

NICHOLS-BETHEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



The Enlightener

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“Come unto me,” says Jesus.

Ever since... Welcome... lies at the center of the Gospel.

Nichols-Bethel United Methodist Church THRILLS TO INVITE YOU

to attend... the GRAND OPENING WEEKEND... of it's ALL NEW

WELCOME CENTER

September 17-18, 2011

Saturday: 11 AM-2 PM COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE

Fun, Food, Tours, Community Resource Fair & More

Ravens Poe Mascot

Lunch Fare: Arundel House of Hope

Johns Hopkins Space Club

Relay for Life

Odenton Fire Department

American Cancer Society Face Screening

Red Cross Disaster /CPR

Nothing But Net: No More Malaria

Steel Drums

Balloon Guy

Odenton Library

Odenton Town Planning

All Scout Groups

Chamber of Commerce

O Malley Center, Department of Aging

Rec. Department

Building tours, NBUMC Missions Fair And Much, Much More...

Dedication Sunday:

9:30 AM Services begin in thanks.

We gather in the sanctuary to give God thanks for the welcome journey God has set before us, for God's vision of our Welcome Center and the provision of leaders, workers and donors who have made this great work possible.

10:25 AM Services continue at the WELCOME CENTER DOOR.

We process from worship to the Center, sharing in the DEDICATION OF THE BUILDING. (Outdoors, weather permitting.) Joyful surprises are in store. We enter with glad shouts!

10:35 AM Services continue in Praise led by our "Search Party" band.

AS YOU CHOOSE... remain for praise.

...*tour* the new and refurbished facilities.

...*enjoy* Welcome Education Classes in ALL-NEW or NEWLY -Assigned rooms.

...*Enjoy* lite table fare and a story: "If Walls Could Talk", Fellowship Hall.

11:25 AM Welcome Cake & Punch:

At the Beacon Café, the Overlook, Fellowship Hall



**Connecting
Through
Worship and
Praise**

July 3, 2011 Independence Sunday

Lev. 25: 10-14; Lk. 4: 14-22; Mtt. 5: 13-16

"From Fireworks to Faith!"

Holy Communion Rev. Ken

July 11, 2011 In the Kingdom's Season

Philippians 2: 5-15

"In Essentials Unity" Rev. Ken

Celebrating our VBS "Shake It Up"

Leaders & Teachers

July 17, 2011 In the Kingdom's Season

Phil. 2: 5-15 (sel.); Mark 9: 33-41

"In Non-essentials Liberty" Rev. Ken

July 24, 2011 In the Kingdom's Season

Phil. 2: 5-15 (sel.); Luke 16: 20-31

"In All Things Charity" Colby Knoll

July 31, 2011 In the Kingdom's Season

Isaiah 55:1-3; Matthew 14: 13-21

"O, To Be Filled! How Can It Be?"

Rev. Linda

August 7, 2011 In the Kingdom's Season

Matthew 14: 25-36

"Just the Hem of His Garment, Enough"

Meghan Humbert

Holy Communion

August 14, 2011 In the Kingdom's Season

Genesis 6: 12-22

Learning from the Best...

"Know What Noah Knows!" Rev. Ken

August 21, 2011 In the Kingdom's Season

Genesis 29: 16-27

Learning from the Best...

"We ALL Get Jolted Like Jacob" Rev. Ken

August 28, 2011 Promotion Sunday

Numbers 13:31-14: 5-9

Learning from the Best...

"Caleb Can Tell You: BELIEVING Is Seeing!"

**Connecting
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Praise
(continued)**

September 4 Labor Day Sunday

Matthew 20: 1-14

Learning from the Best...

"Take the BEST Bargain"

Holy Communion

September 18!!!

"Come Unto Me" ...

**A Day of Thanks, Dedication
and Praise**

Beginning at 9:30 AM

GRAND OPENING

The Welcome Center

This happens just once in a Lifetime!!!



Fourth Annual Series

“GRILL AND CHILL” WORSHIP

*Thursdays, June 30th – August 22nd.
WEEKLY Picnic on the East Lawn
(beginning at 6:30 PM)*

*Outdoor Worship 7:15-7:45PM.
Indoors for rain or excessive heat
(85+).*

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Just get together on a summer evening with church friends and families for a little outdoor supper... ‘Could be fresh off the grill...and a brief, informal time to share the Lord’s praises!

When we know we’re goin’ out of town or working the weekend... a time to refresh, renew and give God glory in the cool of the evening... relaxed, refreshing, recommitting to serve Christ in the week to come.

We’ll provide the grill, you can *help* bring the burgers and ‘dogs. We’ll cook or you can “grill your own.” Please bring a veggie or salad or fruit to share. (Make it easy!)

We’ll provide a cool drink.

You bring a blanket, or chairs, as you desire.

We’ll bring the music, a story for faith and time for words of prayer.

WE’LL HAVE A WONDERFUL TIME!!!



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Friday, August 12th we will be going to the New Windsor Service Center. Meet at the church at 8 a.m. Lunch will be provided. All welcome – men, women, children over 12 to do service projects.

Gallons of Good Times!

**GAS TOO HIGH?
‘SPIRITS TOO LOW TO DRIVE TOO FAR?
Can’t Get Away to Rest, Renew and
Play?
LET US HELP! JUST FOR FUN!**

July 10th PICNIC 12:10 -2 PM

*Family games and lots of fun
July 10th family games and picnic noon-2*

SUNDAE NIGHTS...

Watch the Bulletin for dates and times across the summer!
“Sundaes on the lawn” ... ice cream social extraordinaire!
(Toppings including fruits in season)

*Kids’ stuff to do. Youth stuff! Music for listenin’.
Sit and visit space.*

Bring the family, lawn chairs if you like. We’ll bring the I. C. & fixin’s. *Your Donations will help us keep the fun times comin’.*

FILM NIGHTS ...

Watch the Bulletin for dates and times across the summer!



The Cook's Corner

Love to cook? our church is blessed with many fine cooks who have delighted us over the years with some of our favorite foods! this is your space to share some of your recipes (or request one!!).

Bon appetite!

Jane Roser's Potato Salad

5-6 medium red potatoes
1/4 cup finely chopped onion
1/4 cup finely chopped celery , including some leaves (optional)
1 dill pickle, chopped
2 Tbsp dried parsley
6 strips bacon, cooked crisp and crumbled
1/2 - 1 tsp salt
1/4 tsp pepper
1 1/2 Tbsp vinegar
4 Tbsp vegetable oil
1 - 1 1/4 cups mayonnaise

Instructions

Cook potatoes in salted water until tender, 30-40 minutes. *Cool*. Cut into bite-sized pieces. Place in large bowl. Add next 5 ingredients. Sprinkle salt, pepper, vinegar and oil over all.

Gently turn all ingredients until well mixed.
Add mayonnaise and turn again until well moistened.
Refrigerate several hours before serving.

Mississippi Mud Cake by Diane Jones

1 cup chopped pecans
1 cup butter
1 4oz semisweet baking bar
2 cups sugar
1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
1/2 cup unsweetened cocoa
4 large eggs
1 tsp. vanilla extract
3/4 tsp salt
1 10.5 oz bag miniature marshmallows

Chocolate Frosting:

1/2 cup butter
1/3 cup unsweetened cocoa
1/3 cup milk
1 box powdered sugar
1 tsp. vanilla extract

Place pecans in a single layer on a baking sheet, bake at 350 for 8 to 10 minutes or until toasted.

Microwave 1 cup butter and semisweet chocolate in a large glass bowl at high 1 minute or until melted and smooth, stirring every 30 seconds.

Whisk sugar and next 5 ingredients into chocolate mixture. Pour batter into a greased 15 x 10 x 1 inch jelly-roll pan. Bake at 350 for 20 mins. Remove from oven, sprinkle with marshmallows, bake 8 to 10 minutes or until golden brown. Drizzle warm cake with Chocolate Frosting and sprinkle with toasted pecans.

For the Chocolate Frosting:

Stir together first 3 ingredients in a medium saucepan over medium heat until butter is melted. Cook, stirring constantly, 2 minutes or until slightly thickened; remove from heat. Beat in powdered sugar and vanilla at medium-high speed with electric mixer.

Welcome Center Wishlist

The Welcome Center is rapidly nearing completion, and we will be able to tour the new classrooms, cafe, and worship area. It's a really big space and eventually we will get tired and want to sit down. We need chairs! And tables! And lots of other things that you put inside buildings. Help us furnish and decorate the new Welcome Center by visiting <http://www.nicholsbethel.org/wishlist>, where you can browse the items that the Interior Design Committee has selected and donate the money to purchase a few chairs, or a table, of part of the stage, or part of the sound system....



well, you get the idea. Go check it out. You can donate by check, credit card, or PayPal. You can also contact the Church Office

Directly using the form on the back of this newsletter!

Additional doors/shelves in main café cabinet	-----	\$250.00
Adult Classroom 8 foot table	-----	\$110.00
Bronze Hardware	-----	\$100.00
Café Bistro Chair	-----	\$74.00
Café Table	-----	\$78.00
Coffee Maker		\$100.00
Faith Center 60 inch round table	-----	\$140.00
Granite Countertops (partial)	-----	\$100.00
Vestibule Entry Doors	-----	\$3000.00
Worship Center Stage (partial)	-----	\$100.00
Youth Room 8 Ft folding table		\$110.00
Youth Room Bookshelves	-----	\$300.00
Youth room Refrigerator	-----	\$300.00
Youth room sofa/couch	-----	\$550.00
Youth Room Stackable Chair	-----	\$25.00
Hercules™ Church Chair	-----	\$30.00
Lightweight Folding Table for Serving	-----	\$95.00
Mahogany wood rail cap	-----	\$475.00
Microwave Oven	-----	\$200.00
Opening Glass Wall (Partial)	-----	\$100.00
Shingles for existing building (partial)	-----	\$100.00
Sound system in worship center (partial)	--	\$100.00



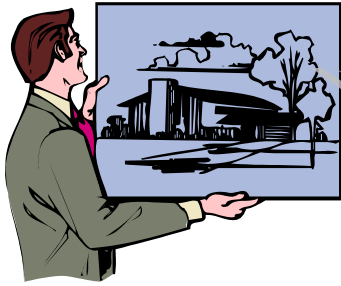
Young Adult Fellowship News

The YAF is a part of your Family Fellowship community dedicated to creating wholesome activities for young families and singles that take our church into the community for fun fellowship and witness.

There are times when we are served by the church and times when we serve Christ **through** the church. Both are wonderful expressions of the body of Christ, and richly bless everyone who participates. This month our parent group — the Family Fellowship Group — has been really active with preparations for the church carnival and getting ready for the Fall opening of the new building. These are wonderful opportunities to serve and have fun while we do it..

In July we're going to attend the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Bull Run in Manassas. And in August we're going to return to Jones Quarry for those who enjoy cave exploring, and for those who would rather shop we'll do some back to school shopping at the outlets in Hagerstown! To be tapped in to these and many other activities join the mailing list by emailing colbyk2@gmail.com

Sincerely,
Colby Knoll



Updates From the Building Committee ...

Construction:

All brick work has been completed; all the windows have been installed and more

Construction:

The exterior of the Welcome Center has been completed as well as the front drop off area. The second floor classrooms have been painted and the installation of the cabinets will take place the week of June 20th. The delivery of the elevator was on June 15th, with completion of the elevator by June 24th. All three restrooms have been tiled and wall covering is expected by completed by June 24th. Installation of the sinks, toilets and other plumbing will take place the week of June 20th. Most of the electrical and the HVAC work has been completed. The upper floor sprinkler system should be ready for testing by June 20th. All the ceiling grids have been installed with the clouds being installed in the multipurpose room. The new gravel parking lot and most of the sidewalks to the Welcome Center have been completed. The sidewalk, curb and guttering has been completed on Oakton Road.

We have received very positive feedback on the appearance of the Welcome Center. Please see picture showing the progress being made.

The projected completion date for the Welcome Center is mid July, 2011.

Cost to Construct the Welcome Center:

The cost of construction of the Welcome Center will be about \$1,635,000. The project cost has gone up \$10,000 due to required changes for HVAC access, sprinkler system requirements, etc. This cost does not include furnishings.

Cost of Site Work:

The cost of the site work has increased by about \$8,000 to \$688,000. We had to add curb and gutter on Oakton Road. The site work includes new parking, storm water drains and storm water management, water and sewer lines, fire hydrants, sidewalks, landscape plantings, etc.

Total Cost of Welcome Center Project:

The estimated cost for the entire Welcome Center Project will be about \$2,900,000 of which Nichols-Bethel UMC has already directly paid over \$1,265,000 from the Building Fund and the general reserves of the church. When you add the borrowed amount of \$983,492.88, the total amount spent thus far is more than \$2,248,492.88.

Financial Support:

As of June 12th, the Building Fund has raised about **\$1,049,140**. We must continue our financial support. There is no better time than now to give to the **BUILDING FUND**. Each gift will lower the amount of money we have to borrow or bond. *Would you prayerfully consider giving to the Building Fund?* We want to thank everyone for their financial support of the new Welcome Center!! We truly appreciate your support.

Other Opportunities:



Peggy Williams continues to update a list of furnishings and equipment needs and wants for each room of the Welcome Center. Please go to the Church web site at <http://www.nicholsbethel.org/wishlist> to access this list.

Dave Ritchie has developed a list of needs and wants for the audio and visual components for the main room (Faith Center) on the lower floor of the Welcome Center.

Financial Plan:

The Finance Committee in conjunction with the Building Committee has completed a financial plan for the Welcome Center Project. This plan is a three part model:

Cash, Gifts, Special Events. *Gifts, cash or securities* are interest free to Nichols-Bethel, reduce borrowing, and give a tax benefit to donor.

Events/fundraiser goal: \$25,000 annually.

2. Church bond \$300,000-\$500,000.

(This provides below market interest cost to Nichols-Bethel and above market return to donor.)

HELP US FILL OUR TOOL BOX!

As the UMYF begins to approach our journey to Camp Hope, we are beginning to assemble our yearly supplies list. Most of the items that we need for our tool box are disposable items and need to be replaced annually. YOU CAN HELP! Here is an assembled list of items that we typically purchase from WalMart before we leave for Frostburg. Next time you are out at WalMart, or the grocery store, or the Loews, why not give your Youth Group a thought and pick up something off the list. These items can also be found on the bulletin board outside of the Youth Room. Bring it to church and fill our Tool Box located in the downstairs hallway outside the Youth room.



- ◆ Boxes of assorted, individually wrapped chips for lunches
- ◆ Boxes of individually wrapped cookies. (we love your baking, but things typically go stale before we can enjoy)
- ◆ Cases of bottled water
- ◆ Paper Towels
- ◆ BUG SPRAY!!!!
- ◆ Waterproof, sweatproof, SPF 50, UVA and UVB, paba free Sunscreen
- ◆ Clorox antibacterial wipes
- ◆ Wasp Spray (we will need about 20 cans to start)
- ◆ "Off" yard and deck spray for other insects
- ◆ 40 gift bags from the dollar store or WalMart to put the T-shirts in as a gift for the kids
- ◆ Heavy Duty Trash Bags
- ◆ 7-9 Inch Box fans
- ◆ 2, 25 foot long orange extension chords
- ◆ PAINT BRUSHES!!!! Different Sizes needed (WalMart has a 5 piece set that is useful)
- ◆ Red Pole Roller Extenders (these have multiple uses throughout the week)
- ◆ Paint Can Lids (red, \$2.92 WalMart...they have a spout to keep the paint from spilling)
- ◆ Roller Trays and Liners
- ◆ Paint Stirring sticks
- ◆ Roller Covers
- ◆ Paint Trim Trays \$2.00
- ◆ Buckets to hold paint (3 sizes...\$.87, \$1.87, \$2.37 with a silver handle)
- ◆ Rolls of Painters Tape – Edge Lock! Preferably colored
- ◆ 5 rolls duct tape
- ◆ Caulk guns
- ◆ DOOR STOPS! (We need about 20 small brown door stops to be used at the dorm. We buy them every year and leave them for the next group to follow us.)
- ◆ Plastic rolls of Drop Cloths
- ◆ "Goof Off" or some similar product (10 cans to start)
- ◆ Work Goggles
- ◆ Terry Cloth towels for painting
- ◆ 5 new hammers

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UMYF

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

July 15 AND July 16: Pack for Camp Hope!

July 17-23: Camp Hope

Various Camp Hope meetings through July

ANNOUNCING NEW YOUTH VOLUNTEERS!

The UMYF would like to officially welcome and thank Steffanie Felder, David Baldwin, Russ Brill, John Geskey, Ed Garrant, Mim Garrant, Bonnie Ladd, Roy Ladd, Kristin Baldwin, Michelle Baldwin, and Grason Wolfe for their help and attendance at Camp Hope this summer! We look forward to more activities with them and are grateful for all their help and support!

SO WHAT IS CAMP HOPE?

Camp Hope is celebrating its 36th year anniversary. It is based out of Frostburg United Methodist Church and the campers are housed in the dormitories of Frostburg State University. It is a predominantly United Methodist based camp. The name of the camp is actually an acronym standing for Christian Appalachian Mission Project Helping Other People Enthusiastically. The homes that are worked on are in the Allegheny and Garrett County regions of Western Maryland. The camp runs for 4 weeks. Each week a different group of churches and campers attend. The average number of people attending a week is around 110.

This summer, we will work on over 60 homes. That means that over 1,500 homes have been touched by this program throughout its history. Many home owners are ill or infirmed, widowed, handicapped, or are in some other way not economically able to make some of the repairs necessary on their homes. Each work team is divided within the church itself. So, we will be working with our own youth and adults.

The day begins at 6:30 a.m. with morning devotions and breakfast, and concludes around 4:00 p.m. to return to the dorms to prepare for dinner and usually a well needed and much deserved shower! We travel to a variety of churches or community service organizations like the Lions Club for dinner each night. There, each church attending Camp Hope is assigned a night to lead vespers services. There is a spiritual life director who designs the spiritual theme for the week. This year's theme is "Man Vs. Wild!"

where we will be examining how we face varieties of conflicts within our lives. Wednesday evening concludes with the talent/variety show. Thursday is a half day of work and a half day spent at Rocky Gap State Park and picnic facility if our jobsites allow it. Thursday is dinner on your own night, as well as a Nichols-Bethel tradition...a trip to the FRUIT BOWL! We will be attending our week of Camp Hope with several other churches, including Towson, and Reisterstown UMC. We depart at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday, July 17 and return just around lunch on Saturday July 23.

Camp Hope Attendees this year:

- | Youth: | |
|---------------|------------------|
| 1. | Amanda Mcharg |
| 2. | Amber Crum |
| 3. | Carson Rehn |
| 4. | Grey Close |
| 5. | Jacqui Keck |
| 6. | Jen Smith |
| 7. | Jessica Blair |
| 8. | Jordan Brill |
| 9. | Julia Corrigan |
| 10. | Julianna Felder |
| 11. | Kaitlyn Geskey |
| 12. | Sydney Knoll |
| 13. | Victoria Laye |
| 14. | Alexander Laye |
| 15. | Berkley Close |
| 16. | Bradley Simpson |
| 17. | Doug Dale |
| 18. | Jake Vincent |
| 19. | James Park |
| 20. | Luke Musselman |
| 21. | Michael White |
| 22. | Nic Kiser |
| 23. | Robert Musselman |
| 24. | Ryan Baldwin |
| 25. | Taylor Keck |
| 26. | William McHarg |

- | Adults: | |
|----------------|------------------|
| 1. | David Baldwin |
| 2. | Steffanie Felder |
| 3. | Russ Brill |
| 4. | John Geskey |
| 5. | Ed Garrant |
| 6. | Mim Garrant |
| 7. | Bonnie Ladd |
| 8. | Roy Ladd |
| 9. | Kristin Baldwin |
| 10. | Michelle Baldwin |
| 11. | Grason Wolfe |
| 12. | Meghan Humbert |

Looking Forward to Fall – A NEW YOUTH ROOM!!!!

Just a little heads up about upcoming events in September when UMYF will officially re-convene after work camps and vacations. We will “officially” be in our new youth room in the new welcome center in September!! The building dedication weekend will be Saturday and Sunday September 17 and 18! This is a truly historical day in the life of the church and you won’t want to miss it. There will be Camp Hope Sunday for the church and for the youth to share their experiences and stories as we reflect upon Camp Hope on September 25. Plan on electing a new youth council to help plan and implement, including some new leadership positions! This will include a vice-president in charge of service, and a vice-president in charge of welcome and membership. Of course...PUMPKINS, PUMPKINS, PUMPKINS! Yes, the youth choir will be back in full force.

HOW TO PRAY

Summer's a great time to catch a little time-alone with God!



Prayer is intimate communication with God. It can be used before a meal, at bedtime, during a worship service, or any time the need or opportunity arises. Silent and spoken prayers are both okay and may be used liberally throughout the day. *Prayer is also taking time to listen to what God is saying to us.* You can use the great historic prayers of the church. (For example, look at pages 876-879 and prayers 890-896 in *The United Methodist Hymnal*. In fact, many of the hymns can help you form words for praying.) Save prayers from church bulletins or websites. There is a special strength that comes from knowing that saints before us have prayed in these words. Spontaneous

prayer is often best, and the following process may help build the habit.

Assess your need for prayer.

Take stock of the situation at hand, including your motivations. What are you praying *for* and why?

Choose a type of prayer. There are many. (Give them all their place on your heart.)

Prayers of *supplication* (requests for God's help), *contrition* (sin is confessed and forgiveness requested), *intercession* (on behalf of others), and *illumination* (Lord, help me understand) are helpful and time tested. Prayers can be lament ("Have you forgotten me, Lord?"), thanksgiving ("I am grateful for your gift, O God"), and submission ("Not my will, but Yours").

Select a physical prayer posture that best expresses what you are feeling/experiencing.

Many postures are appropriate: (None are more holy, just more fitting to the moment.)

- A most common type of prayer in the New Testament is from a prone position, lying face-down on the ground, arms spread.
- Kneeling with your face and palms upturned is good for prayers of supplication.
- Seated, bowed head with closed eyes and hands folded is common today and aids concentration.
- Prayer can be offered with eyes wide open, for example, perhaps when looking at the person for whom you are prayer, or (please!) when you are praying as you drive!

Offer your prayer.

Pray with confidence. God listens to all prayer and responds. Breathe deeply, relax, and be open as the Spirit leads you.

Listen.

Take time during your prayer simply to listen. Some prayer traditions involve only silent meditation as a means of listening for God's voice.

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If you are not "computer savvy" or just don't want to go online to donate to our Welcome Center, use the form below to make your selection and offer payment. Forms can be brought to the church office.

Welcome Center Wishlist

July-August 2011



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