

"The Pilgrims and God's Providential Care"

"The Lord will guard your going out and your coming in/ From this time forth and forever." Psalm 121:8

In the midst of our "woke" culture it is good to be reminded about genuine heroes who were involved in the founding of our nation and were instruments of God's providential care. They were imperfect people whom God used to bring Christianity to our continent.

In the winter and spring of 1620-1621 the Pilgrims were in desperate straits. Most of them had become sick. Ten of seventeen husbands and fathers died. Of the seventeen wives, only three were alive after three months. By April more than half of the occupants of the Mayflower had died of disease or famine.

It was then that they encountered Squanto, a native American who spoke fluent English and had already been introduced to the gospel of Christ. He and his Wampanoag Indian friends showed the Pilgrims how to survive. Here is the testimony of Governor Bradford:

"...But Squanto continued with them [the Pilgrims], and was their interpreter, and was a special instrument sent of God for their good beyond their expectation. He directed them how to plant their corn, where to catch fish, and how to procure other items, and was also their pilot to guide them to unexplored places for their use, and never left them until he died. He was a native of this place, and had almost no one left alive besides himself. He had been carried away with various others by one Hunt, a master of a ship, who expected to sell them for slaves to Spain, but [Squanto] escaped to England where he was lodged by a merchant in London, and employed in Newfoundland and other places, and finally brought here by one Mr. Dermer, a gentleman employed by Sir Ferdinando Gorges and others, for exploration and other projects in these parts... [When Squanto returned to Massachusetts, he discovered that his entire Patuxet tribe near what is today Plymouth had been wiped out by disease.]

"[In 1622 at Maramoick Bay] Suanto fell sick with an Indian fever, bleeding heavily from the nose (which the Indians consider a symptom of death), and within a few days died there, requesting the governor to pray for him, that he might go to the Englishmen's God in heaven; and he bequeathed some of his things to different ones of his English friends as tokens of his love. He was a great loss." (Book 2 of *Bradford's History of Plymouth Plantation*) Pastor Kurt

<u>MEN'S BREAKFAST</u>- Guys, join us for a tasty breakfast on Saturday, Nov. 13, at 8 AM in Emmaus Hall. Besides great food and great fellowship, we hope to have great discussion about a great video about our great God.

<u>CHURCH HIKE</u>- On Saturday, Nov. 27, we will meet on the church campus at 8 AM for our monthly hike. We are planning to go to White Rock Canyon and Arizona Hot Springs. It is a round trip hike of a little over 6 miles.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

5th Shirley Thomas

9th Lois Wood

10th Carl Carstensen

18th Betty Moberger

23rd Ernie Eskam

26th Dave Legler

30th Pastor Kurt Hedlund

30th Sue Savage

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

8th Dave & Val Legler



Church-wide Decorating

Hanging of the Greens
Sunday, December 2nd, 9:30AM

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Collection Week:

November 15-22

Shoeboxes available in church sanctuary: November 7, 14 & 21.



Church Business Meeting 11:15 a.m. on Sunday, 11/14

All members are encouraged to attend this meeting. We will vote on new members, proposed nominees and the budget for 2022.







NEXT SUNDAY 11/7



NOVEMBER 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
7 Biz info meeting 6p	8	9	10	11 Observed Veterans' Day Office Closed	12	13 Men's Breakfast 8:00 am	
Church Business Meeting	15	16	17	18	19	20 Ladies Fellowship Day Bellagio	
21	22	23	BCMA Thanksgiving Eve Service 5:30 pm Outdoors @ Bethany	25 Thanksgiving	26 Office Closed	27 Church Hike 8am Joy for our Journey	
28	29	30		Bethany Financials \$35,000.00 \$30,000.00			

WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday: Worship Service - 10:00 a.m.

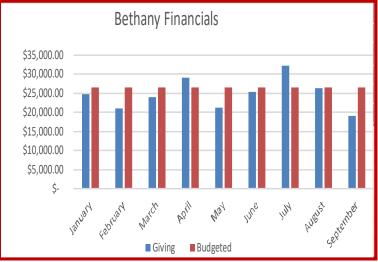
Adult Bible Study @ 11:15 a.m. Ladies' Sunday School @ 11:15 a.m.

Bible Study @ 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday: Ladies' Bible study w/ Sharon P

Wednesday: Ladies' Book Club 10:00 a.m.

Prayer Meeting - 1:00 p.m.



Bethany's 2021 budget was based on receiving offerings averaging \$26,432.42 each month.

Year to date budget requirement was \$237,891.78. YTD giving, through September, totaled \$223,124.28 The difference was (\$14,767.52).



2021 Boards

Board of Elders - Mac Jaynes, Chairman

Board of Deacons - Don Scott, Chairman

Board of Deaconesses - Carol Tyson, Chairwoman

Christian Education Board - Jenny Fletcher, Chairwoman

Property Maintenance Board - Ernie Eskam, Chairman

Missions Board - Rob Hedlund, Chairman

Service Time: 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School: 11:15 a.m.

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