

The Visitor

February 2020

Bethlehem United Church of Christ

Strong Headwinds & High Seas

by Rev. John Kennedy

"Right then, Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go ahead to the other side of the lake while he dismissed the crowds. When he sent them away, he went up onto a mountain by himself to pray. Evening came and he was alone. Meanwhile, the boat, fighting a strong headwind, was being battered by the waves and was already far away from land. Very early in the morning he came to his disciples, walking on the lake. When the disciples saw Jesus walking on the lake, they were terrified and said, 'It's a ghost!' They were so frightened they screamed. Just then Jesus spoke to them, 'Be encouraged! It's me. Don't be afraid.' Peter replied, 'Lord, if it's you, order me to come to you on the water.' And Jesus said, 'Come.' Then Peter got out of the boat and was walking on the water toward Jesus. But when Peter saw the strong wind, he became frightened. As he began to sink, he shouted, 'Lord, rescue me!' Jesus immediately reached out and grabbed him, saying, 'You man of weak faith! Why did you begin to have doubts?' When they got into the boat, the wind settled down. Then those in the boat worshipped Jesus and said, 'You must be God's Son!'"

- Matthew 8:22-33

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**Deadline for the
March Visitor is
Monday, March 2**



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Sometimes we are blessed with clear skies, calm winds, a solid boat, and smooth sailing. When we feel like we are in control, we become confident and are able to relax and enjoy the moment. We might even feel pride or even downright cocky about how well we are functioning and in command of our situation. Perhaps that's how the disciples felt just before they got into the small sailboat to cross the Sea of Galilee, after all they had just been a part of a miracle! Jesus and the disciples had just fed a crowd of five-thousand with 2 fish, and 5 loaves of bread. Anytime they were with Jesus they were amazed by his wisdom and his healing power. Yet, the winds of circumstances can swiftly shift in our lives and when they do our confidence can turn into fear. We make our worst decisions when we base them on our fears rather than on our faith and hope in God. A little anxiety can be a healthy motivator, when we manage and focus it to solve problems. A little angst may motivate us to put on our seatbelt, visit our doctor, or cross at the crosswalk.

But what happens when unexpected events come crashing over our lives, events that are bigger than us and beyond our control? Sometimes we are able to adapt but other times we may be battered by multiple events that batter the boats of our lives like high seas, strong winds, and rocky barriers. Our struggles grow larger than our lifeboats. We panic and we wonder where God is, and when will the storm end? The disciples went quickly from confidence and victory to seeing everything as a crisis. They cry out, why did Jesus send us out on the lake without coming with us. Why is he off praying somewhere while we are in a storm and when will he show up? It reminds me of what my Mom would say to me when I was being cocky. Mama said, "John, it's easy to be an angel when no one is ruffling your feathers"

But no matter how big our boat is there will always be storm and conditions that can threaten to wreck us. Jesus never promises us that we will not face hardship, illness, or pain. Jesus promises us that we will never go through it alone and that God is much closer than we realize if we pause, breathe, listen, and watch. Jesus says to the disciples, "Don't be afraid, take courage. I am here." Jesus is near, and the Holy Spirit is working for good even in the midst of our current storms. Let us look to Christ together for we are all in the same boat.

"Then Jesus said, 'Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you. Let me teach you, because I am humble and gentle at heart, and will give you rest for your souls'".

- Matthew 11:28-30

God loves us all with no take-backs!

Pastor John

Funeral Luncheon Help Needed

A very meaningful ministry that women in our congregation have provided are funeral luncheons for families of our active membership at the time of the death of a loved one.

A Funeral Luncheon Coordinator works with church staff and the family to determine what food will be served at the luncheon. The coordinator also recruits volunteers from a provided database to help with setup, serving, and providing some of the food.

We have reached a point where we are very much in need of additional people who would be willing to be a coordinator. We currently have four women who are coordinators, but there are times when no one is available. We would like to increase the number of coordinators to provide this leadership more consistently.

Thanks to Barb Fisher and Marian Caswell, who were our coordinators for many years, we have information and guidelines for organizing the funeral luncheons. And, of course, current coordinators are happy to share their experiences.

We always welcome more people who are willing to commit to this ministry. If you would consider adding your name to the list and/or you have questions, please contact me. Thank you.

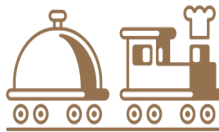
Sue Muir

On behalf of Women of Bethlehem Board

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YOUTH GROUP MEAL TRAIN

If you're able to support the Youth Group by preparing or ordering a dinner, please sign up using this link:



mealtrain.com/k7d4mr

then join us for dinner so we can chat and get to know you better!

Meditation Group

Lily is working with a Bethlehem member to explore the possibility of a meditation/mindfulness group at Bethlehem. Are you interested? The times we are considering include Wednesdays 12noon; Tuesdays 11am; Tuesdays 6:30-7:30. Please let Lily know if you're interested, and if you have a time preference.



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Dexter, MI 48130
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Web Site: STAndrewsDexter.org
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Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner & Bake Sale

Thursday, March 5 — 5:00 - 6:30 pm

Corned Beef, Cabbage, Carrots, Potatoes, Roll, Dessert and Beverage

Tickets available at the door for dine-in or carry-out meals
Adults \$10.00 — Youth \$5.00 (ages 5-12)



BUCC

OUTREACH MINISTRY

FEBRUARY 2020

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteer to prepare and serve dinner for Alpha House residents 2-4 times per year. The next opportunity will be in June.

Donations of the following are currently being sought:

- 64-66 qt clear plastic storage bins for organizational purposes
- NEW air mattresses or bed-in-a box sets (twin or queen size)

ALPHA HOUSE

Fresh produce collections will take place on the third Sundays in February and March during both church services.

Volunteer to prepare dinner at the Community Kitchen on the first Sunday of each month and/or at the warehouse on the third Saturday in February and April.

FOOD GATHERERS

Volunteer at PNC to prepare the afterschool snack on the fourth Tuesday each month during the school year, or help with produce distribution each Friday morning.

PEACE NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER

***"With every falling
flake, a unique
spark of interest
falls from heaven."***

P. Miller

(from Good Housekeeping Magazine)

What "sparks" you?



Bethlehem Gives...

During this current fiscal year the Outreach Ministry Team (OMT) selected three area partner agencies to support financially. Alpha House at Interfaith Hospitality Network, Food Gatherers, and Peace Neighborhood Center will each receive \$2,500 from the Outreach budget and designated donations. These organizations assist individuals and families in Ann Arbor and the surrounding area with safety net services including housing, food and meals, childrens' programs, and much more. Members of Bethlehem's congregation all have an opportunity to actively participate in the good work of these organizations by volunteering with them at their sites!

Interested in being notified of volunteer opportunities? We are working on setting up Signup Genius email lists and/or links for all of our current volunteer programs. Stay tuned for more information or check our webpage for updates.

<https://bethlehem-ucc.org/outreach/>

Don't forget-you can designate special donations directly to Outreach. These contributions help Bethlehem's OMT provide additional financial support to even more area organizations and church mission projects. It's a great way to honor or memorialize someone too.



OUTREACH ENCOURAGES SUPPORT OF ALL OF BETHLEHEM'S MISSION PROJECTS...

This year Outreach Ministry is helping support and promote the Mission projects of Bethlehem's youth and young adults.

- Stone Soup fundraiser for *Easy Water For Everyone*
- Habitat for Humanity of Genesee County Lenten "Calendar of Giving"
- Cake Auction fundraiser for the summer mission trip (exact details still in the works)
- ...and much more

Looking ahead –

- Bethlehem will be hosting the Ann Arbor CROP Walk in the fall of 2020

Memorials and Gifts

Gifts Received in January, 2020

CEMETERY MAINTENANCE FUND

Carole Katz Memorial

CHURCH SCHOOL FUND

Carole Katz Memorial

CURRENT FUND

Carole Katz Memorial

GENERAL MEMORIAL FUND

Carole Katz Memorial

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OUTREACH PROGRAM

Marie Slotten Memorial

PROPERTY IMPROVEMENT FUND

Barb Fisher Memorial

Carole Katz Memorial

RADIO FUND

Jim Carpenter Memorial

Carole Katz Memorial

Godfrey Keppler Memorial

Margaret Keppler Memorial

Joseph & Laura O'Reilly Memorial

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Art French Memorial

RADIO SPONSORSHIP

February 16 – In memory of Erwin & Lucille Scherdt,

Stan & Betty Scherdt, and

Edward & Lenore Scherdt by their Family

Gifts listed were received through January 31, 2020

From Your President's Desk



Coming out of Leadership Council's January meeting, there are several exciting items to report:

Council approved Pastor Lily's request for its approval of her applying to be part of the UCC Pension Board's program, Next Generation Leadership Initiative (NGLI). NGLI is a leadership development initiative that equips, energizes, and empowers younger United Church of Christ local church pastors to build vibrant congregations that change lives and further God's mission in the world. The program costs a congregation nothing more than allowing participants to take the time necessary to attend workshops, seminars, etc. We wish Pastor Lily well on her application!

BUCC's fiscal year 2019-2020, ends at the end of May. The usual activities are gearing up: scheduling the Annual Meeting (Sunday June 14 after 10 o'clock Worship), the Nominating Committee securing candidates for posts needing refilling, a financial campaign for pledges to inform the input side off a new budget, etc. In the snows of January, it's hard to believe these things are upon us. One concrete way to get ready for the Financial Campaign is to volunteer to assist in it and attend a workshop at the end of February at the Peoples' Church in East Lansing on Saturday February 29 (Leap Day!) and Sunday March 1. See President John Samford if you're interested either in assisting with the financial campaign or attending the workshop, "Cultivating Generous Congregations".

Copies of Jeff Wortman's wonderful nature photographs hanging in Fellowship Hall can now be purchased! Details will be forth-coming, but Council approved they be ordered through the church office for a contribution plus cost of materials. (Lovingly constructed by the photographer. Thanks, Jeff!)

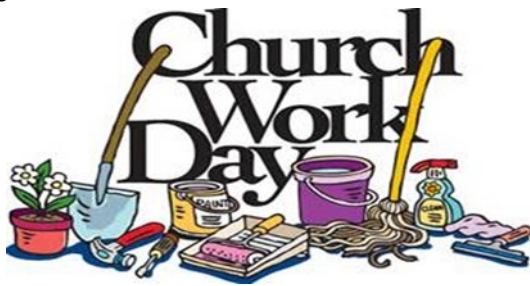
February marks the end of Pastor John Kennedy's fifth year with Bethlehem Church! Early on the morning of Ash Wednesday, February 18, 2015, Pastor John began his pastorate in Ann Arbor imposing ashes on all who came out. We congratulate Pastor John on this milestone and with it acknowledge his having qualified for a 3-month sabbatical. While we don't expect to see his office light go out midway through this February, be prepared for him to be taking some sabbatical time this year.

OUR FOOD BARREL IS HUNGRY



Our Food Gatherers barrel for nonperishables is located in the library. Please remember to gather extras each time you shop. Items most in need are soup, canned meat or vegetables, pasta, beans, rice, cereal, granola bars, peanut butter, jelly, baby food, formula, diapers, and toiletries.





SATURDAY, February 22nd
9am—12noon

Areas will include:

- Clean classroom E (next to Groundcover).
- Cleaning the Admin closet and relocating archives items to classroom E.
- Move the confirmation photo/activity rack from the Gallery to classroom E.
- Remove old light tubes, old rusty chairs, 8 ft. tables, old sound system speakers.
- Clean kitchens (Schmale, Fellowship Hall, Youth room).
- Clean and organize old music room (medical loan room and band room).
- Remove used tube lights and take to recycle.
- Miscellaneous jobs.

Please let Facilities know if there are any other areas that need attention.



Dear Friends:

Your generous donation to the Church World Service Blankets program tells people in crisis, "You're not alone. Someone cares." We are deeply grateful for your support. Because of your compassion,

- Families who have lost their homes to tornadoes, floods, earthquakes and other disasters are getting help with blankets, emergency food and shelter - and with rebuilding their lives and livelihoods.
- People struggling against crushing poverty and harsh climates are learning sustainable farming practices that will help them keep food on the table - and take it to market.
- Vulnerable children have access to clean, safe water and the nutritional food essential to growth, development and life itself.

On behalf of all the people who feel more hopeful and less alone because of your generosity, we thank you.

Sincerely,

Rev. John L. McCullough
President and CEO
Church World Service

Peace Neighborhood Winter/Spring Outreach information and sign-up sheet are located on the bulletin board outside the church office.



**Peace
Neighborhood
Center**

Fourth Tuesdays (January-May) and **every Friday** (January-June) opportunities for our church to help children and families in our community are available. Please consider volunteering at Peace! Questions? Contact Sue Muir at 734-604-6128.



Alpha House Outreach Dinner
February 2, 2020

With a Super Bowl Theme, complete with chili and toppings, and lots of other great food, we had a fun evening with the residents at Alpha House as part of our Outreach Ministry program. Many thanks to all the wonderful food donated by: **Laura Seyfried, Sue Muir, Kathy Warner, Katie Rowan, Judy Coucouvanis, Pam Widmayer, Angie Fanslau, and Michelle Loukotka.** And many thanks to **Roy Muir, Laura Seyfried, and Sue Muir** for setting up and serving dinner. And to **Sue Wortman** for providing after dinner activities for some of the children.

There will be other opportunities to help with these meals. If you would like your name added to an email list of volunteers for **Alpha House Meals**, please contact Sue Muir at suemuir@comcast.net.

Voices of Youth

On Sunday, February 16 at 4:00 pm, the Interfaith Round Table of Washtenaw County is hosting a meaningful, interfaith concert of music performed by children and youth from a variety of spiritual communities throughout our county. The theme is "Love Draws Us Together." Performers include children and youth from the Baha'i Center of Washtenaw County, Chinmaya Mission of Ann Arbor, St. Paul United Church of Christ, and The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. The concert will be held at St. Paul United Church of Christ (just 8 miles from the Big House! 122 W Michigan Avenue, Saline, MI 48176). Doors open at 3:30pm. Free.

HAPPENINGS



Shawl Ministry
Prayer Shawl Ministry
 Join us Wednesdays
 February 5, 12 & 26
 March 4, 11 & 25
 from 1 - 3 pm
 in the Lounge



Lent Bible Study - Roundtable Pulpit

Join Pastor Lily and Pastor John for a weekly Bible study during Lent. We'll gather for a brown bag lunch on Tuesdays starting March 3 from 12:00 - 1:30 pm in the lounge. Each Tuesday we will reflect on the scripture for the upcoming Sunday. Sign up sheet on the bulletin board.



Sunday, March 1
Food Gatherers Volunteer Day
At Delonis Center
12 - 2:30 pm Sign up near the office

St. Patrick's Day Cookie Sale

On Sunday, March 15, Bethlehem's children and youth will decorate St. Patrick's Day Cookies to sell after worship. Mark your calendars! Proceeds will go to [Easy Water for Everyone](#) Lent fundraiser!



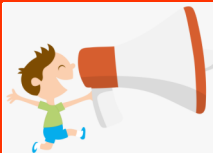
HOLY ROLLERS PRETZELS

Saturday, February 15
Saturday, March 21

Rolling at 8 am, sales from 11 am - 1 pm
 (Call 734-665-6149 to preorder)



Calling all Kids and Youth!



On Sundays in Lent, we'll need your help to collect coins for [Easy Water for Everyone](#). Please help lead Bethlehem in this fun giving opportunity! Let's see how many coins we can collect this year!




Bethlehem Veterans' Monthly Breakfast
 Friday, March 6, 8:30 am
 Classic Cup Café, Jackson Rd.
Questions? Contact Tom Ziesemer



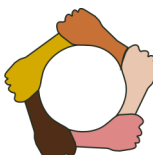
Gentle Yoga at Bethlehem

All are invited to join Gentle Yoga. Tuesdays February 4, 11 & 18 and March 3, 10, 17 & 24 at 5:30 pm in the Library. **No Yoga on February 24 and March 31.**



board game night
 hosted by Bethlehem youth group
 February 13 & March 12
 6:30-8:30
 Everyone's Invited!!!
 We eat pizza, play board games, and have a grand old time!
 We hope you can join us!

Bethlehem Prayer Circle
 February 6 & 20 and March 5 & 19
 11:30 am - 12:15 pm
 Join us in the Schmale Lounge as we lift up prayers and share a spiritual exercise



OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES After-School Program Tuesdays, 2:45-4:45 p.m.



Sign up near the office to join us as we serve elementary school children nutritious snacks before they go to their tutoring program. Please consider volunteering.

Food Distribution Program Fridays, 9:00 am-12:00 pm

Volunteers needed to help sort and distribute fresh produce, provided by Food Gatherers, to families eligible to take part in this program. No sign up necessary...just come when you can!



Food Gatherers Volunteer Day

All Bethlehem members are invited to join the Youth Group for our upcoming Food Gatherers Volunteer Day on Saturday, February 15 from 2 - 4 PM. Food Gatherers is located on Carry Way (off Dhu Varren Road). Mark your calendars for our next volunteer day on Saturday, April 18. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Spiritual Growth and Development

Pastor Lily Tinker Fortel, Minister of Spiritual Growth and Development

~ JANUARY HIGHLIGHTS ~

THANK
YOU
SO
MUCH

Thanks to Noah's grandparents (John and Karen Samford), Abby's family, and Sue and Roy Muir for bring delicious dinners to youth group/confirmation in January!

Thanks also to Kurt Schmerberg and Jesse Wilcox for all of your help with Youth Group in January!

January Board Game Night

Kurt, Katie, Diana, and Jesse play an intense game of rotating pingpong. Eileen, John, Chloe, and



of Blokus. Patti, Jane, and Nancy wrap up a lengthy game of Sorry! as others look on.



Abby strategizing in a game



To the River



A River in the Sanctuary on January 12



Della talks with children and youth about Huron Valley Watershed



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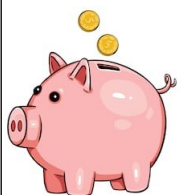
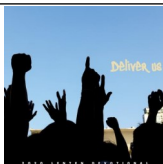
Spiritual Growth and Development

Pastor Lily Tinker Fortel - Minister of Spiritual Growth and Development

~ ~ YOUTH GROUP + LOOKING FORWARD ~ ~

Opportunities in Lent

- Sign up now for your 2020 Lent Devotionals from the *stillspeaking writers' group* of the UCC



- Bethlehem Builds—Lent Giving

Easy Water for Everyone. Begin gathering your coins! Bethlehem's children and youth will collect coins during Sunday services again this Lent.

Your coins will help build a water filtration system in Africa. Learn more on February 16.

Faith Build 2020



Sign up for 40 Days of Prayer and Service (this is a devotional and giving opportunity in one). We've set a goal of having 100 Bethlehem members participate.

Easy Water for Everyone
Sunday, February 16
Fellowship Hall

easy water
for Everyone®

Bethlehem member, Dr. Fritz Port, will give a presentation on the organization *Easy Water for Everyone* in the Fellowship Hall after 10:00 am worship. Please join us to learn more about this wonderful organization, which is our current congregational mission/giving project.

YOUTH GROUP & CONFIRMATION

Please mark your calendars for the upcoming youth group and confirmation events:

- ♦ Th., 2/6. Confirmation. 6:30-8:30pm.
- ♦ Sun., 2/9. Confirmation. Jesus Christ Superstar 12:30-6:00pm.
- ♦ Th., 2/13. Youth Group Board Game Night. 6:30-8:30pm.
- ♦ Sat., 2/15. Food Gatherers Volunteer Day, 2:00-4:00pm
- ♦ Th., 2/20. Confirmation, 6:30-8:30pm
- ♦ Sun., 2/23. Confirmation + Youth: Stone Soup Lunch, Confirmation meet until 1:30pm
- ♦ Th., 2/27. Youth Group 6:30-8:30pm
- ♦ Th., 3/5. Confirmation, 6:30-8:30pm
- ♦ Sun., 3/8. Confirmation, 11:30-1:30pm
- ♦ Th., 3/12. Youth Group Board Game Night, 6:30-8:30pm
- ♦ Th., 3/19. Confirmation, 6:30-8:30pm
- ♦ Sun., 3/22. Confirmation, 11:30-1:30pm
- ♦ Th., 3/26. Youth Group, 6:30-8:30pm
- ♦ Th., 4/2. NO Confirmation - Spring Break
- ♦ Th., 4/9. Confirmation + Youth: Maundy Thursday Service, 6:30-8:30pm
- ♦ Sun., 4/12. NO Confirmation - Happy Easter.
- ♦ Th., 4/16. Confirmation, 6:30-8:30pm
- ♦ Sat., 4/18. Food Gatherers Volunteer Day, 2:00-4:00pm
- ♦ Th., 4/23. Youth Group, 6:30-8:30
- ♦ Sun., 4/26. Confirmation, 11:30-1:30pm.
- ♦ Th., 4/30. Youth Group, 6:30-8:30pm
- ♦ Sun., 5/3. Confirmation + Youth: Cake Auction
- ♦ Confirmation meet until 1:30pm
- ♦ Th., 5/7. Confirmation, 6:30-8:30pm
- ♦ Sun., 5/10. Confirmation, 11:30-1:30pm
- ♦ Th. 5/14. Youth Group Board Game Night, 6:30-8:30pm
- ♦ Th., 5/21. Confirmation, 6:30-8:30pm
- ♦ Sun., 5/24. Confirmation Final Class, 11:30-1:30pm
- ♦ Th., 5/28. Youth Group, 6:30-8:30pm
- ♦ Sun., 5/31. Confirmation Service

STONE SOUP FUNDRAISER

February 23 - 11:30 a.m.

Fellowship Hall

Please sign up next to the office to bring an item to add to the pot:

- Chicken or vegetarian broth
- Canned vegetables
- Canned beans
- Bread/rolls/crackers

Food donations accepted
thru February 23

food items can be placed up by altar
or dropped at the church office

**All proceeds go to the
Easy Water For Everyone
Project to support
villages in Africa
with clean water**

**All are invited to
come and enjoy a bowl
of soup with us!**



To the River - Pastor Lily Preaching



...and Bethlehem Cares too"



Welcome New Members



Rick & Marsha Rinke



Sally & Kevin Elmiger



"Cuts that Care..."



Bethlehem's 2020 Summer Mission Trip

- Keep your eyes out for an invitation to participate in Bethlehem's 2020 Summer Mission Trip in the coming weeks. We're beginning our fundraising now!
- Habitat T-Shirt Quilt Raffle Fundraiser:
Between now and March 15, we'll be selling raffle tickets for a beautiful quilt made by Vicki Hoxie's Aunt Lucy from Maple Grove, Minnesota. The quilt was made using t-shirts from past Bethlehem Habitat mission trips! In addition to the quilt, we'll be raffling smaller items including 2019 & 2018 Habitat trip t-shirts and some fun tools. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20. The raffle will take place Sunday, March 15.



FROM THE BETHLEHEM CEMETERY BOARD

Thank you to all who gave donations to Bethlehem Cemetery the past year. Your contributions help us maintain the cemetery and are greatly appreciated.

As mentioned in the previous editions of the Visitor, there will be an increase in the price of lot sales, burials, and other services at the cemetery beginning January 1, 2020. This is necessary to cover the additional costs of operating Bethlehem Cemetery. Members of Bethlehem Church will still receive a 10-percent discount.



HAVE YOU SPONSORED A RADIO BROADCAST LATELY?

A sponsorship is a great way to honor or remember a special person, a special day, or a special event.

A sponsorship is \$230 and is read on the radio and printed in the weekly bulletin and monthly Visitor newsletter. In addition, general donations of any amount are appreciated. A sign up is located near the office or at SignUpGenius.com.

**Radio
Ministry**

JANUARY 2020	Year to Date	YTD Target	2019/2020 Budget
Offerings and Income	\$287,442	\$319,604	\$479,406
Expenses	\$335,052	\$354,757	\$532,136
Net	(\$47,610)	(\$35,153)	(\$52,730)



Covenant of Welcome

We, at Bethlehem United Church of Christ, declare ourselves an Open and Affirming congregation where we celebrate Christ's extravagant love. We covenant with God and one another to welcome the diverse tapestry of all people, no matter their age, race, nationality, ethnicity, economic circumstance, marital or family status, physical or mental ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression. We invite everyone—believers and questioners, seekers and skeptics—to share their gifts in the life, leadership, ministry, fellowship, worship, sacraments, responsibilities, and blessings of our congregation.

Our Core Values

- ♦ **Growing** spiritually in our faith journey together.
- ♦ **Worshipping** together to seek and share God's love.
- ♦ **Connecting** with God and each other in a supportive, nurturing way.
- ♦ **Reaching out** to our members, community, country, and the world through support and service.

Our Mission

To worship God, to learn and live the Word of God, to engage in Christian fellowship and service, to invite others to join us on our faith journey in the ministry of Jesus Christ.

Bethlehem United Church of Christ

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