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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

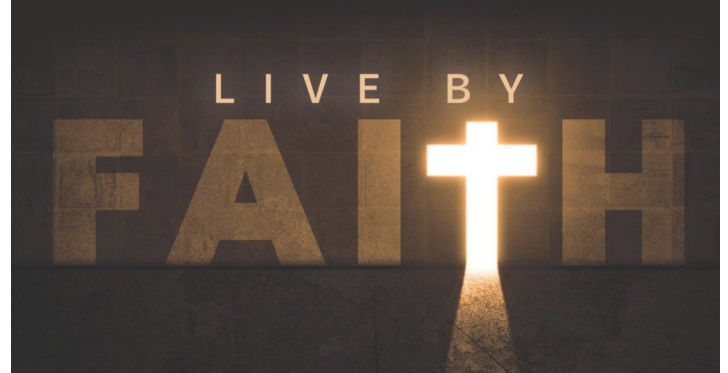
## THE HAPPENINGS

**JANUARY 26 - 31, 2024**

Our Mission: "To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world by making *Worship* a priority, extending an intentional *Invitation*, *Nurturing* Godly friendships, committing to *Grow* spiritually, and making a difference by *Serving* others."

### LIVE BY FAITH

Faith can be difficult to understand; basically, it's putting your complete trust in something, even if you don't see it or have visible evidence. Faith in God can be challenging at times as well, especially since we don't hear God audibly or see Him right in front of us. But faith is the very foundation of a relationship with Jesus. The Bible talks a lot about how to have faith, how to grow in our faith, and how we should live as a result of our faith. Paul said, "*I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.*" – Galatians 2:20. Paul lived by faith! Faith is complete trust, assurance, and confidence in God. Living by faith is shown by service and obedience to God. Are you longing to develop a deeper faith? To walk faithful with Christ every day and to truly live your life by faith? In this series, we'll learn how to engage the Bible so it guides us on a path of spiritual growth and development that will continuously strengthen our faith.



January 7	"Expect God's Best!"	Galatians 2:19-20
January 14	"More Than We Can Imagine"	Ephesians 3:14-21
January 28	"Faith Gives Us a Fresh Start"	Mark 10:46-52
February 4	"Follow the Directions!"	Psalms 119:1-8
February 11	"Don't Stop Believing!"	Romans 4:13-24

**Please Join Us for Worship | In-Person or On-Line**  
**9:30 AM & 11:00 AM**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2024 | 4TH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**

**"Faith Gives Us a Fresh Start" | Mark 10:46-52 (NIV)**

Without faith we cannot please God. We must believe that He exists and that He wants to reward those who diligently seek Him (Hebrews 11:6). It's in believing that we receive. Faith is all about believing – believing that Jesus is the Son of God, believing that He is a miracle worker, and believing that He will do what He says He can do. When we place our faith in Jesus, He offers us a fresh start, a new beginning. We see that clearly in the story of Bartimaeus. "*Your faith has made you well,*" Jesus said to Bartimaeus, the blind man. He was determined to make sure Jesus heard him when He was walking past, so Bartimaeus shouted loudly, making a fool of himself. Jesus stopped and asked, "*What do you want me to do for you?*" When Bartimaeus asked Jesus for his sight, he received it immediately and was healed. Bartimaeus' faith in Jesus changed his whole life, it gave him a fresh start. Our faith in Jesus offers us a fresh start as well if we will just believe. Have you ever wanted a fresh start? When you ask, He will forgive your past, and give you a new beginning. It's Jesus' specialty. He's ready to strengthen and help you. It is never too late to start again. Jesus is just waiting for you to ask!

## EVENTS / ACTIVITIES

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

12:00 pm	Hand and Foot Card Playing	128
12:15 pm	Serve Team	123
12:30 pm	Mini Me Handbell Choir	Chapel
3:00 pm	Confirmation	130
3:00 pm	Handbell Practice	114
3:00 pm	Tending Your Fields	123
4:00 pm	Handbell Practice	114
5:00 pm	Band of Brothers	128
5:00 pm	BFUMC 101	127
5:00 pm	Created to Create: Jewelry	101
5:00 pm	Kidz Club	Chapel
5:00 pm	Rooted Youth Nights	130
5:00 pm	The Walk Group	124

### MONDAY, JANUARY 29

4:00 pm	Book Art	128
6:00 pm	Upward Basketball Practice	Gym
6:30 pm	MAD	124

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 30

3:30 pm	Prayer Group	120
6:00 pm	Disciple 1	127
6:30 pm	Handbell Practice	114
7:00 pm	Young Adults	130

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

9:00 am	Crochet	128
10:00 am	Acts Group	124
6:30 pm	Choir Practice	119
6:30 pm	Crochet	128

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

9:00 am	It's Not Supposed to Be This Way	124
6:00 pm	Invitation to Romans	124

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

9:00 am	Upward Basketball Games	Gym
9:30 am	House of Bread Food Pantry	126

### HAND AND FOOT CARD PLAYING

Join the fun this Sunday, January 28, following the 11 o'clock worship service for food, fellowship, and play Hand and Foot. We would love to have you join us for the afternoon in Room 128. Bring a favorite dish to share. Want to know more about this fun game? Contact Ron Agnew, 706-491-9211, [ragnew0550@gmail.com](mailto:ragnew0550@gmail.com).



Beginning January 28th

### MINI ME HANDBELL CHOIR

Sundays 12:30-1pm  
in the Chapel  
with Andrea Ferrante

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can be found  
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## Missions Weekend

## FAITH THAT WORKS

FEBRUARY 23-26

**FRIDAY 2/23: RISE AGAINST HUNGER PACKING PARTY**

5:30-9pm in the Fellowship Hall

**Saturday 2/24: GREAT DAY OF SERVICE**

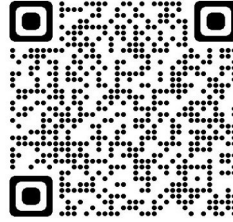
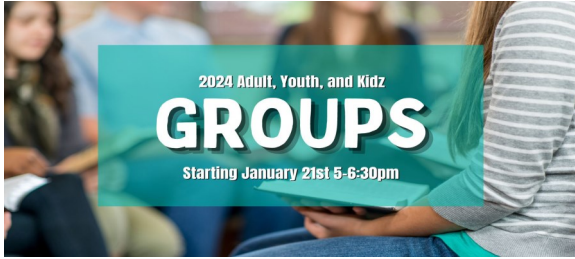
Missions here at BFUMC & elsewhere, beginning @8am

**Sunday 2/25: FAITH PROMISE PLEDGE SUNDAY**

@10:30am with guest speaker Scott Parrish

**Monday 2/26: RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**

2-7pm in the Fellowship Hall



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WINTER  
2024 Groups

## 2024 NEW ADULT GROUPS

If you are interested in growing in your faith while having fun doing it, check out our groups! We offer Bible Study groups, Life Groups, and Interest Groups, all meeting at different times and with varying levels of commitment. Descriptions of all groups are listed below. **Scholarships for books are available.**

**If you are interested in leading a group, have questions about the groups, or need a scholarship, please contact Pastor Megan at [megan.gomez@bethlehemfirstumc.com](mailto:megan.gomez@bethlehemfirstumc.com).**

### Sunday School Groups

#### 9:30 Sunday School Classes

- Friendship Class - Sundays at 9:30 AM in Room 123.  
Singles and couples welcome. This is a lecture-style teaching class based on the *Wesley Bible Curriculum*.
- Shared Journey - Sundays at 9:30 AM in Room 128.  
A group of men and women that aim to grow in their faith together through Bible study, Christian fellowship, and sharing life's experiences.
- Wesley Class - Sundays at 9:30 AM in Room 101.  
A place for senior adults to connect and study the Bible together. All senior adults are welcome in this curriculum- based class!

#### 10:45 Sunday School

- Just Say Jesus - Sundays at 10:45 AM in Room 125.  
A diverse group across multiple stages of life. Lessons are always Biblically centered and taught with humor, interesting historical perspectives, and life applications. There is also plenty of lively discussion!

### Sunday Evening Groups

- Band of Brothers: A Men's Group - Begins January 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:00 PM in Room 128.  
What does it mean to be a man in 2024? Join an eclectic group of men of all ages as they study *Mansfield's Book of Manly Men* by Stephen Manfield, and learn that a man is not defined by his interests and hobbies, but by his character. Contact Pastor Frank for more information at [frank.bernat@bethlehemfirstumc.com](mailto:frank.bernat@bethlehemfirstumc.com).
- BFUMC 101 - Begins January 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:00 PM in Room 127.  
Would you like to hear more about BFUMC? Whether you are a new guest in the church or have been here your whole life, we invite you to join us for *BFUMC 101*, a class designed to help everyone learn more about our church and the areas God has gifted them! Contact Pastor Beth for more information at [beth.dickinson@bethlehemfirstumc.com](mailto:beth.dickinson@bethlehemfirstumc.com).
- Confirmation - Begins January 28<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM.  
Join us to learn about our faith as United Methodists, our history, and our core values. Everyone 6<sup>th</sup> grade and up who has not gone through confirmation to confirm their faith before the church is invited to join! Contact our Youth and Young Adult Director, Matt Brown, with questions at

[matt.brown@bethlehemfirstumc.com](mailto:matt.brown@bethlehemfirstumc.com). You can sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805084EA9AF2EA6FF2-47020029-confirmation>.

- Created to Create - Begins January 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:00 PM .

We are offering two different art classes this winter: one on Jewelry Making and another on Acrylic Pouring. You can sign up for either one or both! We'll be creating our own bracelets, making one-of-a-kind boho beads, and distinctive artwork! For more information contact Pastor Megan at [megan.gomez@bethlehemfirstumc.com](mailto:megan.gomez@bethlehemfirstumc.com). You can also see more information on page 7.

January 21<sup>st</sup>—Jewelry Making, Room TBA

January 28<sup>th</sup>—Jewelry Making, Room TBA

February 4<sup>th</sup>—Acrylic Pouring, meets in the Fellowship Hall

February 11<sup>th</sup>—Acrylic Pouring, meets in the Fellowship Hall

- Tending Your Fields: Enjoying Life, Preparing for Emergencies, and Caring for Loved Ones

Begins January 21<sup>st</sup> at 3:00 PM. Room 123.

As we and our loved ones age, life begins to change. This class will help to prepare you for these changes to get the most out of life. Classes will include best practices for handling your estate, how to update your house to live at home as long as possible, writing a will, planning a funeral, caring for loved ones, preparing for an emergency, and more. Attendees are invited to attend all classes or simply the topics they choose. For more information contact Pastor Megan or Buddy Neel at 678-979-9998.

- The Walk - Begins January 7<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 PM in Room 124.

How do we walk with Christ—daily follow him, grow in him, and faithfully serve him? If you are looking to deepen your walk with Christ, join us for six weeks as we study *The Walk: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life* by Adam Hamilton where we focus on five essential spiritual practices that are rooted in Jesus' own walk with God and taught throughout the New Testament. Participants will need to purchase their own books. Class will be led by Bruce and Ruth Berger. For more information contact Pastor Megan at [megan.gomez@bethlehemfirstumc.com](mailto:megan.gomez@bethlehemfirstumc.com).

- Signs and Secrets of The Messiah - Begins February 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM in Room 124.

Have you ever read about Jesus' miracles in scripture and wondered if God still does miracles today? Join us for this Lenten study as we dive deep into the miracles of Jesus in the Gospel of John as we study *Signs and Secrets of the Messiah: A Fresh Look at the Miracles of Jesus in the Gospel of John* by Rabbi Jason Sobel. For more information, contact Pastor Megan at [megan.gomez@bethlehemfirstumc.com](mailto:megan.gomez@bethlehemfirstumc.com).

- Kidz Club - Begins January 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:00 PM. Meets in the Chapel and Kidz Hall.

Calling all kids Kindergarten-5<sup>th</sup> grade! Join us for creative crafts, skits, games and more as we grow in our faith with lots of fun and laughter! No need to sign up. For more information contact Amber Wigley at [amber.wigley@bethlehemfirstumc.com](mailto:amber.wigley@bethlehemfirstumc.com).

- Mini Me Handbell Choir - Begins January 28<sup>th</sup> from 12:30-1:00 PM in the Chapel.

Calling parents, grandparents, and kids aged 4-7 years old! Are you interested in having fun together and learning more about handbells? Join us for this group on Sundays after the 11:00 service with Mrs. Andrea! For more information contact Mrs. Andrea at [ferrante.smith2016@yahoo.com](mailto:ferrante.smith2016@yahoo.com).

- Rooted Youth - Begins January 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:00 PM in the Youth Room 130 (off the Gym).

Looking for a welcoming place to belong? Look no further. Join us for Bible study, games, plus fun events and retreats. No sign up needed, just show up. For more information contact Matt Brown at [matt.brown@bethlehemfirstumc.com](mailto:matt.brown@bethlehemfirstumc.com).



## **Weekday and Weeknight Groups**

### **Monday Groups**

- **Book Art Group** - Mondays from 4:00 PM- 7:00 PM in Room 128, beginning January 8<sup>th</sup>. Interested in learning a new art form? Join this group to learn how to cut and fold book pages to make one-of-a-kind art! Classes are \$10 each and all supplies are provided.
- **MAD (Making a Difference) Life Group** - Mondays at 6:30 PM in Room 124 beginning January 29<sup>nd</sup>. A supportive group that seeks to do life together in the best Wesleyan small group tradition. All adults are welcome.
- **Wisteria** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 10:00 in Room 120 (the Family Room), plus weekly exciting adventures!

Wisteria is a friendship group of women, a place to thrive, be loved, encouraged, and celebrated while having fun and laughter along the way. We have conversation, activities, outings and always prayer. If you have been a widow for a day or years, you are welcome. Come as you are! Contact Jean Stroud if you are interested at [stroud.jmd@gmail.com](mailto:stroud.jmd@gmail.com).

### **Tuesday Groups**

- **Disciple 1 Fast Track** - Tuesdays at 6:00 PM in Room 127. CLASS SIGN UPS CLOSED. If you are looking for a transformational Bible study with an overview of most of the Bible, this is for you. The Disciple Fast Track series are an adaptation of the original, bestselling *Disciple Bible Studies*, but designed with busy people in mind. Rather than meeting for 34 weeks, participants will meet for 24 weeks with shorter sessions to gain a deeper understanding of the Bible and to develop deeper connections with others in the church as you learn together how to “become disciples through Bible study.” Led by Andrea Jerman.
- **Prayer Group** - Tuesdays at 3:30 PM in Room 120 (the Family Room,) located just off the Stars Café. A wonderful group that seeks to be Spirit-led as they pray for our church, our community, and our world. This group is ongoing and all are welcome to join in on a one-time, sometimes, or weekly basis! Contact Marian Monk, [marianmonk@gmail.com](mailto:marianmonk@gmail.com).
- **Young Adults** - Begins January 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the Youth Room (130). Singles and couples aged 18-35 are welcome to join this Jesus-seeking group as they ask questions, dive into the Word, and have fun while doing it. Contact Matt Brown for more information at [matt.brown@bethlehemfirstumc.com](mailto:matt.brown@bethlehemfirstumc.com).

### **Wednesday Groups**

- **AM Crochet Group** - Wednesdays at 9:00 AM in Room 128, beginning January 3<sup>rd</sup>. Join a caring group of women as they make hand crafted items for mission and ministry. All experience levels, including beginners wanting to learn crochet, are welcome. This group is ongoing, and people are welcome to join in at any time!
- **Acts** - Wednesdays at 10:00 AM in Room 124 beginning January 10<sup>th</sup>. Interested in studying the book of Acts by reading the scripture together as a group? Sign up for this fluid class led by Ruth Pugh and discover how God moved in the early church and how He is speaking to you today!
- **PM Crochet Group** - Wednesdays at 6:30 PM in Room 128, beginning January 10<sup>th</sup>. Join a caring group of women as they make hand crafted items for mission and ministry. All experience levels, including beginners wanting to learn crochet, are welcome.

### **Thursday Groups**

- **Invitation to Romans**—Thursdays at 6:00 PM in Room 124, beginning January 18<sup>th</sup>.  
The Book of Romans is arguably one of the Apostle Paul's most important letters, laying out many of the foundational beliefs of our faith. Great theologians through the ages have all wrestled with Romans, and in this class you can take a deep dive into learning more about Paul's radical vision of God's relationship to both Christians and Jews and to their relationship to each other. This is a 9-week study open to all adults, even those with little experience with the Bible. For more information contact Pastor Megan at [megan.gomez@bethlehemfirstumc.com](mailto:megan.gomez@bethlehemfirstumc.com).
- **It's Not Supposed to Be This Way: A Women's Group** - Thursdays at 10:00 AM in Room 124, beginning February 1<sup>st</sup>.  
How do you recover when disappointment is crushing? When life is so different from what you thought it would be that you begin to quietly wonder about the reality of God's goodness? If you have ever been there, or know someone who has, join us Thursday mornings as we study *It's Not Supposed to Be This Way: Finding Unexpected Strength When Disappointments Leave You Shattered*. If you have questions, please contact Anissa Sullivan at [anissa.sullivan@bethlehemfirstumc.com](mailto:anissa.sullivan@bethlehemfirstumc.com).

### **Miscellaneous Groups** (these groups meet monthly or on their own unique schedule)

- **Chancel Choir** - Join the choir and lift praises to the Lord on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM in the choir room (119) and Sunday mornings at 10:30 am!
- **Disc Golf** - Want to build relationships with others and share a devotion with a round of disc golf? Join this fun group and play a round! This is for beginners and seasoned players! If you don't have discs, don't worry we have plenty to share to get you started. Games are scheduled for one Saturday each month at various locations within a 45-minute drive from BFUMC. Contact Lee Wigley at [wigley8184@yahoo.com](mailto:wigley8184@yahoo.com) for more information, the 2024 schedule, and an invite to the Facebook Group, if interested!
- **FAM: Family Adventure Ministry** - A special group for families to have fun in the outdoors together while growing in their faith. Past activities have included hiking and stargazing with devotions. Group plans to begin activities as the weather warms.
- **Hand and Foot Card Playing** - Join this group for food and card games every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday following the 11:00 service in Room 128.
- **Handbell Choir** - Meets in Conference Room (127). See description for times.  
Join the handbell choir and ring praises to the Lord! Ringers will be divided into a group by age and ability. Groups meet Sundays 3:00-4:00 pm, 4:00-5:00 pm, and Tuesday 6:30-7:30 pm. Contact Jenny Smith with questions at [jandsmith1102@gmail.com](mailto:jandsmith1102@gmail.com).
- **Hiking Group** - Newcomers and experienced hikers are welcome to join in this group, which offers monthly hikes with a devotional. Contact Amber Wigley for more information at [amber.wigley@bethlehemfirstumc.com](mailto:amber.wigley@bethlehemfirstumc.com).
- **Travel Club** - Looking for trips both local and further afield? Join the travel club! Different trips offered every month. Contact Wanda Doster for more information at [wjdoster@windstream.net](mailto:wjdoster@windstream.net).
- **United Methodist Women** - 3rd Tuesday of every month at 1:00 PM in Room 128.  
A service and mission-oriented group for women. All women welcome!

## Created to Create at BFUMC

Do you like exploring new arts and crafts projects? Check out Created to Create! Classes offered for Jewelry Making and Acrylic Pouring. You can sign up for either one or both.

- Begins January 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.
- Schedule

- \* January 21<sup>st</sup> Jewelry Making
- \* January 28<sup>th</sup> Jewelry Making
- \* February 4<sup>th</sup> Acrylic Pouring
- \* February 11<sup>th</sup> Acrylic Pouring

For more information about Jewelry Making or Acrylic Pouring, contact Pastor Megan, [megan.gomez@bethlehemfirstumc.com](mailto:megan.gomez@bethlehemfirstumc.com).

### Jewelry Making

In the Jewelry Making classes we will learn how to make Boho Beads! Making Boho Beads is a delightful and relaxing experience. Every bead created is a beautiful and unique collection of components pulled together in a way to reflect the maker's aesthetic. A variety of small scrap materials can be incorporated into your Boho Bead, including meaningful elements such as a scrap of lace from a wedding dress or bead from your mother's broken necklace. The bead can then be a central focal component assembled into a bracelet, necklace, earrings, purse dangler, key chain fob, bookmark enhancers, ornaments, and more!

**There is no fee for this class, but donations will be greatly appreciated for BFUMC's Good Samaritan Fund to help those in need!**

Tools needed (Jewelry making kits can be found at Michaels and other retailers. A limited number of tools will be available for participants to share if you do not have your own):

- Round nose pliers
- Flat nose pliers
- Flush cutter
- Small fabric scissors
- Emery board
- Safety glasses

Materials needed to make Boho Beads (materials will be provided, but you may wish to bring your own):

- Paper or plastic straws
- Fabric scraps
- Fabric glue
- 20 gauge jewelry wire
- 26 gauge jewelry wire
- Beads (4-11 mm)
- Seed beads
- Sequins
- Tiny buttons
- Thread, yarn, trim, embroidery floss, ribbon scraps



Sample  
Boho Beads

### Acrylic Pouring

In the Acrylic Pouring classes we will learn about Fluid Art/ Acrylic Pouring and create our own unique pieces of art! You can bring your own canvases or wooden panels if you have them, or pay a flat fee (no more than \$10) for the materials (canvases, paint, cups, gloves). More information will be provided closer to the date.



Sample  
Acrylic Pour



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**Day 2:** After a Continental Breakfast you will continue to head towards your destination. Today, you will arrive in exciting Lancaster, PA. Before checking into your Lancaster area hotel, Sight & Sound Theatres invites you to experience the "DANIEL" Show. From the fiery furnace to the infamous den of lions, DANIEL is a spectacular theatrical experience for the whole family. Witness one of the Bible's most hope-filled stories as it comes to life in this brand-new original stage production from Sight & Sound Theatres®! Tonight enjoy Dinner and check into your hotel for a 3 night stay.

**Day 3:** Today after enjoying a Continental Breakfast, you will go to THE AMISH EXPERIENCE attraction. The Amish Country Homestead is a reflection of their commitment to accurately and sensitively portray the Old Order Amish as they live and work in today's world. The Homestead is the home of the fictional Amish family of Daniel and Lizzie Fisher, whom you have gotten to know in the Amish Experience Theater's "Jacob's Choice." Inside the Homestead, learn of Amish traditions and practices, plain clothing and life without electricity. The Fisher One-Room School is attached to the house and filled with authentic desks and furnishings from an actual Amish school. You'll learn the tradition of teaching eight grades in one room. From the pantry stocked full of freshly canned vegetables to the family's plain clothes... from propane-powered lamps to air-compressor driven appliances... the Fisher Family Homestead truly provides insights into the complex riddles of a culture so very different from our own. Then, you will enjoy a show at the MAGIC & WONDER THEATER. Tonight, enjoy Dinner before heading back to your hotel.

**Day 4:** After enjoying a Continental Breakfast, you will head to Philadelphia. Upon your arrival, you will go on a GUIDED TOUR OF PHILADELPHIA. During your tour some of the highlights you will see include: Independence Hall, Betsy Ross' House, The Mint, The Federal Reserve, The Holocaust Memorial, Logan Circle, Penn's Landing and "The Rocky Steps." After your guided tour, you will have free time in the historic district where you will be able to visit the Liberty Bell and the Independence Visitor Center. Later, you will have Dinner before returning to your hotel for the evening.

**Day 5:** Today after enjoying a Continental Breakfast, you will go on a GUIDED TOUR OF LANCASTER including Amish Country. Next, you'll visit the KITCHEN KETTLE VILLAGE – a charming marketplace of shops and restaurants. Later that day, you'll check into your en route hotel.

**Day 6:** Today, after enjoying a Continental Breakfast, you depart for home. A perfect time to chat with your friends about all the fun things you've done, the great shows you've seen and where your next group trip will take you!

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 2024

Note: Names in Bold added this week

Anderson, Susan – *Treatment for uterine cancer (Ruth Berger)*

Austin, Phyllis – *recovering from rotator cuff surgery (Nick Jacobs)*

Banks, Theo – *travel mercies on 1/23, prayers for daughter*

**Berger, Ruth** – *prayers for Lorrie and Louise, recovering from knee replacement*

Bernat, Betty - *memory issues*

Bernat Sr., Frank – *at home recovering from health issues*

Bray, Jesse & Jenn – *baby Brooks, born at 22 weeks and passed away on 12.23 (Ashley Pieper)*

Broach, Family of Donna – *passed away on 1/8 (Lynn Smith)*

Brown, Tracy – *cancer (3<sup>rd</sup> time) and traces in bone marrow. Also pray for husband and 4 children (Rachel Bernat)*

Coe, Roy – *treatment for heart issue (Lynn Smith)*

Copeland, Lisa – *medical issues (sister of Linda Knowles)*

Dahlgren, Louise – *recovering from knee replacement (Bruce Berger's sister)*

Evans, Shirlee Kinsey – *husband passed away (Pete & Letty Black)*

Furrow, William – *leaves for deployment training in Texas on Feb. 2, then deployed in March (Kim Furrow's son)*

Gregoire, Lorrie – *knee replacement Tuesday, January 16 (Bruce Berger)*

Gomez, Megan – *recovering from oral surgery 1/16*

Harrison, Clara – *family members recent move across country; health issues for sister Susan and brother Vic.*

**Huckfeldt Sr., Family of Paul** – *(Brooke Lewis-Slamkova's grandfather)*

Hughes, Family of Ron

Josiah – *Premature baby; still in hospital (Lynn Smith)*

Lane, Jennie – *diagnosed with breast cancer (Lesli Bernat's aunt)*

Langley, Tim – *not recovering well from brain cancer surgery (Amanda Kiner)*

Lockerbie, Diane – *recovering from 1/9 surgery at home (Beth Dickinson's mother)*

Manders, Liam – *badly burned in an accident at work (Brenda & Larry Partee's grandson)*

Maxey, Raleigh – *Praise! Healthy baby boy born 1/9*

McBrayer, Larry – *complications in recovery from bladder cancer surgery (Paul & Hazel Plourde neighbor's stepfather)*

Mirkes, Monica - *parents health & safety, relationship with husband*

**Moon, Joan Pruett** – *(Wanda Doster)*

Moore, Linda – *cancer, please pray*

Murphy, Dora Mae – *continued recovery from pneumonia (Nancy Turpin)*

Murphy, John - *mother in hospital with pneumonia. Prayers to find best home care.*

Oakes, Dixie – *pray for the Oakes/Webb family as we have just lost a family member*

Palmisano, Sal – *recent illness (Frank Palmisano's father)*

Peavy, Chuck – *Parkinson's disease (Jo Ellen Jacobs' brother)*

Reitz, Robert – *weakness in legs (Nancy Turpin's father)*

**Schultz, Tess** – *prayers for friend Tina's father-in-law Ribard, recovering from surgery*

**Smith, Cheryl** – *health*

Smith, Connie – *at home recovering from hip surgery (Pat Gunderman)*

Smith, Jim & Amy – *illness (Ruth Berger)*

Stevenson, Larry – *bone infection (Joey Ferro's uncle)*

Still, Preston & Reba – *health issues*

Sturchio, Emily – *Praise! Mother is home recovering from Covid; Continued prayer for complete recovery*

Turpin, Kathleen – *praise: found a job!*

**Wright, Tina** – *hospitalized (Linda Knowles' neighbor)*

**Wood, Pam Clotfelter**

## Ongoing Requests

Alcorn, Shirley – *cancer*

Allen, Tyler

Bell, Charles – *eye issues*

Cox, Billy

Dean, Jamie – *breast cancer*

Dillard, Tonya

Fleeman, Brenda & Johnny

Helmets, Lois – *severe back pain*

Massey Family – *health issues*

Odum, Jimmy

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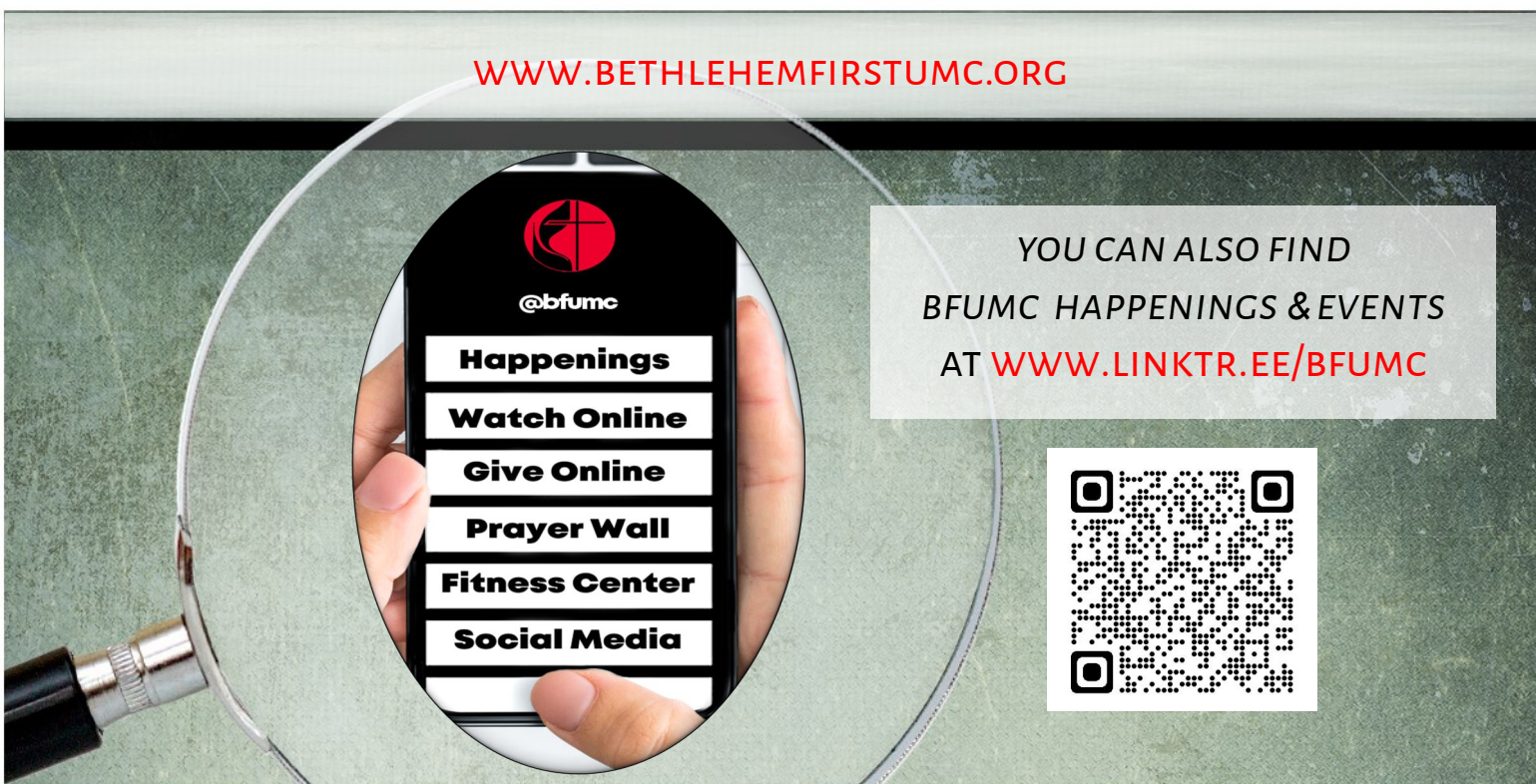
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