



**BETHANY CHURCH**

TO LOVE, OBEY, AND PROCLAIM JESUS CHRIST

December 3, 2023

**WORSHIP ORDER**

**Macungie Campus**  
Worship Center  
3801 Brookside Rd.  
Macungie, PA 18062  
610-395-3613

**Wescosville Campus**  
Offices & Preschool  
1208 Brookside Road  
Allentown, PA 18106  
610-395-3613

**Church Staff Information:**

For a full staff listing, please visit the church’s website at [www.bethanyumchurch.com](http://www.bethanyumchurch.com) or contact the church office.

**Lord, Hear Our Prayers**

Missions and Missionaries

Crossroads Center (Greece)

Tim Henderson/Blue Ridge Fellows

Bethany Shut-Ins

Bill Fackler, Joan Hyland, Debby Larimer, Rebecca Loven, Marilyn Michael, Thelma Ronemus, Curtis Shiflett, Robert Shoemaker, Sammie Trumbore

Special Prayer Requests

David, Petra, Willow & Eden, The Deutsch Family, Donna, Bill and Shirli, Bill Flook, Jeff, Cheyenne Jones, Viola Lapatka, Walter Leitenberger, Sharon McKeirnan, Donna Price, William Prueter, Luis Rivera, Charles Schubert, Joshua Scoble, Paul Spiegle, Tazion and Melissa, Nora Ulecka, Caleb, Noah, Hannah & Luke Weaver, Jarrod Wolfe

**Our Mission Statement:**

**To Love, Obey and Proclaim Jesus Christ!  
Welcome to Bethany Church!**

**Call to Worship:** Steve Skekel, Worship Pastor, Lori Trumbauer, Pianist/Choir Director, Karley Cicale, Worship Assistant

**Advent:** Mary Ellen Takas, Ellie Deere (8am), The Socci Family (10:30am)

**Songs:** *Christmas Day, Angels We Have Heard On High*

**Sacrament of Holy Communion**

**Song:** *I’ve Witnessed It*

**Children’s Message:** Marleah Doyle, Family Pastor, Brittney Lutseo, Children’s Ministry Assistant

**Announcements/Offertory Prayer:** Donna Barnwell, Pastor of Discipleship

**Song:** *When I Think Upon Christmas*

**Sermon:** Steve Skekel, Associate Pastor – *The Problem Of Sin, White As Snow Advent Series*

**Song:** *King Jesus*

**Scripture Breakdown:** *Isaiah 59:1-4, Isaiah 1:18*

Attendance *	Weekly Need	Last Week	Weekly Average
Nov. 26, 2023 <b>421</b>	\$30,798	\$18,048	\$25,946

\*attendance\* 344 in person, 77 individual IP addresses streaming

### **Christmas Cantata**

Please join us on Friday December 8 at 7:00 p.m. at the Macungie Worship Center as the Bethany Christmas Choir and Bell Choir presents "A Journey Of Promises" by Joseph M. Martin. We are excited to bring this tradition back to the music ministry of Bethany! Come and share this musical journey from the Old Testament to the New Testament with traditional Christmas Carols and also some new music! We look forward to sharing the night with you!

### **Christmas Season Charity Donations or Work Service Time with Dough2Door**

The weather is getting colder and one of our Dough2Door Weekend Warrior teams is out for the season with major health issues. Therefore, we would appreciate some of our church family stepping up and helping these on-the-ground warriors.

We are asking for casseroles from your favorite recipes or your favorite store to fill two average crock pots or two of the pans in the Narthex. That amount will feed approximately 25 homeless souls. If you could deliver it to the Wescosville refrigerator either Thursday or Friday during office hours from 9am-4pm for us to use that weekend. Mark it 'D2D' and let one of the contact list people know it's there. This is a continuing request through the winter so any weekend would help. Here's all the areas we serve and look for help, if you have time, talent, or donations for this great ministry here are some ways to share:

### **Food Ministry in Action**

Spend some time making food, packing for delivery, or coming out to deliver it in Allentown Saturdays or Sundays. Contact one of us or you can use our SignUpGenius app for a specific date/service item and we'll contact you.

SignUpGenius [Link here](#) (coordinator Jenny Lalik):

Contacts to reach us directly for more information:

Bobbi Janson	215.778.7869
Ed Bock	610.428.3659
Tara Bock	610.428.0936
Dan Rubio	484.637.6064
Cindy Madsen	610.349.4015
Connie Bond	610.703.2806

### **Clothing Donations**

Warm adult clothing, blankets, hats, gloves, etc are appreciated, you can drop them off at the Wescosville office marked 'D2D'.

### **Financial Donations**

Financial donations can be done through the church Use the internet Online giving gift option under DOUGH2DOOR Place a donation in an envelope marked 'DOUGH2DOOR' for the offering during worship

**Thank you** for considering serving our poor and homeless community. God's blessings on this great mission.

### **Coming in December and January**

*Study on 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy* – begins December 10, Sunday mornings, 9:15-10:15am, room 311

*1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians* – Women's zoom group, begins in early January, Wednesday evenings, 6:30-7:45pm, please sign up  
*Progressive vs Traditional, Why the UMC is Splitting*, begins January 10, Wednesday evenings, 6:15-7:45pm, Wescosville Campus, sign ups requested  
*Partnership (membership) Class* – meets January 15 and 22, 6:30-8pm, Wescosville Choir Room, sign ups requested

### **Special Needs Bingo – Info and Donation Needs**

Big News: Special needs bingo is happening at Bethany!

Who: Young adults/adults, 18 years old and older and their parents or caregiver

When: Friday, December 15, 6:30 – 8:30pm

Where: Bethany Macungie Large Group Room

Tara & Ed Bock, Amy & Mark Miller, Cindy Madsen and I, Diane Kehoe want to thank our Bethany Church family for all the prayers and donations that have made this ministry a reality.

Questions can be directed to Dianne Kehoe at 623-256-1292 or [mommomkehoe47@gmail.com](mailto:mommomkehoe47@gmail.com) OR Tara Bock at 610-428-0936 or [tbock1976@yahoo.com](mailto:tbock1976@yahoo.com)