THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET

GIANT, Landis and Shop Rite Gift Cards

By purchasing store gifts cards from Zwingli Church, on a Sunday morning or throughout the week, you help contribute 5% of your store spending to the general fund of our church. AND, it doesn't cost you a cent. Purchase a \$25, \$50 or \$100 gift card to Giant Stores, Landis Supermarket or Shop Rite through the church office. Thank you for your participation in this program!

SUPPORT ZWINGLI BY SHOPPING AT AMAZONSMILE!

When you shop at AmazonSmile, Amazon will donate .5% of your purchase to the Zwingli UCC general fund. Just go to smile.amazon.com, designate Zwingli United Church of Christ as your charity, and start shopping! Or type in this link which will take you directly to Zwingli's Amazon page:

https://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-6291301



FASAGEO'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT AND PIZZERIA FUNDRAISER

We have partnered with Fasageo's Italian Restaurant and Pizzeria, 724 Ridge Rd., Sellersville, PA for an ongoing fundraiser. Fasageo's will return 10% of any food sales purchased to Zwingli. You just need to inform them when placing your order for dine in, pick up, or delivery that you are a member of Zwingli. It's that simple!



ZWINGLI NURSERY SCHOOL

October was an exciting month. We had some new friends enroll in our school. We are learning the concepts: the color orange, the letters Cc, Dd, Ee, and Ff, the numbers 1 and 2, and the shape of a triangle. We celebrated Fire Prevention Week doing special art projects, playing with toy fire engines and firefighters, and reading stories and singing songs about them. At the end of the month, we will have a class Halloween parade and party.

KEYSTONE OPPORTUNITY CENTER

Current Needs

Fresh Produce: apples, oranges, bananas, carrots, potatoes, onions, celery, bags of lettuce

Sugar and Flour

Gluten Free Products

Tuna, Tuna, Tuna

Shampoo and Conditioner

Laundry and Dish Soap

Paper Towels

Toilet Paper

Gluten Free, Sugar Free and Low/No Sodium Products (for families with special dietary needs)

We do not accept adult incontinence products, adult diapers or baby food.

We ask that you please check the expiration dates on all donated items.

Any donation from the list above, whether large or small, is always greatly appreciated. Thank you for taking the time to help those in need. Your generous gift will help us to continue to serve families and neighbors in the Souderton Area School District and build better lives for themselves. The families we serve appreciate your generous donations.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING MAILING ARTICLES FOR THE DECEMBER MAILING IS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14!

SUNDAY MORNING USHERS/GREETERS

November 6 The Chalmers, Lee & Lois Hunsicker

November 13 Joanne & LaMar Kratz

Jonathan Kratz, Rhonda Moyer

November 20 Barry & Lois Johnston

Joan Yeager, Gladys Amspacher

November 27 Maureen Hartman, Liz Bibic

Tom & Toni Kramlik

December 4 Ed & Sue Rauch

Gene & Rhonda Moyer

December 11 Dale & Susie Woodland

Dave & Carol Reiff

ACOLYTE

November 6
November 13
Nora Jalboot
November 20
November 27
December 4
December 11
Nora Jalboot
Madison Klausfelder
Evan Chalmers
Cali Smeed
Caleb Jalboot

REFRESHMENTS

November 6 Pam Myers, Toni Kramlik

November 13 Missioners November 20 Trustees November 27 Stewards

December 4 Missy Rogers, Eleta Hittinger December 11 Sue Pro, Sandy Schuler

FACEBOOK MONITOR

November 6
November 13
November 20
November 27
December 4
December 11
November 6
Lisa Cinciripini
Sue Wack
Laurie Reynolds
Lisa Cinciripini
Kristie Lowery
Toni Kramlik

MONEY COUNTERS

Steward of the Month: Tara Kuhnsman

November 6 Tara Kuhnsman, Marian Eide

November 13 Mike & Jess Jalboot

November 20 Tara Kuhnsman, Joanne Kramlik
November 27 Kristie Lowery, Tara Kuhnsman
December 4 Charlotte Kramer, Tara Kuhnsman

December 11 Carol & Dave Reiff

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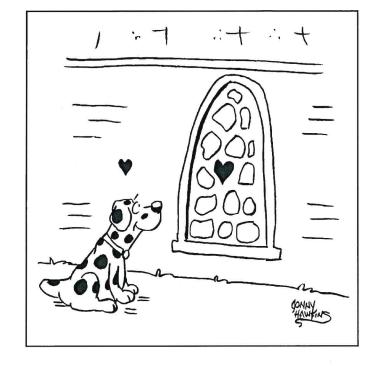




ONA COVENANT

At Zwingli United Church of Christ, we promise to engage and nurture Christ's light in all of God's people, no matter their sexual orientation or gender identity, race or ethnic background, social status, soul injury, religious beliefs, age, and physical, mental, or addiction challenges.

We aspire to be a counterweight to exclusion and discrimination. We choose to purposefully welcome and include all people in every aspect of our church family including worship, fellowship, and leadership, lay and ordained, and will meet you where you are on life's journey to share God's love with you. It is our commitment that all members should feel and be safe, as we express God's universal and unconditional love in our church, community and daily lives.



9.12.21



Christmas Wish List

Thank you for helping create new, positive memories in our youth's lives!

Bethany youth are 10-21 years of age.

We kindly ask that all items are new and unwrapped.

We appreciate age-appropriate gifts with the consideration of parental warnings, modesty and safety.

Clothing

bath robes: young women and men • athletic shorts: men's small • sports bras: M-XL • low-cut white athletic socks: men and women • sweatpants • men's athletic shorts • underwear • sports bras • men's gloves • men's pajama bottoms • women's pajamas

Cottage Needs

Zippered waterproof mattress cover – twin • tower fans • comforters for girls • lightweight twin-size blankets • towels • washcloths • pillows • all-plastic hangers • mp3 players • flat irons • Dust Busters • bagless vacuum • air fryers • plastic laundry baskets • deodorant • cocoa butter

Recreation

indoor basketballs 29.5 inch • Lego sets: classic cars, super heroes, Star Wars • mechanical tool set • 2-stage or 3-stage locking carabiners • Nerf guns and ammo • Roller blades or skates sizes 4-13 • multi-tools for fishing • 5-gallon water cooler • Mylec floor hockey balls - orange • knee hockey sets • 2-part resin for casting and pouring • adult beach volleyballs • footballs • TRX workout bands • badminton racquets and birdies • screwdriver sets • allen wrench sets • Olympic weightlifting bar • weights for Olympic bar • yoga blocks • hand wraps or MMA gloves

Music Education

earbud headphones • ukuleles • drum sticks • clarinet reeds (strength 2.5 and 3) • acoustic guitar strings • ukulele strings • guitar picks • hand percussion instruments • area rug • bean bag chairs • Menchey Music gift cards • iTunes gift cards • boomwhackers • hand drums

Art Studio

Michael's, JoAnne Fabric, GoggleWorks, and Shutterfly gift cards • wrapped canvases • canvas boards • canvas paper • acrylic paint • premixed acrylic pouring paint • acrylic gel medium • acrylic modeling paste • Gesso (White, Black, & Clear) • clear semi-gloss finish spray paint • spray paint, assorted colors • fabric paint • paint pens • tabletop easels • paintbrushes • washi tape • scratch art paper • calligraphy pens and inks • Pony Beads (including numbers and letters) • Masonite Board • gold leaf • Stabilo pencils • artists' pens • rubber stamps & ink pads • rub-on transfers • 3D string art kits • Diamond Art kits • dream catcher kits • sand art supplies • macrame cord • stencils • letter & number stickers • origami paper

Gift Cards

TJ Maxx, Ross, Dick's Sporting Goods, Ulta, Amazon, Barnes and Noble, Lowes, Home Depot, Michaels, Wal-Mart, Target, McDonald's and Kohls, Boyer's and Redner's markets, Turkey Hill, Giant, Domino's Pizza, gift cards for local greenhouses, Sheetz, Wawa, Foot Locker

Questions regarding gifts? Please call 610-589-4501, ext. 305.

Financial Gifts may also be made to support youth needs and activities throughout the year, www.bethanyhome.org
The official registration and financial information of Bethany Home Inc. and Bethany Children's Home, Inc. may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling toll free, within Pennsylvania, (800) 732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.

